



**Commissioner – 11th District
Cook County Board of Commissioners**

October 12, 2016

The Honorable Dorothy Brown
Clerk of the Circuit Court
50 W. Washington
Chicago, Illinois 60602

Dear Clerk Brown:

The Chicago Federation of Labor's FY2017 Cook County Budget Efficiency Report identified examples of management growth among your staff that seem excessive given current trends in management practices. Please provide a written response to this inquiry before the Clerk of the Circuit Court's budget hearing and be prepared to further discuss the following questions regarding your department:

1. What is the ratio of managers to frontline staff in your office? Has this number increased or decreased in the last 3 years?
2. Management level staffing and compensation are increasing in the Clerk's office at a rate higher than that of other County agencies. What is the justification for this and is there a plan in place to control those costs?

Thank you for your prompt response to this inquiry.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "John P. Daley", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

John P. Daley
Chairman, Finance Committee

cc: Brian Hamer, Chief of Staff
Ivan Samstein, Chief Financial Officer
Tanya Anthony, Director, Budget and Management

