

State of South Dakota Unified Judicial System



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Mr. Paul Cremer State Bar of South Dakota 111 W. Capitol Avenue, #1 Pierre, South Dakota 57501

RE: 2025 Court-Appointed Attorney Fees and Mileage

Dear Mr. Cremer:

Please publish the following announcement in the December 2024 issue of the State Bar Newsletter:

"Court-appointed attorney fees for 2025 will be \$120 per hour pursuant to UJS policy which provides that these fees increase in an amount equal to any cost of living increase approved for state employees by the Legislature. Mileage for courtappointed attorneys will be paid at the rate of \$1.00 per mile."

Note: This is for trial level services but should be utilized for appellate work as well pending adoption of rules promulgated by the Commission on Indigent Legal Services.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Greg Sattizahn State Court Administrator

Our Mission: Justice for All *Our Vision:* We are stewards of an open, effective, and accessible court system, worthy of the Public's trust and confidence.