

Warren County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION NO. 61 OF 2016

Resolution introduced by Supervisors Wood, Dickinson, Girard, Frasier, Brock, Seeber, Simpson, Vanselow, Montesi, Braymer and MacDonald

**AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF ITEMIZED BUDGET AND WORKPLAN AND
EXECUTION OF CONTRACTS RELATIVE TO FUNDING AVAILABLE FROM THE
NEW YORK STATE INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES BOARD
BY THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, earlier this year, the Indigent Legal Services Board for New York State authorized a distribution of funding to Counties and the City of New York for purposes of improving the quality of services provided pursuant to Article 18b of the County Law and the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services invited proposals from New York Counties and the City of New York for distribution of these funds, and

WHEREAS, the Warren County Public Defender's Office proposed to improve the quality of services by upgrading communications and computer systems, upgrading office furnishings, providing certain Continuing Legal Education for attorneys, providing certain salary increases, providing for projected health insurance and retirement benefit cost increases, and providing for certain anticipated Assigned Counsel cost increases as more specifically set forth in the contract work plan and assigned a budget amount of One Hundred Sixty Thousand, Two Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$160,218.00), and

WHEREAS, provided the New York State Office for Indigent Legal Services approves the plan, it is understood that a contract will be forwarded to the County for the expenditure of the funds in the manner identified, and that the Warren County Public Defender's Office will undertake the program described in accordance with the above, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the plan developed by the Warren County Public Defender be, and hereby is authorized and approved and the actions of the Warren County Public Defender and County Administrator in arranging for the timely submission of the same are hereby ratified, and be it further

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RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board be, and hereby is authorized to execute a contract with the State of New York and/or the Office of Indigent Legal Services for the funding as described in the preambles of this resolution with a contract to be in a form approved by the County Attorney, and be it further

RESOLVED, the Warren County Public Defender's Office be, and hereby is, authorized to carry out the activities provided for in the plan with such activity to be completely paid for by the funds being provided by the Indigent Legal Services Board.