	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2023
	Actual	Estimated	Requested	Recommended
Expenditure By Object				
Salaries & Fringe Benefits	2,182,577	2,298,086	2,385,367	2,441,217
Travel	24,743	64,250	67,750	64,250
Contractual Services	316,780	451,162	450,402	363,961
Commodities	42,526	96,300	96,300	96,300
Capital Outlay - Equipment	26,428	10,000	10,000	10,000
Subsidies, Loans & Grants	283,250	395,500	2,395,500	395,500
Totals	2,876,304	3,315,298	5,405,319	3,371,228
To Be Funded As Follows:				
Cash Balance - Unencumbered	22,560	46,266	46,266	46,266
State Appropriations	2,876,304	3,315,298	5,405,319	3,371,228
Kellogg Grant	23,250	0	0	0
Special Fund Interest	456	0	0	0
Less: Est Cash Available	-46,266	-46,266	-46,266	-46,266
Totals	2,876,304	3,315,298	5,405,319	3,371,228
General Fund Lapse	198,358	0	0	0
<b>Summary Of Positions</b>				
Permanent Full-Time	25	25	25	25
Part-Time	0	0	0	0
Time-Limited Full-Time	0	0	0	0
Part-Time	0	0	0	0
Totals	25	25	25	25
<b>Summary Of Funding</b>				
General Funds	2,876,304	3,315,298	5,405,319	3,371,228
State Support Funds	0	0	0	0
Special Funds	0	0	0	0
Totals	2,876,304	3,315,298	5,405,319	3,371,228

### **Agency Description and Programs**

The Office of State Public Defender was established under Section 99-18-1, Mississippi Code of 1972, to provide legal representation to indigent persons. By combining the former Office of Capital Defense Counsel and Office of Indigent Appeals to centralize the administration of the existing programs - providing indigent defense in eligible death penalty cases at trial and appeal, non-death cases on appeal, and training of all public defenders. In 2016 it was expanded to include training for all youth court defenders and direct representation for parents in the child welfare system. In the 2016 Regular Legislative Session, the Legislature passed Senate Bill 2362, the Mississippi Budget Transparency and Simplification Act of 2016, which changed the support for the Office of the State Public Defender to be provided by the General Fund.

## 1. Capital Defense

This program provides legal representation to indigent persons charged with death penalty eligible offenses in the state courts of Mississippi and tracks all such cases.

#### 2. Indigent Appeals

This program provides representation on appeal for indigent persons convicted of felonies but not under sentences of death. This program shall provide advice, education, and support to attorneys representing persons under felony charges in the trial courts.

### 3. Public Defender Training

This program provides the Training Division of this Office with continuing professional legal education to Public Defenders in Mississippi.

# 4. Indigent Parental Representation

This program provides funding and training for attorneys to represent parents in both Youth Court abuse and neglect cases and Termination of Parental Right cases to ensure the fundamental rights of parents are respected and facilitate the expedient movement of children within the system.

#### 5. State Defender

This program provides a statewide Public Defender system that administers capital defense, indigent appeals, and training divisions.

	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Estimated	FY 2023 Requested	FY 2023 Recommended
Summary By Program				
1. Capital Defense				
Total Funds	881,837	910,070	913,801	910,070
2. Indigent Appeals				
Total Funds	1,020,781	1,031,707	1,049,757	1,083,486
3. Public Defender Training				
Total Funds	316,895	512,740	512,740	512,740
4. Indigent Parental Representation				
Total Funds	304,880	566,190	566,190	566,190
5. State Defender				
Total Funds	351,911	294,591	2,362,831	298,742