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My department, also known as “APD” for short, was created by the Board of Supervisors during the fiscal crises of 1993 to handle Public Defender conflict of interest cases; a move that continues to save millions of taxpayer dollars every year.

Our efforts in 2013 have been primarily focused upon implementing new laws and initiatives, such as Proposition 36: the Three Strikes Initiative; SB 9: the Resentencing Project for Youthful Offenders; and AB 109: the State’s Realignment Plan. Additionally, in 2013, APD attorneys provided legal representation in over 30,000 cases.

Other highlights from 2013 include the appointment of five outstanding APD Attorneys to the position of Superior Court Judge by Governor Jerry Brown, which is a testament to the high caliber of attorneys that Los Angeles County employs.

Our efforts for 2014 are aligned with the priorities set by Board Chairman, Supervisor Don Knabe, which include Enhancing Customer Service and Maximizing the Efficiencies of Technology. We have already begun developing a more robust and user-friendly website that will not only describe our services, but also help you navigate through the Court process.

My heartfelt thanks for the valued support of our Board of Supervisors, Chief Executive Officer Bill Fujioka, and the extraordinary women and men of the APD. Way to go APD!!!