

The Florida Senate  
**COMMITTEE MEETING EXPANDED AGENDA**  
**APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE ON CRIMINAL AND CIVIL JUSTICE**  
**Senator Bradley, Chair**  
**Senator Powell, Vice Chair**

**MEETING DATE:** Wednesday, December 6, 2023  
**TIME:** 4:15—6:00 p.m.  
**PLACE:** *Mallory Horne Committee Room, 37 Senate Building*

**MEMBERS:** Senator Bradley, Chair; Senator Powell, Vice Chair; Senators Baxley, Burgess, Hooper, Martin, Pizzo, Rouson, Torres, and Yarborough

TAB	BILL NO. and INTRODUCER	BILL DESCRIPTION and SENATE COMMITTEE ACTIONS	COMMITTEE ACTION
1	Presentation on Governor's Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Budget Recommendations: Department of Corrections Department of Juvenile Justice Department of Law Enforcement Department of Legal Affairs/Attorney General Florida Commission on Offender Review State Courts Public Defenders State Attorneys Regional Conflict Counsels Statewide Guardian ad Litem Capital Collateral Regional Counsels Justice Administrative Commission		Presented

Other Related Meeting Documents

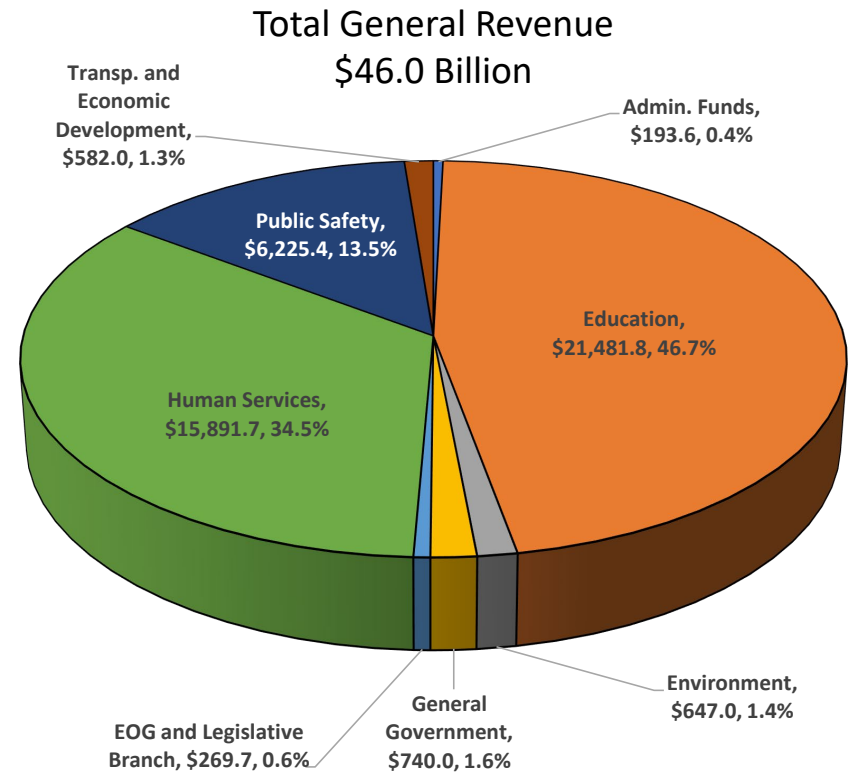
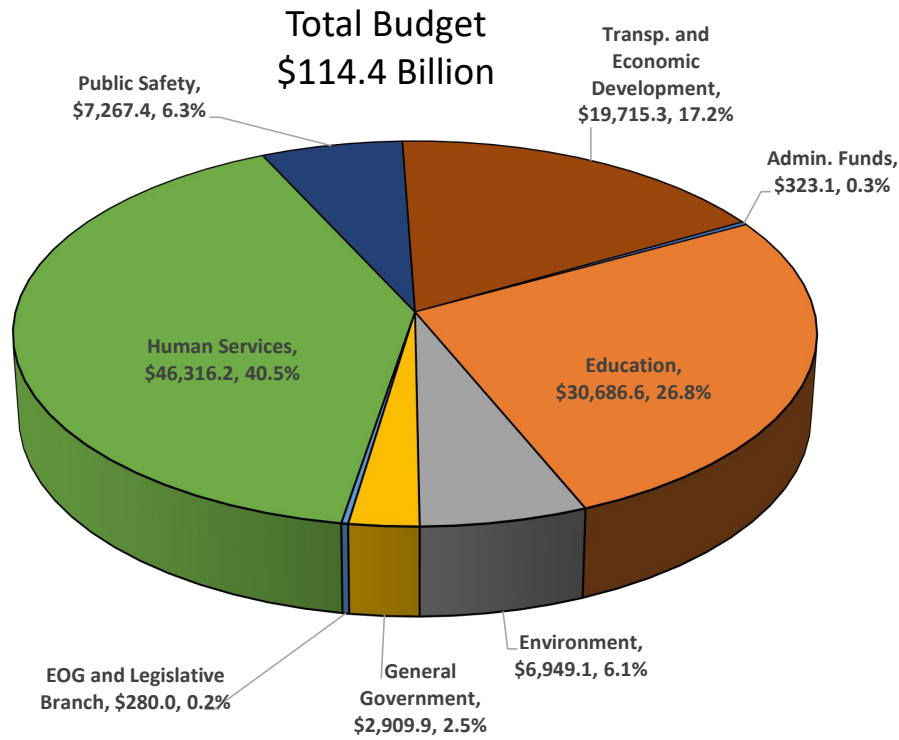
# FOCUS ON FLORIDA'S FUTURE



FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025



# Fiscal Year 2024-25 Governor Recommended Budget



**GOVERNOR RON DESANTIS  
FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET**

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## FY 2024-25 Budget – FTE Recommendations

Agency	FY 2023-24 FTE	FY 2024-25 Governor Recommended FTE Reduction	FY 2024-25 Governor Recommended FTE Increase	FY 2024-25 Governor Recommended FTE Net Increase/Decrease	FY 2024-25 FTE Proposed
Department of Corrections	23,692	-520	98	-422	23,270
Department of Juvenile Justice	3,248	-11	11	0	3,248
Florida Department of Law Enforcement	1,986	-14	22	8	2,011
Department of Legal Affairs	1,309	-29	29	0	1,309
State Courts	4,526	-49	50	1	4,527
Justice Administrative Commission	10,716	-108	50	-68	10,658
Commission on Offender Review	161	0	6	6	167
<b>Total PSU Agencies</b>	<b>45,638</b>	<b>-731</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>-475</b>	<b>45,190</b>



**GOVERNOR RON DESANTIS**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BUDGET**

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## Public Safety Unit

Major Issues Funded	Amount
DLA – Statewide Prosecution – Workload	29 FTE; \$5.8 million
DLA – Office of the Attorney General Modernization Program	\$7.1 million
SCS – Due Process Resources	20 FTE; \$5.1 million
SCS – Court Reporting Resources	\$5.85 million
SCS – Child Support Enforcement Hearing Officers	10 FTE; \$1.18 million
GAL – Hope Florida – Pathway to Promise Initiative	2 FTE; \$128,896



## Florida Department of Corrections

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Recognizing FDC's Employees "Behind the Fence" – Special Risk	\$14.08 million
Safer Correctional Facilities	\$12 million
Pay Parity – Maintenance and Classification	\$13.3 million
Improve Correctional Infrastructure	\$96.75 million
Certified Training Staff Initiative	34 FTE; \$3.55 million
Security Staffing for Education Programs	64 FTE; \$5.68 million

# Florida Department of Juvenile Justice

Major Issues Funded	Amount
Florida Scholars Academy	\$24.8 million
Improve Juvenile Justice Infrastructure	\$15 million
Addressing Staffing Concerns	11 FTE; \$1.25 million
Reinvestment in CINS/FINS	\$6.27 million
FCO – Increased Capacity	\$27.2 million



# Florida Department of Law Enforcement

Major Issues Funded	Amount
S.A.F.E. in Florida Program	\$25 million
Florida’s Law Enforcement Crime Databases	\$22 million
Purchase of Body Armor for Local Law Enforcement	\$2 million
Bolstering Investigative Vehicles	\$2.6 million
Maritime Surveillance Aircraft	\$6 million





## **Public Safety Unit**

Stormie Knight

Office of Policy and Budget

Secretary Ricky Dixon

Department of Corrections

Secretary Eric Hall

Department of Juvenile Justice

Commissioner Mark Glass

Florida Department of Law Enforcement



# Legislative Budget Request FY 2024-25

**Senate Appropriations Committee on  
Criminal and Civil Justice**

**December 6, 2023**

# Judicial Branch FY 2024-25 Legislative Budget Request

## Trial Courts

<b>Issues</b>	<b>FTE</b>	<b>General Revenue (Recurring)</b>	<b>General Revenue (Non-Recurring)</b>	<b>Trust Fund (Recurring)</b>	<b>Trust Fund (Non-Recurring)</b>	<b>FY 2024-25 Request Total</b>
Court Reporting Resources	60.00	\$6,378,892	\$1,766,700			\$8,145,592
Due Process Resources	20.00	\$5,096,059	\$66,900			\$5,162,959
Case Support Resources	45.00	\$4,195,714	\$150,525			\$4,346,239
Case Management Technology	75.00		\$12,660,275	\$14,960,040		\$27,620,315
Child Support Enforcement Hearing Officer Resources	20.00			\$1,744,043	\$66,900	\$1,810,943

# Judicial Branch FY 2024-25 Legislative Budget Request

## Appellate Courts

<u>Issues</u>	<u>General Revenue (Non-Recurring)</u>	<u>FY 2024-25 Request Total</u>
Sixth DCA Courthouse Building	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000
Fifth DCA Courthouse Repairs	\$1,806,358	\$1,806,358

# Judicial Branch FY 2024-25 Legislative Budget Request

## Office of the State Courts Administrator

<u>Issues</u>	<u>FTE</u>	<u>General Revenue (Recurring)</u>	<u>General Revenue (Non-Recurring)</u>	<u>FY 2024-25 Request Total</u>
Operational Support for the Court System - Office of Inspector General	1.00	\$103,988	\$5,601	\$109,589

# Questions?

Eric Maclure

Interim State Courts Administrator

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# PUBLIC DEFENDER

**FY 2024-25**

## **Budget Presentation**



**Hon. Stacy A. Scott, Public Defender, 8<sup>th</sup> Circuit, on behalf of the  
Florida Public Defender Association**

# FY 2022-23 STATEWIDE FACTS:

- ▶ NEW CASES ASSIGNED: 546,329
- ▶ STATEWIDE CONFLICT RATE: 7%
- ▶ 1620 AUTHORIZED ATTORNEY POSITIONS
- ▶ 23% TURNOVER RATE
  - ▶ DOWN FROM 27% IN PRIOR FY
  - ▶ RECENT SALARY INCREASES HAVE HELPED BUT MORE IS NEEDED

Note: New cases are in addition to cases carried over from previous FY



# FPDA PRIORITY BUDGET REQUEST:

## INCREASE STARTING SALARY FOR ATTORNEYS TO \$75,000

- ▶ **STARTING BASE SALARY IN GAA IS \$50,000**
  - ▶ NO OFFICE CAN HIRE ATTORNEYS AT \$50K
  - ▶ DIFFICULTY ATTRACTING ATTORNEYS BECAUSE OF LOW STARTING PAY
- ▶ **AVERAGE ACTUAL STARTING SALARY IS CURRENTLY \$64,000**
- ▶ **APPROXIMATELY \$10.9 MILLION IN GR NEEDED** (includes estimated benefits)
  - ▶ WILL BRING ALL AUTHORIZED APD POSITIONS TO A MINIMUM OF \$75K

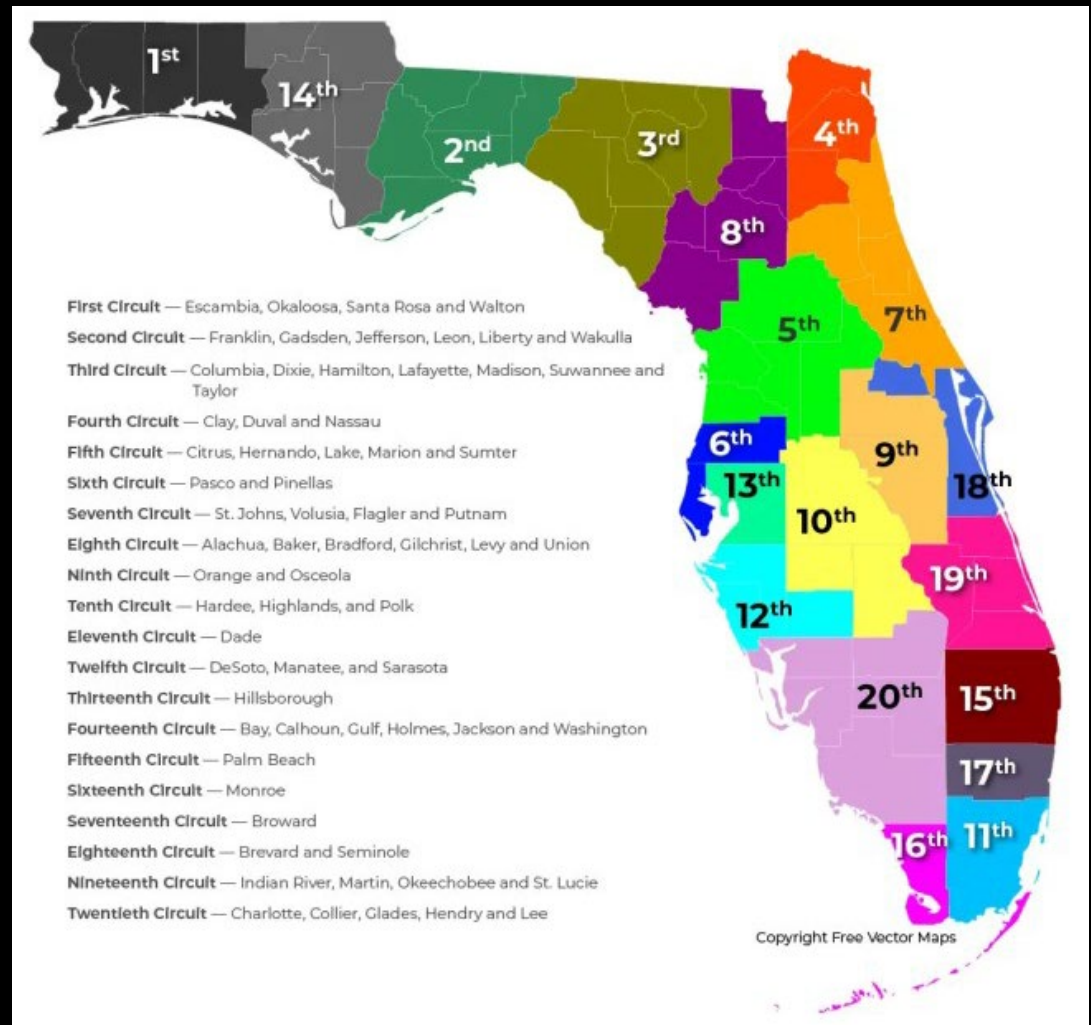
# QUESTIONS?

Further information:  
[scotts@pdo8.org](mailto:scotts@pdo8.org)



# Florida's State Attorneys

FY 2024-2025 Budget Presentation



Thank you for last  
year's cost of  
living adjustment  
and pay increase  
for prosecutors  
and support staff!

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Consolidation has been our biggest priority this year. If it comes to fruition, it would be extremely expensive.

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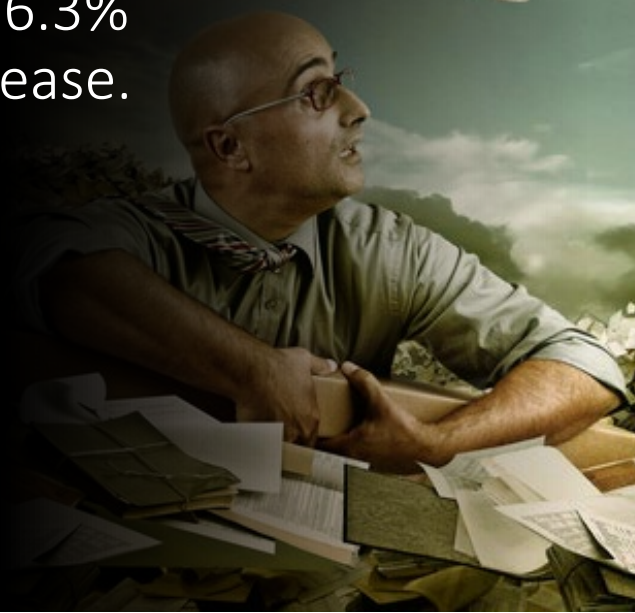
**After opposition, committee recommends against merging Florida judicial circuits**

Among other concerns, critics of consolidation said such a move would diminish access to the courts, pose logistical problems and be costly.

Tampa Bay Times November 3, 2023



It helped, but we are still  
falling back due to  
inflation and turnover!!!  
FY 22-23 shows a 6.3%  
Cost of Living Increase.



# ASA TURNOVER RATES FROM FY14-15 THROUGH FY22-23

CIRCUIT	FY14-15 TURNOVER RATE	FY16-17 TURNOVER RATE	FY16-17 TURNOVER RATE	FY17-18 TURNOVER RATE	FY18-19 TURNOVER RATE	FY19-20 TURNOVER RATE	FY20-21 TURNOVER RATE	FY21-22 TURNOVER RATE	FY22-23 TURNOVER RATE
AVG	15.99%	13.80%	19.32%	17.66%	18.75%	16.15%	22.30%	25.25%	20.68%

Keep up the trend!

	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>diff</b>
<b>Total FTEs</b>	5707.00	5725.00	18.00
<b>Total Vacant</b>	963.36	837.45	-125.91
<b>Total ASA FTEs</b>	2134.85	2088.85	-46.00
<b>Vacant ASA FTEs</b>	382.80	311.30	-71.50
<b>Filled ASA FTEs</b>	1752	1778	



Florida's  
population  
continues  
to grow!

Year	Population (million)	Growth rate
2011	19.10	n/a
2012	19.34	1.26%
2013	19.58	1.24%
2014	19.89	1.58%
2015	20.24	1.76%
2016	20.61	1.83%
2017	21.00	1.89%
2018	21.33	1.57%
2019	21.67	1.59%
2020	21.94	1.25%
2021	22.35	1.87%
2022	22.66	1.39%

However, the increases in cases has still led to higher caseloads!

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	<b>Total Case Referrals</b>	<b>Post Conviction</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>AVG ASA</b>	<b>Caseload per ASA</b>
20-21	868,618	4,989	101,251	974,858	1806	539.79
21-22	894,580	4,737	86,590	985,907	1783	552.95
22-23	949,447	3,997	92,974	1,046,418	1793	583.61
	9%	-20%	-8%	7%	-1%	8%

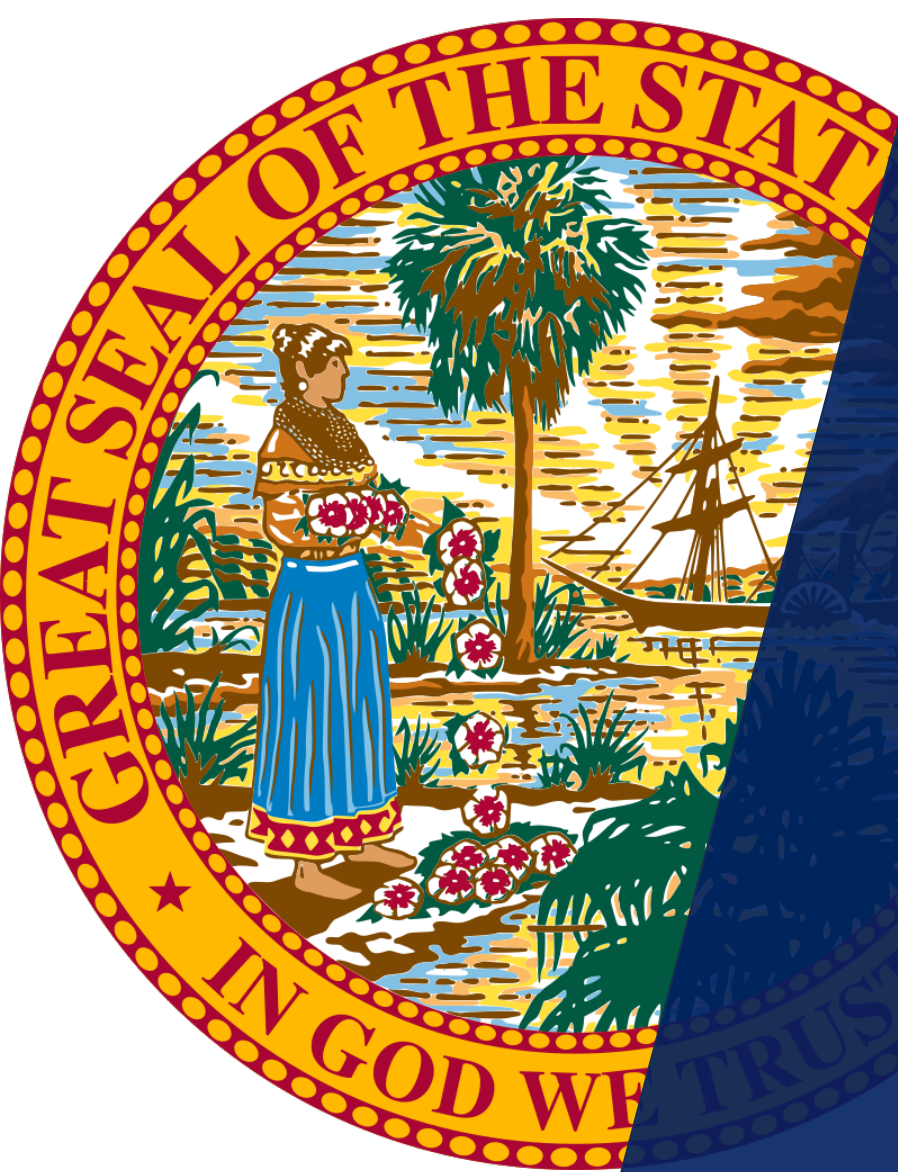


**FPAA**

**Prosecuting Crime, Protecting People**

Florida Prosecuting Attorneys Association

We look forward to working with you this session and serving the people of the State of Florida.



# Offices of Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel

FY 24-25 Budget

Candice K. Brower

Regional Counsel, First DCA Region



## CRIMINAL CASES ASSIGNED TO OFFICE

- Criminal Cases
- Felony Cases
- Circuit Criminal Appeals
- Misdemeanor Cases
- Criminal Traffic Cases
- County Criminal Appeals
- Chapter 316 Cases Punishable by Imprisonment
- Ancillary Municipal Ordinances
- Juvenile Delinquency and Juvenile Re-Sentencing cases
- Primary Municipal Ordinances by Contract
- 3.850 Post Conviction Motions
- 3.800 Correction, Modification or Reduction Motions

...all of this, along with Death Penalty Cases,  
Death Penalty Re-sentencing



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## CIVIL CASES ASSIGNED TO OFFICE

- Chapter 39 Dependency Cases
- Chapter 39 Termination of Parental Rights Cases
- Chapter 744 Guardianship Cases
- Chapter 393 Developmental Disability Guardianships
- Chapter 397 Involuntary Commitment Cases (Marchman Acts)
- Chapter 415 Adult Protective Services Cases
- Chapter 743 Removal Minor Nonage Disability Cases
- Chapter 392 Tuberculosis Control Cases
- Chapter 984 Children and Families in Need of Services Cases
- Chapter 63 Adoption Proceedings
- Chapter 390 Parental Notice of Abortion Act Cases
- “Jimmy Ryce” Act cases
- Marchman and Baker Acts
- Court Monitors
- Appeal Cases Related to All Above Civil Matters



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# REGIONAL COUNSELS HAVE REDUCED SPENDING AND SAVED THE STATE OF FLORIDA

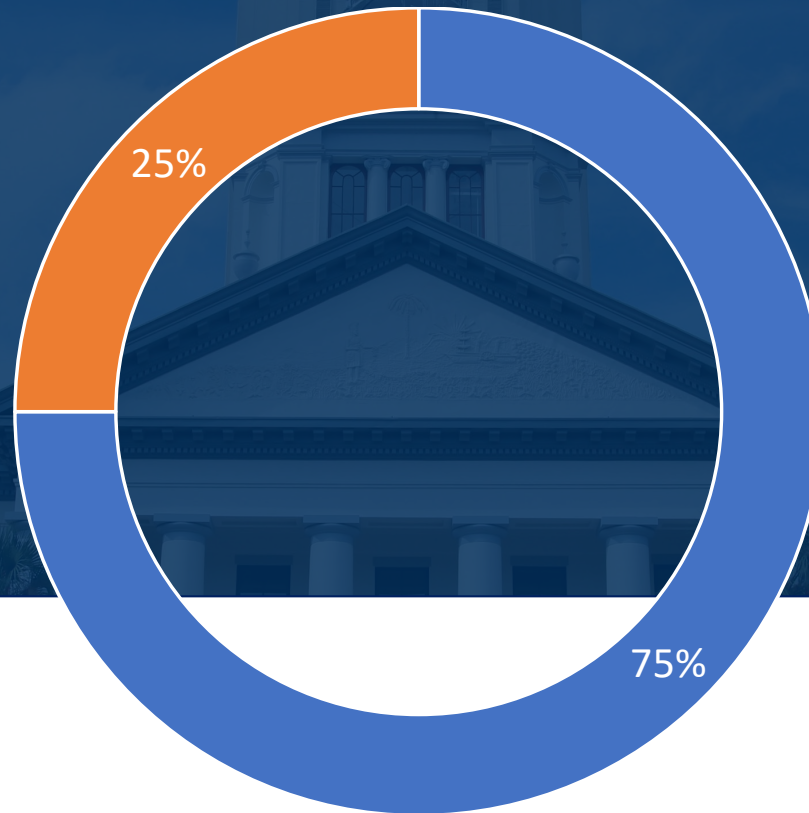
**419 Million**



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# Regional Counsels were appointed to 53,412 cases in 2022

- Criminal
- Civil



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# Combined Priorities For Fiscal Year 2024-2025



Raise minimum pay  
rate for attorneys to  
\$63,000.



Senior management  
services for attorney  
supervisors



Include Regional  
Counsels in judicial  
pay related office pay  
adjustments

## RATE FOR MINIMUM PAY OF \$63,000 FOR ATTORNEYS

- The State Attorneys and Public Defenders hire at competitive pay that we can not match with our minimum pay rate.
- \$40,000 is the current minimum for RC attorneys which no attorney can be hired at that rate.
- This will mostly be a rate change. We currently have very few attorneys below the \$63,000 pay rate. There will be minimal compression issues.

### Regional Counsel Map

Region 1: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 8th, & 14th Circuit  
Region 2: 6th, 10th, 12th, 13th, & 20th Circuit  
Region 3: 11th & 16th Circuit  
Region 4: 15th, 17th, & 19th Circuit  
Region 5: 5th, 7th, 9th, & 18th Circuit

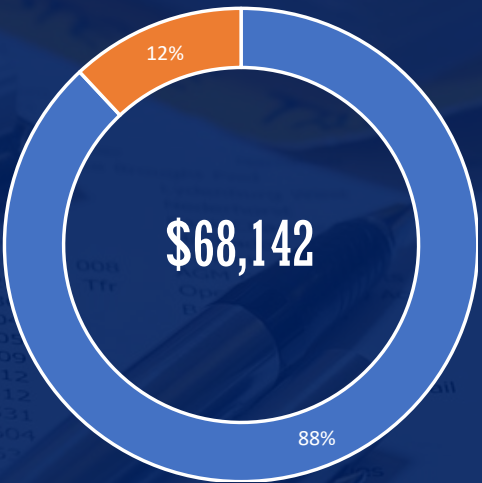


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# COMPARISON OF REGIONAL COUNSEL RETIREMENT vs PD & SA

Difference with same pay rate of \$60,000

Base Pay Retirement



Current Regional Counsel Benefits



Current Benefits for PDs & SAs

**Difference in Retirement Benefits: \$12,570**



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## INCLUSION IN JRO ATTORNEY PAY ADJUSTMENTS

Same job, same duties...

tax-payer funded competition between JRO's is created and morale is negatively affected when not included in pay adjustments.

Thank you for including us in last year's raises and discretionary funds, but we ask you to consider minimum pay rates to continue our mission of saving taxpayers' dollars while providing exceptional representation.



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*“Continue to invest in this legislative success. \$400 million saved and counting...”*



# STATEWIDE GUARDIAN AD LITEM OFFICE



Representing Florida's abused and neglected children.

## LEGISLATIVE BUDGET REQUEST

Fiscal Year 2024-2025



## Representing Florida's abused and neglected children.

**FEDERAL LAW** - A guardian ad litem, who has received training appropriate to the role, including training in early childhood, child, and adolescent development, must be appointed to represent the child in child abuse and neglect proceedings.

§42U.S.C. 5106a(b)(2)(B)(xiii).

**FLORIDA LAW** - A guardian ad litem shall be appointed by the court at the earliest possible time to represent the child in any child abuse, abandonment, or neglect judicial proceeding, whether civil or criminal. § 39.822(1), F.S.



**Every child appointed to the Office is assigned a Guardian ad Litem Attorney, a child welfare professional, and hopefully, a Guardian ad Litem Volunteer or pro bono attorney if one is available. All team members are Guardians ad Litem.**

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**FLORIDA  
GUARDIAN  
AD LITEM  
OFFICE**

## Representing Florida's abused and neglected children.

**Establishing and maintaining a relationship with the child is the foundation of effective guardian ad litem representation.**

The Statewide Guardian ad Litem Office represents abused and neglected children in court and the community. The child's multi-disciplinary team always includes a Guardian ad Litem Attorney, a child welfare professional and hopefully a volunteer or pro bono attorney from the child's community if one is available. The team provides independent, high-quality legal representation and community advocacy to protect each child's legal interests. We know that a stable, caring adult in a child's life is vitally important and we continue to recruit volunteers across the state aggressively.

### Statewide Guardian ad Litem Office Legal Representation:

- The only party to the case that provides undivided loyalty and zealous independent advocacy to the child.
- Protects and advances the legal rights of children whose age and other limitations prevent them from making their own decisions.
- The only party to the case that provides undivided loyalty to the child.
- Makes the child's wishes known to the court.
- Florida's multi-disciplinary team representation model is national best practice for representing children.
- We advocate for every child's physical safety, emotional well-being, and permanent placement in a stable, nurturing home environment where the child can thrive.
- Promotes permanency for children.

**Florida Statutes require the appointment of the Statewide Guardian ad Litem Office in every dependency proceeding. § 39.822(1), F.S.**



## ISSUE 1: HOPE FLORIDA - PATHWAY TO PROMISE INITIATIVE

SGAL will require two new positions to handle the expansion of the volunteer mentor program and the data entry/tracking associated with the Hope Florida initiative.

- The first position will serve as a recruiter/coordinator to recruit new mentors, monitor mentoring activities and coordinate Hope Florida activities.
- The other position will be responsible for data entry, tracking and reporting for all mentor activities.
- Total request - \$128,460



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## ISSUE 2: REALIGN BUDGET FOR RECURRING CLOUD MIGRATION EXPENDITURES



- The Statewide Guardian ad Litem Office (SGAL) is migrating its data and software applications stored on physical and virtual servers at the NWRDC to the Microsoft Cloud environment. The migration process will be completed by December 31, 2023.
- After the termination of services at NWRDC, all of SGAL's network related expenses will be paid from the Operations category (103230). Based on all current estimates and analyses, SGAL believes the migration project will result in an overall cost savings of \$57,313.
- SGAL lacks sufficient funds in its Operations category to cover the annual cost of all cloud-related expenditures. To make up the difference, SGAL will have to realign its budget and move \$303,019 of the \$360,332 budget currently appropriated in category 210023 (Data Processing – NWRDC) to category 103230 (Operations).

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## ISSUE 3: ATTORNEY RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

- Recruitment and retention of the more than 200 Guardian ad Litem (GAL) Attorney positions continues to be a major priority for the Statewide Guardian ad Litem Office. SGAL frequently loses potential new hires and experienced attorneys to other State agencies and private law firms that pay higher salaries.
- In order to keep current GAL Attorneys and recruit new GAL Attorneys, the SGAL requests sufficient authority in both General Revenue and Grants and Donations Trust Fund (Title IV-E) for a \$5,000.00 pay increase for all Attorney (8700); Senior Attorney (8701); Managing Attorney (8702) and Regional Counsel (8704) FTE positions.
- Total request - \$1,245,375.00



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## ISSUE 4: CHILD ADVOCACY COORDINATOR COMPENSATION



- The Statewide Guardian ad Litem Office requires employees in the Child Advocate Manager (8401) and Senior Child Advocate Manager (8402) class codes to complete a professional certification program as a condition of employment. The Florida Certification Board require significant in-class training and 1,500 hours of professional work experience as a child advocate for certification. SGAL strongly believes this certification program is necessary to ensure that Guardian ad Litem employees have and maintain a specific level of competency while advocating on behalf of Florida's dependent children.
- SGAL requests \$667,890 to provide a \$1,500 salary increase for each employee in a Child Advocate Manager (8401) and Sr. Child Advocate Manager (8402) class code after one year of employment providing child advocacy services for SGAL and successful completion of the Child Advocate Manager certification program.

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## **ISSUE 5: INCREASE STAFF TO REPRESENT ALL CHILDREN**

- The Crime Victims Fund (CVF) was established by the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) of 1984. It is used to provide crime victim assistance grants to State governments for distribution to community-based organizations and public agencies that provide services directly to crime victims.
- Due to the steady decline in fine and forfeiture deposits into the CVF since at least 2018, funding has been reduced, and the U.S. Department of Justice Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) expects the funding reductions to continue in FY 2024 following the President's budget recommendation which lowers the nationwide cap.
- To avoid significant increases in Child Advocate Manager caseloads and the potential for reduction in the quality of legal representation provided in Circuits 1, 2, 3, 11, 15 and 20, the SGAL requests \$1,255,608 in recurring General Revenue funding and 18 FTEs to transition employees currently funded by VOCA grants to the Statewide Office.



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**CAPITAL COLLATERAL REGIONAL COUNSELS**  
**2024-2025 LEGISLATIVE BUDGET REQUEST**

Florida Statute 27.702 requires the Capital Collateral Regional Counsels (CCRCs) to represent death sentenced inmates in the state and federal courts, including the United States Supreme Court, until relief is granted or the sentence of execution is carried out.

There are three offices, North, Middle and South and cases are assigned by the Florida Supreme Court after the direct appeal and are based on the jurisdictions of the Federal District Courts. CCRC offices employ a team concept of assigning a first and second chair attorney and investigator to each case as it proceeds through the postconviction process.

**The total General Revenue budget request for all CCRC offices combined for the 2024-2025 fiscal year is \$47,916 broken down by agency as follows:**

**CCRC-North**

- **\$8,065** Rental Increase
- **\$15,123 (non-recurring)** Additional Equipment - Copier

**CCRC-South**

- **\$16,728** Information Technology
- **\$8,000 (non-recurring)** Additional Equipment – Video Conferencing
- **\$50,000** Additional Rate

# Justice Administrative Commission



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## JAC Legislative Budget Request 2024 Legislative Session



## Justice Administrative Commission

The Justice Administrative Commission (JAC), a state agency created in 1965, provides administrative services to 49 judicial-related offices (JROs) and provides compliance and financial review of billings for services provided by private court-appointed attorneys representing indigent persons and associated due process vendors.

In the last fiscal year, working with the Judicial-Related Offices we serve, JAC processed 256,000+ accounting transactions, including 59,000+ court-appointed attorney and due process vendor invoices, 52,000+ payroll and human resources-related transactions, 11,000+ budgetary transactions, and 520+ public records requests; contracted with 1,600+ registry and indigent for cost attorneys and 600+ due process vendors; attended 800+ hearings for state payment of indigent defense costs; and responded to 14,000+ motions for payment of state-funded indigent defense costs. This workload was met with 92 staff and a budget of \$8.3 million through its partnership with the Legislature, systemic cross-training of staff, and continuous development and update of our processes for increased efficiency, accountability, and customer convenience. It is important to highlight that JAC currently meets and exceeds its statutory duties with a budget that represents 0.72 percent of the total appropriations it administers. However, additional resources are needed to continue meeting the agency’s statutory requirements to serve our customers, who, in turn, serve the judiciary and the taxpayers of Florida.

JAC’s sole Legislative Budget Request for the FY 2024-25 for Executive Leadership is focused on JAC’s Vision: To be the model of exemplary state government.

	<b>LBR Issue</b>	<b>General Revenue</b>	<b>Recurring General Revenue</b>	<b>Non-Recurring General Revenue</b>	<b>Salary Rate</b>	<b>FTEs</b>
1	<b>Project Management Professional</b>	<b>\$ 150,499</b>	<b>\$ 145,432</b>	<b>\$ 5,067</b>	<b>69,000</b>	<b>-</b>
2	<b>PALM Implementation</b>	<b>\$ 806,750</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 806,750</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 957,249</b>	<b>\$ 145,432</b>	<b>\$ 811,817</b>	<b>69,000</b>	<b>-</b>
	<b>JAC Executive Direction &amp; Support FY 2023-2024</b>	<b>\$8,357,582</b>				
	<b>Total Funds Administered Under Justice Administration</b>	<b>\$1.19 billion</b>				

# CourtSmart Tag Report

Room: SB 37

Case No.:

Type:

Caption: Senate Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice

Judge:

Started: 12/6/2023 4:15:55 PM

Ends: 12/6/2023 5:47:48 PM

Length: 01:31:54

4:15:55 PM Sen. Bradley (Chair)  
4:16:38 PM Tab 1 - Governor's FY 24-25 Budget Recommendations  
4:16:50 PM OVERVIEW  
4:16:56 PM Stormie Knight, Policy Coordinator, Office of Policy and Budget  
4:21:15 PM DEPT. OF CORRECTIONS  
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5:11:22 PM Jack Campbell, State Attorney, 2nd Judicial Circuit; President, FL Prosecuting Attorney's Assn.  
5:18:32 PM Sen. Martin  
5:18:55 PM J. Campbell

**5:20:28 PM** Sen. Martin  
**5:20:49 PM** J. Campbell  
**5:22:28 PM** Sen. Martin  
**5:23:08 PM** J. Campbell  
**5:25:39 PM** Sen. Torres  
**5:25:47 PM** J. Campbell  
**5:26:16 PM** Sen. Torres  
**5:26:21 PM** J. Campbell  
**5:27:52 PM** Candice Brower, Regional Counsel, First Region, Office of Criminal Conflict and Civil Regional Counsel  
**5:34:00 PM** Dennis Moore, Executive Director, Statewide Guardian ad Litem Office  
**5:41:39 PM** Suzanne Keffer, Interim Regional Counsel, Capital Collateral Regional Counsel - South  
**5:44:12 PM** Rip Colvin, Executive Director, Justice Administrative Commission

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Against

Information

OR

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FL Dep. of Corrections

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State

32308

Zip

Speaking:

For

Against

Information

**OR**

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Appropriations Committee on Criminal Committee and Civil Justice

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Tallahassee City

FL State

32399 Zip

Speaking: [ ] For [ ] Against [X] Information OR Waive Speaking: [ ] In Support [ ] Against

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FL Department of Juvenile Justice

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State Courts System

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on Criminal and Civil Justice

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FL

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Speaking:

For

Against

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12/16/23  
Criminal & Civil Justice App.  
Committee

Jacy Campbell, State Atty. 2nd Circuit

850-606-6012

Pres. of Fla. Prosecuting Attys Assoc.  
Court House Leon County

Tallahassee FL

Speaking:  For  Against  Information **OR** Waive Speaking:  In Support  Against

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Appropriations Committee on Criminal + Civil Justice

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Statewide GAL office LBS  
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Civil & Comm Justice App  
Committee

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City State Zip

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Appropriations on Civil

Committee

& Criminal Justice

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I am a registered lobbyist, representing: CCRC's

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Amendment Barcode (if applicable)

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## SENATOR DENNIS BAXLEY

*President Pro Tempore*  
13th District

December 4, 2023

The Honorable Chairman Jennifer Bradley  
408 Senate Office Building  
404 South Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Dear Chair Bradley,

I am requesting to be excused from the Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice Meeting, scheduled on December 6<sup>th</sup>, in order to attend an out of state meeting.

Onward & Upward,



Senator Dennis Baxley  
Senate District 13

DKB/dd

cc: Marti Harkness, Staff Director  
Rebecca Henderson

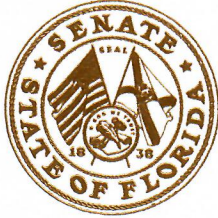
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December 6, 2023

Senator Jennifer Bradley, Chair  
Senate Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice  
404 South Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

Chair Bradley,

Please excuse my absence from the meeting of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Criminal and Civil Justice this afternoon, December 6, 2023.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JWP", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Jason W.B. Pizzo

cc: Marti Harkness, Staff Director  
Rebecca Henderson, Committee Administrative Assistant  
Maggie Gerson, Senate Democratic Office Staff Director  
Megan Ramba, Senate President's Office