

**Leon County Government
Fiscal Year 2007 Budget**

Summary of County Attorney

Budgetary Costs	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Adopted	FY 2007 Continuation	FY 2007 Issues	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2008 Budget
001-120-514 County Attorney	1,535,358	1,935,212	1,890,904	-96,698	1,794,206	1,870,043
106-122-541 County Attorney - Eminent Domain	151,661	162,487	175,286	0	175,286	185,883
Total Budgetary Costs	<u>1,687,019</u>	<u>2,097,699</u>	<u>2,066,190</u>	<u>-96,698</u>	<u>1,969,492</u>	<u>2,055,926</u>
Funding Sources			FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Adopted	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2008 Budget
001 General Fund			1,535,358	1,935,212	1,794,206	1,870,043
106 Transportation Trust			151,661	162,487	175,286	185,883
Total Revenues			<u>1,687,019</u>	<u>2,097,699</u>	<u>1,969,492</u>	<u>2,055,926</u>
Staffing Summary						
	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Adopted	FY 2007 Continuation	FY 2007 Issues	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2008 Budget
001-120-514 County Attorney	10.00	11.00	11.00	0.00	11.00	11.00
106-122-541 County Attorney - Eminent Domain	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.00	2.00	2.00
Total Full-Time Equivalentents (FTE)	<u>12.00</u>	<u>13.00</u>	<u>13.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>13.00</u>	<u>13.00</u>

County Attorney

Organizational Code: 001-120-514

Mission Statement

The mission of the County Attorney's Office is to provide high quality legal representation to the Board of County Commissioners, all departments and divisions under the Board, the County Administrator and certain boards and other officials of Leon County as directed by the Board of County Commissioners.

Advisory Board

Code Enforcement Board; Board of Adjustments and Appeals; Contractor's Licensing Board; Value Adjustment Board

Summary of Services Provided

1. Handle litigation on behalf of or against Leon County, the Board and other County officials and employees.
2. Advise, counsel and provide legal opinions to the Board, all departments under the Board and other Officials of Leon County as directed by the Board.
3. Prepare ordinances, resolutions, contracts and other legal documents.

Accomplishments

1. Significant success with U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Georgia Environmental Protection Department regarding improving Leon County's water quality.
2. Successfully defended Leon County regarding employment related complaints, land use litigation, and code violations, and mediated or negotiated settlement agreements.
3. Conducted or assisted in Board workshops regarding City/County Watershed Protection Plan, TMDL Permit Issues, Two-Thirds Special Assessment Program, Innovative Techniques for Reducing Costs of Acquiring Rights of Way, Revisions to Animal Control Ordinance, and Public Notice of Board Meetings.
4. Researched significant issues and provided opinions to the Board on such issues as the Kelo ruling and the consolidation of law enforcement.
5. Prepared or assisted in writing numerous ordinances, resolutions, contracts, and Board policies such as the Aquifer-Wellhead Ordinance, the Homestead Loss Prevention Program Policy, and the Private Paved Road Repair Program Policy.
6. Quarterly educational opportunities to Board employees, including Witness Preparation and Responding to Public Records Requests.
7. Successfully secured \$750,000 in CDBG funding on an appeal from denial by the Department of Community Affairs.
8. Significant success in bringing Cairo, Georgia, which discharged pollutants into the Ochlockonee River, into compliance with the Clean Water Act, without the need and expense of litigation. The County Attorney's Office continues to work with the Georgia Environmental Protection Department and other agencies on this matter.
9. Handled Estate of Caroline van Brunt donation of property and funds totaling approximately \$125,000 to the Leon County LeRoy Collins Public Library.
10. Collected \$121,000 from AIG Baker in direct out-of-pocket expenses related to the Fallschase Development Agreement.

Current Year Notes

This program is recommended at a decreased funding level due to a reduction in outside contractual services. Other recommendations include:

1. Routine salary, wage and benefit adjustments.
2. Funding is provided for the reclassification of the Legal Administrator from Executive Support to Senior Management in the amount of \$341.
3. Funding in the amount of \$1,745 is provided for the purchase of a laptop computer.
4. As approved by the Board at its September 19, 2006, final public hearing on the 2006/07 budget, operating expenses such as: travel; training; printing; operating supplies; and office supplies, are reduced by 5% for a fiscal impact of \$3,784.
5. In response to the Board's direction to reduce the overall County budget, the County Attorney's Office identified a cost savings of \$95,000 as a result of not having to retain expert witnesses in the field of stormwater and traffic concurrency on the Welaunee annexation and contraction litigation.

Out-Year Notes

1. FY 07/08 request for the replacement of obsolete dictation equipment - \$15,330.
2. Routine salary, wage and benefit adjustments.

Note: Although out-year requests are reflected in the 5 year plan, actual funding will be reviewed as part of the routine budget process.

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Personal Services	740,252	886,307	940,739	341	941,080	1,003,332
Operating	795,106	1,047,505	950,165	-98,784	851,381	851,381
Capital Outlay	0	1,400	0	1,745	1,745	15,330
Total Budgetary Costs	<u>1,535,358</u>	<u>1,935,212</u>	<u>1,890,904</u>	<u>-96,698</u>	<u>1,794,206</u>	<u>1,870,043</u>

Funding Sources	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Adopted	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2008 Budget
001 General Fund			1,535,358	1,870,043
Total Revenues	<u>1,535,358</u>	<u>1,935,212</u>	<u>1,794,206</u>	<u>1,870,043</u>

Staffing Summary	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Adopted	FY 2007 Continuation	FY 2007 Issues	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2008 Budget
Administrative Associate III	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Asst County Attorney	2.00	2.00	2.00	0.00	2.00	2.00
County Attorney	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Legal Administrator	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Legal Records Specialist	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Legal Secretary I	1.00	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Legal Secretary II	1.00	1.00	2.00	0.00	2.00	2.00
Legal Secretary III	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Paralegal	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Sr Asst County Attorney	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Total Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	<u>10.00</u>	<u>11.00</u>	<u>11.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>11.00</u>	<u>11.00</u>

County Attorney - Eminent Domain Attorney

Organizational Code: 106-122-541

Mission Statement

The mission of the Eminent Domain Attorney Section is to provide high quality legal representation to the Board of County Commissioners, all departments and divisions under the Board, the County Administrator and certain boards and other officials of Leon County as directed by the Board of County Commissioners.

Advisory Board

None

Summary of Services Provided

1. Represent Leon County in negotiating contracts and acquiring by eminent domain proceedings various parcels of real estate, easements and other property interests for road widening and stormwater projects.
2. Review, approve and advise staff regarding property transaction documents.

Accomplishments

1. Attended and monitored Florida proposed Florida legislative action regarding the anti-Kelo legislation.
2. Conducted or assisted in Board workshops regarding Two-Thirds Special Assessment Program and Innovative Techniques for Reducing Costs of Acquiring Rights of Way.
3. Took the lead in developing the private paved road repair services policy.
4. Continuing support on eminent domain acquisitions and capital improvement projects.

Current Year Notes

This program is recommended at an increased funding level.

1. Routine salary, wage and benefit adjustments.

Out-Year Notes

There are no budget issues requested for FY 08 - FY 11, with the exception of routine salary, wage and benefit adjustments.

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Budgetary Costs	FY 2005 Actual	FY 2006 Adopted	FY 2007 Continuation	FY 2007 Issues	FY 2007 Budget	FY 2008 Budget
Personal Services	148,497	155,789	168,588	0	168,588	179,185
Operating	3,164	6,698	6,698	0	6,698	6,698
Total Budgetary Costs	<u>151,661</u>	<u>162,487</u>	<u>175,286</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>175,286</u>	<u>185,883</u>
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Asst County Attorney	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Legal Secretary II	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00	1.00	1.00
Total Full-Time Equivalents (FTE)	<u>2.00</u>	<u>2.00</u>	<u>2.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>2.00</u>	<u>2.00</u>