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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

Jorge A. Alvarado, Chief Public Defender, Public Defender Department and Honorable Hector H. Balderas, Esq., CFE, New Mexico State Auditor Santa Fe, New Mexico

### **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and the Major Special Revenue Fund of the Public Defender Department (Department) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Department's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. We have also audited the budgetary comparisons of the organizations of the general fund presented as supplementary information for the year ended June 30, 2014, as listed in the table of contents.

#### Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditors' Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion.

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An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

### **Opinions**

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Department as of June 30, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and the Major Special Revenue Fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Also, in our opinion, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the budgetary comparisons of the organizations of the general fund for the year ended June 30, 2014, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note 2, the financial statements of the Public Defender Department are intended to present the financial position, and the changes in financial position of only that portion of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining information and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and the Major Special Revenue Fund that are attributable to the transactions of the Department. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the State of New Mexico as of June 30, 2014, and the changes in its financial position and its cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

### **Other Matters**

#### Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages viii through xii be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

### Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Department's basic financial statements and on the budgetary comparisons presented as supplementary information. The additional schedules listed as "Supplementary Information" in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing

procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

Maris, Duting & Co., CPAs, P. C.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 17, 2014 on our consideration of the Department's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Department's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Macias, Gutierrez & Co., CPAs, P.C.

Espanola, New Mexico November 17, 2014

The following is a discussion and analysis of the department's financial performance, providing an overview of the activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014. Please read it in conjunction with the department's financial statements, which follow this section.

#### **OVERVIEW OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

This annual report consists of three parts – management's discussion and analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and required supplementary information. The basic financial statements include two kinds of statements that present different views of the department:

- The first two statements are government-wide financial statements that provide both long-term and short-term information about the department's overall financial status.
- The remaining statements are fund financial statements that focus on individual parts of the department, reporting the department's operations in more detail than the government-wide statements. The governmental funds statements tell how general government services (the primary functions of the department) were financed in the short term as well as what remains for future spending.

The financial statements also include notes that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed data. The statements are followed by a section of required supplementary information that further explains and supports the information in the financial statements.

### **Government-Wide Statements**

The government-wide statements report information about the department as a whole using accounting methods similar to those used by private-sector companies. The statement of net position includes all of the government's assets and liabilities. All of the current year's revenues and expenses are accounted for in the statement of activities regardless of when cash is received or paid.

The two government-wide statements report the department's net position and how it has changed. Net position – the difference between the department's assets and liabilities – is one way to measure the department's financial health or position.

- Over time, increases or decreases in the department's net position is an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating, respectively.
- To assess the overall health of the department, the reader is encouraged to consider additional non-financial factors such as changes in the department's grant funding or the addition of new programs.

All of the department's basic services are included in government-wide financial statements, such as district office operations and contract counsel legal services. State appropriations, other reimbursements and fees finance most of these activities.

#### **Fund Financial Statements**

The fund financial statements provide more detailed information about the department's most significant funds –not the department as a whole. Funds are accounting devices that the department uses to keep track of specific sources of funding and spending for particular purposes.

Some funds are required by State law.

• The State Legislature established other funds to control and manage money for particular purposes or to show that it is properly using certain grants.

The department has two types of funds:

Governmental funds –Most of the department's basic services are included in governmental funds which focus on (1)
how cash and other financial assets that can readily be converted to cash flow in and out and (2) the balances left at
year-end that are available for spending. Consequently, the governmental fund statements provide a detailed shortterm view that helps determine whether there are more or fewer financial resources that can be spent in the near
future to finance the department's programs.

The department has two governmental funds. The first is used to account for the department's general operations and is a reverting fund. The second is a statutorily created fund used to account for proceeds from the indigent representation application fee (a \$10 fee). The use of those fees is legally restricted for the department's automation needs.

• Fiduciary funds—The department is the trustee, or fiduciary, for certain moneys, it is responsible for those assets that—because of a trust arrangement—can be used only for the trust beneficiaries. The department is responsible for ensuring that the assets reported in these funds are used for their intended purposes. All of the department's fiduciary activities are reported in a separate statement of fiduciary net positions and a statement of changes in fiduciary net positions. We exclude these activities from the department's government-wide financial statements because the department cannot use these assets to finance its operations. The department has one fiduciary fund used to account for activities in which the department is acting in agent capacity for the state general fund. Funds are received from clients who are determined by the department not to be indigent. All amounts charged to clients and all amounts collected from these clients are payable to the state general fund.

#### FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The department's net position decreased \$365,596 over the course of this fiscal year's operations. The following financial information is a comparison of net position for 2014 and 2013.

	2014	2013	Variance
Current and other noncurrent assets	\$3,017,658	\$2,865,449	\$152,209
Capital assets, net	102,992	143,965	(40,973)
Total assets	3,120,650	3,009,414	111,236
Long-term liabilities	0	19,723	(19,723)
Other liabilities	4,055,015	3,558,460	496,555
Total liabilities	4,055,015	3,578,183	476,832
Net position:			
Net investment in capital assets	102,992	143,965	(40,973)
Restricted	94,932	258,433	(163,501)
Unrestricted	(1,132,289)	(971,167)	(161,122)
Total net position	(\$934,365)	(\$568,769)	(\$365,596)

The total assets consist of cash, net receivables, prepaid expenses, and capital assets (net of accumulated depreciation). Total liabilities consist of accounts payable, accrued salaries and employee benefits payable, amounts due to the state's general fund and other agencies, and compensated absences payable.

Net position is comprised of net investment in capital assets, restricted and unrestricted amounts. The restricted amount of \$94,932 represents the amount restricted for the purchase and maintenance of automation systems.

The variances consist of:

- Total assets The \$111,236 variance increase in total assets is largely attributable to an increase in Due from other state agencies and Due from local governments at June 30, 2014.
- Total liabilities The \$476,832 variance is due to an increase in accounts payable of \$901,418, compensated absences of \$79,326, accrued salaries of \$71,715, various payroll related liabilities of \$76,632 and a significant decrease in due to state general fund of \$632,536 and long-term liabilities of \$19,723.
- Total net position The net position for the department decreased from 2013 by \$365,596.

The following financial information is a comparison of the Statement of Activities for 2014 and 2013:

	2014	2013	Variance
Revenues:			
Program revenues:			
Charges for services	\$256,891	\$268,722	(\$11,831)
Operating state grants	295,665	196,912	98,753
Operating federal grants	0	0	0
General revenues	42,366,150	39,502,248	2,863,902
Total revenues	42,918,706	39,967,882	2,950,824
Expenses:			
General government:	43,281,000	40,320,613	2,960,387
Loss on capital asset disposition	0	0	0
Increase (decrease) in net position	(362,294)	(352,731)	(9,563)
Net position, beginning	(572,071)	(216,038)	(356,033)
Net position, ending	(\$934,365)	(\$568,769)	(\$365,596)

Note: The \$3,302 difference between 2013 ending net position and 2014 beginning net position is attributable to prior period adjustments and discussed in Note 14.

<u>Total Revenues \$42,918,706:</u> Revenue received is comprised mostly by appropriations from the state's general fund, but also includes inter-agency transfers and applications fees. In fiscal year 2014 the department collected \$11,831 less in application fees. This explains the variance in the Charges for Services category above. The increase in general revenues is attributable to increased funding in the appropriation process.

<u>Total Expenses \$43,281,000</u>: Expenses consists of employee salaries and benefits, contractual services, operational costs and reversions. The escalation in expenditures is attributable to increased appropriations in general fund (mentioned above) and the use of special revenue automation fund balance.

<u>Change in Net position \$365,596:</u> The department's total revenue increased from \$39,957,882 to \$42,918,706. The department's total expenses increased from \$40,320,463 to \$43,281,000.

### ANALYSIS OF THE DEPARTMENT'S OVERALL FINANCIAL POSITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

As of the close of the fiscal year, the department reported an ending fund balance of (\$364,281). The negative fund balance is largely due to the unassigned deficit fund balance, under the General Fund. This issue is discussed in note 10.

The general fund is the chief operating fund for the department. At the end of the current fiscal year, the non-spendable fund balance of the general fund was \$12,162 and the unassigned fund amount was (\$471,375) which comprised the total negative fund balance of (\$459,213). The fund balance of the department's general fund decreased by \$443,069 during the current fiscal year.

The special revenue fund titled the Automation Fund has a total fund balance of \$94,932, all of which is restricted for the purchase and maintenance of automation systems. The net decrease in fund balance during the current year in this special revenue fund was \$163,501.

Total fund balance decreased by \$606,570, indicating that the department's expenditures exceeded revenue generated through the year. This was partially possible due to the department budgeting special revenue fund balance (savings) from previous years.

### **General Fund Budgetary Highlights**

The State Legislature makes annual appropriations to the department. Adjustments to the budget require approval by the State Budget Division of the Department of Finance and Administration.

Over the course of the year, the department revised its budget. These budget adjustments are captured in four categories.

- Adjustments for supplemental or special appropriations to either budget new or continuing supplemental or special
  appropriations, or to adjust the estimated amount to reflect the actual appropriation amount.
- Increases to the budget to reflect funding that was not secured at the time the operating budget was prepared. This includes funding from various courts in exchange for the department's service to their drug court programs.
- Changes made between categories to ensure that the budget reflects the most accurate budget allocation, based on expenditure projections.
- Increases to the budget from fund balance to prevent budget overruns.

With these adjustments, actual general fund expenditures were \$18,464 above final budget amounts. The final approved budget was \$42,680,418 and the total expenditures were \$42,698,882.

### CAPITAL ASSET AND DEBT ADMINISTRATION

### Capital Assets

At the end of fiscal year 2014, the department had a net investment of \$102,992 in capital assets, including machinery, equipment, furniture and fixtures. This amount represents a net decrease (including additions and deductions) of \$40,973 over last fiscal year.

### Long- term debt

At the end of the fiscal year, the department had \$1,014,626 in compensated absences payable, an increase of 6.2% under last fiscal year. The decrease is attributable to the department keeping a high vacancy rate throughout the year. More information about the department's debt is presented in note 9 of this report.

#### **NEXT YEARS' BUDGETS**

The total approved recurring general fund operating budget for fiscal year 2015 is \$44,489,200 which is an increase of 5.8% compared to fiscal year 2014's approved recurring general operating budget.

The department submitted a 117% general fund increase in the fiscal year 2016 budget request. If approved, the additional funding will be directed towards an aggressive increase in contract counsel compensation in order to adequately fund the contract attorneys, an aggressive increase in FTE, building leases, inventory exempt, etc. in order to adequately staff the department, increase administrative staff and bringing current staff under midpoint of their pay range to 100% compa.

### CONTACTING THE DEPARTMENT'S FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, taxpayers, customers, investors and creditors with a general overview of the department's finances and to demonstrate the department's accountability for the money it receives. If you have any questions about this report or need additional financial information, contact the department's Chief Financial Officer.

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## Statement of Net Position June 30, 2014

<u>Assets</u>	 overnmental Activities
Current assets: Interest in State General Fund Investment Pool (note 3) Cash in authorized bank account Petty cash Due from employees, net (note 4) Due from other state agencies (note 4) Due from local governments (note 4) Prepaid expenses	\$ 2,495,192 1,407 1,300 7,107 341,550 158,940 12,162
Total current assets	3,017,658
Noncurrent assets: Capital assets, net of depreciation (note 5)	102,992
Total assets	 3,120,650
<u>Liabilities</u>	
Current liabilities: Accounts payable Accrued salaries payable Payroll taxes payable Payroll benefits payable Other payroll liabilities Due to other funds Due to state general fund (note 6) Compensated absences payable (note 9)	2,407,944 287,647 110,302 218,127 5,236 50 11,083 1,014,626
Long-term liabilities: Compensated absences payable (note 9)	 <del>-</del>
Total liabilities	 4,055,015
Net Position	
Net investment in capital assets Restricted for automation systems Unrestricted	 102,992 94,932 (1,132,289)
Total net position	\$ (934,365)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

### Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Governmental Activities
Expenses: General government:	
Current: Personal services and employee benefits Contractual services Other	\$ 26,520,927 10,746,348 5,972,752
Depreciation expense	40,973
Total expenses	43,281,000
Program revenues: Charges for services Operating state grants	256,891 295,665
Total program revenues	552,556
Net program expense	42,728,444
General revenues: General Fund appropriation, net of current-year reversion (\$-0-) Compensation appropriation Union back pay supplemental funding Interest	41,799,700 224,900 341,550
Total general revenues	42,366,150
Change in net position	(362,294)
Net position, beginning, as originally reported Prior period adjustments (note 14)	(568,769) (3,302)
Net position, beginning, as restated	(572,071)
Net position, ending	\$ (934,365)

## **Balance Sheet - Governmental Funds June 30, 2014**

	General Fund	Automation Special Revenue Fund	Total Governmental Funds
<u>Assets</u>			
Interest in SGF Investment Pool (note 3) Cash in authorized bank account Petty cash Due from other funds Due from other state agencies (note 4) Due from employees, net (note 4) Due from local governments (note 4) Prepaid expenses	\$ 2,256,963 - 1,300 10 341,550 7,107 158,940 12,162	\$ 238,229 1,407 - - - -	\$ 2,495,192 1,407 1,300 10 341,550 7,107 158,940 12,162
Total assets	\$ 2,778,032	\$ 239,636	\$ 3,017,668
Liabilities, Deferred Inflows of Resources and Fund Liabilities: Accounts payable Accrued salaries payable Payroll taxes payable Payroll benefits payable Other payroll liabilities Due to other funds Due to State General Fund (note 6)  Total liabilities	2,263,300 287,647 110,302 218,127 5,236 - 11,083	144,644 - - - - 60 - 144,704	\$ 2,407,944 287,647 110,302 218,127 5,236 60 11,083
Deferred Inflows of Resources: Unavailable revenue  Fund Balances:	341,550	<u> </u>	341,550
Fund balances (note 10):  Nonspendable:  Prepaid expenses  Restricted for the purchase and maintenance  of automation systems  Unassigned	12,162 - (471,375)	94,932 	12,162 94,932 (471,375)
Total fund balances	(459,213)	94,932	(364,281)
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and fund balances	\$ 2,778,032	\$ 239,636	\$ 3,017,668

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

# Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to the Government-Wide Statement of Net Position June 30, 2014

Total fund balance-Governmental funds		\$ (364,281)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet.		
These assets consist of: Furniture and fixtures Machinery and equipment Data processing equipment Accumulated depreciation	\$ 37,290 131,751 451,629 (517,678)	102,992
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and, therefore, are reported as unavailable revenue in the funds		341,550
Some liabilities are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet.		
These liabilities consist of: Compensated absences payable		 (1,014,626)
Net position of governmental activities		\$ (934,365)

# Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Governmental Funds Year Ended June 30, 2014

	General Fund	Automation Special Revenue Fund	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:			
Application fees	\$ -	\$ 256,891	\$ 256,891
Other state funds	295,665		295,665
Total revenues	295,665	256,891	552,556
Expenditures: General government: Current:			
Personal services and employee benefits	26,461,324	-	26,461,324
Contractual services	10,695,877	50,471	10,746,348
Other	5,602,831	369,921	5,972,752
Capital outlay			
Total expenditures	42,760,032	420,392	43,180,424
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures Other financing sources (uses):	(42,464,367)	(163,501)	(42,627,868)
General Fund appropriations	41,799,700	_	41,799,700
Compensation appropriation	224,900	_	224,900
Union back pay supplemental	-	_	-
Reversions (note 6)		<u> </u>	
Total other financing sources (uses)	42,024,600		42,024,600
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other			
financing uses	(439,767)	(163,501)	(603,268)
Fund balance, beginning, as originally reported	(16,144)	258,433	242,289
Prior period adjustments (note 14)	(3,302)	200,400	(3,302)
The period adjustments (note 14)	(0,002)		(0,002)
Fund balance, beginning, as restated	(19,446)	258,433	238,987
Fund balance, ending	\$ (459,213)	\$ 94,932	\$ (364,281)

# Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Government-Wide Statement of Activities Year Ended June 30, 2014

Net change in fund balance-Governmental Funds	\$ (603,268)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:	
Capital outlays are reported as expenditures in governmental funds. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of capital assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense.	
In the current period, these amounts are:  Depreciation expense  Capital outlay	(40,973) -
Some intergovernmental revenue will not be collected within 60 days of fiscal year end. These are not considered "available" revenues in the governmental funds until received. Change in deferred inflows of resources on fund statements.	341,550
Some items reported in the Statement of Activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. These activities consist of:	
Increase in compensated absences payable	 (59,603)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ (362,294)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

### Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual Year Ended June 30, 2014

	General Fund			
	Original Approved Budget	Final Approved Budget	Actual (Budgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues: Intergovernmental revenue: General appropriations Compensation appropriation Union back pay supplemental Other state funds	\$ 41,799,700 224,900 341,550	\$ 41,799,700 224,900 341,550 314,268	\$ 41,799,700 224,900 341,550 295,665	\$ - - (18,603)
Total revenues	42,366,150	42,680,418	42,661,815	\$ (18,603)
Prior-year funds re-budgeted	<del>-</del> _	<del>-</del> _		
	\$ 42,366,150	\$ 42,680,418		
F	Reconciliation of ac actual budgeted			
	Union back pay s Deferred inflow Unavailable rev		(341,550)	
٦	Γotal revenues (Exl	nibit D)	\$ 42,320,265	
Expenditures: (note 11) General government: Current: Personal services and				
employee benefits Contractual services Other Other financing uses	\$ 27,020,950 10,328,600 5,016,600	\$ 26,348,798 10,737,620 5,594,000	\$ 26,461,324 10,694,144 5,543,414	\$ (112,526) 43,476 50,586
Total expenditures	\$ 42,366,150	\$ 42,680,418	\$ 42,698,882	\$ (18,464)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Automation Special Revenue Fund								
	Α	Original pproved Budget		Final pproved Budget	(B	Actual sudgetary Basis)	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)		
Revenues: Application fees Interest	\$	250,000	\$	250,000	\$	256,891 <u>-</u>	\$	6,891 -	
Total revenues		250,000		250,000	\$	256,891	\$	6,891	
Prior-year funds re-budgeted				200,000					
	\$	250,000	\$	450,000					
Expenditures: General government: Current: Personal services and employee benefits Contractual services Other	\$	- 75,000 175,000	\$	- 75,000 375,000	\$	- 50,471 369,921	\$	- 24,529 5,079	
Total expenditures	\$	250,000	\$	450,000	\$	420,392	\$	29,608	

## Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities - Agency Fund June 30, 2014

	Agency Fund		
<u>Assets</u>			
Interest in State General Fund Investment Pool Due from other funds Accounts receivable, net	\$	2,780 50 1,142,149	
Total assets	\$	1,144,979	
<u>Liabilities</u>			
Due to State General Fund (note 6) Due to others	\$	1,144,979 -	
Total liabilities	\$	1,144,979	

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### 1. History and Organization

The Public Defender Department (Department) was created by Chapter 31, Article 15, NMSA, 1978 Compilation. The Chief Public Defender is the administrative head of the Department who is appointed by the Public Defender Commission, which was created pursuant to Article 6, Section 39 of the constitution of New Mexico and consists of eleven members. Article 6 established the term and qualification requirements for both the Chief Public Defender and the members of the Public Defender Commission and established the manner in which the members of the commission would be appointed. The Commission is administratively attached to the Department and appoints a Chief Public Defender for term of four years by approval of two-thirds of its members. The Commission may reappoint a chief for subsequent terms.

The Chief Public Defender shall establish within the Department an Appellate Division to provide representation before the court of appeals and Supreme Court in appellate, review and post conviction proceedings involving persons represented under the Public Defender Act (31-15-1 to 31-15-12, NMSA 1978). The Chief Public Defender shall also appoint a district public defender, in each district, who shall administer the operations of the district and serve at the pleasure of the chief.

The purpose of the Department is to confer with and represent any person charged with any crime that carries a possible sentence of imprisonment and who appears in court without counsel. If the person is financially unable to obtain counsel, he/she is to be represented by the District Public Defender of the appropriate jurisdiction at all stages of the proceeding against him/her, including any appeal.

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial statements of the Department have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted (US GAAP) in the United States of America as applied to governmental units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The GASB periodically updates its codification of the existing Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards, which, along with subsequent GASB pronouncements (Statements and Interpretations), constitutes US GAAP for governmental units. The more significant of the Department's accounting policies are described below.

#### A. Financial Reporting Entity

In evaluating how to define the government, for financial reporting purposes, management has considered all potential component units. The decision to include a potential component unit in the reporting entity was made by applying the criteria set forth in US GAAP. The basic-but not the only-criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is the governing body's ability to exercise oversight responsibility. The most significant manifestation of this ability is financial interdependency. Other manifestations of the ability to exercise oversight responsibility include, but are not limited to, the selection of governing authority, the designation of management, the ability to significantly influence operations, and accountability for fiscal matters. A second criterion used in evaluating potential component units is the scope of public service.

### Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2014

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

### A. Financial Reporting Entity (cont'd)

Application of this criterion involves considering whether the activity benefits the government and/or its citizens, or whether the activity is conducted within the geographic boundaries of the government and is generally available to its citizens.

A third criterion used to evaluate potential component units for inclusion or exclusion from the reporting entity is the existence of special financing relationships, regardless of whether the government is able to exercise oversight responsibilities.

The Department is legally separate and fiscally independent of other state agencies. The Chief Public Defender has decision-making authority, the power to manage operations of the Department, exercise authority over and provide general supervision of employees and primary accountability for fiscal matters. The Public Defender Department is a part of the primary government of the State of New Mexico, and its financial data should be included with the financial data of the State.

Presently, the State of New Mexico issues an audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report inclusive of all agencies of the primary government. Included within the reporting entity is the Public Defender Department as described above. There are no component units. Other Executive Branch entities of government are excluded because they are established separately by statutes.

#### B. Basic Financial Statements - GASB Statement No. 34

The basic financial statements include both government-wide (based on the Public Defender Department as a whole) and fund financial statements. The reporting model focus is on either the Department as a whole or major individual funds (within the fund financial statements). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements (within the basic financial statements) categorize primary activities as either governmental or business type activities.

The Department has only governmental type activities. In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, the governmental column reflects an accrual basis of accounting and an economic measurement focus resources basis, which incorporates long-term assets as well as long-term debt and obligations. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reflects both the gross and net cost per functional category, which are otherwise being supported by general government revenues. The Statement of Activities reduced gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues. The program revenues must be directly associated with the function. Program revenues include charges for services (indigent client non-refundable application fees) and state operating grants mainly associated with various Judicial District Juvenile and Adult Drug Courts.

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### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

#### B. Basic Financial Statements - GASB Statement No. 34 (cont'd)

The Public Defender Department includes only one function (general government). General revenues (General Fund appropriation, transfers-in from other state agencies, refunds, etc.) normally cover the net cost (by function). Historically, the prior model did not summarize or present net cost by function or activity. Also, neither fiduciary funds nor component units that are fiduciary in nature are included in the government-wide financial statements.

This government-wide focus is more on the sustainability of the Public Defender Department as an entity and the change in aggregate financial position resulting from the activities of the fiscal period. The fund financial statements are similar to the financial statements presented in the previous accounting model. The governmental fund statements are presented on a current financial resources measurement focus and modified accrual basis of accounting. This presentation is deemed appropriate to (a) demonstrate legal compliance, (b) demonstrate the source and use of liquid resources, and (c) demonstrate how the Department's actual experience conforms to the budget or fiscal plan. Since the governmental fund statements are presented on a different measurement focus and basis of accounting than the government-wide statements' governmental column, a reconciliation is presented on the page following each statement, which briefly explains the adjustment necessary to transform the fund-based financial statements into the governmental column on the government-wide presentation.

### C. Basis of Presentation – Fund Accounting

The financial transactions of the Department are maintained on the basis of funds, each of which is considered a separate accounting entity. The operations of each fund are accounted for with a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprise its assets, liabilities, fund balance, revenues, expenditures and other financing sources or uses. Government resources are allocated to, and accounted for, in individual funds based upon the purpose for which they are to be spent and the means by which spending activities are controlled.

The various funds are summarized by type and reported by generic classification in the accompanying financial statements. GASB Statement No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria for the determination of major funds based on a percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures. The general fund is always considered a major fund. The Department uses the following fund types:

### **GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES**

The focus of Governmental Fund measurement (in the fund financial statements) is based upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the Governmental Funds of the Public Defender Department.

**General Fund** - the General Fund (SHARE Fund #175-reverting) is the general operating fund of the Department. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund. Regular general and compensation appropriations accounted for in this fund are reverting.

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2014

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

### C. Basis of Presentation – Fund Accounting (cont'd)

### **GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES** (cont'd)

**Automation Special Revenue Fund** (SHARE Fund #759-nonreverting – Section 31-15-5 1B) - Used to account for those proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The legal restrictions on expenditures and the authority for the creation of the Automation Special Revenue Fund is a result of Senate Bill 222 of the 41<sup>st</sup> Legislature of the State of New Mexico, which amended Section 31-15-12, NMSA, 1978 Compilation and created the fund. This fund is also considered a major fund under GASB 34 criteria.

#### **FIDUCIARY FUND TYPES**

**Agency Fund -** The Agency Fund (SHARE Fund #753-reverting) is used to account for the reimbursement from each person who has received legal representation or another benefit under the Public Defender Act after a determination is made that the person was not indigent according to the standard for indigence adopted by the Department. Any amounts recovered revert, less collection agent fees, to the State General Fund. The authority for creation of this fund is a result of the Laws of 1987, Chapter 20, NMSA, 1978 Compilation, amending Sections 31-15-7, 32-1-56, 34-6-46, 34-8A-11 and 35-5-8.

#### D. Basis of Accounting

Basis of accounting refers to the point at which revenues or expenditures or expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made, regardless of the measurement focus applied. The government-wide and the fiduciary financial statements are presented on an accrual basis of accounting. The previous model reported fiduciary funds under the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recorded when the liability is incurred or economic asset used.

Due to the implementation of GASBS 63, *Financial Reporting of Deferred Outflows of Resources, Deferred Inflows of Resources, and Net Position*, in fiscal year 2013, the Department reclassified "net assets" in the financial statements as "net position." In addition to assets, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred outflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred outflows of resources, represents a consumption of net position that applies to a future period(s) and so will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until then. The Department did not have any items that qualified for reporting in this category at June 30, 2014. In addition to liabilities, the statement of financial position will sometimes report a separate section for deferred inflows of resources. This separate financial statement element, deferred inflows of resources, represents an acquisition of net position that applies to a future period and so will not be recognized as an inflow of resources (revenue) until that time.

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2014

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

### **D.** Basis of Accounting (cont'd)

Also, due to the implementation of GASBS 65 in FY 2014, *Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities*, in fiscal year 2014, the Department reclassified "deferred revenue" in the financial statements as "deferred inflows of resources." Also, see note 19 on page 26. The Department had one item that was required to be reported in this category at June 30, 2014.

The governmental funds in the fund financial statements are presented on a modified accrual basis of accounting.

**Modified Accrual** – All governmental funds are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual; i.e., both measurable and available. "Available" means collectible within the current period or expected to be received within sixty days of year-end to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. Nonexchange transactions, in which the Department receives value without directly giving equal value in return, includes grants.

Revenue from grants is recognized in the year in which all eligibility requirements have been satisfied. Eligibility requirements include timing requirements, which specify the year when the resources are required to be used or the year when use is first permitted; matching requirements, in which the Department must provide state resources to be used for a specified purpose; and expenditure requirements, in which the resources are provided to the Department on a reimbursement basis. On a modified accrual basis of accounting, revenue from a nonexchange transaction must also be available before it is recognized. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, grant revenue sources are considered to be both measurable and available at year-end. There are no interfund transactions to be eliminated.

### E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting

The New Mexico State Legislature makes annual appropriations to the Department. Legal compliance is monitored by the establishment of a budget (modified accrual basis) and a financial control system that permits a budget to actual expenditure comparison. Expenditures may not legally exceed appropriations for each budget at the appropriation unit level. However, for FY 2014, due to the union back pay settlement described in note 7, the general fund appropriation unit, Personal service and employee benefits budget, was overspent by \$112,526.

Budgeted appropriation unit amounts may be amended upon approval from the Budget Division of the State of New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration within the limitations as specified in the General Appropriation Act. The budget amounts shown in the financial statements are both the original appropriation and the final authorized amounts as legally revised during the year.

The Public Defender Department follows these procedures in establishing the budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2014

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

### E. Budgets and Budgetary Accounting (cont'd)

- 1. By September 1<sup>st</sup>, the Public Defender Department prepares a budget request by appropriation unit to be presented to the next legislature.
- 2. The appropriation request is submitted to the Department of Finance and Administration's Budget Division (DFA) and to the Legislative Finance Committee (LFC).
- 3. DFA makes recommendations and adjustments to the appropriation request which become the Governor's proposal to the Legislature.
- 4. LFC holds hearings on the appropriation request, also submitting recommendations and adjustments before presentation to the Legislature.
- 5. Both the DFA's and LFC's recommended appropriation proposals are presented to the Legislature for approval of the final budget plan.
- 6. Budgetary control is exercised at the appropriation unit level of the Public Defender Department as a whole and changes are approved by the DFA.
- 7. The Public Defender Department's budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014 was amended in a legally permissible manner by increasing or reallocating appropriation unit totals as the need arose during the fiscal year. Individual amendments were not material in relation to the original budget.
- 8. Appropriations lapse at the end of the year except for those amounts related to goods and services received by June 30<sup>th</sup> which are reflected as accounts payable in the financial statements.
- 9. The budgets for the General and Special Revenue Funds are adopted on a modified accrual basis per the General Appropriation Act, Laws of 2013. For the year ended June 30, 2014, in the General Fund, the Department has requested approval to pay prior-year payables that did not get paid within 31 days after the end of the fiscal year. The cash to pay those obligations is reverted to the State General Fund causing a negative fund balance. Although reflected as current year expenditures, those payables are paid out of next year's budget. Therefore, there are differences between the current year budgeted expenditures and fund financial statements expenditures.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 2.2.2.10, A(2)(b) of 2.2.2 NMAC *Requirements* for Contracting and Conducting Audits of Agencies and the allowance made by GASB 34, footnote 53, the budgetary comparison statements have been included as a part of the basic financial statements. For the General and Special Revenue Funds, the reconciliation between current year fund financial statement expenditures and budgeted expenditures is presented in Note 11.

### F. Encumbrances/Contract Attorney Contracts

Encumbrances represent commitments related to unperformed contracts for goods and services. Encumbrance accounting, under which purchase orders, contracts, and other commitments for expenditures are recorded in order to reserve that portion of the applicable appropriation, is employed as an extension of formal budget integration during the year in the governmental funds. So long as the appropriation period has not lapsed and budget exists, an encumbrance can be charged against the budget. However, when the appropriation period lapses, the budget authority is non-existent and the encumbrance can no longer be charged to that budget.

### Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2014

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

### F. Encumbrances/Contract Attorney Contracts (cont'd)

Legislation sets the appropriation period, which can be single or multi-year periods. At June 30, 2014, there were no multi-year encumbrances. However, for contract attorney contracts this is not true because the contract specifically states that the "Department shall not be bound by any numerical estimates of compensation." There is not a commitment by the Department to pay any amount at the time of contracting. The commitment (on a per case basis) arises when the contractor has had at least one documented direct contact with the client or has made one documented court appearance on the client's behalf. Contract attorney expenditures are charged to the budget fiscal year where the commitment exists.

#### G. Interest in State General Fund Investment Pool

The Department has defined cash and cash equivalents to include the Interest in State General Fund Investment Pool with the State Treasurer.

#### H. Receivables

Receivables consist of various accounts receivable including amounts due from former employees for payroll overpayments and PERA/RHC contributions not withheld, and amounts due from other state agencies and local governments. An allowance for doubtful accounts in the amount of \$1,159 has been established for those former employee receivables deemed uncollectible. See Note 4 below for details.

Agency fund accounts receivable consist of amounts due from persons who have received legal representation or another benefit under the Public Defender Act after a determination is made that the person is not indigent according to the standard for indigence adopted by the Department. An allowance for uncollectible accounts has been established in the amount of \$33,604,553, representing all outstanding amounts due from clients that are greater than six months old.

#### I. Capital Assets

Capital assets are tangible assets that are used in operations and that have initial useful lives that extend beyond a single reporting period. Capital assets are reported in the Statement of Net Assets at historical cost or estimated fair value, if donated. Capital assets are depreciated using zero salvage value and the straight-line method over their estimated useful lives. Items with a cost of less than \$5,000 are expensed in the year of acquisition. Repairs and maintenance expenses are charged to operations when incurred and major betterments and replacements are capitalized. There is no debt related to capital assets.

Before the 2005 legislative session, only items costing more than \$1,000 were capitalized. Effective June 19, 2005, House Bill 1074 amended Section 12-6-10, NMSA 1978, to increase the capitalization threshold to items costing more than \$5,000. The Department has elected to include assets that cost less than \$5,000 but equal to or more than \$1,000, and were purchased prior to July 1, 2005, on their capital asset inventory.

### Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2014

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

### I. Capital Assets (cont'd)

The major classifications of capital assets and their related depreciable lives are as follows:

Machinery and equipment 4-20 years
Data processing equipment (including software) 4-5 years
Furniture and fixtures 10-20 years

### J. Accrued Compensated Absences

Employees are entitled to accumulate annual leave at a rate based on appointment date and length of continuous service. A maximum of 240 hours of annual leave may be carried forward after the pay period beginning in December and ending in January. When employees terminate, they are compensated at their current hourly rate for accumulated unpaid annual leave as of the date of termination, up to a maximum of 240 hours. Employees are entitled to accumulate sick leave at a rate of 3.69 hours per pay period. There is no limit to the amount of sick leave that an employee may accumulate.

State agencies are allowed to pay fifty (50) percent of each employee's hourly rate for accumulated sick leave over 600 hours up to 120 hours. Payment may be made only once per fiscal year at a specified pay period in either January or July. Nonexempt employees accumulate compensation time for hours worked in excess of forty hours per week, based on their regular hourly rate. Such overtime must be pre-approved by management. Payment of this liability can be made by compensated leave time or cash payment. At June 30, 2014, there was no compensation time owed to any employee.

The compensated absences liability is presented in two parts, a current portion and long-term portion, in the government-wide financial statements. The current portion is the amount expected to be expended during fiscal year 2014 and is an estimate management determined by the last fiscal year's usage. Based on this estimate, for the year ended June 30, 2014, the current portion of the compensated absences liability is \$1,014,626. For FY 2014, there is no long-term portion. In accordance with GASB 16, accrued compensated absences consist of accumulated annual leave and related salary payments (employers' matching FICA and Medicare payroll taxes).

### K. Reversions

Unexpended and unencumbered balances are generally reverted to the State General Fund. Laws of 2013 state that unexpended or unencumbered balances of the State General Fund appropriation and compensation appropriation to the Department shall revert. Accordingly, reversions are normally recorded in the current year for unexpended General Fund appropriations. However, due to the union back pay settlement described in note 7, there is no unexpended budget balance for FY 2014. The total general fund budget was overspent by \$18,464. Also, unexpended balances of special appropriations are reverted when required by law.

### Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2014

### 2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (cont'd)

#### L. Net Position

The government-wide financial statements utilize a net position presentation. Net position is categorized as net investment in capital assets, restricted and unrestricted. Net investment in capital assets reflects the portion of net position which is associated with non-liquid capital assets. Restricted net position is liquid assets which have third-party (statutory, bond covenant or granting agency) limitation on its use. When expenses are incurred for purposes for which both unrestricted and restricted funds are available, it is the policy of the Department to first apply restricted resources. Unrestricted net position represents unrestricted liquid assets.

#### M. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimated and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

### 3. Interest in State General Fund Investment Pool

Funds with the State Treasurer are in the State General Fund Investment Pool (SGFIP). Cash in authorized bank accounts includes one checking account. The Department also maintains thirteen (13) \$100 imprest petty cash funds at various locations within the state. The Department holds no investments. The State Treasurer has the power to invest money held in demand deposits and not immediately needed for the operation of state government in securities in accordance with Sections 6-10-10 I through P, NMSA 1978, as amended. For additional disclosure information regarding the investment in the State Treasurer's SGFIP, the reader should see the separate audit report for the State Treasurer's Office for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, review the State Treasurer's Investment Policy at <a href="http://www.nmsto.gov/investment\_policy">http://www.nmsto.gov/investment\_policy</a>, and review Sections 2.60.4.1 through 2.60.4.15 of the New Mexico Administrative Code, regarding Investment of Deposits of Public Funds Depository Bank Requirements, Collateral Level Requirements, and Custodial Bank Requirements.

Since the one individual special revenue funds' checking account balance did not exceed \$250,000, it is fully insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and pledged collateral is not required. Accounts of the Department at June 30, 2014 are as follows:

			Balance			Balance per	
Account	Fund		Account	per	Outstanding	Financial	
Name	Type	Fund No.	Type	Type Depository Checks		Statements	
State Treasurer:							
Operating	General	355-175	SGFIP	\$ 2,256,963	\$ -	\$ 2,256,963	
Automation	Special Revenue	355-759	SGFIP	238,229	-	238,229	
Centinel Bank-Taos	Special Revenue	N/A	Checking	1,407	-	1,407	
Petty Cash			-	1,300	-	1,300	
Subtotal Governmental Funds		•	-	2,497,899	-	2,497,899	
State Treasurer:							
Client Reimbursements	Agency	355-753	SGFIP	2,780	-	2,780	
Total cash on deposit and petty cash			\$ -	\$ 2,500,679	\$ -	\$ 2,500,679	

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### 4. Receivables

**Due from employees** – this represents amounts due from former employees (\$1,159) for payroll overpayments and for amounts associated with Public Employees' Retirement and Retiree Health Care contributions (\$7,107), that were not initially withheld from employees' paychecks. Only the former employee payroll overpayments, (\$1,159) are considered uncollectible.

**Due from other state agencies** – an amount due from the Department of Finance and Administration, \$341,550, for back pay to eligible union employees as required by the arbitration awards confirmed in various District Court actions challenging the state's implementation of the compensation appropriation made in the General Appropriations Act of 2008, Section 8 (A) (5) as well as the employer's share of applicable taxes and retirement benefits associated with such back pay.

**Due from local governments** – this represents amounts due and received after June 30 from various statewide judicial district juvenile and adult drug courts, \$158,940.

Accounts receivable (Agency Fund) – Laws of 1987, Chapter 20, require the Chief Public Defender to "provide for collection reimbursement from each person who has received legal representation or another benefit under the Public Defender Act after a determination is made that the person is not indigent according to the standard for indigence adopted by the Department." The maximum charge per defendant may be as much as \$27,500. The law further requires that "any amounts recovered shall be paid to the State Treasurer for credit to the State General Fund." Accordingly, the resulting receivable and cash collected during the year are recorded as assets with a resulting liability to the State General Fund less any amounts due a collection agency or others.

#### 5. Changes in Capital Assets

A summary of changes in capital assets is as follows:

	Balance 7/1/13	Additions	Balance 6/30/14		
Machinery and equipment	\$ 131,750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 131,750	
Accumulated depreciation	(131,604)	(148)	-	(131,752)	
Data processing equipment	451,630	` <u>-</u>	-	451,630	
Accumulated depreciation	(327,645)	(38,825)	-	(366,470)	
Furniture and fixtures	37,290	-	-	37,290	
Accumulated depreciation	(17,456)	(2,000)		(19,456)	
Totals	\$ 143,965	\$ (40,973)	\$ -	\$ 102,992	

There is no debt related to capital assets. Depreciation expense for the year was \$40,973.

### 6. Due to State General Fund

Section 6-5-10 NMSA 1978 requires all unreserved, undesignated fund balances in reverting funds and accounts revert to the State General Fund by September 30 of each year. An agency may adjust the reversion within forty-five days of release of the audit report. The current year reversion and amounts due to the State General Fund from the Department general fund are as follows:

### Notes to Financial Statements June 30, 2014

### 6. <u>Due to State General Fund</u> (cont'd)

Fiscal year general appropriation reversion (budget basis surplus) FY 2014 unexpended balance, Org P720 FY2014 refunds	\$ - 11,083
Total Due to State General Fund	\$ 11,083

The amount due to the State General Fund from the Agency Fund is composed of the following:

Accounts receivable, net	\$ 1,142,149
Interest in SGF Investment Pool	2,780
Amounts due from other funds	50
Due to State General Fund	\$ 1,144,979

### 7. Union Back Pay Settlement Issue

At June 30, 2014, the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) was in the process of settling back pay to eligible union employees as required by the arbitration awards confirmed in various District Court actions challenging the state's implementation of the compensation appropriation made in the General Appropriations Act of 2008, Section 8 (A) (5) as well as the employer's share of applicable taxes and retirement benefits associated with such back pay. The DFA estimated the union settlement back pay would cost the State of New Mexico an overall amount of \$23.9 million.

According to the amount of anticipated full-time equivalent employees (FTE) the Department has (approximately 250 FTE covered by the union) compared to all estimated state employees covered by the union (approximately 10,729 FTE), the Department's potential liability is 2.33% or \$654,650 which is included in accounts payable at June 30, 2014. In June 2014, the DFA instructed the Department to submit a request for a special appropriation amounting to \$341,550 (recorded as due from other state agencies) to help cover the \$654,650 liability. This action cause the Department's general fund budget to be overspent by \$18,464.

In FY 2015, two payments totaling \$180,823 have been received leaving the Department's estimated liability at \$473,827.

#### 8. Leases

The Department leases office space in twelve locations throughout the State and meeting/training room space, as needed. All leases have an early termination clause. Accordingly, there are no future minimum rentals.

The Department also leases several postage meters and copying machines considered operating leases. All leases may be canceled at the end of any fiscal year with no penalty. Total office space and equipment rent expense for the year ended June 30, 2014 were \$2,627,106 and \$150,876, respectively.

The Department also leases twenty-six (26) vehicles on a month-to-month basis and other short-term vehicles as needed. Total vehicle lease expense was \$96,542 for FY 2014.

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### 9. Changes in Long-Term Debt

A summary of changes in long-term debt is as follows:

	 Balance 7/1/13	Additions		 Reductions		Balance 6/30/14	_	Due Within One Year	
Compensated Absences Payable	\$ 955,023	\$	1,624,744	\$ (1,565,141)	\$	1,014,626	\$	1,014,626	

The Public Defender Department's general fund is used to pay compensated absences.

### 10. Fund Balance

The GASB issued Statement 54 Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. In the governmental fund financial statements, fund balances are classified as nonspendable, restricted, or unrestricted (committed, assigned, or unassigned).

Restricted represents those portions of fund balance where constraints placed on the resources are either externally imposed or imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation. Committed fund balance represents amounts that can only be used for specific purposes pursuant to constraints imposed by formal action of the Legislative and Executive branches of the State. Assigned fund balance is constrained by the Legislature's and Executive Branch's intent to be used for specific purposes or in some cases by legislation.

Currently, in the general fund only, the Department has nonspendable fund balance for prepaid expenses in the amount of \$12,162 and unassigned deficit fund balance in the amount of (\$471,375) which is mainly the result of the union back pay issue resulting in a total estimated liability of \$654,650 recorded in accounts payable and also due to the Department's request to pay prior-year payables in the amount of \$67,188 that did not get paid within thirty-one days after the end of the fiscal year.

The funds to pay those obligations are normally reverted to the State General Fund, causing a negative fund balance. Although reflected as current year expenditures, those payables amounting to \$67,188 are paid out of next year's budget. The allowance for uncollectible receivables and unresolved ongoing issues with payroll tax, payroll benefits and other payroll liabilities also impact the general fund negative fund balance.

Also, see note 17 on page 25.

Fund Balance-Restricted for purchase and maintenance of automation systems - Senate Bill 222 of the 41st legislature of the State of New Mexico amended Section 13-15-12, NMSA, 1978, and created the Special Revenue Automation Fund. Revenues of the fund are generated by assessing each person who applies for Public Defender representation a non-refundable \$10 fee. There are provisions for waiver of the fee. The law further provides that application fee revenue shall be used for the purchase and maintenance of automation systems. Accordingly, unexpended balances remaining in the fund are presented as such in the amount of \$94,932.

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#### 11. Reconciliation of Fund Expenditures to Budgetary Expenditures

A reconciliation of fund expenditures to budgetary expenditures presented on an accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (modified-accrual) basis is shown below:

				Genera				
		Actual	FY13	Payables	FY14	4 Payables		Actual
		Fund	Cha	arged to	Ch	arged to	E	Budgetary
	Ex	penditures	FY14	4 Budget	FY1	5 Budget	Ex	penditures
General Government:								
Current:								
Personal services/employee benefits	\$	26,461,324	\$	_	\$	-	\$	26,461,324
Contractual services		10,695,877		_		(1,733)		10,694,144
Other		5,602,831		6,038		(65,455)		5,543,414
Total expenditures	\$	42,760,032	\$	6,038	\$	(67,188)	\$	42,698,882
					ial Rev	venue Fund		
		Actual		Payables	FY14	4 Payables		Actual
		Fund		arged to		arged to	E	Budgetary
	Expenditures		FY14	4 Budget	FY15 Budget		Ex	penditures
General Government: Current:		_						
Personal services/employee benefits	\$	_	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-
Contractual services		50,471		_		-		50,471
Other		369,921						369,921
Total expenditures	\$	420,392	\$	-	\$	-	\$	420,392

#### 12. PERA Pension Plan

**Plan Description**. Substantially all of the State of New Mexico, Public Defender Department's full time employees participate in a public employee retirement system authorized under the Public Employees' Retirement Act (Chapter 10, Article 11, NMSA 1978). The Public Employees' Retirement Association (PERA) is the administrator of the plan, which is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit retirement plan. The plan provides for retirement benefits, disability benefits, survivor benefits and cost-of-living adjustments to plan members and beneficiaries. PERA issues a separate, publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the plan. That report may be obtained by writing to PERA, P. O. Box 2123, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-2123. The report is also available on PERA's website at <a href="https://www.pera.state.nm.us">www.pera.state.nm.us</a>.

**Funding Policy**. Plan members are required to contribute from 6.28% to 18.15% depending upon the plan - i.e., state general, state hazardous duty, state police and adult correctional officers, municipal general, municipal police, municipal fire, municipal detention officer of their gross salary. The Public Defender Department is required to contribute from 7.0% to 25.72% depending upon the plan of the gross covered salary. The contribution requirements of plan members and the Public Defender Department are established in State statute under Chapter 10, Article 11, NMSA 1978. The requirements may be amended by acts of the legislature. The Department's contributions to PERA for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$3,011,675, \$2,564,977 and \$2,162,906, respectively, which equal the amount of the required contributions for each fiscal year.

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#### 13. Post-Employment Benefits - State Retiree Health Care Plan

**Plan Description**. The State of New Mexico, Public Defender Department contributes to the New Mexico Retiree Health Care Fund, a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit post employment healthcare plan administered by the New Mexico Retiree Health Care Authority (RHCA). The RHCA provides health care insurance and prescription drug benefits to retired employees of participating New Mexico government agencies, their spouses, dependents, and surviving spouses and dependents. The RHCA Board was established by the Retiree Health Care Act (Chapter 10, Article 7C, NMSA 1978). The Board is responsible for establishing and amending benefit provisions of the healthcare plan and is also authorized to designate optional and/or voluntary benefits like dental, vision, supplemental life insurance, and long-term care policies.

Eligible retirees are: 1) retirees who make contributions to the fund for at least five years prior to retirement and whose eligible employer during that period of time made contributions as a participant in the RHCA plan on the person's behalf, unless that person retires before the employer's NMRHCA effective date, in which event the time period required for employee and employer contributions shall become the period of time between the employer's effective date and the date of retirement; 2) retirees defined by the Act who retired prior to July 1, 1990; 3) former legislators who served at least two years; and 4) former governing authority members who served at least four years. The RHCA issues a publicly available stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the post employment healthcare plan. That report and further information can be obtained by writing to the Retiree Health Care Authority at 4308 Carlisle Blvd., NE, Suite 104, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87107.

**Funding Policy**. The Retiree Health Care Act (Section 10-7C-13 NMSA 1978) authorizes the RHCA Board to establish the monthly premium contributions that retirees are required to pay for healthcare benefits. Each participating retiree pays a monthly premium according to a service based subsidy rate schedule for medical plus basic life plan and an additional participation fee of five dollars if the eligible participant retired prior to the employer's RHCA effective date or is a former legislator or former governing authority member. Former legislators and governing authority members are required to pay 100% of the insurance premium to cover their claims and the administrative expenses of the plan. The monthly premium rate schedule can be obtained from the RHCA or viewed on their website at <a href="https://www.nmrhca.state.nm.us">www.nmrhca.state.nm.us</a>.

The employer, employee and retiree contributions are required to be remitted to the RHCA on a monthly basis. The statutory requirements for the employer and employee contributions can be changed by the New Mexico State Legislature. Employers that choose to become participating employers after January 1, 1998, are required to make contributions to the RHCA fund in the amount determined to be appropriate by the board.

The Retiree Health Care Act (Section 10-7C-15 NMSA 1978) is the statutory authority that establishes the required contributions of participating employers and their employees. For employees that were members of an enhanced retirement plan (state police and adult correctional officer member coverage plan 1; municipal police member coverage plans 3, 4 or 5; municipal fire member coverage plan 3, 4 or 5; municipal detention officer member coverage plan 1; and members pursuant to the Judicial Retirement Act) during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, the state required each participating employer to contribute 2.5% of each participating employees annual salary; and each participating employee was required to contribute 1.25% of their salary. For employees that were not members of an enhanced retirement plan during the fiscal year ended

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#### 13. Post-Employment Benefits – State Retiree Health Care Plan (cont'd)

June 30, 2014, the statute required each participating employer to contribute 2.0% of each participating employee's annual salary; each participating employee was required to contribute 1.0% of their salary. In addition, pursuant to Section 10-7C-15(G) NMSA 1978, at the first session of the Legislature following July 1, 2014, the legislature shall review and adjust the distributions pursuant to Section 7-1-6.1 NMSA 1978 and the employer and employee contributions to the authority in order to ensure the actuarial soundness of the benefits provided under the Retiree Health Care Act.

The Public Defender Department's contributions to the RHCA for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2014, 2013 and 2012 were \$362,731, \$340,162 and \$295,814, respectively, which equal the required contributions for each fiscal year.

#### 14. Prior Period Adjustments

Beginning fund balance and net assets were restated due to the following:

#### **General Fund:**

Amounts not included in FY13 accounts payable (requests to pay prior-year bills submitted after FY13 audit - charged to FY14 budget) - Org unit P720

\$ 3,302

#### 15. Risk Management and Litigation

The Public Defender Department is exposed to various risks of losses related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. Section 15-7-2 NMSA 1978 requires the General Services Department, Risk Management Division (RMD) to be responsible for the acquisition and administration of all insurance purchased by the state. Since 1977, various state statutes have been passed which allow RMD to insure, self-insure or use a combination of both.

For the past several years, the RMD has elected to self-insure and has not obtained liability coverage from commercial insurance companies. The RMD has effectively managed risk through various employee education and prevention programs. Risk management expenditures for the Public Defender Department are accounted for in the general fund. Any claims are processed through RMD. There are no pending or known threatened legal proceedings involving material matters to which the Public Defender Department is a party.

#### 16. Operating Transfers

	From	То	Purpose
Dept. of Finance and Admin (Fund #853) Public Defender Department (Fund #175)	\$ 41,799,700	\$ 41,799,700	Regular Appropriation
Dept. of Finance and Admin (Fund #620) Public Defender Department (Fund #175)	\$ 224,900	\$ 224,900	Compensation Appropriation
Dept. of Finance and Admin (Fund #853) Public Defender Department (Fund #175)	\$ 341,550	\$ 341,550	Union back pay supplemental

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#### 17. <u>Deficit Unrestricted Net Position/Unreserved-Undesignated Fund Balance</u>

The deficit unrestricted net position, \$1,132,289, on the Statement of Net Position, Exhibit A, is mainly the result of compensated absences (\$1,014,626), the union back pay issue resulting in a total estimated liability of \$654,650 recorded in accounts payable and requests to pay prior-year bills (\$67,188) included in current-year expenditures and accounts payable but not allowed as a reduction in the current -year reversion and amounts due to the State General Fund. The reasons for the negative fund balance on the fund financial statements are described in Note 10 on page 21.

The Department continues to take measures to address the requests to pay prior-year bills issue (mainly expert witness requests) to reduce or eliminate these deficit/negative balances. For FY 2014, the Department was not able to adequately determine outstanding obligations at the end of the fiscal year and increased the occurrences (37 for 2014 as opposed to seven initial requests increased to a total of 23 for 2013) of having to pay invoices out of a subsequent year's budget. The FY14 amount totaled \$67,188 as opposed to a total of \$6,038 in FY13.

#### 18. Statewide Cash Reconciliation Issue

In June 2012, a diagnostic report revealed that the State General Fund Investment Pool (LGIP) balances had not been reconciled at the business unit/fund level since the inception of the SHARE system in July of 2006. The diagnostic report is available in the Resources section of the Cash Control page of the New Mexico Department of Finance & Administration's website at: <a href="http://www.nmdfa.state.nm.us/Cash\_Control.aspx">http://www.nmdfa.state.nm.us/Cash\_Control.aspx</a>. The document title is "Current State Diagnostic of Cash Control – June 2012." The General Fund Investment Pool (GFIP) is the State Treasurer fund where the Office cash is invested pursuant to Section 8-6-3 NMSA 1978.

The Department of Finance Administration (DFA), in partnership with the New Mexico State Treasurer's Office, the New Mexico Department of Information Technology and a contracted third party PeopleSoft Treasury expert, conducted a Cash Management Remediation Project (Remediation Project) with a goal of achieving "a point forward" reconciliation of cash, as of February 2013. However, as of June 30, 2014, the old unreconciled items that occurred from July 1, 2006 through February 2013, remained unreconciled.

On July 11, 2014, DFA entered into a \$1,000,000 contract with Deloitte & Touche, LLP. The contract terminates June 30, 2015. The goals of the contract are for the contractor to:

- Design and execute a process to reconcile historical bank account transactions to entries recorded in the State's official book of record, SHARE, for the period beginning July 2006 and ending January 2013.
- Develop a tool to identify and match offsetting bank and book transactions and identify nonmatching items to be assessed for additional research, recommended resolution and or next steps
- Provide the DFA reports including a project plan outlining project activities, weekly status reports, issues/risks log and a monthly steering committee report.

The Department's chief financial officer has developed the following internal control procedures to monitor the monthly changes in the Department's Interest in General Fund Investment Pool accounts related to each of these areas of risk noted in the report referenced above: deposits;

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#### 18. Statewide Cash Reconciliation Issue (cont'd)

disbursements; and journal entries posted to the Interest in General Fund Investment Pool accounts in SHARE. These internal control procedures have been in effect for the most part since the conversion to SHARE in FY07. The Department's accountant/auditor inputs into an Excel spreadsheet all monthly changes in every account from the SHARE trial balance report, and then the accountant/auditor ties the changes in these various account balances back to the monthly change in the Department's Interest in General Fund Investment Pool accounts. In addition, the monthly deposits per the general ledger are tied back to the original deposit documentation, or in the case of an appropriation, the deposits are tied back to the original law. The changes in the payroll liabilities that are posted to the Department's general ledger by DFA are scheduled out on an Excel spreadsheet by the chief financial officer for the entire year, and reviewed for consistency and reasonableness. Expenditures recorded for each month, and the related change in the accounts payable balances are included in the overall reconciliation back to the monthly change in the Department's Interest in General Fund Investment Pool accounts. The Department's accountant/auditor reviews the posting of all journal entries to ensure that the resulting effect on the Interest in General Fund Investment Pool and other accounts is the intended result. These processes that have been put into place by the Department's chief financial officer are the reasons that risk of misstatement of the Department's Interest in General Fund Investment Pool accounts has been mitigated to a low level of risk, even though there are significant problems with the statewide cash reconciliation process described above.

#### 19. Change in Accounting Principle

Due to the implementation of GASBS 65, Items Previously Reported as Assets and Liabilities, in fiscal year 2014, the Department has reclassified "deferred revenue" in the financial statements as "deferred inflows of resources." Also, see note 2. D. on pages 13 and 14.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

# Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual Year Ended June 30, 2014

**General Fund - P720 - Criminal Legal Services** Variance with Original Final Actual **Final Budget Approved** (Budgetary **Positive** Approved **Budget Budget** Basis) (Negative) Revenues: Intergovernmental revenue: General appropriations 41,799,700 41.799.700 \$ 41,799,700 \$ Compensation appropriation 224,900 224,900 224,900 Union back pay supplemental Other state funds 314,268 295,665 (18,603)Total revenues 42,024,600 42,338,868 \$ 42,320,265 \$ (18,603)Prior-year funds re-budgeted 42,024,600 \$ 42,338,868 Expenditures: General government: Current: Personal services and 26,679,400 26,007,248 \$ 26,119,774 employee benefits (112,526)Contractual services 10,328,600 10,737,620 10,694,144 43,476 Other 5,016,600 5,594,000 5,543,414 50,586 Other financing uses Total expenditures \$ 42,357,332 \$ 42,024,600 \$ 42,338,868 (18,464)

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

#### Statement of Revenues and Expenditures Budget and Actual Year Ended June 30, 2014

	General Fund - Z40524							
	Α	Original pproved Budget		Final pproved Budget		Actual udgetary Basis)	Variand Final B Posi (Nega	udget tive
Revenues: Intergovernmental revenue: Union back pay supplemental	\$	341,550	\$	341,550 -	\$	341,550	\$	-
Total revenues		341,550		341,550		341,550	\$	_
Prior-year funds re-budgeted								
	\$	341,550	\$	341,550				
ſ	acti Unio De	nciliation of actual budgeted on back pay seferred inflown navailable rev	revent suppler of reso	ue: mental ources:		(341,550)		
Т	otal a	ctual revenue	)		\$			
Expenditures: General government: Current: Personal services and employee benefits Contractual services Other Other financing uses	\$	341,550 - - - -	\$	341,550 - - - -	\$	341,550 - - -	\$	- - - -
Total expenditures	\$	341,550	\$	341,550	\$	341,550	\$	_

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the financial statements.

#### Schedule of Changes in Assets and Liabilities Agency Fund Year Ended June 30, 2014

	Balance July 1, 2013	Additions	Deletions	Balance June 30, 2014
<u>Assets</u>				
Interest in SGF Investment Pool Due from other funds Accounts receivable Less: Allowance for uncollectibles Total assets	\$ 9,978 50 33,718,757 (32,442,437) \$ 1,286,348	\$ 365,556 1,432,056 (1,162,116) \$ 635,496	\$ (372,754) - (404,111) - \$ (776,865)	\$ 2,780 50 34,746,702 (33,604,553) \$ 1,144,979
<u>Liabilities</u>				
Due to State General Fund Due to others	\$ 1,286,348 	\$ 1,432,086	\$ (1,573,455) <u>-</u>	\$ 1,144,979 -
Total liabilities	\$ 1,286,348	\$ 1,432,086	\$ (1,573,455)	\$ 1,144,979

Schedule 2

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Participants	Administering Agency	Description	Term	Total Amount	PDD Amount	Audit Responsibility
New Mexico Public Defender Department and Administrative Office of the Courts	Public Defender Department	PDD will provide a criminal/delinquency defense attorney to report to the Drug Court Advisory Team meetings and to provide the Advisory Team with expert consultation services from the criminal/delinquency defense perspective for the DWI/Drug Court program in Valencia County.	7/1/13-6/30/14	\$20,000	\$ -	PDD

- (1) Reporting is the responsibility of all parties involved.(2) The expenditures are reported in the books of the responsible party.

Participants	Administering Agency	Description	Term	Total Amount	PDD Amount	Audit Responsibility
New Mexico Public Defender Department and Administrative Office of the Courts	Public Defender Department	PDD will provide a criminal/delinquency defense attorney to report to the Drug Court Advisory Team meetings and to provide the Advisory Team with expert consultation services from the criminal/delinquency defense perspective for the DWI/Drug Court program in Torrance County.	7/1/13-6/30/14	\$11,520	\$ -	PDD

- (1) Reporting is the responsibility of all parties involved.(2) The expenditures are reported in the books of the responsible party.

Participants	Administering Agency	Description	Term	Total Amount	PDD Amount	Audit Responsibility
New Mexico Public Defender Department and San Miguel County	Public Defender Department	PDD will provide a criminal/delinquency defense attorney to report to the DWI "Sobriety" Drug Court Advisory Team meeting and to provide the Advisory Team with expert consultation services from the criminal/delinquency defense perspective for the DWI "Sobriety" Court Program in San Miguel County.	10/1/12-9/30/13 7/1/13-6/30/14	\$ 12,000 \$ 7,000	\$ - \$ -	PDD PDD

<sup>(1)</sup> Reporting is the responsibility of all parties involved.(2) The expenditures are reported in the books of the responsible party.

Participants	Administering Agency	Description	Term	Total Amount	PDD Amount	Audit Responsibility
New Mexico Public Defender Department and Administrative Office of the Courts	Public Defender Department	PDD will provide a criminal/delinquency defense attorney to report to the Drug Court Advisory Team meetings and to provide the Advisory Team with expert consultation services from the criminal/delinquency defense perspective for the DWI/Drug Court program in Doña Ana County.	7/1/13-6/30/14	\$20,000	\$ -	PDD

- (1) Reporting is the responsibility of all parties involved.(2) The expenditures are reported in the books of the responsible party.

# DFA Performance Based Budgeting Data System Annual Performance Report

Type	Measure	FY14 Target	FY14 Result	Met Target	Year-End Results Narrative
Agency:	35500 Public Defender Department				
Progra	Program: P720 Public Defender Department  The Law Offices of the Public Defender strives for the pursuit of justice and the protection of our constitutional rights. Our mission is to provide exemplary, caring and professional legal services to people charged with crimes in New Mexico. We stand for equal access to quality legal representation for all which improves lives, reduces recidivism and makes the community safer.	or the pursuit of services to peop s lives, reduces	justice and the I le charged with recidivism and 1	protection of crimes in Ne	our constitutional rights. Our mission is to ew Mexico. We stand for equal access to mmunity safer.
Output	Number of alternative sentencing treatment placements for felony and juvenile clients	10,000	3,102	T L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L L	The target was not met in FY2014. This is due to staff failing to enter alternative sentencing information upon case closure. The LOPD will work with the staff by providing training and instituting data entry protocals.
Efficiency	Percent of cases in which application fees were collected	45%	38.4%		Results were under the target. The target increased from 35.6% to 38.44% in FY2014. Historically the actual percent collected was in the the 34-37% range. The LOPD is mandated to represent clients whether they pay the \$10 fee or not.
Quality	Percent of felony cases resulting in a reduction of original formally filed charges	%59	87%	<b>&gt;</b>	The actuals exceeded the target.
Quality	Percent of misdemeanor cases resulting in a reduction of the original formally filed charges	65%	19.4%	T a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a	The target was not met in FY2014. This is due to staff failing to enter alternative sentencing information upon case closure. The LOPD will work with the staff by providing training and instituting data entry protocals.
Quality	Percent of juvenile cases resulting in a reduction of the original formally filed charges	65%	12.4%	E a c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c c	The target was not met in FY2014. This is due to staff failing to enter alternative sentencing information upon case closure. The LOPD will work with the staff by providing training and instituting data entry protocals.
Output	Number of expert witness services approved by the department	40%	1951		
Output	Number of cases diverted out of the criminal justice system prior to the return of an indictment	35,500	c.		No statistical methodology was set up by the LOPD to determine data reliability. The report was not created, therefore data was not recorded. No other methodology is available to the LOPD. This Performance measure has been removed from future years.

Friday, August 29, 2014



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

#### **Independent Auditors' Report**

Jorge A. Alvarado, Chief Public Defender Public Defender Department and Honorable Hector H. Balderas, Esq., CFE New Mexico State Auditor Santa Fe, New Mexico

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, the aggregate remaining fund information and the respective budgetary comparisons for the General Fund and the Major Special Revenue Fund of the State of New Mexico, Public Defender Department (Department) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2014, and have issued our report thereon dated November 17, 2014. We have also audited the budgetary comparison statements for the year ended June 30, 2014, presented as supplementary information.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Department's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Department's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Department's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect, and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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Our consideration of the internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weakness or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. We did identify a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2014-001 that we consider to be a significant deficiency.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Department's financial statements are free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed an instance of noncompliance or other matters that is required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards* and which is described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses as item 2014-002.

#### The Department's Responses to Findings

The Public Defender Department's responses to the findings identified in our audit are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and responses. The Department's responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on them.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Department's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Macias, Gutierrez & Co., CPAs, P.C.

Maris, Duting & Co., CPAs, P. C.

Espanola, New Mexico November 17, 2014

# Schedule of Findings and Responses June 30, 2014

	Type of Finding *	Prior Year Finding Number	Current Year Finding Number
Current Year Findings:			
Requests to Pay Prior-Year Bills	В	N/A	2014-001
Overexpended Budget Appropriation Unit	D	N/A	2014-002
Follow-up on Prior Year Findings:			
Accounts Receivable - Client Reimbursements	Α	2007-1	Resolved

#### \* Legend for Findings:

- A. Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
- B. Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
- C. Other Matters involving Internal Control Over Financial Reporting
- D. Material Instance of Noncompliance
- E. Immaterial Instance of Noncompliance

# Schedule of Findings and Responses June 30, 2014

#### 2014-001 (Significant Deficiency)

#### Requests to Pay Prior-Year Bills

#### **Criteria**

Section 6-10-4 NMSA, 1978, provides for payment of obligations of prior years from current-year appropriations. Appropriations made for a specific fiscal year may not be used for paying obligations of any prior fiscal year except upon approval of the Department of Finance and Administration (DFA). As a condition to the approval, the DFA shall certify that there existed in the affected state agency's budget at the end of the fiscal year sufficient funds, including uncollected earned revenue, to pay the obligation had the bill been presented prior to the end of that fiscal year.

#### Condition

During our audit of payables, we noted that the Public Defender Department (PDD) submitted several (37) requests to pay FY14 bills out of the FY15 budget, amounting to \$67,188, the majority of which are expert witness fees. Requests to pay prior-year bills are charged to the next year's budget and results in current-year expenditures that should have been paid against current-year budget.

#### Cause

Although showing some improvement in the past, the PDD does not have an adequate system to track year-end outstanding bills. In addition, the PDD had to hold invoices received timely due to insufficient budget in the contractual services and other appropriation units.

#### **Effect**

The bills are recorded as current-year liabilities and expenditures that do not reduce the current-year reversion and results in a negative unreserved/undesignated fund balance. These bills are charged to the subsequent year's budget.

#### Recommendation

We recommend that the PDD continue to refine its system to track all current-year bills, eliminating or minimizing the need to request payment of numerous prior-year bills and request adequate budget adjustments in future years.

#### **Planned Corrective Actions**

"The PDD is working to create a system to ensure all outstanding invoices are recognized. Additionally, the PDD requested a 117% increase in the FY 2016 budget in order to be adequately budgeted to adhere to the constitutional mandate to provide defense to individuals charged with a crime in New Mexico."

# Schedule of Findings and Responses June 30, 2014

#### 2014-002 (Material Noncompliance)

#### **Overexpended Budget Appropriation Unit**

#### **Criteria**

Per Sections 6-3-1 through 6-3-25, NMSA 1978, budgetary control for expenditures/other financing uses is at the appropriation level for all state agencies. Any budget overexpenditure at the appropriation unit level is a violation of Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) rules and regulations.

#### Condition

During our audit of modified accrual budgetary expenditures compared to budget, we noted the actual expenditure appropriation unit (Personal Services and Employee Benefits) in the General Fund exceeded the approved budget amount by \$112,526.

#### Cause

The budget overexpenditure is a result of the DFA requiring the Public Defender Department to record an expenditure and related liability for back pay to eligible union employees as required by the arbitration awards confirmed in various District Court actions challenging the state's implementation of the compensation appropriation made in the General Appropriations Act of 2008, Section 8 (A) (5) as well as the employer's share of applicable taxes and retirement benefits associated with such back pay. The DFA did not communicate the requirements to the Public Defender Department but processed the Operating Transfers and Journal Entries (OPRs/JEs).

According to the amount of anticipated full-time equivalent employees (FTE) the Department has (approximately 250 FTE covered by the union) compared to all estimated state employees covered by the union (approximately 10,729 FTE), the Department's potential liability is 2.33% or \$654,650 which is included in expenditures and accounts payable at June 30, 2014.

#### **Effect**

The action required by the DFA had caused the PDD to violate DFA rules and regulations.

#### Recommendation

We recommend that the PDD maintain and enforce budgetary control to ensure that no budget appropriation unit is overexpended.

#### **Planned Corrective Actions**

"The department will continue to communicate with the Department of Finance and Administration the position of its budget through SHARE reports, budget projections and department budgetary needs, in effort to maintain and enforce budgetary control."

Exit Conference June 30, 2014

#### **Financial Statement Presentation**

The financial statements and notes to the financial statements were prepared by the independent certified public accountants performing the audit. Management is responsible for ensuring that the books and records adequately support the preparation of financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America and that the records are current and in balance. Management has reviewed and approved the financial statements and notes to the financial statements.

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#### **EXIT CONFERENCE**

The financial statements and the auditors' reports were discussed at an exit conference held on November 21, 2014 with the following in attendance:

#### Public Defender Department

Robert Mead, Deputy Chief Public Defender Sarah Peterson, Chief Financial Officer Barbara Auten, Human Resource Director Chad Johnson, Accountant and Auditor Advanced

#### Audit Firm

James R. (Jim) Macias, CPA