

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

Government Services/Constitutional Office

FY14 Headcount: 760

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SUMMARY OF AGENCY OPERATIONS:

The Attorney General is the state's chief legal officer and is responsible for protecting the public interest of the state and its people. The office advocates on behalf of all of the people of Illinois, advises members of the General Assembly on new laws, and litigates to ensure state laws are followed and respected.

Internal Hiring:

Agency positions subject to restrictions based on criminal history

None

This agency is subject to personnel or non personnel code.

This is a non personnel code agency

Statutory Restrictions Applicable to Internal Hiring:

None

Year restriction was adopted

N/A

Background Check Procedures:

(1) Self-disclosure on application

Yes. Job applications include language asking individuals to disclose convictions of any criminal offenses other than a minor traffic violation.

(2) Background check review procedure

Background checks indicating criminal offenses are reviewed by senior management to determine if the offense may be disqualifying. Background checks are run by the Investigations Bureau of the Office of the Attorney General. The Office of the Attorney General began requiring background checks June 1, 2000.

Exemption, waiver, or review mechanisms

N/A

Total number of people who underwent a background check

192

AGENCY occupational licensing restrictions based on criminal history:

None

EMPLOYMENT contracting restrictions based on criminal history:

None

SUMMARY OF EMPLOYMENT RESTRICTIONS FROM AGENCY REPORT:

Any individual hired is subject to a background check, reviewed on a case-by-case basis by senior management. This requirement began June 1, 2000. Applications ask for disclosure of convictions, and the Investigations Bureau runs background checks. 192 individuals have been hired since 02/01/2010, all of whom underwent a criminal history background check. Data is not available regarding individuals who applied but were not hired.