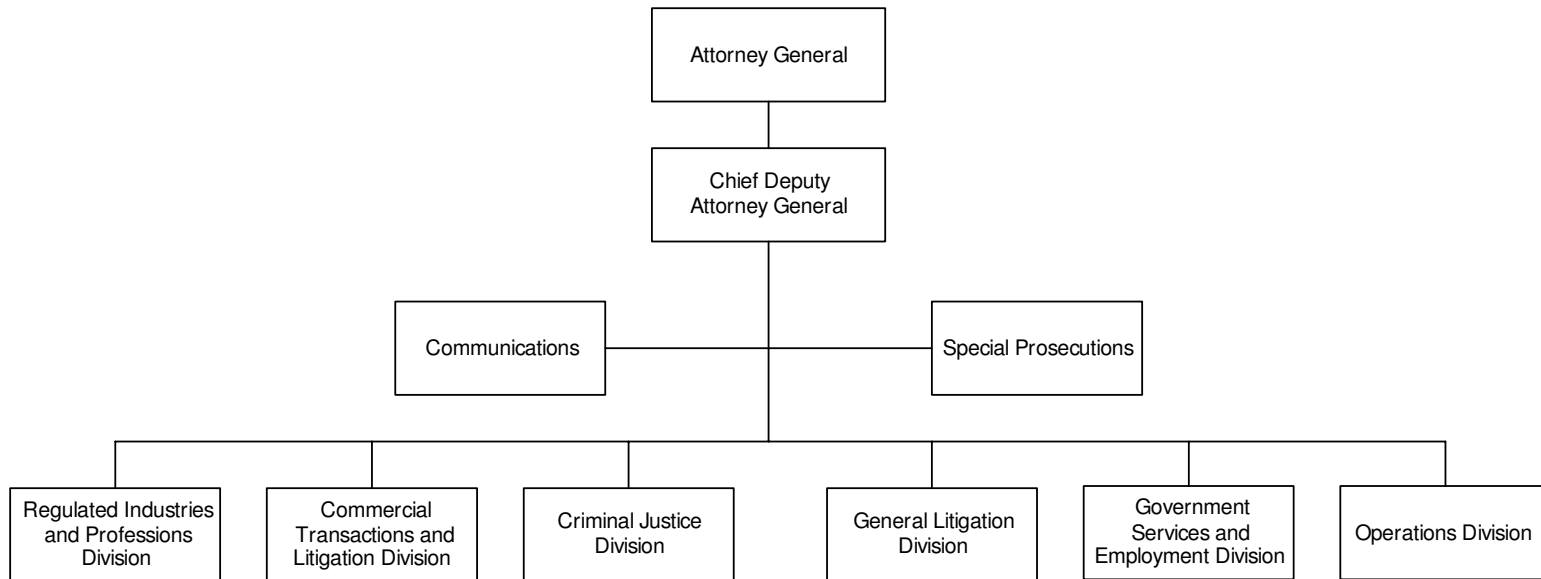


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Roles and Responsibilities:

The Department of Law, headed by the Attorney General, provides legal representation and advice to the departments, officials, and employees of the executive branch of state government. The Attorney General is a constitutional officer elected to a four-year term in the same general election as the Governor.

The Department of Law represents the state in any civil and criminal case to which the state is a party, in all capital felony actions before the Georgia Supreme Court, and in all actions before the Supreme Court of the United States.

As the chief legal officer of the state and the legal advisor to the executive branch of state government, it is the duty of the Attorney General to provide opinions on

any question of law involving the interests of the state or duties of any department. It is also the responsibility of the Attorney General to prepare and review contracts and other legal documents in which the state is interested and to draft proposed legislation or rules and regulations for state departments.

When directed by the Governor, the Attorney General, as head of the Department of Law and chief legal officer of the state, is authorized to institute and conduct investigations at any time into the affairs of the state and its departments and agencies or the official conduct of any state official or employee, as well as the affairs of any person, firm, or corporation for violations in their dealings with the state. The Attorney General is also vested with complete and exclusive authority and jurisdiction in all matters of law relating to state authorities.

ATTORNEY GENERAL DIVISION

The Department of Law is organized into five legal divisions and an operations division, all of which are headed by the Attorney General. The specialized legal divisions – Regulated Industries and Professions, Commercial Transactions and Litigation, Criminal Justice, General Litigation, and Government Services – provide a full range of legal services to state departments, agencies, authorities, boards, bureaus, commissions, and institutions. These Executive Branch entities reimburse the department for the litigation expenses incurred, such as court costs, witness fees, filing costs, and reporting costs. In addition, the Special Prosecutions Unit carries out the prosecutorial functions vested in the Department of Law.

AUTHORITY

Title 35 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

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DEPARTMENT BUDGET FINANCIAL SUMMARY BY PROGRAM - FISCAL YEAR 2007

Program / Fund Sources	FY 2007 Agency Request Total	FY 2007 Governor' s Recommendation						Total Changes	Total
		FY 2006 Current Budget	Redistribution	Reductions	Enhancements	Other Adjustments			
Law									
Other Funds	\$32,445,588	\$21,801,423		(\$5,835)		\$30,652	\$24,817	\$21,826,240	
State General Funds	14,720,163	13,659,592			\$24,483	986,464	1,010,947	14,670,539	
Total	47,165,751	35,461,015		(5,835)	24,483	1,017,116	1,035,764	36,496,779	
TOTAL FUNDS	\$47,165,751	\$35,461,015	\$0	(\$5,835)	\$24,483	\$1,017,116	\$1,035,764	\$36,496,779	
<u>Less:</u>									
Other Funds	\$32,445,588	\$21,801,423		(\$5,835)		\$30,652	\$24,817	\$21,826,240	
State General Funds	\$14,720,163	\$13,659,592			\$24,483	\$986,464	\$1,010,947	\$14,670,539	
TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$14,720,163	\$13,659,592	\$0	\$0	\$24,483	\$986,464	\$1,010,947	\$14,670,539	

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DEPARTMENT BUDGET FINANCIAL SUMMARY BY OBJECT CLASS - FISCAL YEAR 2007

Object Classes / Fund Sources	FY 2007 Agency Request Total	FY 2004 Expenditures	FY 2005 Expenditures	FY 2007 Governor' s Recommendations		
				FY 2006 Current Budget	Changes	Total
Personal Services	\$14,792,550	\$15,214,254	\$15,041,138	\$13,787,428	\$848,360	\$14,635,788
Regular Operating Expenses	805,564	828,048	712,385	805,564		805,564
Travel	181,781	182,051	155,998	181,781		181,781
Equipment		23,945	18,530	5,835	(5,835)	
Computer Charges	388,425	294,813	297,093	388,425		388,425
Real Estate Rentals	853,769	856,254	856,234	798,320	193,239	991,559
Telecommunications	143,662	151,071	145,206	143,662		143,662
Per Diem and Fees	30,000,000	31,974,472	33,388,656	19,350,000		19,350,000
Books for State Library		191,307	99,935			
TOTAL FUNDS	\$47,165,751	\$49,716,215	\$50,715,175	\$35,461,015	\$1,035,764	\$36,496,779
<u>Less:</u>						
Other Funds	\$32,445,588	\$35,679,742	\$37,404,318	\$21,801,423	\$24,817	21,826,240
State General Funds	\$14,720,163	\$14,036,473	\$13,310,857	\$13,659,592	\$1,010,947	14,670,539
TOTAL STATE FUNDS	\$14,720,163	\$14,036,473	\$13,310,857	\$13,659,592	\$1,010,947	\$14,670,539
Positions	192	192	192	192		192
Motor Vehicles	1	1	1	1		1

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BUDGET SUMMARY - FISCAL YEAR 2007

Governor' s Recommended Adjustments to the Current Budget	Amounts
FY 2006 STATE GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS	\$13,659,592
Department of Law	
1. Annualize the cost of the FY 2006 salary adjustment (\$127,303) and provide for a salary increase in FY 2007 of up to 4% effective January 1, 2007 (\$395,883).	\$523,186
2. Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the employer share of State Health Benefit Plan premiums from 14.20% to 16.713%.	285,674
3. Increase funds to reflect an adjustment in the Workers' Compensation premiums.	8,848
4. Provide for an adjustment to the Georgia Building Authority (GBA) real estate rental rate for office space.	168,756
6. Reduce other funds in equipment (\$5,835).	Yes
7. Increase real estate rentals to meet contractual commitments.	24,483
TOTAL NET STATE GENERAL FUND ADJUSTMENTS	\$1,010,947
TOTAL STATE GENERAL FUNDS RECOMMENDED	\$14,670,539