

Internal Operating Policy 22-05

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Subject: Payment of conflict of interest death penalty cases

The following is the Standards Council procedure for the payment of conflict of interest death penalty cases:

After the trial judge has appointed conflict counsel in a death penalty case, the conflict attorney shall send invoices for attorney fees to the Director and Deputy Director of Conflict Case Management. The Director and Deputy Director will determine the reasonableness of the fees. After determination has been made, the bill is submitted to the Deputy Director of Fiscal and Governmental Affairs for payment.

¹ O.C.G.A. § 17-12-5 (c) (2) provides as follows: “(c) The director shall...(2) Develop such rules, policies, procedures, regulations, and standards as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter and comply with all applicable laws, standards, and regulations, and submit these to the council for approval”.