# INDIANA PUBLIC DEFENDER COUNCIL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

# Minutes: March 12, 1992 Indianapolis, Indiana

#### MEMBERS PRESENT

Present were: David Hennessey, Kevin McGoff, Jodie English, Maureen Keefe, Eric Koselke, Dan Tomey, Novella Nedeff. Also present were IPDC staff Larry Landis, Larry Vellani, Lisa Snyder.

## CALL TO ORDER

Kevin McGoff called the meeting to order.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the January 9, 1992 meeting were approved.

# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Larry Landis submitted his report:

1) 1992 seminars: \* = definite

*March 13	Cross	Radisson-Keystone
*June 11-13	Death penalty	Holiday Inn - Union Station
August 7	Annual Mtg./Joe Gustaferro	H i l t o n - downtown
October 16	Drug defense	Adams Mark
*Nov. 20	Moylan	H i 1 t o n - downtown

- 2) Publications: Production schedules still behind dates given at last board meeting, but in process. Landis has modified job descriptions to expedite production. Death penalty manual is being divvied up amongst ten volunteer attorneys with goal of completing portions by the June death seminar.
- 3) Research support requests are up 30 percent. Case bank is being updated in more timely fashion.
- 4) Death cases: mitigation specialists are being trained, Paula Sites is actively consulting with death lawyers and all inmates on the row are entered into the computer bank.

- 5) The BBS has been upgraded in speed and reliability. Lake and Wayne have commenced implementation of their grants for computerization.
- 6) The ISRC is in need of more referrals and will be advertising that fact in the DEFENDER. Note that this service can be used on motions to modify. A mid year progress report was submitted.
- 7) ICJI approved continuation funding of \$471,067 for ISRC, Mitigation Coordinator, Data Development and Manuals Attorney.
- 8) IPD Commission approved a six month grace period on implementation of Rule 24. From 1/1/92 through 7/1/92 those appointed need not meet the rule's training requirement if they complete said training prior to the trial of the case.
- 9) Current tensions between the Marion County judiciary, the City/County Council and the county defenders were noted. The Board indicated its support for an independent public defender office for Marion County.
- 10) 1992 LEGISLATION: Landis submitted a summary of the bills that have been passed; a relatively short session with no radical changes.

#### NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNED: 8:30 p.m.

- 1) The Board approved funding one scholarship to an NCDC program to be funded by private contributions. Maureen, Kevin and Dave Keckley agreed to serve on a selection committee.
- 2) After much discussion, the Board approved that those seeking nomination or renomination to the Board would be required to submit brief biographies and statements of commitment at least 45 days before the annual meeting for publication in the DEFENDER.
- 3) Next Board meeting: June, 12, 1992, Holiday Inn Union Station, Indianapolis.

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