

Judicial Inquiry Commission

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The Judicial Inquiry Commission has received and considered your request for an opinion concerning whether a District Court Judge, who serves on jury duty, is entitled to receive the \$10 per day and 5 cents per mile to which other jurors are entitled.

The Attorney General has previously ruled that the juror compensation allowed under Section 12-19-210 Code of Alabama 1975, constitutes a travel and expense allowance owed to persons called for jury duty, and, through the repeal of Section 12-16-2, judges are no longer exempt from jury duty. Such being the case, it is the opinion of the Commission that the Alabama Canons of Judicial Ethics do not prohibit a District Court Judge, called as a citizen to serve on jury duty, from receiving the same expense allowance as all other citizens.

Very truly yours,