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Via Electronic Mail

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Elena Sassower, Director
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)
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Dear Ms. Sassower:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your Freedom of Information Law ("FOIL") request to the New York State Division of the Budget (the "Division") dated July 1, 2020 in which you seek: "the referred-to "plan prepared by the commissioner of criminal justice services and approved by the director of the budget" for this fiscal year-including records identifying the plan's dollar reimbursement for district attorney salaries to each county and the date the "plan" was "developed" and "approved"."

Division staff has been asked to review applicable files and provide pertinent records in the possession of the Division, if any, that are responsive to your request. Any such pertinent records will be reviewed to determine what records and/or information should be disclosed under FOIL. We estimate that the Division will respond to your request by August 10, 2020. As part of the ongoing response to the COVID-19 pandemic, some or all agency employees may be working off-site. As such, there may be delays in response to FOIL requests. If a record responsive to a request is only available in hard-copy format, that record's availability will be limited until further notice. Thank you for your patience during this extraordinary time

The Division will notify you in writing when/if any responsive materials with respect to your request are available for release or if the time needed to complete the processing of your request extends beyond the above date.

Sincerely,

Joel C. Lombardi
FOIL Officer