

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

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RE: AMENDMENTS TO **MISCELLANEOUS RULE 1.1.5 OF** THE LOCAL RULES OF THE **PERIOR COURT OF GUAM** (INDIGENT DEFENSE RULE)

Supreme Court Case No. PRM06-006

) PROMULGATION ORDER NO. 06-006-29

The Supreme Court created the Private Attorney Panel on January 18, 2007, through Promulgation Order No. 07-001. The compensation schedule for the Private Attorney Panel was created as Miscellaneous Rule 1.1.5 of the Local Rules of the Superior Court of Guam when those rules were enacted by Promulgation Order No. 06-006-01 on May 3, 2007. On October 2, 2007, the Supreme Court issued Promulgation Order No. 06-006-03, amending Miscellaneous Rule 1.1.5 to clarify compensation in juvenile delinquency cases and to provide for compensation in juvenile special proceedings cases and for attorneys appointed for guardian ad litem services. On July 16, 2008, the Supreme Court issued Promulgation Order No. 06-006-06, further amending Miscellaneous Rule 1.1, including raising the maximum compensation for felony cases in which the defendant faces life in prison.

20 On April 14, 2022, the court, on the recommendation of the Standing Committee for the Private Attorney Panel, the Administrative Office of the Courts, and the Judiciary's Financial Management Division, increased the compensation rates and caps for the Private Attorney Panel, 22 through Promulgation Order No. 06-006-20, which increased the compensation cap for felonies, 23 among other amendments. On March 27, 2023, upon consultation with the Judiciary's Finance 24 Administrator, the court through Promulgation Order No. 06-006-23 further adjusted the hourly 25 rate for court-appointed attorneys from \$100.00 per hour to \$150.00 per hour, increased the 26 compensation cap for misdemeanor cases from \$3,500.00 to \$3,600.00, and increased the compensation cap for investigators from \$1,500.00 to \$2,000.00. These rates were implemented 28

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1	on a trial basis through December 31, 2023, and later extended three times – first through June 30,
2	2024, then through December 31, 2024, and finally through June 30, 2025.
3	The court further EXTENDS this trial period for an additional three months. Therefore, the
4	amendments to M.R. 1.1 as adopted in Promulgation Order No. 06-006-23 shall remain in effect
5	through September 30, 2025, unless extended by further order of the court.
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7	SO ORDERED this 2nd day of July, 2025, nunc pro tunc to June 30, 2025.
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10	/s/ /s/ /s/ F. PHILIP CARBULLIDO KATHERINE A. MARAMAN
11	Associate Justice Associate Justice
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13	/s/ ROBERT J. TORRES
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