



# PARTNER OFFICE PROFILE

## KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADVOCACY

FRANKFORT, KY

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### TYPE OF CASES THE FELLOW(S) WILL HANDLE?

- juvenile
- misdemeanors

### # OF GIDEON'S PROMISE LAWYERS IN YOUR OFFICE?

8

### # OF PUBLIC DEFENDERS IN YOUR OFFICE?

300+  
Statewide

### WHAT ARE SOME POPULAR ATTRACTIONS TO VISIT IN THE CITY?

- Farmland of Kentucky
- Mountains of Appalachia in Eastern Kentucky
- Famous Floral Clock
- Kentucky Bourbon Trail

### IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT YOUR OFFICE:

Kentucky has a unified statewide public defender system with over 300 attorneys spread throughout 36 trial offices, capital litigation branch, an appellate branch, two post conviction branches, and an education branch.

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### IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT YOUR OFFICE (CONT.)

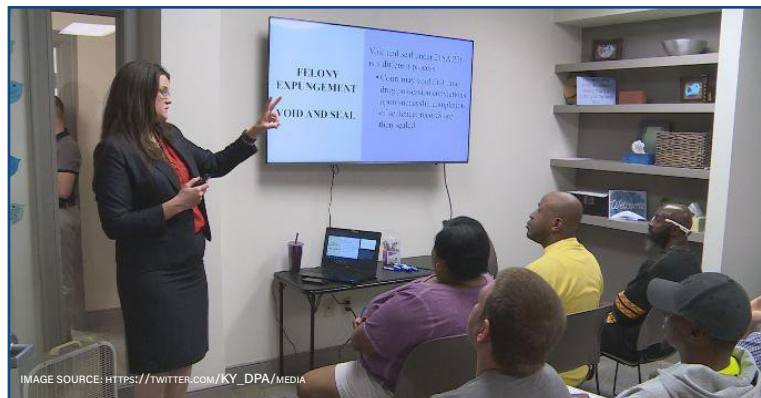
Each trial office also employs 1-2 investigators and 1-2 alternative sentencing workers who create alternative plans to incarceration for particular clients who suffer from addiction and/or mental illness issues.

Applicants through the LSPP can, if they desire, express a preference to work in a particular region of the state.

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MELANIE FOOTE DURING A PUBLIC DEFENDER TRAINING



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## WORDS FROM THE CHIEF:

"For 40 years, the Kentucky Department of Public Advocacy has been a model statewide public defender system, now delivering client-centered representation in more than 150,000 cases each year. Our vision is that every client be provided professional and excellent representation delivered with empathy, respect and passion. Defenders are trained through our nationally-recognized education program and supported through our network of more than 40 offices, including trial, appellate, and post-conviction branches. Now the Chief Public Defender for Kentucky, I started 22 years ago as a trial attorney, wanting to make a difference in people's lives. Thousands of clients later, I still believe a caring and passionate defender provides hope to those struggling in the system - hope for a fair shake, generation of people wanting to fight to give clients a better tomorrow."

### DAMON PRESTON

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