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EXECUTIVE ORDER

JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT BOARD

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Office of the Governor of the State of Colorado, I, Bill Owens, Governor of the State of Colorado, hereby issue this Executive Order renaming the Drug Control and System Improvement Program Advisory Board, hereinafter to be called the Justice Assistance Grant Board (the "Board").

1. Background and Need

The federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2005 (Public Law 108-447) replaced the previous Edward Byrne Memorial Formula Grant Program and the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant Program with a single funding mechanism named the Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. The Division of Criminal Justice within the Colorado Department of Public Safety administers and distributes the JAG funds provided to the State of Colorado by the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA). The Division also assists in defining the drug and violent crime problem and provides recommendations on the distribution of funds and monitors the overall impact of the JAG Program.

2. <u>Membership and Organization</u>

The Board shall consist of not more than twenty-five (25) members representing the entire criminal justice system at the State and the local levels. The chairperson of the Board and the members shall be appointed by the Governor to serve at the pleasure of the Governor. Board members shall receive no compensation for their services in performance of their official duties.

3. Duties

The Board shall have the following duties:

- a. Advise the Division of Criminal Justice on issues related to federal block grant monies designated to improve the criminal justice system and reduce drug abuse and violent crimes;
- b. Review the State strategy for the JAG Program funds; and

c. Review applications from state and local agencies for funding from the federal JAG Program to the Director of the Division of Criminal Justice.

4. <u>Directive</u>

- a. The Drug Control and System Improvement Program Advisory Board is hereby renamed the Justice Assistance Grant Board.
- b. The Justice Assistance Grant Board is hereby continued.
- c. This Executive Order shall repeal and supercede all previous Executive Orders pertaining to the Drug Control and System Improvement Program Advisory Board and specifically Executive Orders B 012 91, B 006 93, and B 017 95.

5. Duration

The Board shall continue in existence until December 31, 2007, unless it is either terminated or extended beyond that date by Executive Order of the Governor.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado this ____ day of January, 2005.

Bill Owens Governor