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Supreme Court

Item 23	First Year - FY2001	Second Year - FY2002
Administrative and Support Services (34900)	**$10,188,202**	**$10,710,204**
General Management and Direction (34901)	$10,188,202	$10,710,204
Fund Sources:		
General	$9,741,327	$10,263,329
Special	$166,875	$166,875
Federal Trust	$280,000	$280,000

Authority: §§ 16.1-69.30, 16.1-69.33, 17.1-314 through 17.1-320 and 17.1-502, Code of Virginia.

A. The Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court shall submit a monthly summary to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees and to the Director, Department of Planning and Budget, which will report the number of individuals for whom legal or medical services were provided and the nature and cost of such services as are authorized for payment from the criminal fund or the involuntary mental commitment fund.

B. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 19.2-326, Code of Virginia, the amount of attorney's fees allowed counsel for indigent defendants in appeals to the Supreme Court shall be in the discretion of the Supreme Court.

C. The Chief Justice is authorized to reallocate legal support staff between the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals of Virginia, in order to meet changing workload demands.

D. Prior to January 1 of each year, the Judicial Council and the Committee on District Courts are requested to submit a fiscal impact assessment of their recommendations for the creation of any new judgeships, including the cost of judicial retirement, to the Chairmen of the House and Senate Committees on Courts of Justice, and the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees.

E. Included in this Item are funds to support computer system improvements for the several circuit and district courts. The Supreme Court of Virginia shall complete a prudent analysis of financing options to support these improvements, including purchase, lease purchase, or seat management techniques.