

FY 2027 Budget Performance Review

219 District Courts

Version Revision 02

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Agency Mission

Division and Program Descriptions

Note: Please define any acronyms used in program descriptions.

Division or Program Number and Name

Operations - Includes travel, training and general operating costs - 4.3% of total budget

Payroll & Benefits - Approximately 95.7% of total budget

FY'26 Budgeted Department Funding By Source

Dept. #	Department Name	Appropriations	Federal	Revolving	Local ¹	Other ²	Total
1000001	Payroll & Benefits	\$86,579,119					\$86,579,119
1000001	Operations	\$381,178		\$3,552,957			\$3,934,135
Total		\$86,960,297		\$0	\$3,552,957	\$0	\$90,513,254

1. Please describe source of Local funding not included in other categories:

2. Please describe source(s) and % of total of "Other" funding if applicable for each department:

Balances of Appropriated Funds from Prior Fiscal Years

3-digit Class Fund #	Class Fund Name	GA Bill # and Section #	Fiscal Year of Original Appropriation	Original Appropriation Amount (\$)	Total Expended Amount as of 8/31/2025 (\$)	Balance as of 8/31/2025 (\$)
195	State Appropriations		FY25	\$63,421,024	\$57,873,099	\$5,547,925
<i>Total remaining prior year appropriation balance:</i>						\$5,547,925

Report appropriations that have existing balances from all prior fiscal years at the 3-digit class fund number (i.e. 194, 195). Do not report carryover class funds separately. Include appropriations located in disbursing funds. Report PREP, but not ARPA/SRF, appropriations.

What changes did the agency make between FY'25 and FY'26?

1.) Are there any services no longer provided because of budget cuts?

2.) What services are provided at a higher cost to the user?

3.) What services are still provided but with a slower response rate?

4.) Did the agency provide any pay raises that were not legislatively/statutorily required?

No

Appropriation Increase Review

Appropriation Increase Purpose	Appropriation Increases (Additional to Agency Base Appropriation)			Expenditures	
	FY 2024	FY 2025	Total Amount Received FY 2024-2025	Total Expenditure of Increase as of 6/30/2025	If funds have not been spent, please explain why.
HB1396 - CSR certificate increase and equipment allowance	\$451,000		\$451,000	\$451,000	
HB2376 - Special Judge annual leave payout	\$1,655,000	-\$1,655,000	\$0	\$1,655,000	
Education and training for Judges	\$400,000		\$400,000	\$400,000	
New Judge positions	\$976,061	\$401,250	\$1,377,311	\$1,377,311	
HB2430 - Juror fee increase to \$50 (decrease to SJF)	\$1,926,881	\$3,170,497	\$1,926,881	\$1,926,881	
Judicial Salary Increase		-\$100,000	\$3,170,497	\$3,170,497	
Reallocation to Supreme Court and Court of Criminal Appeals			-\$100,000		
Total:	\$5,408,942	\$1,816,747	\$7,225,689	\$8,980,689	

List appropriation increases that the agency has received in the prior two years. List amounts received in each year. Include PREP, but not ARPA/SRF, appropriations.

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FY'27 Requested Funding By Department and Source

Dept. #	Department Name	Appropriations	Federal	Revolving	Other ¹	Total	% Change
1000001	Payroll & Benefits	\$99,704,449	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$99,704,449	15.16%
1000001	Operations	\$381,178	\$0	\$3,552,957	\$0	\$3,934,135	0.00%
Total		\$100,085,627	\$0	\$3,552,957	\$0	\$103,638,584	14.50%

1. Please describe source(s) and % of total of "Other" funding for each department:

FY'27 Top Five Incremental Appropriated Funding Increase Requests

Request by Priority	Request Description	Is this a Supplemental Request? (Yes/No)	Timeframe (One-Time or Recurring)	Appropriation Request Increase Amount (\$)
Request 1:	Judicial salary increase	No	Recurring	\$8,728,202
Request 2:	Certified Shorthand Reporter (CSR) salary increase	No	Recurring	\$2,234,700
Request 3:	Secretary Bailiff salary increase	No	Recurring	\$1,616,433
Request 4:	Staff Salary Increase	No	Recurring	\$72,224
Request 5:	New District Judge in Oklahoma County	No	Recurring	\$473,771
Top Five Request Subtotal:				\$13,125,330

Total Increase above FY-26 Budget (including all requests)

\$13,125,330

Difference between Top Five requests and total requests:

\$0

* Capital requests in the table above should be listed in the next table.

What are the agency's top 2-3 capital or technology (one-time) requests, if applicable?

Description of requested increase in order of priority	Total Project Cost (\$)	Needed State Funding for Project (\$)	Submitted to LRCPC? (Yes/No)
Priority 1			
Priority 2			
Priority 3			

Does the agency has any costs associated with the Pathfinder retirement system and federal employees? If so, please describe the impact.

* Include the total number of federally funded FTE in the Pathfinder system.

How would the agency be affected by receiving the same appropriation for FY '27 as was received in FY '26? (Flat / 0% change)

It may be difficult to retain staff without being able to provide an adjustment to salaries.

How would the agency handle a 2% appropriation reduction in FY '27?

The District Courts would delay filling vacant positions and may need to temporarily reduce staff.

Is the agency seeking any fee increases for FY '27?

Description of requested increase in order of priority	Fee Increase Request (\$)	Statutory change required? (Yes/No)
Increase 1		
Increase 2		
Increase 3		

Federal Funds

CFDA	Federal Program Name	Agency Dept. #	FY 26 budget (\$)	FY 25 actuals (\$)	FY 24 actuals (\$)	FY 23 actuals (\$)	FY 25 budgeted FTE (#)

Federal Government Impact

1.) How much federal money received by the agency is tied to a mandate by the Federal Government?

2.) Are any of those funds inadequate to pay for the federal mandate?

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3.) What would the consequences be of ending all of the federal funded programs for your agency?

4.) How will your agency be affected by federal budget cuts in the coming fiscal year?

5.) Has the agency requested any additional federal earmarks or increases?

FY 2026 Budgeted FTE

Division #	Division Name	Supervisors	Non-Supervisors	\$0 - \$35 K	\$35 K - \$70 K	\$70 K - \$100K	\$100K+
Operations Judges		2 251	428		419	8	3 251
Total		253	428	0	419	8	254

FTE History by Fiscal Year

Division #	Division Name	FY 2026 Budgeted	FY 2026 YTD	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2023	FY 2017
Operations Judges		430.0 251.0	343.0 249.0	338.0 244.0	342.0 241.0	339.3 241.0	
Total		681.0	592.0	582.0	583.0	580.3	0.0

Performance Measure Review

	FY 2025	FY 2024	FY 2023	FY 2022	FY 2021
Program Name					

Revolving Funds (200 Series Funds)

Fund: Fund Number, Fund Name	FY'23-25 Avg. Revenues	FY'23-25 Avg. Expenditures	June 2025 Balance
District Court Revolving Funds	\$3,007,364	\$433,510	\$10,747,968
Lengthy Trial Fund	\$1,057,037	\$1,631	\$5,028,008

FY 2026 Current Employee Telework Summary

List each agency physical location (not division), then report the number of employees associated with that location in the teleworking categories indicated. Use "No specified location" to account for remote employees not associated with a site. Use actual current employees (headcount), not budgeted or actual FTE.

Full-time and Part-time Employees (#)

Agency Location / Address	City	County	Onsite (5 days onsite, rarely remote)	Hybrid (2-4 days onsite weekly)	Remote (1 day or less weekly onsite)	Total Employees
						0
Total Agency Employees						0