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I am an investigator working primarily for public defenders in Benton, Linn and Lane counties. I am a veteran and a single parent. I love my job, I'm incredibly passionate about indigent defense and I want to be able to make a living working in this field. I don't want to work only for people who can afford to pay me. OPDC flagrantly disregarding our need to be paid in a reasonable time is making it impossible for me to work. I cannot send my mortgage company an email saying that due to a given agency taking a break from their work for an unscheduled meeting and then a vacation I'm not being paid so can they please not charge me a late fee. It doesn't work like that. I need to be paid within 30 days. Realistically I should be paid within two weeks. Why doesn't anyone care about this? Why isn't there any meaningful change happening?

7. Additional Notes