2007 National Census of Prosecutors

Section A: Staffing

A1. What is the term of office for the chief prosecutor?

_____years

A2. As of the end of last month, how long had the chief prosecutor served in this capacity?

a. _____years b. _____months

A3-A4. Currently, how many of the following types of staff are employed in your entire district? Part-time refers to any employee who works fewer hours than your standard work week and includes job sharing. *(If you are unable to provide the actual number, please provide your best estimate. If none, enter "0".)*

<u>Total district</u>

Staff position	A3. Number Full-time	A4. Number Part-time
Chief prosecutor: The elected or State-appointed head of the prosecutorial district	a. _____	_____
Assistant prosecutors: Any employee of the chief prosecutor licensed to practice law and litigating <u>criminal</u> cases. <u>Excludes attorneys in Non-litigating positions.</u>	b. _____	_____
Other attorneys (e.g., Civil, Supervisory, Manager)	c. _____	_____
Other staff (e.g., Victim advocates, Legal services, Investigators, Support staff, Administrative, Clerical, Computer personnel, Fiscal officers):	d. _____	_____
TOTAL STAFF	e. _____	_____

A5. What is the annual salary of the chief prosecutor?

$_____.00 per year

Section B: Funding

B1. What was the FY 2006 budget of your office for prosecutorial functions? *(If you are unable to provide the actual amount, please provide your best estimate.)*

Total 2006 prosecutorial budget
$_____.00

B2. Does the budget amount entered at B1 include funding for any of the following?
(Mark (X) yes or no for each budget category)

Yes   No   Budget category
1 ___ 2 ___ a. Staff salaries
1 ___ 2 ___ b. Expert services
1 ___ 2 ___ c. Investigator services
1 ___ 2 ___ d. Interpreter services
1 ___ 2 ___ e. Child support enforcement
1 ___ 2 ___ f. DNA testing

Section C: Special Categories of Felony Prosecutions

C1. During the past 12 months, did your office prosecute any of the following kinds of felony offense*)*

Yes   No   Number
1 ___ 2 ___ a. Police use of excessive force   _____
1 ___ 2 ___ b. Use of internet for Child exploitation   _____
1 ___ 2 ___ c. Gang-related violence   _____
1 ___ 2 ___ d. Human trafficking   _____
1 ___ 2 ___ e. School violence involving firearms   _____
1 ___ 2 ___ f. Methamphetamine production   _____
1 ___ 2 ___ g. Terrorism/Homeland security   _____

C2. Which of the following types of <u>computer crimes</u> (either misdemeanor or felony) did your office prosecute during the past 12 months?
(*Mark (X) yes or no for each type of computer crime*)

Computer crimes refer to offenses which involve the use of a computer, the internet, or mobile computing device.

Yes   No   Type of computer crime
1 ___ 2 ___   a. Computer sabotage (i.e., to hinder the normal functioning of a
                   computer system through the introduction of worms, viruses,
etc.)
1 ___ 2 ___   b. Unauthorized access to a computer system (i.e., hacking) or
                   copying or distribution of computer programs (i.e., software
                   copyright infringement)
1 ___ 2 ___   c. Cyberstalking (i.e., the activity of users sending harassing or
                   threatening e-mail to other users)
1 ___ 2 ___   d. Theft of intellectual property
1 ___ 2 ___   e. Transmission of child pornography
1 ___ 2 ___   f. Other *(Describe)*_____

Section D: Caseload

D1. Please use the following definitions to provide the total number of cases closed and convicted during the past 12 months.

<u>Closed case</u>: Any case with a judgment of conviction, acquittal, or dismissal with or without prejudice, entered by the court.

<u>Felony case</u>: Please use your State definition of felony. If this term is not used in your State, please interpret "felony" to mean any case in which the defendant, if convicted, could be sentenced to incarceration for more than one year. Include as a felony case any defendant who had at least one felony filing charge.

(If you are unable to provide the actual number, please provide your best estimate. If none, enter "0".)

Number   Type of case

a. _____   Total felony cases closed
b. _____   Total felony cases convicted
c. _____   Total felony jury trial verdicts

Section E: Work-Related Threats or Assaults

E1. During the past 12 months, did your chief prosecutor, receive any of the following work-related threats or assaults?

Type of threat or assault:

Yes   No
1 ___ 2 ___   a. Threatening letter
1 ___ 2 ___   b. Threatening call
1 ___ 2 ___   c. Face-to-face threat
1 ___ 2 ___   d. Battery/Assault

E2. Are any of the following security measures used for protection of the prosecutor's office?

Yes   No
1 ___ 2 __   a. Police protection
1 ___ 2 ___   b. Building guards
1 ___ 2 ___   c. Electronic surveillance
1 ___ 2 ___   d. Metal detectors
1 ___ 2 ___   e. Electronic security systems
1 ___ 2 ___   f. No security measures used

E3. Does your chief prosecutor, any assistant prosecutors, or any staff investigators carry a firearm for personal safety or security?

Yes   No
1 ___ 2 ___   a. Chief prosecutor
1 ___ 2 ___   b. Assistant prosecutors
1 ___ 2 ___   c. Staff investigators
1 ___ 2 ___   d. None of these staff carry a firearm

Section F: DNA Evidence

F1. During the past 12 months, did your office use DNA evidence during plea negotiations or during felony trials?

a. _____ Yes, used DNA evidence during plea negotiations or felony trials
b. _____ No, did not use DNA evidence (Skip to F3)

F2. Which laboratory performed DNA analyses for your office?

Yes   No
1 ___ 2 ___ a. Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)
1 ___ 2 ___ b. State operated forensic laboratory
1 ___ 2 ___ c. Local agency operated forensic laboratory
1 ___ 2 ___ d. Privately operated forensic laboratory   _

F3. During the past 12 months, did your office encounter any of the following problems with the use of DNA evidence?

Yes   No
1 ___ 2 ___ a. Improper collection of evidence by police
1 ___ 2 ___ b. Inconclusive DNA results
1 ___ 2 ___ c. Excessive delay in getting DNA results from laboratory
1 ___ 2 ___ d. Difficulty in getting DNA results admitted in court as evidence

F4. During the past 12 months, did anyone from your office attend training on the use of DNA evidence?

1 ____ Yes
2 ____ No

F5. Does your district maintain a <u>convicted offender</u> DNA database?

1 ____ Yes
2 ____ No

F6. Does your district maintain a <u>local forensic</u> DNA database for unsolved crimes?

1 ____ Yes
2 ____ No

G. Identity theft

Identity theft: the fraudulent use of personal and or corporate/organizational identifying information, essentially making a carbon copy of legal identity for illegal purposes.

G1. During the past 12 months, did anyone from your office actively participate in Identity theft-related investigations?

1 ____ Yes

2 _____ No

G2. During the past 12 months, did anyone from your office participate in a state or local task force for Identity theft?

1 _____ Yes
2 _____ No

G3. During the past 12 months, did your office prosecute any felony cases involving <u>personal</u> Identity theft?

1 _____ Yes
2 _____ No

G4. During the past 12 months, did your office prosecute any felony cases involving corporate, business, or organization Identity theft?

1 _____ Yes
2 _____ No