## **Audio Recordings of Court Proceedings Now Available for Purchase**

Effective Nov. 1, 2018, audio recordings of Judicial Branch proceedings that occur on or after Nov. 1, 2018, and are publicly disclosable will be available for purchase at a cost of \$20 per day per docket number. The <u>rules and procedures</u> governing access to court transcripts will govern access to audio recordings.

To purchase an audio recording, a form must be completed and sent to Court



Transcript Services. Once it is determined that the audio is publicly disclosable and when payment is received, the audio recording will be burned onto a CD as an MP3 file and mailed to the requestor within seven days of the request being received. The requestor may also pick up the CD at the Centralized Infractions Bureau.

"The Judicial Branch is committed to openness and transparency, and this is another example of what the Branch is doing to provide members of the public with information about court proceedings," Chief Court Administrator Patrick L. Carroll III said. "We have been working for some time on this initiative and had hoped to be able to provide the audio to the requestor electronically. That is still our goal, but, in the meantime, we will be burning the audio file onto a CD."

For more information about the procedure for purchasing audio recordings, please consult the <u>policy and procedures</u>.