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Honorable Joanne Cunningham, Chairwoman
Albany County Legislature
112 State Street, Room 710
Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairwoman Cunningham:

The Public Defender's Office, Alternate Public Defender's Office and Assigned Counsel Program are seeking to accept grant funds from the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) in the amount of \$1,360,697 to administer the Aid to Defense for Discovery Reform and Aid to Defense - Supplemental Programs, as well as to authorize related amendments to the County's 2025 budget.

These direct awards, based on DCJS formulas, cover April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026 and are expected to be recurring. There are no County matches.

If you ~~require any~~ supplemental information, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Stephen W. Herrick
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cc: Hon. Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader
Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader
Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel
James Curran, Minority Counsel