

Public Defender's Office begins move today, will save city \$70,000 a month



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The 4th Judicial Circuit Public Defender's Office in Duval County will begin moving today to its new location three blocks from the new courthouse, a move that will save the city some money.

The office will be one of the first, if not the first, county-based judicial entities to begin its transition to the new courthouse, which is still under construction. The office's new location will be inside the Jake Godbold City Hall Annex Building at 407 N. Laura St.

The move from the its current location at 25 N. Market St. will eventually save the city the \$70,000 rent it currently pays for that space, the city's largest rental payment, according to Public Defender Matt Shirk.

"It was a decision of our administration that we would aggressively work to save those public funds by relocating our office to 407 N. Laura St. as far in advance of the courthouse move as possible," Shirk said in a release from his office.

Jacksonville-based Filing Source, a document management company, has already begun moving some files out of the office's Market Street location. Suddath Commercial Solutions will begin moving all other office property today.

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