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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2020-21

Case No. 2020 CV 01

Division: 1

CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDS FROM THE CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION FUND

WHEREAS, for fiscal year 2021, the Colorado General Assembly in passing the Long Bill (HB 20-1360) provided in Letter Note A of §3 of the Judicial Department section of the State of Colorado's annual budget that "\$750,000 shall be from the administrative subaccount of the Crime Victim Compensation Fund established in each judicial district pursuant to Section 24-4.1-117(1), C.R.S."

WHEREAS, section 24-4.1-117, C.R.S, establishes the crime victim compensation fund "in the office of the court administrator of each judicial district for the benefit of eligible applicants under this part 1."

WHEREAS, subsection 24-4.1-117(5), C.R.S., states: "All moneys deposited in the fund shall be used solely for the compensation of victims pursuant to this part 1; except that the district attorney and the court administrator may use an aggregate of no more than twelve and one-half percent of the total amount of moneys in the crime victim compensation fund for administrative costs incurred pursuant to this part 1. The district attorney shall be permitted to use no more than ten percent of the total amount of the moneys in the fund for administrative costs. The court administrator shall be permitted to use no more than two and one-half percent of the total amount of moneys in the fund for administrative costs."

WHEREAS, section 24-4.1-118, C.R.S., designates the court administrator as the custodian of the victim compensation fund for the district, and provides that "all disbursements from the fund shall be paid by [him or her] upon written authorization of the board or the court."

WHEREAS, moneys in the administrative subaccount of the crime victim compensation fund for each district are not eligible to be awarded as compensation under section 24-4.1-108, C.R.S., by the crime victim compensation board for each district created and authorized by section 24-4.1-103, C.R.S.

AND WHEREAS, The Department of Public Safety, Division of Criminal Justice, Standards for the Administration of Crime Victim Compensation Programs as adopted March 1, 2019 sets forth the responsibilities of the judicial district court administrator (or designee) to include, at Section 4.2 D. to "disburse funds only upon the written authorization of the Board (or the Chief Judge in the case of the courts' administrative funds) or in accordance with statutory mandates."

NOW THEREFORE, I order the court administrator (also known as a court executive) to make a check payable to the Colorado Judicial Department from the administrative subaccount of the Crime Victim Compensation Fund in the amount of thirteen thousand five hundred fifty dollars and zero cents (\$13,550.00) and mail said check to the State Court Administrator's Office.

Dated: November 13, 2020.

James F. Hartmann

BY THE COURT:

Chief Judge, 19th Judicial District