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TO: Holders of the Financial Planning and Control Manual

SUBJECT: Per Diem Jury Allowance - Effective February 15, 1998

\* This supersedes the provisions of Budget Bulletin number 299, dated February 6, 1997.

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 521 of the Judiciary Law, as amended by chapter 85, Laws of 1995, <u>effective February 15, 1998</u> the allowance for trial and grand jurors is increased from \$27.50 to <u>\$40.00</u> for each day of physical attendance in which the court convenes. **Any and all provisions for the reimbursement of juror travel expenses were previously eliminated.** 

A juror who is employed shall not be entitled to the per diem allowance for the first three days of attendance if, as provided in Section 519 of the Judiciary Law, his or her employer is prohibited from withholding the first \$40.00 of the juror's daily wages for each of the first three days of jury service. However, if the juror's daily wages are less than the \$40.00 per diem allowance, he or she is entitled to an allowance equal to the difference between their daily wage and \$40.00.

Please ensure distribution of this bulletin to all personnel within your respective jurisdictions who may be responsible for the processing of, or the monitoring of internal controls relating to juror payments.

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