

STATE OF FLORIDA

FUNDING FOR MEDICAL EXAMINERS' PROGRAM

The 1975 Florida Legislature has appropriated \$1,404,000 to augment, support, and improve a uniform, statewide medical examiner program. This state funding will be allocated to counties on a per capita basis.

AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT entered into the first day of July, 1975, establishes a procedure for funding the Florida Medical Examiner Program by the Department of Health and Rehabilitative Services, hereinafter referred to as the Department, and the County Commission of Nassau County, hereinafter referred to as the County, for Fiscal Year, 1975-76.

I

1. The County shall use these funds granted by the Department for the sole purpose of augmenting, supporting, and improving medical examiner services by providing fees for service, salaries, equipment, buildings, transportation, investigations, autopsies, toxicology laboratory services, and other expenses related to medical examiner services.
2. The County agrees to consult and cooperate with the District Medical Examiner of District 4 in determining the requirements of providing fees for service, salaries, equipment, buildings, transportation, investigations, autopsies, toxicology laboratory services and other expenses related to medical examiner services.
3. The County agrees to provide for equitable and reasonable administrative costs necessary for the District Medical Examiner to conduct medical examiner services for the County.
4. The County agrees to enter into appropriate working arrangements with other counties under the jurisdiction of the Medical Examiner of District 4, and other such counties as may be necessary to provide uniform medical examiner services for the district.
5. The County agrees to provide all services and facilities as may be necessary to carry out the intent of Chapter 406, Florida Statutes.
6. The County agrees to provide the Department, at the end of each quarter, a report identifying total funds expended or encumbered for medical examiner services in areas such as:
  - a. Salaries and fees for service
  - b. Transportation
  - c. Facilities and equipment
  - d. Administrative costs
  - e. Other related expenses
7. The County agrees that any funds not expended at the end of the fiscal year shall be placed in a Medical Examiners Service Trust Fund or the County will otherwise show intention and proof of encumbrance of such funds for future medical examiner services or facilities.

II

1. The Department agrees to grant to the County the total sum of \$4,550, with the quarterly sum of \$1,135, to be allocated immediately after the beginning of each quarter, based on a county population of 26,693, or .323 % of the total state population of 8,248,851.
2. The Department may revise the allocated sums only upon authorization of the Cabinet or other competent authority.

III

This agreement may be cancelled at any time by either party giving to the other not less than thirty (30) days written notice by certified mail, return receipt requested, that on or after a date therein specified the agreement shall be deemed terminated and cancelled.

IV

This agreement is terminated as of June 30, 1976.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunder set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

John F. Cassington Sr.  
Chairman, Board of County Commissioners

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Secretary, Department of Health and  
Rehabilitative Services

ATTEST:

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County Clerk