

Office of the Public Defender								
Performance Indicators - August 2014		Frequency	Desired Trend	Target	Prior	Current	% Change	
Providing Appropriate Effective Legal Counsel							12-Month Average	
Trial Services to Indigents		http://www.state.nj.us/defender/trial_about_our_services.shtml						
Adult criminal - newly opened cases *		Annually	Varies	62,804				
Adult criminal - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	5,234	5,474	4,787	-12.6%	
Adult criminal - closed cases **		Monthly	Increase	5,057	1,448	2,622	81.1%	
Adult criminal - average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys) *		Annually	Maintain	150	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases *		Annually	Varies	10,543				
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	879	882	799	-9.4%	
Juvenile criminal - closed cases **		Monthly	Increase	933	353	494	39.9%	
Juvenile criminal - average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys) *		Annually	Maintain	200	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Post-conviction relief - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	59	43	62	44.2%	
Post-conviction relief - closed cases		Monthly	Increase	64	77	51	-33.8%	
Appellate Services to Indigents		http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_appellate.shtml						
Notices of new direct appeals of criminal convictions or sentences filed in Appellate Division of New Jersey Superior Court ***		Monthly	Varies	149	153	136	-11.1%	
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions		Monthly	Varies	47	63	7	-88.9%	
Number of briefs filed		Monthly	Increase	98	104	95	-8.7%	
Number of dismissals/administrative closings		Monthly	Varies	21	18	22	22.2%	
Petitions for certification to New Jersey Supreme Court		Monthly	Varies	43	56	40	-28.6%	
Office of Parental Representation		http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_opr.shtml						
Indigent parent charged with Civil Abuse/Neglect (Title 9) - newly opened cases *		Annually	Varies	7,674				
Indigent parent in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *		Annually	Varies	1,296				
Combined Parental Representation average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)		Annually	Maintain	75	63	64	1.6%	
Title 9 - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	640	624	570	-8.7%	
Title 9 - closed cases **		Monthly	Increase	608	65	321	393.8%	
Title 30 - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	108	119	81	-31.9%	
Title 30 - closed cases **		Monthly	Increase	106	11	43	290.9%	
Office of Law Guardian		http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_lawguardian.shtml						
Children subject to Civil Abuse/Neglect complaints (Title 9) - newly opened cases *		Annually	Varies	8,922				
Children in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *		Annually	Varies	1,461				
Combined Law Guardian average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)		Annually	Maintain	88	123	126	2.4%	
Title 9 - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	744	716	652	-8.9%	
Title 9 - closed cases **		Monthly	Increase	697	759	635	-16.3%	
Title 30 - newly opened cases		Monthly	Varies	122	147	114	-22.4%	
Title 30 - closed cases **		Monthly	Increase	122	198	119	-39.9%	

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Division of Mental Health Advocacy							
http://www.state.nj.us/defender/mentalhealth.shtml							
Mental Health hearings *	Annually	Varies	18,987				
Scheduled hearings - average number of attorney appearances *	Annually	Varies	1,055				
Number of scheduled initial and periodic review hearings	Monthly	Varies	1,058	1,315	1,361	3.5%	1,161
Number of outpatient commitment hearings	Monthly	Varies	6	88	51	-42.0%	43
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings	Monthly	Varies	181	346	369	6.6%	405
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet the commitment standards	Monthly	Varies	306	747	576	-22.9%	549
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained	Monthly	Varies	86.0%	85.0%	94.0%		
Number of persons represented for other types of activities	Monthly	Varies	31	19	26	36.8%	23
Number of represented individuals, who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law	Monthly	Varies	513	526	526	0.0%	522
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	22	21	37	76.2%	21
Providing Mediation Services							
Office of Dispute Settlement							
http://www.state.nj.us/defender/ods.shtml							
Mediation - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,404				
Average mediator caseload *	Annually	Varies	234				
Foreclosure mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	112	149	113	-24.2%	119
Foreclosure mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	70	105	126	20.0%	113
Percentage of foreclosure mediation cases resolved	Monthly	Varies	50.0%	61.9%	55.6%		
General civil court mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	4	12	200.0%	6
General civil court mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	3	2	5	150.0%	4
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	10	8	-20.0%	6
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	5	12	3	-75.0%	6
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5	3	9	200.0%	6
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	5	4	8	100.0%	5
* This performance indicator is updated on a fiscal year basis in the 3rd quarter.							
** The number of cases closed only reflect those cases actually closed in OPD's Case Management System.							
*** The number of appeals filed do not reflect those new appeals waiting to be filed.							