

## COMPENSATION RATE GUIDELINES

In 1992 the Chief Administrator of the Courts issued an Administrative Order, after consultation with the Administrative Board of the Courts, containing guidelines for the hourly rates of compensation to be paid to nonlawyer professionals appointed pursuant to §35 of the Judiciary Law and §722-c of the County Law. That order was amended in December, 2017. The current compensation rates for the providers of ancillary services are as follows:

	<b><u>Maximum Hourly Rate</u></b>
Psychiatrist	\$ 250.
Certified Psychologist	\$ 150
Physician	\$ 250.
Certified Social Worker	\$ 75
Licensed Investigator	\$ 55 <sup>1</sup>

The Second Department elaborated on the rates specified above by adding suggested rates, within the OCA guidelines, for other specialties.

Forensics Experts	\$60
Arson Investigators	
Ballistics	
Fingerprints	
Handwriting	
Polygraph	
Photography	
Scientific Experts	\$75 - \$100
Chemists	
Pharmacologists	
Toxicologists	
Interpreters, Translators	\$30 - \$40
Accountants	\$75- \$100
Accidents Re-Constructionists	\$100

All rates are subject to the statutory maximum of \$1000 for total compensation. Since the statute allows the experts to exceed the cap in an “extraordinary case”, the expert must be prepared to explain why their services were over the cap.

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<sup>1</sup> For Investigators, mileage allowances is .50.5¢ per mile, and travel time is billable.