

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

## Public Defender and IDS Employee Parking Reimbursement

## 1. Who is eligible to submit a request for parking reimbursement?

- For employee parking, any employee <u>other</u> than those who work at 123 W. Main Street, Durham NC, who must pay for daily parking at their assigned duty station is eligible for reimbursement up to \$100 per month during the reimbursement period.
  - 1. IDS or state defender office employees who work at 123 W. Main Street, Durham NC are eligible for parking reimbursement during the reimbursement period, <u>subject to availability of funds</u>, at the following rates:
    - Those with an annual base salary (exclusive of any longevity pay) at or below \$75,000 are eligible for reimbursement of up to \$100/month.
    - Those with an annual base salary (exclusive of any longevity pay) above \$75,000 are eligible for reimbursement of up to \$50/month.

## 2. What is the reimbursement period?

- Parking reimbursement will take effect for the fiscal year 2023-2024. Reimbursements will be made once per year, from July 12 through August 12 (the reimbursement period). The first reimbursements will be payable from July 12, 2024, through August 12, 2024, for parking receipts from July 01, 2023, through June 30, 2024.
- Parking reimbursements are only payable to persons employed during the reimbursement period. An employee who has separated from employment before the reimbursement period is not entitled to reimbursement, even if parking receipts were incurred during employment.

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#### 3. How do I get reimbursed for parking?

- For employee parking, each employee must submit both:
  - 1. A completed AOC-A-7 Reimbursement Form
    - <u>Note</u>: only one line on the form should be used for the entire period, see *Figure 1*.
    - <u>Note</u>: The reimbursement form must be signed by the employee's supervisor, or the supervisor's designee<sup>1</sup>.
  - 2. Parking receipts *from the parking authority* for the prior 12 months. Debit/Credit card receipts cannot be accepted.

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DO NOT USE THIS FORM FOR BOOKS, EQUIPMENT, PRINTING OR SUPPLIES AS THESE REQUIRE PRIOR APPROVAL FROM PURCHASING SERVICES, USING FORM AOC-A-201.  Submit the completed form and receipts to AccountsPayable@nccourts.org.  I, the undersigned, request reimbursement for the payment of petty/emergency purchases as described below:					
Date	Paid To	Paid Invoice/		Amount	
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Figure 1- Sample single line entry for all parking for the year on AOC-A-7 Form (due to formatting put dates in "Paid Invoice/Description" section.

- The AOC-A-7 reimbursement form and receipts must be sent via email as PDF attachments to <a href="mailto:ids.employee.reimbursements@nccourts.org">ids.employee.reimbursements@nccourts.org</a> no sooner than July 12 and no later than August 12 (the reimbursement period).
- Direct Deposit for reimbursements must be set up in order to receive electronic payment. The <u>e-pay/direct deposit form</u> must be completed and submitted to the NC Office of the State Controller (OSC) for electronic payment.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> If the reimbursement form is signed by a supervisor's designee, this must be indicated in a note with the signature (ex., "Max Silva for Mary Pollard"). Reimbursement forms for employees in executive positions (IDS Director, Chief PD, Parent Defender, etc.) should be submitted with no supervisor signature, these will be approved and signed by the CFO.

If you have not confirmed that you have Direct Deposit set up, you must include your current mailing address (for payment by check) in the body of the email with your reimbursement request.

### 4. How do I attest for the parking reimbursement?

Per the NCAOC forms, the employee's signature certifies that the employee is providing a true and accurate statement and complies with Judicial Branch policy.

## 5. What if I lost my parking receipt(s)?

A dated receipt must be submitted to receive reimbursement.

#### 6. How often can I request parking reimbursement, is there a deadline?

Parking: Reimbursements must be requested only on an annual basis. Parking reimbursement requests for the prior 12 months must be submitted between July 12 and August 12 of this year (the reimbursement period). The first reimbursements will be made between July 12 and August 12, 2024.

#### 7. Can I receive a retroactive parking reimbursement?

■ The employee parking reimbursement policy becomes effective for IDS on July 01, 2023. Expenses incurred on or after that date are eligible for reimbursement during the reimbursement period.

## 8. Can I receive a reimbursement if I pre-pay?

Parking reimbursements are only allowed after the service has been rendered. Reimbursements must be requested only on an annual basis. Parking reimbursement requests for the prior 12 months must be submitted between July 12 and August 12 of this year.

## 9. Is this a permanent, recurring program?

The program is subject to and pending the availability of funding. A determination must be made on a year-by-year basis.

#### 10. Are receipt-funded (grant or contract) employees eligible for the parking reimbursement?

Yes. Reimbursements will be allowed from grant/contract funds if the budget allows and supports the expense. If the grant/contract budget approved by the funding agency does not allow the parking expense, please have your hiring authority contact the Accounts Payable team in the Fiscal Services Division (accountspayable@nccourts.org) for a special authorization form.

## 11. What if there are not enough grant or contract funds to cover parking reimbursement?

If the grant/contract budget approved by the funding agency lacks sufficient funds to cover the parking expense, please have your hiring authority contact the Accounts Payable team in the Fiscal Services Division (accountspayable@nccourts.org) for a special authorization form.

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