



## CLIENT SECURITY FUND COMMITTEE

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MEMO TO: Members, Executive Committee of the Superior Court

MEMO FROM: Justice Joette Katz, Chair  
Client Security Fund Committee

DATE: April 27, 2006

SUBJECT: Quarterly Report of the Client Security Fund Committee  
January – March 2006

Pursuant to Practice Book §2-72(e), the following is a report of the activities of the Client Security Fund Committee for the first quarter of calendar year 2006:

### I. Claims Filed

Twenty-seven (27) claims for reimbursement were filed with the Client Security Fund Committee during the quarter, for an annual total as of the end of the quarter of twenty-seven (27) claims. The dollar amount of claims filed during the quarter was \$4,360,516.14, for an annual total of claims filed at the end of the quarter of \$4,360,516.14. The total number of claims pending before the committee as of the end of the quarter was two hundred and sixty-four (264), with a total amount of claims pending of \$12,365,470.94.

### II. Claims Approved

The Client Security Fund Committee approved reimbursement for five (5) claims during the quarter. The Committee approved payments to the claimants in those matters in the amount of \$11,070.00. The annual total of claims approved by the committee was five (5) as of the end of the quarter, with a total amount of payments approved of \$11,070.00.

The Committee denied eighteen (18) claims totaling \$1,436,595.39 during the quarter, for an annual total of eighteen (18) claims denied in the amount of \$1,436,595.39.

III. Fund Activity

The client security fund received \$56,365.00 in collections from individuals obligated to pay the client security fund fee pursuant to Section §2-70 of the Practice Book during the quarter. The client security fund also received \$78,035.02 in interest on the fund, and \$1,800.00 in restitution from attorneys or former attorneys whose conduct resulted in payments from the fund.

After deductions for expenses, payments to claimants, and other charges against the fund, including \$55,485.19 paid to the Lawyers' Assistance Program pursuant to Practice Book Section 2-73(f), the available cash balance in the fund as of the end of the quarter was \$7,377,350.78. A copy of the quarterly reconciliation of the client security fund prepared by the Judicial Branch Fiscal Administration Unit is attached.

IV. Miscellaneous

In order to address the backlog of claims filed with the committee resulting from the substantial increase in claims filed during calendar year 2005, the committee approved the hiring of an additional investigator. Reducing the backlog of claims remains one of the committee's priorities.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Joette Katz, Chair  
Client Security Fund Committee

# CLIENT SECURITY FUND

Fiscal Year 2005 - 2006

3rd Quarter Account Summary

1-1-2006 through 3-31-2006

Available Cash Balance as of 1/1/2006 \$ 7,425,289.77

## Cash Receipts (1/1/2006 - 3/31/2006)

Fees Collected	\$	56,365.00	
Donations Received		0.00	
Restitution	\$	1,800.00	
Other Fund Revenue	\$	120.00	
Interest Earned*	\$	78,035.02	
Bank Service Charges		0.00	
Bad Checks		0.00	
Refunds	\$	(1,955.00)	
<b>Total Cash Receipts</b>			<b>\$ 134,365.02</b>

Total Cash Available \$ 7,559,654.79

## Cash Disbursements (1/1/2006 - 3/31/2006)

Claims	\$	21,190.00	
Personal Services - Permanent Full Time	\$	48,542.72	
Personal Services - Permanent Part Time	\$	12,959.72	
Longevity		0.00	
Overtime	\$	154.56	
Fringe Benefits	\$	37,029.88	
Employee Allowances & Reportable Payments	\$	210.00	
In State Travel Expenses	\$	37.59	
Mileage Reimbursement	\$	317.34	
Management Consultant Services (Lawyers' Assistance Program)	\$	55,485.19	
Postage	\$	3,169.04	
Service of Process		0.00	
Office Equipment Lease/Rental	\$	1,081.88	
Office Equip Maintenance/Repair - Contractual	\$	1,626.18	
Telephone	\$	499.91	
Office Supplies		0.00	
<b>Total Cash Disbursements</b>			<b>\$ 182,304.01</b>

Available Cash Balance as of 3/31/2006 \$ 7,377,350.78

\*Transfer from State Treasurer for Interest Earned (October, 2005 - December, 2005)