# OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL 5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2027 - 2031

#### OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

# 1. Comprehensive Mission Statement:

Serving as guardians of the rule of law in Mississippi.

### 2. Statement of Agency Philosophy

For all Mississippians, setting the bar in the pursuit of justice, forging partnerships to solve the State's most pressing challenges, and serving with excellence in investigation, enforcement, education, and advocacy.

#### 3. Relevant Statewide Goals and Benchmarks

# **Public Safety and Order**

Statewide Goal #1: To protect the public's safety and assist in the operation of a fair and effective system of justice.

#### Relevant Benchmarks #1:

- Percentage of convictions after indictment
- Minimum affirmations of criminal convictions
- Caseload per attorney
- Caseload per investigator
- Number of days to close a case not resulting in charges

#### **Government and Citizens**

Statewide Goal #2: To create an efficient government and an informed and engaged citizenry that helps to address State challenges.

#### Relevant Benchmarks #2:

- Cost of support services as percentage of budget
- Response time to consumer complaints
- Processing time for Crime Victim Compensation requests
- Average Crime Victims Compensation award
- Average Sexual Assault Exam payment amount
- Cost savings to state agencies for legal services provided
- Number of citizens trained on cyber crimes, domestic violence, vulnerable person abuse, consumer fraud, election fraud, etc.

# 4. Overview of the Agency 5-Year Strategic Plan:

The Office of the Attorney General (AGO) is continually challenged to provide and maintain the current high quality and level of legal services in traditional areas such as representation of state officials and state agencies, criminal prosecution and appellate work, and consumer protection while concurrently adapting to newly identified areas of concern including but not limited to human trafficking, the protection of children, the elderly, and other especially vulnerable populations, and the investigation and prosecution of cyber and cyber-related crimes.

Activity of the AGO is primarily response-oriented in that cases are managed that have their origins in circumstances outside the influence or input of the agency. Thus, being able to accurately predict the caseload in any year is difficult, if not impossible. With that uncertainty comes an accompanying difficulty in determining the staffing requirements to efficiently and effectively perform the duties necessary for the best possible service to Mississippians. Like any large law firm, the ability to hire and retain talented, dedicated, and knowledgeable employees is directly proportional to the success of representation of clients. In the case of the AGO, those clients are ultimately the citizens of Mississippi.

Over the past decade, the AGO has experienced a steady increase in its caseload and in the complexity of lawsuits against state agencies and public officials, especially in employment grievance appeals and lawsuits, appeals of state agency regulatory decisions, and civil rights cases involving law enforcement personnel. Large companies, including pharmaceutical manufacturers and social media platforms, and their trade groups, are increasingly suing the State over laws passed by the Legislature, requiring time- and labor-intensive litigation against some of the nation's largest and best-financed law firms. Continued criminal activities of various types in the State of Mississippi result in a heavy caseload for both attorneys and investigators in divisions with jurisdiction in these areas. The caseload of the attorneys dealing with criminal appeals and habeas corpus litigation continues to be heavy and growing, as well. Additionally, the escalating problems of widespread human and drug trafficking and increased gang violence require additional manpower and specialized training and equipment to secure sufficient evidence for indictments and convictions.

Thus, over the next five (5) years, this agency foresees a need for additional workforce to handle the increased caseload and uncertainty of potential caseload as well as to provide support in Litigation and Opinions, Enforcement, and Other Mandated Programs. Also, the AGO's ability to hire and retain experienced staff in competition with both the private sector and other governmental agencies demonstrates a need for additional funding for salary increases. As funding becomes available, additional and vacant positions will be filled. Divisions funded through federal and other source funds will be kept properly staffed through midyear escalation and the normal budget request process.

#### 5(A). External/Internal Assessment

- 1. Additional responsibilities mandated by State or Federal Legislative action
- 2. Passage of federal legislation to authorize Medicaid Fraud Control Units to investigate all federally funded mandated health care programs
- 3. Decrease in federal funding for Medicaid Fraud Control Unit
- 4. Increase in the number of state agencies, boards, or commissions represented by this agency
- 5. Significant increase in civil suits filed against the State of Mississippi.
- 6. Specific rulings from the Courts which adversely impact a specific "type" of case handled within the agency
- 7. Significant increase in number of Mississippi prosecutors or others served through Prosecutor and Law Enforcement Training Division
- 8. Reduced availability of General Funds appropriation for statutorily mandated programs formerly funded through fee assessments including Prosecutor Training, Cyber Crime, Vulnerable Persons, Child Desertion, Domestic Violence, Law Enforcement Officers and Firefighters Disability, Children's Advocacy Centers, Motorcycle Officer Training, and Crime Victim Compensation
- 9. Significant increases in medical costs and claims received for crime victims
- Increase in illegal robocalls and fraudulent activity along with the passage of federal legislation, authorizing further enforcement and traceback ability and new responsibilities as sole enforcer for state telemarketing laws
- 11. New consumer protection concerns in cyber and social media
- 12. High turnover rate resulting in a failure to retain attorneys, investigators, and other professionals due to continuing to lag behind market salary levels
- 13. A dramatic reduction in federal funds available for crime victim advocacy, domestic violence, and similar assistance to those impacted by the criminal acts of others
- 14. Inconsistent appropriations for the Victims of Human Trafficking and Commercial Sexual Exploitation Fund

# 5(B). Internal Management System Used to Evaluate Agency's Performance

- 1. Processes are being automated to accurately track program measures and outputs, including the implementation of a new case management system.
- 2. Yearly budgets are distributed by program/sub-program.
- 3. Semi-annual meetings are held to assess whether each program area is on target with set program objectives, outcomes, and efficiencies. Action is taken to remedy any problems and flexibility is given in the implementation of the process to make any necessary adjustments.

- 4. Organizational chains of command are observed to ensure that division head is aware of all activity within each specific unit in order to monitor efficiency and effectiveness.
- 5. Performance Measures are reviewed by division heads and modified as needed.
- 6. Annual meetings are held with division heads to ensure that management and employees understand what the desired results and/or outcomes are in order to be successful.
- 7. Short-term performances have been developed which more effectively focus on the agency's long-term objectives.
- 8. Internal audit procedures are being developed for performance measures for all programs.
- 9. Annual meeting of all staff to go over leadership, professionalism, and agency goals.
- 6. Agency Goals, Objectives, Strategies and Measures by Program for FY 2027 through FY 2031:

The following goals, objectives, strategies and measures by program apply to fiscal years 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030 and 2031. As programs and state and/or federal laws change, adjustments will be made.

# **Program 1: Supportive Services**

**GOAL A:** Provide administrative and technical support in the areas of management (planning, organizing and staffing), finance, personnel, accounting, budgeting, grant management and reporting, information systems, purchasing, payroll, internal auditing, maintenance of law library, and management of all legal contracts.

**OBJECTIVE A.1.** Provide the necessary administrative support for the Office of the Attorney General to perform its mandated functions as the Chief Legal Officer of the State of Mississippi as cost efficiently, timely, and equitably as possible.

Outcome: Cost of Supportive Services as a percentage of the total agency budget

**A.1.1. STRATEGY:** Prepare annual legislative, information system, and personnel budgets and maintain financial data to account for budget and actual expenditures by program as well as Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) Packets and related information for inclusion in the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

Output: Provide accurate, comprehensive reports and

information to designated entities no later than due

date

A.1.2. STRATEGY: Manage and administer grants as necessary.

Output: Ensure adherence to grant requirements

Output: Fulfill reporting requirements as dictated by the grant Efficiency: Utilize grant funds to assist in the start-up of new

programs and expansion of existing programs

**A.1.3. STRATEGY:** Plan, develop, implement, and support computer systems, including both hardware and software residing on a Local/Wide Area Network.

Output: Provide taxpayers access to public information

through maintenance of agency website

Output: Allow state and local entities, officials,

attorneys, and the general public access to the

**Opinions Database** 

Output: Provide computer software, hardware, network, and

systems necessary for the Office of the Attorney General to perform its mandated duties and

responsibilities

Efficiency: Timely and efficient implementation and support

**GOAL B:** Administer the Law Enforcement Officers and Fire Fighters Disability Benefits Trust Fund.

**OBJECTIVE B.1.** Review claims and, if approved, make disability payments equal to 34% of the covered individual's regular base salary at the time the injury occurred, until such time as the individual returns to work or receives the maximum benefit allowed set forth in statute

Outcome: Percentage of all Law Enforcement Officers and Fire

Fighters Disability Benefits Trust Fund claims approved

**B.1.1. STRATEGY:** Review and approve/disapprove claims received in accordance with Standard Operating Procedures making payments as appropriate.

Output: Number of claims received Output: Number of claims approved Efficiency: Accuracy of dispositions (approvals/disapprovals)

upon review to total claims processed

Explanatory: Documentation from outside sources

#### **Program 2: Training**

**GOAL A:** Provide continuing legal education and technical assistance training for Mississippi's state, county, municipal and youth court prosecutors. (Section 37-26-1(b), Miss. Code Ann. (1972) and Section 43-21-117(4), Miss. Code Ann. (1972)) in order to enhance criminal justice services for the citizens of Mississippi.

**OBJECTIVE A.1.** Provide Mississippi prosecuting attorneys with critical, applicable, and timely continuing legal education focused on prosecutor-specific topics not otherwise available within the state.

*Outcome:* Ratings of training presentations by participants

**A.1.1. STRATEGY:** Offer training opportunities to all prosecutors.

Output: Number of training sessions conducted

Output: Number of participants trained

Output: Number of participants who retain membership in the

Bar

Efficiency: Cost of training for each prosecutor compared to

availability from the private sector

Explanatory: Costs of travel, lodging and materials

Explanatory: Variation of subject matter depending upon

Legislative action and court decisions

**GOAL B:** Provide training for criminal investigators, victim assistance coordinators, and other District Attorney personnel to enhance their support of the criminal justice system of Mississippi.

**OBJECTIVE B.1.** Provide applicable, timely and focused training to criminal justice technical support staff in order to strengthen their positive impact on prosecutorial success within the criminal justice systems of Mississippi.

Outcome: Ratings of training presentations by participants

**B.1.1. STRATEGY:** Offer training opportunities to all criminal justice support staff through a series of training sessions conducted throughout the year.

Output: Number of individuals trained

Output: Number of training sessions conducted

Efficiency: Cost of training for each criminal justice personnel

compared to availability from the private sector

Explanatory: Costs of travel, lodging and materials

Explanatory: Variation of subject matter depending upon Legislative

action and court decisions

**GOAL C:** Implement and train end users on the statewide case management system for District Attorneys' offices.

**OBJECTIVE C.1.** Train staff of the individual District Attorneys' offices throughout the state on how to work with the new case management system.

Outcome: Rating of presentation by participants

**C.1.1. STRATEGY:** Incorporate case management system training into the regularly scheduled support staff training programs.

Output: Number of employees receiving training in the case

management system

Efficiency: Cost of implementing case management system

state-wide within the District Attorneys' offices

Efficiency: Common dashboard that shares information Explanatory: Periodic updates of the system through software

improvements

#### **Program 3: Litigation**

The primary purpose of the Attorney General's Litigation Program is to manage all litigation, both criminal and civil, on behalf of the State and its agencies, officials and employees in a timely and professional manner (Section 7-5-1, Miss. Code Ann. (1972)), and to maintain a docket of such cases.

**GOAL A:** Represent the State in all direct criminal appeals, post-conviction review, federal habeas corpus, and other criminal proceedings in the Supreme Court of Mississippi, the Mississippi Court of Appeals, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals, the United States District Courts and on certiorari to the Supreme Court of the United States.

**OBJECTIVE A.1.** Provide effective full-service legal representation for the State of Mississippi in criminal case appeals and extradition matters.

Outcome: Percentage of affirmations of criminal convictions attained

**A.1.1. STRATEGY:** Provide expert representation for the State in all direct criminal appeals, post-conviction reviews and extradition matters.

Output: Number of criminal appeals received Output: Number of criminal appeals filed

Output: Number of miscellaneous responses filed
 Output: Number of oral arguments delivered
 Output: Number of Certiorari Petitions filed
 Output: Number of extraditions processed
 Output: Number of extradition appeals
 Output: Number of extradition hearings

Output: Number of cases open

Efficiency: Average caseload per attorney

Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement in the

litigation

Explanatory: Congressional actions, Legislative actions, or court

decisions

**OBJECTIVE A.2.** Provide full-service legal representation for the State of Mississippi in matters of death penalty review.

Outcome: Percentage of death penalty review cases affirmed

**A.2.1. STRATEGY:** Provide effective representation for the State in matters involving death penalty review.

Output: Number of death penalty appeals - briefs,

responses, and motions -filed

Output: Number of death penalty arguments and hearings

conducted

Output: Number of death penalty review cases open at any

time

Efficiency: Average caseload per attorney

Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement in the

litigation

Explanatory: Congressional actions, Legislative actions, or court

decisions

**OBJECTIVE A.3.** Provide full-service legal representation for the State of Mississippi in all non-death penalty Federal Habeas Corpus cases.

Outcome: Percentage of appeals for relief in Federal Habeas Corpus

cases denied.

**A.3.1. STRATEGY:** Provide effective representation for the State in all non-death penalty Federal Habeas Corpus cases.

Output: Number of briefs, responses, and motions filed

Output: Number of arguments and hearings Output: Number of cases open at any time Efficiency: Average caseload per attorney

Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement in the

litigation

Explanatory: Congressional actions, Legislative actions, or court

decisions

**GOAL B:** Provide trial and appellate legal representation to the State, State agencies and boards, and State officials and employees, who are being sued in their official and individual capacities, through hearings, trials and appeals in cases as varied as discrimination, constitutional challenges, Section 1983 suits, and administrative actions in all state and federal courts.

**OBJECTIVE B.1.** Provide effective trial and appellate legal representation in lawsuits brought against governmental agencies, officials, and employees.

Outcome: Percentage of cases won, penalties reduced or avoided,

resignations of liable parties or other favorable outcomes as a

result of legal action

**B.1.1. STRATEGY:** Provide expert legal representation to governmental agencies, officials and employees in lawsuits brought against them.

Output: Number of cases opened Output: Number of cases closed

Efficiency: Average caseload per attorney

Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement in the

litigation

Explanatory: Congressional actions, Legislative actions, or court

decisions

**OBJECTIVE B.2.** Provide legal representation for the State in Section 1983 Prisoner cases.

Outcome: Percentage of cases won, penalties reduced or avoided,

resignations of liable parties or other favorable outcomes as a

result of legal action

**B.2.1. STRATEGY:** Provide effective representation for the State and its subdivisions in all matters pertaining to Section 1983 Prisoner cases.

Output: Number of cases opened Output: Number of cases closed

Efficiency: Average caseload per attorney

Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement in the

litigation

Explanatory: Congressional actions, Legislative actions, or court

decisions

#### **Program 4: Opinions**

**GOAL A:** Respond to all requests for Official Attorney General Opinions in a timely manner, in accordance with Section 7-5-25, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

**OBJECTIVE A.1.** Provide accurate and timely responses to all requests for Official Attorney General Opinions as they are received.

Outcome: Percentage of opinion requests assigned to attorneys within

three days or less

Outcome: Percentage of opinion requests completed within 75-100 days

for regular requests and 30-45 days for expedited requests.

#### A.1.1. STRATEGY:

Output: Number of opinions written

Efficiency: Average number of opinions per attorney

Explanatory: Number of attorneys on staff

Explanatory: Number of opinion requests received

# **Program 5: State Agency Representation**

**GOAL A:** Provide day-to-day legal representation of state agencies in accordance with Section 7-5-1, et seq., Miss. Code Ann. (1972) and Section 173 of the Mississippi Constitution.

**OBJECTIVE A.1.** Provide day-to-day legal representation of state agencies.

*Outcome:* Percentage of good/excellent ratings for legal services

**A.1.1. STRATEGY:** Provide day-to-day legal representation of state agencies on a contractual basis.

Output: Number of state agencies represented

Output: Number of attorneys representing state agencies

Efficiency: Estimated cost savings for state agencies

Explanatory: Number of state agencies requesting representation

Explanatory: Number of staff requested by or assigned to

represent state agencies

**A.1.2. STRATEGY:** Provide representation in legal proceedings brought by state agencies, boards, and commissions.

Output: Number of petitions for Termination of Parental Rights

filed on behalf of Mississippi Department of Child

**Protection Services** 

Output: Number of orders for Termination of Parental Rights

Output: Number of petitions for conservatorships or emergency

services filed on behalf of Mississippi Department of Human Services, Mississippi Department of Mental

Health, or another agency

Output: Number of conservatorship actions closed

Output: Number of petitions filed on behalf of state agencies Output: Number of orders or judgments entered in actions filed

on behalf of state agencies

Efficiency: Average caseload per attorney

Explanatory: Legislative actions or court decisions

# **Program 6: Insurance Integrity Enforcement**

**GOAL A:** Investigate and prosecute claims of insurance abuses and crimes involving insurance, in accordance with Section 7-5-301 through Section 7-5-311, et. seq., Miss Code Ann. (1972).

**OBJECTIVE A.1.** Investigate and prosecute Workers' Compensation insurance fraud.

*Outcome:* Percentage of positive results of Workers' Compensation

fraud cases

**A.1.1. STRATEGY:** Investigate and successfully prosecute Workers' Compensation fraud.

Output: Number of Workers' Compensation fraud complaints

received

Output: Number of Workers' Compensation fraud complaints

remanded

Output: Number of Workers' Compensation fraud open cases

Output: Number of Workers' Compensation fraud

charges/indictments

Efficiency: Average caseload per investigator

Explanatory: Number of investigators Explanatory: Number of referrals received

Explanatory: Type, quality, and complexity of complaints

#### **OBJECTIVE A.2.** Investigate and prosecute Other Insurance fraud.

Outcome: Percentage of positive results of other insurance cases

# **A.2.1. STRATEGY:** Investigate and successfully prosecute Other Insurance fraud.

Output: Number of Other Insurance complaints received Output: Number of Other Insurance complaints remanded

Output: Number of Other Insurance open cases

Output: Number of Other Insurance fraud charges/indictments

Efficiency: Average caseload per investigator

Explanatory: Number of investigators
Explanatory: Number of referrals received

Explanatory: Type, quality, and complexity of complaints

#### **Program 7: Other Mandated Programs**

Other Mandated Programs includes the investigation and prosecution of all illegal activities relating to Medicaid fraud, elder abuse/neglect/exploitation, drug trafficking, and misconduct of public officials and business enterprises. In addition, assistance is provided to United States Attorneys, district attorneys, and federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies in the performance of their duties. Other Mandated Programs also addresses domestic violence, human trafficking, juvenile prevention, intervention, and juvenile justice alternatives. These Programs utilize the State's asset forfeiture statutes and provide prosecutors and law enforcement officers with pre-arrest asset investigative assessments and post-arrest legal and prosecutorial assistance.

**GOAL A:** Investigate and prosecute fraud committed by Medicaid providers and abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation perpetrated upon vulnerable persons who are residents or patients in health care facilities in accordance with Section 43-13-219, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

**OBJECTIVE A.1.** Investigate and prosecute crimes of Medicaid fraud.

Outcome: Percentage of Medicaid fraud convictions vs. dispositions

**A.1.1. STRATEGY:** Investigate and successfully prosecute Medicaid fraud committed by providers.

Output: Number of Medicaid fraud complaints received
 Output: Number of Medicaid fraud cases opened
 Output: Number of Medicaid fraud charges/indictments
 Output: Number of Medicaid fraud convictions obtained
 Output: Amount of Medicaid fraud restitution, civil penalties and investigative costs recovered

Efficiency: Average caseload per investigator and prosecutor

*Explanatory:* Number of investigators and prosecutors *Explanatory:* Type, quality, and complexity of complaints

**OBJECTIVE A.2.** Investigate and prosecute crimes of abuse, neglect and financial exploitation perpetrated against vulnerable persons who are residents or patients in health care facilities.

Outcome: Percentage of Medicaid abuse convictions vs. dispositions

**A.2.1. STRATEGY:** Investigate and successfully prosecute Medicaid abuse, neglect, and financial exploitation in health care facilities.

Output: Number of Medicaid abuse complaints received

Output: Number of Medicaid abuse cases opened

Output: Number of Medicaid abuse charges/indictments Output: Number of Medicaid abuse convictions obtained

Efficiency: Average caseload per investigator and

prosecutor

Explanatory: Number of investigators and prosecutors Explanatory: Type, quality, and complexity of complaints **GOAL B:** Conduct official investigations in accordance with Section 7-5-59, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), which details white-collar crime and official corruption and assisting district attorneys and local law enforcement officials in the performance of their duties; and impanel a statewide grand jury to investigate and charge large-scale drug offenders in accordance with Section 13-7-1, et seq., Miss Code Ann. (1972).

**OBJECTIVE B.1.** Investigate and prosecute white-collar criminals and large-scale drug offenders.

Outcome: Percentage of defendants convicted after indictment

**B.1.1. STRATEGY:** Investigate and successfully prosecute white-collar criminals and large-scale drug offenders.

Output: Number of complaints received Output: Number of investigations opened

Efficiency: Average number of days to close a case not resulting

in charges

Efficiency: Average caseload per investigator and prosecutor

Explanatory: Number of investigators and prosecutors Explanatory: Type, quality, and complexity of complaints Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement

**GOAL C:** Investigate and prosecute high technology crime in accordance with Section 7-5-59, Miss. Code Ann. (1972) to provide a safe electronic environment in Mississippi for the communication of information, ideas and commercial transactions and protect children from the dangers of those who would use the internet to harm them.

**OBJECTIVE C.1.** Investigate and prosecute cyber crimes.

Outcome: Minimum percent of convictions after indictment

**C.1.1. STRATEGY:** Investigate and successfully prosecute cyber crimes including possession of child pornography and sextortion.

Output: Number of complaints received Output: Number of investigations opened

Output: Number of complaints resolved (no cases opened)

Efficiency: Average caseload per investigator and prosecutor

Explanatory: Number of investigators and prosecutors Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement

**GOAL D:** Investigate and prosecute those accused of crimes against vulnerable persons in accordance with Section 43-47-5, et seq., Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

**OBJECTIVE D.1.** Investigate and prosecute crimes against vulnerable persons.

Outcome: Minimum percent of convictions after indictment

**D.1.1. STRATEGY:** Investigate and successfully prosecute crimes against vulnerable persons.

Output: Number of complaints received Output: Number of investigations opened

Output: Number of complaints resolved (no cases opened)

Efficiency: Average caseload per investigator and prosecutor

Explanatory: Number of investigators and prosecutions Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement

**GOAL E:** Investigate and prosecute delinquent child support cases in accordance with Section 43-19-61, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

**OBJECTIVE E.1.** Investigate and prosecute delinguent child support cases.

Outcome: Minimum percent of convictions after indictment

**E.1.1. STRATEGY:** Investigate and successfully prosecute individuals who willfully, unlawfully, feloniously, and knowingly refuse to provide for the support and maintenance of their natural children.

Output: Number of complaints received Output: Number of investigations opened

Output: Number of complaints resolved (no cases opened)

Efficiency: Average caseload per investigator and prosecutor

Explanatory: Number of investigators and prosecutions Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement

**GOAL F:** Investigate prosecute, and resolve claims and crimes against consumers related to scams, other unfair, anticompetitive or deceptive business practices, telemarketing, identity theft, home repair fraud, intellectual property crimes, and mediate consumer complaints in accordance with Section 75-24-1, et seq., Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

# **OBJECTIVE F.1.** Investigate and prosecute consumer-related cases.

Outcome: Minimum percent of convictions after indictment, judgments

after civil enforcement actions, and number of injunctive

orders and assurances of voluntary compliance.

# **F.1.1. STRATEGY:** Investigate and successfully prosecute consumer related cases.

Output: Number of cases litigated
Output: Restitution to consumers
Output: Costs/Fees recovered

Efficiency: Number of cased opened on behalf of the Consumer

Protection Division and consumer-related cases within

the Public Integrity Division

Explanatory: Number of investigators or assigned attorneys Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement

Explanatory: Type, quality, and complexity of complaints

# **OBJECTIVE F.2.** Mediate consumer complaints.

Outcome: Average number of days to respond to consumer complaints

#### **F.2.1. STRATEGY:** Successfully mediate consumer complaints.

Output: Number of inquiries received

Efficiency: Number of cases opened on behalf of the Consumer

**Protection Division** 

Explanatory: Actions and/or events antecedent to AGO involvement

Explanatory: Type, quality, and complexity of inquiries

**GOAL G:** Provide training for law enforcement, judges, government attorneys, prosecutors, and court personnel in the areas of domestic violence, dating violence, stalking, sexual assault, domestic abuse protection orders, and related matters including human trafficking and victim rights in accordance with Section 93-21-31, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), and administer the Mississippi Domestic Abuse Protection Order Registry and train court clerks, dispatch and law enforcement on usage of the Registry and the Mississippi Uniform Offense Report per Sections 93-21-9 and 93-21-25, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

**OBJECTIVE G.1.** Provide training, guidance, and resources in the areas of domestic violence.

Outcome: Percentage of positive training evaluations

**G.1.1. STRATEGY:** Effectively train officials, law enforcement personnel and safety providers to combat interpersonal violence.

Output: Number of law enforcement officers trained

Output: Number of prosecutors trained Output: Number of court personnel trained

Output: Number of interpersonal violence victims assisted

Output: Number of SANE nurses trained Output: Number of dispatchers trained

Output: Number of multi-disciplinary representatives trained Efficiency: Average number of trainings per staff member

Explanatory: Number of staff

Explanatory: Actions antecedent to AGO involvement

**GOAL H:** Ensure compliance with state laws that prohibit the sale of tobacco products and alcohol to minors in accordance with Section 97-32-21, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), oversee all Retailer Tobacco Prevention Education Programs per Section 97-32-3, Miss. Code Ann. (1972), and ensure compliance with state laws that prohibit the sales of alcohol (beer and light wine) to minors in accordance with Section 67-3-53, Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

**OBJECTIVE H.1.** Conduct on-site inspections of retail establishments to ensure compliance with state laws that prohibit the sale of tobacco products and alcohol to minors.

Outcome: Percentage of convictions vs. dispositions

**H.1.1. STRATEGY:** Conduct on-site inspections of retail establishments and provide retailer training.

Output: Number of compliance checks

Output: Number of violations

Output: Number of retailer trainings
Output: Number of clerks trained

Output: Amount of fines and court costs recovered

Output: Permit suspension

Efficiency: Average case load per investigator

Efficiency: Average number of retailer trainings per investigator

Explanatory: Number of investigators

# **Program 8: Crime Victims Compensation**

**GOAL A:** Provide financial assistance and support services to victims of violent crime and their family members in accordance with Section 99-41-1, et seq., Miss. Code Ann. (1972).

**OBJECTIVE A.1.** Relieve the hardships of crime victims and assist in their recovery whenever possible by providing compensation, direct services, advocacy, and public awareness and education to victims, their family members, law enforcement, court officials, and the public at large.

Outcome: Percentage of claims processed timely

**A.1.1. STRATEGY:** Assist crime victims and their families in their recovery from violent crimes in a timely manner.

Output: Number of Crime Victims Compensation claim

applications received

Output: Amount of Crime Victims Compensation funds

awarded

Output: Number of individuals assisted

Output: Number of Sexual Assault Forensic Exams funded

Efficiency: Average Crime Victims Compensation award Efficiency: Average Sexual Assault Exam payment amount

Explanatory: Number of staff

Explanatory: Failure to provide appropriate information or

documentation