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PEMBERTON SQUARE, MEZZANINE

TO: All Persons on the Fee Generating Category "F" list: Cases paid by the Commonwealth

FROM: Hon. John D. Casey, Chief Justice

DATE: October 2, 2018

The Executive Office of the Trial Court has announced that effective October 1, 2018, investigators appointed in care and protection matters pursuant to G.L. c. 119, s. 24 and investigators appointed as an investigative Guardian Ad Litem in accordance with SJC Rule 1:07 Category F and pursuant to G.L. c. 215, s. 56A shall be paid by the hour, at the rate of \$40.00 per hour, for a maximum of thirty hours per investigation. In exceptional circumstances, the Court may authorize an investigator to work and bill more than thirty hours, but such authorization must be in writing, signed by the Justice, limited to no more than 10 hour increments and issued only upon a written request which sets forth the exceptional circumstances.

Please feel free to call or email Jocelyne Welsh with any questions about this change.