

STATE OF MICHIGAN
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF WASHTENAW
FAMILY DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF:

Independent Clinical Evaluations in Mental Health Matters

HONORABLE DONALD E. SHELTON

The court will at times require access to professional services for an independent clinical evaluation (Mental Health Evaluation) in mental health cases.

The respondent has the right to an independent evaluation at his or her expense or, if indigent, at public expense. MCL 330.1463. The respondent may choose his or her own examiner if the examiner agrees and the appointment does not require unreasonable expense. MCR 5.733(A). The examiner's fees must be reasonable, based on the time required, the examiner's experience and training, and the local fee for similar service. MCL 330.1463(2); MCR 5.733(B). The examiner must submit an itemized statement of services for court approval.

The Consultant (or Independent Evaluator) will conduct Mental Health Evaluations, which will include a clinical interview, document review and court report. When necessary the consultant will provide testimony at court hearings.

Upon completion of the clinical interview, document review, court report and submission of invoices the Court will pay the Consultant (Independent Evaluator) seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per hour not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300). The court will not pay for travel time, or mileage. If required, the Court will pay an additional seventy-five dollars (\$75) per hour for court testimony.

All invoices should include the case name, the name of the individual performing the work, the number of hours worked and dates of service and must be submitted within six months from the date of the evaluation.

This Order takes effect on 1/1/2012.

IT IS SO ORDERED.
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The Order Regarding Independent Clinical Evaluations in Mental Health Matters, entered on January 1, 2012 is amended as follows:

Upon completion of the clinical interview, document review, court report and submission of invoices the Court will pay the Consultant (Independent Evaluator) seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per hour not to exceed three hundred dollars (\$300). The court will not pay for travel time, or mileage. If required, the Court will pay an additional two-hundred dollars (\$200) for court testimony.

All invoices should include the case name, the name of the individual performing the work, the number of hours worked and dates of service and must be submitted within six months from the date of the evaluation.

This Order takes effect on 9/1/2012.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DONALD E. SHELTON
Circuit Judge