

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI**


IN RE:)
EARLY PAYMENTS TO CJA COUNSEL)
DUE TO COVID-19 RESPONSE)

ORDER

WHEREAS this Court continues to evaluate its response to the spread of the COVID-19 virus, and recognizes that many criminal cases will be extended for long periods of time;

NOW THEREFORE, the Court hereby adopts the following Order:

1. This Court authorizes payments to CJA Panel Attorneys prior to completion of the attorney's work on the case, without further need of the attorney to file a motion with the presiding judge in any specific case, subject to ordinary review and approval by the presiding judge;
2. CJA Panel Attorneys may submit requests under this Order in the same manner that they submit payments in eVoucher in completed cases;
3. Ordinary approval by the presiding judge of the request within eVoucher shall constitute approval in any specific case; and
4. This Order supersedes this Court's prior Order dated March 31 regarding CJA counsel payments. CJA counsel are authorized to submit payments under this Order for any time from the original Order dated March 31 through the expiration of this Order. This Order remains in effect for ninety days after its entry, unless otherwise Ordered by this Court.
5. **SO ORDERED** this 4th day of June, 2020.



Rodney W. Sippel
Chief United States District Judge