

OFFICE OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Eighth Judicial District - North

Hempstead and Nevada Counties

Financial and Compliance Report

December 31, 2023

LEGISLATIVE JOINT AUDITING COMMITTEE



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Prosecuting Attorney, Eighth Judicial District - North
Legislative Joint Auditing Committee

A priority of Arkansas Legislative Audit is to assist government officials by promoting sound financial management and accountability of government resources. The Legislative Auditor reports on the fiscal affairs of prosecuting attorneys, as well as compliance with relevant state laws and observance of good business practices to provide accountability for tax dollars expended to support government operations.

We have performed certain limited procedures with respect to cash basis financial information and compliance with certain state laws and accepted accounting practices for the Prosecuting Attorney, Eighth Judicial District - North as of and for the year ended December 31, 2023, and have issued our report thereon dated December 3, 2024. The Prosecuting Attorney is responsible for maintaining the financial records and complying with state laws and accepted accounting practices.

The findings contained in this section relate to the following official who held office during 2023:

Prosecuting Attorney: Ben Hale

During our evaluation, nothing came to our attention that would warrant disclosure in this report.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee, the Prosecuting Attorney, state executive and oversight management, and other parties as required by Arkansas Code, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties. However, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 10-4-417, all reports presented to the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee are matters of public record and distribution is not limited.

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Kevin William White, CPA, JD
Legislative Auditor

Little Rock, Arkansas
December 3, 2024
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PROSECUTING ATTORNEY, EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT NORTH
 SCHEDULE OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2023
 (UNAUDITED)

Schedule 1

	General Fund
Cash Balance, January 1, 2023	\$ 91,023
Receipts:	
Hot check fees	1,110
Interest	80
Forfeitures	28,364
Contributions from counties	58,372
Total Receipts	87,926
Disbursements:	
Law enforcement	88,965
Cash Balance, December 31, 2023	\$ 89,984

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OTHER INFORMATION
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Schedule 2

1. Cash balances on the Financial Schedules include demand accounts.
2. The General Fund column on the Financial Schedules includes the following bank accounts:
Hot Check Fee Account, Operating Account, Drug Control Account, and Old Prosecuting Attorney Account
3. Cash balances at year-end in the custodial funds are as follows:

	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2023</u>
Asset Forfeiture Fund	\$ 71,945
Hot Check Trust Fund	31,966

These balances represent forfeitures and hot check restitutions that have not been transferred to the appropriate entities.

4. The Prosecuting Attorney's capital assets records are summarized below:

	<u>December 31,</u> <u>2023</u>
Equipment	<u>\$ 9,754</u>