

# Department of Justice FY2027 Budget Request

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# Department of Justice Leadership

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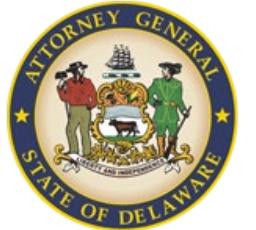
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# What does the DOJ look like?



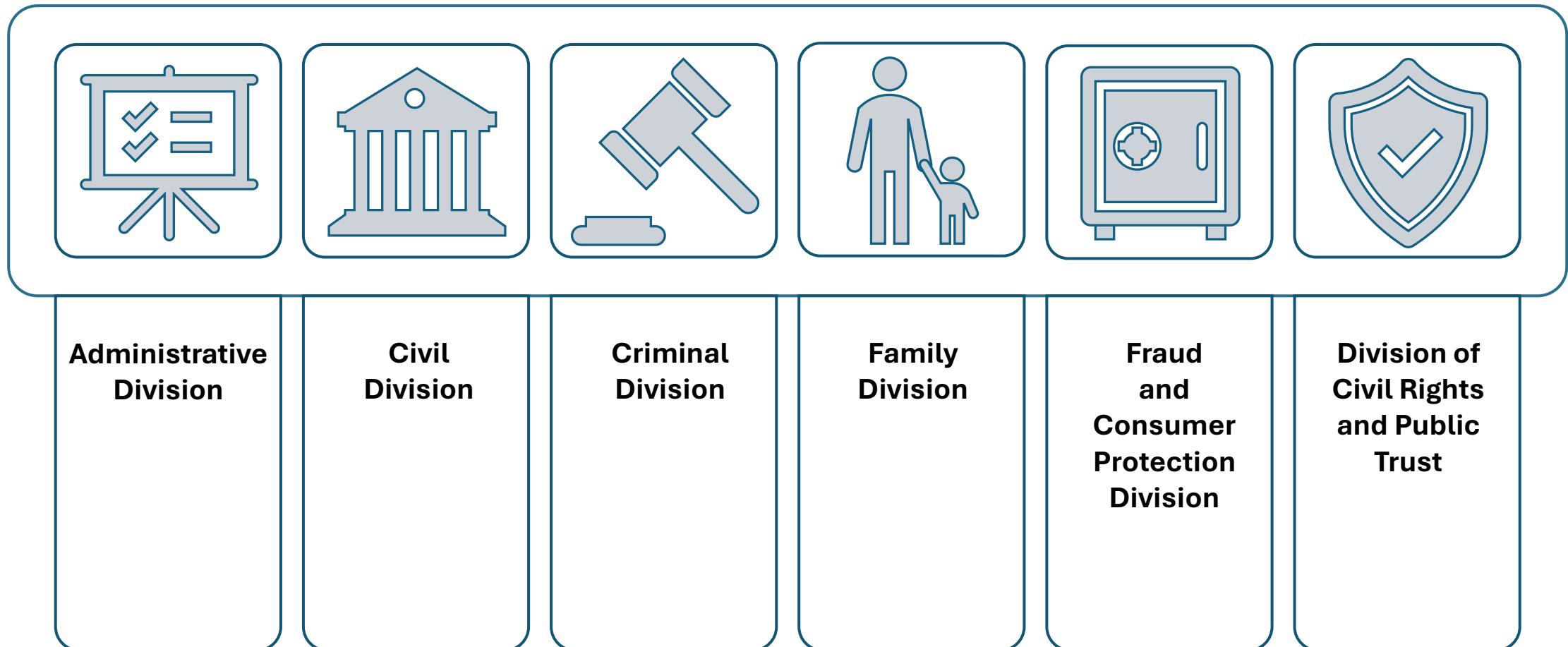
# Our People

515 employees make up the Department of Justice.

- 218 attorneys
- 75 legal assistants
- 49 legal administrative specialists
- 19 administrative support staff
- 36 victim service specialists
- 39 investigators
- 79 other staff positions



# Department of Justice Structure





**State  
Prosecutor**  
**Abigail  
Rodgers**

# Criminal Division

The Criminal Division prosecutes adult criminal cases ranging from misdemeanors to murders. Its mission is to represent the State in criminal cases, and in so doing safeguard the human rights of victims and their families and the constitutional rights of defendants.

The Criminal Division includes:

the Community Engagement Unit

Felony Screening Units (by County)

Misdemeanor Trial Units (by County)

Felony Trial Units (by County)

the Homicide Unit

the Violent Criminal Enterprises Unit

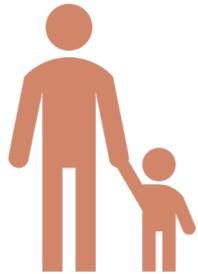
the Special Victims Unit

the Domestic Violence Unit

the Victim Witness Unit

the Appeals Unit





**Family  
Division  
Director**  
Kelly  
Singleton

# Family Division

Family Division attorneys work in tandem with partners from the Division of Family Services and the Division of Child Support Services, as well as the Family Court System. The Division is responsible for representing the State of Delaware in all juvenile delinquency and truancy matters and handles cases of abuse, neglect and family-based violence.

The Child Protection Unit helped author the official handbook used by contract attorneys assigned to represent parents in Dependency/Neglect cases.





**State  
Solicitor**  
**Patricia  
Davis**

# Civil Division

The Civil Division provides legal advice, counsel, and both affirmative and defensive litigation services to every aspect of the State of Delaware's enterprise, including all three branches of state government.

The dedicated work of attorneys in DOJ's Civil Division saves the State millions of dollars in outside counsel costs each year.





**Director**  
**Owen**  
**Lefkon**

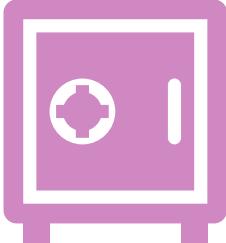
# Fraud and Consumer Protection Division

The Fraud and Consumer Protection Division is responsible for protecting Delaware consumers, investors, patients, and others from fraud, deception, and unfair practices by business and others. It also protects consumers regarding loans, credit cards, and other credit products and against unfair debt collection practices.

The Fraud and Consumer Protection Division includes:

- the Consumer Mediation Unit
- the Consumer Protection Unit
- the Investor Protection Unit
- the Medicaid Fraud Unit
- the White Collar Crime Unit
- the Office of Impact Litigation





## ***Impact Litigation Unit***

The Office of Impact Litigation is responsible for overseeing the office's high-priority affirmative litigations utilizing outside counsel; overseeing certain high-priority multistate impact litigations; coordinating all Attorney General sign-ons to comment letters and amicus curiae briefs; managing multistate litigation joinders, which typically involve federal litigation over policy matters important to the Attorney General. The current Director of Impact Litigation is **Deputy Attorney General Ian Liston**.

They have protected more than **\$874 million dollars** coming into the State since January 2025.





**Director**  
**J.S. Taylor**

# Division of Civil Rights and Public Trust

The Division of Civil Rights and Public Trust is the DOJ's newest; it was originally established as an office within the Criminal Division by Attorney General Matt Denn in 2015. It was designed to protect the individual rights and liberties of Delawareans, enforce the State laws designed to ensure citizen trust in government, and to conduct investigations where the Department of Justice's other responsibilities might present the appearance of a conflict of interest.

In 2020, Attorney General Jennings established the independent Division of Civil Rights and Public Trust.





Chief of  
Staff  
**Deldra  
Gregory-  
Colvin**

# Administrative Division

The Division provides core administrative services essential to the day-to-day operations, allowing the Office to achieve its mission of providing legal services to state agencies, prosecuting crime, and attending to the wellbeing of the state.



# Department of Justice Values

Delivering outstanding legal service for the State

Protecting children

Protecting the public

Civil rights

Public trust

Delivering value to the State

*and our team who make this possible.*



# Division Directors at the Department of Justice



**Chief of Staff**

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Director**

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Taylor**

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Civil Rights &  
Public Trust

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**Owen  
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Fraud &  
Consumer  
Protection  
Division

# **DOJ's FY2027 Operating Budget Request**



# Victim Service Specialists

Requested Amount
3.0 FTE Victim Service Specialists
\$280,200 Personnel + Operating GF
<b>Unfunded in GRB</b>

Victim Service Specialists at the DOJ provide essential services to victims of crime:

**Information:** Keep victims informed about court dates, case status, and the progress of their case.

**Support:** Prepare victims for court appearances and may accompany them to hearings and trials.

**Referrals:** Connect victims with resources for counseling, medical care, legal assistance, and other needed services.

**Assistance:** Help victims apply for financial assistance through programs like VCAP, which can cover costs like medical bills, lost wages, and funeral expenses.

**Education:** Explain the criminal justice process to victims and their families to help them understand their rights and what to expect.



# Travel Line Increase

Requested Amount
+\$12.3 GF
Unfunded in GRB

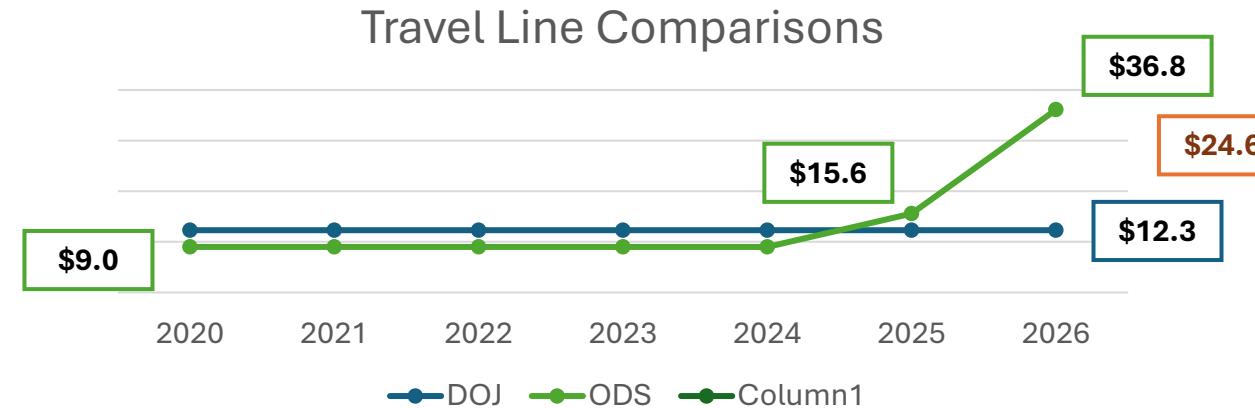
Increase: \$12,300 (total: \$24,600)

Line supports attorney training and travel opportunities

Unchanged since 2016; inflation has eroded capacity

Goal: bring DOJ to parity with the Office of Defense Services

Purpose: Maintain up-to-date trial, tech, and legal skills



# Victim and Witness Line Increase

Requested Amount
+\$60.0 GF
Unfunded in GRB

Increase: \$60,000

Funds interpreters, expert witnesses, and witness protection

Ensures continuity in prosecutions and witness safety

Funding has been flat, while costs of expert witnesses and other services have been increasing.



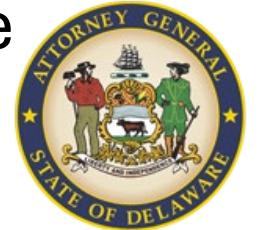
Requested Amount
+\$50.0 GF
Unfunded in GRB

# Transcription Services Line Increase

Increase: \$50,000

Volume of body-cam, 911, and surveillance footage rising sharply  
Required for discovery compliance; an increase will prevent  
diversion of other funds.

DOJ is the sole entity responsible for transcription of the massive  
volume of audio/video footage associated with criminal  
investigations and cases – and that footage has increased  
dramatically over recent years while funding remains flat. We are no  
longer able to allocate funds from our other lines to cover these  
costs.



# Moving Costs

**Requested Total: \$140,000 GF**

**King Street \$120,000 GF**

**Sussex County \$20,000 GF**

**Unfunded in GRB**

Two upcoming relocations:

DOJ's New Castle County seat will shift from the Carvel State Office Building to the Alpha Technologies building on King Street in Wilmington, pursuant to direction from the Office of Management and Budget and other fiscal partners.

Temporary relocation of our Sussex County team while we complete the rebuild of our Georgetown office.



# Collective Bargaining Agreement Items

DOJ has new funding obligations associated with the ADAG contract:

- Call-out pay **\$215,000** **Unfunded in GRB**
- Bar Association dues **\$42,800** **Funded in GRB**
- Attorney registration fees **\$31,500** **Funded in GRB**

These items must be funded to remain in compliance with the collective bargaining agreement that DHR and OMB reached with the Association of Deputy Attorneys General in 2025.



Thank you.

