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EXECUTIVE ORDER

2025-08 May 23, 2025

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has established the integrated prosecutorial system and appointed the Attorney General as the chief prosecutor of the Commonwealth;

WHEREAS, the Attorney General also serves as the Commonwealth's chief law enforcement officer pursuant to KRS 15.700;

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has re-organized the Department of Child Support Services within the Office of the Attorney General;

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has given duly elected county attorneys within the integrated prosecutorial system the ability to contract with the Department of Child Support Services to perform core legal and administrative duties on behalf of said program pursuant to KRS 15.802;

WHEREAS, the Office of the Attorney General's Department of Child Support Services will benefit from the combined collaboration and advice of contracting county attorney offices handling child support duties in their respective jurisdictions; and, WHEREAS, the purpose of this order is to recognize and formalize the Child Support Advisory Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Russell Coleman, Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by virtue of the authority vested in me by KRS 15.020, KRS 15.255, KRS 15.700, KRS 205.173, 2023 Ky. Acts ch. 124, sec. 8 et seq., and the common law, do hereby Order and Direct the following:

- I. The Attorney General's Child Support Advisory Council is established as an advisory body within the Department of Child Support Services.
- II. The Council shall advise and assist the Attorney General on matters related to the efficient and effective administration of Department of Child Support Services on behalf of all children who benefit from the involvement and aid of both parents, and shall propose awareness initiatives, efforts to train interested staff stakeholders, publications, policies, and legislative initiatives to aid all participants in the child support system.
- III. The Council shall consist of ten (10) child support professionals which shall be appointed by the Attorney General and the Attorney General or his designee, the Chief of the Department of Child Support Services, who shall serve as Chair.
 - (a) Eight (8) Council members shall be appointed by the Attorney

 General, from a list of candidates provided by the Kentucky

 County Attorney's Association, for two-year terms. The

 appointees shall be county attorneys who hold a current

contract with the Department of Child Support Services for the administration and performance of duties of child support establishment and enforcement, or their designee which may include case support specialists:

- Two (2) from a county with a child support caseload of 15,001 or more open cases based upon the most recent state fiscal year performance data;
- 2. Two (2) from a county with a child support caseload of 3,501 to 15,000 open cases based upon the most recent state fiscal year performance data;
- 3. Two (2) from a county with a child support caseload of 1,001 to 3,500 open cases based upon the most recent state fiscal year performance data;
- 4. Two (2) from a county with a child support caseload of 1,000 or fewer open cases based upon the most recent state fiscal year performance data; and,
- (b) The Attorney General shall, at his discretion, appoint two (2) at large members who hold a current contract with the Department of Child Support Services for the administration and performance of duties of child support establishment and enforcement.

IV. Members of the Council shall receive no compensation for their service but shall be reimbursed for travel costs pursuant to the then prevailing state rate.

So **ORDERED** this the 23rd day of May, 2025.

RUSSELL COLEMAN,

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