



**Cortland County Judiciary
& Public Safety
Committee
Committee Meeting
~ Agenda ~**

60 Central Ave.
Cortland, NY 13045
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Thursday, November 6, 2025

9:00 AM

Room 302

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Thursday, November 6, 2025 9:00 AM | 1 hour | (UTC-04:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

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Call to Order

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Committee Member Douglas Bentley				
Committee Member Cathy Bischoff				
Committee Member Mitchel Eccleston				
Committee Member Christopher Newell				
Committee Member Jason Prentice				
Committee Vice-Chair Eugene Waldbauer				
Committee Chair Sandra Price				

Approval of Minutes

1. Judiciary & Public Safety Committee - Committee Meeting October 9, 2025 9:00 AM

Resolutions

ON MOTION OF SANDRA PRICE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1.

Authorize Agreement with FurtherEd, Inc. for Provision of Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Courses - Assigned Counsel

WHEREAS, the 18-b panel attorneys of the Cortland County Office of Assigned Counsel and the attorneys working in the Cortland County Public Defender's office are required by the New York State Bar Association to obtain twenty-four (24) Continuing Legal Education (CLE) credits every two (2) years; AND

WHEREAS, a requisite "Objective" of Cortland County's HH11 grant with the New York State office of Indigent Legal Services (ILS), is to, "Implement initiatives to improve the quality of indigent defense such that attorneys receive effective supervision and training..."; AND

WHEREAS, the first two "Key Performance Measures" of the aforementioned grant Objective are, 1. The number of training events supported by this funding; and 2. The number of attorneys whose attendance at training events was supported by this funding; AND

WHEREAS, FurtherEd, INC. d/b/a Lawline is a company that provides unlimited CLE access for Attorneys (2,200+ CLE courses plus 30+ new courses added monthly), and compliance tracking by providing for a dedicated account manager, monthly reporting, automated CLE tracker, (LawLine program) license management, and a single access point for all compliance, for a flat fee; AND

WHEREAS, FurtherEd, Inc. d/b/a Lawline, has agreed that such services shall be paid at the rate of One Hundred and Fifty-Nine (\$159.00) Dollars per license (per attorney), with paralegals and non-attorney staff included at no additional cost, per year; AND

WHEREAS, Cortland County's HH11 grant from ILS specifically provides \$27,000.00 and \$25,000.00 to the Public Defender's office and ACP, respectively, for CLEs, Trainings, and Convenings, it is; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, the County Administrator, upon review and approval by the County Attorney or designee, be and hereby is authorized to execute an agreement with FurtherEd, Inc. d/b/a Lawline for the provision of CLE courses, as previously described, for the period from January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 at the rate of \$159.00 per attorney and no cost for paralegals or non-attorney staff; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED that the funds for this agreement are budgeted in Account No. A11755-54035.HH11 in the amount of \$5,565.00 (35 @\$159/attorney) and A11705-54035.HH11 in the amount of \$1,590.00 (10@ \$159/attorney plus paralegals and staff).

ON MOTION OF SANDRA PRICE

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2.

Appoint Member to the Cortland County Criminal Justice Advisory Board

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 131-05 created the Cortland County Criminal Justice Advisory Board; AND

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Legislature is required by Article III, Section 2 of the Criminal Justice Advisory Board By-laws to make all appointments to the Board; AND

WHEREAS, in accordance with §261(2) of Executive Law, the County Administrator shall serve as the Chair of the CJAB unless he designates in writing a member of the CJAB to serve in his stead; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that Michael A. Ponticiello be and hereby is appointed to the Cortland County

Criminal Justice Advisory Board for the duration of his tenure as Cortland County Administrator.

Discussion Items

1. Stop Arm Program
2. 2026 Budget Discussion

Monthly Reports

1. Department Of Emergency Response & Communications October report (stats are incomplete)
2. Assigned Counsel Monthly Report
3. Probation Monthly Report
4. District Attorney Monthly Report

Adjournment