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FOR THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
A COMPONENT UNIT OF THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For the Years Ended June 30, 2011 and 2010
Fiscal Years Audited Under GAGAS: 2011 and 2010

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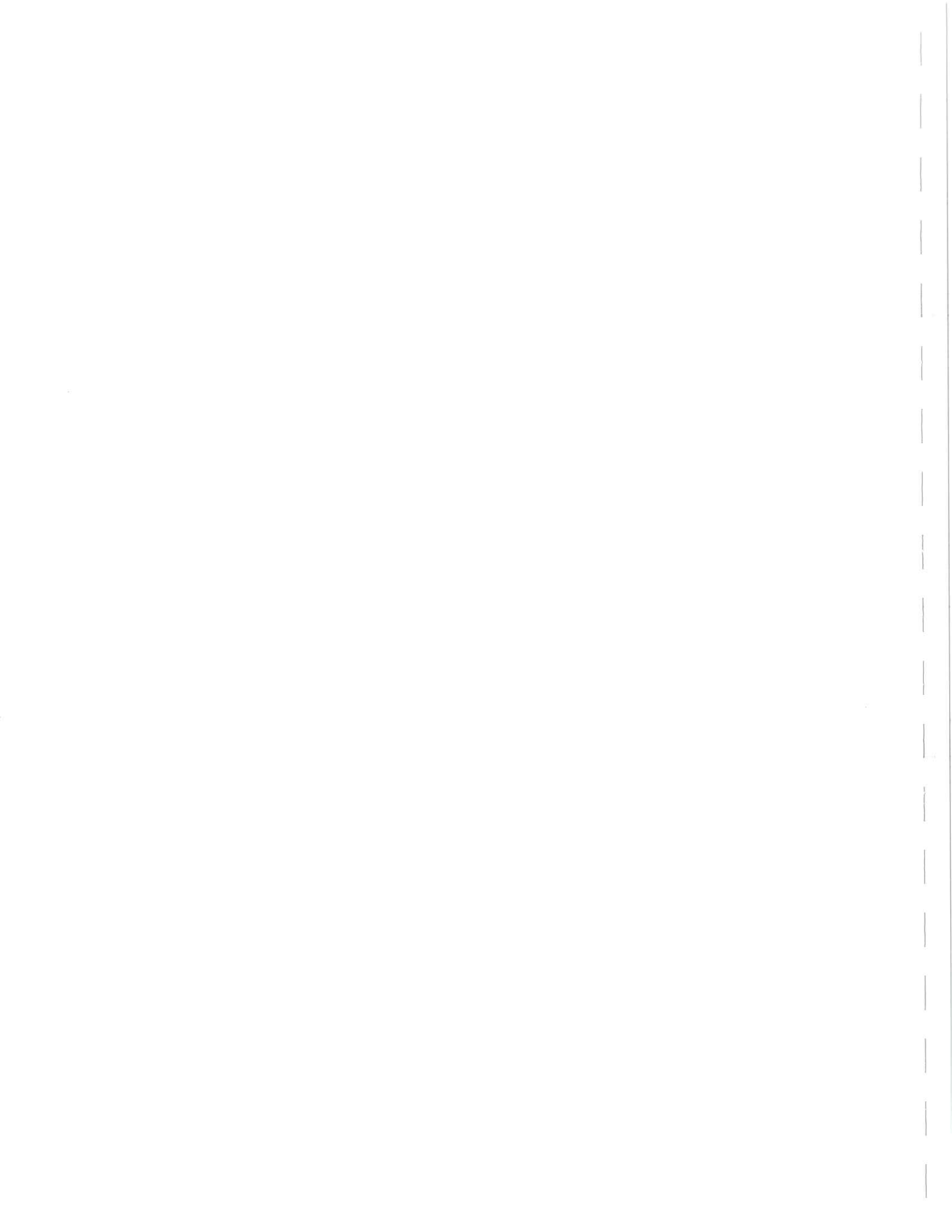
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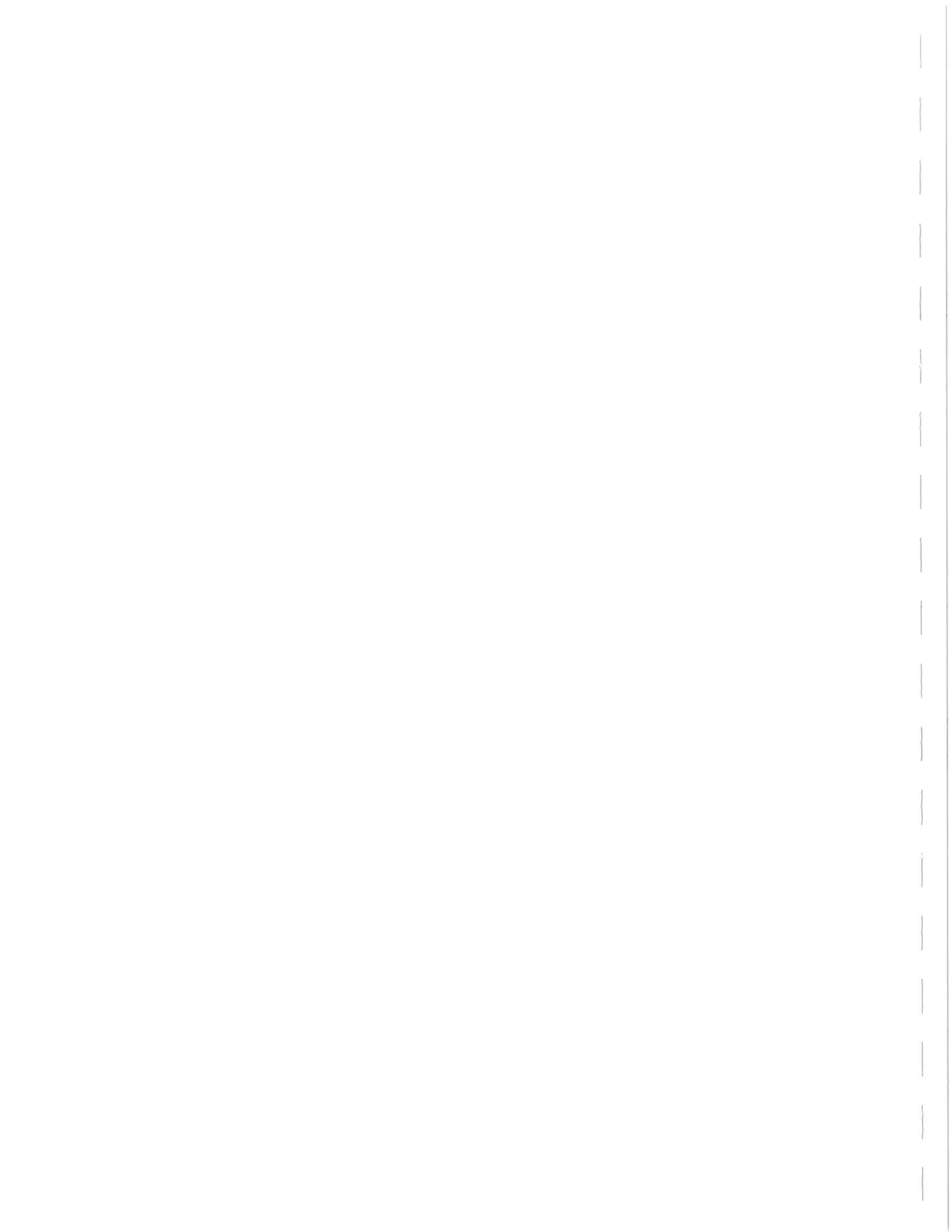
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Independent Auditor's Report

Honorable Members of the Board
Public Defender Corporation
Fifteenth Judicial Circuit
Clarksburg, WV 26301

We have audited the basic financial statements of Public Defender Corporation for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, (the Corporation), a component unit of the State of West Virginia as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Corporation's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. The financial statements of the Corporation as of June 30, 2010 were audited by other auditors whose report dated August 18, 2010 expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

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 the Comptroller General of the United States' *Government Auditing Standards*. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to reasonably assure whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Public Defender Corporation for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit as of June 30, 2011, and the change in financial position and cash flow, thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 25, 2011, on our consideration of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting and our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements and other matters. While we did not opine on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance, that report describes the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*. You should read it in conjunction with this report in assessing the results of our audit.

Honorable Members of the Board
Public Defender Corporation for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit
Independent Auditor's Report

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require this presentation to include *Management's discussion and analysis*, as listed in the table of contents, to supplement the basic financial statements. Although this information is not part of the basic financial statements, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board considers it essential for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information 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 information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any other assurance.



Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc.
August 25, 2011

PUBLIC DEFENDER CORPORATION
FOR THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION & ANALYSIS
YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 and 2010
(Unaudited)

This discussion and analysis of the Public Defender Corporation of the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of the State of West Virginia financial performance provides an overview of the Corporation's financial activities for the fiscal years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, and identifies changes in the Corporation's financial position.

Overview of Basic Financial Statements

These statements are in two parts – *management's discussion and analysis* (this section) and the *basic financial statements*. The Corporation's financial statements are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting and are reported in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. These statements include the *statements of net assets*, the *statements of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets*, the *statements of cash flows* and the notes to the financial statements.

The *statement of net assets* presents the Corporation's assets, liabilities and net assets as of the financial statements date. Through this presentation one can decipher the health of the Corporation by taking the difference between the assets and liabilities. An increase or decrease in the Corporation's net assets from one year to the next is an indicator of whether its financial health is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in net assets* reports revenues and expenses when earned or incurred. This means that all of the current year's revenues and expenses are included regardless of when cash is paid or received, thus providing a view of financial position that is similar to that presented by most private-sector companies. This statement summarizes the cost of providing legal defense services to those individuals charged with a violation of the law but who cannot afford an attorney to defend themselves or to represent indigent persons or juveniles and mental hygiene cases as appointed by the court.

Financial Analysis of the Corporation

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
Assets			
Capital assets	\$ 6,088	\$ 6,620	\$ 4,344
Other assets	386,484	290,074	219,733
Total assets	<u>\$ 392,572</u>	<u>\$ 296,694</u>	<u>\$ 224,077</u>
Liabilities			
Long-term liabilities	\$ 273,823	\$ 188,384	\$ 59,647
Short-term liabilities	52,892	52,140	46,669
Total liabilities	<u>326,715</u>	<u>240,524</u>	<u>106,316</u>
Net Assets			
Invested in capital assets	6,088	6,620	4,344
Unrestricted	59,769	49,550	113,417
Total liabilities and net assets	<u>\$ 392,572</u>	<u>\$ 296,694</u>	<u>\$ 224,077</u>

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The Corporation's revenues are derived from funding from West Virginia Public Defender Services (WVPDS) and accordingly 99% of the Corporation's revenues were derived from this funding for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009.

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
Operating revenue	\$ 1,191,252	\$ 1,095,600	\$ 1,088,486
Operating expenses	<u>1,182,018</u>	<u>1,157,526</u>	<u>1,055,278</u>
Operating income (loss)	<u>\$ 9,234</u>	<u>\$ (61,926)</u>	<u>\$ 33,208</u>
Nonoperating revenue	<u>\$ 453</u>	<u>\$ 335</u>	<u>\$ 253</u>
Change in net assets	<u>9,687</u>	<u>(61,591)</u>	<u>33,461</u>
Net assets at beginning of year	<u>56,170</u>	<u>117,761</u>	<u>84,300</u>
Net assets at end of year	<u>\$ 65,857</u>	<u>\$ 56,170</u>	<u>\$ 117,761</u>

Detailed Financial Analysis of the Corporation

Cash held by the Corporation increased by approximately \$90,000 due to unexpended funds not used to pay the other post-employment benefit liability. Other post-employment benefit liability, included in long-term liabilities increased by approximately \$85,000, due to an increase in the rate charged by the Retiree Health Benefit Trust (RHBT) fund. All other assets and liabilities remained consistent with the prior period.

Operating revenues increased approximately \$107,000 due to increased funding from the WVPDS.

Operating expenses for the fiscal year increased by approximately \$25,000. This increase is mostly attributable to an increase in personal services of approximately \$18,000. The increase is also attributable to an increase in other expenses of approximately \$20,000 and a decrease in employee benefit expense of approximately \$18,000. All other expenditures remained consistent to the prior fiscal year.

Capital Asset and Debt Activity

As of June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009, the Corporation had capital assets amounting to approximately \$105,500, \$103,000, and \$102,000 respectively. The Corporation's capital assets include furniture and fixtures and computer equipment. The assets were being depreciated over useful lives of three to seven years. The accumulated depreciation on the assets amounted to approximately \$99,000, \$96,000, and \$97,000 respectively. There were no disposals during the current year.

Purchases of capital assets for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 totaled approximately \$2,500, \$4,500, and \$2,700 respectively.

The Corporation has no long term debt obligations other than the other post-employment benefit liability. More detailed information is presented in the notes to the financial statements.

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Cash Management

The Corporation's funds are deposited into a checking account at a national banking institution. The account earns interest at a rate of approximately .15% for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010 and 2009, respectively. Interest earned on the account for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 amounted to approximately \$453, \$335, and \$250, respectively.

Economic Factors and Next Year's Budget

The West Virginia Public Defender Services, the Corporation's oversight agency, looked at various factors when approving the budget for the year ending June 30, 2012. Such factors considered include: the Corporation's case load in comparison to the number of professional and nonprofessional staff, the type, amount and rate of employee benefits, the anticipation of large or unusual cases which require additional resources, capital needs, as well as the operating environment and its operation needs.

For the year ending June 30, 2012, the Corporation had an approved budget of \$1,121,845. This represents a budget decrease of approximately \$88,408 from the prior year. This decrease is attributable to expected OPEB expenses not being available at the time of submitting the budget. All other budgeted items are within a reasonable amount to the prior year.

Requests for Information

The financial report is designed to provide an overview of the finances of the Corporation for those with an interest in the organization. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or request for additional financial information should be addressed to the Corporation at Suite 600, Chase Center West, 215 South 3rd St, Clarksburg, WV 26301.

PUBLIC DEFENDER CORPORATION
FOR THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2011 AND 2010

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
ASSETS		
Current assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 376,344	\$ 287,036
Prepaid Expenses	<u>10,140</u>	<u>3,038</u>
Total current assets	<u>386,484</u>	<u>290,074</u>
Capital assets		
Computer Equipment	41,712	39,136
Furniture and fixtures	<u>63,600</u>	<u>63,600</u>
	105,312	102,736
Less accumulated depreciation	<u>(99,224)</u>	<u>(96,116)</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>6,088</u>	<u>6,620</u>
Total assets	<u>\$ 392,572</u>	<u>\$ 296,694</u>
LIABILITIES		
Current liabilities		
Accrued expenses	\$ 25,437	\$ 22,299
Compensated absences	<u>27,455</u>	<u>29,841</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>52,892</u>	<u>52,140</u>
Long term liabilities		
Other post employment benefit liability	<u>273,823</u>	<u>188,384</u>
Total long term liabilities	<u>273,823</u>	<u>188,384</u>
Total liabilities	<u>326,715</u>	<u>240,524</u>
NET ASSETS		
Invested in capital assets	6,088	6,620
Unrestricted	<u>59,769</u>	<u>49,550</u>
Total net assets	<u>\$ 65,857</u>	<u>\$ 56,170</u>

The Accompanying Notes Are An Integral Part of These Financial Statements

PUBLIC DEFENDER CORPORATION
FOR THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STATEMENTS OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 AND 2010

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
Operating revenues		
West Virginia Public Defender Services Grant Revenue	1,189,812	\$ 1,082,826
WVU Law Grant	<u>1,440</u>	<u>12,774</u>
 Total operating revenues	 <u>1,191,252</u>	 <u>1,095,600</u>
 Operating expenses		
Personal services	687,059	669,466
Employee benefits	342,549	360,533
Support services	15,899	8,009
Administrative support	13,251	15,421
Office	78,499	84,383
Other	32,081	11,877
Acquisition	9,572	5,592
Loss on disposal of capital assets	-	223
Depreciation	<u>3,108</u>	<u>2,022</u>
Total operating expenses	<u>1,182,018</u>	<u>1,157,526</u>
 Operating income (loss)	 9,234	 (61,926)
 Nonoperating revenues		
Interest income	<u>453</u>	<u>335</u>
Total nonoperating revenues	<u>453</u>	<u>335</u>
 CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	 9,687	 (61,591)
 Net assets, beginning of year	 <u>56,170</u>	 <u>117,761</u>
 Net assets, end of year	 <u>\$ 65,857</u>	 <u>\$ 56,170</u>

The Accompanying Notes Are An Integral Part of These Financial Statements

PUBLIC DEFENDER CORPORATION
FOR THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 AND 2010

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
Cash flows from operating activities		
Cash received from grants	\$ 1,191,252	\$ 1,095,600
Cash paid for expenses	<u>(1,099,821)</u>	<u>(1,021,073)</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>91,431</u>	<u>74,527</u>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Cash received as interest	453	335
Cash purchases of property and equipment	<u>(2,576)</u>	<u>(4,521)</u>
Net cash used by investing activities	<u>(2,123)</u>	<u>(4,186)</u>
 NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	 89,308	 70,341
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	<u>287,036</u>	<u>216,695</u>
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	<u>\$ 376,344</u>	<u>\$ 287,036</u>
 Reconciliation of operating income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:		
Operating income(loss)	\$ 9,234	\$ (61,926)
Adjustments:		
Depreciation	3,108	2,022
Decrease (increase) in operating assets		
Other assets	(7,102)	223
Increase (decrease) in operating liability		
Accrued expenses	3,138	2,691
Compensated absences	(2,386)	2,780
Other post employment benefit liability	<u>85,439</u>	<u>128,737</u>
Total adjustments	<u>82,197</u>	<u>136,453</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>\$ 91,431</u>	<u>\$ 74,527</u>

The Accompanying Notes Are An Integral Part of These Financial Statements

PUBLIC DEFENDER CORPORATION
FOR THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION

The Public Defender Corporation for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit (the 'Corporation') is a not-for-profit Corporation created under authority of Article 21, Chapter 29 of the West Virginia State Code. The Corporation is a discretely presented component unit of the State of West Virginia and is funded by West Virginia Public Defender Services. The purpose of the Corporation is to provide high quality legal assistance to indigent persons, at no cost, who would be otherwise unable to afford adequate legal counsel.

Approximately 90% of the Corporation's revenues are utilized for program related purposes and 10% are for management and general purposes.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Corporation have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board ("GASB"), including Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*. The financial statement presentation required by GASB Statements No. 34 provides a comprehensive, entity-wide perspective of the Corporation's assets, revenues, expenses, changes in net assets and cash flows.

The Corporation follows all GASB pronouncements as well as Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions and Accounting Research Bulletins issued on or before November 30, 1989, and has elected not to apply the FASB Statements and Interpretations issued after November 30, 1989, to its financial statements.

Reporting Entity

The Corporation is a component unit of the State of West Virginia and is funded by West Virginia Public Defender Services. The West Virginia Public Defender Services is part of the general fund of the state's comprehensive annual financial report. The Corporation is a separate entity and is considered a discretely presented component unit of the State of West Virginia.

Financial Statement Presentation

As required by GASB 34, the Corporation displays net assets in three components, if applicable: invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted, and unrestricted:

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Invested in capital assets

This represents the Corporation's total investment in capital assets, net of outstanding debt obligations related to those capital assets. To the extent debt has been incurred but not yet expended for capital assets, such amounts are not included as a component of invested in capital assets, net of related debt.

Restricted net assets

Restricted net assets are assets whose use or availability has been restricted and the restrictions limit the Corporation's ability to use the resources to pay current liabilities. When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the Corporation's policy to use restricted resources first, then unrestricted resources as needed.

Unrestricted net assets

Unrestricted net assets represent resources derived from state appropriations. These resources are used for transactions related to the providing of legal assistance to indigent persons, at no cost, who would otherwise be unable to afford adequate legal counsel, and may be used at the discretion of the board of directors to meet current expenses for any purpose.

Basis of Accounting

For financial accounting purposes, the Corporation is considered a special-purpose government engaged only in business-type activities. Accordingly, the Corporation's financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting with a flow of economic resources measurement focus. Revenues are reported when earned and expenses when materials or services are received.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of net assets, the Corporation considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less to be cash equivalents.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Capital Assets

Capital assets include furniture, fixtures and computer equipment. Capital assets are stated at cost at the date of acquisition or construction, or fair market value at the date of donation in the case of gifts. Depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the assets, generally 3 to 7 years. The Corporation's capitalization threshold is \$1,000. Depreciation expense for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$3,108 and \$2,022, respectively.

Compensated Absences and Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB)

Effective July 1, 2007, the Corporation adopted GASB Statement No. 45, *Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Postemployment Benefits Other Than Pensions*. This statement provides standards for the measurement, recognition, and display of other postemployment benefit ("OPEB") expenditures, assets, and liabilities, including applicable note disclosures and required supplementary information. During fiscal year 2006, House Bill No. 4654 was established to create a trust fund for postemployment benefits for the State of West Virginia (the "State"). Effective July 1, 2007, the Corporation was required to participate in this multiple employer cost-sharing plan, the West Virginia Retiree Health Benefit Trust Fund, sponsored by the State of West Virginia. The Plan provides the following retiree group insurance coverage to participants: medical and prescription drug coverage through a self-insured preferred provider benefit (PPB) plan and through external managed care organizations (MCOs), basic group life, accidental death, and prescription drug coverage for retired employees of the State and various related State and non-State agencies and their dependents. Details regarding this plan can be obtained by contacting Public Employees Insurance Agency ("PEIA"), State Capitol Complex, Building 5, Room 1001, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard, East, Charleston WV 25305-0710 or <http://www.wvpeia.com>.

This statement requires entities to accrue for employees' rights to receive compensation for vacation leave, or payments in lieu of accrued vacation or sick leave, as such benefits are earned and payment becomes probable.

Estimated obligations arise for vacation leave at the current rate of employee pay. Employees earn vacation leave based on years of service. Employees with less than 5 years of continuous full-time employment during any period earn 15 days per year. Employees with 5 years, but less than 10 years of full-time employment during any continuous 10-year period, earn 20 days per year, and employees with more than 10 years of full-time employment during any continuous period of 10 years or more, earn 25 days per year. Employees vest in a maximum of 35 days of unused vacation leave which is paid at the time of separation of employment.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Also, the Corporation grants sick leave based on time worked. Full-time employees earn 20 sick leave days for each year of service with no maximum accumulation. The Corporation does not accrue any liability for sick leave because no amount is paid at the time of separation of employment. The liability is now provided for under the multiple employer cost-sharing plan sponsored by the State.

The estimated expense and expense incurred for the vacation leave and OPEB benefits are recorded as a component of employee benefits on the statement of revenues, expenses and changes in net assets. OPEB costs are accrued based upon invoices received from RHBT Trust Fund based upon actuarial determined amounts. At June 30, 2011 and 2010, the noncurrent liability related to OPEB cost was \$273,823 and \$188,384. The total OPEB expense incurred was \$137,099 and \$152,484, which is included as a component of employee benefit expense. As of the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, there were no retirees receiving these benefits.

Risk Management

The State's Board of Risk and Insurance Management ("BRIM") provides general and liability coverage to the Corporation and its employees. Such coverage may be provided to the Corporation by BRIM through self-insurance programs maintained by BRIM or policies underwritten by BRIM that may involve experience-related premiums or adjustments to BRIM.

BRIM engages an independent actuary to assist in the determination of its premiums so as to minimize the likelihood of premium adjustments to the Corporation or other participants in BRIM's insurance programs. As a result, management does not expect significant differences between the premiums the Corporation is currently charged by BRIM and the ultimate cost of that insurance based on the Corporation's actual loss experience. In the event such differences arise between estimated premiums currently charged by BRIM to the Corporation and the Corporation's ultimate actual loss experience, the difference will be recorded, as the change in estimate becomes known.

The Corporation obtained property and casualty coverage for itself and its employees through a third-party insurance company. Any loss in excess of \$1,000,000 will be borne by the Corporation.

In addition, through its participation in the West Virginia Public Employees Insurance Agency (PEIA) and a third-party insurer, the Corporation has obtained health, life, prescription drug coverage, and coverage for job related injuries for its employees. In exchange for payment of premiums to PEIA and the third-party insurer, the Corporation has transferred its risks related to health, life, prescription drug coverage, and job related injuries.

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NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

West Virginia had a single private insurance company, BrickStreet Insurance, which provided workers' compensation coverage to all employers in the state. Other private insurance companies began to offer coverage to private-sector employers July 1, 2008 and began to offer coverage to government employers beginning July 1, 2010. Nearly every employer in the State, who has a payroll, must have coverage. The cost of all coverage is paid by the employers. BrickStreet retains the risk related to the compensation of injured employees under the program.

The Corporation has classified its revenues according to the following criteria:

- Operating revenues – Operating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of exchange transactions, such as most federal, state, local, and nongovernmental grants and contracts.
- Nonoperating revenues – Nonoperating revenues include activities that have the characteristics of non-exchange transactions, such as gifts and contributions, and other revenues that are defined as nonoperating revenues by GASB Statement No. 9, Reporting Cash Flows of Proprietary and Nonexpendable Trust Funds and Governmental Entities That Use Proprietary Fund Accounting and GASB Statement No. 34, such as state appropriations and investment income.

Income Taxes

The Corporation is exempt from income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Corporation is classified by the Internal Revenue Service as an other than a private foundation.

Use of 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 statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Subsequent Events

In preparing these financial statements, the Corporation has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through August 25, 2011, the date the financial statements were issued.

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NOTE 3 - CAPITAL ASSETS

The following is a summary of capital asset transactions for the Corporation for the year ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

	2011			Ending Balance
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Computer equipment	\$ 39,136	\$ 2,576	\$ -	\$ 41,712
Furniture and Fixtures	63,600	-	-	63,600
Total Capital assets	<u>102,736</u>	<u>2,576</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>105,312</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Computer equipment	(33,583)	(2,726)	-	(36,309)
Furniture and Fixtures	(62,533)	(382)	-	(62,915)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(96,116)</u>	<u>(3,108)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(99,224)</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 6,620</u>	<u>\$ (532)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 6,088</u>
	2010			Ending Balance
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	
Capital assets being depreciated:				
Computer equipment	\$ 37,952	\$ 3,545	\$ 2,361	\$ 39,136
Furniture and Fixtures	63,637	976	1,013	63,600
Total Capital assets	<u>101,589</u>	<u>4,521</u>	<u>3,374</u>	<u>102,736</u>
Less accumulated depreciation for:				
Computer equipment	(33,924)	(1,797)	2,138	(33,583)
Furniture and Fixtures	(63,321)	(225)	1,013	(62,533)
Total accumulated depreciation	<u>(97,245)</u>	<u>(2,022)</u>	<u>3,151</u>	<u>(96,116)</u>
Capital assets, net	<u>\$ 4,344</u>	<u>\$ 2,499</u>	<u>\$ 223</u>	<u>\$ 6,620</u>

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NOTE 4 - DEFINED BENEFIT RETIREMENT PLAN

The Corporation contributes to the West Virginia Public Employees' Retirement System (PERS), a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by the West Virginia Consolidated Public Retirement Board. Chapter 5, Article 10 of the West Virginia State Code assigns the authority to establish and amend benefits provisions to the PERS Board of Trustees. Employees who retire at or after age 60 with five or more years of contributory service or who retire at or after age 55 and have completed 25 years of credited service are eligible for retirement benefits as established by State statute. Retirement benefits are payable monthly for life, in the form of a straight-line annuity equal to two percent of the employee's final average salary multiplied by the number of years of the employee's credited service at the time of retirement. PERS also provides deferred retirement, early retirement, death and disability benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. The West Virginia Consolidated Public Retirement Board issues a publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for PERS. That report may be obtained by writing to the West Virginia Consolidated Public Retirement Board, 1900 Kanawha Boulevard East, Building Five, Charleston, West Virginia 25305 or by calling (304) 558-3570.

FUNDING POLICY – The PERS funding policy has been established by action of the State Legislature. State statute requires that plan participants contribute 4.5% of compensation. The current combined contribution rate is 17% of annual covered payroll, including the Corporation's contribution of 12.5% which is established by PERS. Effective July 1, 2011, an increase in the contribution rate of 2% will raise the Corporation's contribution rate to 14.5%. Total contributions to PERS for the years ended June 30, 2011, 2010, and 2009 were \$114,977, \$103,096 and \$97,687, respectively, which consisted of \$84,542, \$73,165 and \$68,381 from the Corporation and \$30,435, \$29,931 and \$29,306 from the covered employees, respectively.

Under the Plan guidelines, if an employee is hired by the Corporation and joins the Plan after they have been previously employed by another state agency, this employee has the ability to make a retroactive purchase of prior service time or "buy-back". Under the current contract with the West Virginia Public Defender Services office of the State of West Virginia, the Corporation will only fund the employer portion of such buy-backs on a case by case scenario after consideration by the West Virginia Public Defender Services. West Virginia Public Defender Services expressly declines to purchase retroactive service credit. For the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010, the Corporation did not authorize the employer portion of any buy-backs for Plan participants.

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NOTE 5 - CONCENTRATIONS

The Corporation maintains its account balances in a national financial institution. The accounts are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation up to \$250,000. Additionally, the financial institution has provided collateral in the form of a treasury bond with a par value of \$305,000. The Corporation's bank balance at June 30, 2011 and 2010 was \$367,171 and \$303,469, respectively.

The Corporation receives virtually all of its funding from West Virginia Public Defender Services. A significant reduction in this level of support would have a significant adverse effect on the Corporation.

NOTE 6 - LONG TERM LIABILITIES

The following is a summary of long term obligation transactions for the Corporation for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010:

	2011				
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Long term liabilities:					
Other post employment benefit liability	\$ 188,384	\$ 85,439	\$ -	\$ 273,823	\$ -
Compensated absences	29,841	-	2,386	27,455	27,455
Total long term liabilities	<u>\$ 218,225</u>	<u>\$ 85,439</u>	<u>\$ 2,386</u>	<u>\$ 301,278</u>	<u>\$ 27,455</u>
	2010				
	Beginning Balance	Additions	Reductions	Ending Balance	Current Portion
Long term liabilities:					
Other post employment benefit liability	\$ 59,647	\$ 152,484	\$ 23,747	\$ 188,384	\$ -
Compensated absences	27,061	2,780	-	29,841	29,841
Total long term liabilities	<u>\$ 86,708</u>	<u>\$ 155,264</u>	<u>\$ 23,747</u>	<u>\$ 218,225</u>	<u>\$ 29,841</u>

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NOTE 7 - OPERATING LEASE OBLIGATIONS

The Corporation leases copiers and a facility under operating lease agreements. Aggregate payments under these agreements were \$57,082 and \$55,539 for the years ended June 30, 2011 and 2010. Future minimum rental commitments are as follows:

<u>Year ending June 30</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2012	\$ 9,610
2013	<u>444</u>
	<u>\$ 10,054</u>

NOTE 8 - CONTINGENCIES

The Corporation is on a reimbursement plan with the State of West Virginia, Workforce WV, Unemployment Compensation Division, (Workforce) whereby they no longer pay quarterly premiums. When a liability arises regarding the payment of unemployment, the Corporation will be assessed 100% of the awarded claim filed and payment to Workforce would be made at that time. Any liability arising from the dismissal of employment is uncertain at this time; however, management believes such amounts if any to be immaterial.

The Corporation's programs are funded from state sources, principal of which is programs of the West Virginia Public Defender Services. State grants received for specific purposes are subject to audit and review by grantor agencies. Such audits and reviews could result in requests for reimbursements to grantor agencies for expenditures disallowed under the terms of the grants. The amount, if any, of expenditures which may be disallowed by grantor agencies cannot be determined at this time, although management believes such amounts, if any, to be immaterial.

NOTE 9 - CASH HELD AT FISCAL YEAR END

At June 30, 2011 and 2010, the Corporation held cash and cash equivalents of \$376,344 and \$287,036, respectively, consisting of unexpended West Virginia Public Defender Service grant funds. West Virginia Public Defender Services considered this amount in determining the succeeding fiscal year necessary to fund the Corporation's normal operating activities.



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Honorable Members of the Board
Public Defender Corporation
for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit
Clarksburg, West Virginia

Our report on our audit of the basic financial statements of the Public Defender Corporation for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit for the year ended June 30, 2011 appears on pages 1 and 2. That audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The schedule of budget to actual expenses – cash basis is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basis financial statements taken as a whole.

Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc.
August 25, 2011

PUBLIC DEFENDER CORPORATION
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 SCHEDULE OF BUDGET TO ACTUAL EXPENSES - CASH BASIS
 YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2011

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Under/(Over) Budget to <u>Actual</u>
Personal services	\$ 689,731	\$ 689,445	\$ 286
Employee benefits	332,612	257,110	75,502
Support services	16,755	15,899	856
Administrative services	21,739	13,251	8,488
Office	108,491	85,601	22,890
Other	30,185	28,943	1,242
Acquisitions	<u>10,740</u>	<u>9,572</u>	<u>1,168</u>
 Total	 <u>\$ 1,210,253</u>	 <u>\$ 1,099,821</u>	 <u>\$ 110,432</u>



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Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

Honorable Members of the Board
Public Defender Corporation
For the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit
Clarksburg, WV 26301

We have audited the basic financial statements of the Public Defender Corporation for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit, (the Corporation) as of and for the year ended June 30, 2011, and have issued our report thereon dated August 25, 2011. 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.

Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing our audit procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of opining on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we have not opined on the effectiveness of the Corporation's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, when performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and timely correct misstatements. A *material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that material financial statement misstatements will not be prevented, or detected and timely corrected.

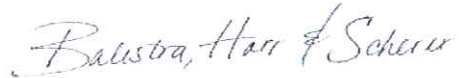
Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be deficiencies, significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider material weaknesses, as defined above. However, we identified a certain deficiency in internal control over financial reporting, described in the accompanying schedule of findings that we consider a significant deficiency in internal control over financial reporting. We consider finding 2011-01 to be a significant deficiency. 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.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of reasonably assuring whether the Corporation's financial statements are free of 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 an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Honorable Members of the Board
Public Defender Corporation for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit
Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance
and Other Matters Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Public Defender Corporation for the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit Board of Directors, management of the Corporation, West Virginia Public Defender Corporation, and state awarding agencies. It is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Balestra, Harr & Scherer".

Balestra, Harr & Scherer, CPAs, Inc.
August 25, 2011

PUBLIC DEFENDER CORPORATION
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SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS
YEARS ENDED JUNE 30, 2011 AND 2010

**FINDINGS RELATED TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
REQUIRED TO BE REPORTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GAGAS**

Finding 2011-01

Significant Deficiency – Reporting

The Corporation failed to provide proper financial statements to the auditors for audit. The Corporation did not present an MD&A, properly classified financial statements, footnotes, or the schedule of budget to actual expenses. Material adjustments were made to the financial statements which should have been prevented or detected by the Corporation's internal controls over financial reporting. The material misstatements were identified in the following areas:

- Accrued Expenses
- Capital Assets
- Compensated Absences
- Intergovernmental Revenues

The accompanying financial statements were adjusted to reflect the correction of the material misstatements. The Corporation should implement monitoring controls over financial reporting to ensure that all financial statement transactions are accurately and completely reported.

Client Response:

We did not receive a response from the client regarding the above finding.