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## Oregon Criminal Defense Lawyers Association Resolution on Public Defense Pay Parity

The Board reaffirms the OCDLA's historic commitment of working to educate legislators and policy makers on the necessity of achieving, at a minimum, pay parity with prosecutors for all assigned counsel in state and federal court, regardless of the organizational structure within which the attorney works; and to that end directs the following action:

- 1) That a standing committee on Pay Parity be formed consisting of representatives from the various types of assigned counsel entities in Oregon, including public defender offices, public defense consortiums, private law firms, non-lawyer providers and Criminal Justice Act Panel attorneys. The committee shall provide recommendations to the OCDLA Board for actions that can be taken by the OCDLA to further the policy of achieving pay parity, and serve as the Board's representative in directing OCDLA's lobbying effort to implement actions approved by the Board.
- 2) That the executive director is instructed to build a budget proposal for a fiscal lobbyist and to bring that proposal to the February, 2014, meeting of the Board.

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