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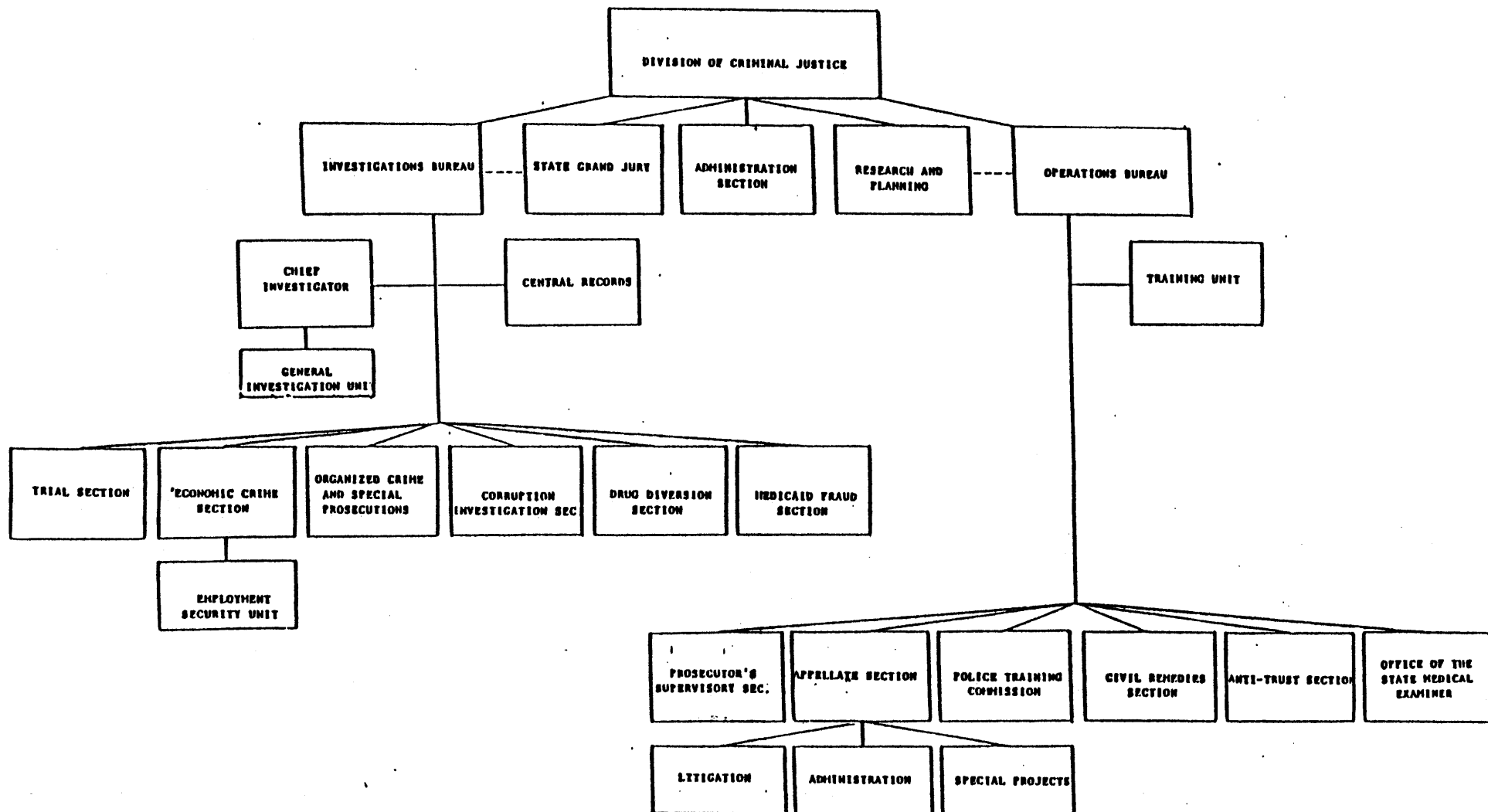
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DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE

The Division of Criminal Justice has two general areas of responsibility. First, the Division exercises the state-wide prosecutorial authority of the Attorney General. Second, the Division, by statute, serves a coordinative function designed to effect a uniform, cooperative enforcement of the criminal law. In order to fulfill these complimentary responsibilities, the Division of Criminal Justice is divided into two Bureaus: Investigations and Operations.

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INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU

The Investigations Bureau which is responsible for the Division's criminal investigations and prosecutions is comprised of the following Sections:

Chief Investigator

The Chief Investigator supervises the coordination of investigative personnel in the various sections of the Investigations Bureau. The Chief Investigator also establishes and supervises uniform policy and procedures for investigative personnel including firearms policy and procedure and security procedures for the Division of Criminal Justice. Additionally, the Chief Investigator acts in select investigations as required by the Director and Deputy Director for Investigations.

Economic Crime Section

This Section is responsible for the investigation and prosecution of sophisticated financial frauds and economic crimes. Such cases encompass a wide range of business activity, including banking, insurance, public utilities, education, consumer fraud and environmental protection. In addition to criminal prosecutions, the Economic Crime Section works in cooperation with the Civil Remedies Section of the Division and has instituted civil suits to recover punitive and compensatory damages on behalf of the State.

Employment Security Unit

The Employment Security Unit has been es-

established within the Economic Crime Section and is responsible for the prosecution of the fraudulent receipt of unemployment benefits. In addition, the Unit prosecutes employers who fail to contribute as required under the unemployment compensation program.

Trial Section

The Trial Section is responsible for the trial of all indictments returned by the State Grand Jury and for the review and trial of cases in which the county prosecutors are superceded by the Division of Criminal Justice. In coordination with the Civil Remedies Section, the attorneys in the Trial Section also represent the Attorney General in civil remedies actions in which the Division participates.

Organized Crime and Special Prosecutions Section

The primary responsibility of this Section is to work in close cooperation with the New Jersey State Police to develop organized crime prosecutions of major significance. The objective of this Section is to maintain a continuing pressure on organized criminal activity throughout the State. This Section uses the State Grand Jury extensively, as well as electronic surveillance, witness immunity, feasibility studies to select targets for investigation as well as other techniques requiring substantial commitments of time and resources. Additionally, this Section has handled a variety of other investigations of statewide or regional significance.

Corruption Investigation Section

The Corruption Investigation Section is staffed with attorneys, accountants and state police personnel, all headquartered within the Division of Criminal Justice, and dedicated to the investigation and prosecution of governmental corruption at every level. This blending of personnel from different disciplines is essential for the analysis of complex financial transactions between state agencies, independent authorities, various governmental subdivisions and the entities in the private sector with which they contract. In addition, the Corruption Investigation Section, in a coordinated effort with the Civil Remedies Section, endeavors to recover monies gained as a result of official misconduct.

Drug Diversion Section

The Drug Diversion Section is responsible for the investigation and prosecution of those manufacturers, physicians and pharmacists who illegally distribute controlled dangerous substances. In addition to pursuing this aspect of the drug problem through prosecutions, the Drug Diversion Section also assists in the suspension or removal of professional licenses in appropriate cases.

Medicaid Fraud Section

The Medicaid Fraud Section is responsible for the investigation and prosecution of providers and corporations who engage in fraudulent medicaid practices. In ad-

dition, in cooperation with Division of Law representatives, numerous civil actions have been commenced seeking the imposition of penalties and treble damages against those providers indicted and convicted.

General Investigation Unit

General investigative matters not clearly falling within the responsibility of any one section, are the responsibilities of this Unit. In addition it is responsible for assisting on a regular basis in the functions of the other investigative units in the Division.

Central Investigative Records Unit

The Central Investigative Records Unit is responsible for the indexing of all matters which are handled by the Division. This index and cross-reference system affords the Attorney General, the Director, and the Deputy Directors the ability to locate any matter pending in the Division and to immediately ascertain the status of that matter.

The Central Investigative Records Unit also produces case lists on a periodic basis which report the general activity of the Division and the status of all investigative matters currently pending.

OPERATIONS BUREAU

The Operations Bureau which is responsible for coordinating the activities of the criminal justice system as a whole is comprised of the following Sections:

Prosecutors Supervisory Section

The primary responsibility of this Section is to oversee the general supervision of the twenty-one county prosecutors. The functions of the Section include management and budgetary assistance, the preparation of federal funding applications, the processing of citizen complaints, the monitoring of indictments pertaining to public officials and state agency licensees and the review of all witness immunity applications. In addition, this Section provides general services and assistance to the county prosecutors and endeavors to facilitate uniform approaches to common problems in the criminal justice system.

Appellate Section

The Appellate Section is responsible for the supervision of all criminal appellate matters in the State. This includes the prosecution of all criminal appeals in the twenty-one counties and the appeals emanating from matters prosecuted by the Division of Criminal Justice which were initiated through State Grand Jury indictments. In order to carry out these and other tasks, the Appellate Section has divided its responsibilities into three general categories:

Litigation

The Deputy Attorney General in Charge of Litigation is responsible for the quality control of all appellate briefs.

Administration

The Administrative Assistant is responsible for aiding the Section Chief in administrative functions including personnel matters and the handling of all files and reports.

Special Projects

The Deputy Attorney General in Charge of Special Projects is responsible for matters relating to legislation, training and formal Attorney General Opinions. In addition, the Deputy in Charge is responsible for working in cooperation with the County Prosecutors Association, the prosecutors task forces and the Administrative Office of the Courts.

Police Training Commission

The Police Training Commission provides standards and assists other agencies in the education of county and local police. The Commission sets standards for approval of schools at which police training courses are conducted. The Commission also promulgates minimum standards for the curriculum and faculty of such schools. Lastly, the Commission engages in ongoing studies of means to improve county and local police departments.

Civil Remedies Section

The Civil Remedies Section was created to recover monies and property improperly gained by illegal conduct by public officials or breaches of public trust or fiduciary duty. Suits for monetary recovery are initiated as a result of criminal convictions, or in cases in which it would be more meaningful to pursue a civil remedy than to seek criminal sanctions. As a routine matter, particularly in the Corruption, Economic Crime and Medicaid Fraud Sections, the Civil Remedies Section assists in combining both criminal and civil sanctions in particular cases.

Antitrust Section

The Antitrust Section investigates and prosecutes matters for their anti-competitive impact, directs civil and criminal litigation, prosecutes antitrust matters in order to protect the rights of consumers and public agencies, and prevents the development of monopolistic business practices within the State of New Jersey.

Office of the State Medical Examiner

The Office of the State Medical Examiner is responsible for the medical investigation of all known or suspected homicides, suicides and accidental deaths. The State Medical Examiner also supervises the work of the County Medical Examiners. The Office is also responsible for monitoring any health situation which may pose a threat to public safety. In addition to its normal functions, the State Medical Examiner conducts

numerous research projects which have included a crib death survey and an environmental survey which studied environmental and industrial toxicological agents which cause illness and death.

Training Unit

The Training Unit engages in extensive educational activities for County Prosecutors and other law enforcement and government officials. The training has been conducted in such areas as basic and advanced prosecutor's training, investigation of economic crime and official corruption, child abuse and neglect, homicide investigation, juvenile justice intake, the Alcohol Treatment and Rehabilitation Act, and Police Training Commission approved programs for County Prosecutors, Detectives and Investigators as well as State Investigators.

In addition to these Sections which are included in the Investigations and Operations Bureaus, three separate areas of responsibility in the Division are supervised by the Director. These include the following:

Special Assistant to the Director for State Grand Jury Administration

The State Grand Jury is integral to the exercise of the prosecutive power of the Attorney General. Through the administration of the State Grand Jury, all information concerning organized crime or official corruption is screened and investigation are reviewed before being pursued by the State. All indictments

are reviewed and evaluated prior to presentation to the State Grand Jury. In addition, through the administration of the State Grand Jury, the State electronic surveillance program is supervised and reports are filed with the state and federal Administrative Office of the Courts.

Administrative Section

This Section is responsible for the supervision of all fiscal matters in the Division as well as budget preparation and general support services. All federal and state grants are coordinated and supervised by the Administrative Section. Personnel matters within the Division are also supervised by this Section.

Special Assistant to the Director for Research and Planning

This Special Assistant is responsible for developing projects and new initiatives designed to implement criminal justice standards and goals in a uniform manner. Integral to research and planning, is the responsibility for improving communications among criminal justice agencies so that the concerns of each can be considered from a planning perspective.

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