

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESOLUTION
RE: BUDGET REQUEST FOR FY 1996**

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WHEREAS, the Board of Directors and its Audit and Appropriations Committee have received testimony, examined submissions and considered the needs of people living in poverty in the United States for legal assistance; and

WHEREAS, in FY 1995 the Congress appropriated \$415,000,000 for Corporation activities; and

WHEREAS, the Corporation recognizes that the federal government's ability to provide substantial additional funds for legal assistance is extremely limited at this time, and that, as a result, President Clinton is likely to propose an FY 1996 budget for the Corporation of \$440,000,000.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Corporation's Budget Request for FY 1996:

1. Seek \$440,000,000.
2. Include \$415,000,000, as a base, to continue all the line items funded in FY 1995, at their 1995 levels.
3. Include a Cost of Service Adjustment of \$16,000,000, which will add to each line item funds to offset the effects of cost increases on the service level provided within each line.
4. Include \$9,000,000 for the following specific initiatives to encourage client independence and self-sufficiency and increase grantee accountability for performance, efficiency and effectiveness:
 - A. Client Engagement - \$2,000,000
 - B. Local Resource Development - \$2,000,000
 - C. Increased Services to the Elderly - \$1,200,000
 - D. Improving the Tools for Serving Individuals - \$1,200,000
 - E. Implementation of Government Auditing Standards - \$1,000,000

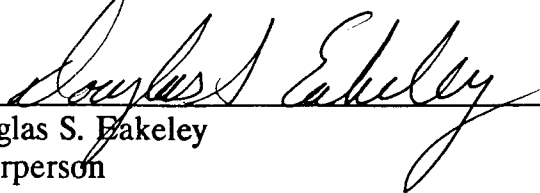
F. Technical Assistance - \$950,000

G. Court of Veterans Appeals Pro Bono Project - \$400,000

H. Disaster Response - \$250,000

5. Be submitted to the Congress by the President of the Corporation after consultation with and approval by the Chairs of the Board of Directors and the Committee on Audit and Appropriations.

Adopted by the Board on December 11, 1994.



Douglas S. Blakeley
Chairperson



Patricia D. Batie
Corporate Secretary

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