Internal Control and Compliance Assessment Arkansas Legislative Audit

Office of the Prosecutor Coordinator For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022



INTRODUCTION

This report is issued to inform the Legislative Joint Auditing Committee of compliance with state fiscal laws and regulations as well as deficiencies in internal controls for the Office of the Prosecutor Coordinator. Assessment procedures disclosed no reportable items of noncompliance.

SCOPE AND METHODOLOGY

We performed an internal control and compliance assessment of the Office of the Prosecutor Coordinator, an office of Arkansas state government, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2022, and have issued our report dated August 21, 2023. Management of the Department is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal controls and complying with applicable laws and regulations.

The assessment included cash on deposit, expenditures, liabilities, capital assets, and data entry to the Arkansas Administrative Statewide Information System (AASIS). The assessment consisted principally of inquiries, observations, analytical procedures, and selected tests of internal control policies and procedures, accounting records, and other relevant documents. We relied on financial data in AASIS recorded by the Agency and audit work conducted in the fiscal year 2022 State Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) and Single Audit Report.

RESULTS OF ASSESSMENT

Assessment procedures did not disclose instances of noncompliance considered reportable.

ENABLING LEGISLATION AND ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The Office of the Prosecutor Coordinator (PCO) was created under Act 925 of 1975. The Prosecution Coordination Commission, a seven-member board chosen by all elected prosecuting attorneys, sets the overall policy of the PCO. The mission of the PCO is to improve the criminal justice system by promoting professionalism in the offices of prosecuting attorneys and victim service providers through education, information, liaison, and advocacy. The PCO provides a broad range of technical assistance and support for prosecuting attorneys, their deputies, and crime victim service providers, including legal research, continuing legal education, lending library, publications, civil commitments, victim/witness support, and computers. The PCO organizational chart is provided in **Exhibit I on page 2**.

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Exhibit I



Office of the Prosecutor Coordinator Organizational Chart

Source: Office of the Prosecutor Coordinator

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Revenues, Expenditures, and Transfers

Agency revenues, expenditures, and transfers for fiscal years 2018 through 2022 are presented in **Exhibit II on page 3**. Revenues were mainly comprised of federal grants and reimbursements totaling \$95,255.

Expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2022, totaled \$1.8 million. Salaries totaled \$1.3 million and represented 70% of expenditures.

Net transfers totaled \$1.4 million for the year ended June 30, 2022, and represented the general revenue transfer for the Agency.

Assets and Liabilities

Agency assets and liabilities for fiscal years 2018 through 2022 are presented in **Exhibit III**. Assets for the year ended June 30, 2022, totaled \$261,574, with fixed assets accounting for 80% of total assets. Liabilities totaled \$81,093 for the year ended June 30, 2022. The end-of-the-year payroll accrual accounted for 97% of total liabilities.

Exhibit II

Office of the Prosecutor Coordinator Revenues, Expenditures, and Transfers For the Years Ended June 30, 2018 through 2022

	Fiscal Year										
		2022		2021		2020		2019		2018	
Revenues											
Federal grants and reimbursements	\$	95,255	\$	340,263	\$	36,156	\$	36,435	\$	71,509	
Other income		82		33		239		420		52	
Total Revenues	\$	95,337	\$	340,296	\$	36,395	\$	36,855	\$	71,561	
Expenditures											
Salaries	\$	1,286,994	\$	1,073,646	\$	1,045,930	\$	1,007,686	\$	920,300	
Utilities and rent		69,179		69,109		73,773		73,556		75,233	
Commodities, materials, and supplies		44,015		55,331		43,246		36,263		43,060	
Other expenses		441,014		70,091		128,126		146,795		178,308	
Total Expenditures	\$	1,841,202	\$	1,268,177	\$	1,291,075	\$	1,264,300	\$	1,216,901	
Net Transfers In (Out)	\$	1,353,269	\$	1,213,424	\$	1,205,977	\$	1,150,041	\$	1,124,507	

Source: Arkansas Administrative Statewide Information System Trial Balance (unaudited by Arkansas Legislative Audit)

Exhibit III

Office of the Prosecutor Coordinator Assets and Liabilities For the Years Ended June 30, 2018 through 2022

		Fiscal Year										
	2022		2021		2020		2019		2018			
Assets												
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	49,747	\$	317,416	\$	8,457	\$	2,782	\$	32,245		
Fixed assets		208,959		203,267		197,568		208,223		204,713		
Other assets		2,868		609		4,372		6,025		12,375		
Total Assets	\$	261,574	\$	521,292	\$	210,397	\$	217,030	\$	249,333		
Liabilities												
Accounts payable	\$	0	\$	4,008	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0		
Payroll liability		78,438		59,119		45,262		36,280		31,269		
Other liabilities		2,655		2,344		1,111		965		733		
Total Liabilities	\$	81,093	\$	65,471	\$	46,373	\$	37,245	\$	32,002		

Source: Arkansas Administrative Statewide Information System Trial Balance (unaudited by Arkansas Legislative Audit)

