
Subject: RE: Open Records Request (GA-AG-21-1557)
Date: Monday, January 24, 2022 at 3:26:14 PM Eastern Standard Time
From: Jotonna Tulloch
To: 'Khahilia Shaw'
Attachments: image001.jpg, image002.png, image003.png, image010.jpg, image011.png, image012.png, image013.jpg, image014.png, image015.png, Open Records Request.pdf

We have completed the attached open records request. We compiled the documents into a single PDF file for your review and are sharing them with you via our secure file sharing system called Kiteworks. You should have received an email with a link on how to access the file.

Not included in the file are documents which are exempt from release under attorney-client and work-product privilege pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72(a)(41) and (42). Additionally, we made redactions of personal email addresses pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-18-72 (a)(20)(A). We redacted portions of text messages not responsive to your request.

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 50-18-71(c)(1), cost associated with this request totaled \$241.50, which is based on 9 hours of administrative time at \$20 per hour; 1 hour of attorney management time at \$61.50 per hour.

Please make out a check in the amount of \$241.50 payable to the Georgia Department of Law and mail to the following address:

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Attn: Jotonna Tulloch, Open Records*



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20 People >

Aidan Wilson

Hello colleagues,
we have a letter drafted that a number of you helped with. It is going to be sent out to all of the AG's offices here shortly. It is a very good letter however it is a little long coming in at 5 1/2 pages. All of the edits have been incorporated and it has been polished. We thought about cutting it down to 2 1/2 pages but felt that a press release could summarize it very well for public consumption. I believe a 5 PM Eastern time deadline for tomorrow is appropriate. The goal would be to release it on Thursday. We just need your approval and digital signatures. Finally, we hope to have a standardized press release for each of you to use also.

AW



Text Message





Steve >



Thu, Sep 23, 11:00 AM

Bill Lunsford

BL



Good to talk with you!

Great to speak with you too! Will reach out to Bill



iMessage



From: Chris Carr <CCarr@LAW.GA.GOV>
Sent: Thursday, February 4, 2021 9:24 AM
To: Shawn Conroy
Subject: Re: Opinion: South Carolina is again stained with insurrection
Attachments: image003.jpg; image008.jpg; image009.jpg; image010.png; image011.png; image012.jpg

Thank you

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 4, 2021, at 9:07 AM, Shawn Conroy <SConroy@law.ga.gov> wrote:

Opinion: South Carolina is again stained with insurrection

<image008.jpg>

Dried blood on a broken window at the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 9. (Graeme Sloan/Bloomberg)

<image003.jpg>

Opinion by
[Kathleen Parker](#)

Columnist

Feb. 3, 2021 at 2:41 p.m. EST

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South Carolina seems to have a thing for rebellion. Not only did the state's militia fire the first shots on Fort Sumter that launched the Civil War, the erstwhile secessionist hub has played an outsize role in Donald Trump's rise and fall, including the recent attempted insurrection at the U.S. Capitol.

Several of this state's political operatives, past or present, contributed to the Jan. 6 march and the tragic events that followed. Separately, South Carolinians have been overrepresented in the efforts to defend the president's behavior. Politics has always been a blood sport here, but the recent siege, a modern-day version of barbarians at the gate, was, as they say, next-level. So are the subsequent efforts to play it down.

This isn't to say that the local folks mentioned here are responsible for what ultimately happened. But there is a cautionary tale for all involved: When people play dirty — and Trump has always played for keeps — people can get hurt. The venal, ruthless mob assault on the Capitol will be recorded as one of the most horrifying and frightening events in our nation's history. Anyone who had a hand in it, most importantly Trump himself, must accept some responsibility for what unfolded.

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Most unexpected was news that Adam Piper, executive director of the Republican Attorneys General Association and a [former longtime aide](#) to South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson, took responsibility for Jan. 5 robocalls that encouraged Trump supporters to attend the rally in Washington and then march to the Capitol. Wilson condemned the calls, which were paid for by RAGA's fundraising arm, the Rule of Law Defense Fund. RAGA condemned the violence that followed, and Piper has resigned. A leading organizer of the rally on the Ellipse, meanwhile, was fundraiser [Caroline Wren](#). Though Wren isn't a native South Carolinian, she served as [finance director](#) for Republican Sen. Lindsey O. Graham in 2014, raised money for Gov. Henry McMaster in 2018 and is close to the Trump family. Graham, to our enduring befuddlement, was nearly devout in his loyalty to Trump, despite having accurately [described him in 2015](#) as a "xenophobic, race-baiting, religious bigot," who "would be an utter, complete and total disaster" as president.

Truer words. Yet over the past four years, Trump and Graham played golf together frequently. Perhaps this explains why Graham is leading the fight against Trump's second impeachment and [refused](#) until the [bitter end](#) to hold a Senate Judiciary Committee hearing to consider Judge Merrick Garland, Biden's nominee for U.S. attorney general.

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As this strange world continues to turn, South Carolina also [produced four of the five lawyers](#) Trump initially hired to defend him in the impeachment trial. To their credit — and proof that not everybody here has insurrection bred in their bones — all five recently abandoned Trump over his preferred legal strategy. They were willing to argue the constitutionality issue but not, [as Trump wanted](#), to stand behind the false claim that he actually won the election.

Finally, the South Carolina Republican Party recently [censured](#) one of its own, Rep. Tom Rice, for voting to impeach Trump, citing his "utter failure" in response to the Capitol siege. That's right: Rice was censured for doing the correct thing. Punishment is swift for those who dare betray the party and the man who controls the GOP base.

But I can't help wonder whether Democrats haven't gotten this impeachment a little backward, too. My bet is that Trump may be eagerly anticipating his upcoming trial. Banned from social media and unloved by Palm Beach, he may well look forward to being center stage once again. A spectacle starring Himself with 24/7 coverage is the stuff of his peculiar dreams. Afterward, almost certainly, the freshly martyred Trump will be right back on the hustings, throwing rallies at big venues, including some familiar haunts throughout the South and especially here, where his true believers apparently can't get enough.

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It has always seemed odd to me (and doubtless millions of others) that such a small state — whose graveyards, I should mention, are filled with my ancestors going back hundreds of years — should have so much influence in such a large and diverse country. Odd, but not accidental. After leaving an all-White-male political rally in Columbia several decades ago, Richard Nixon said to Pat Buchanan, who [retold the story](#), that there was nothing in that room but cigar smoke, sweat and rage. "This is the future of this party, right here in the South," Nixon said.

He was right and he made it work for him, as has nearly every Republican presidential candidate since. Trump was the full flowering of Nixon's prediction, and South Carolina is still peddling rage, adding yet another layer of shame to a state that, like a dog tied to a tree, doesn't know any different.

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Read more from [Kathleen Parker's archive](#), [follow her on Twitter](#) or [find her on Facebook](#).

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Attachments: Attorney_General_Carr_Meeting_Request.DOCX

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Attorney General Chris Carr Meeting Request Form

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Nature/Vision of Company/Organization *Please include a "who we are" briefing					
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Meeting Details					
Affiliated Agencies (if applicable)					
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*Topics to be discussed (please be specific)					
**Date/Time (Please provide up to 3 requested dates with available times in order of priority.)	Preferred Date	Option 2	Option 3		

Please email to Amanda Rutherford | arutherford@law.ga.gov

***Required information needed before a meeting can be confirmed.**

****Please be advised that Attorney General Carr's schedule is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances. In the event that this meeting needs to be rescheduled, you will be notified as soon as possible.**

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Great! I have them down! When they enter 40 Capitol Square they should give security my name and I will come get them and bring them to our conference room. Feel free to call or email me with any questions.

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Thanks so much, Amanda! March 11 at 2:00pm works great. Attending the meeting will be Stuart Lindeman and Tim Keck, VP of Network Development and Government Relations for Mission Health. Will you let me know of any building instructions?

Many thanks,
DiAnne

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I look forward to hearing back from you.

Best,
DiAnne

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From: Amanda Rutherford [mailto:ARutherford@LAW.GA.GOV]
Sent: Tuesday, November 24, 2020 11:53 AM
To: Stuart Lindeman
Subject: Georgia AG

Mr. Lindeman,

I understand you recently contacted AG Carr. Please let me know if there is anything I can do to be helpful.

Kind regards,

Amanda

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From: Chris Carr <ccarr@law.ga.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 27, 2021 7:24 AM
To: Chris Carr
Subject: Fwd: The news

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From: Paul Fitzpatrick
Date: May 26, 2021 at 8:55:29 PM EDT
To: Chris Carr
Subject: The news

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Chris, hello. I can't believe but I just saw the news about RAGA. So sorry to see that. Looking forward to working with you regardless.
Jordan is working to schedule us I believe.
Paul

From: Travis Johnson <tjohnson@law.ga.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, July 7, 2021 1:44 PM
To: Katie Byrd
Subject: Re: Second request from reporter Tammy Joyner

Sounds good.

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On Jul 7, 2021, at 8:23 AM, Katie Byrd <KByrd@law.ga.gov> wrote:

We can discuss.

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Tammy Joyner <tammy@atlantaciviccircle.org>
Date: July 6, 2021 at 2:25:45 PM EDT
To: Katie Byrd <KByrd@law.ga.gov>
Subject: Second request from reporter Tammy Joyner

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Hi Ms. Byrd:
AG Carr:

It's Tammy Joyner again. I'm the democracy reporter for Atlanta Civic Circle.

I'm working on 2 stories in which I need comments from AG Carr:

1) His thoughts, comments on the Supreme Court decision last week upholding key provisions in the Arizona voting law and what influence or impact SCOTUS Arizona ruling may have on Georgia's voting laws. Does he agree with SCOTUS?

2) Also, a group called Accountable.US, a government watchdog group has named AG Carr to its list of 13 attorneys general who it deems as "enemies of progress." They cite the following issues that earned AG Carr a spot on the list:

He sued Atlanta to block a mask mandate during the pandemic.

He opposed efforts oast to allow absentee votes to be counted even if they were in by Election Day. while other states expanded voting options to make it safe for people to vote. He fought to purge voter rolls and keep third-party

candidates from ballot access. He also defended state policies that led to longer lines for voters.

He belongs to the Federalist Society whose donors include wealthy conservative businessman and political activist David Koch. AG Carr also once served as general counsel for Georgia Public Policy Foundation, which also has ties to the Koch family. He also was chair of the Republican Attorneys General Association, whose political arm organized and promoted events tied to the Jan. 6 U.S. Capitol riot. Carr quite RAGA over differences tied to that event.

I need a comment from AG Carr regarding these allegations from Accountable.US.

I know he's busy. It would be great to get written comments from him for each story.

Thanks.

Tammy Joyner
Democracy Reporter
Atlanta Civic Circle
404 593-5121 cell

From: Amanda Rutherford <arutherford@law.ga.gov>
Sent: Thursday, June 10, 2021 3:22 PM
To: Chris Carr
Subject: Josh Belinfante Draft Letter

It is my honor to write in support of Josh Belinfante's application to become part of the Leadership Georgia class. This is Josh's second time applying to the program. Josh is a friend and a trusted counsel, and he would enhance the program greatly.

As anyone affiliated with this program knows, Georgians are currently divided in ways not seen in recent history. Persons of different (and sometimes the same) political persuasion have seemingly lost the ability to talk to one another without attacking the others' character, intentions, or motivations. It is an alarming trend and one that Leadership Georgia can and should address by selecting Georgians from diverse ideological backgrounds with a proven track record of resolving contentious issues effectively and amicably. Josh Belinfante is one of those individuals. He has defended strong and controversial positions and done so without alienating the opposition.

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In my current role, I work with Josh far more frequently across a broad range of areas. Josh is currently a Special Assistant Attorney General representing the State in legal matters ranging from lawsuits about behavioral health and special education to elections. Indeed, Josh is one of the attorneys who helped guide the State's responses to various lawsuits challenging the 2018 and 2020 elections. In doing so, Josh responded to litigants—from the right and the left—in very charged and controversial matters. Critically, Josh demonstrated an ability to work effectively with opposing counsel on each side, reduce acrimony, and effectively achieve sound and good results for the State of Georgia. This matters to Georgia and to Leadership Georgia specifically.

Understand, I am not writing just about Josh's ability as an attorney. Leadership Georgia can be easily filled with excellent litigators, but that is not its mission. What Josh brings to the 2022 class is something different. Few persons (fewer still who are not in elected office) are routinely thrust into situations where they have to address divisive and emotive public policy issues like allegations of discrimination, disenfranchisement, or voter fraud, and do so without raising the temperature of the conversation. Given Leadership Georgia's mission of bringing together diverse Georgians, Josh would be an excellent addition.

Josh's application demonstrates his longtime commitment to working with Georgians across the state to enhance Georgia's reputation, business climate, and stature. That is true of many who seek to join Leadership Georgia, but Josh has taken on some of the most difficult issues and proven he can

disagree without being disagreeable. I strongly urge you to accept the nomination of my friend, Josh Belinfante.



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Cc: AGCarr
Subject: Nomination of Josh Belinfante for the Class of 2022
Attachments: AG-#1293681-v1-2022_Leadership_Georgia_-_Josh_Belinfante.pdf

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June 10, 2021

Selections Committee
c/o Leadership Georgia
270 Peachtree Street, Suite 2200
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Josh,
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From: Amanda Rutherford <arutherford@law.ga.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 22, 2021 1:54 PM
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Cc: Travis Johnson; Katie Byrd; Jordan Watson
Subject: South GA Swing - Briefing
Attachments: AG-#1296476-v1-South_Ga_Briefing_Packet_-_June_23_2021.docx

Chris,
Attached is a briefing for your trip tomorrow. Jordan will have a hard copy in a binder for you tomorrow.

Amanda



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STATE OF GEORGIA
OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL CHRIS CARR
ATLANTA 30334 - 0900

Trip to South Georgia Wednesday, June 23, 2021

Attire: Business casual

Attachments:

- 1 Schedule
- 2 Local Officials
- 3 Rotary Club of Cordele with Talking Points
- 4 Interview with the Valdosta Daily Times

Sheriffs

- Crisp County, Billy Hancock
- Turner County, Andy Hester
- Tift County, Gene Scarbrough
- Cook County, Doug Hanks
- Lowndes County, Ashley Paulk

Schedule | Wednesday, June 23, 2021

9:15 – 11:45

Depart [REDACTED] for Cordele

11:50 – 11:55

One-on-one with Neil McGahee of the Cordele Dispatch

12:00 – 1:00

Speak at Cordele Rotary

Cordele Community Clubhouse | 108 15th Ave East, Cordele, GA 31015

1:15 – 2:00

Lunch Options:

Carter Burgers | 1213 S 7th Street, Cordele, Ga / no dine-in (2 min from Rotary)

16 East | 1309 16th Ave E, Cordele (4 min from Rotary)

2:00 – 2:35

Travel to Tift County Sheriff's office

500 Morgan Dr. Tifton, GA

2:35 – 2:50

Meet with Sheriff Gene Scarbrough

Office # 229-388-6921

500 Morgan Dr. Tifton, GA

2:50 – 3:20

Travel to Cook County Sheriff's office

3335 County Farm Rd. Adel, GA

3:20 – 3:35

Meet with Sheriff Doug Hanks

Office # 229-546-8536

3335 County Farm Rd. Adel, GA

3:35 – 4:15

Travel to Valdosta

4:15 – 5:00

Interview with Bryce Ethridge of Valdosta Daily Times

GUD Coffee | 120 N Patterson St, Valdosta, GA 31601

5:30 – 7:00

Carr Event

Coleman Talley | 109 S Ashley St, Valdosta, GA 31601

7:30 – 11:00

Return home

Local Elected Officials

Crisp

Senate: Carden Summers – R

House: Noel Williams, Jr. – R

District Attorney: Brad Rigby | 229-271-4735

Crisp County Commission:

- Mark Crenshaw
- James Dowdy
- Sam Farrow
- Larry Felton
- Auther James Nance

Cordele City Commission

- Jeanie Bartee
- Wesley Rainey
- Vesta Beal Shepard
- John Wiggins
- Royce Reeves (DO NOT CALL)

Lowndes

Senate: Russ Goodman – R

House:

- Chairman of House Motor Vehicles Committee John Corbett – R
- Chairman of House Judiciary Non-Civil James Burchett – R
- John LaHood – R
- Dexter Sharper – D

District Attorney: Bradfield Shealy | 229-244-7170

Lowndes County Commission:

- Bill Slaughter
- Joyce Evans
- Scott Orenstein
- Mark Wisenbaker
- Demarcus Marshall
- Clay Griner

Valdosta Mayor: Scott James Matheson

Valdosta City Council

- Ben Norton
- Sandra Tooley
- Tim Carroll
- Vivian Miller Cody
- Sonny Vickers
- Andy Gibbs
- Eric Howard

Rotary Club of Cordele

PURPOSE

Briley Edwards requested that AG Carr speak at the Rotary Club of Cordele when he is in the area on a Wednesday. This is an opportunity to connect with community leaders in Cordele / Crisp County.

BACKGROUND

Rotary Officers

- Becca Stackhouse, President
- Amber Herrington, President-Elect
- Renay Adkins, Photographer

STAFF

Jordan Watson

AGENDA

12:00 Lunch
12:15 Club business
12:30 Briley Edwards introduces AG Carr
12:32 AG Carr speaks
1:00 Meeting concludes

MEDIA:

- AG Carr should meet with Neil McGahee from the Cordele Dispatch upon arrival. Neil would like to chat one-on-one for a few moments before he covers the AG's remarks.
- Other media attendees: South Georgia TV reporter, *WALB*, *WMAZ*

Speech Framework

- Introduction by Briley Edwards (Theta Chi/Amanda's Brother in law)
- About the Office
- Protecting Lives*
- Protecting Livelihoods

**You have physical copies of Older Adults Guide and Cybersecurity in Georgia to hand out throughout the day to Rotarians and Sheriffs. And, as always, they can access digital versions online at law.ga.gov or order more by contacting me.*

New Information:

- Human Trafficking Indictment – Terry Florence in DeKalb (3 counts)
- Elder Statistics – from FBI Internet Crime Report Complaint Center
- Opioid Statistics – from 6th – 12th grade study by Georgia State

Rotary Club of Cordele

Talking Points

20 – 25 Minutes

INTRODUCTION

- Good Afternoon.
- Thank you so much for having me.
- It is always wonderful to be with Rotarians.
- You represent the very best of our Georgia communities.
- Service above self is a motto that more should learn to live by.

ABOUT THE OFFICE

- I am now five years into this job, and I still wake up grateful and honored to serve as Georgia's Attorney General.
- I've learned that a lot of folks understand there is an attorney general and that we have an office; but they're a bit unclear about what we do, and that is because each state does it a little differently.
- So, I'd like to briefly introduce/re-introduce you to the role of the Office of the Attorney General in Georgia and some of our main goals.
- Our chief priority at the office is to act as the legal advisor for the Executive Branch – including all of the agencies, bodies and boards.
- We protect and defend the Constitution of the United States, the Constitution and laws of the state of Georgia and the interests of the people of our state.
- As Attorney General, I am always guided by the principals of federalism, the rule of law, free enterprise and common sense.
- We've had some challenging times, and when the world slowed down due to COVID19, our office's work for the state did not.
- In 2020, we opened more than 7,000 matters, and we're on a similar trajectory for 2021.

- We have about 155 lawyers, and with support staff, it brings us to about 300 employees.
- Additionally, we have about 300 SAAGs who work in specialty areas like DFCS, child support, GDOT and other areas.

Protecting Lives

In addition to our casework for state agencies, bodies and boards, we take very seriously our role in protecting Georgia lives and livelihoods.

We cannot tolerate those who take advantage of our most vulnerable, and we will continue working to rescue victims and put criminals behind bars.

Human Trafficking

- I want to start by thanking Rotary for all your work in the area of Human Trafficking.
- It has been great to partner with you on awareness efforts.
- As it relates to Human Trafficking, let me share briefly with you an overview of what our Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit – newly created as of July 2019 – has been up to.
- Just yesterday, we had an indictment in DeKalb County Superior Court.
- The individual was trafficking multiple victims. He was using drugs and fear to coerce them into sexual servitude.
- He could now be facing 25 years to life for his crimes.
- We recovered one of the victims in this case through Operation Not Forgotten 1 in 2020, and we just wrapped up Operation Not Forgotten 2 with the U.S. Marshals Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force.
- The operation focuses on recovering missing children who are oftentimes thought to be exploited or at risk of child sex trafficking.
- We get most of the leads in this operation from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.
- In this year's operation, we rescued 16 kids and will have multiple cases to build against buyers and traffickers.
- Before this operation, we had already rescued 44 kids, and we are targeting the rescue of 122 more.

- We've got more than 18 open cases spanning 9 counties, we've arrested 17 traffickers, indicted 7, and we are targeting over 50 more.
- Our Human Trafficking Unit is doing innovative work, and we are proud to be a leader nationwide in this space.

Opioid Misuse

- The opioid epidemic knows no demographic, geographic or economic boundaries.
- We are deploying every available resource at the Department of Law to protect Georgians in all 159 counties.
- We're focusing on prevention, recovery and holding accountable those responsible for fueling the crisis.
- The pandemic only worsened opioid misuse in many ways.
- I read a troubling study conducted by Georgia State the other day.
- It polled 6th-12th grade Georgia students in 2019-2020.
- In 2019-2020 school year, the study showed the greatest known prescription drug used by Georgia students from the 6th to 12th grade was painkillers, followed by stimulants and tranquilizers, respectively.
- Nearly 20,000 Georgia middle and high school students use painkillers without a doctor's prescription.
- Over 15,000 Georgia middle and high school students use tranquilizers or stimulants without a doctor's prescription.
- Over 25,000 Georgia middle and high school students use "Other" prescription drugs, likely because they do not know the category of drug they are taking.
- The vast majority of Georgia middle and high school students state the first time they used prescription drugs without a prescription was in childhood, considered 9 and below.
- The most common reason for prescription drug use without a prescription in 2019-2020 by Georgia middle and high students was answered for medical purposes. This was followed by answers "to relax or quiet my nerves", "to get high", "to enjoy myself" and "to feel more alert", respectively.
- Nearly 40% of Georgia 6th-12th grade students used painkillers without a doctor's prescription in the past 1-5 days.

- The top ten Georgia public school systems with the highest proportion of past 30-day prescription use without a prescription used by middle and high school students are: Baker County, Stewart County, Seminole County, Talbot County, Bacon County, Pike County, Crawford County, Burke County and Taylor County, respectively
- In the 2019-2020 school year, Baker County had the highest proportion of prescription painkillers, stimulant, tranquilizer, sedative, stimulant and “other” drugs used without a prescription in the past 30 days by middle and high school students in the state of Georgia.
- This underscores the importance of this work.
- We will continue to identify unique ways and partnerships to address the crisis.

Elder Abuse

- We continue to combat elder abuse through our Consumer Protection, Prosecution and Medicaid Fraud Divisions.
- In addition to our case work, we’re working really hard on prevention efforts.
- Just last week, we highlighted World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.
- To give you some context about why this is so important for us...
 - In 2020, FBI Internet Crime Complain Center received a total of 791,790 complaints with reported losses exceeding \$4.1 billion. Based on the information provided in the complaints, approximately 28% of the total fraud losses were sustained by victims over the age of 60, resulting in approximately \$1 billion in losses to seniors. This represents an increase of approximately \$300 million in losses reported in 2020 versus what was reported by victims over 60 in 2019.
 - In 2020 alone, 105,301 victims over 60 were victims of fraud in the U.S. The total financial loss of these victims was \$966,062,236.
 - In 2020, the number of fraud victims over 60 in the U.S. has more than doubled and the total financial loss has more than tripled since 2015.
 - The average loss of U.S. victims to elder fraud was \$9,175. Nearly 2,000 victims of elder fraud lost over \$100,000.

- According to the FBI, the most common type of elder fraud is extortion with 23,100 victims. The second-most common is non-payment/non-delivery fraud with 14,534 victims, followed by tech support scams with 9,429 victims. In order, the rest of the top ten are identity theft, phishing/vishing/smishing/pharming, spoofing, confidence fraud/romance, personal data breaches, misrepresentation, and government impersonation.
- Confidence fraud and romance scams are the costliest, with 2020 elder losses totaling \$281,134,006. Compromised business emails are the second costliest, with victims losing \$168,793.903. Tech support scams caused victims over 60 to lose \$116,415,126 in 2020.
- In 2020, the number of extortion victims over 60 nearly doubled since 2019.
- In 2020, the number of identity theft victims over 60 almost tripled since 2019.
- In 2020, the number of non-payment/non-delivery victims over 60 almost doubled since 2019.
- In 2020, the total financial losses to victims over 60 due to employment fraud nearly doubled since 2019.
- In 2020, the total financial losses to victims over 60 due to phishing/vishing/smishing/pharming nearly doubled since 2018.
- In 2020, the total financial losses to victims over 60 due to ransomware has increased nearly nine times the amount in 2018, reaching over \$5 M.
- In 2020, the total financial losses to victims over 60 due to tech support has increased nearly five times the amount in 2018.
- The state of Georgia has the 17th highest number of elder fraud victims in the U.S. with 2,145 reports in 2020. Georgia has the 10th highest amount of financial loss suffered by victims over 60, with \$25,799,082.
- We can all play a role in protecting those most vulnerable, and we continue to encourage Georgians to learn how to spot the signs of elder abuse and know where to report it.

- We also have an Older Adults Consumer Protection Guide that is very popular with our law enforcement officials all across the state, houses of worship, senior centers and more.
- We've translated into Spanish, and we will soon complete our Korean translation.
- We want to make sure all of our most vulnerable populations have access to resources and education to avoid falling victim in the first place.

Violent Crime/Gang Activity

- The uptick in violent crime in our nation is driven by gangs and threatens our quality of life and our economy.
- And, it is not just a “big city” or metropolitan-area problem.
- 157 of 159 counties have reported an uptick in gang activity in their jurisdictions.
- We must stand firm, take action, and fight the growing gang network with a better network of dedicated law enforcement professionals who want to keep people safe and put violent offenders behind bars.
- I launched the Georgia Anti-Gang Network in September of 2018 to pull together local, state and federal partners and combat gang violence. In Georgia, we have identified four categories to focus on:
 - Strengthening multi-jurisdictional investigations and prosecutions;
 - Improving intelligence-sharing capabilities;
 - Stopping recruitment; and
 - Increasing training efforts.
- We will continue to support our law enforcement officers as we crack down on gangs in Georgia.
- And, I look forward to securing more resources for our office's fight against gangs.

Public Corruption

- Acts of fraud and corruption have no place in Georgia's state government.

- Those who are trusted to be public servants must discharge their duties ethically and honestly, and when they do not, we work with our law enforcement partners to hold them accountable.
- We've had several notable cases recently:
 - [Prosecution Division Indicts Former Board of Regents Member](#)
 - [Carr Indicts Paulding County DA for Bribery, Violation of Oath, and False Swearing](#)
 - [Former Chief Magistrate Judge in Pickens County](#)
- Through this type of effort alone, we've recovered more than \$840,000 for taxpayers since July 2020.
- Additionally, in Fiscal Year 2020, our Medicaid Fraud Division recovered more than \$21 million in judgments, settlements and recoveries involving the state's program through civil enforcement actions.
- And, in Fiscal Year 2020, our Medicaid Fraud Division secured the conviction of 18 individuals for crimes involving healthcare fraud or neglect, abuse and exploitation.

PROTECTING GEORGIA LIVELIHOODS

- I may be biased, but I believe Georgia is the best state in the nation to live, work and raise a family.
- It is the role of the Georgia Department of Law to protect the rule of law – and, when necessary – push back against illegal, unconstitutional federal overreach.
- We've had a change in administration, and we've seen several instances of federal overreach already.
- Some of these actions could threaten Georgia livelihoods and our pro-business environment.
- So our office continues to monitor and push back against policies and actions that may negatively affect the interests of Georgians.

With that... I'd be happy to take a couple of questions!

Media Interview | Bryce Ethridge with Valdosta Daily Times

WHO: AG Carr to speak with Bryce Ethridge

WHAT: AG Carr's Work to Protect Lives and Livelihoods

WHEN: Wednesday, June 23, 2021 @ 4:15 p.m.

WHERE: Gud Coffee

WHY:

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[Read more](#)

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“In addition to monitoring the federal government’s attempts at unlawful overreach, it is my duty as the state attorney general to step up on behalf of Georgians and push back when big states like California and New York try to implement burdensome regulations that upset Georgia consumers or our economy,” said Attorney General Chris Carr. “This California law would do both. The Ninth Circuit’s misguided decision undoes the deregulation that has allowed the airline industry to thrive for the past 50 years, and our coalition has a strong and obvious interest in preserving the benefits of airline deregulation for our states.”

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10. APRIL 13, 2021: [Carr Leads Coalition of 22 AGs in Opposing D.C. Statehood](#)

“This coalition has one simple goal - to uphold the U.S. Constitution,” said Attorney General Chris Carr. “The Washington, D.C. Admission Act is unconstitutional, represents unsound policy, and, if allowed to take effect, would create a super-state with unrivaled power. If the Biden Administration and Congress attempt to enact this legislation and provide statehood to the District of Columbia, our coalition will stop it.”

11.MARCH 25, 2021: [Carr Joins 13-State Coalition in Filing Suit to Block the Biden Administration’s Nationwide Moratorium on Oil and Gas Leases and Drilling Permits](#)

"These actions are said to protect the environment, but instead they are likely the single largest divestment of revenue for environmental protection projects in American history," said Attorney General Chris Carr. "Making matters worse, the agencies implementing the Order – the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management and Bureau of Land Management – rushed to stop long-planned lease sales without any consideration whether these actions comply with federal law, the public good, or the procedural requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act. We cannot allow this reckless abuse of Presidential power."

On June 16, 2021 the coalition secured a major victory in this case when a federal judge issued a nationwide preliminary injunction against the ban.

12.MARCH 17, 2021: [Carr Files Suit to Block Biden’s Illegitimate Keystone Cancellation](#)

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"As it is written, the American Rescue Plan Act could be used to deny Georgia the ability to cut taxes in any manner for years to come," said Attorney General Chris Carr. "That would be unacceptable. In fact, it would amount to an unprecedented federal takeover of state tax policy and would represent the greatest attempted invasion of state sovereignty by Congress ever attempted."

14.FEBRUARY 19, 2021: [Carr Joins 18-State Coalition Urging the Biden Administration to Arrest and Remove Unlawful Immigrants Convicted of Sex Crimes](#)

"Canceling this important initiative makes no sense. It will only embolden sexual predators who seek to enter the United States illegally and exacerbate issues of sexual assault and trafficking in immigrant communities," said Attorney General Chris Carr. "In Georgia, we are working hard every day to prosecute those who seek to commit these atrocities, and we stand with this coalition to demand that President Biden reverse this misguided decision and instead adopt an aggressive enforcement policy against those that have been convicted of sex crimes and are here illegally."

From: Amanda Rutherford <ARutherford@LAW.GA.GOV>
Sent: Sunday, June 27, 2021 6:12 PM
To: Katie Byrd
Cc: Travis Johnson
Subject: Re: Talking Points - Pals

Thank you!!!

Amanda Rutherford

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To: 'Ian Medina'
Subject: RE: Date To Reapply For Law Licensure in Georgia

Mr. Medina,

Thank you for contacting our office. In Georgia, the Attorney General's office does not have oversight of the Bar Admissions process. I believe your question would be better directed to the State Bar of Georgia and / or the Office of Bar Admissions which is a part of the Supreme Court of Georgia.

Kind regards,
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Future speakers:

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- ❑ We have about 155 lawyers, and with support staff, it brings us to about 300 employees.
- ❑ Additionally, we have about 300 SAAGs who work in specialty areas like DFCS, child support, GDOT and other areas.

PROTECTING LIVES

In addition to our casework for state agencies, bodies and boards, we take very seriously our role in protecting Georgia lives and livelihoods.

We cannot tolerate those who take advantage of our most vulnerable, and we will continue working to rescue victims and put criminals behind bars.

Human Trafficking

- Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit – newly created as of July 2019 had an indictment in DeKalb County Superior Court yesterday.
- The individual was trafficking multiple victims. He was using drugs and fear to coerce them into sexual servitude.
- He could now be facing 25 years to life for his crimes.
- We recovered one of the victims in this case through Operation Not Forgotten 1 in 2020, and we just wrapped up Operation Not Forgotten 2021 with the U.S. Marshals Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force. In Operation Not Forgotten 2021, we rescued 20 children, 16 were suspected victims of sexual exploitation/human trafficking.

- The operation focuses on recovering missing children who are oftentimes thought to be exploited or at risk of child sex trafficking.
- We get most of the leads in this operation from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.
- Because of this year's operation, we will have multiple cases to build against buyers and traffickers.
- Before this operation, we had already rescued 44 kids, and we are targeting the rescue of 122 more.
- We've got more than 18 open cases spanning 9 counties, we've arrested 17 traffickers, indicted 7, and we are targeting over 50 more.
- Our Human Trafficking Unit is doing innovative work, and we are proud to be a leader nationwide in this space.

Opioid Misuse

- The opioid epidemic knows no demographic, geographic or economic boundaries.
- We are deploying every available resource at the Department of Law to protect Georgians in all 159 counties.
- We're focusing on prevention, recovery and holding accountable those responsible for fueling the crisis through our opioid litigation.
- It is our hope that any money recovered will be deployed to help those suffering the most from the opioid epidemic – especially in rural areas of the state.
- The pandemic only worsened opioid misuse in many ways.
 - Statewide, 1,466 ED visits for Drug overdoses occurred in April 2021, compared to 1,085 in April 2020
 - 64.6% increase in the count of Drug overdoses among ages 15-24 compared to the same month last year
 - 49.9% increase in the count of Drug overdoses among females compared to the same month last
- In a study conducted by Georgia State, polling 6th-12th grade Georgia students in 2019-2020, we recently learned...
 - In 2019-2020 school year, the study showed the greatest known prescription drug used by Georgia students from the 6th to 12th grade was painkillers, followed by stimulants and tranquilizers, respectively.

- Nearly 20,000 Georgia middle and high school students use painkillers without a doctor's prescription.
- Over 15,000 Georgia middle and high school students use tranquilizers or stimulants without a doctor's prescription.
- Over 25,000 Georgia middle and high school students use "Other" prescription drugs, likely because they do not know the category of drug they are taking.
- The vast majority of Georgia middle and high school students state the first time they used prescription drugs without a prescription was in childhood, considered 9 and below.
- The most common reason for prescription drug use without a prescription in 2019-2020 by Georgia middle and high students was answered for medical purposes. This was followed by answers "to relax or quiet my nerves", "to get high", "to enjoy myself" and "to feel more alert", respectively.
- Nearly 40% of Georgia 6th-12th grade students used painkillers without a doctor's prescription in the past 1-5 days.
- The top ten Georgia public school systems with the highest proportion of past 30-day prescription use without a prescription used by middle and high school students are: Baker County, Stewart County, Seminole County, Talbot County, Bacon County, Pike County, Crawford County, Burke County and Taylor County, respectively
- In the 2019-2020 school year, Baker County had the highest proportion of prescription painkillers, stimulant, tranquilizer, sedative, stimulant and "other" drugs used without a prescription in the past 30 days by middle and high school students in the state of Georgia.
- This underscores the importance of this work.
- We will continue to identify unique ways and partnerships to address the crisis.

Elder Abuse

- We continue to combat elder abuse through our Consumer Protection, Prosecution and Medicaid Fraud Divisions.
- In addition to our case work, we're working really hard on prevention efforts.
- We recently highlighted World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.
- To give you some context about why this is so important for us...

- In 2020, FBI Internet Crime Complain Center received a total of 791,790 complaints with reported losses exceeding \$4.1 billion. Based on the information provided in the complaints, approximately 28% of the total fraud losses were sustained by victims over the age of 60, resulting in approximately \$1 billion in losses to seniors. This represents an increase of approximately \$300 million in losses reported in 2020 versus what was reported by victims over 60 in 2019.
- In 2020 alone, 105,301 victims over 60 were victims of fraud in the U.S. The total financial loss of these victims was \$966,062,236.
- In 2020, the number of fraud victims over 60 in the U.S. has more than doubled and the total financial loss has more than tripled since 2015.
- The average loss of U.S. victims to elder fraud was \$9,175. Nearly 2,000 victims of elder fraud lost over \$100,000.
- According to the FBI, the most common type of elder fraud is extortion with 23,100 victims. The second-most common is non-payment/non-delivery fraud with 14,534 victims, followed by tech support scams with 9,429 victims. In order, the rest of the top ten are identity theft, phishing/vishing/smishing/pharming, spoofing, confidence fraud/romance, personal data breaches, misrepresentation, and government impersonation.
- Confidence fraud and romance scams are the costliest, with 2020 elder losses totaling \$281,134,006. Compromised business emails are the second costliest, with victims losing \$168,793.903. Tech support scams caused victims over 60 to lose \$116,415,126 in 2020.
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- In 2020, the total financial losses to victims over 60 due to tech support has increased nearly five times the amount in 2018.

- The state of Georgia has the 17th highest number of elder fraud victims in the U.S. with 2,145 reports in 2020. Georgia has the 10th highest amount of financial loss suffered by victims over 60, with \$25,799,082.
- We can all play a role in protecting those most vulnerable, and we continue to encourage Georgians to learn how to spot the signs of elder abuse and know where to report it.
- We also have an Older Adults Consumer Protection Guide that is very popular with our law enforcement officials all across the state, houses of worship, senior centers and more.
- We've translated into Spanish, and we will soon complete our Korean translation.
- We want to make sure all of our most vulnerable populations have access to resources and education to avoid falling victim in the first place.

Violent Crime/Gang Activity

- The uptick in violent crime in our nation is driven by gangs and threatens our quality of life and our economy.
- And, it is not just a “big city” or metropolitan-area problem.
- 157 of 159 counties have reported an uptick in gang activity in their jurisdictions.
- We must stand firm, take action, and fight the growing gang network with a better network of dedicated law enforcement professionals who want to keep people safe and put violent offenders behind bars.
- I launched the Georgia Anti-Gang Network in September of 2018 to pull together local, state and federal partners and combat gang violence. In Georgia, we have identified four categories to focus on:
 - Strengthening multi-jurisdictional investigations and prosecutions;
 - Improving intelligence-sharing capabilities;
 - Stopping recruitment; and
 - Increasing training efforts.
- We will continue to support our law enforcement officers as we crack down on gangs in Georgia.
- And, I look forward to securing more resources for our office's fight against gangs.

Public Corruption

- Acts of fraud and corruption have no place in Georgia's state government.

- Those who are trusted to be public servants must discharge their duties ethically and honestly, and when they do not, we work with our law enforcement partners to hold them accountable.
- We've had several notable cases recently:
 - [Prosecution Division Indicts Former Board of Regents Member](#)
 - [Carr Indicts Paulding County DA for Bribery, Violation of Oath, and False Swearing](#)
 - [Former Chief Magistrate Judge in Pickens County](#)
- Through this type of effort alone, we've recovered more than \$840,000 for taxpayers since July 2020.
- Additionally, in Fiscal Year 2020, our Medicaid Fraud Division recovered more than \$21 million in judgments, settlements and recoveries involving the state's program through civil enforcement actions.
- And, in Fiscal Year 2020, our Medicaid Fraud Division secured the conviction of 18 individuals for crimes involving healthcare fraud or neglect, abuse and exploitation.

PROTECTING GEORGIA LIVELIHOODS

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BACKGROUND:

- Host Tony Perkins discusses current issues and frequently interviews members of Congress and prominently pro-family leaders across the nation.
- The purpose of the Washington Watch Radio Show is to present Washington news from a conservative Christian perspective.
- Viewers tune in from over 800 Christian radio stations nationwide, Christian TV, and 19 stations in GA.

- Tony Perkins:
 - served as Marine Corp, Baton Rouge police officer, and in U.S. State Dept. of Anti-Terrorism Assistance Program
 - won open seat in Louisiana House representing District 64 in 1995 on platform of strong families and limited govt, was reelected, and served until 2002
 - authored legislation to require Louisiana public schools to install Internet filtering software, to provide daily silent prayer, and to prevent what he termed "censorship of America's Christian heritage"
 - opposed casino gambling in Louisiana, calling a 1996 plan to restrict the location of gambling riverboats to one side of the river,
 - described as "staunchly anti-abortion" by Public Broadcasting Service which also credited him with working on law and order and economic development issues while in the state house. Perkins was instrumental in increasing state regulation of Louisiana abortion clinics; he sponsored a law to require state licensing and sanitary inspections.
 - 1997: authored the nation's first covenant marriage law, a voluntary type of marriage that permits divorce only in cases of physical abuse, abandonment, adultery, imprisonment or after two years of separation.
 - Other policy initiatives: State Family Impact Statement, requiring state agencies to consider the impact of rules and regulations on families; Comprehensive Abortion Clinic regulations; Genetic Nondiscrimination Act; Public School Internet Filtering requirement; and Expansion of Louisiana Department of Corrections partnership with faith-based organizations to reduce recidivism rates.
 - ran for U.S. Senate in 2002, lost in primary
 - Family Research Council President in 2003: frequently attends state and regional political and policy events, expanded organization nationwide by building network of pastors and churches through encouraging them to impact culture by "thinking nationally, acting locally"
 - appointed by Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell to U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom in 2018 and reappointed in May 2020 as Chair and Vice Chair on the independent, bipartisan commission
 - ordained minister, board member on Caring to Love Ministries (one of Louisiana's largest pregnancy care resource centers) , author of *No Fear: Real Stories of a Courageous New Generation Standing for Truth* and immediate past President of Council for National Policy
 - now host of Washington Watch with Tony Perkins and guest speaker on other shows
- [Media clips](#)
 - [Tony Perkins on the Lies Surrounding The GA Election Laws](#)
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- [Most recent guests:](#)
 - Monday - Chip Roy, Mary Szoch, Meg Kilgannon; Saturday - Mike Pompeo, Tom Cotton; Friday - Dan Bishop, Travis Weber, Jena Powell, Davis Closson, Thursday - Chris Smith, Micheal Waltz, Jeff Myers, Jerry Boykins

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WHEN: June 30, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.
[Dial in 9:30 / Live 9:30](#)

WHERE: 770-535-2911 (10 minutes)

WHY: Discussion of DOJ lawsuit

- Statement
 - The Justice Department is wrong: factually, legally, and constitutionally. Georgia's law clearly strengthens security, expands access, and improves transparency in our election. Merrick Garland said he was going to depoliticize the Justice Department yet files this blatantly political lawsuit.
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 - This law shortens time in lines, increases days of early voting, requires for the first time ever in state law appropriately monitored dropboxes and ends signature matching.
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- Facebook Posts
 - Stacey Abrams' claim that GA's election law takes us back to Jim Crow, an era when humans were being murdered and truly prohibited from voting, is unconscionable. Our law makes voting more secure and easier to access for everyone.

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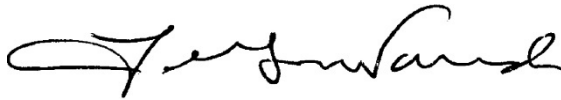
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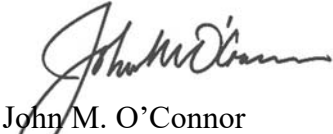
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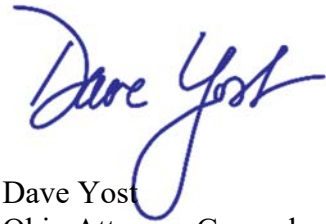
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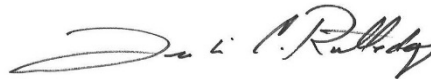
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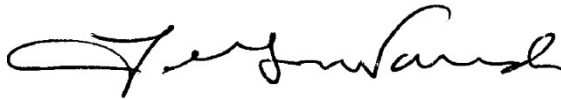
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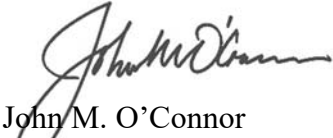
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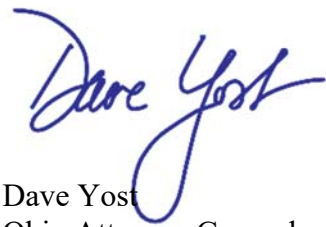
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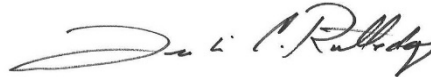
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This proposal stands in direct opposition to privacy that Americans are entitled to and deserve. The Federal Government combing through almost every American's bank account without cause, or even suspicion, is unacceptable, illegal and contrary to the well-founded constitutional principles against illegal searches and seizures. Your proposal seeks to leverage private transaction information by effectively transforming banks into large-scale data processors for the IRS, forcing the banks to provide private information regarding common transactions such as rent payments, paying for groceries, and other transactions that are part of everyday life of Americans who have done nothing wrong, are not under suspicion of having done anything illegal and for which the government has no evidence or reason to believe are guilty of civil or criminal violations.

Unfortunately, it has become all too common for this administration to disregard the Constitution and laws of the United States when issuing policies such as this one. In addition, from a policy perspective, we have heard from financial institutions across the country that are adamant that this policy will not achieve the desired result but instead, in addition to violating the law, will lay an enormous burden on local and community banks in our states. If implemented, banks across the country will have to transform the way in which they conduct business in order to comply with your proposed reporting requirements, including investing significant amounts of money in data collection and other systems if banks are forced to now serve as a watchdog for federal agencies.

This heavy regulatory burden will punish the consumer in more ways than one. If this illegal scheme were allowed to be implemented, banks would likely be forced to pass costs in the form of fees or higher interest rates onto customers who are already struggling. Such additional costs would only serve to increase the numbers of persons that do not have access to banking services.

Additionally, this ill-conceived plan would likely require the federal government to raise tax revenues even higher than it has recently proposed in legislation pending before Congress to both process and safely secure the massive inflow of financial data it would receive. Not to mention that centralized storage of this type of sensitive information would provide cyber criminals with another target to exploit information about almost every American, further underscoring the dangers of this proposed policy.

The primary role of the government is to protect person and property, and it is our duty to protect the people of our states, which is why we oppose this reckless abuse of federal power. Americans are justifiably outraged by this policy and see it as illegal, intrusive, wholly unnecessary and costly. If stopping financial criminals or punishing those who evade taxes is the goal of the administration, we will gladly join you to find the right solutions based on the rule of law, but we are certain that violating the privacy of virtually every American with a bank account is not the answer. For those reasons, we oppose this policy and urge you to cease all efforts to advance this proposal immediately.

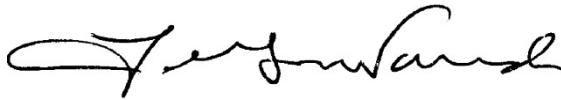
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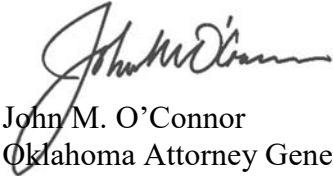
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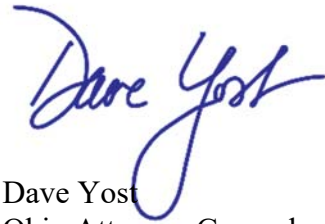
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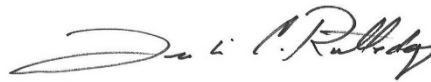
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Please find the 2020 NAAG Statistical Survey attached and available [on NAAG's website](#) for attorney general staff only. (You will need to be logged in to view the survey on the website. Please contact Emily Snow at esnow@naag.org if you need assistance logging in.) The survey includes data on salaries, the number of employees in each office, and a range of other topics. This data is provided as a management tool to assist supervisors and policy makers in preparing budgets and assessing resource needs.

I appreciate your staff taking the time to submit your office's information to create this invaluable tool for your colleagues. I hope you will find it useful.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

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2020 Statistics on the Office of Attorney General

Current Trends and Fiscal Information Across Offices of the Attorney General for FY20

Preface

Gathering and compiling the information for the 2020 *Statistics on the Office of the Attorney General* represents a significant effort on the part of the staff of every participating attorney general's office and NAAG. We know these efforts will assist you in serving the people of your jurisdiction as you reference the survey's data in your work.

This publication includes information from 48 offices of the attorney general. Please note that the mission, scope, and function of the offices vary widely from one jurisdiction to the next. Accordingly, any direct comparisons should be cautiously entertained. The information in this publication reflects current trends and fiscal information for the most current fiscal year. The data is provided as a management tool to assist supervisors and policy makers in the attorney general office in preparing budgets and assessing resource needs. If you need greater clarity for any of the information provided by an office, I encourage you to contact the individual office directly.

NAAG conducted this survey using secure online technology to allow for expedient data collection and compilation. We appreciate the time and effort it took for the attorney general staff to provide the information.

It is our hope that this publication will be a valuable resource in addressing the specific needs of each office. Please contact Erin Schechter, NAAG chief administrative officer, at eschechter@naag.org if you need anything else regarding this publication.

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A Brief Overview of Attorney General Authority and Responsibility

As you review the numbers of attorneys and office budgets in the coming pages, it is important to keep in mind that the authority and responsibility of attorneys general vary widely from state to state. New state and federal legislation, as well as new conceptions of the office of attorney general, have dramatically expanded the powers and duties of the office in every state and territory. However, there are differences among the states in the constitutional or statutory structures conferring powers and responsibilities upon the attorney general. The relationship among the executive, legislative, and judicial branches of each state and the decisions of each state's courts also affect the attorney general's duties.

Each attorney general represents state agencies in litigation matters, and most states also provide day-to-day counseling for agency clients. Depending on state law, most attorneys general also have responsibility for enforcement actions, including in the areas of antitrust, consumer protection, and environmental law, among others. Attorneys general also handle matters involving public lands, especially in the West. Criminal jurisdiction among attorneys general varies widely. Every attorney general handles criminal appeals. A minority have original jurisdiction in all cases and most have at least original or concurrent jurisdiction in some cases.

In short, every office of attorney general continues to perform its traditional role of providing legal advice and legal representation in matters affecting the state's interests. Those state interests, however, now include an infinitely broader range of social and economic policies.

Founded in 1907, the National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG) serves as the national forum for attorneys general and their staff to collaboratively address issues important to their work and provides resources to support the work of the offices of attorneys general in protecting the Rule of Law and the United States Constitution." NAAG fosters an environment of "cooperative leadership," helping attorneys general respond effectively – individually and collectively – to emerging state and federal issues.

The Association's members are the attorneys general of the 50 states and the District of Columbia and the chief legal officers of the Commonwealths of Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands, and the territories of American Samoa, Guam, and the Virgin Islands.

The 2020 *Statistics on the Office of the Attorney General* was compiled and produced by NAAG's member services and communications staff. This survey was conducted using secure online technology to allow for more expedient data collection and compilation. All data was entered directly into the database by designated attorney general staff or NAAG staff on behalf of attorney general staff and was collected during the period of December 2020 through March 2021.

All jurisdictions that submitted data as of press time are included in this publication.

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Jurisdiction Population by Rank*						
Rank	Name	Population		Rank	Name	Population
1	California	37 million		29	Oklahoma	3.72 million
2	Texas	25 million		30	Connecticut	3.5 million
3	New York	19 million		31	Iowa	3 million
4	Florida	18 million		32	Mississippi	2.96 million
5	Illinois	12.8 million		33	Arkansas	2.91 million
6	Pennsylvania	12.7 million		34	Kansas	2.8 million
7	Ohio	11 million		35	Utah	2.7 million
8	Michigan	9.8 million		36	Nevada	2.7 million
9	Georgia	9.6 million		37	New Mexico	2 million
10	North Carolina	9.5 million		38	West Virginia	1.85 million
11	New Jersey	8.7 million		39	Nebraska	1.82 million
12	Virginia	8 million		40	Idaho	1.5 million
13	Washington	6.7 million		41	Hawaii	1.3 million
14	Massachusetts	6.5 million		42	Maine	1.3 million
15	Indiana	6.4 million		43	New Hampshire	1.3 million
16	Arizona	6.39 million		44	Rhode Island	1 million
17	Tennessee	6.34 million		45	Montana	980,000
18	Missouri	5.9 million		46	Delaware	890,000
19	Maryland	5.7 million		47	South Dakota	800,180
20	Wisconsin	5.6 million		48	Alaska	700,231
21	Minnesota	5.3 million		49	North Dakota	670,591
22	Colorado	5 million		50	Vermont	620,741
23	Alabama	4.7 million		51	District of Columbia	600,723
24	South Carolina	4.6 million		52	Wyoming	560,626
25	Louisiana	4.5 million		53	Guam	159,358
26	Kentucky	4.3 million		54	U.S. Virgin Islands	106,405
27	Oregon	3.8 million		55	American Samoa	55,519
28	Puerto Rico	3.75 million		56	Northern Mariana Islands	53,883
*The population numbers are approximations by NAAG staff. Source: Guide to State and Local Geography - Selected from the 2010 Census that U.S. Census Bureau created: Sept. 6, 2011.						
2010 Census Data on States: http://www.census.gov/geo/reference/guidestloc/select_data.html						
2010 Census Data on the U.S. Island Areas: https://www.census.gov/2010census/news/press-kits/island-areas/island-areas.html						

I-A: Number of Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) Employees			
Jurisdiction	Total	% of FTEs that are Attorneys	Comments
Alabama	158	44%	
Alaska	524	53%	
Arizona	1213	43%	
Colorado	501	62%	
Connecticut	313	66%	
Delaware	517	48%	
District of Columbia	674	47%	
Florida	1,334.5	38%	
Georgia	318	47%	
Guam	199	28%	
Hawaii	651	30%	
Idaho	211	59%	
Illinois	740	61%	FTE # listed are those on the OAG payroll. We have an additional 103 employees that are paid by other agencies.
Indiana	405	44%	
Iowa	228	66%	
Kansas	163	36%	
Kentucky	163	43%	
Louisiana	508	37%	
Maine	222	55%	
Maryland	824	69%	
Massachusetts	532.27	51%	Not including contract/hourly employees.
Minnesota	327.86	43%	
Montana	79	58%	
Nebraska	110	59%	
Nevada	370	38%	
New Hampshire	165	48%	
New Jersey	6400	12%	
New Mexico	187	32%	
New York	1754.5	39%	
North Carolina	894	34%	
North Dakota	248	18%	
Northern Mariana Islands	38	50%	Excluding furloughed employees.
Ohio	1,444	26%	
Oklahoma	188	47%	
Oregon	1,380	25%	
Pennsylvania	895	25%	
Rhode Island	239.1	43%	
South Carolina	282	29%	
South Dakota	70	57%	
Tennessee	353	53%	
Texas	4,223.90	18%	
Utah	520	56%	
Vermont	147	65%	VT AGO workforce is 147 positions (100 exempt/ at will & 47 classifieds/ unionized). VT AGO has 90 positions on its payroll and 57 positions embedded in agencies.
Virgin Islands	134	31%	
Virginia	413	70%	
Washington	1432	46%	
Wisconsin	710.15	14%	
Wyoming	108	68%	These employee numbers represent the law office and our fiscal and HR departments.
*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.			

I-B: FTE Turnover: How many FTEs left AG office employment in the last fiscal year?			
Jurisdiction	# of Attorneys	Comments	Have there been any structural office changes instituted in the past year?
Alabama	16		The office's most significant structural change was the creation of two Assistant Chief Deputy Attorney General positions, one with supervisory responsibilities over Civil Litigation Divisions and the other with supervisory responsibilities over several Criminal Litigation Divisions.
Alaska	91		We divided our Labor & State Affairs Section into two sections. The new section is focused on public corporations, financial transactions, retirement and benefits law, and procurement. The remaining LSA section focuses on employment, labor, the Governor's office, and the Department of Administration.
Arizona	19.70%	The turnover percentages are based on total head count, not FTE.	Structural Office Changes: Addition of FinTech Sandbox Oversight and Elections Integrity Unit. Since 2018, AGO's Civil Litigation Division has administered Arizona's FinTech Regulatory Sandbox, a program designed to foster innovation by enabling businesses in the financial services sector to obtain limited access to test products and services in the AZ market. Additional information available at https://www.azag.gov/fintech/faq. In 2019, the Arizona Legislature appropriated funds to AGO to establish an Elections Integrity Unit (EIU), which currently consists of a Senior Criminal Prosecutor, Senior Civil Attorney, Special Agent and Administrative Employee. Additional information available at: https://www.azag.gov/criminal/eiu.
Colorado	53		Office of Community Engagement added a Consumer Engagement and Data Services Unit
Connecticut	12	The reorganization will allow us to break down the silos of the department structure and allow the division directors to form cross-section and cross-divisional teams to handle certain cases, allowing attorneys with various subject matter expertise to work together.	Yes. A reorganization of the office into a divisional structure. Also the combining of our Energy section with our Special Litigation section.
Delaware	32	FTEs include all (non-contractual) employees working full-time, some of whom may not be benefit eligible.	Yes. The Consumer Protection Unit previously worked with the Criminal Division to prosecute money laundering and embezzlement cases. Over the past year, a White Collar Crimes Unit was created with the focus of investigating and prosecuting complex financial and fraud-related crime. The Consumer Protection Unit was split and a Consumer Mediation Unit formed. The Health and Public Safety Unit in the Civil Division was split to form two units - a Health Law Unit and a Public Safety Unit.
District of Columbia	93		No
Florida	110		No
Georgia	54		Human Trafficking Section was created in July 2019.
Guam			
Hawaii	59		Our executive office created a Complex Litigation, Fraud & Compliance Unit ("CLFCU") to assist with larger type litigation matters, fraud prevention and ethical compliance matters for all state agencies.
Idaho	27		No
Illinois	71		
Indiana	69		No
Iowa	11		
Kansas	14		

I-B: FTE Turnover: How many FTEs left AG office employment in the last fiscal year?			
Jurisdiction	# of Attorneys	Comments	Have there been any structural office changes instituted in the past year?
Kentucky	95 (administrative change)	The KY Office of the Attorney General had a personnel cap of the following for FY '20: 190 Full Time Equivalent 7 Part time 23 Other (includes federally funded time limit and interim position which are 9 month positions) due to a historically stagnant general fund appropriation for more than a decade, salaries remain lower than most of the other Commonwealth government entities which impedes upon retention and recruitment.	In the 2020 Regular Session of the Kentucky General Assembly, the Office of the Attorney General ("Office") proposed, and the General Assembly passed, a measure reorganizing the Office. Most notably, this reorganization created the Office of the Solicitor General. The Criminal Appeals Division (previously the Criminal Appellate Division) was placed within the Office of Solicitor General along with a newly created Civil Appeals Division. The reorganization also provided for the creation of two new major organizational units within the Office – a Criminal Division and a Civil Division. The newly Criminal Division contains the Department of Criminal Investigations; Office of Special Prosecutions; Office of Medicaid Fraud and Abuse Control; Office of Trafficking and Abuse Prevention and Prosecution; Office of Prosecutors Advisory Council; and Office of Victims Advocacy; The newly created Civil Division contains the Office of Consumer Protection; Office of Civil and Environmental Law (containing an Open Records and Meetings Division and an Administrative Hearings Division); Office of Rate Intervention; and Office of Senior Protection.
Louisiana	50		Yes, career progression groups for Attorneys.
Maine	11		No
Maryland	53		No
Massachusetts	57		We created three new divisions, Data Privacy & Security Division, the Neighborhood Renewal Division and the Information Services Center. Also, the Victim Compensation and Assistance Division moved from the Criminal Bureau to the Executive Bureau.
Minnesota	28.88		Created a new division – eDiscovery & Litigation Support
Montana			
Nebraska	2	N/A	No
Nevada	343		There have been no structural changes instituted in the past year.
New Hampshire	20	N/A	We are in the process of establishing a dedicated Public Integrity Unit within the Criminal Law
New Jersey	391		Reorganization of administrative division; formalizing Office of Public Integrity and Accountability
New Mexico	20.85	N/A	Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo Unit is now its own Division versus being a part of Open Government
New York	230		Creation of three new units: (1) Office of Diversity & Inclusion, (2) Constituent Services, and (3) Housing Protection Unit
North Carolina	97	N/A	No
North Dakota	16		Our Legislature added a Medicaid fraud control unit to our office during the last legislative session (2019).
Northern Mariana Islands	6		None
Ohio	131		Constitutional offices now include opinions. Antitrust now includes the Tobacco unit, Executive Agencies now include labor and transportation units and Employment includes Workers compensation defense.
Oklahoma	29		No
Oregon	131		No
Pennsylvania	74		No
Rhode Island	15		In 2020, the Rhode Island Attorney General formed a Civil Rights Prosecution Unit in the Criminal Division--for purposes of investigating and prosecuting hate crimes and police misconduct/excessive force cases. In furtherance of this work, the CRPU is part of a larger Civil Rights Team, which also includes the Civil Rights Advocate, an attorney from the civil division.

I-B: FTE Turnover: How many FTEs left AG office employment in the last fiscal year?			
Jurisdiction	# of Attorneys	Comments	Have there been any structural office changes instituted in the past year?
South Carolina	29	N/A	N/A
South Dakota	6	The number of FTE Employees only includes employees of the Legal Services division. The entire office encompasses 191 FTE.	No
Tennessee	39		
Texas			N/A
Utah	56		The biggest structural change involved moving our Civil and Child Protection teams to an Internal Service Fund rate and billing structure, as mandated by the state legislature. Attorneys and paralegals are now required to record billable hours and client agencies are charged accordingly each month. Two new programs were created: the Economic Crimes Unit (retail theft investigations funded by the private sector) and Prosecution Review (which provides legislative authority to the UAGO to review an investigation and prosecute any first degree felony that a district or county attorney fails to prosecute.)
Vermont	9	9 from AGO positions (2 lawyers, 3 investigators, 3 paralegals, 1 analyst); 4 from agency positions (4 lawyers)	No
Virgin Islands	18		No
Virginia	56	Expansion in staff number and experience level of attorneys to support Solicitor General section.	Yes
Washington	152	Subsequent to the last reporting period, most positions within the Office are now covered by a Collective Bargaining Agreement.	The Fish, Wildlife and Parks Division merged with the Natural Resources Division to create the Public Lands and Conservation Division. The Counsel for Environmental Protection has evolved into the Environmental Protection Division.
Wisconsin	80		
Wyoming			
*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.			

II-A: Number of FTE Attorneys*			
Jurisdiction	# Funded by Your Office	# Funded by Other Agencies	# of FTE Attorneys Total
Alabama	67	2	69
Alaska	207	70	277
Arizona	298.75	219.5	518
Colorado	306.7	10	310
Connecticut	284	29	206
Delaware	193	54	247
District of Columbia	285	29	314
Florida	512.5		512.5
Georgia	148	9	148
Guam		5	55
Hawaii	120	76	196
Idaho	125	0	125
Illinois	385	67	452
Indiana	175.5	4.5	180
Iowa	84	66	150
Kansas	53	6	59
Kentucky	57.5	12.5	70
Louisiana	185	2	187
Maine	123		123
Maryland	120	446	566
Massachusetts	264.6	9.4	271.34
Minnesota	136.5	3	139.5
Montana			46
Nebraska	50	15	65
Nevada	11	136	141
New Hampshire	59.5	19.5	79
New Jersey	493	254	747
New Mexico	54	5	60
New York	645.7	36.2	681.9
North Carolina	89	217	306
North Dakota	44	2	44
Northern Mariana Islands	16	3	19
Ohio	244	130	374
Oklahoma	68	21	89
Oregon	23.6	321.4	345
Pennsylvania	228	0	228

Section II. FTE Attorneys

Data as of March 2021

II-A: Number of FTE Attorneys*			
Jurisdiction	# Funded by Your Office	# Funded by Other Agencies	# of FTE Attorneys Total
Rhode Island	101	2	103
South Carolina	76.75	9.25	83
South Dakota	40	0	40
Tennessee	147	40	187
Texas	770.8	0	770.8
Utah	61	228	289
Vermont	Approx. 45	Approx. 50	96
Virgin Islands	41	1	42
Virginia	204	85	289
Washington	613	85	660
Wisconsin	89.9	12.4	102.3
Wyoming	54	19 – Not all attorney positions are funded at 100% by other agencies.	73
*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.			
*NOTE: The total number of attorneys working in the attorneys general offices which submitted information is ~ 9,000.			

II-B: Number of FTE Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Public Protection												
Jurisdiction	Antitrust	Charities	Child Support	Children's Protection	Civil Rights (Affirmative)	Consumer Protection	Crime Victims	Environ.	Labor and Employment	Medicaid Fraud	Transport.	Other/Comments
Alabama	1	1	Other	Other	0	6	0	1	Other	2		A different state agency, the Alabama Department of Human Resources, handles these cases. (Child Support and Children's Protection) A different state agency, the Alabama Department of Labor, handles these cases. (Labor and Employment) A different state agency, the Alabama Department of Transportation, handles these cases. (Transport)
Alaska	1	1/2	2	27	1/2	2	130	7	5	3	0	2 attorneys who do legislation and regulations for criminal law.
Arizona	0	0	37	152	7	25		9	10	8	17	253.25
Colorado	3.6					10		16.3	4.4	4	5.4	
Connecticut	15		18	33		10		11	15		10	100
Delaware	1	0	11	11	4	6	104	7	2	5	0	5 Investor Protection
District of Columbia	75	1.5	24	33	3	7	11	3	10	1	1	9
Florida	12	0	35	62	2	46	1	0	5	26	0	0
Georgia	3	3	2	2	9	9	2	7	9	9	5	
Guam			8	5		4	15					
Hawaii	1	3	12	25	7	1	0	2	11	3	6	
Idaho			1			5	8	22		16	6	
Illinois	5	4	34		5	28	5	27	10	10		32
Indiana	1	1	0	0	0	7	0	0		17	6	20
Iowa	2			9		9		3		2	6	1 - Tobacco Enforcement
Kansas	0.75	0.25		2		7			1	3	1	
Kentucky	0	1	0	3	0	9	1	0	0	7	0	7
Louisiana	4			0	9	6	2	5		12	7	
Maine	1	1	9.3	26.7		2	27	9	1	3		43
Maryland	3	1	54	21	2	17	0	29	32	10	61	
Massachusetts	4	7	0	2	6	16	0	14.6	15	17	0	7 - includes Consumer Advocacy Response Division, Public Protection & Advocacy Bureau, Data Privacy & Security Division. Our AAsG represent Health and Human Services and the Department of Transportation as part of a varied caseload.
Minnesota	2.5	6	0	0	1	12	0	9	2.5	7		5.25 - Administrative Law Division (litigation for boards and agencies in administrative proceedings); 4.5 - Residential Utilities Division (representing interests of ratepayers); 2 - State Agencies Division (health enforcement) Consumer Protection includes wage theft unit.
Montana												
Nebraska	1	1	0	3	2	5	1	4	4	3	4	4
Nevada	3	2	2	3	9	14	1	3	4	4	6	

II-B: Number of FTE Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Public Protection												
Jurisdiction	Antitrust	Charities	Child Support	Children's Protection	Civil Rights (Affirmative)	Consumer Protection	Crime Victims	Environ.	Labor and Employment	Medicaid Fraud	Transport.	Other/Comments
New Hampshire	1	2	3	3	1	6	10	5	2	3	5	13
New Jersey				138	7	52		36		20	13	11
New Mexico	0.5	0.5	0	8	1	4		4		3		1- Bankruptcy 8 - Spec Prosecution Attys
New York	11.8	25	0	0	12	55.8	0	35	21.2	49.8	0	56
North Carolina	0	1	2	0	0	19	3	20	5	13	44	
North Dakota	3	3	0	2	2	3	4	8	3	1	0	All child support attorneys are housed within our Department of Human Services. Our Department of Transportation has 2 attorneys housed within it.
Northern Mariana Islands	Other	Other	1	1	Other	1	Other	1	Other	Other	Other	9 - (note: Civil Division attorneys are assigned to handle more than one practice area under public protection)
Ohio	10	16	0	0	9	18	9	32	15	18	8	0
Oklahoma	1	1	0	0	3	4	1	1		7	0	
Oregon	2	10	56	78	1	16	3	5	6	10	15	
Pennsylvania												
Rhode Island	4	3	0	0	3	3	0	4	0	2	0	Please note that, other than environment and Medicaid fraud, all attorneys associated with these categories are not full-time dedicated to that category.
South Carolina	5	0	0	0	0	4	31*	0	0	8	0	*Criminal Division-Prosecution
South Dakota	0.5	0.5				1	0.5	5		1		
Tennessee	3	2				14		7		5	10	
Texas	18	4	294.7			30	2	28	10	48	43	
Utah	5	0	21	41	8	3	0	5.35	9	4	18	
Vermont	0.5	0.5		13	2	6.5	0.75	6.5		3		

II-B: Number of FTE Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Public Protection												
Jurisdiction	Antitrust	Charities	Child Support	Children's Protection	Civil Rights (Affirmative)	Consumer Protection	Crime Victims	Environ.	Labor and Employment	Medicaid Fraud	Transport.	Other/Comments
Virgin Islands			Other	4		6		4	6	1		2 Medical Malpractice Review attorneys 5 Paternity & Child Support Division attorneys (Child Support) 4 Children's Protection attorneys are Criminal attorneys 6 Consumer Protection Civil Attorneys 4 Solicitor General Division attorneys - Environ 6 civil attorneys and 4 solicitor general division attorneys (Labor and Employment)
Virginia	2	5	40		4	4	8	9	7	23	17	
Washington	13	0	1	118.7	11	33.9	0	55	74	12	12.2	14.35
Wisconsin	1.5	0.5	0	0	1	4	0	6	0	3	0	0
Wyoming												
*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.												

II-C: Number of Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Criminal Justice					
Jurisdiction	Trial	Appellate & Post Conviction	Public Safety (Corrections, Pardons etc.)	Human Trafficking	Other/Comments
Alabama	9	24		1	The legal staffs of the Alabama Department of Corrections and the Alabama Bureau of Pardons and Paroles handle these cases.
Alaska	115	14	7	2	
Arizona	41.4	25.6			23
Colorado	12.7	35.1	7	1	
Connecticut	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Delaware	94	9	4	1	
District of Columbia	67	4	4	11	
Florida	53.5	158	15	0	0
Georgia	4	13	5	2	Prosecution Division: 8
Guam					
Hawaii	16	5	3	0	
Idaho	8	7	9		
Illinois	43	19			3
Indiana	3	20	10	1	8
Iowa	11	19	3		
Kansas	15	8			
Kentucky	4	20	0	1	0
Louisiana	9	3			
Maine	21	1	2		3
Maryland	13	19	16	2	
Massachusetts	39.8	10	0	4	
Minnesota	5	4		0	
Montana					
Nebraska	9	10	2	2	
Nevada	1	13	17	1	
New Hampshire	23	5	20	0	
New Jersey					Overlapping assignments makes it difficult to provide exact numbers for some of these practice areas.

II-C: Number of Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Criminal Justice					
Jurisdiction	Trial	Appellate & Post Conviction	Public Safety (Corrections, Pardons etc.)	Human Trafficking	Other/Comments
New Mexico		16			
New York	53.5	12	23.7	0	0
North Carolina	4	14	9	0	
North Dakota	4	2	2	2	
Northern Mariana Islands	6	1	1	1	
Ohio	23	12	0	1	
Oklahoma	5	16			
Oregon	78	45			
Pennsylvania					
Rhode Island	51	6			
South Carolina	31	28	0	3	
South Dakota	12	12	1		
Tennessee		28			
Texas	23	33	2	8	
Utah		25	10	4	
Vermont	6	2*	1**		*2 Appellate AAGs and all 6 in Criminal **Corrections AAGs in agency
Virgin Islands	21*	4**	6***		*criminal attorneys **solicitor general division ***civil attorneys
Virginia	12	25	9		
Washington	10.6	24.4	16	1	0
Wisconsin	19	23.3	0	0	0
Wyoming					
*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.					

II-D: Number of FTE Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Civil												
Jurisdiction	State Agencies	Opinions	Worker's Comp	Collections Claims	Sovereign Immunity & Tort Liability Claims	General Civil Litigation	Health and Human Services	Welfare	Transport	Education	Other	Comments
Alabama		3		1	9	9		0				State agencies have their own legal divisions and are separate from the AGO. The legal division of the Alabama Department of Labor handles Worker's Comp cases. The legal division of the Alabama Department of Human Resources handles HHS cases.
Alaska	40	0	4	0	9	13	7	4	9	2	7	Other – 5 attorneys who work on legislation and regulations for civil law and 2 attorneys who advocate for the public interest in utility and pipeline rates and services
Arizona	87	5.63	2	7	34.49	60.05	5.6	8.6	16	6.38		
Colorado	148.3		6		16.7	7.4	8.8		5.4	5		
Connecticut	120		12	5	11		5		10	5	44	
Delaware	29	0	0	2	1	15	6	0	3	3		
District of Columbia	2	11.5	2	9	19	32.8	9	7	1	3	26	
Florida	26	1	0	0	5	40	0	0	0	0	25	Other includes Library, Elections Commission, Lemon Law and Executive Staff

II-D: Number of FTE Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Civil												
Jurisdiction	State Agencies	Opinions	Worker's Comp	Collections Claims	Sovereign Immunity & Tort Liability Claims	General Civil Litigation	Health and Human Services	Welfare	Transport	Education	Other	Comments
Georgia	24		6		14	1	7				28	Business Finance: 10 Tax: 6 Education, Elections, Local Gov: 9 Solicitor General: 3
Guam						5					12	Solicitors Division
Hawaii	9	2	10	9	1	15	18	7	8	10		
Idaho	8					11	23			1		
Illinois		17	31	24			5	5	4		45	Our Government Representation Division includes 169 AAsG. Their cases also include State Agency Representation, Sovereign Immunity & Tort Liability Claims and Education.
Indiana		12	0	9	0	25	1	1			30	
Iowa	30		5	35		8	4				3	3 - Prosecuting Attorney Training Coordinator
Kansas	7	4	1	1	9	7						
Kentucky	1	3	3	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	4	Other state agencies employ attorneys for some of the practice areas listed (No. 31, 34, 35, 36, and 37.)
Louisiana		1	8	6		12			7	2		
Maine	16									1		
Maryland	11	3	1	8	2	11	80		61	22		Some of the lawyers in state agencies also do litigation.

II-D: Number of FTE Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Civil												
Jurisdiction	State Agencies	Opinions	Worker's Comp	Collections Claims	Sovereign Immunity & Tort Liability Claims	General Civil Litigation	Health and Human Services	Welfare	Transport	Education	Other	Comments
Massachusetts	85.3	0	0	0	0	31*	9.64**	0	0	0		* (interpreted as members of Trial Division) **(includes members of Health Care Division and Health Care & Fair Competition Bureau)
Minnesota	9.75	0.5		0.5	37.85	14	0	0	0	3	0.8	.8 representing public pension funds
Montana												
Nebraska	19	8	3	2	11	11	2	0	4	1	0	
Nevada	22	1	7	1		13	14		5	3		
New Hampshire	9	1	9	1	6	6	2	3	5	1	3	3 (one each Insurance, Civil Rights, and Elections Enforcement)
New Jersey					35	70	17			14		overlapping assignments makes it difficult to provide exact numbers for some of these practice areas
New Mexico	10 - OGD	10	0			11						

II-D: Number of FTE Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Civil												
Jurisdiction	State Agencies	Opinions	Worker's Comp	Collections Claims	Sovereign Immunity & Tort Liability Claims	General Civil Litigation	Health and Human Services	Welfare	Transport	Education	Other	Comments
New York	29	1	2.8	26	10	97.9	10	0	0	0	149.4	Public – 18 for real estate finance (3 management, 4 enforcement, and 11 review), 38 working on various affirmative matters and social and economic casework Criminal Justice – 53.5 trial attorneys working broadly on a variety of criminal justice investigations and prosecutions Civil – 5 civil rights (defensive), 42 working on various civil appeals & opinions, 19.4 working on various civil cases, and the remaining 83 working on various defensive regional
North Carolina	20	0	9	1	12	19	43	3	44	9		
North Dakota	15	10		8	12	16	4					All attorneys in this area are housed within our Workforce Safety Insurance agency (Worker's Comp)
Northern Mariana Islands	13	2				8				0		As noted in no. 22, Civil Division attorneys are assigned to more than one practice area and serve as counsel to more than one agency
Ohio	18	10	33	16	0	334	31	0	8	13	0	
Oklahoma	25	2	1	1	15							

II-D: Number of FTE Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Civil												
Jurisdiction	State Agencies	Opinions	Worker's Comp	Collections Claims	Sovereign Immunity & Tort Liability Claims	General Civil Litigation	Health and Human Services	Welfare	Transport	Education	Other	Comments
Oregon	104											
Pennsylvania												
Rhode Island	21	2			21	22	3		4			We have included in "Agency Representation" attorneys who are representing agencies in tort litigation. We do not have attorneys assigned to specific agencies outside of litigation or impending litigation. As with public protection, these attorneys are also not full-time assigned to that area of work
South Carolina	3	6	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	5	(5) Tobacco and Securities Legal Services includes Civil, Tobacco, Securities, Consumer Protection and Antitrust (18 attorneys)
South Dakota	10	1			2	1						
Tennessee				2		39						
Texas	163.75	4		19		32	4		43			
Utah	24	0	2	2	4	14	6	2	18	12		
Vermont	50	0.25		1.5	8	8	31		5	1		

II-D: Number of FTE Attorney Positions by Practice Area: Civil												
Jurisdiction	State Agencies	Opinions	Worker's Comp	Collections Claims	Sovereign Immunity & Tort Liability Claims	General Civil Litigation	Health and Human Services	Welfare	Transport	Education	Other	Comments
Virgin Islands	6	4	4	6	6	6				6*		The 6 attorneys for State Agencies, Collections Claims, Sovereign Immunity, and General Civil Litigation are all civil attorneys. The 4 attorneys for Opinions and Worker's Comp are solicitor general division attorneys. The same 6 attorneys in the Civil Division handles all types of civil cases. The Solicitor General Division 4 attorneys represents the Government in its agencies in appellate matter and also issue
Virginia		4	4	8		8	20		17	50		Multiple State Agencies Attorneys
Washington	626.2	1	43.4	3.05	54	698	49.3	2.5	12.2	43.7	0	The totals include part-time and temporary AAG's. Source data is November 2020 Staffing sheets and Timekeeping data.
Wisconsin	0	0.5	1.5	0	3	28	1	0	4	1.5	0.5	
Wyoming												
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III-A: Total Budget for FY2020		
Jurisdiction	Total	Comments
Alabama	\$24,460,647	
Alaska	\$89,413,000	
Arizona	\$153,506,600	
Colorado	\$92,553,270	
Connecticut	\$30,379,331	
Delaware	\$61,146,197	
District of Columbia	\$126,632,672	
Florida	\$296,083,634	
Georgia	\$101,481,910	
Guam	\$17,681,631	
Hawaii	\$101,468,997	
Idaho	\$26,505,000	
Illinois	\$97,239,200	
Indiana	\$49,791,608	
Iowa	\$28,342,831	
Kansas	\$27,199,776	
Kentucky	\$36,459,400	
Louisiana	\$81,695,342	
Maine	\$45,618,931	
Maryland	\$39,045,001	
Massachusetts	\$53,463,187	
Minnesota	\$39,000,000	
Montana		
Nebraska	\$13,000,541	
Nevada	\$66,226,884	Does not include reserves
New Hampshire	\$34,362,555	
New Jersey	\$496,000,000	
New Mexico	\$25,247,400	Legal Services \$22,046,900 Medicaid Fraud \$3,200,500
New York	\$298,412,853	
North Carolina	\$96,783,417	

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III-A: Total Budget for FY2020		
Jurisdiction	Total	Comments
North Dakota	\$45,000,000	
Northern Mariana Islands	\$1,954,267	
Ohio	\$402,158,144	
Oklahoma	\$36,700,000	
Oregon	\$339,883,116	
Pennsylvania	\$187,436,382	
Rhode Island	\$36,743,087	
South Carolina	\$101,045,390	
South Dakota	\$9,739,478	
Tennessee	\$48,980,200	
Texas	\$736,944,712	
Utah	\$82,588,400	
Vermont	\$12,200,000	
Virgin Islands	\$417,639	
Virginia	\$55,609,903	
Washington	\$307,302,447	
Wisconsin	\$145,970,500	
Wyoming	\$13,093,074	Law office and our fiscal and HR departments.
<i>*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.</i>		

III-B: Percentage of Budget from Direct Appropriation		
Jurisdiction	% of	Comments
Alabama	50%	From Alabama's General Fund.
Alaska	65%	
Arizona	53%	
Colorado	94%	
Connecticut	90%	
Delaware	63%	
District of Columbia	58%	
Florida	100%	
Georgia	30%	
Guam	81%	
Hawaii	35%	
Idaho	97%	
Illinois	62%	
Indiana	71%	
Iowa	21%	
Kansas	25%	
Kentucky	33%	
Louisiana	22%	
Maine	50%	
Maryland	52%	
Massachusetts	95%	
Minnesota	63%	
Montana		
Nebraska	51%	
Nevada	850%	
New Hampshire	36%	
New Jersey		\$387 million
New Mexico	100%	Budget was appropriated through HB2 - GAA
New York	91%	

III-B: Percentage of Budget from Direct Appropriation		
Jurisdiction	% of	Comments
North Carolina	54%	
North Dakota	65%	
Northern Mariana Islands	100%	
Ohio	100%	
Oklahoma	26%	
Oregon	16%	
Pennsylvania	76%	
Rhode Island	78%	
South Carolina	15%	
South Dakota	63%	
Tennessee	72%	
Texas	93%	
Utah	53%	
Vermont	41%	
Virgin Islands	100%	
Virginia	43%	
Washington	11%	
Wisconsin	45%	
Wyoming	75%	
*Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.		
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III-C: Reimbursement of Funds by Other Agencies		
Jurisdiction	% of Budget	Comments
Alabama	5%	From grants which include the office's Medicaid Fraud Control Unit.
Alaska	32%	
Arizona		\$419,514,000
Colorado	4%	
Connecticut	2%	
Delaware	9%	
District of Columbia	3%	
Florida	11%	
Georgia	60%	
Guam		\$315,525
Hawaii	17%	
Idaho	0%	
Illinois	0%	
Indiana	1%	
Iowa	54%	
Kansas	2%	
Kentucky	1%	
Louisiana	30%	
Maine	44%	
Maryland	15%	
Massachusetts		
Minnesota	27%	
Montana		
Nebraska	12%	
Nevada	59%	
New Hampshire	8%	
New Jersey		
New Mexico		Reimbursement from other agencies, representing pass through awards totaled \$450,106
New York	9%	
North Carolina	28%	
North Dakota	25%	
Northern Mariana Islands	6%	

III-C: Reimbursement of Funds by Other Agencies		
Jurisdiction	% of Budget	Comments
Ohio	2%	
Oklahoma	9%	
Oregon	38%	
Pennsylvania	0%	
Rhode Island	2%	
South Carolina	57%	
South Dakota	4%	
Tennessee	28%	
Texas	7%	
Utah	43%	
Vermont	25%	
Virgin Islands	0%	
Virginia	36%	
Washington	56%	
Wisconsin		
Wyoming	11%	
<i>*Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.</i>		
<i>*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.</i>		

III-D: Percentage of Budget from Other Sources		
Jurisdiction	% of Budget	Comments
Alabama	45%	From legal settlements.
Alaska	3%	
Arizona	47%	
Colorado		
Connecticut	7%	
Delaware	37%	
District of Columbia	24%	
Florida	89%	
Georgia	10%	
Guam	0%	
Hawaii	47%	
Idaho	5%	
Illinois	38%	
Indiana	29%	
Iowa	21%	
Kansas	75%	
Kentucky	14%	
Louisiana	18%	
Maine	6%	
Maryland	10%	
Massachusetts		
Minnesota	10%	
Montana		
Nebraska	35%	
Nevada	32%	
New Hampshire	43%	
New Jersey		\$3.2 million
New Mexico		The office has a few pass through grants (DOH, CVRC, SSA) that represents 2% of the total budget

III-D: Percentage of Budget from Other Sources		
Jurisdiction	% of Budget	Comments
New York	0%	
North Carolina	19%	
North Dakota	10%	
Northern Mariana Islands	13%	
Ohio	26%	
Oklahoma	68%	
Oregon	18%	
Pennsylvania	9%	
Rhode Island	22%	
South Carolina	86%	
South Dakota	34%	
Tennessee		
Texas		
Utah	4%	
Vermont	23%	
Virgin Islands	0%	
Virginia	21%	
Washington	32%	
Wisconsin	55%	
Wyoming	14%	
<i>*Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.</i>		
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III-E: Percentage of Restricted Funds		
Jurisdiction	% of Budget	Comments
Alabama	0%	
Alaska	41%	
Arizona	84%	
Colorado	3%	
Connecticut	2%	
Delaware	17%	
District of Columbia	15%	
Florida	41%	
Georgia	0%	
Guam		None
Hawaii	1%	
Idaho	5%	
Illinois	62%	
Indiana	46%	
Iowa	16%	
Kansas	27%	
Kentucky	52%	
Louisiana	29%	
Maine	6%	
Maryland	23%	
Massachusetts	5%	
Minnesota	15%	
Montana		
Nebraska	0%	
Nevada	30%	
New Hampshire	80%	
New Jersey		
New Mexico	27%	Operating Budget appropriation comes from the Consumer Settlement Fund (24%), or other state funds (RLD - 3%)
New York	27%	

III-E: Percentage of Restricted Funds		
Jurisdiction	% of Budget	Comments
North Carolina		
North Dakota		
Northern Mariana Islands	0%	
Ohio	74%	
Oklahoma	22%	
Oregon	28%	
Pennsylvania	24%	
Rhode Island	3%	
South Carolina	20%	
South Dakota	38%	
Tennessee		
Texas		
Utah	1%	
Vermont	11%	
Virgin Islands	0%	
Virginia	57%	
Washington	407%	
Wisconsin	100%	
Wyoming	0%	
<i>*Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.</i>		
<i>*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.</i>		

III-F: Percentage of Budget Spent on Salaries and Benefits for Personnel		
Jurisdiction	% of Budget	Comments
Alabama	80%	
Alaska	72%	
Arizona	36%	
Colorado	75%	
Connecticut	87%	
Delaware	67%	
District of Columbia	62%	
Florida	33%	
Georgia	40%	
Guam	88%	
Hawaii	52%	
Idaho	86%	
Illinois	73%	
Indiana	64%	
Iowa	94%	
Kansas	52%	
Kentucky	63%	
Louisiana	74%	
Maine	87%	
Maryland	80%	
Massachusetts	71%	
Minnesota	86%	
Montana		
Nebraska	85%	
Nevada	60%	
New Hampshire	45%	
New Jersey	66%	
New Mexico	71%	
New York	70%	
North Carolina	81%	

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North Dakota	70%	
Northern Mariana Islands	95%	
Ohio	40%	
Oklahoma	57%	
Oregon	74%	
Pennsylvania	68%	
Rhode Island	91%	
South Carolina	21%	
South Dakota	75%	
Tennessee	81%	
Texas	47%	
Utah	76%	
Vermont	81%	
Virgin Islands	80%	
Virginia	76%	
Washington	56%	
Wisconsin	47%	
Wyoming	92%	
<i>*Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.</i>		
<i>*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.</i>		

III-G: Annual spending on IT hardware and IT software (excluding personnel)			
Jurisdiction	Total	% of Budget*	Comments
Alabama	\$350,000 – \$400,000	1.5%	
Alaska	\$2,791,000	3.0%	
Arizona	\$1,859,000	1.2%	
Colorado	\$2,800,000	3.0%	
Connecticut	\$155,000	15.0%	
Delaware			There is no direct appropriation for IT hardware and software.
District of Columbia	\$1,100,000	0.0%	
Florida	\$633,988 – \$3,386,177	1.0%	Increased spending in the last fiscal year is due to funding for a multi-year agency IT modernization project.
Georgia	\$1,200,000	1.0%	
Guam			
Hawaii	\$1,200,000	1.20%	
Idaho	\$500,000 – \$700,000	2% – 3%	IT expenditures vary annually depending on one-time capital purchases.
Illinois	\$3,000,000	3.00%	
Indiana	\$350,000 – \$400,000	0.75%	
Iowa	\$121,843	5.07%	
Kansas	\$405,562	1.50%	
Kentucky	\$380,000	1.00%	
Louisiana	\$460,840	0.56%	
Maine	\$87,480	0.19%	
Maryland	\$212,000	0.50%	
Massachusetts	\$1,500,000	2.80%	
Minnesota			
Montana			
Nebraska			N/A

III-G: Annual spending on IT hardware and IT software (excluding personnel)			
Jurisdiction	Total	% of Budget*	Comments
Nevada	\$1,404,089	2.10%	
New Hampshire	\$600,000	3.00%	
New Jersey	\$61,000,000	15.00%	
New Mexico	\$526,559	2.00%	
New York	\$8,200,000 – \$8,500,000	2.80%	
North Carolina	\$800,000 – \$900,000	1.00%	
North Dakota	\$2,000,000	4.00%	
Northern Mariana Islands	\$20,000	1.00%	
Ohio	\$15,300,238	3.80%	
Oklahoma	\$1,700,000	5.00%	
Oregon	\$1,650,000 – \$1,750,000	0.70%	The amount can vary. We are currently seeking funds to replace several administrative software systems. The budget requests will include the one-time costs for acquisition and then base funding for ongoing license costs.
Pennsylvania	\$5,208,522	2.80%	
Rhode Island	\$750,000 – \$850,000	2.00%	
South Carolina	\$958,028	1.00%	
South Dakota	\$54,824	1.00%	
Tennessee	\$1,000,000	2.00%	
Texas	\$33,555,000	4.60%	
Utah	\$2,000,000	2.00%	
Vermont	\$527,724	4.00%	
Virgin Islands	\$120,000	3.00%	
Virginia	\$5,200,000	9.00%	IT expenses partially funded from Equitable Sharing.

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III-G: Annual spending on IT hardware and IT software (excluding personnel)			
Jurisdiction	Total	% of Budget*	Comments
Washington	\$2,554,359	0.83%	
Wisconsin	\$10,411,851	28.00%	Represents the percentage of IT expenses within the supplies and services account codes
Wyoming			
<i>*Percentages are not rounded.</i>			
<i>*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.</i>			

IV-A: Number of FTE Non-Attorney Positions				
Jurisdiction	Clerical	Paralegals	Investigators	Professional/Technical
Alabama	29	4	21	2
Alaska	119	71	7	28
Arizona	178	142.5	60	
Colorado	32	55	33	44
Connecticut	40	31	5	16
Delaware	110	64	39	23
District of Columbia	12	54	34	190
Florida	117	51	87	350
Georgia	39	31	25	73
Guam				
Hawaii	279	90	58	61
Idaho	23	19	18	16
Illinois	138	40	19	41
Indiana	12	47	56	12
Iowa	18	16	21	23
Kansas	15	14	29	18
Kentucky	20	5	36	3
Louisiana		26	83	
Maine	32	23	14	24
Maryland	5	44	30	3
Massachusetts	3 (Receptionist & Secretary)	36.4	58 (includes Inspectors & Inv. Supervisors)	94.8 (Administrator, Advocate, Analyst, Coordinator, Executive Assistants, Specialist, Law Librarian, Legal Analysts, Program Manager, PRESS, Supervising Consumer Specialist)
Minnesota	68.5	17	27.6	15
Montana				
Nebraska	0	11	10	2

Section IV. FTE Non-Attorneys in Office

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IV-A: Number of FTE Non-Attorney Positions				
Jurisdiction	Clerical	Paralegals	Investigators	Professional/Technical
Nevada	95	15	64	29
New Hampshire	22	18	17	15
New Jersey	201	158	187	
New Mexico	5	18	39 (includes all investigators and special agents)	18
New York	262.1	129.8	216	280.7
North Carolina	117	61	62	257
North Dakota	20	6	54	20
Northern Mariana Islands	15	1	3	20
Ohio	97	52	182	141
Oklahoma	9	22	40	18
Oregon	412	85	26	123
Pennsylvania	86	20	441	70
Rhode Island	28	38	16	45
South Carolina	*see other	4	22	0
South Dakota	9	3	7	5
Tennessee	39	35	5	
Texas	252	174	71	2,729
Utah	80	72	41	8
Vermont		16	8	
Virgin Islands	13	11	9	
Virginia	18	23	58	
Washington	310	175	63	107
Wisconsin	8	24.05	7	29.3
Wyoming	1	21	2	1
*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.			Continues on next page.	

Section IV. FTE Non-Attorneys continued

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IV-A: Number of FTE Non-Attorney Positions						
Jurisdiction	IT	Finance	HR	Security	Admin	Other
Alabama	6	2	1	0	11	
Alaska	2	7	2	0	11	
Arizona	23	22	8		5	251.34
Colorado	15	10	5		21	
Connecticut	2	5	1	0	2	
Delaware	5	5	3	0	13	
District of Columbia	14	8	17		11	Program Support: 15
Florida	36	17	11	3	150	
Georgia	10	7	4	0	10	
Guam						
Hawaii	45	53	10	0	19	
Idaho	6	3	1			
Illinois	13	14	9	4	25	56
Indiana	5	10	6	2	9	43
Iowa						
Kansas	5	5	2	0	10	
Kentucky	1	3	4	2	10	3 Healthcare Data Administrators; 4 Auditors; 1 Law Clerk; 1 Workers Compensation Specialist
Louisiana	7		6	4		
Maine	2	2	2		5	4 - Medical - OCME
Maryland	7	4	3	0	162	

Section IV. FTE Non-Attorneys continued

Data as of March 2021

IV-A: Number of FTE Non-Attorney Positions						
Jurisdiction	IT	Finance	HR	Security	Admin	Other
Massachusetts	12.93	5	5	0	26.8 (Administrative Assistant, Assistant, Managing Administrative Assistant)	Director (5), Division Director (5), Deputy Director (3), Division Chief (3), Deputy Division Chief (1)
Minnesota	14	5.88	2	2	13.2	Consumer Action Division – Phone Analysts – 10; Mediators – 12
Montana						
Nebraska	1	2	1	0	5	n/a
Nevada	9	6	3		9	
New Hampshire	1	4	2	0	2	3 Medical Examiners (Chief, Deputy, and Associate); 5 Victim/Witness Specialists (1 Director and 4 Specialists)
New Jersey			50			
New Mexico	7	5	3	0	19	3 Fleet and 11 Advocates
New York	85.3	0	18	0	80.8	0
North Carolina	24	13	10	3	5	
North Dakota	18	26	1	0	8	
Northern Mariana Islands	2	2	1	0	4	

IV-A: Number of FTE Non-Attorney Positions						
Jurisdiction	IT	Finance	HR	Security	Admin	Other
Ohio	77	24	14	4	22	Collection Enforcement 82; OPOTA 32; OCIC 10; General Services 33; Collection Enforcement 82; OPOTA 32; OCIC 10; General Services 33
Oklahoma	0	5	1	0	3	
Oregon	64	20	14	0	14	
Pennsylvania	20	9	11	N/A	87	
Rhode Island	5	3	1		25	
South Carolina	11	12	3	0	7	*84 (includes program/administrative/executive coordinators, legal/administrative assistants, etc.)
South Dakota		5				
Tennessee	16	5	3			
Texas	241.5	72.45	28			
Utah	9	10	3	0	4	Victim Advocates - 2, Auditor - 1, Task Force Coordinator - 1, Training + Technical Specialist - 4, PIO/Communications - 4, Nurse - 1
Vermont	2	3	0.5		2	
Virgin Islands	2	3	3	0	4	
Virginia	10	9	5			

Section IV. FTE Non-Attorneys continued

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IV-A: Number of FTE Non-Attorney Positions						
Jurisdiction	IT	Finance	HR	Security	Admin	Other
Washington	38	29	17	1	19	n/a
Wisconsin	2	16.6	8.55		3	
Wyoming		5	2		1	2
<i>*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.</i>						

IV-B: Paralegals and Clerical Staff			
Jurisdiction	Ratio of Paralegals to Attorneys	Ratio of Clerical Staff to Attorneys Clerical/Secretaries/Admin	Paralegal Certification Requirements
Alabama	4 paralegals/69 attorneys	29 clerical staff/69 attorneys	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Alaska	1 paralegal to 4 attorneys	1 clerical to 2.5 attorneys	Requires no certification
Arizona	1.87 Paralegals to 1 Attorney	1.66 Clerical to 1 Attorney	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Colorado	56.5/316.7 or approximately 1 to 5.6	34.63/316.7 or approximately 1 to 9.15	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Connecticut		1 paralegal to every 7 attorneys	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Delaware			Must be certified
District of Columbia	The ratio of paralegals to attorneys depends on the practice area. In Civil Litigation, the ratio is generally 1:3, whereas in Criminal Litigation it is generally 1:6.5.	1:8	Requires no certification
Florida	1:10	1:3.42	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Georgia	1:5	1:3.5	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Guam			Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Hawaii	1:4	2:1	Must be certified
Idaho	1:6.5	1:5.4	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Illinois	1:11.3	1:3.05	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Indiana	3.75 attorneys per paralegal	8.5 attorneys per Clerical/AA	Requires no certification; Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Iowa	One paralegal to five attorneys	One clerical staff to six attorneys	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Kansas	1:4	1:6	Requires no certification
Kentucky	.07 – 5 paralegals to 70 attorneys.	.29 – 20 clerical to 70 attorneys.	Requires no certification
Louisiana	7 to 1 (187 attorneys/26 paralegals)		Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals

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IV-B: Paralegals and Clerical Staff			
Jurisdiction	Ratio of Paralegals to Attorneys	Ratio of Clerical Staff to Attorneys Clerical/Secretaries/Admin	Paralegal Certification Requirements
Maine	1:3	1:5	Requires no certification
Maryland	It varies. We have very few paralegals.	It varies. Some offices only have one support position.	Requires no certification
Massachusetts	1:7	1:12	Requires no certification
Minnesota	4:10 Criminal Division; Approx. 1:10 in other divisions	3:1	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Montana			
Nebraska	1:6		Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Nevada	1 paralegal for every 10 attorneys	2 secretaries/assistants for every 3 attorneys	Requires no certification
New Hampshire	Criminal: 3 to 23 Civil: 3 to 23 Charitable: 2 to 2 Environmental: 1 to 5 Transportation: 1 to 5 Consumer Protection: 5 to 11 Medicaid Fraud: 1 to 3	Criminal: 3 to 23 Civil: 4 to 23 Charitable: 2 to 2 Environmental: 1 to 5 Transportation: 2 to 2 Consumer Protection: 2 to 11 Medicaid Fraud: 1 to 3 Drug Task Force: 1 to 3	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
New Jersey			
New Mexico	Approximately 1:3	Admin staff (not clerical) approximately 1:3	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
New York	1:5.5	1:2.5	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
North Carolina	1:12	1:4	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
North Dakota	1:7	1:4	Must be certified
Northern Mariana Islands	1:19	1:1	Requires no certification
Ohio	14 to 1	2.6 to 1	Must be certified
Oklahoma	1:4	1:15	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Oregon	1 to 18		Requires no certification
Pennsylvania	20:228	86:228	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals

IV-B: Paralegals and Clerical Staff			
Jurisdiction	Ratio of Paralegals to Attorneys	Ratio of Clerical Staff to Attorneys Clerical/Secretaries/Admin	Paralegal Certification Requirements
Rhode Island	1 : 2.71	1 : 3.7	Must be certified
South Carolina	4 to 83	varies	Must be certified
South Dakota	3 paralegals to 40 attorneys	9 clerical staff to 40 attorneys	Must be certified
Tennessee	1:4	1:3	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Texas	1 to 16	1 to 43	Must be certified
Utah	On average 1:4	On average 1:3.5	Must be certified
Vermont	1:6		Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Virgin Islands	1 to 2	1 to 2	Requires no certification
Virginia			Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Washington	.27 : 1 Paralegal to Attorney Based on total headcount, not percentages of employment.	.48 : 1 Clerical to attorney Based on total headcount, not percentages of employment.	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Wisconsin	1:4	1:13	Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
Wyoming	73 attorneys to 21 paralegals		Employ both certified and non-certified paralegals
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Section IV. Part-Time Positions

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IV-C: Number of Part-Time Positions									
Jurisdiction	Attorneys	Law Clerks	Investigators	Paralegals	Volunteers	Paid Interns	Unpaid Interns (college credit)	Other	Comments
Alabama	0	1	2	0	0	0	0		
Alaska	3				2		20		
Arizona	8.9	34	1	2.5	8	5	31	9.24	
Colorado	22			3	5	8	66		
Connecticut	6	0	0	0	0	0	12 usually during the summer		
Delaware	24	15	2	6	26				The Volunteer field includes all unpaid interns and externs. We do not offer paid internships, other than through our Law Clerk program.
District of Columbia	5						170		
Florida	4	7	6					24	Other includes support and special project staff.
Georgia	5					9 Every summer	21 annually	Other Part-Time general administrative: 2	
Guam									
Hawaii	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Idaho	2							4	
Illinois	4	23						2	
Indiana		66				1			
Iowa	1						15	1 - Clerical	
Kansas		2				2	1		

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IV-C: Number of Part-Time Positions									
Jurisdiction	Attorneys	Law Clerks	Investigators	Paralegals	Volunteers	Paid Interns	Unpaid Interns (college credit)	Other	Comments
Kentucky	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	14 Board Members ; 2 Clerical; 1 Workers Compensation Specialist	
Louisiana	5	6	5	0		20 (student workers)			
Maine				1					
Maryland	6	varies	0	0	40		Varies		
Massachusetts	6	0	0	2	16 (See below)	See below	See below	3 (ITD, Administrative, Professional/Technical)	We have other PT interns and volunteers but their numbers fluctuate.
Minnesota	2	2	0.6	0	0	0	0		
Montana									
Nebraska	0	10	1	0	0	2	0	n/a	n/a
Nevada	3								
New Hampshire	6	0	1	3	3	1	20	1	

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IV-C: Number of Part-Time Positions									
Jurisdiction	Attorneys	Law Clerks	Investigators	Paralegals	Volunteers	Paid Interns	Unpaid Interns (college credit)	Other	Comments
New Jersey									Related to the admin support and paralegal positions, the titles used in NJ don't line up exactly with the questions being posed, so we have provided the total number of technical support positions (paralegal, attorney assistant, and legal secretary) in that answer.
New Mexico	1	6	0	0	0	5	5		
New York	0	0	0	0	18	70	93	0	
North Carolina	0	0	0	0	2	0	60		
North Dakota	0	0	0	0	2	1	1		
Northern Mariana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Ohio	7	1	4	0	0	1	10		
Oklahoma						2			
Oregon	0	55	0	0	0				
Pennsylvania	4	0	5	0	16	1	1	Technical : 4; Administrative: 2; Clerical: 1	
Rhode Island				1				1 Admin	
South Carolina	3	14	0	0	0	9	2	0	
South Dakota						10			
Tennessee		18							

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IV-C: Number of Part-Time Positions									
Jurisdiction	Attorneys	Law Clerks	Investigators	Paralegals	Volunteers	Paid Interns	Unpaid Interns (college credit)	Other	Comments
Texas	3	1	1	10	21		6		
Utah	2	38	0	2	0	8	0		
Vermont					3	1	4-6		
Virgin Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	3		
Virginia	2	0	2	1			30 during the summer	Externs - 4	
Washington	10	n/a	1	1	n/a	n/a	n/a	See comments	Clerical: 8 Information Technology: 2 Professional/Technical: 1
Wisconsin				3	12		7	Technical - 1	
Wyoming	0	0	0	0	0	5 paid interns typically during the summer.			
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V-A: Salary of Attorneys General, Governors, and Chief Justices				
Jurisdiction	Attorney General	Governor	Chief Justice	Comments
Alabama	\$163,601	\$124,564	These salaries vary based on judicial experience and range from \$161,000 to \$200,000.	
Alaska	\$144,000	\$145,000	\$205,000	
Arizona	\$90,000	\$95,000	\$155,000	
Colorado	\$101,676	\$123,193	\$188,151	The Governor's salary is 66% of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court in the inauguration year. The AG's salary is 60% of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals
Connecticut	\$117,000 - Average	\$150,000	\$206,617	
Delaware	\$149,893	\$171,000	\$206,148	
District of Columbia	\$210,000	N/A	N/A	
Florida	\$132,841	\$134,181	\$227,218	
Georgia	\$139,169	\$175,000	\$179,112	
Guam	\$128,685	\$90,000	\$155,667	
Hawaii	\$151,340	\$165,048	\$229,668	
Idaho	\$134,000	\$138,302	\$157,800	
Illinois	\$160,800	\$186,808	\$246,000	
Indiana	\$103,667	\$133,684	\$187,009	
Iowa	\$123,669	\$130,000	\$179,000	
Kansas	\$98,901	\$110,707	\$149,290	
Kentucky	\$129,375	\$152,181	\$147,363	
Louisiana	\$115,003			
Maine	\$114,442	\$120,000	\$90,000	
Maryland	\$149,500	\$170,000	\$210,000	
Massachusetts	\$185,378	\$185,000	\$200,984 - \$206,239	
Minnesota	\$121,250	\$127,639	\$187,410	Chief Justice - \$260,152
Montana				
Nebraska	\$95,000	\$105,000	\$187,036	N/A
Nevada	\$154,198	\$163,474		
New Hampshire	\$139,008	\$134,581	Chief: \$181,290; Associates: \$175,837	

Section V. Salary of Attorneys General, Governors, and Chief Justices

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V-A: Salary of Attorneys General, Governors, and Chief Justices				
Jurisdiction	Attorney General	Governor	Chief Justice	Comments
New Jersey	\$175,000	\$175,000	\$209,482	Salaries for the above are set by statute; salaries for justices receive increments adjusted to inflation
New Mexico	\$95k set by statute	set by statute	set by statute	
New York	\$210,000	\$225,000	\$210,900	
North Carolina	\$136,699	\$154,743	\$160,838	Salaries are set by statute. Session Law 2019-209.
North Dakota	\$163,394	\$138,748	\$163,394	
Northern Mariana Islands	\$130,000	\$120,000	Chief Justice - \$130,000; Associate Justice: \$126,000	
Ohio	\$117,582	\$154,258	\$175,500	
Oklahoma	\$132,825	\$147,000	\$152,000	
Oregon				
Pennsylvania	\$166,921	\$194,850	\$221,295	
Rhode Island	\$130,413	\$145,755	\$211,101 - \$250,041	
South Carolina	\$92,007	\$106,078	\$151,317	
South Dakota	\$118,603	\$118,728	\$143,122	
Tennessee	\$197,000	\$199,000	\$197,000/\$202,000	
Texas	\$153,750	\$153,750	\$168,000	
Utah	\$155,308	\$172,600		
Vermont	\$138,478	\$182,428	\$167,568	
Virgin Islands	\$129,00	\$150,00		
Virginia	\$150,000	\$175,000		
Washington	\$172,259	187,353	\$220,320 - \$223,499	These salaries are set by the Washington Citizens' Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials. Supreme Court Judicial Salaries includes Justices and Chief Justice.
Wisconsin	\$151,383	\$156,000	\$162,500	19-21 State Compensation Plan - Section B
Wyoming				
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Section VI. Salary Ranges in the Office of the Attorney General

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VI-A: Salary Ranges in the Office of the Attorney General					
Jurisdiction	Executive Level Staff Titles	Executive Level Salary Range	Next-Level Supervisory Staff Salary Range	Junior Attorneys (< 5 years experience)	Mid-point Attorneys (> 5 years experience, but not division chief)
Alabama	Chief Deputy Attorney General, Assistant Chief Deputy Attorney General-Criminal, Assistant Chief Deputy Attorney General-Civil, Solicitor General, Executive Assistant, Special Investigator/Law Enforcement Liaison.	\$146,000 – \$184,000	\$98,480 – \$148,950	\$47,805 – \$84,350	\$72,595 – \$110,738
Alaska	Deputy AG for Criminal Division; Deputy AG for Civil Division; Chief of Staff; Director for Criminal Division; Director for Civil Division	\$155,000 – \$220,000	\$126,000 – \$170,000	\$60,000 – \$100,000	\$100,000 – \$160,000
Arizona	Chief Deputy/Chief of Staff, Division Directors, Division Chief, Deputy Attorney General for Law & Policy, Director of External Communication, Legal Policy Advisor, Special Programs/Tribal Liaison	\$186,000–\$56,642	Section Chief \$120,000 – \$140,000	\$63,562	\$76,745
Colorado	Chief Operating Officer, Chief Deputy AG, Deputy AG for Intergovernmental Affairs, Solicitor General,	\$158,364 – \$181,620	\$171,408	\$76,632 – \$115,236	\$87,600 – \$146,040
Connecticut	Deputy AG, Assistant Deputy AG, Associate AG, Solicitor General, Chief Counsel, Policy Director	\$110,000 – \$180,000	Section Chiefs \$125,000 – \$165,000	\$100,500	\$120,000
Delaware	Chief Deputy Attorney General, Chief of Staff, Deputy Chief of Staff, Policy and Legislative Director, Director of Communications, Director of Operations, Senior Advisor to the Attorney General, Executive Advisor to the Attorney General	\$75,000 – \$136,894	\$73,000 – \$126,012	\$59,294 – \$80,916	\$82,901 – \$119,598

Section VI. Salary Ranges in the Office of the Attorney General

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VI-A: Salary Ranges in the Office of the Attorney General					
Jurisdiction	Executive Level Staff Titles	Executive Level Salary Range	Next-Level Supervisory Staff Salary Range	Junior Attorneys (< 5 years experience)	Mid-point Attorneys (> 5 years experience, but not division chief)
District of Columbia	Chief Deputy Attorney General; Senior Counsel to the Attorney General	\$162,738 – \$213,000	\$171,425 – \$188,148	\$70,242 – \$98,239	\$110,144 – \$139,189
Florida	Deputy Attorney General, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Statewide Prosecutor, Solicitor General, Chief of Staff, Inspector General, General Counsel	\$108,000 – \$159,000	\$91,000 – \$140,000	\$43,900 – \$90,396	\$61,017 – \$110,000
Georgia	Chief Deputy	\$155,000 – \$170,000	\$130,000 – \$160,000	\$60,000 – \$68,000	\$66,000 – \$94,929
Guam					
Hawaii	First Deputy Attorney General	\$120,000 – \$132,000	\$116,550 – \$130,000	\$60,000 – \$74,000	\$80,000 – \$100,000
Idaho	Chief Deputy Attorney General and Asst. Chief Deputy Attorney General	\$144,000 – \$146,000	\$126,000 – \$144,000	\$68,000 – \$73,000	\$73,000 – \$126,000
Illinois	Chief of Staff, Chief Deputy AG, Executive Deputy AG, Solicitor General, Deputy Solicitor General, Deputy AG Civil Litigation, Deputy AG Criminal Justice, Deputy AG Policy, Deputy Chief of Staff	\$112,464 – \$144,600	\$81,340 – \$136,464	\$74,472 – \$77,016	\$66,312 – \$96,012
Indiana	Chief Deputy, Chief of Staff, Deputy Chief of Staff, Assistant Chief Deputy, General Counsel	\$130,000 – \$185,000	\$110,000 – \$155,000	\$50,000 – \$65,000	\$65,000 – \$99,000
Iowa	Chief Deputy, Solicitor General, Deputy Attorney General	\$106,641 – \$151,632	\$101,753 – \$144,726	\$52,041 – \$100,318	\$88,379 – \$125,819
Kansas	Chief Deputy and Chief of Staff	\$99,284 – \$111,891	\$85,000 – \$111,212	\$56,000 – \$66,625	\$68,675 – \$129,226

Section VI. Salary Ranges in the Office of the Attorney General

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VI-A: Salary Ranges in the Office of the Attorney General					
Jurisdiction	Executive Level Staff Titles	Executive Level Salary Range	Next-Level Supervisory Staff Salary Range	Junior Attorneys (< 5 years experience)	Mid-point Attorneys (> 5 years experience, but not division chief)
Kentucky	Deputy Attorney General; Assistant Deputy Attorney General; Communications Director; Administrative Services Director	\$90,000 – \$130,926	\$87,000 – \$90,000	\$40,000 – \$50,000	\$50,000 – \$88,000
Louisiana	Chief Deputy	\$160,000–\$180,000	\$130,000–	\$65,000–\$70,000	\$75,000–\$90,000
Maine	Attorney General, Chief Deputy Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Division Chief	to \$119,746	to \$110,906	\$54,954 to \$63,315	\$63,315 to \$106,538
Maryland	Chief Deputy Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Exec Assoc Attorney General	\$122,475 – \$167,006	\$91,193 – \$146,573	\$50,971 – \$85,196	\$91,605 – \$102,616
Massachusetts	Attorney General, Bureau Chief, First Assistant Attorney General, Chief of Organization Development & Inclusion, State Solicitor, General Counsel, Chief Legal Counsel, Chief of Staff, Deputy Bureau Chief	\$185,377 – \$126,000	\$120,750 – \$96,600	\$63,000	\$65,100 – \$99,750
Minnesota	Chief of Staff, Deputy Chief of Staff, Chief Deputy Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General	\$123,290 – \$154,900	\$112,082 – \$143,835	\$61,351 – \$95,278	\$75,508 – \$137,320
Montana					
Nebraska	Chief deputy, Chief of Staff, Communications Director, Director of Operations	\$95,000 – \$127,000	\$102,500 – \$138,000	\$58,000 – \$75,000	\$67,000 – \$118,000
Nevada		\$149,272 – \$158,347	\$98,809 – \$143,779	\$80,638 – \$107,676	\$108,492 – \$120,344
New Hampshire	Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Chief of Staff, General Counsel, Associate Attorneys General, and Director of Administration	\$95,000 – \$139,007	\$100,000 – \$108,000	\$65,000 – \$75,000	\$75,000 – \$100,000

VI-A: Salary Ranges in the Office of the Attorney General					
Jurisdiction	Executive Level Staff Titles	Executive Level Salary Range	Next-Level Supervisory Staff Salary Range	Junior Attorneys (< 5 years experience)	Mid-point Attorneys (> 5 years experience, but not division chief)
New Jersey	First Assistant Attorney General, Executive Assistant Attorney General, Chief of Staff, Principal Law Enforcement Advisor	\$130,000 – \$160,000	\$125,000 – \$150,000	\$82,527 – \$98,191	\$102,107 – \$117,772
New Mexico	Chief Deputy Attorney General, Chief Administrative Officer, Chief Legal Counsel	\$107,000 – \$133,000	\$82,000 – \$120,000	\$52,000 – \$76,000	\$70,000 – \$93,000
New York	Attorney General, Chief Deputy AG, Deputy AG, General Counsel, Chief of Staff, Deputy Chief of Staff, First Deputy AG, Chief Operating Officer, Deputy General Counsel, and Solicitor General	\$142,800 – \$210,000	\$140,000 – \$170,315	\$79,664 – \$88,716	\$91,734 – \$153,898
North Carolina	Chief Deputy, Director of Communications, IT Director, CFO,	\$85,500 – \$146,442	\$65,252 – \$137,926	\$67,545 – \$70,618	\$75,650 – \$114,416
North Dakota	Chief Deputy Attorney General	\$135,000		\$62,000 – \$70,000	\$70,000 – \$85,000
Northern Mariana Islands	Deputy Attorney General	\$88,000	\$77,000	\$60,000	\$65,000
Ohio	First Assistant Attorney general, Chief of Staff, Chief operating officer, Deputy Attorney General, and Senior special projects	\$97,635 – \$163,904	\$109,512 – \$121,597	\$55,016 – \$98,809	\$62,065 – \$88,608
Oklahoma	First Assistant Attorney General, Chief Deputy Attorney General, Senior Deputy Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, and Communications Director	\$97,000 – \$147,000	\$99,000 – \$102,000	\$55,000 – \$65,000	\$65,000 – \$100,000
Oregon			\$140,000 – \$160,000	\$104,256	\$125,724 – \$130,040
Pennsylvania	First Deputy Attorney General, Executive Deputy Attorney General	\$146,465 – \$164,480	\$106,935 – \$152,607	\$58,132 – \$78,299	\$75,991 – \$146,231

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VI-A: Salary Ranges in the Office of the Attorney General					
Jurisdiction	Executive Level Staff Titles	Executive Level Salary Range	Next-Level Supervisory Staff Salary Range	Junior Attorneys (< 5 years experience)	Mid-point Attorneys (> 5 years experience, but not division chief)
Rhode Island	Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Civil Division Chief, Criminal Division Chief, Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation Chief, Director of Administration, Director of Community Engagement, Public Information Officer, Deputy Public Information Officer, Chief of Policy, Deputy Chief of Policy, Director of Legislative Affairs	\$78,249 – \$184,484	\$95,000 – \$126,000	\$65,000 – \$75,000	\$75,000 – \$95,000
South Carolina	Communication Director, Deputy Attorney General, Chief Deputy AG, Executive Assistant, Coordinator	\$39,000 – \$172,000	\$85,000 – \$160,000	\$50,000 – \$75,000	\$62,000 – \$95,000
South Dakota	Chief Deputy and Supervisory Assistant Attorney Generals	\$102,000 – \$140,000	\$101,000 – \$110,000	\$70,000 – \$76,000	\$72,000 – \$99,000
Tennessee	Solicitor General, Chief Deputy, Chief of Staff, Executive Counsel,	\$135,000 – \$168,000	\$95,000 – \$149,000	\$60,000 – \$80,000	\$66,000 – \$128,000
Texas	First Assistant, Deputy First Assistant, Chief of Staff, Deputy Attorney General, Associate Deputy Attorney General, Solicitor General	\$175,000 – \$210,000	\$125,000 – \$150,000	\$65,100 – \$80,000	\$80,000 – \$100,000
Utah	Chief of Staff, Solicitor General, Chief Criminal Deputy, Chief Civil Deputy, Chief of Policy + Legislative Affairs, Chief Financial/Operating Officer	\$119,920 – \$173,780	\$93,187 – \$155,460	\$68,247 – \$71,952	\$68,257 – \$81,975
Vermont	Deputy AG, Chief Assistant AG, Chief of Staff	\$114,982 – \$127,500	\$114,982	\$58,300 – \$70,000	\$72,000 – \$114,000

Section VI. Salary Ranges in the Office of the Attorney General

Data as of March 2021

VI-A: Salary Ranges in the Office of the Attorney General					
Jurisdiction	Executive Level Staff Titles	Executive Level Salary Range	Next-Level Supervisory Staff Salary Range	Junior Attorneys (< 5 years experience)	Mid-point Attorneys (> 5 years experience, but not division chief)
Virgin Islands	Deputy & Chief Deputy	\$126,000 – \$127,000	\$124,000	\$78,000 – \$90,500	\$93,000 – \$115,500
Virginia	Chief Deputy Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, Opinions Counsel, Solicitor General, Chief of Staff, Chief of External Affairs and Policy, Director of Communication, Director of Scheduling, Confidential Assistant, General Counsel, Deputy Solicitor General	These roles do not have salary ranges	These roles do not have salary ranges	From \$65,900	From \$79,200
Washington	Chief deputy, deputies	\$152,436 – \$175,568	\$132,780 – \$155,952	\$69,396 – \$81,180	\$84,432 – \$157,596
Wisconsin	ASST ATTORNEY GENERAL-MGMT	\$118,000 – \$134,600	\$100,000 – \$132,100	\$83,000 – \$124,500	\$86,900 – \$126,100
Wyoming					
<i>*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.</i>					

VI-B: Other Information		
Jurisdiction	Are FTE attorneys eligible for salary raises based on: years of service, merit, or a combination ?	Does your office pay bar dues?
Alabama	Combination	Yes
Alaska	Combination	Yes
Arizona	Combination	Yes
Colorado	Combination	Yes
Connecticut	Combination	No
Delaware	Combination	No
District of Columbia	Combination	No
Florida	Merit	Yes
Georgia	Combination	Yes
Guam		Yes
Hawaii	Combination	Yes
Idaho	Combination	Yes
Illinois	Combination	Yes
Indiana	Combination	Yes
Iowa	Combination	No
Kansas	Combination	Yes
Kentucky	Combination	Yes
Louisiana	Combination	Yes
Maine	Merit	Yes
Maryland	Merit	No
Massachusetts	Years of Service	Yes
Minnesota	Merit	Yes
Montana		
Nebraska	Merit	Yes
Nevada	Combination	No
New Hampshire	Merit	No
New Jersey	Years of Service	Yes
New Mexico		Yes
New York	Combination	No
North Carolina	Combination	No
North Dakota	Years of Service	Yes

VI-B: Other Information		
Jurisdiction	Are FTE attorneys eligible for salary raises based on: years of service, merit, or a combination?	Does your office pay bar dues?
Northern Mariana Islands	Combination	Yes
Ohio	Merit	Yes
Oklahoma	Combination	Yes
Oregon	Years of Service	No
Pennsylvania	Combination	Yes
Rhode Island	Combination	Yes
South Carolina	Combination	Yes
South Dakota	Combination	Yes
Tennessee	Merit	Yes
Texas	Merit	Yes
Utah	Combination	Yes
Vermont	Combination	Yes
Virgin Islands	Years of Service	Yes
Virginia	Merit	Yes
Washington	Combination	Yes
Wisconsin	Merit	No
Wyoming	Combination	No
<i>*Blank fields indicate data not submitted by office.</i>		

VI-C: Salary Ranges for Non-Attorney Positions							
Jurisdiction	Clerical	Law Clerk	Paralegals	Investigators	Professional/ Technical	Other	Comments
Alabama	\$24,590 - \$45,640	Unpaid	\$41,277 - \$62,529	\$45,532 - \$88,538	\$36,229 - \$108,632	IT Staff \$31,468 - \$108,632 Accounting Staff \$36,229 - \$65,875	
Alaska	\$32,000 - \$50,000	N/A	\$45,000 - \$65,000	\$60,000 - \$80,000			
Arizona	\$23,191 - \$65,282	\$15.00/HR, schedule varies	\$27,111 - \$65,828	\$39,983 - \$108,355	\$33,435 - \$144,458	\$29,008 - \$108,355 (Classification/Grade 17-26)	
Colorado	\$39,300 - \$50,844 (actual salary range)		\$52,248 - \$83,292 (actual)	\$56,244 - \$108,012 (actual)	\$55,272 - \$135,000 (actual)	\$59,088 - \$105,600(IT); \$40,740 - \$129,792(Finance); \$56,856 - \$131,436(HR); \$52,800 - \$73,008(Administrative)	
Connecticut	\$45,000 - \$63,000	N/A	\$65,000 - \$83,000	\$78,000 - \$94,000	\$68,000 - \$130,000		There are 4 levels of Assistant Attorneys General. A promotion from an AAG1 to an AAG2 is automatic and based upon years of practice. All other promotions are based upon merit
Delaware	\$29,000 - \$52,583	\$1,140 per week for rising 3L, rising 2Ls are unpaid	\$32,010 - \$50,992	\$51,496 - \$84,385	\$36,596 - \$89,998		
District of Columbia	\$48,000 - \$60,000	\$47,000 - \$72,000	\$65,000 - \$105,000	\$62,000 - \$105,000	\$50,000 - \$142,000	\$95,000 - \$144,000	

VI-C: Salary Ranges for Non-Attorney Positions							
Jurisdiction	Clerical	Law Clerk	Paralegals	Investigators	Professional/ Technical	Other	Comments
Florida	\$11,266 - \$40,833	\$27,040 - \$31,200	\$26,242 - \$43,260	\$31,000 - \$77,250	\$24,454 - \$144,200		
Georgia	\$33,000 - \$65,000	No Law Clerks	\$36,000 - \$62,000	\$40,000 - \$83,000	\$30,000 - \$127,000		
Guam							
Hawaii	\$18,000 - \$55,000	\$34,000 - \$64,000	\$42,000 - \$67,000	\$45,000 - \$97,400	\$52,000 - \$121,000	\$52,000 - \$101,000(IT); \$35,000 - \$95,000(HR); \$30,000 - \$88,000(Finance)	
Idaho	\$25,000 - \$56,000	N/A	\$51,000 - \$64,000	\$73,000 - \$95,000	\$50,000 - \$128,000		
Illinois	\$34,212 - \$77,256	\$50,004	\$38,640 - \$77,256	\$64,236 - \$106,022	\$46,128 - \$87,720		
Indiana	\$35,000 - \$65,000	\$15 per hour	\$35,000 - \$65,000	\$35,000 - \$75,000	\$40,000 - \$75,000	\$42,000 - \$120,000(IT); \$33,000 - \$120,000(Finance) ; \$45,000 - \$120,000(HR)	
Iowa	\$29,640 - \$56,846	\$36,836 - \$54,204	\$40,227 - \$59,612	\$40,227 - \$79,185	\$39,332 - \$119,953		
Kansas	\$32,800 - \$39,616	\$14,268 - \$19,110	\$39,450 - \$51,250	\$40,000 - \$68,000	\$42,025 - \$68,000	\$50,075 - \$73,800(IT)	
Kentucky	\$29,000 - \$53,000	\$15,000 - \$20,000	\$34,000 - \$38,000	\$38,000 - \$54,000	\$56,000 - \$68,000		\$45,000-\$48,000(Workers Compensation Specialist); \$57,000-\$60,000(Healthcare Data Administrator); \$34,000-\$52,000(Auditor)
Louisiana			\$40,000 - \$58,000	\$50,000 - \$75,000	\$30,000 - \$50,000	\$45,000 - \$80,000	

VI-C: Salary Ranges for Non-Attorney Positions							
Jurisdiction	Clerical	Law Clerk	Paralegals	Investigators	Professional/ Technical	Other	Comments
Maine	\$29,515 – \$46,030	N/A	\$35,589 – \$47,944	\$59,426 – \$79,352	\$34,154 – \$67,729	\$41,000(Accounting Associate); \$68,000(Auditor III); \$299,000(Chief Medical Examiner); \$190,000(Dep. Chief Medical Examiner); \$95,000(Dir. Investigations); \$76,000(Dir. Lab & Mortuary Operations); \$114,000(Law Office Manager); \$55,000 – \$58,000(Medical Examiner Assistant); \$61,000 – \$67,000(Medicolegal Death Investigator I); \$50,000 – \$51,000(OCME Plng & Research Assoc I); \$57,000(Office Administrator-CME); \$18,000 – \$78,000(Research Assistant); \$39,000(Staff Accountant); \$42,000(Tobacco Compliance Assistant)	
Maryland	\$34,993 – \$55,279		\$33,148 – \$58,943	\$58,122 – \$92,897	\$63,191 – \$128,568	\$63,191 – \$112,848(IT)	
Massachusetts	\$47,250 – \$57,750	N/A	\$40,280 – \$57,750	\$47,000 – \$94,119	\$36,000 – \$113,400	\$50,00 – \$120,750(ITD); \$55,000 – \$96,600(Finance); \$44,520 – \$96,600(HR)	\$53,000–\$105,000(Salary range for other non-attorney positions not included above)
Minnesota	\$34,452 – \$62,536	15.00/hr.	\$37,739 – \$90,480	\$43,020 – \$107,120	\$43,020 – \$116,480	\$35,080 – \$51,634(Consumer Division Phone Analysts); \$37,739 – \$63,393(Consumer Division Mediators)	
Montana							
Nebraska	\$38,000 – \$64,000	N/A	\$38,000 – \$57,000	\$46,000 – \$80,000	\$53,000 – \$79,000	N/A	N/A

Section VI. Salary Ranges Non-Attorneys

Data as of March 2021

VI-C: Salary Ranges for Non-Attorney Positions							
Jurisdiction	Clerical	Law Clerk	Paralegals	Investigators	Professional/ Technical	Other	Comments
Nevada	\$31,403 - \$63,747	N/A	N/A	\$79,720 - \$104,901	\$45,143 - \$100,161		
New Hampshire		\$31,336 - \$55,555	\$39,633 - \$63,180	\$57,633 - \$88,387	\$48,770 - \$94,867	\$49,878 - \$92,477(Grants); \$255,000(Chief Medical Examiner); \$240,000(Deputy Chief Medical Examiner); \$215,000(Associate Chief Medical Examiner)	
New Jersey		\$54,000	\$52,278 - \$73,926		\$47,000 - \$97,000		The number of titles in use in NJ makes this information difficult to provide based on the categories presented.
New Mexico	\$41,000 - \$57,500	\$5,120 - \$5,440	\$46,000 - \$60,500	\$48,900 - \$72,600	\$45,500 - \$87,500	\$44,500 - \$59,800(Advocates)	
New York	\$31,245 - \$62,457	\$0	\$44,078 - \$80,927	\$56,604 - \$121,306	\$45,455 - \$141,952	\$42,986 - \$92,001(Administrative); \$31,245 - \$113,225(HR); \$56,604 - \$144,122(IT)	

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VI-C: Salary Ranges for Non-Attorney Positions							
Jurisdiction	Clerical	Law Clerk	Paralegals	Investigators	Professional/ Technical	Other	Comments
North Carolina	\$32,780 - \$57,868	\$60,308	\$42,780 - \$56,375	\$35,875 - \$120,022	\$35,244 - \$106,533	\$53,524 - \$117,162(IT); \$42,427(HR); \$41,015 - \$60,530(Finance); \$32,780 - \$34,828(Security); \$42,437 - \$46,147(Visual Arts and Design); \$31,980 - \$65,247(Housekeeping and Maintenance)	
North Dakota	\$30,000 - \$50,000		\$48,000 - \$70,000	\$55,000 - \$80,000	\$60,000 - \$90,000		
Northern Mariana Islands	\$17,000 - \$25,000	N/A	27000	\$28,000 - \$44,000	\$30,000 - \$45,000	\$38,000 - \$50,000(Senior Administrative Professional/Staff); \$25,000 - \$45,000(Legal Assistants); \$28,000 - \$38,000(Legal Secretary)	
Ohio	\$37,461 - \$51,884	\$62,005	\$45,490 - \$60,694	\$62,358 - \$114,026	\$65,021 - \$139,402		Please note this question is too broad given the number of non-attorney positions (1,070).
Oklahoma	\$28,000 - \$40,000	\$32,000 - \$40,000	\$35,000 - \$52,000	\$45,000 - \$70,000	\$40,000 - \$80,000	\$45,000-\$100,000(Finance & Administration)	

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Data as of March 2021

VI-C: Salary Ranges for Non-Attorney Positions							
Jurisdiction	Clerical	Law Clerk	Paralegals	Investigators	Professional/ Technical	Other	Comments
Oregon	\$36,396		\$65,520	\$73,000 – \$78,000			
Pennsylvania	\$30,787 – \$67,435	Starting \$50,817	\$34,680 – \$58,954	\$47,257 – \$135,688	\$39,120 – \$100,754	\$40,078 – \$111,805(Admin)	
Rhode Island	\$37,000 – \$62,000	\$38,000 – \$48,000	\$44,000 – \$60,000	\$50,000 – \$75,000	\$46,000 – \$116,000		
South Carolina	\$32,000 – \$58,000	12.00/hr	\$33,000 – \$46,000	\$45,000 – \$70,000	\$35,000 – \$90,000	\$48,000 – \$107,000	
South Dakota	\$38,000 – \$45,000		\$38,000 – \$45,000	\$46,000 – \$70,000	\$40,000 – \$60,000	\$50,000 – \$76,000	
Tennessee	\$34,000 – \$62,000	\$16/hr	\$39,000 – \$59,000	\$61,000 – \$65,000	\$39,000 – \$107,000		
Texas	\$25,000 – \$78,000	\$29,439 – \$42,200	\$32,700 – \$85,000		\$39,453 – \$80,000	\$23,784 – \$191,475	
Utah	\$34,542 – \$54,244	\$14,804 – \$15,994	\$47,102 – \$69,755	\$69,217 – \$96,933	\$50,304 – \$105,959	\$44,163 – \$80,696(HR); \$36,219 – \$106,079(Finance); \$36,449 – \$98,784(Public Information); \$35,590 – \$76,609(General Services)	
Vermont			\$45,000 – \$66,000	\$62,000 – \$86,000		\$48,500 – \$100,000(IT); \$58,000 – \$104,000(Business Office)	
Virgin Islands	\$27,000 – \$40,000		\$40,000 – \$77,000		\$60,000 – \$70,000	\$32,000(Receptio nist) – \$85,000(Chief Financial Officer)	

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VI-C: Salary Ranges for Non-Attorney Positions							
Jurisdiction	Clerical	Law Clerk	Paralegals	Investigators	Professional/ Technical	Other	Comments
Virginia	From \$31,200		From \$36,400	From \$47,000	From \$45,000		
Washington	\$34,368 - \$95,448	\$0 (Volunteer or academic credit)	\$54,108 - \$82,328	\$47,779 - \$117,132	\$48,468 - \$166,421	\$35,148.00 - \$161,834.00	Financial Services, Human Resources, and Information Technology positions salary ranges include location and duty based premium pay. Part-time employee salaries are not included.
Wisconsin	\$38,000 - \$67,000	N/A	\$38,000 - \$68,100	\$56,200 - \$69,700	\$39,800 - \$66,500	\$60,600 - \$66,500	Includes the Division Legal Services and the Office of Open Government.
Wyoming							
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These sound great to me. Thank you Katie.



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Let me know if this is the right message. I understand he is not supposed to mention his award/how honored he is during his speech, because he won't receive until after.

Thanks!

Katie

Key Messages for Law Enforcement:

- *Optional: As I've been traveling the state, I've been doing my best to stop in and meet with our law enforcement leaders individually to hear about what you're experiencing in your communities and discuss how our office can assist you in protecting Georgians.*
- *Optional: I'll look forward to continuing to make those stops and connect with you, because I think it is critically important that we have open lines of communication.*
- We're all fighting the same battles – whether it is gang activity, human trafficking, opioid/drug abuse, cybercrimes, elder abuse and more.
- And, you're on the front lines of these issues, and, our office is here to support you however we can.

- I often say that it is my job to uphold the rule of law, and the rule of law is meaningless without those in uniform who are willing to protect, serve and enforce the law.
- I understand right now that we have a crisis in respect for our men and women in blue.
- And, I want to do everything I can to help fix it.
- Almost everyone I hear from when I'm on the road is having problems with officer recruitment and retention.
- There's many reasons for that – including harmful rhetoric demonizing an entire profession based on the actions of a few.
- Just know that in me, you have an ally.
- You have someone who is going to support you and the work that you do each and every day to protect Georgians.
- I will continue to be a champion for our law enforcement, and I will remain supportive of efforts to provide you with more resources.

TRANSITION: With that, I want to share a little bit about what we have been working on in the public safety arena...

Gang Activity:

- We know there's an increase in gang activity statewide.
- This summer, I was down on the Coast for the GGIA conference where most of you had representation.
- I was glad to see the conference was well attended, because we must continue the fight against gangs.
- We recently indicted 8 members of a subset of the Bloods in Albany for conducting a human trafficking ring, and 14 members of the Bloods in Cherokee for conducting a labor trafficking ring.
- So, not only are these gang members wreaking havoc and responsible for most violent crime in our communities, they're also perpetrating crimes like drug and human trafficking to fuel their criminal enterprise.
- It is unacceptable...
- We're going to continue to disrupt their networks and fight back with a more dedicated network of law enforcement professionals who want to protect Georgians.
- And, I thank all of you for your partnership on this issue.
- Please keep our office posted on how gang activity is affecting your jurisdiction, and let us know how we can help fight back.

Human Trafficking:

- I also want to thank you for all your work to combat Human Trafficking.
- As it relates to Human Trafficking, let me share briefly with you an overview of what our Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit –created in July 2019 – has been up to.
- I just shared about our Albany case.
- Additionally, in early July, we had an indictment in DeKalb County Superior Court.
- The individual was trafficking multiple victims. He was using drugs and fear to coerce them into sexual servitude.
- He could now be facing 25 years to life for his crimes.
- We recovered one of the victims in this case through Operation Not Forgotten 1 in 2020, and we recently participated in Operation Not Forgotten 2 with the U.S. Marshals Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force.
- The operation focuses on recovering missing children who are oftentimes thought to be exploited or at risk of child sex trafficking.
- We get most of the leads in this operation from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.
- In this year's operation, we rescued 16 kids and will likely have multiple cases to build against buyers and traffickers.
- Before this operation, we had already rescued 44 kids, and we are targeting the rescue of 122 more.
- We've got more than 18 open cases spanning 9 counties, we've arrested 17 traffickers, indicted 15, and we are targeting over 50 more.
- We are proud to have these specialized resources, and we are here to help all across the state.
- I know a lot of your jurisdictions are doing proactive operations in this space.
- So, if you've got something going on, and you think we could be of help, please don't hesitate to give us a call.
- Hannah Palmquist is the head of the unit and John Fowler is the head of our Prosecutions Division.

Cybersecurity/Elder Abuse:

- Usually, I break up cybersecurity and elder abuse into two separate categories, but we're seeing almost a complete overlap in these issues right now.
- Each year, millions of elderly Americans fall victim to some type of financial fraud or internet scheme.
- Criminals use the anonymity of the internet to gain their targets' trust or use tactics of intimidation and threats to take advantage of their victims.

- The state of Georgia has the 17th highest number of elder fraud victims in the U.S. with 2,145 reports in 2020.
- Georgia has the 10th highest amount of financial loss suffered by victims over 60, with \$25,799,082.
- According to the FBI, the most common types of elder fraud are...
 - Extortion
 - non-payment/non-delivery fraud
 - tech support scams
 - identity theft
 - phishing/vishing/smishing/pharming
 - spoofing
 - confidence fraud/romance
 - personal data breaches
 - misrepresentation
 - government impersonation.
- We are authorized to investigate and prosecute crimes which involve the use of a computer to employ fraud schemes or commit theft.
- So, we recently helped launch the Cyber Fraud Task Force – which is comprised of local, state, and federal law enforcement officials.
- We’re looking into cases of individuals that have been scammed – in fact we just indicted our first case from the Cyber Fraud Task Force last Friday – and also businesses that have become targets of scams.
- The Task Force’s main goal is to intercept cyber fraud proceeds from Business Email Compromise (BEC) fraud schemes that are being moved through the Atlanta area.
 - *Business email compromise (BEC) is a type of email cybercrime scam in which an attacker targets a business to defraud the company. Business email compromise is a large and growing problem that targets organizations of all sizes across every industry around the world. BEC scams have exposed organizations to billions of dollars in potential losses.*
- We’re following the money.
- Part of what the Task Force is trying to do is streamline the case referral process, so please connect with us if you’re seeing an uptick in this type of crime in your area.

Opioid Abuse:

- I know that you have seen first-hand the damage that the opioid crisis has caused in our state, and in some very unfortunate cases, for your officers and deputies who have come in contact with fentanyl.
- It is scary stuff, and we are devoting every resource available at the Department of Law to combat the opioid epidemic. Whether by...
 - Increasing communication and coordination through the Statewide Opioid Task Force;
 - Cracking down on illegal prescribing through the Medicaid Fraud Division;
 - Raising awareness about the dangers of opioid abuse through DoseofRealityGa.org; AND
 - Holding accountable those who had a hand in fueling the crisis.
- As litigation continues against manufacturers and distributors, we will be working to ensure funds go to communities that have been hit hard and are in great need of relief.
- *OPTIONAL: Like I said, it is not lost on me the impact that the crisis has had on law enforcement officials – including those who’ve had scares due to coming into contact with these substances – so, I am also supportive of funds being utilized for more training on appropriate handling and equipping law enforcement with the tools they need to stay safe.*

Conclusion:

- As you continue protecting Georgians, I want you to know that I’m sending a message to all of my fellow prosecutors.
- The message is that when law enforcement brings strong cases to their desks.... They should aggressively prosecute – especially cases against gang members and their crimes.
- Georgia has one of the toughest possible gang statutes... and it needs to be put to good use.
- Our citizens deserve nothing less than the strongest possible sentences for those who are wreaking havoc on our society.
- Unfortunately, there are some who have decided to pick and choose which laws they want to enforce.
- Their self-interest driven “criminal justice reform” amounts to not enforcing the law.
- It is a dereliction of duty when actual lives hang in the balance.
- We should all be working together and working hard to protecting Georgians, and I’ll continue spreading this message to prosecutors as I travel the state.
- In closing, I want to again reiterate my thanks to all of you for what you do.
- Your job is not easy, and you represent the very best of our communities.
- May God Bless and keep you all safe.



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We may want to include this info. in a section. It is updated as of mid-June.

Four Georgia law enforcement officers have been killed in the line of duty so far in 2021. Last year, seven officers were killed while serving.

Jan. 2: A [DeKalb County police sergeant was killed](#) when he was struck by a vehicle on the Downtown Connector.

Sgt. Daniel Mobley, a 22-year veteran of the department, was hit by a car about 9 a.m. while responding to a crash involving another DeKalb officer near the Williams Street exit. He was rushed to Grady Memorial Hospital, but pronounced dead on arrival, DeKalb police said. Mobley was 44.

March 1: Capt. Justin Bedwell, a 20-year veteran of the Decatur County Sheriff's Office, [died two days after being shot](#) while assisting with a chase and manhunt. He was flown to a Tallahassee hospital for treatment but did not survive.

"Serving others was his nature and the job he loved provided that opportunity on the daily," [his online obituary states](#). "Family was his life and you knew without a doubt you didn't have to be blood kin to be his people." Bedwell was the agency's fourth deputy killed in the line of duty, according to the Officer Down Memorial Page. It has been nearly 13 years since Deputy Robert Armand Griffin was killed in a crash.

April 6: A [Bibb County deputy was killed](#) when he was stabbed by a handcuffed inmate at the county jail, according to Macon media reports. The GBI was investigating after Christopher Knight, who turned 30 Sunday, was stabbed and killed. Another inmate was also injured but survived.

Knight had been with the sheriff's office since 2018, according to reports. He is survived by a 2-year-old child.

Knight's death came barely a year past the death of another Bibb deputy. [Bibb County Deputy Kenterrous Taylor](#), 27, was killed March 18, 2020, in a car crash while responding to a burglary call.

June 16: A Holly Springs police officer was killed after [he was dragged by a vehicle during an attempted traffic stop](#), according to the GBI.

The officer, 24-year-old Joe Burson, was the first from the Holly Springs Police Department killed in the line of duty, according to the [Officers Down Memorial Page](#).

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Key Messages for Law Enforcement:

- *Optional: As I've been traveling the state, I've been doing my best to stop in and meet with our law enforcement leaders individually to hear about what you're experiencing in your communities and discuss how our office can assist you in protecting Georgians.*
- *Optional: I'll look forward to continuing to make those stops and connect with you, because I think it is critically important that we have open lines of communication.*
- We're all fighting the same battles – whether it is gang activity, human trafficking, opioid/drug abuse, cybercrimes, elder abuse and more.
- And, you're on the front lines of these issues, and, our office is here to support you however we can.
- I often say that it is my job to uphold the rule of law, and the rule of law is meaningless without those in uniform who are willing to protect, serve and enforce the law.
- I understand right now that we have a crisis in respect for our men and women in blue.
- And, I want to do everything I can to help fix it.
- Almost everyone I hear from when I'm on the road is having problems with officer recruitment and retention.
- There's many reasons for that – including harmful rhetoric demonizing an entire profession based on the actions of a few.
- Just know that in me, you have an ally.
- You have someone who is going to support you and the work that you do each and every day to protect Georgians.
- I will continue to be a champion for our law enforcement, and I will remain supportive of efforts to provide you with more resources.

TRANSITION: With that, I want to share a little bit about what we have been working on in the public safety arena...

Gang Activity:

- We know there's an increase in gang activity statewide.
- This summer, I was down on the Coast for the GGIA conference where most of you had representation.

- I was glad to see the conference was well attended, because we must continue the fight against gangs.
- We recently indicted 8 members of a subset of the Bloods in Albany for conducting a human trafficking ring, and 14 members of the Bloods in Cherokee for conducting a labor trafficking ring.
- So, not only are these gang members wreaking havoc and responsible for most violent crime in our communities, they're also perpetrating crimes like drug and human trafficking to fuel their criminal enterprise.
- It is unacceptable...
- We're going to continue to disrupt their networks and fight back with a more dedicated network of law enforcement professionals who want to protect Georgians.
- And, I thank all of you for your partnership on this issue.
- Please keep our office posted on how gang activity is affecting your jurisdiction, and let us know how we can help fight back.

Human Trafficking:

- I also want to thank you for all your work to combat Human Trafficking.
- As it relates to Human Trafficking, let me share briefly with you an overview of what our Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit –created in July 2019 – has been up to.
- I just shared about our Albany case.
- Additionally, in early July, we had an indictment in DeKalb County Superior Court.
- The individual was trafficking multiple victims. He was using drugs and fear to coerce them into sexual servitude.
- He could now be facing 25 years to life for his crimes.
- We recovered one of the victims in this case through Operation Not Forgotten 1 in 2020, and we recently participated in Operation Not Forgotten 2 with the U.S. Marshals Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force.
- The operation focuses on recovering missing children who are oftentimes thought to be exploited or at risk of child sex trafficking.
- We get most of the leads in this operation from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.
- In this year's operation, we rescued 16 kids and will likely have multiple cases to build against buyers and traffickers.
- Before this operation, we had already rescued 44 kids, and we are targeting the rescue of 122 more.
- We've got more than 18 open cases spanning 9 counties, we've arrested 17 traffickers, indicted 15, and we are targeting over 50 more.

- We are proud to have these specialized resources, and we are here to help all across the state.
- I know a lot of your jurisdictions are doing proactive operations in this space.
- So, if you've got something going on, and you think we could be of help, please don't hesitate to give us a call.
- Hannah Palmquist is the head of the unit and John Fowler is the head of our Prosecutions Division.

Cybersecurity/Elder Abuse:

- Usually, I break up cybersecurity and elder abuse into two separate categories, but we're seeing almost a complete overlap in these issues right now.
- Each year, millions of elderly Americans fall victim to some type of financial fraud or internet scheme.
- Criminals use the anonymity of the internet to gain their targets' trust or use tactics of intimidation and threats to take advantage of their victims.
- The state of Georgia has the 17th highest number of elder fraud victims in the U.S. with 2,145 reports in 2020.
- Georgia has the 10th highest amount of financial loss suffered by victims over 60, with \$25,799,082.
- According to the FBI, the most common types of elder fraud are...
 - Extortion
 - non-payment/non-delivery fraud
 - tech support scams
 - identity theft
 - phishing/vishing/smishing/pharming
 - spoofing
 - confidence fraud/romance
 - personal data breaches
 - misrepresentation
 - government impersonation.
- We are authorized to investigate and prosecute crimes which involve the use of a computer to employ fraud schemes or commit theft.
- So, we recently helped launch the Cyber Fraud Task Force – which is comprised of local, state, and federal law enforcement officials.
- We're looking into cases of individuals that have been scammed – in fact we just indicted our first case from the Cyber Fraud Task Force last Friday – and also businesses that have become targets of scams.

- The Task Force’s main goal is to intercept cyber fraud proceeds from Business Email Compromise (BEC) fraud schemes that are being moved through the Atlanta area.
 - *Business email compromise (BEC) is a type of email cybercrime scam in which an attacker targets a business to defraud the company. Business email compromise is a large and growing problem that targets organizations of all sizes across every industry around the world. BEC scams have exposed organizations to billions of dollars in potential losses.*
- We’re following the money.
- Part of what the Task Force is trying to do is streamline the case referral process, so please connect with us if you’re seeing an uptick in this type of crime in your area.

Opioid Abuse:

- I know that you have seen first-hand the damage that the opioid crisis has caused in our state, and in some very unfortunate cases, for your officers and deputies who have come in contact with fentanyl.
- It is scary stuff, and we are devoting every resource available at the Department of Law to combat the opioid epidemic. Whether by...
 - Increasing communication and coordination through the Statewide Opioid Task Force;
 - Cracking down on illegal prescribing through the Medicaid Fraud Division;
 - Raising awareness about the dangers of opioid abuse through DoseofRealityGa.org; AND
 - Holding accountable those who had a hand in fueling the crisis.
- As litigation continues against manufacturers and distributors, we will be working to ensure funds go to communities that have been hit hard and are in great need of relief.
- *OPTIONAL: Like I said, it is not lost on me the impact that the crisis has had on law enforcement officials – including those who’ve had scares due to coming into contact with these substances – so, I am also supportive of funds being utilized for more training on appropriate handling and equipping law enforcement with the tools they need to stay safe.*

Conclusion:

- As you continue protecting Georgians, I want you to know that I’m sending a message to all of my fellow prosecutors.
- The message is that when law enforcement brings strong cases to their desks.... They should aggressively prosecute – especially cases against gang members and their crimes.

- Georgia has one of the toughest possible gang statutes... and it needs to be put to good use.
- Our citizens deserve nothing less than the strongest possible sentences for those who are wreaking havoc on our society.
- Unfortunately, there are some who have decided to pick and choose which laws they want to enforce.
- Their self-interest driven “criminal justice reform” amounts to not enforcing the law.
- It is a dereliction of duty when actual lives hang in the balance.
- We should all be working together and working hard to protecting Georgians, and I’ll continue spreading this message to prosecutors as I travel the state.
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Luncheon @ Annual Conference
Monday, August 16, 2021
11:55 PM – 1:30 PM
5-10 Min. Speech & Receive Active Lifetime Membership Award**

ATTIRE: Business casual

LOCATION: Marriott Savannah Riverfront 100 General McIntosh Blvd, Savannah, GA 31401

WHO:

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- Governor Brian Kemp(receiving award)
- Randall Tippins, Former Evans Co Sheriff(receiving award)
- Chris Hodge, DNR(receiving award)
- Chris Hosey, GBI(receiving award)
- Matt Miles, GSP(receiving award)
- POAG Executive Director John B. Edwards – (913) 739-2737
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WHAT:

This is the Peace Officers' Association of Georgia 2021 Annual Training Conference. Attorney General Carr, Governor Brian Kemp and others will be honored by POAG with an active lifetime membership award for their dedicated service to Georgia's law enforcement. AG Carr will speak for 5-10 minutes after Governor Kemp but before receiving the award.

MEDIA: None will be invited but if the media arrives, they will not be told to leave.

RUN OF SHOW:

Call to Order	Executive Director John B. Edwards
Presentation of Colors	Georgia State Patrol Honor Guard
Pledge of Allegiance	President Chris Hodge
Invocation	Dr. Rick Lanford
Welcome Remarks	Chatham Co. Sheriff Wilcher Savannah Police Department Chief Minter Chatham Co. Police Chief Hadley
Guest Speaker	Governor Brian Kemp
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Active Life Membership Awards

2020

Mark Revenew
Dan Kirk, GBI, Retired
Harvey Holloway, GSP, Retired
Wesley Welborn, Habersham Co. SO
Kristal Odum, POAG

2021

Governor Brian Kemp
Attorney General Chris Carr
Randall Tippins, Evans Co SO
Chris Hodge, DNR
Chris Hosey, GBI
Matt Miles, GSP

Meritorious Awards Recipients

2020

Sheriff Lenn Wood
Coweta Co. Sheriff's Office

2021

ASAC Lisa Vorrasi
Georgia Bureau of Investigation

Honorary Life Member Award

2020

Michael Kooden, United Distributors of Savannah
Henry Monsees, Savannah Distributing

2021

Neeley Raper
Steven Green, T&C Pawn

Valor Award Recipient

2020

Deputy Eric Madison
Burke Co. Sheriff's Office

2021

Trooper Aaron Ramirez
Georgia State Patrol

Presentation to President Chris Hodge
Remarks
Benediction

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2021 - 2022 Chair's Initiative

CWAG/AGA 2021-2022 CHAIR'S INITIATIVE

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The Attorney General Alliance looks forward to the Ginsburg/Scalia Initiative Winter Convening and will continue to elevate and celebrate our commitment to the Rule of Law. Attorney General Weiser's full closing remarks may be found below.

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Maureen and I spoke and think we are set here. Thank you all!



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Great! I'm adding everything (briefing document, flight itinerary, Katie's talking points) to Chris' calendar now and will also print a copy to take to him.

One question—Did we want to add Katie's original note below with stats on law enforcement injuries/deaths?



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Looks good! Thanks.



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Also, I incorporated Maureen's edits and made some of my own in the attached. I think this is good to be the final, if you all agree. Thank you team!



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These sound great to me. Thank you Katie.



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Let me know if this is the right message. I understand he is not supposed to mention his award/how honored he is during his speech, because he won't receive until after.

Thanks!

Katie

Key Messages for Law Enforcement:

- *Optional: As I've been traveling the state, I've been doing my best to stop in and meet with our law enforcement leaders individually to hear about what you're experiencing in your communities and discuss how our office can assist you in protecting Georgians.*
- *Optional: I'll look forward to continuing to make those stops and connect with you, because I think it is critically important that we have open lines of communication.*
- We're all fighting the same battles – whether it is gang activity, human trafficking, opioid/drug abuse, cybercrimes, elder abuse and more.
- And, you're on the front lines of these issues, and, our office is here to support you however we can.
- I often say that it is my job to uphold the rule of law, and the rule of law is meaningless without those in uniform who are willing to protect, serve and enforce the law.
- I understand right now that we have a crisis in respect for our men and women in blue.
- And, I want to do everything I can to help fix it.
- Almost everyone I hear from when I'm on the road is having problems with officer recruitment and retention.
- There's many reasons for that – including harmful rhetoric demonizing an entire profession based on the actions of a few.
- Just know that in me, you have an ally.
- You have someone who is going to support you and the work that you do each and every day to protect Georgians.
- I will continue to be a champion for our law enforcement, and I will remain supportive of efforts to provide you with more resources.

TRANSITION: With that, I want to share a little bit about what we have been working on in the public safety arena...

Gang Activity:

- We know there's an increase in gang activity statewide.
- This summer, I was down on the Coast for the GGIA conference where most of you had representation.
- I was glad to see the conference was well attended, because we must continue the fight against gangs.
- We recently indicted 8 members of a subset of the Bloods in Albany for conducting a human trafficking ring, and 14 members of the Bloods in Cherokee for conducting a labor trafficking ring.
- So, not only are these gang members wreaking havoc and responsible for most violent crime in our communities, they're also perpetrating crimes like drug and human trafficking to fuel their criminal enterprise.
- It is unacceptable...
- We're going to continue to disrupt their networks and fight back with a more dedicated network of law enforcement professionals who want to protect Georgians.
- And, I thank all of you for your partnership on this issue.
- Please keep our office posted on how gang activity is affecting your jurisdiction, and let us know how we can help fight back.

Human Trafficking:

- I also want to thank you for all your work to combat Human Trafficking.
- As it relates to Human Trafficking, let me share briefly with you an overview of what our Human Trafficking Prosecution Unit –created in July 2019 – has been up to.
- I just shared about our Albany case.
- Additionally, in early July, we had an indictment in DeKalb County Superior Court.
- The individual was trafficking multiple victims. He was using drugs and fear to coerce them into sexual servitude.
- He could now be facing 25 years to life for his crimes.
- We recovered one of the victims in this case through Operation Not Forgotten 1 in 2020, and we recently participated in Operation Not Forgotten 2 with the U.S. Marshals Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force.
- The operation focuses on recovering missing children who are oftentimes thought to be exploited or at risk of child sex trafficking.
- We get most of the leads in this operation from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children.

- In this year's operation, we rescued 16 kids and will likely have multiple cases to build against buyers and traffickers.
- Before this operation, we had already rescued 44 kids, and we are targeting the rescue of 122 more.
- We've got more than 18 open cases spanning 9 counties, we've arrested 17 traffickers, indicted 15, and we are targeting over 50 more.
- We are proud to have these specialized resources, and we are here to help all across the state.
- I know a lot of your jurisdictions are doing proactive operations in this space.
- So, if you've got something going on, and you think we could be of help, please don't hesitate to give us a call.
- Hannah Palmquist is the head of the unit and John Fowler is the head of our Prosecutions Division.

Cybersecurity/Elder Abuse:

- Usually, I break up cybersecurity and elder abuse into two separate categories, but we're seeing almost a complete overlap in these issues right now.
- Each year, millions of elderly Americans fall victim to some type of financial fraud or internet scheme.
- Criminals use the anonymity of the internet to gain their targets' trust or use tactics of intimidation and threats to take advantage of their victims.
- The state of Georgia has the 17th highest number of elder fraud victims in the U.S. with 2,145 reports in 2020.
- Georgia has the 10th highest amount of financial loss suffered by victims over 60, with \$25,799,082.
- According to the FBI, the most common types of elder fraud are...
 - Extortion
 - non-payment/non-delivery fraud
 - tech support scams
 - identity theft
 - phishing/vishing/smishing/pharming
 - spoofing
 - confidence fraud/romance
 - personal data breaches
 - misrepresentation
 - government impersonation.

- We are authorized to investigate and prosecute crimes which involve the use of a computer to employ fraud schemes or commit theft.
- So, we recently helped launch the Cyber Fraud Task Force – which is comprised of local, state, and federal law enforcement officials.
- We’re looking into cases of individuals that have been scammed – in fact we just indicted our first case from the Cyber Fraud Task Force last Friday – and also businesses that have become targets of scams.
- The Task Force’s main goal is to intercept cyber fraud proceeds from Business Email Compromise (BEC) fraud schemes that are being moved through the Atlanta area.
 - *Business email compromise (BEC) is a type of email cybercrime scam in which an attacker targets a business to defraud the company. Business email compromise is a large and growing problem that targets organizations of all sizes across every industry around the world. BEC scams have exposed organizations to billions of dollars in potential losses.*
- We’re following the money.
- Part of what the Task Force is trying to do is streamline the case referral process, so please connect with us if you’re seeing an uptick in this type of crime in your area.

Opioid Abuse:

- I know that you have seen first-hand the damage that the opioid crisis has caused in our state, and in some very unfortunate cases, for your officers and deputies who have come in contact with fentanyl.
- It is scary stuff, and we are devoting every resource available at the Department of Law to combat the opioid epidemic. Whether by...
 - Increasing communication and coordination through the Statewide Opioid Task Force;
 - Cracking down on illegal prescribing through the Medicaid Fraud Division;
 - Raising awareness about the dangers of opioid abuse through DoseofRealityGa.org; AND
 - Holding accountable those who had a hand in fueling the crisis.
- As litigation continues against manufacturers and distributors, we will be working to ensure funds go to communities that have been hit hard and are in great need of relief.
- *OPTIONAL: Like I said, it is not lost on me the impact that the crisis has had on law enforcement officials – including those who’ve had scares due to coming into contact with these substances – so, I am also supportive of funds being utilized for more training*

on appropriate handling and equipping law enforcement with the tools they need to stay safe.

Conclusion:

- As you continue protecting Georgians, I want you to know that I'm sending a message to all of my fellow prosecutors.
- The message is that when law enforcement brings strong cases to their desks.... They should aggressively prosecute – especially cases against gang members and their crimes.
- Georgia has one of the toughest possible gang statutes... and it needs to be put to good use.
- Our citizens deserve nothing less than the strongest possible sentences for those who are wreaking havoc on our society.
- Unfortunately, there are some who have decided to pick and choose which laws they want to enforce.
- Their self-interest driven “criminal justice reform” amounts to not enforcing the law.
- It is a dereliction of duty when actual lives hang in the balance.
- We should all be working together and working hard to protecting Georgians, and I'll continue spreading this message to prosecutors as I travel the state.
- In closing, I want to again reiterate my thanks to all of you for what you do.
- Your job is not easy, and you represent the very best of our communities.
- May God Bless and keep you all safe.



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We may want to include this info. in a section. It is updated as of mid-June.

Four Georgia law enforcement officers have been killed in the line of duty so far in 2021. Last year, seven officers were killed while serving.

Jan. 2: A [DeKalb County police sergeant was killed](#) when he was struck by a vehicle on the Downtown Connector.

Sgt. Daniel Mobley, a 22-year veteran of the department, was hit by a car about 9 a.m. while responding to a crash involving another DeKalb officer near the Williams Street exit. He was rushed to Grady Memorial Hospital, but pronounced dead on arrival, DeKalb police said. Mobley was 44.

March 1: Capt. Justin Bedwell, a 20-year veteran of the Decatur County Sheriff's Office, [died two days after being shot](#) while assisting with a chase and manhunt. He was flown to a Tallahassee hospital for treatment but did not survive.

"Serving others was his nature and the job he loved provided that opportunity on the daily," [his online obituary states](#). "Family was his life and you knew without a doubt you didn't have to be blood kin to be his people." Bedwell was the agency's fourth deputy killed in the line of duty, according to the Officer Down Memorial Page. It has been nearly 13 years since Deputy Robert Armand Griffin was killed in a crash.

April 6: A [Bibb County deputy was killed](#) when he was stabbed by a handcuffed inmate at the county jail, according to Macon media reports.

The GBI was investigating after Christopher Knight, who turned 30 Sunday, was stabbed and killed. Another inmate was also injured but survived.

Knight had been with the sheriff's office since 2018, according to reports. He is survived by a 2-year-old child.

Knight's death came barely a year past the death of another Bibb deputy. [Bibb County Deputy Kenterrous Taylor](#), 27, was killed March 18, 2020, in a car crash while responding to a burglary call.

June 16: A Holly Springs police officer was killed after [he was dragged by a vehicle during an attempted traffic stop](#), according to the GBI.

The officer, 24-year-old Joe Burson, was the first from the Holly Springs Police Department killed in the line of duty, according to the [Officers Down Memorial Page](#).

The driver of the vehicle, identified as Ansy Dolce, 29, of Cherokee County, was shot and killed by a Holly Springs officer, officials said.



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Hey Team,

Attached are some edits of mine. I removed the mentions of the cocktail hour since Chris will leave immediately after the lunch with the Governor. I'll attach the flight itinerary to the memo. I also changed the font of the program details POAG sent us so the memo looks more streamlined.

Do we want to add anything else aside from his remarks? I've asked the governor's office what time they want him at PDK in the morning ahead of the flight.

And Jordan, I think we can let John Edwards know that Chris is traveling with the Governor and won't have any staff who needs credentials.

Thanks!

Maureen



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Importance: High

My highly anticipated draft.

John asked that we let him know who all is coming with Chris so that person can be credentialed.



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Thank you Jordan. And thanks for working on the briefing. Maureen will fill in the logistics gaps after you send the draft around.



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Hey Jordan,

Thanks for helping out with the briefing for the POAG award on Monday! Below is the original information they sent us. John Edwards is our point of contact: 912-618-9193.

Chris will fly down with the Governor, who is receiving the same award. They are also giving out valor awards during the luncheon.

On Chris' calendar, you'll see some of the travel logistics but not all. I'm waiting for the full itinerary from the Governor's Office. Chris will hop on the plane here in ATL, then fly to Athens to pick up the Governor. From there, they'll go to Savannah and back.

Katie—are you still thinking of going down to take photos? I believe Chris will be able to make short remarks after he receives the award, but Jordan will confirm.

Thanks all!

Maureen



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Subject: FW: Award for AG Carr

Per my text, below is the note from the Executive Director of Peace Officers Association of Georgia John Edwards letting us know you received the lifetime membership award for your work to support law enforcement, which is fantastic. The board voted to give it to both you and the Governor. I've looped Amanda and Maureen in on the email with John Edwards for if you are able to attend the conference next month to accept the award. He tells me there should be about 500-600 law enforcement officers from across the state. Also, just an fyi that this is the conference they will be speaking about the LaGrange use of force policy the next day on that Tuesday according to the attachment. Hope you're having a nice trip.



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The Peace Officers' Association of Georgia has awarded AG Carr an active lifetime membership award for his dedicated service to Georgia's law enforcement

We will present this award at our Luncheon on Monday, August 16th, 2021 at our annual conference at the Marriott hotel on the river in Savannah Ga.

(We may change to Tuesday if the Governor and Chris can stay for the use of force symposium on Tuesday evening the 17th at 5 pm)
I'll let you know no later than next Wednesday

See attached info on UOF panel

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Sorry for the delay Katie. This looked good to me.

Sent from my iPhone

On Aug 16, 2021, at 2:26 PM, Katie Byrd wrote:

Could y'all help me fact-check the details in this planned post? Lifetime Membership Award correct?

PIC 1: Today, I was incredibly honored to stand alongside @GovKemp & receive a Lifetime Membership Award from the Peace Officers Association of Georgia.

PIC 2: The rule of law depends on those in uniform who are willing to enforce it. I deeply value all members of Georgia's law enforcement community who are working w/ integrity & principle to #ProtectGeorgians. Thank you.

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Thanks Shawn. I appreciate you helping us here. I'm putting together TPs for Chris for Tuesday actually, so if you're able to send me the bullets or doc# for those items I sent you, I can keep the ball moving for that, and then you can pivot to Thursday's TPs. Would that be okay?



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Yes, can do!

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Shawn,
I just chatted with Chris about UGA Law. Could you pull together 3 bullets of recent / big developments in each of these areas ahead of next Thursday's speech?

Human Trafficking
Gangs
Elder Abuse
Elections
Biden Administration / DOJ



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