

CIRCUIT 11 – 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.

Polygraph Examinations:

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Exam up to 4 Hours – Flat Rate	\$350.00
If Exam is Over 4 Hours – Hourly Rate Thereafter	\$75.00

District Medical Examiner, Associate Medical

Examiner, and County Chief Toxicologist: Rate Per Hour:

In-Court Testimony	\$150.00
Out-of-Court Testimony	\$100.00

Psychiatrist and Ph.D. Rates: *

Psychological/Competency Evaluations – Exam Flat Rate**	\$300.00

^{*}Rates apply to pre-trial experts appointed by the court to determine competency for trial (JAC does not pay) or hired to perform a competency eval (JAC only pays if confidential to defense counsel), to determine sanity at the time of the offense, for the purposes of a departure hearing, or in civil cases for certain psychological evals as listed below.

**Rate applies to a pre-trial forensic exam, eval for departure hearings, psycho diagnostic clinical interview, or eval in a civil case to determine capacity or involuntary treatment. Rate includes review of documents, testing, writing of the report, consultation with counsel, waiting time, and travel time.

Psychological Evaluation or Psycho Diagnostic Clinical Interview	\$400.00
at the State Hospital – Exam Flat Rate*	

*Rate includes review of documents, testing, writing of the report, consultation with counsel, waiting time, and travel time.

Extended Psycho Diagnostic Clinical Interview in a Mentally	\$400.00
Deviate Sex Offender Case – Exam Flat Rate*	

*Rate applies to experts hired to evaluate a defendant for amenability to treatment or for sentencing recommendations. Rate includes review of documents, testing, writing of the report, consultation with counsel, waiting time, and travel time.

Family Psychological Evals and Evals of a Child's Ability to	\$300.00
Testify in Dependence or TPR Cases – Adult Exam Flat Rate*	
Family Psychological Evals and Evals of a Child's Ability to	\$150.00
Testify in Dependence or TPR Cases – Child Exam Flat Rate*	

* Rate includes review of documents, testing, writing of the report, consultation with counsel, waiting time, and travel time.

Loss of Earnings Due to No-Shows – Flat Rate*	\$150.00

*Doctor must mitigate loss of earnings by seeing other clients, conducting other business, or must attest to the loss of earnings before being paid the no-show flat fee.

Other Professional Services Besides Exams:

Rate Per Hour:

Testimony In-Court or at Deposition	\$150.00
Waiting to Testify	\$75.00
Preparation & Consultation with Attorney	\$100.00
Travel to Testify In-Court or at Deposition	\$75.00

Other Professional Experts: *

Rate Per Hour:

Testimony In-Court or at Deposition**	\$150.00
Waiting to Testify	\$75.00
Preparation & Consultation with Attorney	\$100.00
Travel to Testify In-Court or at Deposition	\$75.00

^{*}Rates apply to a M.D., Ph.D., dentist, lawyer, or other expert with a doctorate hired as a pretrial expert to perform services other than those listed above; a psychiatrist or psychologist hired to perform a forensic eval for use in penalty phase; a qualified DNA analyst; or an accident reconstructionist. Rates only apply if the expert is not an employee or agent of a governmental law enforcement agency.

Other Pre-Trial Experts: *

Rate Per Hour:

Testimony In-Court or at Deposition	\$75.00
Waiting to Testify	\$25.00
Preparation & Consultation with Attorney	\$50.00

^{*}Rates apply to any pre-trial expert other than those listed above hired by the attorney or authorized in a written order by the judge.

Other Lay Expert: *

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Chapter 393 or 744 – Exam Flat Rate	\$150.00
Chapter 394 – Per Hour	\$50.00
Chapter 394 – Maximum Fee Per Eval	\$100.00

*Rates apply to any lay person such as a physician's ass't, R.N., L.P.N., MSW, or qualified professional with a minimum of a Master's degree in social work, special ed, or voc rehab when appointed by the presiding judge as a member of an examining committee (JAC does not pay) or in response to a petition for incapacity or involuntary treatment.

^{**}Includes records review, testing, writing of report, accident scene review, in-court testimony, & deposition testimony.