



**LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESOLUTION  
RE: FUNDING POLICY FOR BALANCE OF FY 1996**

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Corporation has reviewed current and pending legislation regarding its authority and appropriations for the purpose of making grants for the provision of legal assistance in FY 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation has awarded FY 1996 grants for the first three months of calendar year 1996, but not for the balance of the fiscal or calendar year, and recipients of Corporation funds need new grants in order to continue to provide services to eligible clients between April 1, 1996 and December 31, 1996; and

WHEREAS, a series of Continuing Resolutions have contained authority and funding for more than five months of such grants, and Congress and the President are expected to approve funding for the balance of the year either through an additional Continuing Resolution or through an omnibus appropriation bill such as that recently under consideration by Congress; and

WHEREAS, the current and pending authority and funding require that FY 1996 Corporation funding policy be different than prior Corporation funding policy, and this Board on December 18 approved a new funding policy for the first three months of 1996; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation has completed the process of using a system for making 1996 grants based on competition and is able to award all grants that are effective April 1 on a competitive basis; and

WHEREAS, in keeping with the provisions of the pending omnibus appropriation bills, and subject to further directions from the Congress, it is the intention of the Corporation to provide basic field funding for people under the poverty level enumerated in the 1990 Census at an equal per capita level, as set forth below; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation may have to amend the funding policy for FY 1996 adopted in this resolution in light of legislation which will be enacted subsequent to the date of the meeting at which this resolution is adopted;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. Subject to amendment pursuant to paragraph 2, the Corporation funding policy for the last nine months of FY 1996 and for grants for the last nine months of calendar 1996 shall be:

A. Basic Field - Native American service areas shall receive grants at an annualized total level of \$6,657,069, distributed through pro rata reductions from the funds appropriated for fiscal years 1995 that were received by the Native American recipients for those service areas;

B. Each state, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, the Virgin Islands, Guam and Micronesia (consisting for these purposes of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Northern Marianas and the Republic of Palau, the same as in prior years), shall be designated as separate geographic areas and, for each geographic area, equal per capita funding shall be allocated on the basis of the 1990 Census (with adjusted population counts pursuant to prior Corporation policy for Hawaii, Alaska, the Virgin Islands and Micronesia) at an annualized level of \$258,342,931;

C. Within each geographic area:

(i) a number of migrants shall be identified as included within the Census count for the geographic area based on the number of migrants identified in prior years by the Congress and by prior Corporation funding policy;

(ii) a single service area within the geographic area shall be designated to provide legal assistance to the migrants identified as included in the Census count;

(iii) that service area shall receive the equal per capita funding that attaches to those migrants;

D. Within each geographic area:

(i) the non-migrant population enumerated in the Census shall be distributed among the one or more service areas that were funded for basic field services in FY 1995;

(ii) within each service area, the portion of the geographic area poverty population to be funded shall be the Census count for the service area minus a proportional share of the migrant population identified as included within the Census count for the geographic area pursuant to this resolution;

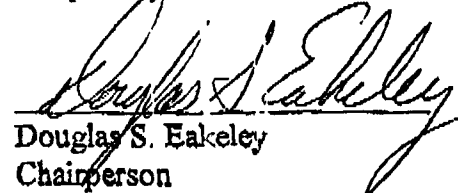
(iii) the proportional share shall be determined by dividing the Census count for the service area by the Census count for the geographic area;

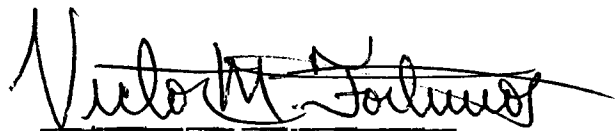
(iv) each service area shall receive the equal per capita funding that attaches to the service area poverty population as determined by this section.

2. A. If the total amount of funding ultimately appropriated for grants for basic field programs is more or less than \$265,000,000, the total annualized levels stated in paragraphs 1.A. and 1.B. of this Resolution will be increased or decreased proportionately; and

B. The Chairperson of the Board is delegated the authority to make changes in this funding policy as he deems necessary or appropriate pursuant to Corporation appropriations and Continuing Resolutions.

Adopted by the Board on:

  
Douglas S. Eakeley  
Chairperson

  
Victor Fortuno  
Corporate Secretary

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