THIRTY-SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY PARISH OF BEAUREGARD STATE OF LOUISIANA

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

DECEMBER 31, 2020

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Honorable James R. Lestage Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney Parish of Beauregard State of Louisiana

Report on the Financial Statements

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the District Attorney's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. 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. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions.

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Opinions

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney as of December 31, 2020, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matters

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that management's discussion and analysis, budgetary comparison information, the schedule of the District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability and the schedule of the District Attorney's pension contribution on pages 31 through 39 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who considers it to be an essential part of the financial reporting 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 inquires 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 assurance.

Management has omitted management's discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require to be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such missing information, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. Our opinion on the basic financial statements is not affected by this missing information.

Other Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney's basic financial statements. The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements and schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to agency head are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The combining and individual non-major fund financial statements, the schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to agency head and the justice system funding schedules – collecting/disbursing and the receiving entity are the responsibility of management and were derived from and relate directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the combining and individual non-major fund financial statements, the schedule of compensation, benefits and other payments to agency head and the justice system funding schedules – collecting/disbursing and the receiving entity are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

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Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated July 2, 2021, on our consideration of the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

DeRidder, Louisiana

John U. Windham, CPA

July 2, 2021

BASIC FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Statement of Net Position For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 273,016
Accounts receivable	18,641
Intergovernmental:	22.405
Federal grants receivable	23,495
State grants receivable	9,376
Due from other funds	64,855
Due from other governments	3,538
Restricted assets:	229 (01
Cash	228,601
Accounts receivable	2,082
Federal grant receivable	15,644
State grants receivable	31,954
Capital assets, net	181,923
Total assets	\$ 853,125
DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pensions	\$ 290,915
Total assets and deferred outflows of resources	\$ 1,144,040
LIABILITIES	
Accounts payable	\$ 9,629
Payroll taxes payable	1,621
Liabilities payable from restricted assets:	
Due to other funds	64,790
Accounts payable	1,404
Due to others	6,366
Long-term debt:	
Due in more than one year	353,344
Total liabilities	\$ 437,154
DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES	
Pensions	\$ 99,496
Total liabilities and deferred inflows of resources	\$ 536,650
NET POSITION	
Net investment in capital assets	\$ 181,923
Restricted	205,721
Unrestricted	219,746
Total net position	\$ 607,390
Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources	
and net position	\$ 1,144,040
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Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

			Program Revenues		Net (Expe	nses) Revenues	
		Fees, Fines and Charges for	Operating Grants and	Capital Grants	and Changes in Net Position Governmental Activities		
Program activities	Expenses	Services	Contributions	and Contributions			
General government						_	
Judiciary	\$ 1,031,275	\$ 420,014	\$ 470,763	\$ 13,000	\$	(127,498)	
	General revenues:					. =0	
	Investment earning					2,785	
	Nonemployer pens	ion revenue				45,855	
	Total general rev	renues				48,640	
	Change in net po	sition				(78,858)	
	Net position at begin	ning of year				686,248	
	Net position at end of	f year			\$	607,390	

Balance Sheet Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Major Funds

				ı III.		ruancy	Tulius	G :		Pretrial	Other		Total	
		General	Title IV-D Fund		Assessment Fund		Drug Court Fund		Intervention Fund		Governmental Funds		Governmental Funds	
ASSETS				1 4114								41145		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	273,016	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$	-	\$	_	\$	273,016
Accounts receivable		18,641		-		-		-		-		-		18,641
Intergovernmental:														
Federal grants receivable		23,495		-		-		-		-		-		23,495
State grants receivable		9,376		-		-		-		-		-		9,376
Due from other funds		64,855		-		-		-		-		-		64,855
Due from other governments		3,538		-		-		-		-		-		3,538
Restricted assets:														
Cash		-		68,319		39,708		77,343		33,689		9,542		228,601
Accounts receivable		-		-		-		-		2,082		-		2,082
Federal grant receivable		-		5,722		-		9,922		-		-		15,644
State grant receivable		-		2,948		29,006		-		-		-		31,954
Total assets	\$	392,921	\$	76,989	\$	68,714	\$	87,265	\$	35,771	\$	9,542	\$	671,202
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES														
Liabilities:														
Accounts payable	\$	9,629	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	9,629
Payroll taxes payable		1,621		-		_		-		_		-		1,621
Liabilities payable from restricted assets:														
Accounts payable		-		-		-		709		695		-		1,404
Due to other funds		-		25,223		25,111		130		14,326		-		64,790
Due to others		-		6,366		-		-		-		-		6,366
Total liabilities	\$	11,250	\$	31,589	\$	25,111	\$	839	\$	15,021	\$	-	\$	83,810
Fund Balances:														
Restricted	\$	_	\$	45,400	\$	43,603	\$	86,426	\$	20,750	\$	9,542	\$	205,721
Unassigned	•	381,671	•	-	•	-	•	-	•	-	•	-		381,671
Total fund balances	\$	381,671	\$	45,400	\$	43,603	\$	86,426	\$	20,750	\$	9,542	\$	587,392
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	392,921	\$	76,989	\$	68,714	\$	87,265	\$	35,771	\$	9,542	\$	671,202

Reconciliation of the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet to Statement of Net Position For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Total fund balance - total governmental funds		\$ 587,392
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net position are different because:		
Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and therefore are not reported in the governmental funds balance sheets.		181,923
Pension-related changes in net pension liability that are only reported in the Statement of Net Position as deferred outflows.		290,915
Pension-related changes in net pension liability that are only reported in the Statement of Net Position as deferred inflows.		(99,496)
Net pension liability is not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, not reported in the governmental funds. Due within one year	\$ _	\$ -
Due in more than one year	(353,344)	(353,344)
Net position of governmental activities		\$ 607,390

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Major Funds Truancy Pretrial Other Title IV-D Assessment Drug Court Intervention Governmental Fund Fund Funds Fund Fund Total General Revenues Intergovernmental: 54,239 \$ \$ \$ Federal grants \$ \$ 68,664 111,201 \$ 234,104 State grants 57,504 35,372 68,433 161.309 Local grants 8,446 8,446 Local reimbursement of operating cost 79,904 79,904 Fees, charges and commissions for services 306,224 17,242 88,367 8,181 420,014 Investment income 21 2,785 2,663 104,134 \$ 88,367 500,534 76,900 128,443 \$ 8,184 906,562 Total revenues \$ Expenditures Judiciary Personal services and related benefits \$ 406,353 111,014 \$ 70,888 \$ 40,130 \$ \$ 628,385 Travel and professional development 6.192 405 2,430 9.027 14,725 86,544 1,201 5,829 108,299 Operating services **Supplies** 24.013 721 19,223 1,502 45,459 Contracted services 86,769 49,800 140,686 4,117 Capital outlay 13,175 13,175 72,014 \$ 7,331 Total expenditures 623,046 \$ 111,014 112,784 18,842 \$ \$ 945,031 Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures (122,512)(6,880)4,886 15,659 69,525 853 (38,469)Other financing sources (uses): \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ 77,864 Transfers in 77,864 Transfers out (20,562)(57,302)(77,864)Total other financing sources (uses): \$ 77,864 \$ (20,562)(57,302)\$ \$ Net change in fund balances \$ (44,648)\$ \$ \$ 15,659 \$ 12.223 \$ 853 \$ (6,880)(15,676)(38,469)Fund balances at beginning of year 426,319 52,280 59,279 70,767 8,527 8,689 625,861 Fund balances at end of year 45,400 43,603 86,426 20,750 9,542 587,392 381,671

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds	\$ (38,469)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the	
statement of activities are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the	
government-wide statement of activities and changes in net position, the	
cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation	
expense. This is the net amount of capital assets recorded in the current period.	13,175
Depreciation expense on capital assets is reported in the government-	
wide statement of activities and changes in net position, but they	
do not require the use of current financial resources. Therefore,	
depreciation expense is not reported as an expenditure in governmental funds.	(7,770)
Pension expense is based on employer contributions in the governmental	
funds, but is an actuarially calculated expense on the statement of activities.	 (45,794)
Change in net position of governmental activities	\$ (78,858)

Statement of Fiduciary Net Position Agency Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Collecti	Bond on Trust und		orfeiture t Fund	Total Agency Funds		
ASSETS						•	
Cash and cash equivalents Total assets	\$ \$	50 50	\$ \$	15 15	\$ \$	65 65	
LIABILITIES							
Due to other funds	\$	50	\$	15	\$	65	
Total liabilities	\$	50	\$	15	\$	65	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Notes to the Financial Statements As of and for the Year Ended December 31, 2020

INTRODUCTION

As provided by Article V, Section 26 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, the District Attorney has charge of every criminal prosecution by the state in his district, is the representative of the state before the grand jury in his district, and is the legal advisor to the grand jury. He performs other duties as provided by law. The District Attorney is elected by the qualified electors of the judicial district for a term of six years. His office is staffed by four Assistant District Attorneys, an investigator, and eight secretarial/clerical employees. The Thirty-Sixth Judicial District comprises all of the Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana, and is located in the southwestern region of the state.

1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. BASIS OF PRESENTATION

The accompanying basic financial statements of the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney have been prepared in conformity with governmental accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The accompanying basic financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GASB Statement 34, *Basic Financial Statements - Management's Discussion Analysis - for State and Local Governments*, issued in June 1999.

B. REPORTING ENTITY

Section 2100 of the GASB Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards (GASB Codification) established criteria for determining the governmental reporting entity and component units that should be included within the reporting entity. For financial reporting purposes, in conformance with GASB Codification Section 2100, the District Attorney includes all funds, account groups and activities that are controlled by the District Attorney as an independently elected parish official. As an independently elected parish official, the District Attorney is solely responsible for the retention of employees, authority over budgeting, the responsibility for deficits, and the receipt and disbursement of funds. Other than certain operating expenditures of the District Attorney's office that are paid by the parish police jury as required by Louisiana law, the District Attorney's office is financially independent. Accordingly, the District Attorney is a separate governmental reporting entity. Certain units of local government over which the District Attorney exercises no oversight responsibility, such as the parish police jury, parish school board, other independently elected parish officials, and municipalities within the parish, are excluded from the accompanying financial statements. These units of government are considered separate reporting entities and issue financial statements separate from those of the parish District Attorney.

C. FUND ACCOUNTING

The District Attorney uses funds to maintain his financial records during the year. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid management by segregating transactions relating to certain District Attorney functions and activities. A fund is defined as a separate fiscal accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts.

Governmental Funds

Governmental funds account for all or most of the District Attorney's general activities. These funds focus on the sources, uses, and balances of current financial resources. Expendable assets are assigned to the various governmental funds according to the purposes for which they may be used. Current liabilities are assigned to the fund from which they will be paid. The difference between a governmental fund's assets and liabilities is reported as fund balance. In general, fund balance represents the accumulated expendable resources, which may be used to finance future period programs or operations of the District Attorney. The following are the District Attorney's major and non-major governmental funds:

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

Major Governmental Funds

<u>General Fund</u> – the primary operating fund of the District Attorney and it accounts for all financial resources, except for those in another fund. The General Fund is available for any purpose provided it is expended or transferred in accordance with state and federal laws and according to the District Attorney's policy.

<u>Special Revenue Funds</u> – to account for and report the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are restricted or committed to expenditure for specific purposes other than debt service or capital projects.

Special Revenue Major Governmental Funds

<u>Title IV-D Fund</u> — The Title IV-D Fund consists of reimbursement grants from the Louisiana Department of Social Services, authorized by Act 117 of 1975, to establish family and child support programs compatible with Title IV-D of the social security act. The purpose of the fund is to enforce the support obligation owed by absent parents to their families and children, to locate absent parents, to establish paternity, and to obtain family and child support.

<u>Truancy Assessment Fund</u> — The Truancy Assessment and Service Center Project will prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock births by identifying children at risk of school failure due to excessive and unexcused absences and providing services to these children and their families. Truancy has been identified as a risk factor that contributes to the incidence of out-of-wedlock births. The purpose of the truancy assessment centers is to provide for the early identification and assessment of truants and the prompt delivery of coordinated interventions to prevent continued unauthorized school absences.

<u>Drug Court Fund</u> – The mission of the Thirty Sixth Judicial District Drug Court is to increase public safety through a court supervised substance abuse treatment program which is highly structured, carefully monitored and designed to promote offender responsibility and accountability with the goal of community reintegration of sober and productive citizens.

<u>Pretrial Intervention Program</u> – The District Attorney Pretrial Intervention Program is offered to certain offenders who qualify for participation as an alternative to prosecution. Participants will receive coordinated assistance in personal and group counseling, drug and alcohol rehabilitation and other community agencies appropriate to their particular needs.

Special Revenue Non-Major Governmental Fund

<u>Worthless Check Fund</u> – The Worthless Check Collection Fee Fund consists of fees collected in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 16:15, which provides for a specific fee whenever the District Attorney's office collects and processes a worthless check. Expenditures from this fund are at the sole discretion of the District Attorney and may be used to defray the salaries and the expenses of the office of the District Attorney, but may not be used to supplement the salary of the District Attorney.

<u>Fiduciary Funds</u> — Fiduciary fund reporting focuses on net position and change in net position. The only funds accounted for in this category by the District Attorney are agency funds. The agency funds account for assets held by the District Attorney as an agent for various taxing bodies (tax collections) and for deposits held pending court action. These funds are custodial in nature (assets equal liabilities) and do not involve measurement of results of operations. Consequently, the agency funds have no measurement focus, but use the modified accrual basis of accounting. The following are the District Attorney's fiduciary funds.

Agency Funds

Asset Forfeiture Trust Fund — The Asset Forfeiture Trust Fund was established under the provisions of LSA-R.S. 40:2616(B) which requires that all monies collected from the sale of seized or forfeited assets is deposited into the fund. The District Attorney administers the distribution of monies to the appropriate local, state or federal law enforcement agency that

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

participated in the activity that led to the seizure or forfeiture of the property or deposit of monies under and subject to LSA-R.S. 40:2616 (B).

Bail Bond Collection Trust Fund — The Bail Bond Collection Trust Fund was established in compliance with LSA-R.S. 15:571.11. The District Attorney collects on a judgment of bond forfeiture and distributes the proceeds according to this statute. Thirty percent of all funds collected shall be disbursed to the District Attorney's general fund, twenty-five percent of all funds collected shall be disbursed to the parish's criminal court fund, twenty-five percent shall be disbursed to the sheriff's general fund and the remaining twenty percent shall be disbursed to the Indigent Defender Program. All funds shall be disbursed to the parish where the bonds were posted.

D. MEASUREMENT FOCUS/BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

Fund Financial Statements (FFS)

The amounts reflected in the General Fund and Other Funds, of Statements C and E, are accounted for using a current financial resources measurement focus. With this measurement focus, only current assets and current liabilities are generally included on the balance sheet. The statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances reports on the sources (i.e., revenues and other financing sources) and uses (i.e., expenditures and other financing uses) of current financial resources. This approach is then reconciled, through adjustment, to a government-wide view of District Attorney operations.

The amounts reflected in the General Fund and Other Funds, of Statements C and E, use the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual (i.e., when they become both measurable and available). Measurable means that amount of the transaction can be determined and available means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. The District Attorney considers all revenues available if they are collected within 60 days after the fiscal year end. Expenditures are recorded when the related fund liability is incurred, except for interest and principal payments on general long-term debt which is recognized when due, and certain compensated absences and claims and judgments which are recognized when the obligations are expected to be liquidated with expendable available financial resources. The governmental funds use the following practices in recording revenues and expenditures:

Revenues

Commissions on fines and bond forfeitures are recorded in the year in which they are collected by the parish tax collector.

Reimbursements are recorded when the District Attorney is entitled to the funds.

Interest income on investments is recorded when the investments have matured and the income is available.

Substantially all other revenues are recorded when received.

Expenditures

Expenditures are generally recognized under the modified accrual basis of accounting when the related fund liability is incurred.

Other Financing Sources (Uses)

Transfers between funds that are not expected to be repaid (and any other financing source/use) are accounted for as other financing sources (uses). These sources (uses) are recorded when the expenditure is incurred.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

Government-Wide Financial Statements (GWFS)

The column labeled Statement of Net Position (Statement A) and the column labeled Statement of Activities (Statement B) display information about the District Attorney's non-fiduciary activities as a whole. These statements include all the financial activities of the District Attorney. Information contained in these columns reflect the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from exchange or exchange-like transactions are recognized when the exchange occurs (regardless of when cash is received or disbursed). Revenues, expenses, gains, losses, assets and liabilities resulting from nonexchange transactions are recognized in accordance with the requirements of GASB Statement No. 33, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions.

Program Revenues – Program revenues included in the column labeled Statement of Activities (Statement B) are derived directly from District Attorney users as a fee for services; program revenues reduce the cost of the function to be financed from the District Attorney's general fund.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the entity's policy to use restricted resources first, and then unrestricted resources, as they are needed.

The District Attorney has not established a policy for use of the unrestricted fund balance, therefore it considers committed fund balances to be used first, then assigned fund balances to be used next and finally the unassigned fund balance will be used.

E. BUDGET

The District Attorney uses the following budget practices:

The budgets of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District, are adopted in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statutes 39:1301-1314. Annually the District Attorney adopts a budget for the General and Special Revenue Funds. The budgetary practices include public notice of the proposed budget, public inspection of the proposed budget, and public hearings on the budget. Formal budgetary integration is employed as a management control device during the year. Budgeted amounts included in the accompanying financial statements include original adopted budget amounts and all subsequent amendments. The budget for the General and Special Revenue Funds is adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP).

F. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash includes amounts in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits and money market accounts. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits and those other investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the District Attorney may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits, money market accounts, or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States.

Under state law, the District Attorney may invest in United States bonds, treasury notes, or certificates. These are classified as investments, if their original maturities are 90 days or less, they are classified as cash equivalents. Investments are stated at cost. At December 31, 2020 the District Attorney had no investments.

G. SHORT-TERM INTERFUND RECEIVABLES/PAYABLES

During the course of operations, numerous transactions occur between individual funds for goods provided or services rendered. These receivables and payables are classified as due from other funds or due to other funds on the balance sheet. Short-term interfund loans are classified as interfund receivables/payables.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

H. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets are capitalized at historical cost or estimated cost if historical cost is not available. Donated assets are recorded as capital assets at their estimated fair market value at the date of donation. The District Attorney maintains a threshold level of \$5,000 or more for capitalizing capital assets.

Capital assets are recorded in the Statement of Net Position and Statement of Activities. Since surplus assets are sold for an immaterial amount when declared as no longer needed for public purposes, no salvage value is taken into consideration for depreciation purposes. All capital assets, other than land, are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following useful lives:

<u>Description</u>	Estimated Lives
Building and building improvements	20 - 40 years
Furniture and fixtures	5 - 15 years
Machinery and equipment	5 - 15 years

I. COMPENSATED ABSENCES

The District Attorney has the following policy relating to vacation and sick leave:

Employees of the District Attorney earn vacation leave at varying rates, depending on length of service, which does not accumulate. Upon resignation, unused vacation leave is paid to the employee at his current rate of pay.

Employees earn sick leave at the rate of one day a month, effective immediately upon employment. Ten days a year, not to exceed 30 days, may be accumulated. Unused sick leave lapses upon termination of employment.

At December 31, 2020 the District Attorney had no accumulated and vested leave benefits required to be reported in accordance with NCGA Statement 4 and Statement of Financial Accounting Standard (SFAS) 43.

J. RESTRICTED NET POSITION

For the government wide statement of net position, net position is reported as restricted when constraints placed on net position use are either:

- 1. externally imposed by creditors (such as debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or
- 2. imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

K. FUND BALANCES

Restricted

Amounts that are restricted to specific purposes should be reported as restricted fund balance. Fund balance should be reported when constraints placed on the use of resources are either:

- a. externally imposed by creditors (such as through debt covenants), grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or
- b. imposed by law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

Unassigned

Unassigned fund balance is the residual classification for the general fund. This classification represents fund balance that has not been assigned to other funds and that has not been restricted, committed, or assigned to specific purposes within the general fund.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

L. EXTRAORDINARY AND SPECIAL ITEMS

Extraordinary items are transactions or events that are both unusual in nature and infrequent in occurrence. Special items are transactions or events within the control of the District Attorney, which are either unusual in nature or infrequent in occurrence. The District Attorney had no extraordinary or special items as of December 31, 2020.

M. INTERFUND TRANSACTIONS

Transactions that constitute reimbursements to a fund for expenditures initially made from it that are properly applicable to another fund are recorded as expenditures in the reimbursing fund and as reductions of expenditures in the fund that is reimbursed. Non-recurring or non-routine permanent transfers of equity are reported as residual equity transfers. All other interfund transactions are reported as transfers.

N. ESTIMATES

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require 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 these estimates.

O. PENSIONS

For purposes of measuring the net pension liability, deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense, information about the fiduciary net position of the District Attorney's Retirement System of Louisiana (DARS) and the Parochial Employee's Retirement System of Louisiana (PERS) and additions to/deductions from DARS and PERS fiduciary net positions have been determined on the same basis as they are reported by DARS and PERS. The financial statements were prepared using the accrual basis of accounting. Member and employer contributions are recognized when due, pursuant to formal commitments and statutory requirements. Benefits and refunds of employee contributions are recognized when due and payable in accordance with the statutes governing DARS and PERS. Expenses are recognized when the liability is incurred, regardless of when payment is made. Investments are reported at fair value on a trade date basis. The fiduciary net position is reflected in the measurement of the District Attorney's proportionate share of the plans net pension liability, deferred outflows and inflows of resources related to pensions, and pension expense.

P. DEFERRED OUTFLOWS/INFLOWS OF RESOURCES

The Statement of Net Position reports a separate section for deferred outflows and (or) deferred inflows of financial resources. Deferred outflows of resources represent a consumption of net position that applies to future periods and will not be recognized as an outflow of resources (expense/expenditure) until the applicable period. Deferred inflows of resources represent an acquisition of net position that applies to future periods and will not be recognized as an inflow of resources until that time.

2. EXCESS EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS

The following individual fund had actual expenditures over budgeted appropriations for the year ended December 31, 2020:

	Original	Final		Unfavorable
Fund	Budget	Budget	Actual	Variance
General Fund	\$ 698,500	\$ 621,050	\$ 623,046	\$ 1,996
Title IV-D Fund	104,150	111,000	111,014	14
Truancy Assessment Fund	66,200	71,900	72,014	114
Drug Court Fund	121,650	112,700	112,784	84
Pretrial Intervention Fund	4,500	18,800	18,842	42

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3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At December 31, 2020, the District Attorney has cash and cash equivalents (book balances) totaling \$501,682 as follows:

NOW accounts	\$ 51,320
Interest bearing demand deposits	70,898
Time deposits	261,403
Demand deposits	 118,061
Total	\$ 501,682

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits (or the resulting bank balances) must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

At December 31, 2020, the District Attorney has \$536,078 in deposits (collected bank balances). These deposits are secured from risk by \$536,078 of federal deposit insurance.

4. RECEIVABLES

The receivables of \$104,730 at December 31, 2020, are as follows:

				Special Revenue Funds								
				Truancy Pretrial								
			Tit	Title IV-D Assessment Drug Court			Inte	rvention				
Class of receivable	Gen	eral Fund		Fund Fur		Fund	Fund		Fund		Total	
Intergovernmental	\$	36,409	\$	8,670	\$	29,006	\$	9,922	\$	-	\$	84,007
Accounts receivable		18,641				-		-		2,082		20,723
Total	\$	55,050	\$	8,670	\$	29,006	\$	9,922	\$	2,082	\$	104,730

5. INTERFUND RECEIVABLES/PAYABLES

The following due to/from balances exist due to payments made out of one fund that relate to the other fund. The balance in each respective due to/from account is expected to be paid within the current year. These amounts represent loans until monies from grants are received.

	D	ue from]	Due to
General fund	\$	64,855	\$	-
Agency funds		-		65
Title IV-D fund		=		25,223
Truancy assessment fund		-		25,111
Drug court fund				130
Pretrial Intervention fund				14,326
Total	\$	64,855	\$	64,855

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

6. INTERFUND TRANSFERS

	Tra	Transfers in		Transfers in Transf		nsfers out
General fund	\$	77,864	\$	-		
Truancy Assessment Fund		-		20,562		
Pretrial Intervention Fund				57,302		
Total	\$	77,864	\$	77,864		

Transfers are made as needed for financing activities and also to correct improper deposits to the funds.

7. CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital assets and depreciation activity as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, for the District Attorney is as follows:

	В	eginning						Ending
]	Balance	I	ncrease	De	crease]	Balance
Governmental activities:								_
Capital assets being depreciated:								
Building improvements	\$	313,756	\$	-	\$	-	\$	313,756
Equipment and furniture		296,639		13,175		-		309,814
Total capital assets being depreciated	\$	610,395	\$	13,175	\$	-	\$	623,570
Less accumulated depreciation for:								
Building improvements	\$	141,684	\$	5,963	\$	-	\$	147,647
Equipment and furniture		292,193		1,807		-		294,000
Total accumulated depreciation	\$	433,877	\$	7,770	\$	-	\$	441,647
Total capital assets being depreciated, net	\$	176,518	\$	5,405	\$	-	\$	181,923

Depreciation expense of \$7,770 for the year ended December 31, 2020, was charged to the following governmental functions:

8. ACCOUNTS AND OTHER PAYABLES

The payables of \$19,020 at December 31, 2020, are as follows:

							Pre	etrial	
	(General	Tit	tle IV-D	Drug C	Court	Inter	vention	
		Fund		Fund	Fun	d	F	und	Total
Accounts	\$	9,629	\$	-		709	\$	695	\$ 11,033
Payroll taxes		1,621		-		-		-	1,621
Due to others				6,366					6,366
Total	\$	11,250	\$	6,366		709	\$	695	\$ 19,020

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

9. PENSION PLANS

The District Attorney and Assistant District Attorneys are members of the Louisiana District Attorneys Retirement System (System), a cost sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a separate board of trustees.

Assistant District Attorneys who earn, as a minimum, the amounts paid by the state for Assistant District Attorneys and are under the age of 60 at the time of original employment and all District Attorneys are required to participate in the System. For members who joined the System before July 1, 1990, and who elected not to be covered by the new provisions, the following applies: Any member with 23 or more years of creditable service regardless of age may retire with a 3% benefit reduction for each year below age 55, provided that no reduction is applied if the member has 30 or more years of service. Any member with at least 18 years of service may retire at age 55 with a 3% benefit reduction for each year below age 60. In addition, any member with at least 10 years of service may retire at age 60 with a 3% benefit reduction for each year retiring below the age of 62. The retirement benefit is equal to 3% of the member's average final compensation multiplied by the number of years of his membership service, not to exceed 100% of his average final compensation. For members who joined the System after July 1, 1990, or who elected to be covered by the new provisions, the following applies: Members are eligible to receive normal retirement benefits if they are age 60 and have 10 years of service credit, are age 55 and have 24 years of service credit, or have 30 years of service credit regardless of age. The normal retirement benefit is equal to 3.5% of the member's final-average compensation multiplied by years of membership service. A member is eligible for early retirement if he is age 55 and has 18 years of service credit. The early retirement benefit is equal to the normal retirement benefit reduced 3% for each year the member retires in advance of normal retirement age. Benefits may not exceed 100% of average final compensation. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established by state statute.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Louisiana District Attorneys Retirement System, 2109 Decatur Street, New Orleans, Louisiana 70116-2091, or by calling (504) 947-5551.

FUNDING POLICY

Plan members are required by state statute to contribute 8.0% of their annual covered salary and the District Attorney is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 4.00% of annual covered payroll. Contributions to the System also include .2% of the ad valorem taxes collected throughout the state and revenue sharing funds as appropriated by the legislature. The contribution requirements of plan members and the District Attorney are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by Louisiana Revised Statute 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The District Attorney's contributions to the System for the years ending December 31, 2020, 2019, and 2018 were \$11,032, \$7,240, and \$1,656, respectively equal to the required contributions for each year.

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At December 31, 2020, the District Attorney reported a liability of \$352,266 for his proportionate share of net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of June 30, 2020 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District Attorney's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating District Attorneys, actuarially determined. At June 30, 2020, the District Attorney's proportion was .444627%, which was a decrease of .015257% from his proportion measured as of June 30, 2019.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the District Attorney recognized pension expense of \$57,734. At December 31, 2020, the District Attorney recognized deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension from the following:

	Deferred Outflows		Deferred Inflows	
	of l	Resources	of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual	·			·
experience	\$	16,780	\$	33,630
Changes of assumptions		158,144		-
Net difference between projected and actual				
earnings on pension plan investments		57,109		-
Changes in proportion and differences between				
District Attorney contributions and proportionate				
share of contributions		15,128		15,789
Employer contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date		5,516		
Total	\$	252,677	\$	49,419

The \$5,516 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the District Attorney's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability in the year ended December 31, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended December 31:	
2021	\$ 42,139
2022	44,358
2023	55,228
2024	31,511
2025	 24,506
Total	\$ 197,742

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of June 30, 2020 are as follows:

Valuation Date	June 30, 2020
Actuarial Cost Method	Entry Age Normal Cost
Actuarial Assumptions:	
Investment Rate of Return (Discount Rate)	6.25% Net of pension plan investment expense, including inflation
Projected Salary Increases	5.00% (2.30% Inflation, 2.70% Merit)
Mortality Rates	Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Above-Median Employees multiplied by 115% for males and females for current employees, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Above-Median Healthy Retirees multiplied by 115% for males and females for annuitants and beneficiaries, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale.

Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 115% for males and females for disabled retirees, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale.

Expected Remaining	6 years – June 30, 2020
Service Lives	6 years – June 30, 2019
	6 years – June 30, 2018
	7 years – June 30, 2017
	7 years – June 30, 2016
	6 years – June 30, 2015

Cost of Living Adjustments Only those previously granted

The mortality rate assumption used was set based upon an experience study performed on plan data for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019. The data was then assigned credibility weighting and combined with a standard table to produce current levels of mortality. This mortality was then projected forward to a period equivalent to the estimated duration of the System's liabilities. Annuity values calculated based on this mortality were compared to those produced by using a setback of standard tables. The result of the procedure indicated that the tables used would produce liability values approximating the appropriate generational mortality tables.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a building-block method in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The resulting long-term rate of return is 8.50% for the year ending June 30, 2020.

The best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class based on the System's target asset allocation as of June 30, 2020 were as follows:

	Long-Term Target Asset	Rates o	of Return
Asset Class	Allocation	Real	Nominal
Equity	48.27%	5.54%	
Fixed income	24.54%	1.09%	
Alternatives	26.77%	1.87%	
Cash	0.42%	0.00%	
System Total	100.00%		6.11%
Inflation			2.39%
Expected Arithmetic Nominal Return			8.50%

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.25%. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers will be made at the actuarially determined rates approved by PRSAC taking into consideration the recommendation of the System's actuary. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

Sensitivity to Changes in Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability of the District Attorney calculated using the discount rate of 6.25%, as well as what the employers' net pension liability would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower 5.25%, or one percentage point higher 7.25% than the current rate:

		C	hanges	in Discount Ra	te	
				2019		
				Current		
		1.00%]	Discount		1.00%
	I	Decrease		Rate		Increase
		5.25%		6.25%		7.25%
Net Pension Liability/(Asset)	\$	643,482	\$	352,266	\$	108,240

Substantially all other employees of the District Attorney of the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District, Parish of Beauregard, State of Louisiana are members of the Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana (System), a cost sharing, multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan administered by a separate board of trustees. The System is composed of two distinct plans, Plan A and Plan B, with separate assets and benefit provisions. All employees of the District Attorney are members of Plan A.

All permanent employees working at least 28 hours per week who are paid wholly or in part from parish funds and all elected parish officials are eligible to participate in the System. Under Plan A, employees who retire at or after age 60 with at least 10 years of creditable service, at or after age 55 with at least 25 years of creditable service, or at any age with at least 30 years of creditable service are entitled to a retirement benefit, payable monthly for life. equal to 3% of their final-average salary for each year of creditable service. However, for those employees who were members of the supplemental plan only before January 1, 1980, the benefit is equal to 1% of final average salary plus \$24 for each year of supplemental-plan-only service earned before January 1, 1980. Final-average salary is the employee's average salary over the 36 consecutive or joined months that produce the highest average. Employees who terminate with at least the amount of creditable service stated above and do not withdraw their employee contributions may retire at the ages specified above and receive the benefit accrued to their date of termination. The System also provides death and disability benefits. Benefits are established or amended by state statute.

The System issues an annual publicly available financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the System. That report may be obtained by writing to the Parochial Employees' Retirement System, PO Box 14619, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898-4619, or by calling (225) 928-1361.

FUNDING POLICY

Under Plan A, members are required by state statute to contribute 9.5% of their annual covered salary and the District Attorney is required to contribute at an actuarially determined rate. The current rate is 12.25% of annual covered payroll. Contributions to the System also include one-fourth of 1% (except Orleans and East Baton Rouge Parishes) of the taxes shown to be collectible by the tax rolls of each parish. These tax dollars are divided between Plan A and Plan B based proportionately on the salaries of the active members of each plan. The contribution requirements of plan members and the District Attorney are established and may be amended by state statute. As provided by R.S. 11:103, the employer contributions are determined by actuarial valuation and are subject to change each year based on the results of the valuation for the prior fiscal year. The District Attorney's contributions to the System under Plan A for the years ending December 31, 2020, 2019, and 2018, were \$20,730, \$16,701, and \$14,631, respectively, equal to the required contributions for each year.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

Pension Liabilities, Pension Expense and Deferred Outflows of Resources and Deferred Inflows of Resources Related to Pensions

At December 31, 2020, the District Attorney reported a liability of \$1,078 for his proportionate share of net pension liability. The net pension liability was measured as of December 31, 2019 and the total pension liability used to calculate the net pension liability was determined by an actuarial valuation as of that date. The District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability was based on a projection of the District Attorney's long-term share of contributions to the pension plan relative to the projected contributions of all participating District Attorney's, actuarially determined. At December 31, 2020, the District Attorney's proportion was .022904%, which was an increase of .002209% from his proportion measured as of December 31, 2019.

For the year ended December 31, 2020, the District Attorney recognized pension expense of \$19,822. At December 31, 2020, the District Attorney recognized deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pension from the following:

	Deferred Outflows of Resources		Deferred Inflows of Resources	
Differences between expected and actual				
experience	\$	-	\$	9,652
Changes of assumptions		15,058		-
Net difference between projected and actual				
earnings on pension plan investments		-		40,416
Changes in proportion and differences between				
District Attorney contributions and proportionate				
share of contributions		2,450		9
Employer contributions subsequent to the				
measurement date		20,730		
Total	\$	38,238	\$	50,077

The \$20,730 reported as deferred outflows of resources related to pensions resulting from the District Attorney's contributions subsequent to the measurement date will be recognized as a reduction of the net pension liability or an increase in the net pension asset in the year ended December 31, 2020. Other amounts reported as deferred outflows and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows:

Year ended December 31:	
2020	\$ (6,945)
2021	(9,280)
2022	1,855
2023	(18,199)
Total	\$ (32,569)

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

Actuarial Methods and Assumptions

A summary of the actuarial methods and assumptions used in determining the total pension liability as of December 31, 2019 are as follows:

Valuation Date December 31, 2019

Actuarial Cost Method Plan A – Entry Age Normal

Investment Rate of Return 6.50% Net of investment expense, including inflation

Estimated Remaining

Service Lives 4 years

Projected Salary Increases Plan A – 4.75%

Cost of Living Adjustments The present value of future retirement benefits is based on benefits

currently being paid by the system and includes previously granted cost of living increases. The present values do not include provisions for potential future increase not yet authorized by the

Board of Trustees

Mortality Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Healthy

Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using

MP2018 scale for annuitant and beneficiary mortality. For employees, the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale. Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females using MP2018 scale for disabled

annuitants.

Inflation Rate 2.40%

The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 6.50% for Plan A. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that contributions from plan members will be made at the current contribution rates and that contributions from participating employers and non-employer contributing entities will be made at the actuarially determined contribution rates, which are calculated in accordance with relevant statutes and approved by the Board of Trustees and the Public Retirement Systems' Actuarial Committee. Based on those assumptions, the System's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Change in Assumptions:

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a triangulation method which integrated the capital asset pricing model (top-down), a treasury yield curve approach (bottom-up) and an equity building-block model (bottom-up). Risk return and correlations are projected on a forward looking basis in equilibrium, in which best-estimates of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These rates are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation of 2.00% and an adjustment for the effect of rebalancing/diversification. The resulting expected long-term rate of return is 7.18% for the year ending December 31, 2019.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

Best estimates of arithmetic real rates of return for each major asset class included in the System's target asset allocation as of December 31, 2019 are summarized in the following table:

	Long-Term
Target Asset	Expected Portfolio
Allocation	Real Rate of Return
35.00%	1.05%
52.00%	3.41%
11.00%	0.61%
2.00%	0.11%
100.00%	5.18%
	2.00%
	7.18%
	Allocation 35.00% 52.00% 11.00% 2.00%

The mortality rate assumption used was set based upon an experience study performed on plan data for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2017. The data was assigned credibility weighting and combined with a standard table to produce current levels of mortality. As a result of this study, mortality for employees was set equal to the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Employees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2018 scale. In addition, mortality for annuitants and beneficiaries was set equal to the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for Healthy Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale. For Disabled annuitants mortality was set equal to the Pub-2010 Public Retirement Plans Mortality Table for General Disabled Retirees multiplied by 130% for males and 125% for females, each with full generational projection using the MP2019 scale.

Sensitivity to Changes in Discount Rate

The following presents the net pension liability (asset) of the District Attorney as of December 31, 2019 calculated using the discount rate of 6.50%, as well as what the employers' net pension liability (asset) would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is one percentage point lower 5.50%, or one percentage point higher 7.50% than the current rate.

	Changes in Discount Rate									
		Current								
		1.00% Discount				1.00%				
	Ι	Decrease		Rate	Increase					
		5.50%		5.50%	7.50%					
Net Pension Liability (Asset)	\$	116,533	\$	1,078	\$	(95,671)				

10. DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

The District Attorney offers membership in the State of Louisiana, Public Employees Deferred Compensation Plan, a qualified retirement plan under section 457 of the Internal Revenue Code administered by Great West Life and Annuity Insurance Company.

The Louisiana Deferred Compensation Plan provides state, parish and municipal employees with the opportunity to invest money on a before-tax basis, using payroll deduction. Participants defer federal and state income tax on their contributions. In addition, interest or earnings on the account accumulates tax-deferred. Participants may join the plan with as little as \$10 per pay period, or \$20 per month, and contribute up to a maximum of 25% of taxable compensation, not to exceed \$19,500 per calendar year for those participants under age 50, for participants age 50 and older the limit is \$26,000.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Continued)

A special "catch-up" provision may be used to invest up to \$39,000 per year for the three years prior to retirement. Any amount excluded from gross income through salary reduction under a 403(b) annuity, a 401(k) profit-sharing plan or a Simplified Employee Pension (SEP) is to be treated as amounts deferred under this deferred compensation plan. Participants joining the Plan may choose the amount to contribute and the investment option(s). They may revise their choice at any time, transfer monies to other available investment options and may increase, decrease or stop deferrals at any time. The Plan offers both a guaranteed option and variable investment options, from which participants may select a fund or combination of funds to satisfy their personal investment objectives. Each of the funds has independent investment objectives and utilizes different investment strategies. With the exception of the Great-West Guaranteed Fund, the remaining investments options are variable in nature. Values of the variable options are not guaranteed as to a fixed dollar amount and may increase or decrease according to the investment experience of the underlying portfolio. The expense to administer the Plan is borne by all participants. The administrative fee is .85% and is assessed on each of the options selected. The variable options also have investment management fees that vary based upon the options chosen. Both the administrative and investment management fees are calculated and deducted daily on a pro-rata basis. There are no annual contract charges or transaction charges. At retirement, 100% of the account value will be applied to any of the following settlement options chosen. These options include among others:

- Periodic payment
- Payments over your lifetime
- Payments for a specific time or amount
- Joint and survivor benefits
- Lump-sum payment
- Any combination of the above option

The Plan is administered by Great-West Life and Annuity Insurance Company; 2237 South Acadian Thruway, Suite 702; Baton Rouge, LA 70808; (800) 937-7604 or (225) 926-8086.

11. EXPENDITURES OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY NOT INCLUDED IN THE ACCOMPANYING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying financial statements do not include certain expenditures of the District Attorney paid out of the criminal court fund, the parish police jury or directly by the state. A portion of the salaries of the District Attorney and Assistant District Attorneys are paid directly by the state. The parish police jury pays certain salaries and employer contributions of secretarial personnel.

Notes to the Financial Statements (Concluded)

12. LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS

The following is a summary of the long-term obligation transactions for the year ended December 31, 2020.

	Net Pension Liability									
	Distri	ct Attorney's	Paroch	ial Employees'						
	Retire	ment System	Retire	ment System	Total					
Long-term obligations										
at beginning of year	\$	147,946	\$	91,852	\$	239,798				
Additions		215,352		-		215,352				
Reductions		(11,032)		(90,774)		(101,806)				
Long-term obligations		_		_						
at end of year	\$	352,266	\$	1,078	\$	353,344				

The following is a summary of the current (due in one year or less) and the long-term (due in more than one year) portions of long-term obligations as of December 31, 2020:

	Ne	Net Pension				
	I	Liability				
Current portion	\$	-				
Long-term portion		353,344				
Total	\$	353,344				

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

General Fund Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Budgeted Amounts				Actual Amount		Budget to Actual differences over	
		Original Final		Budgetary Basis		(under)		
Revenues								
Intergovernmental:								
Federal grants	\$	63,000	\$	54,239	\$	54,239	\$	-
State grants		57,500		57,500		57,504		4
Local reimbursement of operating cost		86,000		87,300		79,904		(7,396)
Fees, charges and								
commissions for services		458,000		300,200		306,224		6,024
Investment income		1,200		2,630		2,663		33
Total revenues	\$	665,700	\$	501,869	\$	500,534	\$	(1,335)
Expenditures								
Judiciary:								
Personal services and related benefits	\$	450,000	\$	406,400	\$	406,353	\$	47
Travel and professional development		15,000		6,000		6,192		(192)
Operating services		77,000		96,950		86,544		10,406
Supplies		25,000		26,000		24,013		1,987
Contracted services		131,500		72,700		86,769		(14,069)
Capital outlay		-		13,000		13,175		(175)
Total expenditures	\$	698,500	\$	621,050	\$	623,046	\$	(1,996)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over								
expenditures	\$	(32,800)	\$	(119,181)	\$	(122,512)	\$	(3,331)
Other financing sources (uses):								
Transfers in	\$	40,800	\$	77,864	\$	77,864	\$	-
Net change in fund balance	\$	8,000	\$	(41,317)	\$	(44,648)	\$	(3,331)
Fund balances at beginning of year		380,000		426,319		426,319		
Fund balances at end of year	\$	388,000	\$	385,002	\$	381,671	\$	(3,331)

Special Revenue Fund Title IV-D Fund

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Budgeted Amounts					ıal Amount	Budget to Actual differences over	
	(Original	Final		Budgetary Basis		(under)	
Revenues								
Intergovernmental:								
Federal grants	\$	69,000	\$	69,000	\$	68,664	\$	(336)
State grants		35,000		35,000		35,372		372
Investment income		150		150		98		(52)
Total revenues	\$	104,150	\$	104,150	\$	104,134	\$	(16)
Expenditures Judiciary:								
Personal services and related benefits	\$	104,000	\$	111,000	\$	111,014	\$	(14)
Net change in fund balance	\$	150	\$	(6,850)	\$	(6,880)	\$	(30)
Fund balances at beginning of year		68,100		52,280		52,280		
Fund balances at end of year	\$	68,250	\$	45,430	\$	45,400	\$	(30)

Special Revenue Fund Truancy Assessment Fund

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual

For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Budgeted Amounts Original Final					ual Amount	Budget to Actual differences over (under)	
Revenues		Jigiliai	Tillal		Budgetary Basis			
Intergovernmental:								
State grants	\$	67,600	\$	67,600	\$	68,433	\$	833
Local grants	Ψ	8,400	Ψ	8,400	Ψ	8,446	Ψ	46
Investment income		70		70		21		(49)
Total revenues	\$	76,070	\$	76,070	\$	76,900	\$	830
Expenditures								
Judiciary:								
Personal services and related benefits	\$	63,900	\$	70,800	\$	70,888	\$	(88)
Travel and professional development		1,000		400		405		(5)
Supplies		1,300		700		721		(21)
Total expenditures	\$	66,200	\$	71,900	\$	72,014	\$	(114)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues								
over expenditures	\$	9,870	\$	4,170	\$	4,886	\$	716
Other financing uses:								
Transfers out	\$	-	\$	(20,500)	\$	(20,562)	\$	(62)
Net change in fund balance	\$	9,870	\$	(16,330)	\$	(15,676)	\$	654
Fund balance at beginning of year		86,100		59,279		59,279		
Fund balances at end of year	\$	95,970	\$	42,949	\$	43,603	\$	654

Special Revenue Fund Drug Court Fund

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget and Actual For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Budgeted Amounts					ual Amount	Budget to Actual differences over	
	Original		Final		Budgetary Basis		(under)	
Revenues						_	'	_
Intergovernmental:								
Federal grants	\$	122,500	\$	111,200	\$	111,201	\$	1
Local grants		2,500		-		-		-
Fees, charges and commissions for services		17,000		17,000		17,242		242
Total revenues	\$	142,000	\$	128,200	\$	128,443	\$	243
Expenditures								
Judiciary:								
Personal services and related benefits	\$	43,100	\$	40,100	\$	40,130	\$	(30)
Travel and professional development		2,700		2,400		2,430		(30)
Operating services		26,050		1,400		1,201		199
Supplies		-		19,000		19,223		(223)
Contracted services		49,800		49,800		49,800		-
Total expenditures	\$	121,650	\$	112,700	\$	112,784	\$	(84)
Net change in fund balance	\$	20,350	\$	15,500	\$	15,659	\$	159
Fund balance at beginning of year		63,900		70,767		70,767		<u>-</u>
Fund balances at end of year	\$	84,250	\$	86,267	\$	86,426	\$	159

Special Revenue Fund Pretrial Intervention Fund

Schedule of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Budget to Actual For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

		Budgeted	Amou	ınts	Actı	ıal Amount	_	t to Actual ences over
	(Original		Final	Budg	getary Basis	(u	nder)
Revenues								
Fees, charges and commissions for services	\$	62,000	\$	88,400	\$	88,367	\$	(33)
Total revenues	\$	62,000	\$	88,400	\$	88,367	\$	(33)
Expenditures								
Judiciary:								
Operating services	\$	-	\$	14,700	\$	14,725	\$	(25)
Contracted services		4,500		4,100		4,117		(17)
Total expenditures	\$	4,500	\$	18,800	\$	18,842	\$	(42)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over								
expenditures	\$	57,500	\$	69,600	\$	69,525	\$	(75)
Other financing uses:								
Transfers out	\$	(55,800)	\$	(57,300)	\$	(57,302)	\$	(2)
Net change in fund balance	\$	1,700	\$	12,300	\$	12,223	\$	(77)
Fund balance at beginning of year		4,500		8,527		8,527		
Fund balances at end of year	\$	6,200	\$	20,827	\$	20,750	\$	(77)

Schedule of the District Attorney's Share of the Net Pension Liability For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

District Attorneys' Retirement System of Louisiana	De	cember 31, 2015	De	2016	De	2017	De	cember 31, 2018	Dec	2019
District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)		.430685%		.340747%		.543723%		.423869%	().459884%
District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$	23,199	\$	65,221	\$	146,663	\$	136,398	\$	147,946
District Attorney's covered-employee payroll	\$	221,886	\$	224,516	\$	259,123	\$	265,018	\$	275,810
District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of it's covered-employee payroll		10.46%		29.05%		56.60%		51.47%		53.64%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		98.56%		95.09%		93.57%		92.92%		93.13%
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana	De	cember 31, 2015	De	2016	De	2017	De	cember 31, 2018	Dec	2019
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	Dec		De		De		De		Dec	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Dec	2015	De	2016	\$	2017	De	2018		2019
District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension		.020837%		.021283%		.020745%		.020669%		2019 0.20695%
District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$.020837% 5,697	\$.021283% 56,023	\$.020745% 42,725	\$.020669%	\$	2019 0.20695% 91,852
District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) District Attorney's covered-employee payroll District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability	\$	2015 .020837% 5,697 122,028	\$	2016 .021283% 56,023 123,028	\$	2017 .020745% 42,725 127,228	\$.020669% (15,341) 127,227	\$	2019 0.20695% 91,852 145,226

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Schedule of the District Attorney's Share of the Net Pension Liability For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

District Attorneys' Retirement System of Louisiana	De	cember 31, 2020
District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)		.444627%
District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$	352,266
District Attorney's covered-employee payroll	\$	275,800
District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset) as a percentage of it's covered-employee payroll		127.72%
Plan fiduciary net position as a percentage of the total pension liability		84.86%
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana	De	cember 31, 2020
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability (asset)	De	
	De \$	2020
District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension		.022904%
District Attorney's proportion of the net pension liability (asset) District Attorney's proportionate share of the net pension liability (asset)	\$.022904% 1,078

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Schedule of the District Attorney's Pension Contribution For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

District Attorneys' Retirement System of Louisiana	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2016	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2019
Contractually required contribution	\$ 11,628	\$ 3,929	\$ -	\$ 1,656	\$ 7,240
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	11,628	3,929		1,656	7,240
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
District Attorney's covered-employee payroll	\$ 221,886	\$ 224,516	\$ 259,123	\$ 265,018	\$ 275,810
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll	5.24%	1.75%	0.00%	0.625%	2.62%
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2016	December 31, 2017	December 31, 2018	December 31, 2019
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana Contractually required contribution		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually	\$ 17,694	\$ 15,994	\$ 15,903	\$ 14,631	\$ 16,701
Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution	\$ 17,694	\$ 15,994	\$ 15,903	\$ 14,631	\$ 16,701
Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution Contribution deficiency (excess)	2015 \$ 17,694 17,694 \$ -	2016 \$ 15,994 15,994 \$ -	\$ 15,903 \$ 15,903	\$ 14,631 \$ -	\$ 16,701 \$ -

Schedule of the District Attorney's Pension Contribution For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

District Attorneys' Retirement System of Louisiana	Dec	cember 31, 2020
Contractually required contribution	\$	11,032
Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		11,032
Contribution deficiency (excess)	\$	
District Attorney's covered-employee payroll	\$	275,800
Contributions as a percentage of covered-employee payroll		4.00%
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana	Dec	cember 31, 2020
Parochial Employees' Retirement System of Louisiana Contractually required contribution	Dec	
		2020
Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually		2020 20,730
Contractually required contribution Contributions in relation to the contractually required contribution		2020 20,730

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OTHER SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES

Thirty- Sixth Judicial District Attorney

Non-major Special Revenue Fund

Worthless Check Fund – The Worthless Check Collection Fee Fund consists of fees collected in accordance with Louisiana Revised Statute 16:15, which provides for a specific fee whenever the District Attorney's office collects and processes a worthless check. Expenditures from this fund are at the sole discretion of the District Attorney and may be used to defray the salaries and the expenses of the office of the District Attorney, but may not be used to supplement the salary of the District Attorney.

Balance Sheet Non-major Special Revenue Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Worthless Check Fund		
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 9,542		
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES			
Liabilities:			
Due to others	\$ 		
Fund Balances:			
Restricted	\$ 9,542		
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$ 9,542		

Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances Non-major Special Revenue Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	orthless eck Fund		
Revenues			
Fees, charges and commissions for services	\$ 8,181		
Investment income	 3		
Total revenues	\$ 8,184		
Expenditures			
Judiciary			
Operating services	\$ 5,829		
Supplies	 1,502		
Total expenditures	\$ 7,331		
Net change in fund balances	\$ 853		
Fund balances at beginning of year	 8,689		
Fund balances at end of year	\$ 9,542		

Schedule of Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments to Agency Head For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Agency Head Name - James R. Lestage

Purpose	Amount
Salary - District Attorney's Office	\$ 154,386
Benefits - insurance	3,275
Benefits - retirement	4,049
Deferred compensation	6,000
Benefits - other	-
Car allowance	9,000
Vehicle provided by government	-
Cell phone	540
Dues	670
Vehicle rental	-
Per diem	300
Reimbursements	-
Travel	112
Registration fees	975
Conference travel	-
Housing/Hotel	484
Unvouchered expenses	-
Special meals	-
Other	-

Justice System Funding Schedule -Collecting/Disbursing Entity For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Peri	Six Month od Ended 30/2020	Second Six Month Period Ended 12/31/2020	
Beginning balance of amounts collected (cash on hand)	\$		\$	
Collections:				
Bail Bond Funds	\$	26,750	\$	-
Subtotal collections	\$	26,750	\$	
Disbursements to governments & nonprofits:				
Beauregard Parish Police Juror, Criminal Court	\$	6,687	\$	-
Beauregard Parish Sheriffs Office, Criminal Court		6,687		
Beauregard Parish Public Defenders Office		5,350		
Beauregard Parish District Attorney		8,026		
Amounts Retained by Collection Agency	\$	-	\$	-
Disbursements to individuals/3rd party collection				
processing agencies	\$	-	\$	-
Subtotal disbursements/retainage	\$	26,750	\$	
Ending balance of amounts collected but not				
disbursed/retained (cash on hand)	\$	-	\$	
Ending balance of "partial payments" collected but not disbursed	\$		\$	

Justice System Funding Schedule Receiving Entity For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

	Month Period Ended 6/30/2020		Month Period Ended 12/31/2020	
Receipts from:				
Partipcant fee, Hot Check Fund	\$	4,262	\$ 3,919	
Partipcant fee, Drug Court Fund		8,790	8,452	
Pre-trial Intervention program		40,301	47,791	
BPSO, bonding fees		13,821	17,447	
BPSO, traffic court		58,041	30,865	
BPSO, criminal court		16,662	17,410	
Town of Merryville, traffic court		77	-	
Prosecution fees		22,732	18,600	
Bail bond forfeitures		8,925		
Subtotal receipts	\$	173,611	\$ 144,484	
Ending balance of amounts assessed but not received	\$		\$ 	

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Schedule of Prior Year Audit Findings For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

Finding - Financial Statement Audit

Audit Finding No. 2019-1

Bank deposits not being made in a timely manner

Condition: Bank deposits are not being made daily as required by State Agreed Upon Procedures. In

some instances receipts were held several months before being deposited. As of December 31, 2019 there were \$22,069 of receipts that had not been deposits.

Criteria: According to State Agreed Upon Procedures daily bank deposits should be made for all

collections over one hundred dollars.

Cause and Condition: The bookkeeper has several different funds to deal with and runs short on time and the

bank deposits seem to just get put off until a later date.

Effect of Condition: For the bank deposits that result in a corresponding disbursement, the disbursement must

come from other funds since the related deposits is not in the bank. Bank deposits not made could also lend themselves to misappropriations if not timely made to the bank.

Recommendation: I recommend that bank deposits be made daily when collections are over one hundred

dollars. Also, if the bookkeeper has other business to take care of a portion of the duties

should be delegated to others within the office.

Date of Initial Occurrence - December 31, 2019

Corrective Action Taken - Yes

Schedule of Current Year Audit Findings and Management's Response For the Year Ended December 31, 2020

There were no current year audit findings reported as of December 31, 2020.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

The Honorable James R. Lestage Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney Parish of Beauregard State of Louisiana

We have audited, in accordance with the 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, the financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated July 2, 2021.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney's internal control.

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

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or, significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

The Honorable James R. Lestage Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney Parish of Beauregard State of Louisiana Page 2

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the Thirty-Sixth Judicial District Attorney's financial statements are free from 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 such 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*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

DeRidder, Louisiana

nll. Windham, CPA

July 2, 2021