SUPREME COURT
No. 2020-11

EXECUTIVE ORDER

COVID-19 Pandemic Response – Payment of Indigent Defense Services

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by G.L. (1997 Reenactment) § 8-15-2 and in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and the extraordinary circumstances that have arisen as a result, Executive Order 13-07 is hereby amended as follows:

Court appointed attorneys shall be permitted to request partial payments under Section E, Request for Payment, for services rendered to date in an amount not to exceed fifty percent (50%) of the threshold amount on the case(s) for which payment is sought. The Office of Finance and Budget shall provide a procedure for payment to the court appointed attorneys which will be available on the home page of the Payment for Indigent Defense Services Portal.

The foregoing measures shall remain in place through May 17, 2020 or until such time that a new Executive Order is issued revoking or amending this Order.

Entered as an Executive Order of this Court this ***22nd*** day of ***April 2020***.

BY ORDER:

_____/s/_____
Paul A. Suttell
Chief Justice