#### **General Revenue Fund**

#### **GRF 019-321 Public Defender Administration**

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$1,647,604	\$1,470,944	\$1,431,860	\$1,256,539	\$1,295,570	\$1,262,439
	-10.7%	-2.7%	-12.2%	3.1%	-2.6%

Source: General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by

Am. Sub. H.B. 215 of the 122nd G.A., the main operating appropriations act

covering FYs 1998 and 1999)

**Purpose:** The line item provides funding for the Administrative Division's payroll,

maintenance, and equipment costs associated with delivering agency support services, including, but not limited to, fiscal and accounting, human resources, computer information systems, general office services (purchasing, inventory, records management, fleet management, and delivery), library maintenance, and

county reimbursement collections and payments.

Prior to FY 1998, these operating costs were funded from three separate GRF line items: (1) 019-100, Personal Services, (2) 019-200, Maintenance, and (3) 019-300, Equipment. Pursuant to Am. Sub. H.B. 215 of the 122nd G.A., the main operating appropriations act covering FYs 1998 and 1999, these three GRF line items were eliminated and their purposes and funding were moved into two newly-created GRF line items: 019-321, Public Defender Administration, and 019-401, State Legal Defense Services. This change was part of a restructuring of the Commission's personal services, maintenance, and equipment costs along more programmatic lines.

#### **GRF** 019-401 State Legal Defense Services

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$6,389,591	\$6,042,344	\$5,877,539	\$5,606,797	\$5,744,601	\$5,704,117
	-5.4%	-2.7%	-4.6%	2.5%	-0.7%

**Source:** General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by

Am. Sub. H.B. 215 of the 122nd G.A., the main operating appropriations act

covering FYs 1998 and 1999)

**Purpose:** The line item contains the bulk of the money appropriated for the purpose of

funding the payroll, maintenance, and equipment costs associated with the State Legal Defense Services program series, the function of which is to provide legal representation and services in non-capital and capital cases to indigent adults, juveniles, and incarcerated individuals in state and federal courts when Ohio law, the Ohio Constitution, or the U.S. Constitution requires representation. Non-capital and capital cases are handled by the Commission's Legal Division and Death

Penalty Division, respectively.

Prior to FY 1998, the operating costs associated with state legal defense services were funded from three separate GRF line items: (1) 019-100, Personal Services, (2) 019-200, Maintenance, and (3) 019-300, Equipment. Pursuant to Am. Sub. H.B. 215 of the 122nd G.A., the main operating appropriations act covering FYs 1998 and 1999, these three GRF line items were eliminated and their purposes and funding were moved into two newly-created GRF line items: 019-321, Public Defender Administration, and 019-401, State Legal Defense Services. This change was part of a restructuring of the Commission's personal services, maintenance, and equipment costs along more programmatic lines.

GRF 019-403 **Multi-County: State Share** 

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$1,071,734	\$924,261	\$838,490	\$830,225	\$823,620	\$823,620
	-13.8%	-9.3%	-1.0%	-0.8%	0.0%

Source: General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: Statutory authority for contractual arrangement resides in various ORC sections,

> including 120.04, 120.06, and 120.33; Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by Controlling Board on December 17, 1990)

Purpose: The line item provides funding for the state's share of the Multi-County Branch

Office's annual operating expenses. The branch office, which began operation on January 1, 1991, provides indigent defense services as an alternative to traditional appointed counsel or county public defender offices to ten counties in south and southeastern Ohio: Adams, Athens, Brown, Fayette, Jackson, Meigs, Pickaway, Pike, Ross, and Washington. These ten participating counties have essentially each entered into a contract with the Commission under which the state provides indigent defense services in their respective counties. Branch offices are located in Athens, Ross, and Washington counties. In addition to employing state public defenders, the Commission contracts with private attorneys in all ten counties.

Each county's contribution to this branch office operation is deposited in the state treasury to the credit of Fund 4C7 (line item 019-601, Multi-County: County Share). The funding split between the state and county shares is the same as it is for the Commission's much larger statewide County Reimbursement Program under which the state is responsible for up to 50% of a county's indigent defense costs.

#### **GRF 019-404 Trumbull County - State Share**

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$352,951	\$309,523	\$287,224	\$268,211	\$256,380	\$256,380
	-12.3%	-7.2%	-6.6%	-4.4%	0.0%

**Source:** General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: Statutory authority for contractual arrangement resides in various ORC sections,

including 120.04, 120.06, and 120.33; Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 291 of the 115th G.A., the

main operating appropriations act covering FYs 1984 and 1985)

**Purpose:** The line item funds the state's share of the Trumbull County Branch Office's annual

operating expenses. The branch office, which has been in operation since 1984, provides indigent criminal defense representation throughout the courts of Trumbull County. A contract is negotiated annually with Trumbull County that designates the duties of the branch office and determines the percentage of financial contribution paid by both parties to fund the office. The percentage paid by each mirrors the reimbursement rate applicable to all counties under either the assigned counsel or county public defender systems. Approximately 10% of the Trumbull County contract obligation is contributed by participating municipalities. The local share of the branch office is deposited in the state treasury to the credit of Fund 4X7 (line

item 019-610, Trumbull County - County Share).

The name of the line item was changed from "Indigent Defense Office" in Am. Sub. H.B. 215 of the 122nd G.A., the main operating appropriations act covering FYs 1998 and 1999, to reflect the fact that the branch office no longer served several courts in neighboring Mahoning County.

#### **GRF 019-405 Training Account**

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$37,075	\$34,250	\$30,000	\$31,050	\$31,324	\$31,324
	-7.6%	-12.4%	3.5%	0.9%	0.0%

**Source:** General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: Statutory authority for the program resides in ORC 120.03(D)(2); Section 209.48 of

Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 171 of the 117th G.A., the main operating appropriations act covering FYs 1988 and 1989)

Purpose: The line item is used exclusively for the Commission's Pro Bono Training Program,

under which it contracts with private and non-profit training companies to provide continuing legal education (CLE) certified seminars to attorneys who practice criminal indigent defense law. The Commission pays the seminar companies a fee for each attorney who attends a seminar under the program. The seminar companies presently charge \$125 per attorney for a regular one-day seminar and \$250 per

attorney for the two-day Rule 20 seminars.

The Commission allows private attorneys to attend seminars at no cost to the attorney. In exchange for free attendance, each attorney must provide one pro bono (for free) case for every seminar attended. Pro bono cases must be provided within one year of the seminar date, and pro bono attorneys are limited to two seminars per year. Public defenders also are limited to two seminars per year.

#### **GRF** 019-501 County Reimbursement

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$31,320,936	\$27,961,935	\$29,055,527	\$30,618,206	\$30,000,000	\$30,000,000
	-10.7%	3.9%	5.4%	-2.0%	0.0%

Source: General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: Statutory authority and guidelines for the reimbursement program reside in various

ORC sections, including 120.04, 120.18, 120.28, 120.33, 2941.51, and 2949.19; Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 164 of the 111th G.A., the act establishing state, county, and joint

county public defenders)

**Purpose:** Starting with FY 2006, the line item will be used to reimburse counties for up to

50% of their indigent defense expenditures on non-capital and capital cases. If the available appropriations are insufficient to reimburse 50% of the indigent defense expenditures for non-capital and capital cases, then the reimbursement percentage for each of the public defender offices and appointed counsel systems is reduced equally. Prior to FY 2006, indigent defense expenditures for capital cases were

reimbursed through the Commission's GRF line item 019-503, County

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Reimbursement - Capital Cases. Effective FY 2006, the Capital Cases line item's funding and purpose were consolidated within GRF line item 019-501, County

Reimbursement.

#### **GRF** 019-503 County Reimbursement - Capital Cases

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$866,520	\$809,901	\$785,624	\$726,000	\$0	\$0
	-6.5%	-3.0%	-7.6%	-100.0%	

**Source:** General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: Discontinued line item (originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 291 of the 115th

G.A., the main operating appropriations act covering FYs 1984 and 1985)

**Purpose:** Prior to FY 2006, the line item was used to reimburse counties for up to 50% of

their indigent defense expenditures on capital cases. If the available appropriations were insufficient to reimburse 50% of the indigent defense expenditures for capital cases, then the reimbursement percentage for each of the public defender offices and appointed counsel systems was reduced equally. Effective FY 2006, the Capital Cases line item's funding and purpose were consolidated within GRF line item 019-

501, County Reimbursement.

**GRF 019-504 Reimbursement: Mandate Assistance** 

				-100.0%	
\$0			\$1,147,719	\$0	\$0
2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation

**Source:** General Revenue Fund

Legal Basis: As needed line item - Section 203.81 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A.

(originally established by Controlling Board on July 12, 2004, pursuant to Section 31 of Am. Sub. H.B. 95 of the 125th G.A., authorizing the transfer of any moneys within GRF line item 911-404, Mandate Assistance, not fully utilized to the Ohio Public Defender Commission for the costs incurred by counties in providing

indigent defense)

**Purpose:** The line item is used to disburse funding to county commissioners in order to

provide additional reimbursement for the cost incurred by counties in providing defense to indigent defendants pursuant to ORC Chapter 120. The amount disbursed to each county is allocated proportionately on the basis of the total amount of reimbursement paid to all of the counties during the most recent fiscal year for

which data is available and as calculated by the Commission.

# **General Services Fund Group**

#### 101 019-602 Inmate Legal Assistance

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$55,895	\$27,706	\$22,406	\$51,153	\$53,086	\$32,338
	-50.4%	-19.1%	128.3%	3.8%	-39.1%

Source: General Services Fund Group: Quarterly legal services payments transferred through

an interdepartmental agreement from the GRF maintenance budget of the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction's Marion Correctional Institution

Legal Basis: Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by

Controlling Board in 1978)

**Purpose:** The line item currently funds an inmate legal assistance program at the state's

Marion Correctional Institution, a purpose it has served since 1991. Specifically covered are the payroll, maintenance, and equipment costs associated with one legal

services attorney.

The program started at the Marion Correctional Institution in response to a court case that led to a mandate that one attorney be located at the correctional institution to run the prison's law library. In 1987, the program shifted to one that utilized law school interns to provide more general legal assistance, before taking on its current focus in 1991, in which the attorney running the correctional institution's law library also provides representation to inmates at parole revocation hearings.

#### 101 019-607 Juvenile Legal Assistance

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$49,231	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	-100.0%				

Source: General Services Fund Group: Funding provided by the Ohio Department of Youth

Services (DYS) through an interdepartmental agreement

Legal Basis: Discontinued line item (originally established by Controlling Board on August 16,

1993)

**Purpose:** The line item captured the funding through an interdepartmental agreement under

which DYS provided moneys for the operation of the Commission's Juvenile Legal Assistance Program. Under the program, which the Commission administered by hiring staff and providing the necessary equipment, legal assistance was provided to youths committed to DYS. The program was established in FY 1994 in response to a decision by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit in the case of John L. v. Adams holding that juveniles have a constitutional right of access to the courts

through attorneys provided by the state.

This interdepartmental agreement was terminated effective July 1, 2001. The Commission has continued to provide such legal assistance by utilizing moneys appropriated to its GRF line item 019-401, State Legal Defense Services, as available.

### 406 019-603 Training and Publications

				,	0.0%
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$16,000	\$16,000
2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation

Source: General Services Fund Group: (1) Fees received by the Commission for conducting

educational seminars, and (2) sale of publications on topics concerning criminal law

and procedure

Legal Basis: ORC 120.03(E); Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally

established by Am. Sub. H.B. 291 of the 115th G.A., the main operating

appropriations act covering FYs 1984 and 1985)

**Purpose:** The Commission is required to expend moneys deposited to the credit of the fund

for the sole purpose of conducting programs having a general objective of training and educating attorneys and others in the legal representation of indigent persons.

407 019-604	County Rep	resentation			
2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$202,594	\$184,716	\$140,415	\$94,723	\$186,146	\$188,810
	-8.8%	-24.0%	-32.5%	96.5%	1.4%

Source:

General Services Fund Group: (1) Moneys a county is required to pay the State Public Defender for legal representation when the State Public Defender is designated by the court or requested by a county public defender or joint county public defender to provide legal representation for an indigent person in any case other than certain cases the State Public Defender defends because of a contract with a county public defender commission or a joint county public defender commission as follows: (a) 100% of the amount identified as legal fees, less the state reimbursement rate, as calculated by the State Public Defender for the month the case terminated, and (b) 100% of the amount identified as expenses, and (2) moneys a county is required to pay the State Public Defender for 100% of the cost of investigation or mitigation services provided by the State Public Defender to private appointed counsel or to a county or joint county public defender, other than in certain cases when the Defender has a contract with a county public defender commission or a joint county public defender commission pursuant to ORC 120.04(C)(7); upon payment of the bill, the county is permitted to submit the cost of the expenses (excluding legal fees) and the cost of the investigation and mitigation services to the State Public Defender for reimbursement pursuant to ORC 120.33; prior to FY 2006, revenue stream consisted solely of 50% of the actual cost of providing legal representation in the circumstances described in (1) above

Legal Basis:

ORC 120.06(D); Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A.(originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 291 of the 115th G.A., the main operating appropriations act covering FYs 1984 and 1985)

Purpose:

Moneys deposited to the credit of the fund can only be used by the State Public Defender to: (1) provide legal representation for indigent persons when designated by the court or requested by a county or joint county public defender, or (2) provide investigation or mitigation services, including investigation or mitigation services to private appointed counsel or a county or joint county public defender, as approved by the court. Prior to FY 2006, moneys deposited to the credit of the fund could only be used for the purpose noted in (1) above.

408	019-605	<b>Client Payments</b>
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2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$316,612	\$589,370	\$257,383	\$161,096	\$614,027	\$762,106
	86.1%	-56.3%	-37.4%	281.2%	24.1%

#### Source:

General Services Fund Group: (1) all moneys collected by the state from defendants who were provided appointed counsel or a public defender and ordered to pay all or a portion of the costs of their defense through a recoupment, reimbursement, contribution, or partial payment plan, and (2) starting with FY 2006, 20%, or \$5, of a non-refundable \$25 application fee, unless waived or reduced by the court, assessed indigent defendants or parties in juvenile court when requesting or provided a state public defender, county or joint county defender, or court-appointed counsel, collected by the clerk of court, and forwarded to the state by the county auditor (80%, or \$20, of the \$25 non-refundable application fee is retained by the county to offset the costs of providing legal representation to indigent persons)

Legal Basis:

ORC 120.04(B)(5); Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by Am. H.B. 291 of the 115th G.A., the main operating appropriations act covering FYs 1984 and 1985)

Purpose:

Moneys deposited to the credit of the fund may only be used to: (1) appoint assistant state public defenders and to provide other personnel, equipment, and facilities necessary for the Commission's operation, (2) reimburse counties for the operation of county public defender offices, joint county public defender offices, and county appointed counsel systems pursuant to ORC 120.18, 120.28, and 120.33, and (3) provide assistance to counties in the operation of county indigent defense systems.

# **Federal Special Revenue Fund Group**

#### 3S8 019-608 Federal Representation

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$681,617	\$422,392	\$189,639	\$309,259	\$380,484	\$315,287
\ <u></u>	-38.0%	-55.1%	63.1%	23.0%	-17.1%

**Source:** Federal Special Revenue Fund Group: Payments collected from a federal court that

offset some of the costs incurred by the Office of the State Public Defender when that court has appointed the State Public Defender to provide legal representation to an indigent defendant in federal habeas corpus proceedings, primarily matters

involving the death penalty

Legal Basis: Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by

Controlling Board on March 2, 1998)

**Purpose:** Moneys credited to the fund are used by the Commission's Death Penalty Division

to provide, coordinate, and supervise post-trial legal representation to indigent defendants in federal courts on federal habeas corpus proceedings where the defendant is appealing the imposition of a death sentence by a state trial court. Habeas corpus is an appeal to the federal courts for wrongful conviction and unconstitutional imprisonment. A habeas petition is filed after a defendant has exhausted his or her direct appeal and state postconviction remedies. In this instance, a defendant combines all of the prior claims raised on direct appeal and state postconviction and he or she raises them in one petition in the United States District Court. All habeas cases, win or lose, are reviewed by the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit in Cincinnati. In this habeas petition the defendant may only seek relief on claims that involve a violation of the United States Constitution, for example, violation of 6th Amendment right to effective

counsel or violation of 8th Amendment right to present mitigating evidence for

sentencing.

#### 3U7 019-614 Juvenile JAIBG Grant

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$31,667	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	-100.0%				

Source: Federal Special Revenue Fund Group: CFDA 16.523, Juvenile Accountability

Incentive Block Grant (JAIBG)

**Legal Basis:** Discontinued line item (originally established by Controlling Board on February 28,

2000)

**Purpose:** The Commission used the JAIBG grant to bolster its Juvenile Legal Assistance

Program, which provided legal assistance to juveniles who had been committed to the Ohio Department of Youth Services (DYS) on appeals and in other post-disposition issues. The JAIBG funds employed an assistant state public defender who interviewed and screened juveniles at DYS institutions, answered case related questions, and provided direct representation on appeal or other collateral pleadings

in cases of arguable merit.

The Department of Youth Services, which is the state agent for administering all federal juvenile justice funding awarded to Ohio, did not renew the Commission's JAIBG grant. Since that time, the Commission has continued to provide such legal assistance by utilizing moneys appropriated to its GRF line item 019-401, State Legal Defense Services, as available.

#### 3U8 019-615 Juvenile Challenge Grant

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$50,623	\$17,117	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	-66.2%	-100.0%			

Source: Federal Special Revenue Fund Group: CFDA 16.549, State Challenge Activities

Legal Basis: Discontinued line item (originally established by Controlling Board on February 28,

2000)

**Purpose:** The Commission used this essentially one-time federal State Challenge grant to

bolster its Juvenile Legal Assistance Program, which provided legal assistance to juveniles who have been committed to the Ohio Department of Youth Services (DYS) on appeals and in other post-disposition issues. The State Challenge funds employed one assistant state public defender and one dispositional advocate who focused on coordinating services and resources to children charged with committing illegal acts. Specific activities included providing direct representation to juvenile clients, providing training and technical assistance to public defenders and court appointed counsel, assisting courts and attorneys in finding alternatives to traditional incarceration for juveniles, expanding non-lawyer related support services and resources to public defenders and appointed counsel, offering public defenders and private counsel access to a centralized research brief bank, and distributing educational materials about juvenile due process rights to juveniles and

their families.

The Commission has continued to provide such legal assistance by utilizing moneys appropriated to its GRF line item 019-401, State Legal Defense Services, as available.

# **State Special Revenue Fund Group**

4C7 019-601 Multi-County: County Share

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$1,455,745	\$1,651,822	\$1,719,998	\$1,762,114	\$2,028,309	\$2,104,367
	13.5%	4.1%	2.4%	15.1%	3.7%

Source: State Special Revenue Fund Group: Payments from ten counties in south and

southeastern Ohio for their portion of the costs of operating the Commission's Multi-

County Branch Office

**Legal Basis:** Statutory authority for contractual relationship resides in ORC 120.04(C)(7);

Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by

Controlling Board on December 17, 1990)

**Purpose:** Moneys deposited to the credit of the fund represent the local share of the Multi-

County Branch Office's annual operating expenses. The branch office, which began operation on January 1, 1991, provides indigent defense services as an alternative to traditional appointed counsel or county public defender offices to ten counties in south and southeastern Ohio: Adams, Athens, Brown, Fayette, Jackson, Meigs, Pickaway, Pike, Ross, and Washington. These ten participating counties have essentially each entered into a contract with the Commission under which the state provides indigent defense services in their respective counties. Branch offices are located in Athens, Ross, and Washington counties. In addition to employing state public defenders, the Commission contracts with private attorneys in all ten

counties.

Each county's contribution to the Branch Office operation is deposited in the state treasury to the credit of Fund 4C7 (line item 019-601, Multi-County: County Share). The state's contribution is drawn from the Commission's GRF line item 019-403, Multi-County: State Share. The funding split between the state and county shares is the same as it is for the Commission's much larger statewide County Reimbursement Program under which the state is responsible for up to 50% of a county's indigent defense costs.

#### 4X7 019-610 Trumbull County - County Share

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$501,157	\$549,787	\$587,041	\$583,325	\$642,106	\$665,860
	9.7%	6.8%	-0.6%	10.1%	3.7%

State Special Revenue Fund Group: Payments from Trumbull County for its portion

of the costs of operating the Commission's Trumbull County Branch Office

**Legal Basis:** Statutory authority for contractual relationship resides in ORC 120.04(C)(7);

Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A. (originally established by Am. Sub. H.B. 215 of the 122nd G.A., the main operating appropriations act

covering FYs 1998 and 1999)

**Purpose:** Moneys deposited to the credit of the fund are used as the local share of the

Trumbull County Branch Office's annual operating expenses. The branch office, which has been in operation since 1984, provides indigent criminal defense representation throughout the courts of Trumbull County. A contract is negotiated annually with Trumbull County that designates the duties of the branch office and determines the percentage of financial contribution paid by both parties to fund the office. The percentage paid by each mirrors the reimbursement rate applicable to all counties under either the assigned counsel or county public defender systems. Approximately 10% of the Trumbull County contract obligation is contributed by

participating municipalities.

Prior to Am. Sub. H.B. 215 of 122nd G.A., the main operating appropriations act covering FYs 1998 and 1999, this revenue stream and its purpose resided in the County Representation Fund (Fund 407). Starting with FY 1998, Fund 4X7 was created along with associated line item 019-610, Trumbull County-County Share. This accounting change was made in order to separate the Trumbull County Branch Office's finances from the other revenue streams that the Commission was collecting under its County Representation Program. The state's share of those office costs was, and still is, drawn from the Commission's GRF line item 019-404.

574 019-606 Legal Services Corporation

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$14,815,127	\$13,539,334	\$14,928,584	\$14,417,013	\$16,575,000	\$21,300,000
	-8.6%	10.3%	-3.4%	15.0%	28.5%

Source:

State Special Revenue Fund Group: (1) Interest generated on trust accounts established and maintained by attorneys, law firms, or legal professional associations (IOLTAs) pursuant to ORC 4705.09 and 4705.10, (2) interest generated on trust accounts established and maintained by title insurance agents or title insurance companies (IOTAs) pursuant to ORC 3953.231, (3) additional filing fees collected by municipal, county, and common pleas courts on each new civil action or proceeding pursuant to ORC 1901.26, 1907.24, and 2303.201, and (4) income from investments

**Legal Basis:** ORC 120.52; Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A.

**Purpose:** Moneys deposited to the credit of the fund must be apportioned as follows:

- (1) 4.5% of the moneys in the fund are reserved for the actual, reasonable costs of administering laws governing legal aid society funding and related programs.
- (2) Moneys reserved as described in (1) above, but that are not used for that purpose, are set aside for distributing financial assistance to legal aid societies that provide civil legal services to indigents.
- (3) After deduction of the amount described in (1) above for actual, reasonable administrative costs: (a) 5% of the moneys remaining in the fund are reserved for distribution to legal aid societies that provide assistance to special population groups of their eligible clients, engage in special projects that have a substantial impact on their local service area or on significant segments of the state's poverty population, or provide legal training or support to other legal aid societies in the state, (b) after deduction of the amount described in (a) above, 1.75% of the moneys remaining in the fund are apportioned among entities that received financial assistance from the fund prior to June 30, 1995, but that, on and after that date, no longer qualify as a legal aid society eligible for financial assistance, and (c) after deduction of the amounts described in (a) and (b) above, 15% of the moneys remaining in the fund are placed in the Legal Assistance Foundation Fund for use in the manner described in the law governing the Legal Assistance Foundation Fund.
- (4) After deduction of the actual, reasonable administrative costs describe in (1) above, and after deduction of the amounts identified in (3)(a) (b) and (c) above, the remaining moneys are apportioned for the charitable purpose of distributing financial assistance to legal aid societies that provide civil legal services to indigents.

#### 5CX 019-617 Civil Case Filing Fee

2002 Actual	2003 Actual	2004 Actual	2005 Actual	2006 Appropriation	2007 Appropriation
\$0				\$417,600	\$556,800
					33.3%

State Special Revenue Fund Group: 4% of filing fees collected by municipal courts,

county courts, and courts of common pleas in each new civil action or proceeding, subject to exceptions on certain matters filed in the probate division of a court of common pleas, and forwarded to the state; remainder of the filing fee amounts

collected, or 96%, credited to the state's Legal Aid Fund (Fund 574)

Legal Basis: ORC 120.07; Section 209.48 of Am. Sub. H.B. 66 of the 126th G.A.

**Purpose:** All moneys credited to the fund must be used by the State Public Defender for the

purpose of appointing assistant state public defenders and for providing other personnel, equipment, and facilities necessary for the operation of the Office of the

State Public Defender.