## ATTORNEY GENERAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTIVE 2010-1

WHEREAS, Executive Reorganization Plan No. 001-2008 (Reorganization), effective March 28, 2008, continued and transferred the Victims of Crime Compensation Agency, created by P.L. 2007, c. 95 (C. N.J.S.A. 52:4B-2 et seq.), to the Department of Law and Public Safety and renamed the agency the Victims of Crime Compensation Office; and

WHEREAS, the Reorganization abolished the position of executive director of the Victims of Crime Compensation Agency and established the position of director of the Victims of Crime Compensation Office; and

WHEREAS, the Reorganization continued and transferred the Office of Victim-Witness Assistance created pursuant to P.L. 1985, c. 404 as amended (C. N.J.S.A. 52:4B-39 et seq.) to and within the Victims of Crime Compensation Office and renamed the Office the Victim-Witness Assistance Bureau under the supervision of the director of the Victims of Crime Compensation Office; and

WHEREAS, the Reorganization provided for the appointment of the director of the Victims of Crime Compensation Office and the director of the Victim-Witness Assistance Bureau by the Attorney General; and

WHEREAS, the Reorganization recognized that the Office of Victim-Witness Advocacy is maintained in the Division of Criminal Justice within the Department of Law and Public Safety; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Reorganization was to promote more effective management of the Executive Branch and of its agencies by grouping victim services and related functions within one department: and

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.L. 1948, c. 439 (C. N.J.S.A. 52:17B-4) the Attorney General has general responsibility for operations of the Department and supervises the organization of the Department and changes in the organization thereof, except that the divisions, bureaus, boards, and offices specifically provided shall be maintained; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to P.L. 1970, c. 74 (C. N.J.S.A. 52:17B-100) the Attorney General shall organize the work of the Division of Criminal Justice in such bureaus and other organizational units as may be determined to be necessary for efficient and effective operation and shall assign such employees in the Department of Law and Public Safety as may be necessary;

NOW THEREFORE I, Paula T. Dow, Attorney General do hereby ORDER and DIRECT that:

- 1. The Victims of Crime Compensation Office as constituted under the Reorganization is hereby allocated to the Division of Criminal Justice for administrative purposes. The Attorney General shall appoint an employee of the Division of Criminal Justice as Director of the Victims of Crime Compensation Office. The Director of the Victims of Crime Compensation Office shall report to the Attorney General through the Director of the Division of Criminal Justice.
- 2. The Director of the Division of Criminal Justice shall provide administrative support and general supervision to the Victims of Crime Compensation Office as may be determined by the Director of the Division or the Attorney General, provided that the functions, powers and duties of the Victims of Crime Compensation Office, including the Victims of Crime Compensation Review Board and the Victim-Witness Assistance Bureau, shall be maintained.
- 3. The Director of the Division of Criminal Justice, with the approval of the Attorney General, may delegate to the Director of the Victims of Crime Compensation Office other duties related to the provision of victims services of the Division not inconsistent with the statutory duties of the Director of the Office under P.L. 2007, c. 95.

This Directive shall take effect immediately.

Paula T. Dow Attorney General

DATE: 7-22-10