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In Remembrance of State Public Defender Board Chair Daniel Berkos

(Madison) Mauston attorney and State Public Defender (SPD) Board Chair Daniel M. Berkos passed away last night on August 26, 2019. “Danny” served on the SPD Board since 1987, and has served as the Chair for over the past 30 years.

“Danny was an unwavering friend, colleague, and supporter of the SPD and its mission. His unique and inviting personality and his endless generosity allowed Danny to form close and lasting relationships with many members of this agency,” shared Wisconsin State Public Defender Kelli Thompson.

“Dan Berkos was a strong advocate for equal and fair treatment of everyone in the justice system, and provided a skilled, guiding hand to this agency. He was a constant and resolute leader on our Board for over three decades, and his passing will be a loss to the entire criminal justice community in Wisconsin,” added Thompson.