



# 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.

March 23, 2026

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

RE: Erie County Bar Association Aid to Indigent Prisoners Society, Inc.  
Assigned Counsel Program Annual Funding Contract  
Paragraph 8(b) reporting

Dear Ms. Owens,

Pursuant to the above-referenced contract, this letter with enclosure constitutes the unaudited Annual program and financial report detailing caseload counts by program area, conflict of interest case counts, program and administrative expenditures of the Assigned Counsel Program for 2025, as set forth in Paragraph 8(b) of the annual contract.

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

Erie County Bar Association Aid to Indigent Prisoners Society Inc  
 Unaudited Accounting for FYE 2025  
 Program Case Counts and Program & Administrative Expenses

Program Case Counts	Cases Opened	Cases Closed @12/31/25	Cases Pending @12/31/25	Conflict of Interest cases received
Violent Felonies	1462	1348	857	348
Other Felonies	3736	3263	2169	276
Misdemeanors/Violations	11653	9777	4525	
Parole Violations	311	253	151	
Post-Dispositions	678	599	340	2
Appeals - Criminal	130	44	126	
Family Court	6930	6187	7888	
Appeals - Family	61	69	54	
	24961	21540	16110	626

Program & Administrative Expenses

	Program Services (Legal Services)	Administrative (Mgmt & General)	TOTAL			DCJS Funded	Other Funding (Private Foundation, etc)	Erie County 18B Funded Portion
			Program Services (Legal Services)	Administrative (Mgmt & General)	TOTAL			
Attorney Fees	\$22,881,129.14	\$0.00	\$22,881,129.14	\$ 6,757,738.00	\$ 104,484.00			\$16,018,907.14
Transcripts	\$130,466.48	\$0.00	\$130,466.48	\$ 124,230.00				\$6,236.48
Experts	\$187,482.30	\$0.00	\$187,482.30	\$ 186,622.00				\$860.30
Investigators	\$30,827.03	\$0.00	\$30,827.03	\$ 22,696.00				\$8,131.03
Personnel (Wages/Fringes)	\$2,695,799.87	\$1,839,275.49	\$4,535,075.36	\$ 2,954,633.00	\$ 128,061.16	\$ 142,914.71		\$1,309,466.49
Util/Telephone	\$32,365.47	\$10,788.49	\$43,153.96	\$ 29,021.00	\$ 323.98			\$13,808.98
Space Rental	\$184,117.48	\$61,372.49	\$245,489.97	\$ 178,449.00	\$ 300.00			\$66,740.97
Office Supplies	\$21,494.69	\$7,164.90	\$28,659.58	\$ 7,769.00	\$ 1,927.65			\$18,962.93
Postage	\$2,110.55	\$703.52	\$2,814.06	\$ 2,808.00				\$6.06
Travel/Conferences	\$13,616.62	\$4,538.87	\$18,155.49	\$ 8,169.57	\$ 3,284.72			\$6,701.20
Vehicle Lease	\$15,372.43	\$0.00	\$15,372.43	\$ 15,372.43				\$0.00
Insurance	\$20,978.75	\$6,992.92	\$27,971.67	\$ 12,576.00				\$15,395.67
Accounting	\$9,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$12,000.00					\$12,000.00
Dues/Fees	\$12,634.90	\$4,211.63	\$16,846.53					\$987.53
Reproduction	\$5,513.12	\$1,837.71	\$7,350.83	\$ 4,307.00				\$3,043.83
Training	\$113,039.64	\$0.00	\$110,422.49	\$ 62,850.00	\$ 5,550.00			\$42,022.49
Equipment Purchase	\$49,947.35	\$16,649.12	\$66,596.47	\$ 48,487.00	\$ 29,874.20			-\$11,764.73
Technology/Support	\$456,283.46	\$152,094.49	\$608,377.95	\$ 157,561.00	\$ 420,942.19			\$29,874.76
Legal Publications	\$25,020.48	\$0.00	\$23,212.54	\$ 20,735.00	\$ 396.73			\$2,078.81
Temps/Recruitment	\$0.00	\$16,735.00	\$36,758.51	\$ 26,668.00	\$ 1,754.27			\$8,336.24
Consultants	\$19,657.00	\$0.00	\$71,595.16	\$ 18,392.00				\$53,203.16
Payroll Service	\$4,948.91	\$1,649.64	\$6,598.55	\$ 4,784.00				\$1,814.55
Bank Charges		\$63.92	\$63.92					\$53.92
Online Billing Software fees	\$65,874.60	\$0.00	\$68,513.33	\$ 68,513.00				\$0.33
Term/Law Student	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00					\$0.00
Misc	\$3,493.48	\$3,768.84	\$7,262.32					\$7,262.32
Totals	\$26,985,173.74	\$2,130,837.03	\$29,182,186.07	\$ 10,728,240.00	\$ 696,900.90	\$ 142,914.71		\$17,614,130.46