

**IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

IN RE:	:	NO. 640
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EXTENSION OF PRELIMINARY	:	JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION DOCKET
MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR	:	
DELIVERY OF EFFECTIVE INDIGENT	:	
DEFENSE SERVICES PURSUANT TO	:	
ACT 34 OF 2023, ARTICLE II-F,	:	
INDIGENT DEFENSE	:	

**ORDER**

**PER CURIAM**

**AND NOW**, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025, pursuant to Article V, Section 10 of the Constitution of Pennsylvania and in the interests of justice and efficient administration pursuant to Pa.R.J.A. 103(a)(3),

**IT IS ORDERED** that the preliminary standards temporarily adopted by Order of May 29, 2024, to provide guidance to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) and the Indigent Defense Advisory Committee (IDAC) regarding Indigent Defense Grant Program applications submitted in fiscal year 2023-24, are extended at PCCD and IDAC's request to provide guidance regarding Indigent Defense Grant Program applications submitted in fiscal year 2024-25 only.

These preliminary standards are aspirational in nature. Neither the adoption nor the extension of these preliminary standards shall constitute a determination of the constitutionality of Act 34 or any of its provisions under the Pennsylvania Constitution or the Constitution of the United States or create or determine any legal rights.

PCCD and IDAC shall, no later than 6 months from the date of this Order, submit minimum standards for the delivery of effective indigent defense services throughout the Commonwealth, and for attorneys providing such services, as required by Sections 203-F(i)(1) and (2) of Act 34 of 2023, for the Court's consideration in accordance with Section 203-F(i)(3) of Act 34.

This **ORDER** shall be processed in accordance with Pa.R.J.A. 103(b), and shall be effective immediately.