

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY
OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
MANY, LOUISIANA**

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT
DECEMBER 31, 2014**

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Financial Report
December 31, 2014

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District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
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Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A)

This section of the District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District's (hereafter referred to as the District Attorney) annual financial report presents an overview and analysis of the District Attorney's financial activities for the year ended December 31, 2014. The intent of the MD&A is to look at the District Attorney's financial performance as a whole. It should, therefore be read in conjunction with this report. Certain comparative information is presented to provide an overview of the District Attorney's operations.

Financial Highlights

This annual report consists of a series of financial statements. The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities provide information about the activities of the District Attorney as a whole and presents a longer-term view of the District Attorney's finances. These statements tell how these services were financed in the short-term as well as what remains for future spending.

Government-Wide Financial Statements

- The Statement of Net Position presents all of the District Attorney's assets, deferred outflows of resources, liabilities, and deferred inflows of resources, with the difference between the two reported as "net position". Over time, increases or decreases in the District Attorney's net position may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the District Attorney is improving or deteriorating.
- The Statement of Activities presents information showing how the District Attorney's net position changed during the current year. All changes in net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of the related cash flows. Therefore, some revenues and some expenses that are reported in this statement will not result in cash flows until future years.

Fund Financial Statements

The services provided by the District Attorney are financed through governmental funds. A fund is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The District Attorney, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. The District Attorney conducts its day-to-day operations through a governmental fund, the General Fund. There are also three special revenue funds, the Title IV-D, the Sales Tax and Worthless Check Funds. The District Attorney also maintains one fiduciary fund, the Asset Forfeiture Fund. The Fiduciary Fund is simply a fund held for other parties and cannot be used for any of the District Attorney's activities, they are not included in the government-wide statements, but are separately reported in the statement of the Fiduciary Funds. These statements provide a short-term view of the District Attorney's finances and assists in determining whether there will be adequate financial resources available to meet the current needs of the District Attorney.

A summary of the basic government-wide financial statements is as follows:

Summary of Statement of Net Position

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
ASSETS:		
Current and Other Assets	\$1,434,995	\$1,612,239
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>422,699</u>	<u>472,868</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$1,857,694</u>	<u>\$2,085,107</u>
LIABILITIES:		
Current- Payables	\$ <u>46,035</u>	\$ <u>52,135</u>
NET POSITION:		
Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 422,699	\$ 472,868
Unrestricted	<u>1,388,960</u>	<u>1,560,104</u>
Total Net Position	<u>\$1,811,659</u>	<u>\$2,032,972</u>

Summary of Statement of Activities

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
REVENUES:		
Operating Grants	\$ 309,863	\$ 271,989
Fees, Fines & Charges for Services	110,453	135,672
Taxes-		
Sales & Use	434,519	437,846
Interest & Miscellaneous	<u>943</u>	<u>4,498</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 855,778</u>	<u>\$ 850,005</u>
EXPENSES:		
Governmental Activities-		
Judicial-		
Personnel Services	\$ 816,333	\$ 768,520
Operating Expenses	<u>260,758</u>	<u>264,358</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$1,077,091</u>	<u>\$1,032,878</u>
Change in Net Position	<u>\$ (221,313)</u>	<u>\$ (182,873)</u>

- The District Attorney's assets exceeded its liabilities by \$1,811,659 (net position) for the year. For the prior year this was \$2,032,972.
- Unrestricted net position of \$1,388,960 represents the portion available to maintain the District Attorney's obligation to both citizens and creditors. For the prior year, this was \$1,560,104, a decrease of \$171,144 for the year.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

There were amendments made to the budgets for all the funds in order to be in compliance with the Local Government Budget Act. In all the funds, actual revenues and expenditures were within the 5% variance allowed.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

Revenues received by the District Attorney continue to be sufficient to maintain the normal day-to-day operational needs of the office. The District Attorney considers many factors when setting the budget for fiscal year 2015, including increasing personnel costs associated with insurance and retirement.

Contacting the District Attorney

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens and creditors with a general overview of the District Attorney's finances and to show the District Attorney's accountability for the money it receives. Any questions about this report or requests for additional information may be directed to Don Burkett, District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District at P. O. Box 1557, Many, Louisiana 71449.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

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Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, the fiduciary fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District of Louisiana (District Attorney) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District Attorney's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error.

In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's

internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the governmental activities, each major fund, the fiduciary fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District Attorney as of December 31, 2014, and the respective changes in financial position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 1 through 3 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Act 706 of the Louisiana 2014 Legislative Session requires a Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer on page 33 to supplement the financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, or Louisiana State Law, who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the management's discussion and analysis and Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the introductory section because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the District Attorney's financial statements. The budgetary comparisons listed as required supplemental information in the table of contents is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The budgetary comparison statements are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the information is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Governmental Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated June 10, 2015, on our consideration of the District Attorney's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the District Attorney's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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June 10, 2015

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

GOVERNMENT-WIDE
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2014

ASSETS:

Current Assets-

Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$1,351,471
Revenue Receivable	73,255
Prepaid Expenses	<u>10,144</u>

Total Current Assets \$1,434,870

Non-current Assets-

Capital Assets (Net)	\$ 422,699
Other Assets	<u>125</u>

Total Non-current Assets \$ 422,824

Total Assets \$1,857,694

LIABILITIES:

Current Liabilities-

Accounts Payable	\$ 14,344
Accrued Expenses	<u>31,691</u>

Total Current Liabilities \$ 46,035

NET POSITION:

Net Investment in Capital Assets	\$ 422,699
Unrestricted	<u>1,388,960</u>

Total Net Position \$1,811,659

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Statement of Activities
December 31, 2014

<u>Activities</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>			<u>Net (Expenses) Revenues and Changes in Net Position Governmental Activities</u>
		<u>Fees, Fines and Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants and Contributions</u>	<u>Capital Grants and Contributions</u>	
Governmental Activities:					
Judicial-					
Personnel Services	\$ 816,333	\$110,453	\$ 0	\$0	\$ (705,880)
Operating Expenses	218,532	0	309,863	0	91,331
Materials & Supplies	29,416	0	0	0	(29,416)
Travel & Other Charges	<u>12,810</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(12,810)</u>
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$1,077,091</u>	<u>\$110,453</u>	<u>\$309,863</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$ (656,775)
General Revenues:					
Taxes-					
Sales & Use					\$ 434,519
Interest & Miscellaneous					<u>943</u>
Total General Revenues					\$ <u>435,462</u>
Change in Net Position					\$ (221,313)
Net Position January 1, 2014					<u>2,032,972</u>
Net Position December 31, 2014					<u>\$1,811,659</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Balance Sheet-Governmental Funds
December 31, 2014

	Major Funds			Non-Major Fund	Total
	General Fund	Title IV-D Fund	Sales Tax Fund	Worthless Check Fund	
Assets:					
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$209,612	\$32,517	\$1,085,851	\$23,491	\$1,351,471
Revenue Receivable	9,328	22,740	41,187	0	73,255
Prepaid Expenses	10,144	0	0	0	10,144
Other Assets	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>125</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$229,084</u>	<u>\$55,257</u>	<u>\$1,127,163</u>	<u>\$23,491</u>	<u>\$1,434,995</u>
Liabilities:					
Accounts Payable	\$ 13,888	\$ 456	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 14,344
Accrued Expenses	<u>19,251</u>	<u>12,440</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>31,691</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 33,139</u>	<u>\$12,896</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 46,035</u>
Fund Balance:					
Nonspendable:					
Prepaid Expenses	\$ 10,144	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 10,144
Utility Deposit	0	0	125	0	125
Restricted for:					
Support Obligation	0	42,361	0	0	42,361
Special Purposes-Operations	0	0	1,127,038	23,491	1,150,529
Unassigned	<u>185,801</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>185,801</u>
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$195,945</u>	<u>\$42,361</u>	<u>\$1,127,163</u>	<u>\$23,491</u>	<u>\$1,388,960</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	<u>\$229,084</u>	<u>\$55,257</u>	<u>\$1,127,163</u>	<u>\$23,491</u>	<u>\$1,434,995</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Position
December 31, 2014

Total Fund Balance for the Governmental Funds at December 31, 2014	\$1,388,960
Total Net Position reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of Net Position is different because:	
Capital Assets used in Governmental Activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the fund. Those assets consist of:	
Capital Assets,	
Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>422,699</u>
Total Net Position of Governmental Activities at December 31, 2014	<u>\$1,811,659</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Governmental Funds
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Major Funds			Non-Major Fund	Total
	General Fund	Title IV-D Fund	Sales Tax Fund	Worthless Check Fund	
REVENUES:					
Taxes-					
Sales & Use	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 434,519	\$ 0	\$ 434,519
Charges for Services	93,427	0	0	17,026	110,453
Intergovernmental-					
Federal Grants	0	279,504	0	0	279,504
State Grants	30,359	0	0	0	30,359
Miscellaneous	919	0	0	24	943
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 124,705</u>	<u>\$279,504</u>	<u>\$ 434,519</u>	<u>\$ 17,050</u>	<u>\$ 855,778</u>
EXPENDITURES:					
Current-					
General Government-					
Personnel Services & Related Benefits	\$ 556,193	\$260,140	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 816,333
Operating Expenses	162,051	3,185	0	831	166,067
Materials & Supplies	24,115	5,301	0	0	29,416
Travel & Other Charges	7,338	5,472	0	0	12,810
Capital Expenditures	<u>2,296</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2,296</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 751,993</u>	<u>\$274,098</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 831</u>	<u>\$1,026,922</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	<u>\$(627,288)</u>	<u>\$ 5,406</u>	<u>\$ 434,519</u>	<u>\$ 16,219</u>	<u>\$ (171,144)</u>
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES):					
Operating Transfers In	\$ 600,000	\$ 175	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 600,175
Operating Transfers Out	<u>(175)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(600,000)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(600,175)</u>
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	<u>\$ 599,825</u>	<u>\$ 175</u>	<u>\$ (600,000)</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ (27,463)	\$ 5,581	\$ (165,481)	\$ 16,219	\$ (171,144)
Fund Balances-Beginning of Year	<u>223,409</u>	<u>36,780</u>	<u>1,292,643</u>	<u>7,272</u>	<u>1,560,104</u>
Fund Balances-End of Year	<u>\$ 195,946</u>	<u>\$ 42,361</u>	<u>\$1,127,162</u>	<u>\$ 23,491</u>	<u>\$1,388,960</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures
and Changes in Fund Balances of the Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

Net Change in Fund Balances-Governmental Funds \$(171,144)

The Change in Net Position reported for Governmental Activities
in the Statement of Activities is different because:

Governmental Funds report Capital Outlays as expenditures.
However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of these
assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as
depreciation expense.

The cost of capital assets recorded in the current period is 2,296

Depreciation Expense on Capital Assets is reported in the
Government-wide Financial Statements, but does not
require the use of current financial resources and is not
reported in the Fund Financial Statements.

Current year depreciation expense is (52,465)

Total changes in Net Position at December 31, 2014,
per Statement of Activities \$(221,313)

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Statement of Fiduciary Assets and Liabilities
Fiduciary Fund
December 31, 2014

	Asset Forfeiture <u>Fund</u>
ASSETS:	
Cash	<u>\$10,675</u>
LIABILITIES:	
Due to Other Governments	<u>\$10,675</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2014

Introduction:

The Eleventh Judicial District is comprised of the parish of Sabine, Louisiana. As provided by Article V, Section 26 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, the District Attorney has charge of criminal prosecution by the State in his district, is the representative of the State before the grand jury in his district, and is legal advisor to the grand jury. He performs other duties as provided by law. The District Attorney is elected by the qualified electors of the judicial district for a term of six years.

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

A. Reporting Entity-

Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 14 established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. The basic criterion for including a potential component unit within the reporting entity is financial accountability. For financial reporting purposes, in conformance with GASB Statement No. 14, the District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District includes all funds that are within the oversight responsibility of the District Attorney. Oversight responsibility is determined on the basis of appointment of governing organization's relationship with the primary government. Based on consideration of the foregoing criteria, the District Attorney is deemed to be a separate reporting entity. Certain units of local government over which the District Attorney exercises no oversight responsibility, such as the parish police juries, parish school boards, other independently-elected officials, and municipalities within the parishes, are excluded from the accompanying financial statements. These units of government are considered separate reporting entities and issue financial statements separate from those of the District Attorney.

B. Basis of Presentation-

Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities report information about the reporting government as a whole. They include all funds of the reporting entity except for the fiduciary funds. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities generally are financed through fees and charges, intergovernmental revenues, and other non-exchange revenues.

The Statement of Activities presents a comparison between direct expenses and program revenues for each function of the District Attorney's governmental activities. Direct expenses are those that are specifically associated with a program or function. Program revenues include (a) fees and charges paid by the recipient for goods or services offered by the program, and (b) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular program. Revenues that are not classified as program revenues are presented as general revenues.

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C. Fund Accounting-

The accounts of the District Attorney are organized on the basis of funds. A fund is an independent fiscal and accounting entity with a separate set of self-balancing accounts. Fund accounting segregates funds according to their intended purpose and is used to aid management in demonstrating compliance with finance-related legal and contractual provisions. The minimum number of funds maintained is consistent with legal and managerial requirements.

The District Attorney maintains five funds. They are categorized as governmental funds and a fiduciary fund. The emphasis on fund financial statements is on major governmental and enterprise funds; each displayed in a separate column. The District Attorney considers all governmental funds to be major funds, except the Worthless Check Fund.

The funds of the District Attorney are described below:

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds account for the District Attorney's general activities, including the collection and disbursement of specific or legally restricted monies, and the acquisition of general fixed assets. Governmental funds of the District Attorney include:

General Fund

The General Fund was established in compliance with Louisiana Revised Statute 15:571.11, which provides that a percentage of the fines collected and bonds forfeited be transmitted to the District Attorney to defray the necessary expenditures of his office.

Special Revenue Funds

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Title IV-D

The Title IV-D Fund accounts for receipt and expenditure of federal reimbursement grants passed through the Louisiana Department of Social Services, authorized by Act 117 of 1975, to establish family and child support programs compatible with Title IV-D of the social security act. The purpose of the program is to enforce the support obligation owed by absent parents to their families and children, to locate absent parents, to establish paternity, and to obtain family and child support.

Sales Tax Fund

The Sales Tax Fund accounts for the collection of 1/8% sales and use tax used for the operations of the District Attorney.

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Worthless Check

The Worthless Check Collection Fee Fund accounts for revenues derived from the fees collected in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 16:15, which provides for a specific fee whenever the District Attorney's office collects and processes a worthless check. Expenditures from this fund are at the sole discretion of the District Attorney and may be used to defray the salaries and the expenses of the Office of the District Attorney but may not be used to supplement the salary of the District Attorney.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary Funds are used to account for assets held by the District Attorney in a trustee capacity or as an agent for individuals, private organizations, other governments, and/or other funds. Fiduciary Funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party and cannot be used to address activities of the District Attorney, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

D. Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting-

Basis of accounting refers to when revenues or expenditures/expenses are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. It relates to the timing of the measurements made regardless of the measurement focus applied.

Accrual Basis - Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The Statement of Net Position and the Statement of Activities display information about the District Attorney's office as a whole. Both of these statements have been prepared using the economic measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets, and liabilities resulting from exchange and exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange takes place.

Modified Accrual Basis - Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. Governmental fund types use the flow of current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual; i.e., when they are both measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The District Attorney considers all revenues "available" if collected within 60 days after year-end. Expenditures are generally recorded under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related liability is incurred. The exceptions to this general rule are that (1) unmatured principal and interest on long-term debt, if any, are recorded when due and (2) claims and judgments and compensated absences are recorded as expenditures when paid with expendable available financial resources.

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Notes to Financial Statements
December 31, 2014

E. Cash and Interest-Bearing Deposits-

For purposes of the Statement of Net Position, cash and cash equivalents include all interest-bearing and demand accounts of the District Attorney.

F. Capital Assets-

Capital assets, which include property, plant, and equipment, are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The District Attorney maintains a threshold level of \$1,000 or more for capitalizing assets.

The costs of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of that asset or materially extend the life of that asset are not capitalized.

Depreciation of all exhaustible capital assets is recorded as an expense in the Statement of Activities, with accumulated depreciation reflected in the Statement of Net Position. Depreciation is provided over the assets' estimated useful lives using the straight-line method of depreciation.

The range of useful lives by type of asset is as follows:

Building and Building Improvements	10-40 years
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment	5 years
Vehicles	5 years

In the fund financial statements, capital assets used in governmental fund operations are accounted for as capital expenditures of the governmental fund upon acquisition.

G. Equity Classifications-

In the government-wide statements, equity is classified as net position and displayed in three components:

- a. Net investment in capital assets - consists of the capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- b. Restricted net position - consists of net resources with constraints placed on their use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provision or enabling legislation.
- c. Unrestricted net position - all other net resources that do not meet the definition of "restricted" or "net investment in capital assets".

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When an expense is incurred for the purposes for which both restricted and unrestricted net position is available, management applies unrestricted resources first, unless a determination is made to use restricted resources. The policy concerning which to apply first varies with the intended use and legal requirements. This decision is typically made by management at the incurrence of the expense.

In the fund statements, governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. The following classifications describe the relative strength of the spending constraints placed on the purposes for which resources can be used:

- a. Nonspendable fund balance - amounts that are not in a spendable form (such as prepaid expenses) or are required to be maintained intact;
- b. Restricted fund balance - amounts constrained to specific purposes by their providers (such as grantors, bondholders, and higher levels of government), through constitutional provisions, or by enabling legislation;
- c. Committed fund balance - amounts constrained to specific purposes by a government itself, using its highest level of decision-making authority; to be reported as committed, amounts cannot be used for any other purpose unless the government takes the same highest level action to remove or change the constraint;
- d. Assigned fund balance - amounts a government intends to use for a specific purpose; intent can be expressed by the governing body or by an official or body to which the governing body delegates the authority;
- e. Unassigned fund balance - amounts that are available for any purpose; positive amounts are reported only in the general fund.

The General Fund has an unassigned fund balance of \$185,801. If applicable, the District Attorney would typically use restricted fund balances first, followed by committed resources and assigned resources as appropriate opportunities arise, but reserves the right to selectively spend unassigned resources first and to defer the use of these other classified funds.

H. Estimates-

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statement and the reported amounts of revenue, expenditures, and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

I. Budget-

Prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, the District Attorney adopts a budget for the next fiscal year for its general and all special revenue funds. The budgets are open for public inspection. All budgetary appropriations lapse at the end of the fiscal year. The budgets are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting.

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2. Cash and Cash Equivalents:

The cash and cash equivalents of the District Attorney are subject to the following risk:

Custodial Credit Risk: Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, the District Attorney will not be able to recover its deposits. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal or exceed the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the District Attorney that the fiscal agent bank has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand. Further, Louisiana Revised Statute 39:1224 states that securities held by a third party shall be deemed to be held in the District Attorney's name.

Interest Rate Risk. This is the risk that changes in market interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the sensitivity is its fair value to changes in market interest rates. The District Attorney does not have a formal investment policy that limits investment maturities as a means of managing its exposure to fair value losses arising from increasing interest rates. However, as a means of offsetting exposure to interest rate risk, the District Attorney diversifies its investments by security type and institution.

Cash and investments are held separately by each of the District Attorney's funds. At December 31, 2014, cash and investments totaled \$1,362,146 (book balances). Bank account and investment balances at December 31, 2014, totaled \$1,375,648. Of this amount, \$356,266 was insured by federal depository insurance and \$1,019,382 was secured by government and pledged securities.

Cash and cash equivalents held at December 31, 2014 include \$522,047 invested with the Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP), a local government investment pool. The Louisiana Asset Management Pool is administered by LAMP, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Only local government entities having contracted to participate in LAMP have an investment interest in its pool of assets.

The primary objective of LAMP is to provide a safe environment for the placement of public funds in short term, high quality investments. The LAMP portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LSA-R.S. 33:2955.

The dollar weighted average portfolio maturity of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days. LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to their account balances. The investments in LAMP are stated at fair value based upon quoted market rates. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the value of the pool shares.

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LAMP, Inc. is subject to the regulatory oversight of the state treasurer and the board of directors. LAMP is not registered with the SEC as an investment company. LAMP is rated AAA by Standard & Poors.

3. Compensated Absences:

Full-time employees earn ten days of vacation and sick leave annually. Vacation and sick leave may not be accumulated and there are no vesting privileges. Therefore, no accrual is made for compensated absences payable.

4. Interfund Transactions:

Legally authorized transfers are treated as interfund transfers and are included in the results of operations of the governmental funds. Transfers are primarily used to move operation monies to and from various funds. Interfund operating transfers are summarized as follows:

	<u>Operating Transfers In</u>	<u>Operating Transfer Out</u>
General Fund	\$600,000	\$ 175
Special Revenue Funds-		
IV-D Fund	175	0
Sales Tax	<u>0</u>	<u>600,000</u>
Total	<u>\$600,175</u>	<u>\$600,175</u>

5. Capital Assets:

Capital asset balances and activity for the year ended December 31, 2014, is as follows:

<u>Governmental Activities</u>	<u>Balance 1-1-14</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance 12-31-14</u>
Capital Assets Depreciated:				
Buildings & Improvements	\$901,033	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$901,033
Vehicles	14,629	0	0	14,629
Office Furniture, Equipment	<u>35,827</u>	<u>2,296</u>	<u>(3,729)</u>	<u>34,394</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$951,489</u>	<u>\$ 2,296</u>	<u>\$(3,729)</u>	<u>\$950,056</u>
Accumulated Depreciation:				
Buildings & Improvements	\$434,164	\$ 50,009	\$ 0	\$484,173
Vehicles	14,629	0	0	14,629
Office Furniture, Equipment	<u>29,828</u>	<u>2,456</u>	<u>(3,729)</u>	<u>28,555</u>
Total Depreciation	<u>\$478,621</u>	<u>\$ 52,465</u>	<u>\$(3,729)</u>	<u>\$527,357</u>
Net Capital Assets	<u>\$472,868</u>	<u>\$(50,169)</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$422,699</u>

Depreciation expense of \$52,465 was charged to the judicial function.

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6. Receivables:

The following is a summary of receivables at December 31, 2014:

<u>Class of Receivable</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>IV-D Fund</u>	<u>Sales Tax Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Taxes	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$41,187	\$41,187
Charges for Services	9,328	0	0	9,328
Intergovernmental Revenues	<u>0</u>	<u>22,740</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>22,740</u>
Total	<u>\$9,328</u>	<u>\$22,740</u>	<u>\$41,187</u>	<u>\$73,255</u>

7. Pension Plan:

District Attorney's Retirement System (DARS)

Plan Description-The District Attorney and assistant District Attorneys are members of the Louisiana District Attorneys Retirement System (System), a cost-sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a separate board of trustees. Assistant District Attorneys who earn, as a minimum, the amounts paid by the state for assistant district attorneys and are under the age of 60 at the time of original employment and all district attorneys are required to participate in the System. For members who joined the System before July 1, 1990, and who elected not to be covered by the new provision, the following applies: Any member with 23 or more years of creditable service regardless of age may retire with a 3 percent benefit reduction for each year below age 55, provided that no reduction is applied if the member has 30 or more years of service. Any member with at least 18 years of service may retire at age 55 with a 3 percent benefit reduction for each year below age 60. In addition, any member with at least 10 years of service may retire at age 60 with a 3 percent benefit reduction for each year retiring below the age of 62. The retirement benefit is equal to 3 percent of the member's average final compensation multiplied by the number of years of their membership service, not to exceed 100 percent of their average final compensation.

Retirement Benefits-For members who joined the System after July 1, 1990, or who elected to be covered by the new provisions, the following applies: Members are eligible to receive normal retirement benefits if they are age 60 and have 10 years of service credit, are age 55 and have 24 years of service credit, or have 30 years of service credit regardless of age. The normal retirement benefit is equal to 3.5 percent of the member's final-average compensation multiplied by years of membership service. A member is eligible for early retirement if he is age 55 and has 18 years of service credit. The early retirement benefit is equal to the normal retirement benefit reduced 3 percent for each year the member retires in advance of normal retirement age. Benefits may not exceed 100 percent of average final compensation. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established or amended by state statute.

The System issues a publicly available annual financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Louisiana District Attorneys Retirement System, 2109 Decatur Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70116-2091, or by calling (225) 947-5551.

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Funding Policy- Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 8 percent of their annual covered salary and the District Attorney is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. Starting in July 2014 the employer rate decreased from 9.75 to 7.00 percent. Contributions to the System also include .2 percent of the ad valorem taxes collected throughout the state and revenue sharing funds as appropriated by the legislature. The contribution requirements of plan members and the District Attorney are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The District Attorney's contributions to the System for the years ending December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012, were \$14,170, \$17,262, and \$16,368, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

Parochial Employees Retirement System (PERS)

Substantially all employees of the District Attorney are members of the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana, a multiple-employer retirement system (PERS), controlled and administered by a separate board of trustees. The System is composed of two distinct plans, Plan A and Plan B, with separate assets and benefit provisions. All employees of the District Attorney are members of Plan A.

All permanent employees working at least 28 hours per week who are paid wholly or in part from District funds are eligible to participate in the System. As of January 1, 1997, elected officials, except coroners and justices of the peace, may no longer join the retirement system. Those elected officials enrolled as of January 1, 1997, will maintain membership as long as they hold office. Justices of the Peace have an option to join at any time within twelve months of taking the oath of office. Coroners may join at any time on a current basis and now have the option of purchasing prior service as coroners at actuarial cost. Under Plan A, employees hired prior to January 1, 2007 who retire at or after age 65 with at least 7 years of creditable service, at or after age 60 with at least 10 years of creditable service, at or after age 55 with at least 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with at least 30 years of creditable service and employees hired January 1, 2007 and later who retire at or after age 67 with at least 7 years of creditable service, at or after age 62 with at least 10 years of creditable service, or at or after age 55 with at least 30 years of creditable service are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life, equal to 3 percent of their final-average compensation for each year of creditable service.

However, for those employees who were members of the supplemental plan only prior to January 1, 1980, the benefit is equal to one percent of final average salary plus \$24 for each year of supplemental-plan-only service earned prior to January 1, 1980. Final average compensation shall be defined as the average of the highest consecutive thirty-six month salary for members hired prior to January 1, 2007. Form members hired January 1, 2007 and later, final average compensation shall be defined as the average of the highest consecutive sixty month salary. Employees who terminate with at least the amount of creditable service stated above and do not withdraw their employee contributions may retire at the ages specified above and receive the benefit accrued to their date of termination. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Parochial Employees' Retirement System, P. O. Box 14619, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-4619, or by calling (225) 928-1361.

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Under Plan A, members are required by state statute to contribute 9.5 percent of their annual covered salary and the District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 16.00 percent of annual covered payroll. Contributions to the System also include one-fourth of one percent (except Orleans and East Baton Rouge Parishes) of the taxes shown to be collectible by the tax rolls of each parish. These tax dollars are divided between Plan A and Plan B based proportionately on the salaries of the active members of each plan. The contribution requirements of plan members and the District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation for the prior fiscal year. The District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District's contributions to the System under Plan A for the years ending December 31, 2014, 2013, and 2012, were \$54,725, \$53,403, and \$48,780, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

8. Defined Contribution Retirement Plan:

The District Attorney provides a 457b plan to full-time employees that have been employed with the District Attorney for at least three months. Employees may contribute up to \$2,500 annually. The District will match one-half of the employees' contributions. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the District's contribution amount was \$22,203. The District does not guarantee the benefits provided by the defined contribution retirement plan.

9. Changes in Fiduciary Fund – Agency Fund:

The following is a summary of the change in the agency fund's unsettled balance for the year ended December 31, 2014:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Balance 01-01-14</u>	<u>Additions</u>	<u>Deletions</u>	<u>Balance 12-31-14</u>
Forfeiture Fund	<u>\$10,675</u>	<u>\$24,178</u>	<u>\$24,178</u>	<u>\$10,675</u>

10. Accounts, Salaries and Other Payables

The current liabilities of District Attorney at December 31, 2014, are as follows:

<u>Class of Payable</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Title IV Fund</u>	<u>Total</u>
Accounts Payable	\$13,888	\$ 456	\$14,344
Payroll Liabilities	<u>19,251</u>	<u>12,440</u>	<u>31,691</u>
Totals	<u>\$33,139</u>	<u>\$12,896</u>	<u>\$46,035</u>

11. Expenditures of the District Attorney Not Included in the Accompanying Financial Statements:

The accompanying financial statements do not include certain expenditures of the District Attorney paid by the Sabine Parish Police Jury or paid directly by the state. A portion of the salaries of the District Attorney and Assistant District Attorneys are paid directly by the state. The Sabine Parish police Jury pays certain other expenditures of the District Attorney.

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12. Litigation:

The District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District is a defendant in various lawsuits filed by inmates. Although the outcome of these lawsuits is not presently determinable, in the opinion of the District Attorney, the resolution of these matters will not have a material adverse effect on the financial condition of the Eleventh Judicial District Attorney.

13. Federal Financial Assistance Programs:

The District Attorney participates in the United States Department of Health and Human Services Support Enforcement, Title IV-D Program, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 93.563. This program is funded by indirect assistance payments, in the form of reimbursements of certain expenditures, received from the Louisiana Department of Social Services. For the year ended December 31, 2014, the District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District expended \$274,098 in reimbursement payments.

The reimbursement payments are restricted by a formal agreement between the District Attorney and Department of Social Services and include a budget of expected expenditures for each fiscal year ending June 30. The District Attorney submits reimbursement requests to the Department of Social Services on a monthly basis.

The reimbursement payments may be subjected to further review and audit by the federal grantor agency. No provision has been made in the financial statements for the reimbursement of any expenditures that may be disallowed as a result of such a review or audit.

14. Post-Employment Benefits

The District Attorney does not provide any post-employment benefits; therefore, no disclosure for GASB 45 is required.

15. Subsequent Events:

Management has evaluated events through June 10, 2015, the date which the financial statements were available for issue. There were no items to be reported as subsequent events.

OTHER REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
General Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Budget		Actual	Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
REVENUES:				
Charges for Services	\$115,000	\$ 80,000	\$ 93,427	\$ 13,427
Intergovernmental-				
State Grants	30,000	30,000	30,359	359
Miscellaneous	<u>4,500</u>	<u>1,500</u>	<u>919</u>	<u>(581)</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$149,500</u>	<u>\$111,500</u>	<u>\$ 124,705</u>	<u>\$ 13,205</u>
EXPENDITURES:				
Current-				
General Government-				
Personnel Services & Benefits	\$ 535,000	\$ 560,000	\$ 556,193	\$ 3,807
Operating Expenses	152,000	160,000	162,051	(2,051)
Materials & Supplies	26,000	25,000	24,115	885
Travel & Other Charges	5,500	5,500	7,338	(1,838)
Capital Expenditures	<u>1,500</u>	<u>1,000</u>	<u>2,296</u>	<u>(1,296)</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 720,000</u>	<u>\$ 751,500</u>	<u>\$ 751,993</u>	<u>\$ (493)</u>
Deficiency of Revenues over Expenditures	\$(570,500)	\$(640,000)	\$(627,288)	\$12,712
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES/(USES):				
Operating Transfers In	620,000	620,000	600,000	(20,000)
Operating Transfers Out	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(175)</u>	<u>(175)</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ 49,500	\$ (20,000)	\$ (27,463)	\$ (7,463)
Fund Balance-Beginning of Year	<u>223,409</u>	<u>223,409</u>	<u>223,409</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balance-End of Year	<u>\$ 272,909</u>	<u>\$ 203,409</u>	<u>\$ 195,946</u>	<u>\$ (7,463)</u>

See notes to financial statements.

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Title IV-D Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	Budget		Actual	Variance- Favorable (Unfavorable)
	Original	Final		
REVENUES:				
Intergovernmental-				
Federal Grants	\$240,000	\$265,000	\$279,504	\$14,504
EXPENDITURES:				
Current-				
General Government-				
Personnel Services & Benefits	\$230,000	\$270,000	\$260,140	\$ 9,860
Operating Expenses	12,000	4,000	3,185	815
Materials & Supplies	5,000	5,000	5,301	(301)
Travel & Other Charges	<u>2,500</u>	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,472</u>	<u>(472)</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$249,500</u>	<u>\$284,000</u>	<u>\$274,098</u>	<u>\$ 9,902</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues over Expenditures	\$ (9,500)	\$ (19,000)	\$ 5,406	\$24,406
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:				
Operating Transfers In	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>175</u>	<u>175</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Sources over Expenditures and Other Uses	\$ (9,500)	\$ (19,000)	\$ 5,581	\$24,581
Fund Balance-Beginning of Year	<u>36,780</u>	<u>36,780</u>	<u>36,780</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balance-End of Year	<u>\$ 27,280</u>	<u>\$ 17,780</u>	<u>\$ 42,361</u>	<u>\$24,581</u>

See notes to financial statements.

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Sales Tax Fund
Budgetary Comparison Schedule
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

	<u>Budget</u>		<u>Actual</u>	Variance- Favorable <u>(Unfavorable)</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
REVENUES:				
Taxes-				
Sales & Use	\$ <u>440,000</u>	\$ <u>420,000</u>	\$ <u>434,519</u>	\$ <u>14,519</u>
OTHER FINANCING USES:				
Operating Transfers Out	<u>(600,000)</u>	<u>(600,000)</u>	<u>(600,000)</u>	<u>0</u>
Deficiency of Revenues over Other Financing Uses	\$ <u>(160,000)</u>	\$ <u>(180,000)</u>	\$ <u>(165,481)</u>	\$ <u>14,519</u>
Fund Balance-Beginning of Year	<u>1,292,643</u>	<u>1,292,643</u>	<u>1,292,643</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balance-End of Year	<u>\$1,132,643</u>	<u>\$1,112,643</u>	<u>\$1,127,162</u>	<u>\$14,519</u>

See notes to financial statements.

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to
Agency Head or Chief Executive Officer
For the Year Ended December 31, 2014

Agency Head Name: Don Burkett, District Attorney

<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Salary	\$116,250
Benefits-Retirement	12,214
Cell phone	300
Conferences & Travel	1,765
Other Reimbursements	<u>1,516</u>
Total	<u>\$132,045</u>

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH *GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS*

To the Honorable Don Burkett, District Attorney
Eleventh Judicial District
P. O. Box 1557
Many, LA 71449

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the *Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide*, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, the fiduciary fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information as of and for the year ended December 31, 2014, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District of Louisiana (District Attorney) basic financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated June 10, 2015.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the District Attorney's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the District's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the District Attorney's internal control.

A *deficiency in internal control* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material

weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the District Attorney's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests did not disclose any instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose. However, this report is a matter of public record and its distribution is not limited. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 25:513, this report is distributed by the Louisiana Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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Natchitoches, Louisiana

June 10, 2015

District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District
Schedule of Audit Results
Year Ended December 31, 2014

I. Summary of Audit Results

1. The auditor's report expresses an unmodified opinion on the financial statements of the District Attorney of the Eleventh Judicial District.
2. There were no significant deficiencies noted in internal control during the audit of the financial statements.
3. There were no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

II. Findings in Accordance with Governmental Auditing Standards

None.

III. Prior Year Findings

13-01 Compliance with Local Government Budget Act

Condition - For the year ended December 31, 2013, in the Title IV-D Fund and the Sales Tax Fund, actual revenues were less than budgeted revenues by more than the 5% variance allowed, and also in the Sales Tax Fund, expenditures were more than budgeted expenditures by more than the 5% variance allowed.

Status - This finding was cleared at December 31, 2014.