Agency Option Submission

Public Defender Services Commission

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Signed (Agency Head)	Title	Date

Fund	Agency Priority	Adjustment Title	FY 2016 Amount	FY 2017 Amount
11000 - General Fund				
	1	Provide Funding for Assigned Counsel Rate Increases	2,957,101	2,957,101
	2	Provide Funding for Additional Public Defender Staff	1,162,078	1,162,078
	3	Provide Additional Training Funding for Public Defenders	35,000	35,000
	4	Provide Funding for Broadband Card Access for Public Defender Laptops	135,000	135,000
	Total		4,289,179	4,289,179
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11000 - General Fund

Adjustment Type: Expansion

Agency Title: Provide Funding for Assigned Counsel Rate Increases

Agency Description:

This expansion option includes rate increases for public defender assigned counsel. These include an increase of the criminal flat rate from $350 to $500 per case, which brings the flat rate compensation in line to what child protection attorneys are currently receiving. These rate increases also include an increase of the hourly rate from $50/hour to $60/hour for GAL and CP cases and an increase of the felony and appellate attorney's hourly rate to $85/hour. A break-down of the rate increases are below:

Flat Rate Increase	$	1,089,900
Child Protection Increase	$	869,600
Criminal Hourly Increase	$	997,601
Total	$	2,957,101

It makes sense to have the compensation rates in line with the cqase demands and to ensure that the rates are as fair abd equitable as possible. For example, if a client has a child protection case and a deliquency matter consolidated are paid a different rate for the same matter.

In addition, it has been over six years since the hourly and flat rates have been increased for this work.

Agency Priority: 1 System ID: 3170

SID	Account	Program	Agency 2016	Agency 2017
Financials				
12076 - Assigned Counsel - Criminal	01000 - Other Expenditures	22018 - Legal Services	2,957,101	2,957,101
	Total-12076 - Assigned Counsel - Criminal		2,957,101	2,957,101
Total Financials			2,957,101	2,957,101

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11000 - General Fund

Adjustment Type: Expansion

Agency Title: Provide Funding for Additional Public Defender Staff

Agency Description: The Public Defender Services Commission is requesting additional funding for full-time 13 positions and 6 per diem positions (2 social worker, 2 investigator, 2 clerical). A break-down of the requested positions can be found below:

Position	PS Cost	OE Cost
1 Investigator GA 10	$ 54,446	$ 1,633
2 Investigator Milford	$ 54,446	$ 1,633
3 SW Bridgeport JD	$ 58,570	$ 1,757
4 Domestic Violence SW	$ 58,570	$ 1,757
5 Domestic Violence SW	$ 58,570	$ 1,757
6 CP/Juvenile ADP	$ 83,094	$ 2,493
7 CP/Juvenile ADP	$ 83,094	$ 2,493
8 Family Support DADP	$ 65,671	$ 1,970
9 Family Support DADP	$ 65,671	$ 1,970
10 Trial/Forensic ADP	$ 83,094	$ 2,493
11 Trial/Forensic ADP	$ 83,094	$ 2,493
12 DAPD Derby GA	$ 65,671	$ 1,970
13 APD Legal Services Unit	$ 83,094	$ 2,493
Funding for Per Diems	$ -	$ 238,080
Total	$ 897,085	$ 264,993

Agency Priority: 2 System ID: 3171

SID	Account	Program	Agency 2016	Agency 2017
Financials				
10010 - Personal Services	00110 - Salary & Wages - Permanent Full Time	22018 - Legal Services	897,085	897,085
	Total-10010 - Personal Services		897,085	897,085
10020 - Other Expenses	51800 - Non-Employee Reimbursements	22018 - Legal Services	26,913	26,913
	51970 - Temporary Services	22018 - Legal Services	238,080	238,080
	Total-10020 - Other Expenses		264,993	264,993
Total Financials			1,162,078	1,162,078
Positions				

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11000 - General Fund

Adjustment Type: Expansion

Agency Title: Provide Additional Training Funding for Public Defenders

Agency Description: Additional funding for training opportunities will provide our criminal attorneys, social workers, investigators, child protection and deliquency attorneys with more opportunities to provide effective representation of indigent clients.

Agency Priority: 3 System ID: 3172

SID	Account	Program	Agency 2016	Agency 2017
Financials				
12106 - Training and Education	01000 - Other Expenditures	22018 - Legal Services	35,000	35,000
	Total-12106 - Training and Education		35,000	35,000
Total Financials			35,000	35,000

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11000 - General Fund

Adjustment Type: Expansion

Agency Title: Provide Funding for Broadband Card Access for Public Defender Laptops

Agency Description: In conjunction with the development of our case management system, our Agency has rolled out approximately 250 new laptops to attorneys. It is necessary to include broadband access cards with these laptops, and we estimate the cost for this broadband service to be $45 per month per laptop. This is an annual cost of $135,000.

Agency Priority: 4 System ID: 3301

SID	Account	Program	Agency 2016	Agency 2017
Financials				
10020 - Other Expenses	02100 - Telecommunication Services	00000 - Unknown Program	0	0
		22018 - Legal Services	135,000	135,000
	Total-10020 - Other Expenses		135,000	135,000
Total Financials			135,000	135,000