





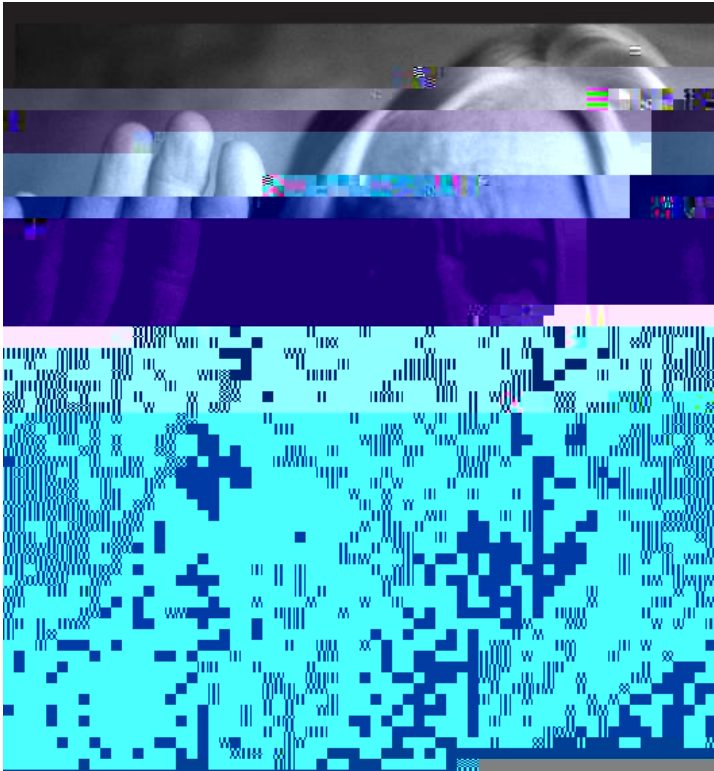




## Crime Victims' Ombudsman Overview

*Crime Victims' Ombudsman*



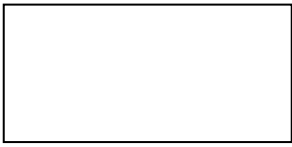


*We are problem solvers. We respond to requests from our stakeholders in the victim service community to help them bridge gaps in services by providing resources, training, technical assistance and direct liaison assistance. We also investigate allegations of victims' rights violations from crime victims and, if founded, work with our constituents to resolve the issue and enhance their ability to effectively serve victims.*

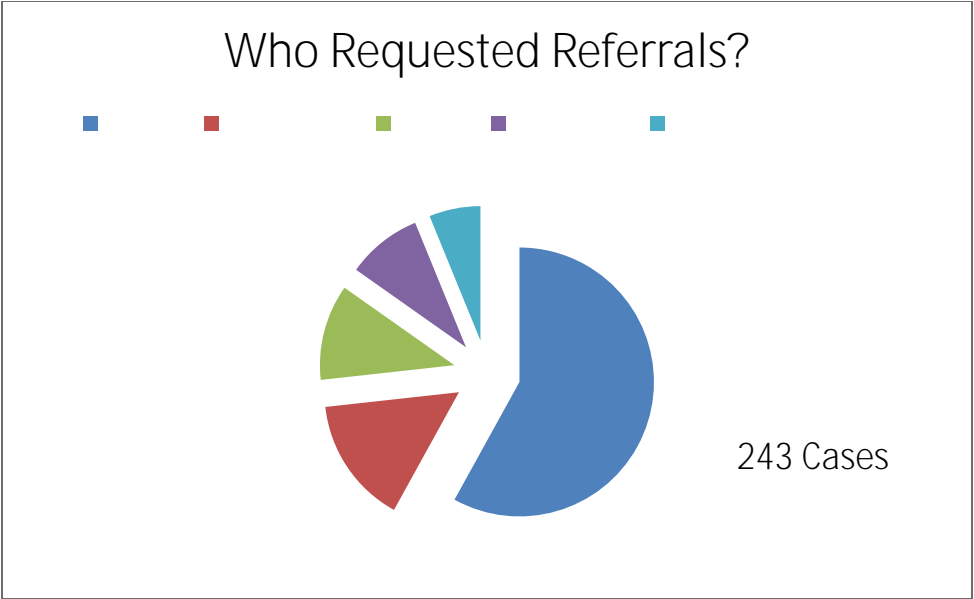
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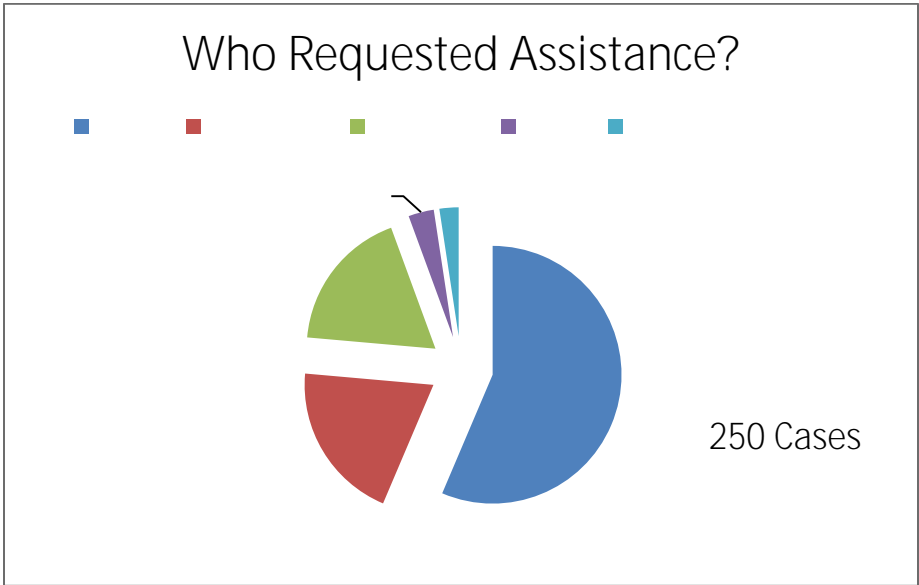




## Fiscal Year 2014-2015 Statistics



"Assists" Provided by the Crime Victims' Ombudsman



No Complaint

"Other"

## CASE EXAMPLES: CVO ASSISTS

Victim Denied the Right to be Heard at Bond Hearings:

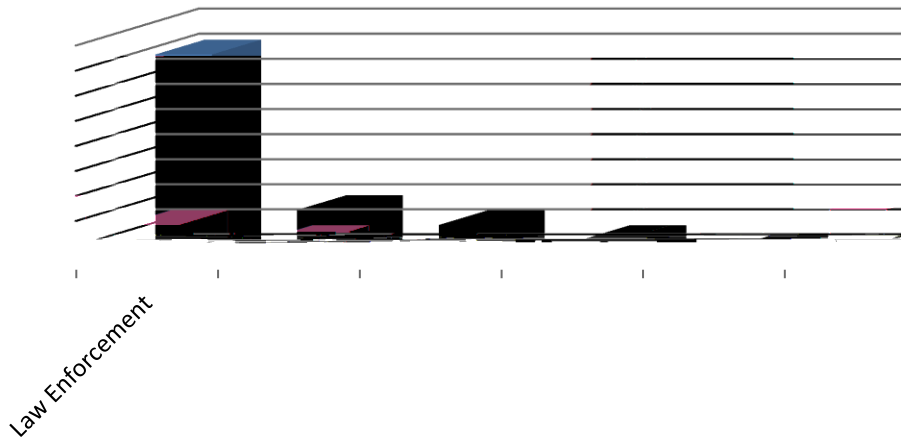
*ex parte*

Victim Treated with Disrespect:

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Victim Complains about Solicitor's Decision:

# Formal Complaints



Law Enforcement:

Solicitor:

Courts:

Detention Centers/Jails:

State Agency:

Other:



## Case Examples

Case Summary #1

Crime:

Complaint:

Subject(s) of Complaint:

Scenario



Relevant Law:

S.C. Constitution, Article I, Section 24(A)

victims of crime have the right to:

Subject(s) of Complaint:

Scenario:

SC Code §16-3



SC Constitution, Article 1, Section 24 (C).

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SC Code §16-3-1520(D)

SC Code §16-3-1525(A)

(C)

(H)

the Summary court judge, before proceeding with a bond hearing

*Procedure nor any statutory law may be used in such a way that violates State Constitutional rights belonging to the Victim of a crime."*

## Criminal Justice System Assists

Case Examples:

1.

SC Code §16-3-1535(F)

2.

3.

## TRAINING



Crime Victims' Ombudsman  
Office of Victim Services Education and Certification  
(OVSEC)

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What Does OVSEC Do?

A Victim Service Provider (VSP),

## Mandatory Training for Victim Service Providers (VSPs)

Everyone providing services to crime victims, as defined in SC Code §16-3-1400, must complete annual training.

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every other year

31st.

by December

Certification Request

Non-Approved

OVSEC Program Enhancements:

Accreditation

VSP Application

Training

VSP Basic Training Requirements:

Basic Certification

3 hours

1 hour

2 hours

2 hours

2 hours

2 hours

3 hours

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Crime Victims' Ombudsman and OVSEC

Mailing Address:

Phone Numbers:

Email