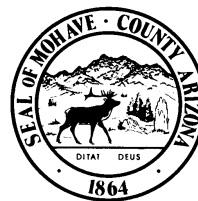


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Internal Memorandum

Date: December 5, 2003

To: Ron Walker

From: Dana Hlavac

cc: Hon. Robert Moon, Presiding Superior Court Judge
Rod Marquardt, Chief Probation Officer
Pete Byers, Chairman, Board of Supervisors
Tom Sockwell, Supervisor
Buster Johnson, Supervisor

Re: Annual Report per A.R.S. § 11-584(A)(3)

I apologize for the tardiness of this report, beyond the December 1 due date.

In addition to the research data provided in my April 1, 2003 and September 15, 2003 memorandum regarding the cost of representation for indigent defendants, I am providing the attached annual report on the per weighted case cost of the three current alternative providers of indigent defense in Mohave County.

The attached report was compiled using actual caseloads in each of the three alternative providers adjusted for a common weighting factor. This weighting factor is the same weighting factor utilized in establishing staffing requirements and is predicated on American Bar Association and National Legal Aid and Defender Association standards.

I must make two major observations about this report. The first is that the cost of

both Public and legal Defender services does NOT include non-department budgeted items. This means that intangible costs such as finance, human resources, and facilities expenses are NOT included. Private Contractor figures are all inclusive of all amounts paid to private contractors under both 100-1-2550 and 100-1-2552 for legal services.

The second observation is that the original projection for caseloads for the Law Offices of the Mohave County Public Defender for Fiscal year 2003 was two thousand twenty nine (2,729) cases. Actual caseload assigned was three thousand one hundred twenty one (3,121). Actual cases exceeded original projections by fourteen percent (14%).

If you should have any questions regarding the attached report, or require copies of any prior memorandum, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Caseload Counts & Cost for FY 2003

	<u>Raw Number</u>	<u>Conversion Factor</u>	<u>Weighted Cases</u>	<u>FY '03 Budget</u>	<u>Per case Weighted Cost</u>
Public Defender (PDO)					
Misdemeanor	1712	0.375	642		
Felony	1899	1	1899		
Juvenile	480	0.75	360		
PCR	60	1	60		
Appeals	20	1	20		
Probation Violations	375	0.375	140.625		
Subtotal	4546		3121.625	\$1,554,955.16	\$498.12
Legal Defender (LDO)					
Misdemeanor	332	0.375	124.5		
Felony	546	1	546		
Juvenile	107	0.75	80.25		
PCR	60	1	60		
Appeals	6	1	6		
Probation Violations	179	0.375	67.125		
Rejected	56				
Subtotal	1230		883.875	\$637,464.25	\$721.22
Private Contract					
Misdemeanor	333	0.375	124.875		
Felony	372	1	372		
Juvenile	166	0.75	124.5		
PCR		1	0		
Appeals		1	0		
Probation Violations	91	0.375	34.125		
Subtotal	962		655.5	\$429,607.67	\$655.39

Indigent Defense Provider Cost Per Weighted Case FY '03

