



# ASSIGNED COUNSEL PROGRAM

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## Mission Statement

We strive to help those who cannot help themselves; who face steep odds against the power of the State; and who struggle with poverty, mental issues, helplessness, and dread. We save lives and we save families. We are the first line of defense for the freedoms granted to us by the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights.

January 27, 2026

Olivia M. Owens  
Clerk of the Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Buffalo, NY 14202

RE: Erie County Legislature Resolution of March 4, 2004  
Comm. 5E-24 (2004)

Dear Ms. Owens,

Pursuant to the above-referenced Resolution and the related letter from the Erie County Attorney to the Chairman of the Legislature dated March 16, 2004, this letter with enclosure constitutes the Quarterly Report of the Assigned Counsel Program for the 4th quarter of 2025.

County funds appropriated for 2025 fiscal year: \$18,514,360

Portion of appropriation allocated to 4th quarter: \$4,628,590

Portion of appropriation allocated for year to date: \$18,514,360

Funds disbursed by Erie County to Assigned Counsel Program in 4th quarter: \$9,257,180

Funds disbursed by Erie County to Assigned Counsel Program, year to date: \$18,514,360

Administrative/Program expenses in 4th quarter: \$1,619,342

Administrative/Program expenses, year to date: \$5,895,157

Payments made to attorneys for legal services in 4th quarter: \$5,396,524

Payments made to attorneys for legal services, year to date: \$24,203,834

Payments made to investigators in 4th quarter: \$5,789

Payments made to investigators, year to date: \$30,827

Payments made to experts in 4th quarter: \$63,038

Payments made to experts, year to date: \$187,482

Payments made for transcripts in 4th quarter: \$30,043

Erie County Bar Association Aid to Indigent Prisoners Society, Inc.  
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Payments made for transcripts, year to date: \$130,466

Of these above expenses, approximately \$10.8M are expenses to be reimbursed through the ILS and DCJS Contracts with NYS and the County, for 2025, and not part of the \$18,514,360 appropriated funds. The attorney payments are the cash basis total paid, so some are from our 2024 accrued expenses.

**Please note that the figures for payments made to attorneys, year to date, are payments actually made and do not include liability incurred for legal work performed but either not yet billed or billed and not actually paid as of the end of the quarter.**

A list of all attorneys who have received payments during the 4th quarter of this year for legal services rendered is enclosed with this letter.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



Hope Keilman  
Chief Financial Officer

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cc: Jeremy C. Toth, Erie County Attorney  
Mark Cornell, Erie County Director of Budget & Management

**ATTORNEYS RECEIVING ASSIGNED COUNSEL PAYMENTS  
CASH BASIS - 4TH QUARTER 2025**

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Abate, Jeffrey - ABAT01  
Adeniji, Jesutowo - ADEN01  
Alba, Samuel - ALBA01  
Altshiler, Florina - ALTS01  
Amendola, Francis - AMEN01  
Ancona, Elena - ANCO01  
Anderson, Heather - ANDE08  
Anderson, Ryan - ANDE09  
Andruschat, Timothy - ANDR03  
Anthis, Sara - ANTH01  
Auricchio, James - AURI01  
Baker, Jackie - BAKE06  
Baranski Jr, Tibor - BARA01  
Bauerle, Ariel - BAUE02  
Baumann, Jeffrey - BAUM04  
Beck, William - BECK02  
Bedaska, John - BEDA01  
Bellrose Lloyd, Jacqueline - BELL03  
Bender, Debra - BEND01  
Benz, Carla - BENZ01  
Benz, Michael - BENZ02  
Berchou, Catherine - BERCO1  
Bernard, Scott - BERN07  
Billanti, Catherine - BILL03  
Blahowicz, Ashley - BLAH01  
Bogulski, Frank - BOGU01  
Bojak, Adam - BOJA01  
Brady, Daniel - BRAD03  
Broderick, William - BROD01  
Brooks, Matthew - BROO02  
Brooks, Timothy - BROO05  
Byrne, Mark - BYRN01  
Canterbury, Ian - CANT02  
Carey, Catherine - CARE05  
Cerccone, Jake - CERC03  
Chabala, Anthony - CHAB01  
Chan, Mary - CHAN02  
Chiarilli, Alexandria - CHIA05  
Ciarrocca, Rebecca - BYLE01  
Cimasi, Michael - CIMA01  
Ciminelli, James - CIMI03  
Clayton, David - CLAY02  
Coad, Kevin - COAD01  
Cole, Richard - COLE02  
Connelly, Caitlin - CONN09  
Conroy, Michael - CONR01  
Cooper, Cindy - COOP03  
Curtin, William - CURT05  
Dell, Paul - DELL02  
DeMatteo, James - DEMA01  
Desiderio, Lawrence - DESI01  
Didio, Paul - DIDI01  
Dinki, Edward - DINK01  
Dolgoff, Barry - DOLG02  
Domenico, Anthony - DOME01  
Donatelli, Alan - DONA01  
Dorliae, Cecile - MATH02  
Dougherty, Connor - DOUG01  
DuBois, Daniel - DUBO01  
Duncan, TheArthur - DUNC02  
Eaton, Winter - EATO02  
Emborsky, Andrew - EMBO01  
Evans, Jason - EVAN03  
Fabiato, Lee - FABI01  
Faraco, Jr., Anthony - FARA01  
Farah, Elias - FARA02  
Farrell, Bethany - FARR05  
Ferullo, M. Kreag - FERU01  
Flynn, Robert - FLYN03  
Franczyk, Thomas - FRAN05  
Franjoine, Christopher - FRAN07  
Fromen, Lucas - FROM02  
Funda, Joyce - FUND02  
Gallagher, Timothy - GALL05  
Gately, Tyler - GATE01  
Genovese, Giovanni - GENO01  
Gibbons, Kenneth - GIBB02  
Gibbons, Kevin - GIBB01  
Gilbert, Brendan - GILB02  
Gioia, Michael - GIOI03  
Gioia, Rebecca - GIOI02  
Goldstein, Robert - GOLD04  
Greenberg, Charles - GREE04  
Greene, Alvin - GREE03  
Greene, Shane - GREE07  
Griebel, Daniel - GRIE01  
Hajdu, Lyle - HAJD01  
Hennessy, Shawn - HENN03  
Hennessy, Timothy - HENN04  
Heubusch, Thomas - HEUB01

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Hoerner, Kaitlyn - HOER01	Nichols, Ann - NICH03
Hoffman, Alan - HOFF01	Nowadly, Kate - NOWA03
Hughes, Stephen - HUGH01	Ojeme, Osemudiamen - OJEM01
Ieraci, Frank - IERA02	O'Neill, Tyler - ONEI02
Jablonski, Justin - JABL01	Osman, Mayada - OSMA02
Jarzembek, Joseph - JARZ01	O'Sullivan, Evelyne - OSUL01
Johnson, Robert - JOHN03	Pajak, David - PAJA01
Jones, Deonna - JONE06	Parisi, Ryan - PARI01
Kane, Kevin - KANE04	Parker, Brian - PARK06
Kapperman, Kelly - DUNN02	Parlato, Vincent - PARL02
Karalus, Susan - KARA01	Paul, Kim - PAUL01
Kelly, Sean - KELL07	Pawarski, Timothy - PAWA01
KOMARA, JESSICA - KOMA01	Penberthy, Brittany Lee - PENB01
Kotnis, Mark - KOTN01	Penn, Mary - PENN01
Krajewski, Jeffrey - KRAJ01	Petersen, Frederick - PETE04
Kulpit, Jessica - KULP01	Platzer, Kathleen - PLAT01
Lauricella, Dillon - LAUR02	Poretta, Michael - PORE01
Lavin, Katharine - LAVI02	Potenza, Matthew - POTE03
Leffler, Evan - LEFF03	Potter, Todd - POTT01
Lenhardt, Clayton - LENH01	Powell, Becky - POWE01
Litwin, Ashley - LITW02	Proia, Olivia - PROI01
Longo, Frank - LONG02	Purks-Morris, Shakora - PURK01
Loss, Katrina - LOSS01	Quinlivan, Patrick - QUIN03
MacDonald, Brian - MACD01	Radack, Andrew - RADA01
Mackay, Parker - MACK03	Remmes, James - REMM01
Mahoney, Kevin - MAHO03	Repka, Crystal - WENT01
Maloney, James - MALO03	Roberts, Jr., Linwood - ROBE05
Marinero, Alixandra - MARI04	Robshaw, Nora - ROBS01
Marranca, Mindy - MARR03	Rodriguez, David - RODR04
Martin, Alexander - MART11	Rosciglione, Maria - ROSC02
Martnshin, Edward - MART02	Rossi, William - ROSS07
Mathewson, William - MATH03	Sacha, Mark - SACH01
McGrath, Peter - MCGR03	Saeli, Rachel - MARR05
McIver, James - MCIV01	Salevsky, Brent - SALE01
McKeating, Michael - MCKE01	Sanfilippo, Salvatore - SANF01
McLaughlin, Patrick - MCLA02	Sarkovics, David - SARK01
Michalek, Jr., Paul - MICH07	Schaus, Daniel - SCHA07
Midlik, Tara - MIDL01	Scherer, Jeffrey - SCHE04
Mingo, Michael - MING01	Schoemick, John - SCHO03
Miserendino, Samuel - MISE01	Schwegler, Lawrence - SCHW07
Missell, Cory - MISS01	Scinta, Joseph - SCIN03
Morrisroe, Richard - MORR03	Seegert, Seth - SEEG01
Muscato, Joseph - MUSC01	Shatkin, Marc - SHAT02
Nasser, Abraham - NASS02	Smith, Jennifer - SMIT13
Newcomb, Terrance - NEWC01	Stachowski, Michael - STAC01

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Stadler, Joseph - STAD01  
Staehr, Jonathan - STAE01  
Stafford, Patrick C - STAF02  
Steinhaus, Andrew - STEI06  
Steinhaus, Robert - STEI03  
Stiller, Douglas - STIL01  
Swerdlin, Matthew - SWER01  
Szczepanski, William - SCZC03  
Szczur, Celia - SZCZ02  
Tabashneck, Andrew - TABA01  
Tarantino, Daniel - TARA01  
Texido, Esq., Nicholas - TEXI01  
Thibodeau, Pamela - THIB01  
Tota-Neal, Delrease - TOTA01  
Towey, Brian - TOWE01  
Trott, Emily - TROT02  
Tupchik, Lana - TUPC01  
Turner, Joseph - TURN01  
VanDette, James - VAND03  
Varavenkataraman, Radhika Padmanabhan - VARA01  
Vasilion, Peter - VASI01  
Venzon, Catharine - VENZ01  
Vesper, Jessica - VESP01  
Violanti, Louis - VIOL02  
Voelkl, Jeffrey - VOEL02  
Ward, Daniel - WARD02  
Weinrieb, Pieter - WEIN05  
Whorley, Daniel - WHOR01  
Wiens, Wallace - WIEN02  
Wilson, David - WILS01  
Wojdan, Jenna - WOJD01  
Wojtan, Thomas - WOJT02  
Zaccagnino, Reid - ZACC02  
Zosh, Michael - ZOSH01

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