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## MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS SEEK QUALIFIED APPLICANTS TO SERVE ON THE COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL PANEL FOR LANTERMAN-PETRIS-SHORT CONSERVATORSHIP PROCEEDINGS

## Updated Eligibility Requirements and Compensation Rate Apply

The Court's Mental Health Departments is seeking qualified applicants to serve on the Court-Appointed Counsel Panel for Lanterman-Petris-Short (LPS) conservatorship proceedings. Courtappointed counsel must satisfy the requirements of California Rules of Court, rules 7.1101(c) and 7.1103 and Local Court Rules 4.137 and 4.123 through 4.127, updated January 1, 2022.

Effective April 1, 2022, the hourly rate for court-appointed counsel in Mental Health proceedings will increase to \$150 per hour for services on or after April 1, 2022. Compensation for court-appointed counsel is set in accordance with <u>Standing Order 2022-SJ-006-00</u>, IN RE COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION OF THE LOS ANGELES SUPERIOR COURT, issued March 15, 2022.

Eligible attorneys may apply by submitting the *Application for Appointment to Court-Appointed Counsel Panel*, form <u>PR-057</u>, by email to <u>AppointedCounsel-Probate@lacourt.org</u>, or by mailing the application to:

Attn: Mental Health LPS Court-Appointed Counsel Stanley Mosk Courthouse 111 N. Hill St., Room 429 Los Angeles, CA 90012