
VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

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General District Courts

Item 29	First Year - FY1997	Second Year - FY1998
Pre-Trial, Trial, and Appellate Processes (32100)	\$55,189,261	\$58,843,810 \$60,343,810
Trial Processes (32103)	\$40,315,738	\$41,170,287
Other Court Costs and Allowances (Criminal Fund) (32104)	\$7,605,130	\$7,605,130
Involuntary Mental Commitments (32105)	\$7,268,393	\$10,068,393 \$11,568,393
Fund Sources:		
General	\$55,189,261	\$58,843,810 \$60,343,810

Authority: Article VI, Section 8, Constitution of Virginia, §§ [16.1-69.1](#) through [16.1-137](#), [19.2-163](#) and 37.1-67.1 et al., Code of Virginia.

A. Out of the amounts for Pre-Trial, Trial and Appellate Processes shall be paid:

1. The annual salaries of all General District Court judges, \$89,710 from July 1, 1996, to November 30, 1996, \$93,612 from December 1, 1996, to November 24, 1997, and \$97,357 from November 25, 1997, to June 30, 1998. Such salary shall be 90% of the annual salary fixed by law for judges of the Circuit Courts and shall represent the total compensation for General District Court Judges and incorporate all supplements formerly paid by the various localities.

2. The salaries of substitute judges and court personnel.

B. There is hereby reappropriated the unexpended balances remaining at the close of business on June 30, 1996, in the appropriation made in Item 30, Chapter 853, Acts of Assembly of 1995, in the subprograms Other Court Costs and Allowances (Criminal Fund) and Involuntary Mental Commitments and the balances remaining in these subprograms on June 30, 1997.

C.1. Out of the amounts allocated in this Item and Items 30 and 31 of this act to defray the cost of Involuntary Mental Commitments, the Supreme Court of Virginia shall transfer to the Department of Medical Assistance Services an amount estimated at \$8,500,000 the first year and \$8,500,000 the second year from the general fund. This sum represents the amount forecast, more or less, for payments to hospitals and related providers of medical and health care services for individuals subject to involuntary mental commitment proceedings. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall pay to such providers the amounts owing, which would otherwise have been paid by the Supreme Court. Any balance remaining in the account established by the Department of Medical Assistance Services for these purposes, or any amounts due to such account on June 30, 1997, shall remain in such account and be reappropriated to the Department of Medical Assistance Services.

2. Any balance, or portion thereof, may also be transferred back to Items 29, 30, and 31, as needed, to cover any

deficits incurred for Involuntary Mental Commitments by the Supreme Court. In addition, any balance, or portion thereof, for Involuntary Mental Commitments in Items 29, 30, and 31, may be transferred, as needed, to cover any deficits incurred for Involuntary Mental Commitments by the Department of Medical Assistance Services.

D. The amounts for Pre-Trial, Trial, and Appellate Processes include \$691,195 and 32.00 positions the first year, and \$1,405,164 and 64.00 positions the second year, for additional positions for the General District Courts, to be allocated consistent with the recommendations of the Committee on District Courts.

E. Out of the amounts allocated in this item and Items 28 and 30 of this act, subprogram Other Court Costs and Allowances, shall be paid an amount not to exceed \$73,000 the first year and \$73,000 the second year from the general fund to implement the provisions of § [8.01-384.1:1](#), Code of Virginia, in the 19th Judicial Circuit and District.