

**FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
TRIAL DIVISION**

Administrative Docket No. 03 of 2016

In re: De Minimis Overpayment of Court Ordered Financial Obligations

ORDER

AND NOW, this 12th day of September, 2016, it appearing that the General Assembly has recognized that overpayments of fees and costs in the sum of Fifteen (\$15.00) Dollars or less need not be refunded, and it also appears that overpayments in *de minimis* amounts delay the closure of criminal cases because the depositing parties cannot be located, do not request a refund, or do not negotiate refund checks issued to them when mailed to their last known address. Therefore, consistent with 42 Pa.C.S. § 1725 (c) (2)(xx), it is hereby ORDERED and DECREED that the Office of Judicial Records is authorized to distribute from time to time overpaid amounts in civil and criminal cases, in the sum of Fifteen (\$15.00) Dollars or less, to the City of Philadelphia.

This Administrative Order is issued in accordance with the April 11, 1986 order of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, Eastern District, No. 55 Judicial Administration, Docket No. 1. This Administrative Order shall be filed with the Office of Judicial Records (formerly the *Prothonotary, Clerk of Courts and Clerk of Quarter Sessions*) in a docket maintained for Administrative Orders issued by the First Judicial District of Pennsylvania. Two certified copies of this Administrative Order, as well as one copy of the Administrative Order shall be distributed to the Legislative Reference Bureau on a computer diskette for publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. Pursuant to Pa.R.J.A. 103(d)(6) one certified copy of this Administrative Order shall be filed with the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts, shall be published on the website of the First Judicial District at <http://courts.phila.gov>, and, if required, shall be incorporated in the compiled set of local rules no later than 30 days following publication in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*. Copies of the Administrative Order shall also be published in *The Legal Intelligencer* and will be submitted to *American Lawyer Media, Jenkins Memorial Law Library*, and the Law Library for the First Judicial District.

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Jacqueline F. Allen

HONORABLE JACQUELINE F. ALLEN
Administrative Judge, Trial Division
Court of Common Pleas, Philadelphia County