

TEXAS INDIGENT DEFENSE COMMISSION

DATE: August 24, 2017

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: 4th Floor Boardroom, Texas Association of Counties Building
1210 San Antonio Street, Austin, TX 78701

AGENDA

The Commission may discuss and/or take action on any of the following items:

1. Commencement of meeting - *Judge Sharon Keller*
2. Attendance of members
3. Approval of minutes from June 29, 2017
4. Opening remarks and Chair's report – *Judge Sharon Keller*
5. Report from Director – *Mr. Jim Bethke*
 - a. Report on recent activities
6. Report on FY18/19 Contracts
 - a. Texas A&M's Public Policy Research Institute: Contract for business services and study of indigent defense cost containment initiatives
 - b. University of Texas: Law clerks
 - c. Six public law schools: Innocence projects
7. Grants and Reporting – *Judge Jon Burrows*
 - a. Report on Fair Defense Account - Fund 5073
 - b. Report on FY17 budget
 - c. Consider modifications to the FY17 Formula Grant Awards
 - d. Consider publication of FY18 Formula Grant Program RFA
 - e. Consider publication of FY17 Indigent Defense Expenditure Report Manual
 - f. Consider adoption of updated Grant Administration Rules in Texas Administrative Code Title 1, Part 8, Chapter 173
 - g. Consider pending FY18 new discretionary grant requests
 - h. Consider FY18 Technical Support grant for Nueces County
 - i. Consider discretionary grant modifications
 - j. Consider adoption of FY18 budget
 - k. Update on State Auditor's Office audit
8. Report on fiscal monitoring program— *Ms. Debra Stewart*
9. Report on Policy Monitoring program - *Mr. Joel Lieurance*
10. Policies and Standards —*Mr. Don Hase*
 - a. Discuss potential monitor findings on withdrawals of requests for counsel
 - b. Report on indigent defense plan review status
 - c. 2017 plan submission requirements, revised plan template, and instructions
 - d. Consider model procedure for review of attorney fee vouchers
 - e. Report on revised attorney fee recoupment paper
11. Next meeting
12. New business
13. Public comment
14. Adjournment