

State of Ohio
Court of Claims

Role and Overview

The Court of Claims (CLA) is a statutory court of original jurisdiction that was created to hear and determine all civil actions against the State of Ohio. Under the crime victims' reparations law, the Court of Claims hears and determines appeals from decisions concerning claims for awards of reparations, which are initially determined by the Attorney General. The Court of Claims has 28 full-time employees, seven part-time employees, and a total annual budget of approximately \$4.2 million, which includes a GRF operating budget of \$2.6 million. More information regarding the Court of Claims is available at <http://www.cco.state.oh.us>.

Executive Priorities for the Court of Claims

- Hear and determine all civil actions filed against the State of Ohio and state agencies.

As required by Section 107.03(B) of the Ohio Revised Code, the Governor has made no alterations to the funding requests of agencies of the judicial branch of government. Recommended amounts are as requested by the agency.

Summary of Budget History and Recommendations

(In thousands)				ESTIMATE		RECOMMENDED			
BUDGET FUND GROUP	FY 2002	ACTUAL FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	% CHANGE FY 04-05	FY 2006	% CHANGE	FY 2007	% CHANGE
General Revenue Fund	2,528	2,630	4,674	2,477	(47.0)	2,598	4.9	2,678	3.1
State Special Revenue Fund Group	1,841	1,120	1,426	1,583	11.0	1,583	.0	1,583	.0
TOTAL	4,368	3,750	6,100	4,060	(33.4)	4,181	3.0	4,261	1.9

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OBJECT OF EXPENSE	FY 2002	ACTUAL FY 2003	FY 2004	FY 2005	% CHANGE FY 04-05	FY 2006	% CHANGE	FY 2007	% CHANGE
Personal Services	3,163	2,746	2,917	3,161	8.4	3,398	7.5	3,490	2.7
Purchased Services	184	114	51	0	(100.0)	91	.0	93	1.5
Maintenance	737	737	496	588	18.5	562	(4.4)	571	1.5
Equipment	231	153	599	285	(52.4)	129	(54.8)	107	(16.9)
Transfer & Other	53	0	2,037	25	(98.8)	0	(100.0)	0	.0
TOTAL	4,368	3,750	6,100	4,060	(33.4)	4,181	3.0	4,261	1.9

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PROGRAM SERIES 01: Court of Claims

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Program 01.01: Court of Claims

The Court of Claims decides claims that typically involve contract disputes, property damage, personal injury, immunity of state officers and employees, discrimination, and wrongful imprisonment.

What the Budget Buys:

- Continues the current level of 28 full-time positions and seven part-time positions; and
- Funds the addition of one part-time position.

FUND GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	RECOMMENDED	
				FY 2006	FY 2007
GRF	GRF	015-321	Operating Expenses	2,598,040	2,678,331
SSR	5K2	015-603	CLA Victims of Crime	1,582,684	1,582,684
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				4,180,724	4,261,015

LINE ITEM SUMMARY - Court of Claims

FUND	ALI	ALI TITLE	FY 2002 ACTUAL	FY 2003 ACTUAL	FY 2004 ACTUAL	FY 2005 ESTIMATE	FY 2006 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE	FY 2007 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE
GRF	015-321	Operating Expenses	2,527,521	2,630,088	2,636,591	2,477,000	2,598,040	4.9	2,678,331	3.1
GRF	015-402	Wrongful Imprisonment Comp	0	0	2,036,990	0	0	.0	0	.0
TOTAL General Revenue Fund			2,527,521	2,630,088	4,673,581	2,477,000	2,598,040	4.9	2,678,331	3.1
5K2	015-603	CLA Victims of Crime	1,840,598	1,119,669	1,426,233	1,582,684	1,582,684	.0	1,582,684	.0
TOTAL State Special Revenue Fund Group			1,840,598	1,119,669	1,426,233	1,582,684	1,582,684	.0	1,582,684	.0
TOTAL Court of Claims			4,368,119	3,749,757	6,099,814	4,059,684	4,180,724	3.0	4,261,015	1.9