

OPA Challenges – Public Guardian

- 90 Wards per Public Guardian when at full staff – recommended National Maximum is 40
- Crushing workload is causing low morale and difficulty in filling open positions resulting in over 100 wards per Public Guardian while positions remain vacant
- Lack of public resources to support wards requires increasing amount of time to deal with bureaucracy and acquire resources
- Ongoing lawsuit alleging that the Public Guardian is violating statutory duties to visit wards – a direct result of case overload

OPA Caseloads/Appointments

