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GLYNN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM REPORT

DATE: April 18, 2024

SPONSOR: J. Dunnagan

ITEM TYPE: Agreement / Contract / MOU / Lease

AGENDA SECTION: CONSENT AGENDA - Finance Committee

AGENDA LANGUAGE: Approve the FY25 Circuit Public Defender Contract in the amount of \$758,518.62 with funding to be provided by the FY25 General Fund Budget. (J. Dunnagan) (FC Vote: 3-0)

BACKGROUND: During the 2003 Session of the Georgia General Assembly, the legislature passed the Georgia Indigent Defense Act of 2003 that created the Georgia Public Defender Standards Council and made the Standards Council responsible for the operation of the system for providing legal representation for indigents in criminal cases in courts in Georgia. The Act provided for a partnership between the state and local governments to fund indigent defense.

The County's FY25 Budget scheduled to be approved on June 15, 2024, includes an appropriation for the Circuit Public Defender in the amount of \$758,518.62, an increase of \$27,096.06 over FY24.

Attached is the Public Defender contract for Fiscal Year 2025, approved as to form by the County Attorney's office. We are requesting that the Board of Commissioners approve the contract as written.

ATTACHMENTS:

[Glynn Contract FY 24-25 .pdf](#)

[PROPOSED ATTACHMENT A - FY 24-25.pdf](#)

