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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

7 IN RE:

8 CJA COUNSEL INTERIM VOUCHER  
9 SUBMISSION DURING ONGOING  
10 DISRUPTION TO COURT OPERATIONS

GENERAL ORDER 05-20

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12 This General Order is being issued in response to the developing outbreak of Coronavirus Disease  
13 2019 (COVID-19) and consistent with the Court's prior General Orders 01-20, 02-20, and 03-20  
14 addressing that subject. General Order 02-20, issued on March 17, 2020, limited Court operations during  
15 the outbreak and continued most proceedings until June 1, 2020.

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17 Many criminal defendants in this district are represented by Criminal Justice Act ("CJA") Panel  
18 Attorneys. CJA Panel Attorneys are ordinarily permitted to submit claims for compensation only after  
19 the final disposition of a case, unless good cause is shown. The disruption to Court operations above will  
20 create a financial burden for these attorneys. Accordingly, for the duration of this disruption, the Court  
21 authorizes CJA Panel Attorneys to submit interim vouchers for compensation without seeking prior Court  
22 approval. The interim voucher must exceed \$1,000 and be submitted no more than once per month.

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24 IT IS SO ORDERED.

25 Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2020.

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28 RICARDO S. MARTINEZ  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE