

# ASHTABULA COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION

## MEETING- September 6, 2023

The meeting was called to order on September 6, 2023, at approximately 9:11 a.m. by Chris Marinko.

**Member Present:** Chris Marinko, Jeffrey Ford, Shara Parkomaki, John Kusar

The Ashtabula County Public Defender, Margaret (Megan) Brunarski, was present.

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John Kusar moved to approve the meeting minutes from June 6, 2023. Shara Parkomaki seconded, and the motion was carried with unanimous consent.

Megan Brunarski presented a director's report which contained current case load numbers, budget report, and the number of cases in which the Ashtabula County Public Defender's Office withdrew due to conflict.

Ms. Brunarski updated the Board on the August Expungement Clinic where seven (7) clients were serviced. Additionally, Ms. Brunarski informed the Board that she was appointed as board president for a two (2) year term to the Ashtabula County Mental Health and Recovery Services Board.

Ms. Brunarski informed the Commission that she hired Tia Jackson to fill the open assistant public defender vacancy.

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The next meeting of the Public Defender Commission will be held on October 3, 2023, at 9 a.m. at the office of the Ashtabula County Public Defender located at 22 E. Jefferson Street, Jefferson, Ohio 44047.

At 9:50 a.m. John Kusar made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jeffrey Ford seconded the motion, and it was passed with unanimous consent.

Respectfully submitted:

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Chris Marinko, Chair

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John Kusar, Co-Chair