**Section 500.400 Death Penalty Litigation**

The Office of the State Appellate Defender has established three units for capital litigation:

a) The Capital Trial Assistance Unit provides assistance to attorneys appointed under the Capital Crimes Litigation Act [725 ILCS 124/50] (see 725 ILCS 105/10(c)(5)).

b) The Capital Post-Conviction Unit represents capital defendants in post-conviction and collateral proceedings under Article 122 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1963 [725 ILCS 5/Art. 122] (post conviction hearings).

c) The Supreme Court Unit represents capital defendants on appeal.