IN THE IOWA DISTRICT COURT IN AND FOR SOUTH LEE COUNTY

STATE OF IOWA,)
Plaintiff)
VS.) Cause No. FECR009152
BENJAMIN G. TRANE,) MOTION TO EXCEED FEES
Defendant.)

COMES NOW, the defendant BENJAMIN G. TRANE, by and through his attorney, Lisa K. Schaefer, and hereby requests court approval to exceed the fee cap of the State Public Defender of \$1,800, and in support thereof, states as follows:

- On September 18, 2017, the defendant was charged by way of trial information with Sexual Abuse – 3rd Degree, a Class C Felony; Sexual Exploitation by a Counselor, a Class D. Felony, and Child Endangerment, an aggravated misdemeanor.
- 2. The fee cap of the State Public Defender for a Class C felony is \$1,800.
- The Minutes of Testimony filed with the Trial Information filed in this case contain at least eighteen (18) witnesses.
- The State has indicated that there are over 2 TB of discoverable documents, in addition to the DCI and DHS case files.
- The defendant has filed his Notice of Intent to Conduct Depositions of the witnesses listed in the minutes testimony.
- 6. The defendant has been declared indigent by the Court.
- 7. The undersigned attorney was court appointed on September 12, 2017.
- In addition to the voluminous amount of discovery that will need to reviewed, it is anticipated that this case will go to trial.

 All of the fees will be done so in good faith and for purposes of providing effective defense to the defendant.

WHEREFORE, the undersigned requests the Court to enter an order allowing the undersigned to exceed the fee cap of the State Public Defender to at least \$5,000.

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