



# **Wasatch County Grant Modification**

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# Wasatch County Indigent Defense in 2023

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- **Managed by Utah County Public Defenders**
- **6 month run-up to grant award**
- **Previously handled by one firm, Facemyer Law group**
- **UTCPD split district court amongst 3 contract attorneys**
- **Juvenile court handled by Facemyer**



# FY 24 Grant Preparation

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- 3 district court contracts paid 54K each, working ~30 hours/week
- IDC recommended, based on caseloads, an additional 1/2 time contract
- In April 2023 IDC awarded non-lapsing funds to fill position
- UTCPD had conversation with staff member about using funding to increase value of contracts
- In June 2023, IDC awarded grant for new position
- UTCPD had difficulty filling position, increased contracts

# Recommendation

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- Managing Defender for Juab/Millard/Wasatch funded by 100K grant
- Supervises 5 district court FTE's
- Does not carry a caseload
- Transfer 50K from MD grant to Wasatch contracts