



## U.S. Attorneys (USA)

### FY 2018 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2017 Continuing Resolution:	\$1,996.2 million (10,731 positions; 5,518 attorneys)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$35.1 million
Program Changes:	+\$26.0 million
FY 2018 Budget Request:	\$2,057.3 million (11,031 positions; 5,818 attorneys)
Change From FY 2017 Continuing Resolution:	+\$61.1 million (+3.1%) (+300 positions; +300 attorneys)

#### Mission:

Under the direction of the Attorney General, the U.S. Attorneys serve as the Nation's principal litigators. Their offices bring criminal prosecutions, pursue civil penalties, defend federal programs, and guard the financial interests of the United States in court. They also provide advice and counsel to the Attorney General and senior policy leadership through the Attorney General's Advisory Committee and its various subcommittees. The Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys (EOUSA) provides the United States Attorneys' offices (USAOs) with general executive assistance and direction, policy development, administrative management direction and oversight, operational support, training, and coordination with other components of the Department and other federal agencies.

#### Resources:

The FY 2018 budget request for USA totals \$2,057 million, which is a 3.1% increase over the FY 2017 Continuing Resolution.

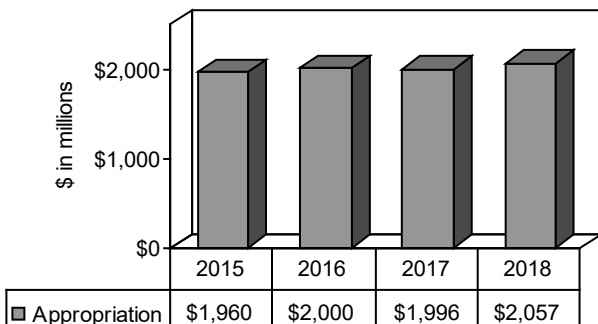
#### Organization:

There are 93 U.S. Attorneys (USAs) located throughout the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, and the Northern Mariana Islands. U.S. Attorneys are appointed by, and serve at the discretion of, the President, with the advice and consent of the Senate. One U.S. Attorney is assigned to each of the judicial districts, with the exception of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands, where a single U.S. Attorney serves both districts. Each U.S. Attorney is the chief federal law enforcement officer of the U.S. within his or her particular jurisdiction. EOUSA was created on April 6, 1953, by Attorney General Order 8-53, to provide for close liaison between the Department of Justice in Washington, DC, and the USAs.

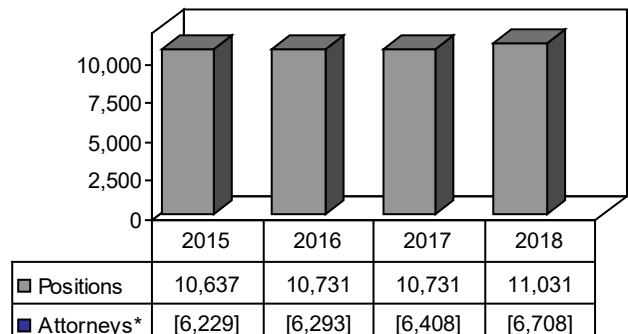
#### Personnel:

The USA's direct positions for FY 2018 total 11,031 positions. USA's FY 2018 request includes an increase of 300 positions from the FY 2017 Continuing Resolution of 10,731 direct positions.

**Funding (FY 2015 - 2018)**



**Personnel (FY 2015 - 2018)**



\* Includes reimbursable attorneys.

## **FY 2018 Strategy:**

In FY 2018, USAs will promote the safety of the American people by prosecuting a diverse workload of federal criminal cases and will initiate and defend civil actions to assert and protect the interests of the United States.

The expansive criminal and civil workload includes cases involving international and domestic terrorism; illegal immigration; southwest border enforcement; violent crime; firearms; gang prosecutions; transnational organized crime; Indian Country prosecutions; cybercrime prosecutions; drug enforcement; human trafficking; and complex and multi-jurisdictional white collar crimes – including health care fraud, identity theft, public corruption, corporate fraud, and investment fraud. The USAs will also continue to collect both criminal and civil debt. In FY 2016, USAs collected a total of \$13.9 billion in criminal and civil debt.

Federal prosecution of crimes committed on our nation's northern and southwestern borders is a critical part of our national security. Border-related cases span a wide range of priorities, including felony and misdemeanor immigration cases, human trafficking, alien smuggling, firearms and ammunition trafficking, document fraud, drug offenses, and significant threats from designated criminal and terrorist organizations. In combating these challenges, USAs' efforts will focus aggressively on illegal immigration and violent crime.

For many years, the USAs have made criminal immigration prosecutions the largest category of criminal cases handled in their offices, and they will continue with those efforts. At the same time, the USAs are defending an increasing number of civil actions brought by immigration detainees who either are in deportation proceedings or are subject to final orders of deportation. Petitions for constitutionally required bond hearings brought by criminal aliens, challenges to denial of parole by arriving aliens, and expedited removal proceedings with respect to arriving aliens, present a growing challenge in the border states and at other locations with major cities and ports of entry.

Violent crime will remain a high priority for the U.S. Attorneys. USAs continue to address the illegal use of firearms and other acts of violence in our communities. Drug prosecutions will continue to be a priority, with a particular emphasis on the operations of large drug organizations. USAs will leverage a multi-agency focus on reducing violent and gun-related crime in particularly hard-hit urban areas by using innovative means to locate individuals, organizations and gangs within specific high crime jurisdictions. Through partnerships of federal, state and local law enforcement, USA will utilize the tools and resources available to develop and implement strategies for eradicating violent crime wherever it may occur.

Cybercriminals can compromise national security and potentially cripple our nation's infrastructure. In FY 2018, USA will continue to prioritize cybercrime prosecutions, protecting Americans from similar threats in the future.

## **FY 2018 Program Changes:**

**Immigration Enforcement Prosecutors:** \$7.2 million and 70 positions (70 attorneys)

Funding will provide for 70 Assistant United States Attorneys to address illegal immigration and border enforcement. These additional resources will be fully dedicated to the prosecution of border-related offenses and ensure that safeguarding our borders remains a priority. The prosecutors will be provided to the offices with the highest demonstrated need in areas that are necessary to accomplish the objectives of this initiative.

**Violent Crime Prosecutors:** \$18.8 million and 230 positions (230 attorneys)

Funding will provide for 230 Assistant United States Attorneys to address violent crime across the country. These additional resources will help ensure the safety and security of people in communities across the country by leveraging the United States Attorneys ability to convene federal, state, and local law enforcement to improve public safety. The prosecutors will combat all types of violent crime through comprehensive strategies involving vigorous prosecution and prevention efforts. Resources will be provided to the offices with the highest demonstrated need in areas that are necessary to accomplish the objectives of this initiative.

**U.S. Attorneys**  
(Dollars in Thousands)

	U.S. Attorneys		
	Pos	FTE	Amount
<b>2016 Appropriation</b>	<b>10,731</b>	<b>9,689</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>
<b>2017 Continuing Resolution</b>	<b>10,731</b>	<b>10,016</b>	<b>2,000,000</b>
2017 Rescission - 0.1901%	0	0	-3,802
<b>2017 Continuing Resolution</b>	<b>10,731</b>	<b>10,016</b>	<b>1,996,198</b>
<b>2018 Request</b>	<b>11,031</b>	<b>10,144</b>	<b>2,057,252</b>
<b>Change 2018 from 2017 Continuing Resolution</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>61,054</b>
<b>Technical Adjustments</b>			
<b>Total Technical Adjustments</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Base Adjustments</b>			
Pay & Benefits	0	0	36,679
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	-1,576
<b>Total Base Adjustments</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>35,103</b>
<b>2018 Current Services</b>	<b>10,731</b>	<b>10,016</b>	<b>2,031,301</b>
<b>Program Changes</b>			
<b>Increases:</b>			
Immigration Enforcement Prosecutors	70	43	7,168
Violent Crime Prosecutors	230	85	18,783
<b>Subtotal, Program Increases</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>25,951</b>
<b>Decreases:</b>			
<b>Subtotal, Program Decreases</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Program Changes</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>25,951</b>
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(Dollars in Thousands)

Comparison by activity and program	2017 Continuing Resolution			2018 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	8,176	7,623	1,478,870	8,176	7,623	1,503,724
Civil Litigation	2,502	2,340	492,956	2,502	2,340	501,010
Legal Education	53	53	24,372	53	53	26,567
<b>Total</b>	10,731	10,016	1,996,198	10,731	10,016	2,031,301
Reimbursable FTE	0	1,695	0	0	1,695	0
<b>Grand Total</b>	10,731	11,711	1,996,198	10,731	11,711	2,031,301

Comparison by activity and program	2018 Total Program Changes			2018 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
Criminal Litigation	280	118	23,573	8,456	7,741	1,527,297
Civil Litigation	20	10	2,378	2,522	2,350	503,388
Legal Education	0	0	0	53	53	26,567
<b>Total</b>	300	128	25,951	11,031	10,144	2,057,252
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	1,695	0
<b>Grand Total</b>	300	128	25,951	11,031	11,839	2,057,252