

Evictions C Additional Fees

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Only Special Civil Part officers and no other persons directly employed by the court, may arrange with landlords to provide additional services pertaining to an eviction for additional amounts. The Assignment Judge should set limits on these types of arrangements to ensure that officers are not charging too much. Only prior arrangements between a landlord and an officer could be billed. Officers should not be permitted to routinely send out bills for extra service if they have not made prior arrangements with the landlord.

This authorization recognizes that there are those areas of the State where the eviction is hazardous and time-consuming. However, the Supreme Court remains opposed to persons employed by the court, even on a part-time basis, being permitted to charge a landlord additional fees other than those set by the legislature for eviction.

EDITOR-S NOTE

This directive, while promulgated before the merger of the County District Court into the Superior Court, has been amended so that all references to the "county district court" have been changed to the "Special Civil Part," references to "constable, sergeant-at-arms," have been changed to "Officer Special Civil Part, Law Division," and the reference to the presiding judge has been deleted.