

# Judicial Council of Georgia

## Administrative Office of the Courts

David L. Ratley  
Director

April 6, 2009

RE: State Funds to Provide Civil Legal Services for Victims of Domestic Violence FY 2010

Dear Potential Grant Applicant:

During the First Session of the 2009-2010 term, the Georgia General Assembly appropriated to the Judicial Council of Georgia approximately \$1,966,417.04 to provide civil legal services to victims of domestic violence. The Judicial Council has adopted general guidelines to govern the granting of these funds. It has also delegated to its Committee on Domestic Violence the duty of accepting and evaluating grant applications and awarding the grant.

The Judicial Council Domestic Violence Committee plans to award these funds starting July 1, 2009. Seventy-five percent (75%) of the grant money will be awarded pursuant to the poverty population guidelines, which is based on the most current estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau, and twenty-five percent (25%) of the grant money will be awarded to special need areas. Grant proposals will be considered from non-profit agencies with experience providing legal services to victims of domestic violence in Georgia. Providers may apply for funds in both categories. The deadline to apply is Friday, May 8, 2009.

Enclosed are guidelines for grant applications. If you have any questions, please contact me at (404) 656-6692 or [clanton@gaaoc.us](mailto:clanton@gaaoc.us).

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

*\*Specific amount contingent on the Georgia Legislature's funding for Fiscal Year 2010 and the Judicial Council Budget Committee recommendations.*