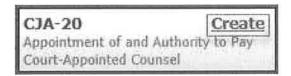
Creating a CJA 20 Voucher

The court creates the appointment. The attorney initiates the CJA 20 voucher.

Note: All voucher types and documents function in primarily the same way.

In the Create New Voucher section, from the CJA 20 voucher template, click the Create link.



The voucher opens the Baisc Info page which displays the information in the paper voucher format.



Notes:

To avoid data loss, frequently save any entries made to a voucher To delete a voucher, click Delete Draft at any time prior to submitting it. To check for warnings or errors in this document, click Audit Assist at any time. To navigate, click the tab headings or the navigation buttons in the progress bar.

Entering Services

Line-item time entries should be entered on the Services page. Both in-court and out-of-court time should be recorded here.

Note: There is NOT AN AUTOSAVE function on this program. You must click Save periodically to save your work.

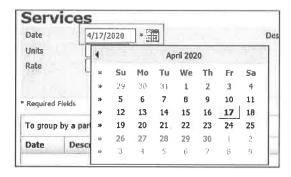


Click the Services tab, or click Next on the progress bar.



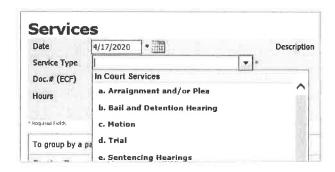


Enter the date of the service. The default date is always the current date. You can either type the date, or click the calendar icon and select a date from the pop-up calendar.



You can add dates in any order; they will automatically sort in chronological order, oldest to newest, as they are entered.

Click the **Services Type** drop-down arrow and select the service type.



For help in determining what time entries apply to the proper In/Out Court services, see the Time Entry Cheat Sheet, Addendum A

Step 4

Enter your hours of service in tenths of an hour, enter a description, and then click Add.

Date	4/17/2020	- 811	Description	First appearance an arraignment of defendant.
Service Type	a. Arraignment and/or Plea			
Doc.# (ECF)		Pages		
Hours	5.0	at \$148.00 per hour.		Add Remove

Step 5

The entry is added to the voucher, and appears at the bottom of the Service Type column. The Date header sorts by date. Be sure to click Save. Click an entry to edit.

Please see Addendum B for examples of Specificity in Timesheets.

Importing Service Entries

Attorneys using commerically available timekeeping and billing systems can directly import multiple service entries into a CJA-20/30 voucher from a file saved in comma-separated value (.csv) format.

As a best practice, the Import Service Entries feature should be started on a new or empty CJA-20 voucher. If you have service lines already entered on a voucher, they will be overwritten with the data imported from the .csv file.

Step 1

After you select the appropriate appointment and click the Create link for the CJA-20 voucher, the document opens. In the Actions menu on the left side of the page, click the Import Service Entries (.csv) link.

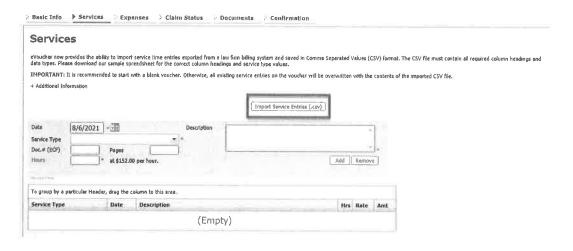




The Services page appears. To view a sample .csv file, click the downloadable sample spreadsheet link. The sample spreadsheet is in Excel format that must be saved in .csv format. Click the **Additional Information** link to view instructions for importing time from a .csv file.

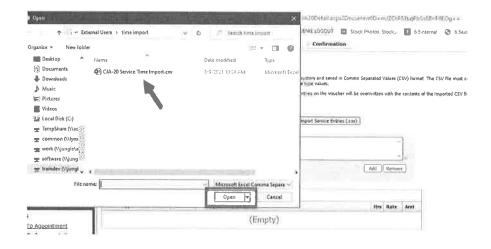


When the .csv file has been created, properly formatted, and is ready for import click Import Service Entries (.csv).



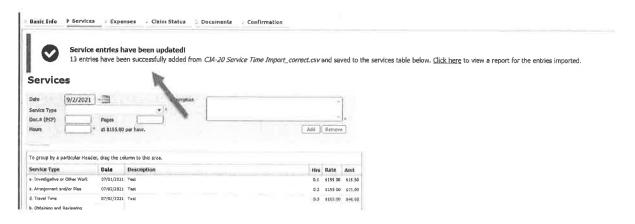
Step 4

Your file directory browser opens. Click the correct .csv file, and then click Open.





A success message appears, indicating the number of entries that were imported and saved to the services table.

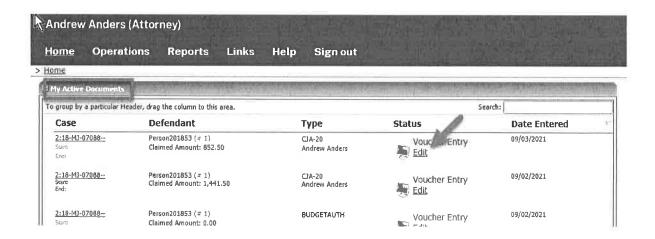


Importing Service Entries on Previously Created CJA-20s

While is it recommended to start the Import Service Entries feature on a new or empty CJA-20 voucher, you can add time to the services table of an existing voucher.



On the Home page, in the My Active Documents section, click the Edit link for the appropriate CJA-20.



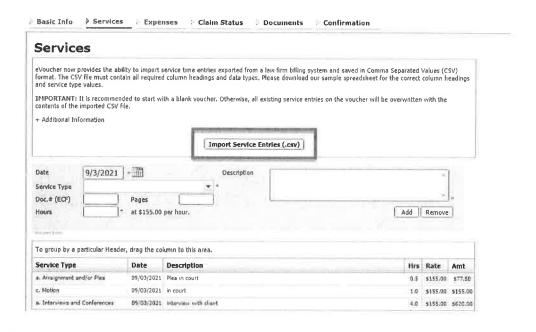
When the document opens, in the Actions menu on the left side of the page, click the Import Service Entries (.csv) link.



The Services page appears. To view a sample .csv file, click the downloadable sample spreadsheet link. The sample spreadsheet is in Excel format that must be saved in .csv format. Click the Additional Information link to view instructions for importing time from a .csv file.



When the .csv file has been created, properly formatted, and is ready for import, click Import Service Entries (.csv).



Step 5

A diaglog box appears, stating that the existing time entries on your current voucher will be overwritten when you upload your .csv file.

Note: To include any existing entries, you must manually enter them in your .esv file.

Click Proceed and continue by following steps 3-5 in the Importing Service Entries section above.



Correcting Errors in Your .csv File

If your import fails, you must correct errors in the original .csv file before attempting another import.



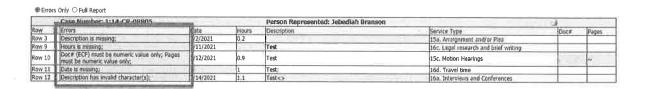
A message appears at the tope of the page, indicating the number of errors found.



Click the View Report link to view errors.



The default Errors Only report opens, highlighting the errors in the file. Review the error report and correct the original .csv file.



Note: Click the Full Report radio button to view an error report that includes all imported service lines.

Step 3

Return to the Services page, click the try again link, and then follow steps 4-5 in the Importing Service Entries on Previously Created CJA-20s section to attempt the import again.



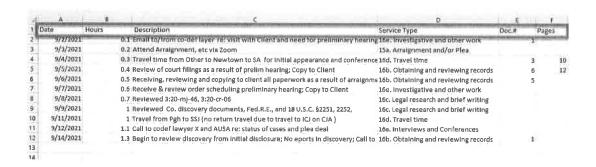
Creating the Excel File for Import

Once you being the process of importing your service entries to a CJA-20 or CJA-30 voucher, sample spreadsheets are available to download on the Services page. These sample spreadsheets are in Excel format that must be saved in .csv format.



For the .csv file to be successfully uploaded into and accepted by eVoucher, it must contain a header row with specific column headings, as seen below. The header row contains four mandatory column headings (Date, Hours, Description, Service Type) and two optional column headings (Doc. #, Pages). The Doc. # and Pages fields may be included in the header row; however, they are not required unless data is provided.

If the first row contains service entry information instead of headings, the date in row 1 will be ignored and won't be imported into your voucher. Sample spreadsheets containing the correct column headings and service type values for each voucher type are available in the online help.



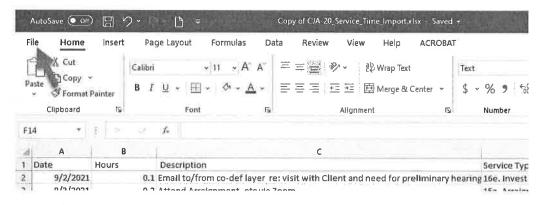
Note: Time entries containing values greater than a single decimal place are automatically rounded up or down to the nearest tenth. For example, .125 is rounded down to .1 and .75 is rounded up to .8.

Converting the Excel File to .csv Format

Most commercially available spreadsheet applications allow a user to save in .csv format. For a file save in Excel format, follow these steps to create your .csv import file.



In your Excel file, click the File tab.

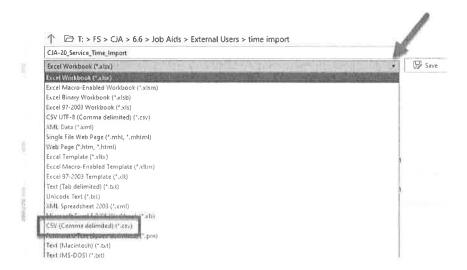


Step 2

From the navigation menu on the left, click Save As.



On the Save As page, click te drop-down arrow and select CSV (Comma delimited)(*csv).



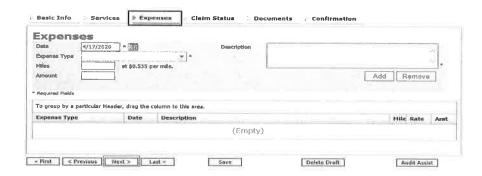
Your Excel file has now been converted to a .csv file and can be imported into the Services page of your CJA-20 or CJA-30 voucher.



Entering Expenses

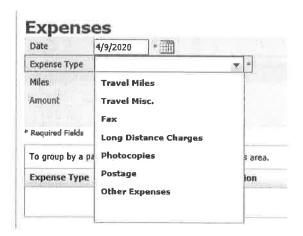


Click the Expenses tab or click Next on the progress bar.



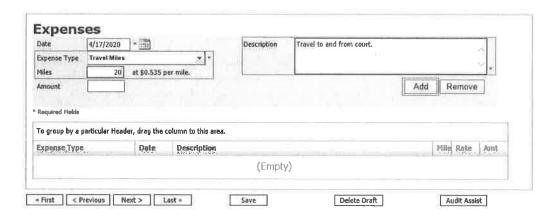


Click the **Expense Type** drop-down arrow and select the applicable expense.

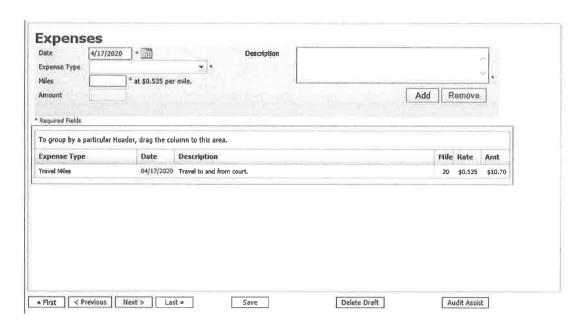




If Travel Miles is selected, enter the round-trip mileage and then click in the Description field to enter a description. Click Add.

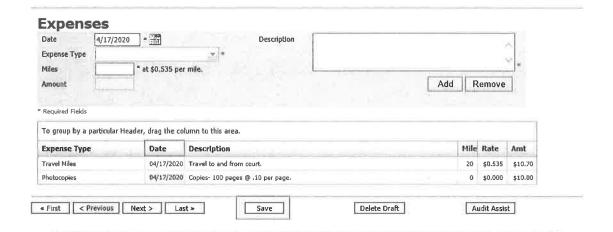


The entry is added to the voucher and appears at the bottom of the Expense Type column.





Expenses are sorted chronologically by date, oldest to newest. Click Save.



Notes:

- Expense entries for photocopies or fax expenses, indicate the number of pages, and the rate charges per page.
- Remember to click Add after each entry
- Click an entry to edit.
- Any single expense (not including mileage) over \$50 must have a receipt attached.
- All hotel receipts must be attached
- Meal receipts (alcohol is not reimbursable) must be attached (actual
- Any legal research expenses (Westlaw, Lexis) must have the printout

Claim Status

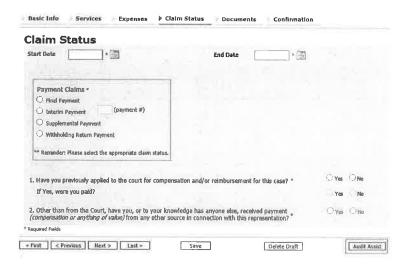


Click the Claim Status tab or click Next on the progress bar.



Step 2

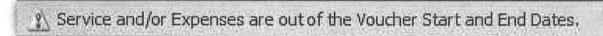
In the **Start Date** field, enter the start date from the services or expenses entries, whichever date is earliest. If necessary, go back to the Expense and Service sections and click the **Date** header to sort by the earliest date or services. Answer all the questions regarding previous payments in this case and then click **Save.** Click **Audit Assist** at any time to view any errors or warnings regarding your document.



The Payment Claims section features the following payment claims type radio buttons:

Claim Type	Description
Final Payment	Request payment after all services have been completed
Interim Payment	Allow for payment throughout the appointment, but each court's practice may differ. If using this type of payment, indicate the number of interim payment.
Supplemental Payment	Request payment due to a missed or forgotten receipt after the final payment has been submitted.
Withholding Return Payment	Request return payment of withheld funds. The attorney can submit a blank (no services or expenses entered) CJA 20/21 at the end of the case.

If you try to submit with errors, you may receive the following pink error message:



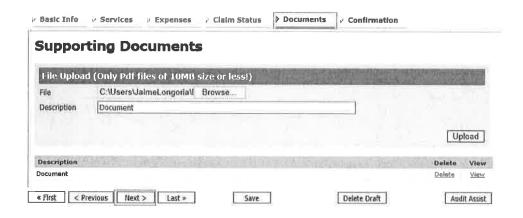
The message will be removed when you complete the Claim Status section with correct start and end dates that include all service and expense dates for the voucher.

Documents

Attorneys (as well as courts) can attach documents. Attach any documentation that supports the voucher; e.g., travel or other expenses, justification statements, or orders from the court. All documents must be submitted in PDF format and must be 10 MB or less.

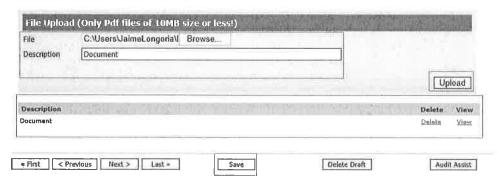


Click the **Document** tab or click **Next** on the progress bar.



To add an attachment, click Browse to locate your file. Add a description of the attachment. Click Upload. The attachment and description is added to the voucher and appears at the bottom of the Description column.

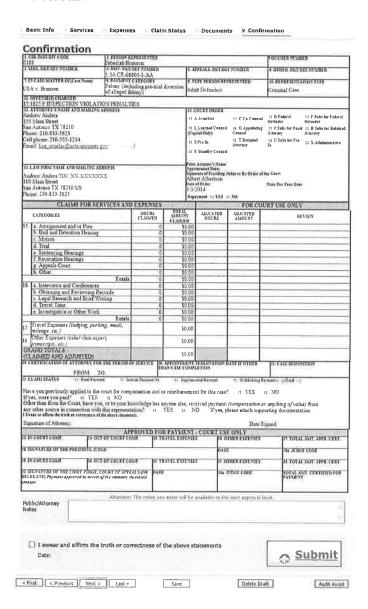
Supporting Documents



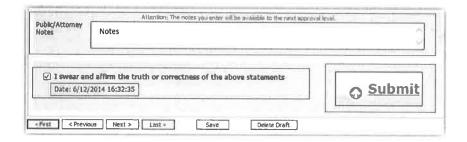
Signing and Submitting to Court



When you have added all voucher entries, you are ready to sign and submit your voucher to the court. Click the Confirmation tab or click Next on the progress bar. The Confirmation page appears, reflecting all entries from the previous screens. Verify the information is correct. Scroll to the bottom of the screen.

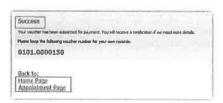


In the Public/Attorney Notes field you can include any notes to the court. Select the check box to swear and affirm to the accuracy of the authorization which is automatically time stamped. Click Submit.

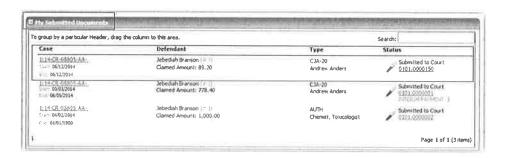


Step 3

A confirmation screen will appear indicating the previous action was successful and the voucher has been submitted for payment. Click the Home Page link to return to the home page. Click the Appointment Page link if you wish to create an additional document for this appointment.



The active voucher will be removed from the My Active Documents section and will now appear in the My Submitted Documents section.



Note: If a voucher is rejected by the court, it reappears in the My Documents section highlighted in gold. The system generates an email message explaining the corrections that must be made.

