

Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council (CASC)
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**Report on the Response of the
Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council (CASC)
to the
Impact of the Aging of Virginia's Population**

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Pursuant to Code of Virginia §§ 2.2-5510 and 51.5-136, the Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council (CASC) submits this report of its progress in addressing the impact of the aging of Virginia's population.

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Executive Summary

As a state agency that is limited to providing training and legal support to Virginia's Commonwealth's Attorneys, the Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council (CASC) does not provide any direct services to the public. CASC provides training to Virginia's prosecutors on issues related to the physical and financial abuse of the elderly.

Agency Description

The Commonwealth's Attorneys' Services Council (CASC) is the Virginia state agency responsible for providing training, education and services to Virginia's prosecutors. The 120 elected Commonwealth's Attorneys and their approximately 645 Assistants statewide depend upon CASC sponsored training programs to meet their annual mandatory continuing legal education requirements (MCLE) as established by the Virginia State Bar.

CASC provides at least ten extensive training programs per year. Additionally, CASC provides to all prosecutors across the state access to appellate briefs, legal memoranda, court forms, training outlines, information about expert witnesses, and weekly updates from the Virginia Court of Appeals, Virginia Supreme Court, Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals and the U.S. Supreme Court, along with legislative updates both during and following the General Assembly session.

CASC has a staff of seven (7) employees, to include an administrator, three staff attorneys, a computer lead engineer, a part-time program specialist and a fiscal officer.

Information Requested

1. Not applicable. As a state agency that is limited to providing training and legal support to Virginia Commonwealth's Attorneys, CASC does not provide direct services to the public.
2. Not applicable. As a state agency that is limited to providing training and legal support to Virginia Commonwealth's Attorneys, CASC does not provide direct services to the public.
3. In the area of public safety, CASC provides training to Virginia's prosecutors on issues related to physical and financial abuse of the elderly.
4. Not applicable. As a state agency that is limited to providing training and legal support to Virginia Commonwealth's Attorneys, CASC does not provide direct services to the public.
5. Not applicable. As a state agency that is limited to providing training and legal support to Virginia Commonwealth's Attorneys, CASC does not provide direct services to the public. CASC does not maintain a record of the ages of prosecutors attending its training programs.
6. Not applicable. As a state agency that is limited to providing training and legal support to Virginia Commonwealth's Attorneys, CASC does not provide direct services to the public.
7. As aging becomes a larger issue, it is possible that grant funding will become available to provide more intensive prosecutor training related to the physical and financial abuse of the

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elderly. CASC currently has the staffing and procedures necessary to accommodate such training in the event that such grant funding becomes available.

8. Not applicable. As a state agency that is limited to providing training and legal support to Virginia Commonwealth's Attorneys, CASC does not provide direct services to the public.

9. Not applicable. As a state agency that is limited to providing training and legal support to Virginia Commonwealth's Attorneys, CASC does not provide direct services to the public.

10. Not applicable. As a state agency that is limited to providing training and legal support to Virginia Commonwealth's Attorneys, CASC does not provide direct services to the public.

11. CASC was created in 1978 at which time it had 2 or fewer employees. CASC currently has 7 employees. No employee heretofore has retired from CASC. Currently two employees are over age 60 but they have not indicated an intent to retire. Accommodations are made, as needed, for any physical limitations that they may have.