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The Honorable Phil Berger, Senate President Pro Tempore
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Dear Senators and Representatives,

Pursuant to Sec. 18.1 of SL 2011-145, the Judicial Department is required to report on federal grant funds received or preapproved for receipt. The Office of Indigent Defense Services has received only one direct federal grant. While the original award was in 2010, since the grant extended into the current fiscal year we are reporting it at this time.

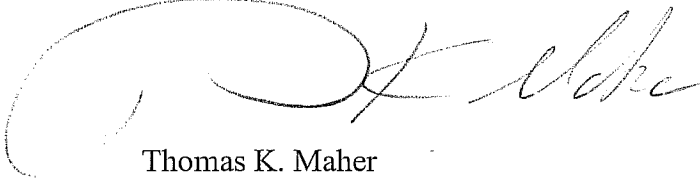
Award 2010-CP-BX-0002 in 2010 awarded \$198,364 to the Judicial Branch, under BJA FY10 Capital Case Litigation Initiative. These funds were awarded jointly to the Office of Indigent Defense Services and the Conference of District Attorneys to increase the number of attorneys trained in procedures for handling capital cases. Funds were allocated to provide training between October 1, 2010 and September 30, 2012.

The share of these funds allocated to the Office of Indigent Defense Services have been used to pay travel and training expenses (room rentals, A/V and computer equipment, postage, supplies and copying, CLE processing) for five training events. The last training is scheduled for September 19th.

No state match funds were required or used for this grant and there are no continuing obligations on the Office of Indigent Defense Services.

Please let me know if I you need additional information about this grant.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Thomas K. Maher', with a large, sweeping flourish on the left side.

Thomas K. Maher
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