Report Highlights



District Attorney for the 37th Judicial District

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Why We Conducted This Audit

The Louisiana Legislative Auditor received a complaint that an employee of the District Attorney for the 37th Judicial District (District Attorney) may have taken public funds from the District Attorney's office. This audit was initiated to determine the validity of the complaint.

What We Found

Pre-Trial Diversion Program Revenue Not Deposited

A now former employee of the District Attorney for the 37th Judicial District, Ms. Bonnie McGrew, received at least \$116,017 in public funds that belonged to the District Attorney's office between January 2017 and December 2019 but did not deposit them. Ms. McGrew acknowledged to a Louisiana State Police detective that she took money from the District Attorney's office while handling Pre-Trial Diversion funds and believes she used it to pay personal bills. By taking District Attorney funds and using them for her personal benefit, Ms. McGrew may have violated state and federal law.