

**State of Alaska
FY2024 Governor's Operating Budget**

**Department of Law
Special Litigation
Component Budget Summary**

Component: Special Litigation**Contribution to Department's Mission**

The Special Litigation Section provides specialized legal services and representation to state government, taking major civil cases to trial in state and federal court and administrative proceedings. It also enforces the state's consumer protection statutes.

Core Services

- The section enforces state consumer protection and antitrust laws and provides legal services and expertise to departments and agencies faced with major litigation involving large-scale discovery, constitutional challenges, or expedited proceedings.
- Section attorneys lead litigation teams of experienced litigators, appellate specialists, and subject matter experts from other sections to provide the state with the strongest possible representation in complex and important litigation.
- Section attorneys serve as a resource for attorneys in other sections, offering advice and assistance in all stages of litigation.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2022

The section's attorneys have led litigation teams representing a variety of state agencies, including the executive branch departments of Administration, Natural Resources, Commerce, Community and Economic Development, and Family and Community Services, as well as the Governor's Office and the Division of Elections.

The section continues to manage a variety of cases against pharmaceutical companies — both multistate cases involving anti-trust violations and the state's consumer protection complaints against opioid manufacturers and distributors. The section is also working with multistate groups in antitrust actions against Google, and with outside counsel to pursue price-fixing claims in the meat industry.

The Consumer Protection Unit continues to investigate a variety of consumer complaints and bring successful enforcement actions.

The section continues to provide litigation expertise in support of major cases in other sections.

Key Component Challenges

The purpose of the section is to provide a formal structure to the Civil Division's former ad hoc approach to team building, with the expertise of the Special Litigation team at the center. Just as the Opinions, Appeals and Ethics Section functions as a service section for other sections in the division—providing appellate specialists to handle appeals or expert appellate advice to subject matter attorneys—the Special Litigation section provides trial expertise and guidance in cases for every section.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2024

No changes are anticipated in the coming fiscal year.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

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Special Litigation Personal Services Information				
Authorized Positions			Personal Services Costs	
	<u>FY2023</u> <u>Management</u> <u>Plan</u>	<u>FY2024</u> <u>Governor</u>		
Full-time	9	0	Annual Salaries	0
Part-time	0	0	Premium Pay	0
Nonpermanent	0	0	Annual Benefits	0
			<i>Less 0.00% Vacancy Factor</i>	(0)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	9	0	Total Personal Services	0

Position Classification Summary					
Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
No personal services.					
Totals	0	0	0	0	0

Component Detail All Funds
Department of Law

Component: Special Litigation (2213)
RDU: Civil Division (35)

Non-Formula Component

	FY2022 Actuals	FY2023 Conference Committee	FY2023 Authorized	FY2023 Management Plan	FY2024 Governor	FY2023 Management Plan vs FY2024 Governor	
71000 Personal Services	0.0	1,456.4	1,710.0	1,706.8	0.0	-1,706.8	-100.0%
72000 Travel	0.0	13.8	13.8	37.0	0.0	-37.0	-100.0%
73000 Services	8.6	379.9	379.9	359.9	0.0	-359.9	-100.0%
74000 Commodities	0.0	27.9	27.9	27.9	0.0	-27.9	-100.0%
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Totals	8.6	1,878.0	2,131.6	2,131.6	0.0	-2,131.6	-100.0%
Fund Sources:							
1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	8.6	1,198.9	1,452.5	1,452.5	0.0	-1,452.5	-100.0%
1007 I/A Rcpts (Other)	0.0	679.1	679.1	679.1	0.0	-679.1	-100.0%
Unrestricted General (UGF)	8.6	1,198.9	1,452.5	1,452.5	0.0	-1,452.5	-100.0%
Designated General (DGF)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Other Funds	0.0	679.1	679.1	679.1	0.0	-679.1	-100.0%
Federal Funds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Positions:							
Permanent Full Time	9	9	9	9	0	-9	-100.0%
Permanent Part Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Non Permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%

Change Record Detail - Multiple Scenarios with Descriptions
Department of Law

Component: Special Litigation (2213)
RDU: Civil Division (35)

Scenario/Change Record Title	Trans Type	Totals	Personal Services	Travel	Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay	Grants, Benefits	Miscellaneous	Positions		NP
										PFT	PPT	
***** Changes From FY2023 Conference Committee To FY2023 Authorized *****												
FY2023 Conference Committee												
	ConfCom	1,878.0	1,456.4	13.8	379.9	27.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	9	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		1,198.9										
1007 I/A Rcpts		679.1										
FY2023 Exempt 5% COLA												
	SalAdj	61.2	61.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		61.2										
FY2023 Exempt 5% COLA: \$61.2												
FY2023 15% Attorney and Administrative Law Judge COLA												
	SalAdj	192.4	192.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		192.4										
FY2023 15% Attorney and Administrative Law Judge COLA: \$192.4												
Subtotal		2,131.6	1,710.0	13.8	379.9	27.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	9	0	0
***** Changes From FY2023 Authorized To FY2023 Management Plan *****												
Transfer Authority from Personal Services and Services for Anticipated Travel Expenditures												
	LIT	0.0	-3.2	23.2	-20.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
Transfer authority from the personal services and services lines to the travel line for anticipated costs. The remaining personal services and service authority is anticipated to be sufficient to cover operating expenditures.												
Subtotal		2,131.6	1,706.8	37.0	359.9	27.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	9	0	0
***** Changes From FY2023 Management Plan To FY2024 Governor *****												
Transfer Nine Personnel and Associated Costs to Government Services for Restructuring Purposes												
	Trout	-2,147.3	-1,722.5	-37.0	-359.9	-27.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	-9	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		-1,461.7										
1007 I/A Rcpts		-685.6										
Transfer seven attorney positions and two support staff positions to Government Services from Special Litigation in order to leverage legal expertise and support in related areas of legal work under a streamlined organizational structure in the Civil Division.												
As part of a broader restructuring of the Civil Division within the Department of Law that will allow the department to operate with greater efficiency and efficacy, the nine positions and associated activities are transferred to the new Government Services component from the current Special Litigation component.												

Change Record Detail - Multiple Scenarios with Descriptions
Department of Law

Component: Special Litigation (2213)
RDU: Civil Division (35)

Scenario/Change Record Title	Trans Type	Totals	Personal Services	Travel	Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay	Grants, Benefits	Miscellaneous	Positions		NP
										PFT	PPT	
FY2024 AlaskaCare Health Insurance Increase - Exempt and Partially Exempt												
	SalAdj	10.2	10.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		5.9										
1007 I/A Rcpts		4.3										
FY2024 AlaskaCare health insurance increase for exempt and partially exempt employees from \$1,685 to \$1,793 per member per month.: \$10.2												
FY2024 PERS Rate Adjustment												
	SalAdj	3.5	3.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		2.2										
1007 I/A Rcpts		1.3										
FY2024 PERS rate adjustment to 25.10%: \$3.5												
FY2024 Salary and Health Insurance Increases												
	SalAdj	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		1.1										
1007 I/A Rcpts		0.9										
FY2024 Salary and Health Insurance Increases: \$2.0FY2024 SU cost of living increase 1%: \$0.7												
FY2024 AlaskaCare insurance from \$1,685 to \$1,793 per member per month.: \$1.3												
Totals		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Law
Travel

Component: Special Litigation (2213)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2022 Actuals	FY2023 Management Plan	FY2024 Governor
2000	Travel		0.0	37.0	0.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2022 Actuals	FY2023 Management Plan	FY2024 Governor
2000 Travel Detail Totals			0.0	37.0	0.0
2006	Other Travel Costs	Travel cost transfers.	0.0	37.0	0.0

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Law
Services

Component: Special Litigation (2213)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2022 Actuals	FY2023 Management Plan	FY2024 Governor
3000	Services		8.6	359.9	0.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2022 Actuals	FY2023 Management Plan	FY2024 Governor
3000 Services Detail Totals			8.6	359.9	0.0
3000	Education Services	Conferences, training and memberships.	8.6	350.0	0.0
3002	Legal and Judicial Services	Depositions, research costs, expert witness and consultant fees.	0.0	8.9	0.0
3011	Other Services	Cost transfers and miscellaneous items within the services line (commissions, etc.).	0.0	1.0	0.0

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Law
Commodities

Component: Special Litigation (2213)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2022 Actuals	FY2023 Management Plan	FY2024 Governor
4000	Commodities		0.0	27.9	0.0
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2022 Actuals	FY2023 Management Plan	FY2024 Governor
4000 Commodities Detail Totals			0.0	27.9	0.0
4000	Business	Reference materials and subscriptions, including statutes, software applications, non-capital desktop refresh, and miscellaneous office supplies.	0.0	27.8	0.0
4022	Commodity Transfer	Commodity cost transfers.	0.0	0.1	0.0

Revenue Detail (1681)
Department of Law

Component: Special Litigation (2213)

Revenue Type (OMB Fund Code) Revenue Source	Component	Comment	FY2022 Actuals	FY2023 Management Plan	FY2024 Governor
5007 I/A Rcpts (1007 I/A Rcpts)			0.0	679.1	0.0
5301 Inter-Agency Receipts	Law - Dep. Attny General's Office (2205)	Special Litigation provides experienced, specialized legal services and representation to state government for litigation of a complex, specific, and/or large-scale nature. The casework is not necessarily predictable or consistent, so individual agency service costs vary from year to year depending on the volume and length of cases.	0.0	679.1	0.0
6004 Gen Fund (1004 Gen Fund)			132.5	0.0	0.0
6004 General Fund Public Protection - Judgement Settlemnt		Judgment and settlements	132.5	0.0	0.0

Personal Services Expenditure Detail
Department of Law

Scenario: FY2024 Governor (19867)
Component: Special Litigation (2213)
RDU: Civil Division (35)

Note: If a position is split, an asterisk (*) will appear in the Split/Count column. If the split position is also counted in the component, two asterisks (**) will appear in this column.
[No valid job title] appearing in the Job Class Title indicates that the PCN has an invalid class code or invalid range for the class code effective date of this scenario.