

CIRCUIT 5 – DUE PROCESS COSTS LEGISLATIVE ESTABLISHED RATES FOR EXPERT SERVICES

Pursuant to s. 27.425, Florida Statutes, these rates are established annually by the Legislature in the General Appropriations Act (GAA). The GAA is available on the Florida Department of State's website at https://laws.flrules.org/. The applicable rate is determined by the rate in effect on the on the date of appointment or service.

Psychiatrist or Ph.D. Level Experts:

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Flat Rate Per Evaluation*	\$500.00
In-Court Time** Per Hour	\$150.00
Deposition Time Per Hour	\$125.00
Waiting to Testify*** Per Hour	\$60.00
Preparation Prior to Testimony & Consultation with Attorney Per	\$125.00
Hour	
Travel to Court if Called to Testify Per Hour	\$50.00

^{*}Rate applies to experts appointed pre-trial to perform competency/sanity evals, pre-trial forensic exams, evals for departure hearings, and psych evals in juvenile cases. Rate includes review of documents, testing, writing of the report, attorney consultation, and travel time.

**Minimum fee of \$200.00 applies.

***Applies only if expert was not paid the minimum fee.

Professional Experts:

Rate	Per	Hour:

Initial Review of Records, Testing, Writing of Report, Review of	\$125.00
Accident Scene, In-Court Testimony & Deposition Time	
Waiting to Testify	\$60.00
Preparation Prior to Testimony & Consultation with Attorney	\$125.00
Travel to Court if Called to Testify	\$50.00

Rates apply to MDs, dentists, psychiatrists, lawyers, PhDs, or other experts with doctorates hired as a pre-trial expert to perform services other than those listed above; evals for use in penalty phase of a capital case, qualified DNA analyst, or accident reconstructionist hired to perform testing.

Other Experts:

Rate Per Hour:

In-Court Testimony or Depositions	\$75.00
Waiting to Testify	\$50.00
Preparation Prior to Testimony & Consultation with Attorney	\$75.00

Rates apply to other pre-trial experts not listed above.

Licensed Nurse Practitioners: *

Rate Per Hour:

In-Court Testimony or Depositions	\$75.00
Waiting to Testify	\$50.00
Preparation Prior to Testimony & Consultation with Attorney	\$75.00

^{*}If consulted or called to testify in conjunction with an examination