

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-12

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN HOURLY COMPENSATION RATE FOR COURT-APPOINTED ATTORNEYS

WHEREAS, Iowa Code §§ 125.78 and 229.8 directs the Board of Supervisors to establish the hourly compensation rate for an attorney appointed under either one of these sections; and

WHEREAS, the manner in which the compensation rate is established is to be substantially in the same manner as provided by Iowa Code § 815.7; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Code §§ 598.12 and 633.561 provide that the County shall pay court-appointed attorney fees in certain situations; and

WHEREAS, it is desirable and necessary to fix the hourly rate of compensation for court-appointed attorneys by written resolution of the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, Iowa Code § 915.37 provides that an attorney shall be appointed in certain circumstances, but does not provide a method for that attorney to be paid and there is no other apparent means for which an attorney should be paid in these circumstances, and

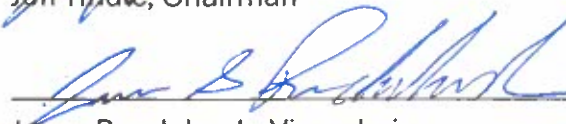
WHEREAS, it is desirable and necessary to guarantee attorneys appointed under Iowa Code § 915.37 are paid for performing the work required of them;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Poweshiek County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the reasonable compensation calculation as laid out in Iowa Code § 815.7 for all other matters, except Class A or Class B felonies as the compensation rate for attorneys appointed at County expense, and includes attorneys appointed under Iowa Code § 915.37 as attorneys appointed at County expense unless otherwise directed by the Court.

Dated this 4 day of September, 2025.

POWESHIEK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS


Jeff Tindle, Chairman


Jason Roudabush, Vice-chairman


Jacki Bolen, Member

Attest: 
Melissa Eilander, Poweshiek County Auditor