

## U.S. Attorneys (USA)

#### FY 2010 Budget Request At A Glance

FY 2009 Enacted:	\$1,836 million (10,340 positions; 5,876 attorneys)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$68.7 million (3.7% above FY 2009 Enacted)
Program Changes:	+\$20.9 million
FY 2010 Budget Request: neys)	\$1,926 million (10,458 positions; 5,961 attor-
Change from FY 2009 Enacted:	+\$89.7 million (+4.9%)(+118 positions,+85 attorneys)

#### Mission:

The U.S. Attorneys serve as the Nation's principal litigators under the direction of the Attorney General. They 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 U.S. Attorneys with general executive assistance and direction, policy development, administrative management direction and oversight, operational support, and coordination with other components of the Department and other Federal agencies.

#### **Resources:**

The budget request for FY 2010 totals \$1.9 billion, which is a 4.9 percent increase from the FY 2009 enacted level.

#### Organization:

There are 93 U.S. Attorneys stationed 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.

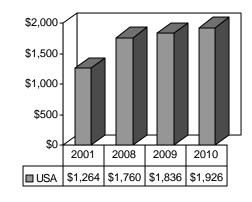
One U.S. Attorney is assigned to each of the judicial districts, with the exception of Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands where a single U.S. Attorney serves in both districts. Each U.S. Attorney is the chief Federal law enforcement officer of the U.S. within his or her particular jurisdiction. The Executive office for U.S. Attorneys was created on April 6, 1953, by Attorney General Order 8-53, to provide for close liaison between the Department of Justice (DOJ) in Washington, D.C., and the 93 USA.

#### Personnel:

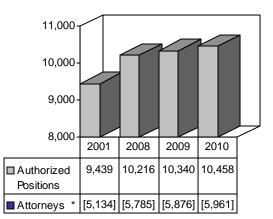
USAs' authorized positions for FY 2010 total 10,458 positions, including 5,961 attorneys. Of the total authorized positions, 10,140 are located in domestic field offices. USA's FY 2010 request includes an increase of 118 positions, including 85 attorneys, over the FY 2009 level of 10,340 authorized positions.



#### Funding (FY 2001 - 2010)



#### Personnel (FY 2001 - 2010)



\* Includes reimbursable attorneys

#### FY 2010 Strategy:

For 2010, USA will focus their efforts on a range of immigration-related offenses, including re-entry after removal, human trafficking, and migrant smuggling; the surge in violent crime along the Southwest Border related to illicit gun and drug traffickers; as well as the threats posed by criminal and terrorist organizations with a presence in Canada that threaten the northern border. Federal prosecution of border crime is a critical part of our Nation's defense and federal jurisdiction over these offenses is exclusive.

U.S. Attorney's Offices (USAO) require additional resources to keep pace with the law enforcement efforts of additional FBI, DEA, ATF, U.S Immigration and Custom Enforcement, U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Treasury investigators hired in FY 2007 and 2008. The number of immigration cases filed, including those related to the illicit trafficking of firearms and drugs, will likely increase and the number of pending cases will continue to expand. The risk of not prosecuting these immigration cases poses not only a national security risk as organized criminal groups manipulate key financial and infrastructure sectors of the U.S., but also a risk of criminal and fraudulent activity, increased rates of victimization and continued violent crime along the southern border.

FY 2010 also brings new challenges to the USAOs, including varied and multifaceted financial fraud cases. Areas of particular concern are mortgage fraud, bankruptcy, and white collar crime/public corruption. Since 2002, the USAOs have increased their focus on corporate fraud cases. As a result, corporate compliance has increased, due to the strong stance that the USAOs have taken against white collar and other financial fraud crime. However, this level of work simply cannot be sustained without additional resources.

With the Recovery Act, the U.S. economy is facing the largest infusion of government funds over the shortest period of time in our nation's history. Although unprecedented oversight and regulation will accompany these funds, it is likely that opportunists will attempt to criminally defraud industry and government financiers. The USAOs must prepare now in order to proactively deter financial fraud activities that will accompany the financial recovery program.

USA's Office of Legal Education develops, conducts, and authorizes the training of all Federal legal personnel, virtually all of which is conducted at the National Advocacy Center (NAC) in Columbia, South Carolina. The NAC will continue to ensure that high-quality legal education is available for legal training through traditional classroom instruction and expanded use of the Justice Television Network and distance learning. Additional training will be needed to support the immigration and financial fraud initiatives requested in this budget.

#### FY 2010 Program Changes:

**Illegal Immigration and Border Enforcement:** 75 positions (50 attorneys) and \$8.1 million to provide additional prosecution resources to address illegal immigration along the Nation's borders. FY 2010 current services resources for this program are 564 positions (including 381 attorneys) and \$67.8 million.

**Combating Financial Fraud and Protecting the Federal Fisc:** 43 positions (35 attorneys) and \$7.5 million to enhance efforts in the areas of mortgage fraud, bankruptcy, affirmative civil enforcement and white collar crime/public corruption and support extraordinary litigation expenses and information technology. This request includes \$2.5 million to support operational, information technology and other infrastructure requirements, due to the complexity of financial fraud prosecutorial efforts. FY 2010 current services resources for this program are 2,219 positions (including 1,441 attorneys) and \$295.9 million.

**National Advocacy Center (NAC):** \$5.3 million for the NAC. Leasing a building directly adjacent to the existing NAC will enable the USA to provide additional facilities for training and conferences; co-locate the EOUSA operations and information technology staff; ensure Continuity of Operations; establish a regional litigation support service center; and achieve rent cost savings by relocating certain EOUSA operations currently conducted from Washington, as well as the operations of the South Carolina USAO. Although this request will establish a baseline for the expansion of the NAC, the current services resources for the USA Legal Education program is 48 positions and \$20.7 million.

#### **Financial Snapshot 2008**

Clean Opinion on Financial Statements	Yes
Timely Financial Reporting	Yes
Material Weaknesses	None

# U.S. ATTORNEYS (Dollars in Thousands)

	SALA	SALARIES & EXPENSES				
	Pos.	FTE	Amount			
2008 Appropriation	10,216	10,275	\$1,754,822			
2008 Supplemental	0	0	5,000			
2008 Enacted With Supplementals	10,216	10,275	1,759,822			
2009 Enacted	10,340	10,389	1,836,336			
2010 Request	10,458	10,510	1,926,003			
Change 2010 from 2009	118	121	89,667			
Adjustments to Base						
Increases:						
Pay and Benefits	0	62	53,170			
Domestic Rent and Facilities	0	0	13,171			
Other Adjustments	0	0	2,399			
Total Adjustments to Base	0	62	68,740			
2010 Current Services	10,340	10,451	1,905,076			
Program Changes						
Increases:						
Border and Immigraton Initiative	75	38	8,127			
Federal Financial Rescue	43	21	7,500			
National Advocacy Center	0	0	5,300			
Total Program Changes	118	59	20,927			
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### **U.S. ATTORNEYS** SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(Dollars in thousands)

		2009 Enacted			2010 Current Services		
Comparison by activity and program	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	
1. Criminal Litigation	8,150	8,116	\$1,433,467	8,150	8,178	\$1,487,229	
2. Civil Litigation	2,142	2,225	382,817	2,142	2,225	397,108	
3. Legal Education	48	48	20,052	48	48	20,739	
Total	10,340	10,389	1,836,336	10,340	10,451	1,905,076	
Reimbursable FTE	0	1,689	0	0	1,689	0	
Grand Total*	10,340	12,078	\$1,836,336	10,340	12,140	\$1,905,076	

	То	Total Program Changes			2010 Request		
Comparison by activity and program	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	Perm Pos.	FTE	Amount	
1. Criminal Litigation	105	53	\$13,397	8,255	8,231	\$1,500,626	
2. Civil Litigation	13	6	2,230	2,155	2,231	399,338	
3. Legal Education	0	0	5,300	48	48	26,039	
Total	118	59	20,927	10,458	10,510	1,926,003	
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	1,689	0	
Grand Total*	118	59	\$20,927	10,458	12,199	\$1,926,003	

\* This number includes 177 reimbursable FTE for the Health Care Fraud Program.