

October 13, 1976

OPINION LETTER NO. 198
Answer by Letter - Klaffenbach

Honorable W. E. Lewis
State Representative
300 Boyd Street
DeSoto, Missouri 63020



Dear Mr. Lewis:

This letter is in response to your question asking whether a circuit juvenile officer who has his or her salary paid partially by the state and partially by the county or counties in the circuit is covered by the Tort Defense Fund.

The Tort Defense Fund is found in Section 105.710, RSMo Supp. 1975, and covers certain designated state officers and employees. Juvenile court personnel are not specified as being within the coverage of such section.

Our answer to your question is, therefore, that juvenile court personnel are not covered by the Tort Defense Fund, Section 105.710, RSMo Supp. 1975.

Very truly yours,

JOHN C. DANFORTH
Attorney General