

# CRIMINAL APPEALS CASE OPENINGS BULLETIN (APPMIN REPLACING TD/SA/CA)

## CREATING A SINGLE CASE OPENING PROCEDURE FOR COMMON CRIMINAL APPEALS EFFECTIVE APRIL 2, 2018

### Summary

A new case type (APPMIN) will be added to dData for criminal appeal cases on April 2, 2018. Case types TD, SA, and CA will no longer be used. These new rules supersede the TD, SA, and CA rules found in Chapter 18, Part III, Section E.4(b), pp. 18 - 24-25 (rev. July 29, 2014).

### New Criminal Appeal Case Opening Procedure

Beginning on April 2, 2018, TD, SA, and CA case types are no longer to be used. Any appeal that would have fallen into these three categories will be opened as an “Appeal Minor” (APPMIN) case type. An APPMIN case is opened without the necessity of legal distinctions between trials, sentencings, or other matters, on routine appeals.

### Details of the Change

- dData will be modified so that the program will split appeals into two new appellate case types (“Appeal Minor” or “Appeal Major”) based solely on the AFPD hours recorded.
- The dData threshold between the new APPMIN and APPMAJ case types is set at 28 hours of recorded AFPD time.
- dData will be configured to automatically open the APPMAJ case. The two openings will be linked but will show in dData and report out on JS-50s as two separate cases once the threshold is reached.
- The assigned weight for APPMIN is .50 WCO;
- The assigned weight for APPMAJ is 6.28 WCO;
- The weights for these two new case types are cumulative. Upon opening, the APPMIN weight is applied. When more than 28 hours of AFPD time has been recorded to that case, the APPMAJ weight will be automatically added in the month in which dData creates the APPMAJ case opening.