EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2-92

WHEREAS, there are numerous public and private agencies and organizations involved in the delivery of the City's justice services;

WHEREAS, there is a need to coordinate the efforts of these agencies and organizations in order to effectively improve the administration of the justice system, and the delivery of justice services, and to reduce and prevent crime;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the City to plan and coordinate for the millions annually it expends on the delivery of its justice services and to improve the management and delivery of those services in a cost-effective and efficient manner;

WHEREAS, federal and state assistance programs have encouraged local government to coordinate its justice services and programs and establish mechanisms for coordination and planning;

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth's designated state planning agency for the justice system, the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, provides through PL204, that if Philadelphia establishes a coordinating mechanism in accordance with pertinent state and federal laws and policies, that coordinating mechanism shall be advisory to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for purposes of coordination, and state and federal assistance.

WHEREAS, the City, through the Chief Executive, officially sponsors annually millions of dollars of justice state, federal, and private foundation funded programs, and matches these funded programs with City revenue, and, therefore, requires its own coordinating mechanism to properly and effectively carry out this sponsorship responsibility;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me in accordance with Section 3-100(b) of the Philadelphia Home Rule Charter, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Authorizing the establishment of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission and Office.

SECTION 1. The Mayor's Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission is hereby created. The Commission shall be composed of thirty-one (31) members who shall serve with such compensation as determined by City Ordinance, and its function shall be to coordinate and improve the efficiency and effectiveness of justice system operations.

SECTION 2. The functions of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission shall be:

a. To coordinate the justice system's planning, research, and program development efforts.

b. To prepare a City annual plan projecting Commission goals and objectives, as well as an annual report detailing the performance and progress of the Commission.

c. To conduct pertinent planning, research and analysis, evaluations, and programs necessary to carry out the mandate of the Commission.

d. To provide such professional and technical assistance to the City's justice agencies and organizations as shall be necessary to carry out the responsibilities of the Commission.

e. To coordinate the preparation of the City's state and federally funded justice program as officially sponsored by the City's Chief Executive.

f. The Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission may accept any allotments of federal, state, local, or foundation funds as properly approved by City Council and may manage and dispose of these in accordance with Commission policy, and in whatever manner may be required by law, and may take advantage of any federal, state, local or foundation programs, grants-in-aid, or other public or private assistance which may be offered or available consistent with councilmanic approval which will accomplish or further the objective of this executive order.

SECTION 3. The Mayor shall appoint the following persons as members of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission:

1. Mayor of the City of Philadelphia or his/her designee

2. Managing Director of the City of Philadelphia or his/her designee

3. President Judge of Common Pleas Court or his/her designee

4. Administrative Judge of Common Pleas Court or his/her designee

5. Philadelphia District Attorney or his/her designee

6. Philadelphia Police Commissioner or his/her designee

7. Superintendent of Prisons or his/her designee

8. Philadelphia Sheriff or his/her designee

9. President of City Council or his/her designee

10. President Judge of Municipal Court or his/her designee

11. Clerk of Quarter Sessions Court or his/her designee

12. Chief of Probation or his/her designee

13. Philadelphia Public Defender or his/her designee

14. Chairman of the Youth Services Coordinating Commission or his/her designee

15. Chief Justice of Pennsylvania Supreme Court or his/her designee

16. Executive Administrator of First Judicial District of Pennsylvania or his/her designee

17. A member of City Council or his/her designee

18. City Controller or his/her designee

19. Director of Commerce or his/her designee

20. City Solicitor or his/her designee

21. Finance Director or his/her designee

22. A member of the City's state legislative delegation or his/her designee

23-26. Four (4) persons appointed by the Mayor who shall be professionals and noted experts in the justice field

27-31. Five (5) persons appointed by the Mayor who shall have demonstrated a citizen's interest in the justice system, and be representative of business, labor, and the community.

SECTION 4. The nine (9) members of the Commission who serve by reason of appointment shall be appointed for two (2) year terms. No member who serves by reason of appointment shall serve more than six (6) years on the Commission.

SECTION 5. The Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission shall be under the administration of the Mayor.

SECTION 6. The Chair of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission shall be designated by the Mayor.

SECTION 7. The Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission shall adopt such By-Laws and rules and regulations necessary to govern the manner of its operation and organization.

SECTION 8. There shall be a Deputy Mayor for Criminal Justice whose office will staff the Criminal Justice Coordinating Commission and be responsive to the Mayor and Commission.

SECTION 9. This order shall be effective immediately.

May 12, 1992
Date

Edward G. Rendell
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Mayor