

<b>Office of the Public Defender</b>							
<b>Performance Indicators - March 2015</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Desired Trend</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Prior</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>% Change</b>	<b>12-Month Average</b>
<b>Providing Appropriate Effective Legal Counsel</b>							
<b>Trial Services to Indigents</b>	<a href="http://www.state.nj.us/defender/trial_about_our_services.shtml">http://www.state.nj.us/defender/trial_about_our_services.shtml</a>						
Adult criminal - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	62,408				
Adult criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	5,171	4,586	4,745	3.5%	4,890
Adult criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	5,074	2,881	5,140	78.4%	3,347
Adult criminal - average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys) *	Annually	Maintain	150	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	9,324				
Juvenile criminal - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	777	584	752	28.8%	735
Juvenile criminal - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	784	408	841	106.1%	543
Juvenile criminal - average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys) *	Annually	Maintain	200	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Post-conviction relief - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	56	39	79	102.6%	54
Post-conviction relief - closed cases	Monthly	Increase	61	51	61	19.6%	59
<b>Appellate Services to Indigents</b>	<a href="http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_appellate.shtml">http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_appellate.shtml</a>						
Notices of new direct appeals of criminal convictions or sentences filed in Appellate Division of New Jersey Superior Court ***	Monthly	Varies	144	113	146	29.2%	142
Number of Excessive Sentence program dispositions	Monthly	Varies	38	73	71	-2.7%	57
Number of briefs filed	Monthly	Increase	89	102	118	15.7%	96
Number of dismissals/administrative closings	Monthly	Varies	20	22	26	18.2%	26
Petitions for certification to New Jersey Supreme Court	Monthly	Varies	42	30	54	80.0%	41
<b>Office of Parental Representation</b>	<a href="http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_opr.shtml">http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_opr.shtml</a>						
Indigent parent charged with Civil Abuse/Neglect (Title 9) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	7,506				
Indigent parent in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,358				
Combined Parental Representation average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	75	69	72	4.3%	66
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	626	552	652	18.1%	599
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	628	518	617	19.1%	424
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	113	133	115	-13.5%	110
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	113	72	103	43.1%	70
<b>Office of Law Guardian</b>	<a href="http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_lawguardian.shtml">http://www.state.nj.us/defender/div_lawguardian.shtml</a>						
Children subject to Civil Abuse/Neglect complaints (Title 9) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	8,574				
Children in Termination of Parental Rights (Title 30) - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,620				
Combined Law Guardian average attorney caseload (includes per diem attorneys)	Annually	Maintain	88	121	121	0.0%	123
Title 9 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	715	662	698	5.4%	672
Title 9 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	715	599	724	20.9%	721
Title 30 - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	135	129	109	-15.5%	134
Title 30 - closed cases **	Monthly	Increase	136	97	162	67.0%	144

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<b>Division of Mental Health Advocacy</b>	<a href="http://www.state.nj.us/defender/mentalhealth.shtml">http://www.state.nj.us/defender/mentalhealth.shtml</a>						
Mental Health hearings *	Annually	Varies	28,464				
Scheduled hearings - average number of attorney appearances *	Annually	Varies	1,355				
Number of scheduled initial and periodic review hearings	Monthly	Varies	1,302	1,230	1,382	12.4%	1,299
Number of outpatient commitment hearings	Monthly	Varies	71	46	81	76.1%	58
Number of scheduled voluntary review hearings	Monthly	Varies	337	409	426	4.2%	399
Number of scheduled placement review hearings for individuals who do not meet the commitment standards	Monthly	Varies	633	501	600	19.8%	578
Percentage of completed hearings where client objective obtained	Monthly	Varies	86.0%	85.0%	84.0%		
Number of persons represented for other types of activities	Monthly	Varies	29	13	40	207.7%	30
Number of represented individuals, who are committed involuntarily under the sexually violent predators law	Monthly	Varies	523	539	539	0.0%	531
Number of Division of Developmental Disabilities' clients represented at guardianship of the person hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	26	15	29	93.3%	23
<b>Providing Mediation Services</b>							
<b>Office of Dispute Settlement</b>	<a href="http://www.state.nj.us/defender/ods.shtml">http://www.state.nj.us/defender/ods.shtml</a>						
Mediation - newly opened cases *	Annually	Varies	1,596				
Average mediator caseload *	Annually	Varies	266				
Foreclosure mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	124	71	210	195.8%	116
Foreclosure mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	109	52	185	255.8%	140
Percentage of foreclosure mediation cases resolved	Monthly	Varies	54.0%	69.2%	62.2%		
General civil court mediation - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	9	8	6	-25.0%	9
General civil court mediation - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	4	4	3	-25.0%	5
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	8	3	12	300.0%	7
New home warranty program (State plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	9	5	5	0.0%	7
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - newly opened cases	Monthly	Varies	9	2	9	350.0%	7
New home warranty program (private plan) arbitration hearings - closed cases	Monthly	Varies	5	9	8	-11.1%	7
<p>* This performance indicator is updated on a fiscal year basis in the 3rd quarter.</p> <p>** The number of cases closed only reflect those cases actually closed in OPD's Case Management System.</p> <p>*** The number of appeals filed do not reflect those new appeals waiting to be filed.</p>							