

PROPOSED ORDINANCE NO. 10 - 2026

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 156-2007, AS AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NO. 145-2009, RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF WITNESSES BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE COUNTY ATTORNEY.

APPROVED AS TO FORM



Deputy County Attorney

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NASSAU COUNTY  
CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE

WHEREAS, it is necessary to adjust the maximum rate of compensation for certain expert witnesses to allow Nassau County to more effectively represent itself in litigation; now, therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision (a) of section 1 of Ordinance No. 156-2007, as amended by Ordinance No. 145-2009, is amended to read as follows:

(a) The County shall compensate expert witnesses, other than physicians and dentists, for review of exhibits, records, and transcripts; preparation of materials or reports; consultations; depositions; testimony in court or at a hearing; and travel time at hourly rates not exceeding the following:

- (i) Six hundred dollars (\$600) for witnesses whose expertise is based upon possession of a Doctor of Philosophy degree, a degree recognized as

equivalent in content and level to the Doctor of Philosophy degree by the United States Department of Education, a Doctor of Psychology degree, or a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree, and for witnesses who are licensed professional engineers or architects.

- (ii) Five hundred twenty-five dollars (\$525) for witnesses whose expertise is based upon a professional license in the area of the expert's testimony, except licensed professional engineers and architects.
- (iii) Four hundred Fifty dollars (\$450) for witnesses whose expertise is based upon experience, education or vocational training.

§ 2. Paragraph (ii) of subdivision (b) of section 1 of Ordinance No. 156-2007, as amended by Ordinance No. 145-2009, is amended to read as follows:

- (ii) Two thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$2,250) per medical or dental examination, including oral or written reports and initial consultations relating to the examination.

§ 3. Effective date. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.