



STATE OF ILLINOIS  
**OFFICE OF THE  
AUDITOR GENERAL**

William G. Holland, Auditor General

**SUMMARY REPORT DIGEST**

**OFFICE OF THE STATE APPELLATE DEFENDER**

**COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION**

**For the Two Years Ended: June 30, 2012**

**Release Date: December 20, 2012**

**Summary of Findings:**

**Total this audit: 0**

**Total last audit: 1**

**Repeated from last audit: 0**

**INTRODUCTION**

The Office of the State Appellate Defender (Office) is statutorily charged with the responsibility to represent indigent persons on appeal in criminal cases when appointed by the Illinois Supreme Court, the Appellate Court, or the Circuit Court.

This digest covers the compliance examination of the Office for the two years ended June 30, 2012.

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

**AUDITORS' OPINION**

We conducted a compliance examination of the Office as required by the Illinois State Auditing Act. The Office has no funds that require an audit leading to an opinion on financial statements.

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WILLIAM G. HOLLAND

..Auditor General

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**AUDITORS ASSIGNED:** This examination was performed by the Office of the Auditor General's staff.

{Expenditures and Activity Measures are summarized on the reverse page.}

**OFFICE OF THE STATE APPELLATE DEFENDER  
COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION  
For the Two Years Ended June 30, 2012**

<b>EXPENDITURE STATISTICS</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
<b>Total Expenditures.....</b>	<b>\$ 20,273,800</b>	<b>\$ 22,956,307</b>	<b>\$ 23,443,219</b>
<b>OPERATIONS TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$ 20,273,800</b>	<b>\$ 22,956,307</b>	<b>\$ 23,443,219</b>
% of Total Expenditures.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Personal Services.....	15,238,175	-	15,686,671
Other Payroll Costs (FICA, Retirement).....	1,105,314	-	1,139,696
All Other Operating Expenditures.....	3,930,311	22,956,307	6,616,852
<b>Total Receipts.....</b>	<b>\$ 231,477</b>	<b>\$ 187,530</b>	<b>\$ 186,651</b>
<b>Average Number of Employees (Not Examined).....</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>269</b>

<b>SELECTED ACTIVITY MEASURES (Not Examined)</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2010</b>
Cases Appointed.....	3,172	3,153	2,928
Briefs Filed:			
Original Briefs.....	1,747	1,763	1,885
Anders Briefs.....	476	390	427
Death Penalty Briefs.....	-	-	3
Motions to Withdraw/Dismiss Filed.....	520	491	436
Summary Motions Filed.....	251	174	193
Total.....	<u>2,994</u>	<u>2,818</u>	<u>2,944</u>
Cases Closed.....	3,049	3,042	3,071
Cases Pending at Year End.....	4,926	4,800	4,685
Average Cost per Case Closed.....	\$ 6,587	\$ 7,490	\$ 7,535

<b>AGENCY DIRECTOR</b>
During Examination Period: Michael J. Pelletier
Currently: Michael J. Pelletier