

# **YOUTH ADVOCACY DIVISION (YAD)**

The YAD, part of the Georgia Public Defender's Council, is committed to improving outcomes for youth in the criminal justice system. We ensure each youth accused of a delinquent act has immediate access to competent and dedicated counsel. Our multifaceted approach addresses critical issues within the juvenile justice system.



## **Addressing Statewide Resource Disparities**

Investigating and addressing resource disparities in counties and circuits with limited youth defense attorneys.

## **Competent and Dedicated Legal Advocacy**

Ensuring prompt, competent, and zealous counsel for every youth in the criminal justice system.

## **Dynamic and Constructive Partnerships**

Collaborating with youth defense and advocacy organizations to enhance youth defense practices statewide.

#### **Recruitment of Youth Advocates**

Promoting youth advocacy as a rewarding, career-long focus in criminal defense.

### **Statewide Training and Support**

Providing regular, robust training and certification programs for youth advocates in Georgia.

## **OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE**

OPEN ATTORNEY POSITIONS

SPECIALIZED TRAINING PROGRAMS

COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES

## **CONTACT US**





