FY 2024 President's Budget - General Legal Activities

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^{*} Please refer to individual GLA component exhibits

I. Overview

The FY 2024 General Legal Activities (GLA) appropriation is requesting a total of 4,743 permanent positions, 4,626 FTE (including 342 reimbursable FTE) and \$1,331,046. This resource level includes program increases of 532 positions, 272 FTE, and \$105,542,000, outlined below. Specific details about individual programs are discussed in the budget justifications of the respective General Legal Activities components.

II. Summary of Program Increases

Office of the Solicitor General

Attorney Positions: 2 positions, 2 FTE, and \$452,000

Mission Critical Contract Support Staff: \$625,000

Tax Division

Increased Tax Enforcement: 10 positions, 5 FTE and \$1.3 million

Criminal Division

Combat Key Drivers of Violent Crime: 15 positions, 8 FTE and \$2.25 million

Support for International Human Rights and Task Force Alpha: 57 positions, 29 FTE and \$10.0 million

Prosecuting Cybercrime and Responding to Criminal Use of Cryptocurrency: 26 positions, 13 FTE and \$4.0 million

Civil Division

Camp Lejeune PACT Act Litigation: 67 positions, 34 FTE and \$20.9 million

Protecting National Programs, Federal Policy Priorities, and National Security: 16 positions, 8 FTE and \$1.8 million

Environment & Natural Resources Division

Timber and Wildlife Trafficking Initiative: 8 positions, 4 FTE and \$788,000

Animal Welfare Enforcement: 5 positions, 3 FTE and \$1.6 million

Office of Legal Counsel

Attorney Advisors: 2 positions, 2 FTE and \$452,000

DAMS OLC Classified Database: \$300,000

Civil Rights Division

Federal Response to Hate Crimes and Incidents: 87 positions, 44 FTE and \$13.2 million

Federal Response to Gender-based Violence and Discrimination: 83 positions, 42 FTE and \$12.7 million

Holding Public Institutions Accountable: 51 positions, 26 FTE and \$8.0 million

Combatting Bias in Algorithmic Decision-Making: 39 positions, 20 FTE and \$6.6 million

INTERPOL Washington

Technology Modernization: 4 positions, 2 FTE and \$10.0 million

Office of Pardon Attorney

Critical Clemency Programs: 59 positions, 29 FTE and \$10.4 million

Pardon Fellow: 1 position, 1 FTE and \$130,000

III. Appropriations Language and Analysis of Appropriations Language¹

A. Appropriations Language

Salaries and Expenses, General Legal Activities

For expenses necessary for the legal activities of the Department of Justice, not otherwise provided for, including not to exceed \$20,000 for expenses of collecting evidence, to be expended under the direction of, and to be accounted for solely under the certificate of, the Attorney General; and rent of private or Government-owned space in the District of Columbia, [\$1,138,000,000] \$1,331,046,000, of which not to exceed \$50,000,000 for litigation support contracts, and information technology projects to include cybersecurity and hardening of critical networks, shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the amount provided for INTERPOL Washington dues payments, not to exceed \$685,000 shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*. That of the total amount appropriated, not to exceed \$9,000 shall be available to INTERPOL Washington for official reception and representation expenses: Provided further, That of the total amount appropriated, not to exceed \$9,000 shall be available to the Criminal Division for official reception and representation expenses: Provided further, That notwithstanding section 205 of this Act, upon a determination by the Attorney General that emergent circumstances require additional funding for litigation activities of the Civil Division, the Attorney General may transfer such amounts to "Salaries and Expenses, General Legal Activities" from available appropriations for the current fiscal year for the Department of Justice, as may be necessary to respond to such circumstances: Provided further, That any transfer pursuant to the preceding proviso shall be treated as a reprogramming under section [505] 504 of this Act and shall not be available for obligation or expenditure except in compliance with the procedures set forth in that section: Provided further, That of the amount appropriated, such sums as may be necessary shall be available to the Civil Rights Division for salaries and expenses associated with the election monitoring program under section 8 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10305), and to reimburse the Office of Personnel Management for such salaries and expenses: *Provided further*, That of the amounts provided under this heading for the election monitoring program, \$3,390,000 shall remain available until expended: Provided further, That any funds provided under this heading in prior year appropriations Acts that remain available to the Civil Rights Division for salaries and expenses associated with the election monitoring program under section 8 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (52 U.S.C. 10305) may also be used to carry out any authorized purposes of the Civil Rights Division: Provided further, That amounts repurposed by the preceding proviso may not be used to increase the number of permanent positions.

In addition, for reimbursement of expenses of the Department of Justice associated with processing cases under the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986, \$31,738,000, to be appropriated from the Vaccine Injury Compensation Trust Fund and to remain available until expended.

B. Analysis of Appropriations Language

No language changes compared to the FY 2023 Enacted except for dollar amounts.

- IV. Program Activity Justification*
- V. Program Increases by Item*
- VI. Exhibits*

^{/1} Please note: In the FY 2024 President's Budget, the Office for Access to Justice is moved from within the GLA account and establish it as its own separate account.

^{*}Please refer to individual GLA component narratives and exhibits.