



## Administrative Review and Appeals Office of Pardon Attorney (OPA)

<b>FY 2018 Budget Request At A Glance</b>	
FY 2017 Continuing Resolution:	\$4.5 million (22 positions; 11 attorneys)
Current Services Adjustments:	+\$473,000
Program Changes:	+\$0
FY 2018 Budget Request:	\$5.0 million (19 positions; 11 attorneys)
Change From FY 2017 Continuing Resolution:	+\$473,000 (+10.5%) (-3 positions)

**Mission:**

The Office of the Pardon Attorney, in consultation with the Attorney General or his designee, assists the President in the exercise of his executive clemency power as authorized under Article II, Section 2, of the Constitution. Under the Constitution, the President's clemency power extends only to federal criminal offenses. All requests for executive clemency for federal offenses are directed to the Pardon Attorney for investigation and review. The Pardon Attorney prepares the Department's recommendation to the President for final disposition of each petition. Executive clemency may take several forms including pardon, commutation of sentence, remission of fine or restitution, and reprieve.

**Resources:**

The FY 2018 budget request for OPA totals \$5.0 million, which is a 10.5% increase over the FY 2017 Continuing Resolution.

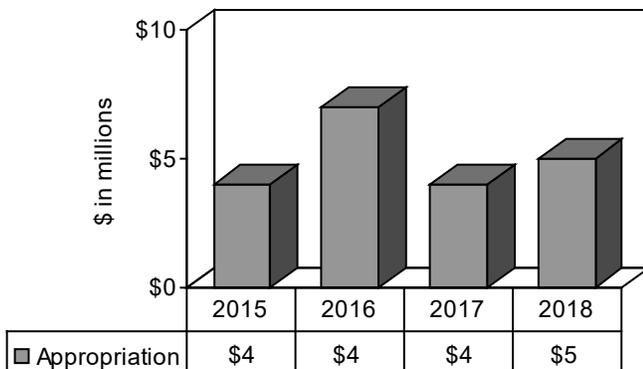
**Organization:**

OPA is headed by the Pardon Attorney, who is competitively selected and appointed by the Attorney General. The Office is located in Washington, DC.

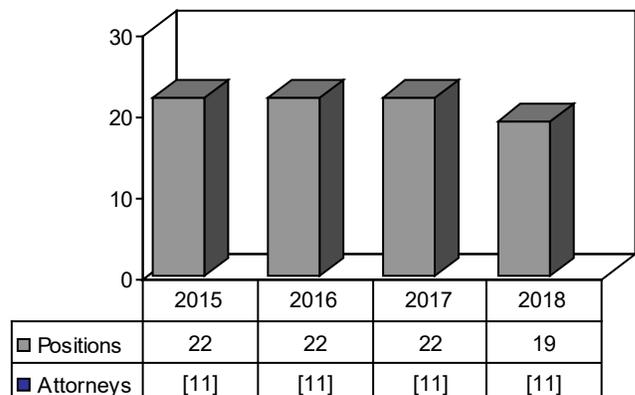
**Personnel:**

The OPA's direct positions for FY 2018 total 19 positions. OPA's FY 2018 request includes a decrease of -3 positions from the FY 2017 Continuing Resolution of 22 direct positions.

**Funding (FY 2015 - 2018)**



**Personnel (FY 2015 - 2018)**



**FY 2018 Strategy:**

In FY 2018, OPA will assist the President in the exercise of his executive clemency power. OPA will respond to inquiries concerning clemency petitions and the clemency process from petitioners, their families and legal representatives, members of Congress and the public, and various federal, state, and local officials and agencies. OPA will prepare all necessary documents to effect the President's decision to grant or deny clemency and notify each clemency applicant of the President's decision concerning his/her clemency request. OPA will also continue to provide general advice to the White House concerning executive clemency procedures and the historical background of clemency matters.

**FY 2018 Program Changes:**

The budget proposal includes funds for current services for OPA. No program changes are requested.

**Office of Pardon Attorney**  
(Dollars in Thousands)

	Office of Pardon Attorney		
	Pos	FTE	Amount
<b>2016 Appropriation</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>4,496</b>
<b>2017 Continuing Resolution</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>4,496</b>
2017 Rescission - 0.1901%	0	0	-9
<b>2017 Continuing Resolution</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>4,487</b>
<b>2018 Request</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4,960</b>
<b>Change 2018 from 2017 Continuing Resolution</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>473</b>
<b>Technical Adjustments</b>			
<b>Total Technical Adjustments</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Base Adjustments</b>			
Pay & Benefits	-3	-2	256
Domestic Rent & Facilities	0	0	217
<b>Total Base Adjustments</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>473</b>
<b>2018 Current Services</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4,960</b>
<b>Program Changes</b>			
<b>Increases:</b>			
<b>Subtotal, Program Increases</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Decreases:</b>			
<b>Subtotal, Program Decreases</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Program Changes</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>2018 Request</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>4,960</b>

**Office of Pardon Attorney**  
(Dollars in Thousands)

Comparison by activity and program	2017 Continuing Resolution			2018 Current Services		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
Office of the Pardon Attorney	22	21	4,487	19	19	4,960
<b>Total</b>	22	21	4,487	19	19	4,960
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Grand Total</b>	22	21	4,487	19	19	4,960

Comparison by activity and program	2018 Total Program Changes			2018 Request		
	Pos.	FTE	Amount	Pos.	FTE	Amount
Office of the Pardon Attorney	0	0	0	19	19	4,960
<b>Total</b>	0	0	0	19	19	4,960
Reimbursable FTE	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Grand Total</b>	0	0	0	19	19	4,960