

INDIAN AFFAIRS MANUAL

Part 4

Office of the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs

Chapter 1

Payment of Attorney Fees

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- 1.1 Purpose.** This chapter establishes the hourly rate for attorney fees authorized to be paid from Bureau appropriated funds.
- 1.2 Scope.** This policy applies to the Office of the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs (AS-IA), the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and the Office of the Solicitor and/or Department of Justice.
- 1.3 Policy.** It is the policy of Indian Affairs to authorize expenditure of appropriated funds for Indian Tribes to pay legal services with respect to trust resources, subject to the circumstances, factors, and procedures in 25 CFR 89.40-89.43.

1.4 Authority.

A. Regulations.

- 1) 25 CFR 89.40-89.43, Payment of Tribal Attorney Fees with Appropriated Funds

1.5 Responsibilities.

- A. AS-IA,** with the concurrence of SOL, is responsible for authorizing expenditures of appropriated funds pursuant to 25 CFR 89.40, *et seq.*

1.6 Standard.

Effective with the approval of Fiscal Year 2020, requests for attorney fees submitted pursuant to 25 CFR 89.40, *et seq.*, the payment of attorney fees may be made at a rate not to exceed \$200.00 per hour.

Approval



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