Department of Justice FY2026 Budget Request February 20, 2025

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'David and Goliath': Delaware officials fight to keep domestic federal funding flowing, attack freeze to foreign aid



Following exile of landlord, AG Jennings says others are taking note



AG Jennings sues to stop Elon Musk and DOGE's invasion of Americans' privacy









U.S. Supreme Court declines to hear Delaware assault weapon ban case, law remains intact

Delaware attorney general vows to fight court ruling that halts early voting and permanent absentee voting



Performance Measures from the FY2026 Governor's Recommended Budget

IPU	Performance Measure Name	Fiscal Year 2024 Actual	Fiscal Year 2025 Budget	Fiscal Year 2026 Governor's Recommended
15-01-01	Department of Justice			
	# of average Superior Court			
	filings per prosecutor	175	175	175
	# of average Court of Common			
	Pleas filings per prosecutor	4,000	4,000	4,000
	# of average Family Court			
	filings per prosecutor	825	825	825
	% of Delaware Supreme Court			
	appeals with State's brief filed			
	within 60 days	100	100	100



Our People

- 535 employees
 - 243 attorneys
 - 75 legal assistants
 - 58 administrative support staff
 - 37 victim service specialists
 - 40 investigators
 - 82 other staff positions

88% of the Department's General Fund Spending is on personnel.



Vacant Positions at the DOJ

as of February 14, 2025

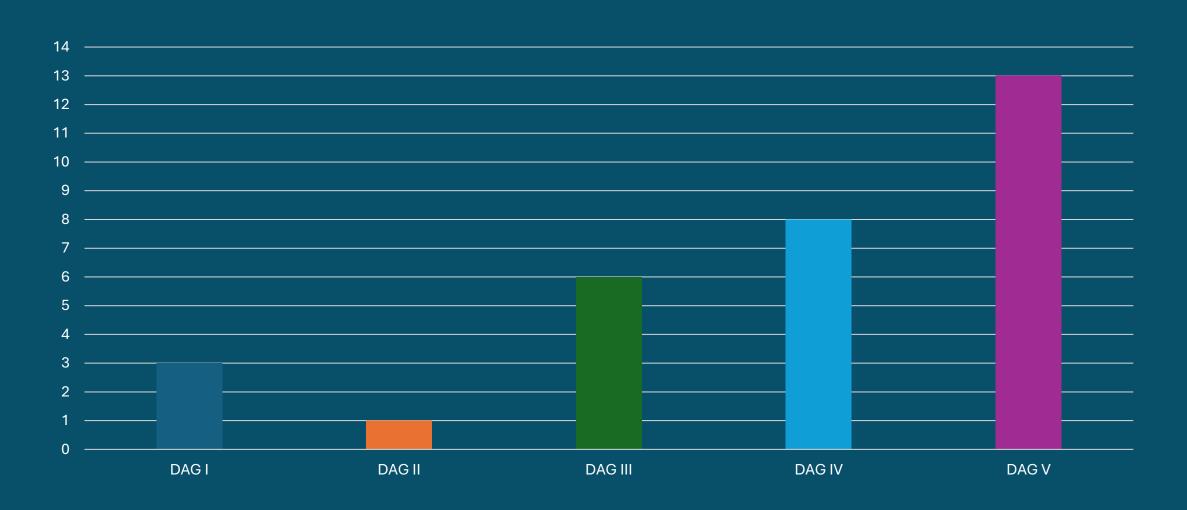
- 535 employees | 44 total vacancies as of February 7
 - 243 attorneys | 31 vacancies
 - 75 legal assistants | 5 vacancies
 - 58 administrative support staff | 3 vacancies
 - 37 victim service specialists | 1 vacancy
 - 40 investigators
 - 82 other staff positions

4 additional "vacant" positions are pending reclassification through DHR.

These vacancies are our only long-term vacancies.

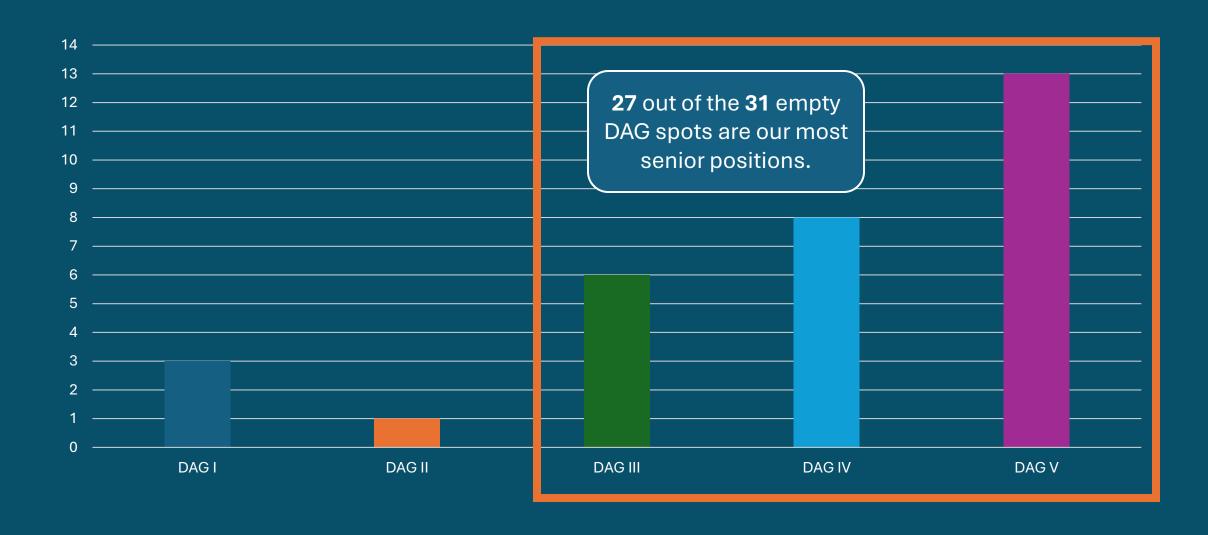
Deputy Attorney General Vacancies by Experience

as of February 14, 2025



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Case Study: Impact of Vacancies on the Civil Division

- Provides legal services to the offices, departments, boards, agencies, commissions, and instrumentalities of state government
- "General counsel" work -- assisting with FOIA requests, contract review and procurement matters, employment law support, and administrative enforcement support.
- CRITICAL understaffing resulting in need to hire outside counsel



Case Study: Impact of Vacancies in the Kent County SVU

- Our Criminal Division is split between three counties and has specialized units within each one.
- The Special Victims Unit handles sensitive cases that include child abuse and sexual assault.
- These cases CANNOT be handled by junior deputies.



FY2026 Department Budget Request

Door Openers

Attorney Pay Adjustment

VOCA Victim Service Specialist Switch Funding

FY2026 GRB	\$ 55,721.6 GF	
	\$ 13,695.9 ASF	
FY 2026 JFC Request	\$ 55,838.9 GF	
	\$ 13,606.2 ASF	



Door Opener Requests



Georgetown Temporary
Offsite Lease



Statewide Lease Escalator



Digital Storage Costs



Request | VOCA Switch Funding

Since 2016, DOJ has received Federal grant funding to support the work of two of our Victim Service Specialist positions:

- Child Abuse and Neglect Specialist
- Restitution Support Specialist

This Federal funding was eliminated in 2024. We request that this Committee support these positions through the General Fund.

FUNDED IN FY2026 GRB 2.0 FTE VSS Worker \$160.2 Personnel Costs \$0.6 Contractual Services \$1.0 Supplies \$5.0 Capital Outlay/One-Time



Request | Adjust Attorney Pay

Our junior Deputy Attorney Generals (DAGS I and II) are benefitting from the work of the JFC and DOJ leadership to make salaries more competitive for young attorneys considering public service.

Our focus must now shift from recruitment of skilled talent to retention of our most experienced lawyers.

PARTIALLY FUNDED IN FY2026 GRB

Request: \$5.5m ASF Authority

Funded: \$2m adjustment to the

Attorney Salary Matrix



