

Judicial Department



The Judicial Department includes Virginia's system of courts. It has responsibility for legal proceedings for criminal offenses and civil issues, including custody and control of children, divorce and other family matters, traffic offenses, and the appointment of electoral boards. The courts order funding for indigent defense through the "criminal fund," and for the involuntary commitments through the "involuntary mental commitment fund." In addition to the court system, the Judicial Department includes other agencies that regulate the legal profession, as well as the Indigent Defense Commission and the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission.

Judicial Department Includes:

Supreme Court	Board of Bar Examiners
Court of Appeals of Virginia	Judicial Inquiry and Review Commission
Circuit Courts	Indigent Defense Commission
General District Courts	Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission
Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Courts	Virginia State Bar
Combined District Courts	Judicial Department Reversion Clearing Account
Magistrate System	

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Operating Summary for Judicial Department (Dollars in Millions)

Funds	FY 2021 Approp	FY 2021 Changes	FY 2021 Total	FY 2022 Approp	FY 2022 Changes	FY 2022 Total
Total	\$570.5	(\$8.6)	\$562.0	\$572.9	\$4.9	\$577.8
General	\$533.2	(\$8.6)	\$524.6	\$535.5	\$4.9	\$540.4
Special	\$10.5	\$0.0	\$10.5	\$10.5	\$0.0	\$10.5
Dedicated Special	\$25.6	\$0.0	\$25.6	\$25.6	\$0.0	\$25.6
Federal	\$1.3	\$0.0	\$1.3	\$1.3	\$0.0	\$1.3

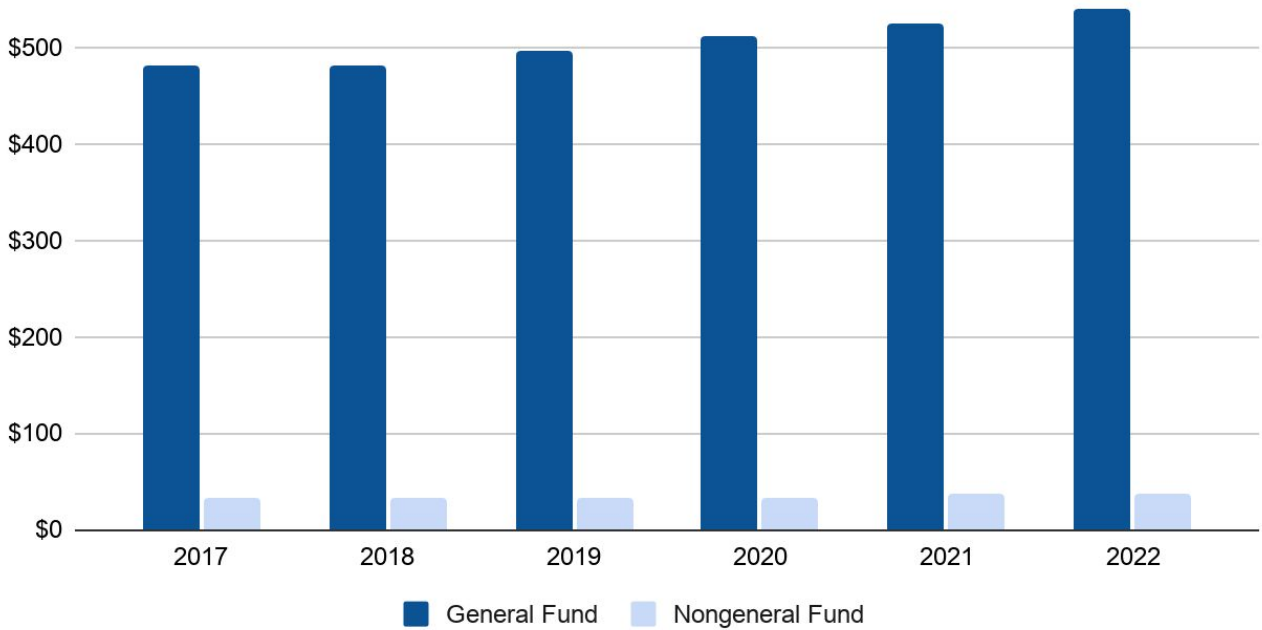
Authorized Positions for Judicial Department

Funds	FY 2021 Approp	FY 2021 Changes	FY 2021 Totals	FY 2022 Approp	FY 2022 Changes	FY 2022 Totals
Total	3,675.71	0.00	3,675.71	3,616.71	27.00	3,643.71
General Fund	3,480.71	0.00	3,480.71	3,510.71	27.00	3,537.71
Nongeneral Fund	195.00	0.00	195.00	106.00	0.00	106.00

Operating Budget History

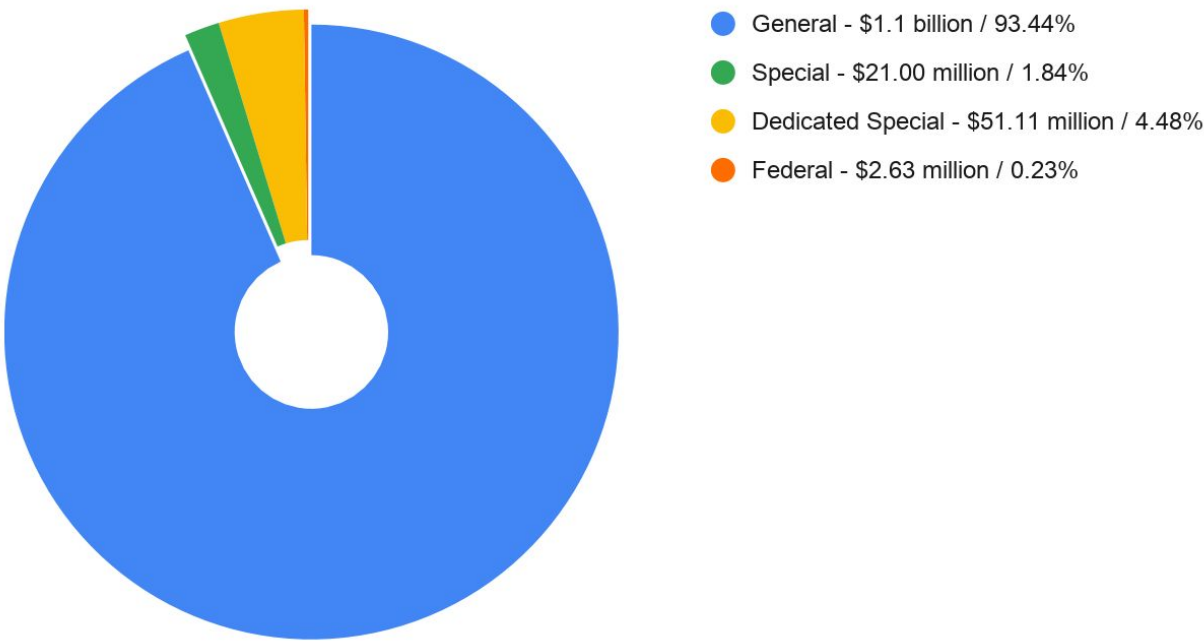
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2020-2022 Biennium Total Proposed Operating Budget

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	FY 2021 General Fund	FY 2021 Nongeneral Fund	FY 2021 Total	FY 2022 General Fund	FY 2022 Nongeneral Fund	FY 2022 Total
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Operating Budget Summary

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Judicial Department Grand Totals:

Total Legislative Appropriation	\$533,169,960	\$37,367,872	\$570,537,832	\$535,519,603	\$37,367,872	\$572,887,475
<i>Total, Appropriation Changes</i>	<i>(\$8,583,101)</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$8,583,101)</i>	<i>\$4,876,227</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$4,876,227</i>
Total Appropriation	\$524,586,859	\$37,367,872	\$561,954,731	\$540,395,830	\$37,367,872	\$577,763,702
Total Legislative Authorized Positions	3,480.71	195.00	3,675.71	3,510.71	106.00	3,616.71
<i>Total, Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>27.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>27.00</i>
Total Positions	3,480.71	195.00	3,675.71	3,537.71	106.00	3,643.71

Judicial Department Agency Details:

[Supreme Court](#)

Legislative Appropriation	\$41,402,783	\$10,452,248	\$51,855,031	\$41,062,127	\$10,452,248	\$51,514,375
Introduced Budget Technical Changes						
<i>Reallocate funding and positions between court agencies for writ of actual innocence petitions</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$636,024)</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$636,024)</i>
<i>Reallocate funding and positions to meet Cardinal Human Capital Management (HCM) Payroll requirements</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$7,654,818</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$7,654,818</i>
Total, Appropriation Changes	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,018,794	\$0	\$7,018,794
Total Agency Appropriation	\$41,402,783	\$10,452,248	\$51,855,031	\$48,080,921	\$10,452,248	\$58,533,169
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	159.63	8.00	167.63	159.63	8.00	167.63
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>62.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>62.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	159.63	8.00	167.63	221.63	8.00	229.63

	FY 2021 General Fund	FY 2021 Nongeneral Fund	FY 2021 Total	FY 2022 General Fund	FY 2022 Nongeneral Fund	FY 2022 Total
Court of Appeals of Virginia						
Legislative Appropriation	\$9,948,128	\$0	\$9,948,128	\$9,948,128	\$0	\$9,948,128
Introduced Budget Technical Changes						
<i>Reallocate funding and positions between court agencies for writ of actual innocence petitions</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$636,024	\$0	\$636,024
Introduced Budget Non-Technical Changes						
<i>Fund additional judges and support staff for Court of Appeals</i>	\$235,419	\$0	\$235,419	\$4,876,227	\$0	\$4,876,227
Total, Appropriation Changes	\$235,419	\$0	\$235,419	\$5,512,251	\$0	\$5,512,251
Total Agency Appropriation	\$10,183,547	\$0	\$10,183,547	\$15,460,379	\$0	\$15,460,379
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	69.13	0.00	69.13	69.13	0.00	69.13
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>34.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>34.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	69.13	0.00	69.13	103.13	0.00	103.13
Circuit Courts						
Legislative Appropriation	\$114,248,355	\$0	\$114,248,355	\$113,834,853	\$0	\$113,834,853
Introduced Budget Technical Changes						
<i>Align existing Criminal Fund appropriation to the appropriate service area</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<i>Reallocate funding and positions to meet Cardinal Human Capital Management (HCM) Payroll requirements</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$1,239,333)	\$0	(\$1,239,333)
Total, Appropriation Changes	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$1,239,333)	\$0	(\$1,239,333)
Total Agency Appropriation	\$114,248,355	\$0	\$114,248,355	\$112,595,520	\$0	\$112,595,520
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	165.00	0.00	165.00	165.00	0.00	165.00
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>-11.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>-11.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	165.00	0.00	165.00	154.00	0.00	154.00

	FY 2021 General Fund	FY 2021 Nongeneral Fund	FY 2021 Total	FY 2022 General Fund	FY 2022 Nongeneral Fund	FY 2022 Total
General District Courts						
Legislative Appropriation	\$129,538,848	\$0	\$129,538,848	\$130,943,333	\$0	\$130,943,333
Introduced Budget Technical Changes						
<i>Reallocate funding and positions to meet Cardinal Human Capital Management (HCM) Payroll requirements</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$2,146,183)	\$0	(\$2,146,183)
Introduced Budget Non-Technical Changes						
<i>Move reductions to agency budget</i>	(\$4,469,476)	\$0	(\$4,469,476)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total, Appropriation Changes	(\$4,469,476)	\$0	(\$4,469,476)	(\$2,146,183)	\$0	(\$2,146,183)
Total Agency Appropriation	\$125,069,372	\$0	\$125,069,372	\$128,797,150	\$0	\$128,797,150
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	1,146.10	0.00	1,146.10	1,176.10	0.00	1,176.10
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>-20.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>-20.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	1,146.10	0.00	1,146.10	1,156.10	0.00	1,156.10
Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Courts						
Legislative Appropriation	\$107,875,063	\$0	\$107,875,063	\$107,675,016	\$0	\$107,675,016
Introduced Budget Technical Changes						
<i>Reallocate funding and positions to meet Cardinal Human Capital Management (HCM) Payroll requirements</i>	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$654,393)	\$0	(\$654,393)
Total, Appropriation Changes	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$654,393)	\$0	(\$654,393)
Total Agency Appropriation	\$107,875,063	\$0	\$107,875,063	\$107,020,623	\$0	\$107,020,623
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	617.10	0.00	617.10	617.10	0.00	617.10
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>-6.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>-6.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	617.10	0.00	617.10	611.10	0.00	611.10

	FY 2021 General Fund	FY 2021 Nongeneral Fund	FY 2021 Total	FY 2022 General Fund	FY 2022 Nongeneral Fund	FY 2022 Total
Combined District Courts						
Legislative Appropriation	\$24,133,853	\$0	\$24,133,853	\$24,133,853	\$0	\$24,133,853
Introduced Budget Technical Changes						
<i>Reallocate funding and positions to meet Cardinal Human Capital Management (HCM) Payroll requirements</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$997,819)</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$997,819)</i>
Total, Appropriation Changes	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$997,819)	\$0	(\$997,819)
Total Agency Appropriation	\$24,133,853	\$0	\$24,133,853	\$23,136,034	\$0	\$23,136,034
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	204.55	0.00	204.55	204.55	0.00	204.55
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>-9.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>-9.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	204.55	0.00	204.55	195.55	0.00	195.55
Magistrate System						
Legislative Appropriation	\$35,364,272	\$0	\$35,364,272	\$35,364,272	\$0	\$35,364,272
Introduced Budget Technical Changes						
<i>Reallocate funding and positions to meet Cardinal Human Capital Management (HCM) Payroll requirements</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$2,617,090)</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$2,617,090)</i>
Total, Appropriation Changes	\$0	\$0	\$0	(\$2,617,090)	\$0	(\$2,617,090)
Total Agency Appropriation	\$35,364,272	\$0	\$35,364,272	\$32,747,182	\$0	\$32,747,182
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	446.20	0.00	446.20	446.20	0.00	446.20
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>-23.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>-23.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	446.20	0.00	446.20	423.20	0.00	423.20
Board of Bar Examiners						
Legislative Appropriation	\$0	\$1,762,384	\$1,762,384	\$0	\$1,762,384	\$1,762,384
Total, Appropriation Changes	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

	<i>FY 2021 General Fund</i>	<i>FY 2021 Nongeneral Fund</i>	<i>FY 2021 Total</i>	<i>FY 2022 General Fund</i>	<i>FY 2022 Nongeneral Fund</i>	<i>FY 2022 Total</i>
Total Agency Appropriation	\$0	\$1,762,384	\$1,762,384	\$0	\$1,762,384	\$1,762,384
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	0.00	9.00	9.00	0.00	9.00	9.00
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	0.00	9.00	9.00	0.00	9.00	9.00
<u>Judicial Inquiry and Review Commission</u>						
Legislative Appropriation	\$678,657	\$0	\$678,657	\$678,657	\$0	\$678,657
Total, Appropriation Changes	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Agency Appropriation	\$678,657	\$0	\$678,657	\$678,657	\$0	\$678,657
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	3.00	0.00	3.00	3.00	0.00	3.00
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	3.00	0.00	3.00	3.00	0.00	3.00
<u>Indigent Defense Commission</u>						
Legislative Appropriation	\$61,237,507	\$11,980	\$61,249,487	\$63,136,870	\$11,980	\$63,148,850
<u>Introduced Budget Non-Technical Changes</u>						
<i>Move reductions to agency budget</i>	<i>(\$2,849,044)</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$2,849,044)</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>
Total, Appropriation Changes	(\$2,849,044)	\$0	(\$2,849,044)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Agency Appropriation	\$58,388,463	\$11,980	\$58,400,443	\$63,136,870	\$11,980	\$63,148,850
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	660.00	0.00	660.00	660.00	0.00	660.00
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	660.00	0.00	660.00	660.00	0.00	660.00
<u>Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission</u>						
Legislative Appropriation	\$1,170,582	\$70,069	\$1,240,651	\$1,170,582	\$70,069	\$1,240,651
Total, Appropriation Changes	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Agency Appropriation	\$1,170,582	\$70,069	\$1,240,651	\$1,170,582	\$70,069	\$1,240,651
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	10.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	0.00	10.00
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	10.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	0.00	10.00

	<i>FY 2021 General Fund</i>	<i>FY 2021 Nongeneral Fund</i>	<i>FY 2021 Total</i>	<i>FY 2022 General Fund</i>	<i>FY 2022 Nongeneral Fund</i>	<i>FY 2022 Total</i>
Virginia State Bar						
Legislative Appropriation	\$7,571,912	\$25,071,191	\$32,643,103	\$7,571,912	\$25,071,191	\$32,643,103
Introduced Budget Non-Technical Changes						
<i>Move reductions to agency budget</i>	<i>(\$1,500,000)</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$1,500,000)</i>	<i>(\$1,500,000)</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>(\$1,500,000)</i>
<i>Restore funding for additional housing attorneys</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$1,500,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>\$1,500,000</i>
Total, Appropriation Changes	(\$1,500,000)	\$0	(\$1,500,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Agency Appropriation	\$6,071,912	\$25,071,191	\$31,143,103	\$7,571,912	\$25,071,191	\$32,643,103
Position Level:						
Legislative Authorized Positions	0.00	178.00	178.00	0.00	89.00	89.00
<i>Total Position Changes</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>	<i>0.00</i>
Agency Total Positions	0.00	178.00	178.00	0.00	89.00	89.00