



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, 2014**

**Release Date: April 30, 2015**

<b>FINDINGS THIS AUDIT:</b>	<b>0</b>
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<b>FINDINGS LAST AUDIT:</b>	<b>0</b>
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**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.

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

**AUDITORS' OPINION**

We conducted a compliance examination of the Office for the two years ended June 30, 2014, as required by the Illinois State Auditing Act. The auditors stated the Office complied, in all material respects, with the requirements described in the report.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "William G. Holland", written over a horizontal line.

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 next page.}

**OFFICE OF THE STATE APPELLATE DEFENDER  
COMPLIANCE EXAMINATION  
For the Two Years Ended June 30, 2014**

<b>EXPENDITURE STATISTICS</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
<b>Total Expenditures.....</b>	<b>\$ 19,829,610</b>	<b>\$ 19,841,433</b>	<b>\$ 20,273,800</b>
OPERATIONS TOTAL.....	\$ 19,829,610	\$ 19,841,433	\$ 20,273,800
% of Total Expenditures.....	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Personal Services.....	14,974,198	15,072,967	15,238,175
Other Payroll Costs (FICA, Retirement).....	1,074,937	1,095,282	1,105,314
All Other Operating Expenditures.....	3,780,475	3,673,184	3,930,311
<b>Total Receipts.....</b>	<b>\$ 133,389</b>	<b>\$ 153,357</b>	<b>\$ 231,477</b>
<b>Average Number of Employees (Not Examined)....</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>239</b>
<b>SELECTED ACTIVITY MEASURES (Not Examined)</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2012</b>
Cases Appointed.....	3,244	3,245	3,172
Cases Closed.....	2,952	3,044	3,049
Cases Pending at Year End.....	5,439	5,147	4,926
Average Cost per Case Closed.....	\$ 6,649	\$ 6,441	\$ 6,587
Briefs Filed:			
Original Briefs.....	1,460	1,645	1,747
Anders Briefs.....	346	439	476
Motions to Withdraw/Dismiss Filed.....	530	513	520
Summary Motions Filed.....	326	309	251
Total.....	<u>2,662</u>	<u>2,906</u>	<u>2,994</u>
<b>STATE APPELLATE DEFENDER</b>			
During Examination Period: Michael J. Pelletier			
Currently: Michael J. Pelletier			