

From: NYS DCJS FOIL Records Access Center <dcjsny@govqa.us>
Sent: Monday, January 26, 2026 2:24 PM
To: elena@judgewatch.org
Subject: FOIL Records Request :: R000054-012626



Dear Elena Sassower,

This message acknowledges receipt of your FOIL request received in this office on 1/26/2026 and given the reference number R000054-012626 for tracking purposes.

Records Requested: TO: Records Access Officer/Division of Criminal Justice Services
Records Access Officer/Division of the Budget

Governor Hochul's FY2026-27 Aid to Localities Budget Bill S.9003/A.10003 reads, at p. 92:

"For grants to counties for district attorney salaries. Notwithstanding the provisions of subdivisions 10 and 11 of section 700 of the county law or any other law to the contrary, for state fiscal year 2026-27 the state reimbursement to counties for district attorney salaries shall be distributed according to a plan developed by the commissioner of criminal justice services, and approved by the director of the budget (20244)

..... 4,212,000"

Pursuant to FOIL, request is made for the referred-to "plan prepared by the commissioner of criminal justice services and approved by the director of the budget" – including records identifying the plan's dollar reimbursement for district attorney salaries to each county and the date the "plan" was "developed" and "approved".

Pursuant to Public Officers Law §89.3, your responses/acknowledgments are required "within five business days" of your receipt of this request.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director
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Your request will be forwarded to the appropriate program area(s) to identify records responsive to your request and which may be made available pursuant to all applicable provisions of the Freedom of Information Law.

A determination as to whether your request is granted or denied will be reached in approximately 20 business days or we will notify you in writing if the responsible program area(s) should require additional time to locate, assemble and review records that may be responsive to your request.

Sincerely,

NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services

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