JurisLink Teleconference Direct Bill Procedure

Indigent Defense Services (IDS) has contracted with JurisLink to allow for teleconference meeting services ("meeting") to be billed directly to the state through IDS for North Carolina Public Defenders and North Carolina Private Appointed Counsel ("PAC") attorneys when used directly for work on court appointed cases[1].

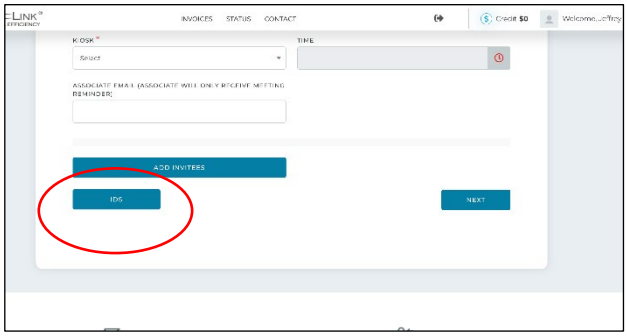
For North Carolina Public Defenders:

IDS pays a monthly rate for public defender offices, based on size. For public defender attorneys and staff to access the system, the Public Defender must provide the full name and email address of the authorized employees to Slade Trabucco at slade@jurislink.com.

The public defender/employee will set up a JurisLink account using their state e-mail address ("@nccourts.org"). The account registration page is https://jurislink.com/singlereg.

For North Carolina PAC Attorneys:

To use the Juris Link system, attorneys or experts first register with Juris Link. When an attorney is using the system for a court appointed client, they can select "IDS" and affirm that the meeting is for a court appointed case. With this attestation, the call will be charged directly to IDS. If the attorney or expert is using Juris Link for a retained client, they must not use this process and will be charged through their registered account.



The attorney or expert must never select "IDS" for any meetings unless the meeting is for a court appointed case. JurisLink meetings scheduled and conducted with privately retained clients must be paid for directly by the attorney. In selecting "IDS" inside the JurisLink system the attorney does certify that meeting is being conducted with a client that the attorney is representing in a court-appointed case.

Billing non-court appointed JurisLink client meetings to the state is a misuse of state funds, is subject to investigation, audit, and possible charges of fraud.

For information about whether JurisLink is available in your jurisdiction or for other questions, contact Chadwick.E.Boykin@nccourts.org.

[1] IDS is only authorized to pay for services used by North Carolina PAC attorneys and North Carolina Public Defenders. IDS is not authorized to pay for services used by Federally appointed defense attorneys.