

State of Alabama Department of Corrections

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August 19, 2022

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION NUMBER 112

OPR: ACCOUNTING

COURT ORDERED WITHHOLDING FROM INMATE FUNDS

I. GENERAL

This Alabama Department of Corrections (ADOC) Administrative Regulation (AR) establishes the responsibilities, policies, and procedures for the initiation of court ordered withholding of funds from inmates' personal accounts.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of the ADOC to comply with any withholding order from a court of proper jurisdiction that directs the withholding from an inmate's personal funds.

III. DEFINITION(S) AND ACRONYM(S)

There are no definitions and acronyms for this AR.

IV. RESPONSIBILITIES

- A. The ADOC Central Accounting Division is responsible for:
 - 1. Receiving withholding orders from the courts, scanning copies of the orders and Notices to Withhold (ADOC Form 112-A) to the Business Office Managers/Designees, and entering the orders into the Inmate Trust Fund System (ITFS).
 - 2. Receiving Balances Owed Court Notices (ADOC Form 112-B) from the courts and updating case balances owed by an inmate.
 - 3. Providing copies of court withholding orders and completed Notices to Withhold to ADOC Central Records Division for scanning into the Vault System (or its successor(s)).

- B. The ADOC Central Records Division is responsible for scanning Notices to Withhold and their corresponding withholding orders into the Vault System
- C. The Business Office Manager/Designee is responsible for:
 - 1. Providing the inmate with a copy of the court withholding order and ensuring that the inmate is aware that it is the intent of the ADOC to withhold funds in accordance with the requirements of the order.
 - 2. Having the inmate sign a Notice to Withhold Form acknowledging that he or she was:
 - a. provided with a copy of the court order,
 - b. was made aware that no hearing is to be held by the ADOC regarding the court order,
 - c. that it is his or her responsibility to contact the court if he or she has an issue with the order, and
 - d. that the amount owed on the case will only be modified if the court provides the ADOC Central Accounting Division with a court order or a Balances Owed Court Notice (ADOC Form 112-B) modifying the amount owed to the court.
- D. The Institutional Business Office staff is responsible for remitting collected funds to the court on a monthly basis in accordance with the procedures found in the Inmate Trust Fund Systems Procedures Manual.

V. PROCEDURES

- A. Funds held by the ADOC in the Inmate Trust Fund on behalf of the inmate and subsequent receipts of personal funds are subject to withholding in accordance with the requirements of the specific court withholding order.
- B. Upon receipt of a valid withholding order from a court of proper jurisdiction, the ADOC Central Accounting Division shall enter the order into the Inmate Trust Fund System (ITFS) and scan a copy of the court order and a Notice to Withhold Form to the Business Office of the facility that the inmate is assigned to. The withholding order should be entered into the ITFS by ADOC Central Accounting in accordance with the directions provided by the court, or, in the absence of specific directions, in accordance with the court

- ordered payment withholding procedures found in the Inmate Trust Fund section of the ADOC Manual of Accounting Procedures.
- C. Upon receipt of the court order and the Notice to Withhold from the ADOC Central Accounting Division, the institutional Business Office shall provide the inmate with a copy of the court order and have the inmate sign the Notice to Withhold acknowledging that he or she was:
 - a. provided with a copy of the court order,
 - b. was made aware that no hearing is to be held by ADOC regarding the court order,
 - c. that it is his or her responsibility to contact the court if he or she has an issue with the order, and
 - d. that the amount owed on the case will only be modified if the court provides ADOC Central Accounting with a court order or a Balances Owed Court Notice (AR Form 112-B) modifying the amount owed on the case.
- D. After the inmate has been provided with a copy of the court order and signed the Notice to Withhold, a copy of the signed/annotated Notice to Withhold should be scanned to the ADOC Central Accounting Division by the institutional Business Office.
 - NOTE: If the inmate refuses to sign the Notice to Withhold, the refusal should be noted on the form and initialed by the person that provided the court order and Notice to Withhold to the inmate. Refusal by the inmate to sign the Notice to Withhold shall have no effect on the ADOC's responsibility to comply with the requirements of the court withholding order.
- E. Upon receipt of the signed/annotated copy of the Notice to Withhold from the institutional Business Office, the ADOC Central Accounting Division shall forward both the order and the Notice to Withhold to the ADOC Central Records Division and request that the documents be scanned into the Vault System.
- F. Upon receipt of the court withholding order and Notice to Withhold from the ADOC Central Accounting Division, the Central Records Division shall scan the documents into the Vault System.
- G. The inmate, upon submitting a written request to the institutional Business Office, may receive an Escrow Transaction Report showing a summary of the payments that the inmate has made to the court. Requests from an inmate for the report shall be limited to no more than two (2) requests per year.

VI. <u>DISPOSITION</u>

Any forms used will be disposed of and retained according to the Departmental Records Disposition Authority (RDA).

VII. FORMS

- A. ADOC Form 112-A, *Notice to Withhold*.
- B. ADOC Form 112-B, *Balances Due Court Notice*.

VIII. <u>SUPERSEDES</u>

This Administrative Regulation supersedes AR 112, Court Ordered Withholding from Inmate Funds, dated July 26, 2004, and any changes.

IX. <u>PERFORMANCE</u>

Code of Alabama 1975 as amended, Section 14-1-1.1 and 15-18-71.

John Q. Hamm Commissioner

NOTICE TO WITHHOLD

COURT ORDERED PAYMENTS FROM INMATE'S ITF FUNDS

TO:		
	Inmate Name and AIS Number	
FROM:	The ADOC Central Accounting Division	
DATE:	(DD/MM/YYYY)	
SUBJECT:	Court Ordered Withholding	
This is to ad	vise you that an order from	(name of Court), case
number	, has been received directing the Alaba	ma Department of Corrections
to withhold \$	from your Inmate Trust Fund (ITF) a	eccount. It is the intent of the
ADOC to im	mediately begin withholding funds from your ITF ac	ecount in accordance with the
requirements	set forth in the court withholding order. A copy of	the order, for your records, is
attached to th	is notice. No hearing will be held by the ADOC reg	arding the order. If you have
any issues or o	concerns with the above referenced order, it is your resp	consibility to contact the court.
Also, the amo	unt owed on the case will only be modified if the Co	urt provides the ADOC with a
court withhole	ling order or a Balances Due Court Notice modifying	the amount owed.
Inmate's Sign	ature:	
	ed Name:	
Distribution:		

- 1. Copy to institutional Business Office
- 2. Copy to Inmate
- 3. Copy to the Central Records Division

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Accounting Division Post Office Box 301501 Montgomery, AL 36130-1501 Phone (334) 242-5439 Fax (334) 353-5543



JOHN Q. HAMM COMMISSIONER

(DATE)

TO: Circuit Clerk For: (Court Name and County Court Number)

FROM: The ADOC Central Accounting Division

SUBJECT: Balances Owed Court

The following inmate is currently assigned to an ADOC Work Release Program.

Inmate Name:	
Inmate AIS#:	
SSN (Last Four):	
Race/Sex	
Date of Birth	

Please complete the below information for restitution or other court-ordered monies that are outstanding in your judicial circuit and owed by the inmate. In order to initiate the collection process, this form and a copy of the court order for each case listed must either be mailed to the Alabama Department of Corrections, ATTN: Accounting Division, P.O. Box 301501, Montgomery, AL 36130-1501 or e-mailed to COP@doc.alabama.gov. NOTE: In lieu of entering the requested information in the table below, you may submit a list or spreadsheet with the case number(s) and amount(s) owed for each case. Cases should be listed in the order they are to be paid.

CASE NUMBER	AMOUNT DUE	CASE NUMBER	AMOUNT DUE
1)	\$	8)	\$
2)	\$	9)	\$
3)	\$	10)	\$
4)	\$	11)	\$
5)	\$	12)	\$
6)	\$	13)	\$
7)	\$	14)	\$

ADOC Form 112-B, August 19, 2022