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August 18, 2016

Elena Sassower, Director
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)
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Re: FOIL request

Ms. Sassower:

We have reviewed your request for records relating to State aid for district attorney salary for the years 2005-2017.

Please accept this letter as granting your request and denying it in part:

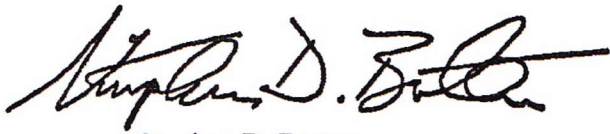
- 1) The County does not do its "own" calculations as to the dollar amounts of state aid for district attorney salary due it. The County is notified of the deposit by the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services via email. A copy of the current email correspondence is attached. We are unable to locate the past communications but will continue to look for these records.
- 2) The following are the amounts received as state aid for the district attorney salary:

2005	\$53,086	2010	\$39,055	2015	\$72,189 expected in
2006	\$53,086	2011	\$39,489		September 2016
2007	\$53,372	2012	\$59,989		
2008	\$54,804	2013	\$66,089		
2009	\$43,867	2014	\$72,189		
- 3) There are no other dollar amounts received as state aid for district attorney salary, pursuant to any other law or language in budget bills.

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You may appeal any portion of the determination, you must do so in writing within 30 days of the date of this letter. You may appeal this decision to Amy Dona, Esq. the County FOIL appeal officer. Her address is 48 Court Street, Canton NY 13617.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen D. Button". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Stephen D. Button
County Attorney

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From: Coffey, Chandra
To: Coffey, Chandra
Subject: RE: DA Salary 2015
Date: Monday, June 29, 2015 4:06:29 PM

Per conversation with Jim today, the County does nothing to receive the allotment. They will automatically send the money to the Account.

From: Coffey, Chandra
Sent: Wednesday, June 24, 2015 2:25 PM
To: Coffey, Chandra
Subject: RE: DA Salary 2015

Colleen at DCJS will forward information on how to claim the money. 518.457.6105.

From: Rain, Mary
Sent: Friday, June 19, 2015 9:08 AM
To: Coffey, Chandra; Haggard, David
Subject: FW: DA Salary 2015

FYI for the budget.

From: Thalho, Hina (DCJS) [<mailto:Hina.Thalho@dcjs.ny.gov>]
Sent: Friday, June 19, 2015 9:07 AM
To: SlepKA@alleganyco.com; gmollen@co.broome.ny.us; lprieman@cattco.org; foleyd@co.chautauqua.ny.us; wwetmore@co.chemung.ny.us; districtattorney@co.chenango.ny.us; msuben@cortland-co.org; districtattorney@columbiacounty.ny.gov; richard.northrup@co.delaware.ny.us; ksprague@co.essex.ny.us; gmacneil@co.franklin.ny.us; lsira@co.fulton.ny.us; lawrence.friedman@co.genesee.ny.us; jstanzione@discovergreene.com; hdda@herkimercounty.org; cindyj@co.jefferson.ny.us; LMoser@lewiscountyny.org; Gmccaffrey@co.livingston.ny.us; william.gabor@madisoncounty.ny.gov; cheryl.williams@madisoncounty.ny.gov; jedconboy@hotmail.com; michael.violante@niagarecounty.com; smcnamara@ocgov.net; Tantillo, Michael R (ONTARIO Co); da@orleanscountyny.gov; goakes@oswegocounty.com; muehlj@otsegocounty.com; crowelld@otsegocounty.com; jabelove@renesco.com; Rain, Mary; kheggan@saratogacounty.gov; districtattorney@schenectadycounty.com; sacketj@co.schoharie.ny.us; jfazzary@co.schuyler.ny.us; Porsch, Barry L (SENECA Co); Brooksb@co.steuben.ny.us; martink@co.tioga.ny.us; hogank@warrencountyny.gov; tjordan@co.washington.ny.us; rhealy@co.wayne.ny.us; doheen@wyomingco.net; vgardner@yatescounty.org
Cc: Layden, James (DCJS)
Subject: DA Salary 2015

Good Morning,

Executive Deputy Commissioner Michael C. Green is pleased to inform you that this year New York State will again provide assistance to your county under the District Attorney Salary Aid Program. As you know, the aid we provide through this program is based on a State fiscal year. Funding for the current fiscal year will help offset salary costs that your county has and will incur for the period covering April 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016.

Based on the 2015-16 Enacted Budget appropriation for this program, your county is entitled to an

allocation in the amount of \$72189. To streamline the processing and facilitate timely distribution of monies, the Division's Office of Financial Services will initiate payments to the Counties during the month of September. If you have any questions regarding the DA Salary Aid program, please call Jim Layden at (518) 485-7974. Thank you.

Thanks,
Hina M Thalho
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