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Date:

July 3, 2023

Subject:

Approval for Paid Overtime for the District Clerk's Grand Jury Dept. Staff

To:

Collin County Commissioner's Court

From:

Mike Gould Collin County District Clerk

Problem:

Due to the backlog of felony cases with the District Attorney's office, our grand jury department has seen an increase of felony indictments filed. District Attorney Willis mentioned in his presentation to commissioner's court on 4/3/2023, that on top of new felony cases filed, his office has a backlog of approx. 1,500 cases. Below is a number comparison of FY'22 to FY'23.

New Felony Cases Filed

October 1, 2021 to September 30, 2022 4,882 October 1, 2022 to Current 4,583

For the month of June, we have received 1,460 felony indictments from the District Attorney's office.

Solution:

The District Clerk grand jury staff would work additional overtime for approximately 12 weeks to keep the indictment process caught up and current. We would like to request overtime approval in the amount of \$15,000.00.

The District Clerk would like to request approval for commissioner's court to use funds from our Records Management and Preservation Fund to provide paid overtime for our grand jury department staff. We would like to use the funds from account 1056. Local Government Code, Chapter 134.155 states:

Sec. 134.155. COUNTY RECORDS MANAGEMENT AND PRESERVATION FUND. Money allocated under Section 134.101 or 134.102 to the county records management and preservation fund maintained in the county treasury as required by Section 134.151 may be used by a county only to fund records management and preservation services performed by the court clerk.

Respectfully,

Mike Gould

Collin County District Clerk