

Resolution Requesting the State of Wisconsin to Review and Revise the Entry Level Compensation Rate for Assistant District Attorneys

1 WHEREAS, Assistant District Attorneys serve as the backbone of the State of Wisconsin's ability to
2 prosecute cases in all of its seventy two counties; and
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4 WHEREAS, any shortage of these Assistant District Attorneys creates backups in the justice system,
5 which can lengthen cases, create more pressure on existing staff and delay or deny justice to individuals
6 party to these cases; and
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8 WHEREAS, the entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys in Wisconsin in 2022 sits
9 at \$26.70 an hour which is annualized to around \$54,000 a year; and
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11 WHEREAS, this entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys has not kept up with the
12 rate of inflation and sits well below the national average for similar positions in District Attorney offices
13 across the country; and
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15 WHEREAS, this entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys sits below other public
16 sector attorney position in both Monroe County and around the State of Wisconsin; and
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18 WHEREAS, this entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys is not competitive in
19 today's workforce environment, accelerates staffing turnover in District Attorney offices around the
20 State of Wisconsin and endangers public safety; and
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22 WHEREAS, in an effort to make District Attorney offices more competitive in their entry level
23 compensation offerings for Assistant District Attorneys, Monroe County requests that the State of
24 Wisconsin review and revise the entry level compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys to remain
25 competitive with similar positions in District Attorney offices around the country, other public sector
26 attorney positions and the private sector as well as to keep up with the rate of inflation.
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28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Monroe County Board of Supervisors that the State of
29 Wisconsin is hereby requested to review and revise the entry level compensation rate for Assistant
30 District Attorneys in order to remain competitive with similar positions in District Attorney offices
31 around the country, other public sector attorney positions and the private sector as well as to keep up
32 with the rate of inflation.
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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution is sent to Governor Tony Evers, all
35 members of the Wisconsin State Legislature representing Monroe County, the Wisconsin Counties
36 Association and all other Wisconsin Counties.
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38 Offered by the Public Safety Committee this 22nd day of ^{March}~~February~~, 2023.
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40 Fiscal Note: There is no fiscal impact to the County for this resolution.
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42 Statement of Purpose: The resolution requests that the State of Wisconsin review and revise the entry level
43 compensation rate for Assistant District Attorneys in order to remain competitive.

<p>Finance Vote (If required): ____ Yes ____ No ____ Absent</p> <p>*****</p> <p>Approved as to form on <u>2/16/2023</u> <u>Lisa Aldinger Hamblin</u> Lisa Aldinger Hamblin, Corporation Counsel</p>	<p>Committee of Jurisdiction Forwarded on: <u>February 9</u>, 20<u>23</u> VOTE: <u>4</u> Yes <u>0</u> No <u>1</u> Absent</p> <p>Committee Chair: <u>Adam Balz</u> <u>[Signature]</u> <u>[Signature]</u> <u>[Signature]</u> <u>[Signature]</u></p>
<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ADOPTED <input type="checkbox"/> FAILED <input type="checkbox"/> AMENDED <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER _____</p> <p>County Board Vote on: <u>March</u> ²² <u>20</u> ²³ <u>14</u> Yes <u>0</u> No <u>2</u> Absent</p>	<p>STATE OF WISCONSIN COUNTY OF MONROE I, SHELLEY R. BOHL, Monroe County Clerk, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution # <u>02-23-03</u> acted on by the Monroe County Board of Supervisors at the meeting held on <u>March 22, 2023</u></p> <p><u>[Signature]</u> SHELLEY R. BOHL, MONROE COUNTY CLERK A raised seal certifies an official document.</p>