



## POLICY

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<b>POLICY NAME:</b>	Investigation Rates	<b>CANCELS:</b>	Any Previous Documentation
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## I. PURPOSE

- A. The Clark County Public Defense Office (PDO) has an obligation to be a responsible agent of resources entrusted to it. The purpose of this policy is to ensure a fair and equitable rate for all experienced defense investigators. This policy provides updated hourly rates for investigation services and may be published online and provided to any attorney or investigator with rate inquiries.

## II. SCOPE

- A. This policy outlines and defines the rates for all investigators for criminal public defense cases:
- i. Years 1-2 \$50 hourly
  - ii. Years 3-5 \$60 hourly
  - iii. Years 6-9 \$70 hourly
  - iv. Years 10+ \$75 hourly

## III. REFERENCES

- A. [RCW 10.101.060 Appropriated funds- Use requirements](#)  
B. [RCW 18.165.160 Unprofessional Conduct](#)