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Honorable Michael J. Waller Lake County State's Attorney Lake County Courthouse 18 North County Street Waukegan, Illinois 60085

Dear State's Attorney Waller:

The Board of Governors of the State's Attorneys Appellate Prosecutor has voted not to increase your county contribution for this fiscal year. Thus, your county contribution for FY09 will be the same as FY08. The amount due from your county is listed on the enclosed billing statement.

In consideration of your contribution, our Agency is ready to serve you in the following areas:

- 1. Criminal and civil appeals;
- 2. Assistance at trial and appeal of tax objection cases;
- 3. Labor matters arising under the Illinois Public Labor Relations Act;
- 4. Specialized service by our Local Drug Prosecution Support Unit to assist in research, trial, and appeal of drug cases with a particular emphasis on asset tracking and forfeiture; and
- 5. Comprehensive training programs provided by our Continuing Legal Education Division for prosecutors, consisting of specialized seminars, case law, and the Uniform Complaint Book available in hard copy and/or CD-ROM format.

In addition, attorneys employed by our Agency are allowed to assist State's Attorneys, upon request, with trial level prosecution. The law also allows our attorneys to act as Special Prosecutors if duly appointed to do so by the Court. Therefore, if a conflict of interest arises in your office, and an independent, detached review and prosecution by outside counsel is appropriate, our Special Prosecution Unit can assist you.

For your use and convenience, I am enclosing a sample resolution to be presented to your county board for consideration. When the enclosed resolution is approved, or one similar to it, please return an executed copy to our office.

Let me know if you require a Deputy Director, the Assistant Director, or me to appear before your county board. I want to thank you for your interest in our Agency's program, and I look forward to working with you in the upcoming year.

Very truly yours,

Patrick J. Delfino

Interim Director

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