

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE _____ JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR _____ COUNTY, FLORIDA

STATE OF FLORIDA,

CASE NO.: _____

vs.

DIV.: _____

_____,
Defendant.

JUDGE: _____

_____/

MOTION TO INCUR COSTS FOR MITIGATION SPECIALIST

COMES NOW the Defendant, by and through the undersigned counsel, and moves to incur costs for a defense mitigation specialist and in support thereof, shows the following:

1. The Defendant is indigent. The undersigned is privately retained and the Court previously found the Defendant indigent for costs. The State is seeking the death penalty as a potential punishment in the above-cited case.

2. The defense requires the assistance of a mitigation specialist to help in developing mitigating evidence in this matter. The defense requests authorization for up to \$_____ at the rate of \$_____ per hour for the services of _____ as the defense mitigation specialist in this matter.

3. The requested mitigation specialist's skill and expertise justify the hourly rate requested. A copy of the mitigation specialist's *curriculum vitae* is attached.

WHEREFORE, the defense requests this Court enter an order authorizing the defense to incur costs for a mitigation specialist as set forth above.

Respectfully submitted,
