

GENERAL REVENUE FUND

GRF 005-321 OPERATING EXPENSES - JUDICIARY

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$57,562,902	\$59,549,786	\$60,750,803	\$65,306,398	\$74,092,450	\$77,565,272
	3.5%	2.0%	7.5%	13.5%	4.7%

Source: general revenue fund (GRF)

Legal Basis: article IV of the Constitution of the State of Ohio

Purpose: This line item provides funds for payroll and fringe benefits, maintenance and equipment for the operation of the Judiciary.

GRF 005-401 STATE CRIMINAL SENTENCING COMMISSION

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$195,760	\$233,765	\$266,563	\$310,735	\$342,131	\$353,296
	19.4%	14.0%	16.6%	10.1%	3.3%

Source: general revenue fund (GRF)

Legal Basis: originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 152 of the 120th G.A.

Purpose: This special purpose account — in conjunction with some federal funding which passes through 005-603, Federal Miscellaneous — supports the operation of the State Criminal Sentencing Commission, which is established in section 181.21 of the Revised Code. The commission, created by Am. Sub. S.B. 258 of the 118th General Assembly and chaired by the Chief Justice, consists of 24 specified members (the Chief Justice, seven judges, the superintendent of the State Highway Patrol, the State Public Defender, the Director of the Department of Rehabilitation and Correction, one sheriff, one municipality/township peace officer, one defense and one prosecuting attorney, one crime victims' representative, a member of the Ohio State Bar Association, one city prosecutor, one county commissioner, and one mayor or city manager), an advisory committee and a handful of staff. Its charge is to conduct a review of Ohio's sentencing statutes and sentencing patterns, and to make recommendations on statutory changes to the General Assembly. In July of 1993, the Commission reported "A Plan for Felony Sentencing in Ohio"; legislation to reform Ohio's felony sentencing structure was enacted in Am. Sub. S.B. 2 of the 121st G.A., effective July 1, 1996. The Commission has since turned its attention to misdemeanor sentencing, and plans to issue a report in FY 1998.

GRF 005-402 COMMUNITY PUNISHMENT

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$85,000	\$85,000
	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%

Source: general revenue fund (GRF)

Legal Basis: originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 215 of the 122nd General Assembly

Purpose: This GRF line item was established to support an annual judicial conference to expand the use of alternative and community punishment.

GRF 005-501 COUNTY APPEAL RISK POOL

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%

Source: general revenue fund (GRF)

Legal Basis: originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 117 of the 121st G.A.

Purpose: Funds appropriated to this line item provide financial reimbursements to counties for increased expenditures which occur as a result of the felony sentence and racial disparity appeal provisions of S.B 2 of the 121st G.A. in accordance with O.R.C section 2945.68.

GRF 010-321 OPERATING EXPENSES-SUPREME COURT

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$6,416,235	\$6,994,072	\$6,927,152	\$7,584,743	\$8,455,163	\$8,778,035
	9.0%	-1.0%	9.5%	11.5%	3.8%

Source: general revenue fund (GRF)

Legal Basis: article IV of the Constitution of the State of Ohio

Purpose: This line item provides funds for payroll and fringe benefits, maintenance and equipment for the operation of the Supreme Court.

GRF 010-401 LAW-RELATED EDUCATION

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$162,525	\$162,525	\$189,750	\$189,750	\$197,340	\$197,340
	0.0%	16.8%	0.0%	4.0%	0.0%

Source: general revenue fund (GRF)

Legal Basis: originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 298 of 119th G.A.

Purpose: Funds appropriated to this special purpose account are required to be "...distributed directly to the Ohio Center for Law-Related Education for the purposes of providing continuing citizenship education activities to primary and secondary students, expanding delinquency prevention programs, increasing activities for at-risk youth, and accessing additional public and private money for new programs." An analogous GRF special purpose account and related temporary language are part of the Attorney General's budget (appropriation item 055-405, Law-Related Education).

The Ohio Center for Law-Related Education is a twelve year old, nonprofit organization that delivers a variety of law-related and citizenship education services — both programs and materials — to teachers and students of primary and secondary schools, and draws its financial support from a mix of public and private sources. Its major statewide efforts include the Ohio Mock Trial Program, the Ohio Government in Action Project, the Youth for Justice Summit and an annual statewide law and citizenship conference.

GENERAL SERVICES FUND GROUP

672 005-601 CONTINUING JUDICIAL EDUCATION

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$205,573	\$198,063	\$182,614	\$151,735	\$225,000	\$225,000
	-3.7%	-7.8%	-16.9%	48.3%	0.0%

Source: fees paid by judges and court personnel for attending programs and courses of the Judicial College, in addition to other gifts received to promote the purpose of continuing legal education for the judiciary

Legal Basis: originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 694 of the 114th G.A.

Purpose: Revenues received by this fund are used to pay some of the expenses associated with the provision of continuing judicial education. Am. Sub. H.B. 111 of the 118th G.A. transferred the program from the Judicial Conference of Ohio (JCO) to The Judiciary, where it has been administered by the Supreme Court since July 1, 1989.

6A2 005-602 DISPUTE RESOLUTION

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$8,698	\$3,050	\$9,672	\$4,333	\$35,000	\$35,000
	-64.9%	217.1%	-55.2%	707.8%	0.0%

Source: grants, awards and other moneys received by the Supreme Court from various sources including the Ohio Commission on Dispute Resolution and Conflict Management, the Ohio State Bar Foundation and the State Justice Institute

Legal Basis: originally established by Controlling Board in August, 1990

Purpose: Funds in this account are used to promote dispute resolution programs in the courts and for the education of judges, attorneys, and other court personnel in dispute resolution concepts. The fund was originally created for the purpose of receiving and distributing grant moneys from the state's Commission on Dispute Resolution and Conflict Management. Since those moneys have been disbursed, cash activity in the fund has slowed considerably. Authority governing the program is described in Rule XIII of the Supreme Court the Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio.

FEDERAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUND GROUP

3J0 005-603 FEDERAL MISCELLANEOUS

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$292,355	\$265,251	\$442,410	\$524,348	\$700,000	\$700,000
	-9.3%	66.8%	18.5%	33.5%	0.0%

Source: cfda 16.540, Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention - Allocation to States and CFDA 16.579, Drug Control and System Improvement - Formula Grant (both through the Governor's Office of Criminal Justice Services); CFDA 20.600, State and Community Highway Safety (through the Ohio Department of Public Safety to fund the Juvenile Data Network); State Justice Institute (soft federal money) via the Ohio Department of Human Services (to fund the Domestic Violence Task Force and the Family Court Feasibility Study); the Ohio State Bar Foundation (soft federal money which funds the Ukrainian-Ohio Law Rule Program);

Legal Basis: originally established by Controlling Board in February, 1991

Purpose: This fund serves as a depository for federal grants, as well as grants from the State Justice Institute — a private, nonprofit organization based in Alexandria, Virginia that distributes federally-funded project support to courts and judicial systems — and the Ohio State Bar Association. The moneys are used in a manner consistent with the purpose of the grant or award. Recent federal grants passed through the state's Office of Criminal Justice Services have been awarded to the Supreme Court: (1) to conduct educational programs and provide direct technical assistance to help courts manage their dockets more efficiently; and (2) to develop computer software to assist juvenile courts in the automation of information processing and the collection and analysis of juvenile court data statewide. In addition, the Supreme Court has received various grants from the State Justice Institute that cover continuing education, measurement of trial court performance standards, court law libraries, faculty development workshops, and the impact of substance abuse on the courts. In addition to the grants listed above which will be received during the FY 1996-97 biennium, applications are still pending for other grant funds.

STATE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND GROUP

643 010-601 COMMISSION ON CONTINUING LEGAL EDUC

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$266,322	\$277,743	\$305,966	\$307,520	\$254,946	\$267,074
	4.3%	10.2%	0.5%	-17.1%	4.8%

Source: accreditation fees paid by the sponsors of continuing legal education activities; also receives late filing fees and sanctions paid by attorneys, (initially the fund was seeded with cash transferred from the Supreme Court's Attorney Registration Fund; in January 1990, the fund started to receive a mix of revenue that included a \$15 biennial reporting fee, late filing fees, and various financial sanctions paid by attorneys pursuant to the continuing legal education program promulgated under Rule X of the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio)

Legal Basis: originally established by Controlling Board in 1989

Purpose: This fund must be used to compensate employees and activities of the Commission on Continuing Legal Education.

6A8 010-602 SUPREME COURT ADMISSIONS

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$145,197	\$146,845	\$144,782	\$173,523	\$180,868	\$186,294
	1.1%	-1.4%	19.9%	4.2%	3.0%

Source: fees collected for a admission to the practice of law (Rule J), fees charged by the Supreme Court for admissions - related services, and fees collected for the limited practice of law by foreign legal consultants (Rule XI) constitute the Admission's fund (an administrative account which is not part of the state treasury's); (moneys are deposited in the fund pursuant to the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio; Rule I, Section 12(D) then states that moneys in the Admissions Fund may be placed in a custodial account or transferred to the credit of the Supreme Court Admissions Fund in the state treasury)

Legal Basis: originally established by H.B. 390 of the 118th G.A. (Gov. Bar. Rule I Section 12)

Purpose: This fund must be used to compensate Supreme Court employees who primarily are responsible for administering the attorney admissions program.

4C8 010-603 ATTORNEY REGISTRATION

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$1,123,728	\$1,216,123	\$1,276,677	\$1,291,446	\$1,379,241	\$1,440,696
	8.2%	5.0%	1.2%	6.8%	4.5%

Source: attorney registration fees and penalties collected under Rule VI constitute the Attorney Registration fund (an administrative account which is not part of the state treasury); moneys are deposited pursuant to the Supreme Court Rules for the Government of the Bar of Ohio; Rule VI, Section 7(B) which states that moneys in the Attorney Registration Fund may be placed in a custodial account or transferred to the credit of the Supreme Court Attorney Registration Fund in the state treasury

Legal Basis: originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 298 of the 119th G.A. (Gov. Bar. Rule VI Section 7)

Purpose: This fund may be used to compensate employees of the Office of Disciplinary Counsel, the Board of Commissioners on Grievances and Discipline, the Clients' Security Fund and the Office of Attorney Registration.

HOLDING ACCOUNT REDISTRIBUTION FUND GROUP

R47 010-604 SUPREME COURT COST FUND

FY 1994	FY 1995	FY 1996	FY 1997	FY 1998	FY 1999
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000
	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0%

Source: this fund serves as a repository for security deposits on cases filed with the Supreme Court.

Legal Basis: originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 215 of the 122nd General Assembly

Purpose: The Supreme Court Clerk holds the deposits in escrow, which are used as provided for in the Supreme Court Rules of practice for orders of the Court, and to pay for costs associated with cases. Any unspent funds are refunded or distributed. No money in the fund can be transferred to any other fund by the Director of Budget and Management or Controlling Board.