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

## Dear Chairwoman Cunningham:

The Albany County Public Defender's Office, Alternate Public Defender's Office, and Assigned Counsel Program request authorization for the Distribution #14 grant contract with the NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services. The grant provides salary and fringe support for three (3) attorneys representing indigent clients in family court proceedings and one (1) attorney representing indigent clients in criminal court proceedings, as well as salary support for the Assigned Counsel Program Administrator.

There is no match to the grant funds, and the grant is anticipated in the Offices' 2024 budgets.

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

Sincerely,

Stephen W. Herrick

Public Defender

cc: Hon. Dennis A. Feeney, Majority Leader

Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel

Arnis Zilgme, Minority Counsel