# STATE OF ILLINOIS

# OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Frank J. Mautino, Auditor General

### SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST

# ATTORNEY REGISTRATION AND DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION

Financial Audit and Compliance Examination For the Two Years Ended December 31, 2017

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Release Date: May 30, 2018

FINDINGS THIS AUDIT:

FINDINGS LAST AUDIT:

#### INTRODUCTION

The Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission monitors the registration and regulation of attorneys admitted to practice law in Illinois.

There were no material findings of noncompliance disclosed during our examination.

#### **AUDITOR'S OPINION**

The auditors stated the financial statements of the Commission as of and for the years ended December 31, 2017, and December 31, 2016, are fairly stated in all material respects.

#### **ACCOUNTANT'S OPINION**

The accountants conducted a compliance examination of the Commission for the two years ended December 31, 2017, as required by the Illinois State Auditing Act. The accountants stated the Commission complied, in all material respects, with the requirements described in the report.

This financial audit and compliance examination was conducted by Adelfia LLC.

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JANE CLARK Division Director

This report is transmitted in accordance with Section 3-14 of the Illinois State Auditing Act.

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FRANK J. MAUTINO Auditor General

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{Expenditures and Activity Measures are summarized on next page.}

# ATTORNEY REGISTRATION AND DISCIPLINARY COMMISSION FINANCIAL AUDIT AND COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION

For the Two Years Ended December 31, 2017

REVENUES AND EXPENSES	2017 2016		2015
Total Revenue			
Investment income	\$ 507,816	\$ 388,438	\$ 129,052
Registration and program fees and delinquent charges	21,725,223	21,588,524	21,241,739
Cost reimbursements collected	89,142	111,971	82,782
Client Protection Program (CPP) reimbursements	260,049	175,165	16,355
Administrative expense reimbursement from CPP	304,543	292,863	286,324
Total Revenue	\$ 22,886,773	\$ 22,556,961	\$ 21,756,252
Total Expenses			
Salaries and related expenses	\$ 12,153,114	\$ 11,889,727	\$ 11,933,845
Travel expenses	111,074	127,337	130,279
Library and continuing education	201,888	150,463	143,206
General expenses and office support	2,419,124	2,388,365	2,299,321
Computer expenses	515,197	542,478	479,508
Other professional and case-related expenses	602,010	636,352	835,666
CPP direct expenses, awards	1,773,919	3,094,188	2,490,608
CPP direct expenses, administrative	3,032	4,155	5,936
Administrative expense reimbursement to ARDC	304,543	292,863	286,324
Depreciation and amortization expense	379,888	390,611	412,451
Total Expenses	\$ 18,463,789	\$ 19,516,539	\$ 19,017,144

SELECTED ACTIVITY MEASURES (Unaudited)	2017	2016	2015
Attorneys admitted during current fiscal year	1,999	1,870	2,242
Attorneys admitted longer than one year but less than			
three years	4,269	4,845	5,025
Attorneys admitted for three years or longer	73,372	72,447	71,594
Serving: active military duty	379	362	324
Serving: judges or judicial clerk	1,789	1,749	1,700
Serving: over age 75 exemption	1	1	-
Inactive status	11,854	11,971	11,882
Out of state	1,334	1,216	1,057
Total active and registered attorneys	94,997	94,461	93,824
Removed from master roll (arrears, deceased, retired			
disciplined, Minimum Continuing Legal Ed. removals)	2,657	2,694	2,882

ADMINISTRATOR	
During Examination Period:	Jerome Larkin
Currently:	Jerome Larkin