

FRANKLIN COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER

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January 4, 2016

Honorable Tom Kneeland
Mayor of Gahanna
200 S. Hamilton Road
Gahanna, Ohio 43230

Dear Mr. Mayor:

The existing contract for indigent defense representation with your city is scheduled to expire January 1, 2016.

Enclosed please find a copy of a new contract for your review and hopefully your signature. Based upon an analysis of our cost efficiencies for the year 2016, the charge per case will be \$77.64. The total amount charged per case is also based upon an anticipated 2016 state reimbursement rate of 48%.

Please contact me if you have any questions concerning the above.

Respectfully,



Yeura R. Venters

Director

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Enclosure

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CONTRACT

This Agreement, beginning on January 1, 2016 by and between the Franklin County Public Defender Commission, pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code, section 120.14(E), and the City of Gahanna, for the defense of indigent defendants before the Franklin County Municipal Court; the parties agree as follows:

The Franklin County Public Defender Commission hereby agrees to represent, through the personnel employed by the Franklin County Public Defender Commission, all indigent persons, coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court, Criminal Division, charged with a violation of an ordinance of the City of Gahanna, which occur within the limits of Gahanna, Ohio; provided that the Franklin County Public Defender Commission, reserves the right to decline representation if a conflict of interest exists in any specific case filed in or coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court; and, provided further, that the Mayor of Gahanna, Ohio, reserves the right to appoint other counsel to represent defendants charged with a violation of an ordinance of Gahanna, Ohio, or traffic and/or criminal statutes of the State of Ohio, which occur within the jurisdictional limits of Gahanna, Ohio in any specific case filed in or coming before the Franklin County Municipal Court.

The City of Gahanna agrees to pay the sum of \$77.64 per case. Said sum due to be stated by invoice from the Franklin County Public Defender at quarterly intervals. Checks or warrants should be made payable to the Columbus City Treasurer - Public Defender Service.

This contract may be terminated by either party at any time before the expiration of the contract, by giving thirty (30) days written notice to the other party, of its intention to terminate.

The parties further agree that this Contract shall be in full force and effect from the date first written above through December 31, 2016, unless terminated earlier, as provided herein.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Contract, this ____ day of _____, 20__.

City of Gahanna

BY: _____
Mayor of Gahanna

Franklin County Public Defender Commission

BY: _____
Richard F. Swope
Chairman