

Office of the Attorney General

MISSION

The Office of the Attorney General (OAG) represents the State in all legal matters. The Attorney General acts as legal counsel to the Governor, General Assembly, Judiciary and State agencies, boards and commissions.

VISION

The Office of the Attorney General provides superior legal representation and promotes public safety by providing the highest quality of legal services from a staff that is dedicated to excellence and professionalism. The Office of the Attorney General demonstrates integrity by being ethical and accountable and making principled decisions. The Office of the Attorney General embraces diversity as well as teamwork.

KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal 1. To complete bill review in a timely manner.

Obj. 1.1 Complete the Attorney General's review of bills waiting on the Governor's signature no later than seven days prior to the last bill signing.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Number of bills for review	681	817	836	810	1053	900	900
Average number of bills reviewed per day/number of calendar days	15/44	38/22	35/24	35/23	37/28	36/25	36/25

Goal 2. Handle all Securities Division matters.

Obj. 2.1 To handle all Securities Division matters effectively.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Broker/dealer (firm) registration and renewals	1,851	1,832	1,859	1,872	1,806	1,750	1,700
Registered agents (stockbrokers)	209,987	220,487	242,119	257,380	257,093	252,250	250,000
Investment adviser/financial planner (firm) registrations and	616	629	615	587	588	550	535
Federal Covered Adviser notice filings	2,206	2,297	2,456	2,581	2,595	2,500	2,500
Investment adviser/financial planner representative (individual) registration, renewals and notice filings	13,104	13,916	14,871	14,254	12,077	11,500	11,000
Securities registrations, renewals, and exemption and notice filings	30,601	33,216	31,874	30,305	29,133	28,000	27,000

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Goal 3. Handle all Consumer Protection Division (CPD) matters, including inquiries, complaints, arbitration, and hearings.

Obj. 3.1 Handle consumer protection matters in a timely manner to achieve beneficial outcome to consumers.

Obj. 3.2 Maintain an average time of no more than 110 days between the receipt of a consumer complaint and its disposition.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Franchise registration and renewals	1,585	1,657	1,825	1,884	1,931	2,000	2,050
Active cases, investigations and inquiries	958	1,126	1,283	1,267	1,671	1,500	1,500
Registration fees (\$)	28,286,101	28,242,529	29,181,204	29,023,429	28,522,981	27,000,000	26,500,000
Fines imposed, restitution and rescission (\$)	17,857,904	40,906,414	24,188,028	5,860,646	5,806,189	4,000,000	4,000,000
Inquiries	34,878	37,120	39,446	54,707	59,704	50,000	50,000
Complaints	10,900	10,064	11,375	12,166	11,188	11,500	11,500

Goal 4. Handle all antitrust matters.

Obj. 4.1 Handle all antitrust matters for beneficial outcome for the State of Maryland and its citizens.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Investigations, inquiries and advice	424	387	224	195	181	120	180
Enforcement actions	35	38	38	37	35	36	36
Parens patriae	5	8	8	7	7	8	8
Other civil	28	30	30	30	30	30	30
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Antitrust defense	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amicus briefs	0	3	3	7	3	3	3
Debarments	83	0	0	0	0	2	2
Funds recovered for State (\$)	257,624	363,117	0	2,220,729	220,209	250,000	250,000
Funds recovered for Maryland subdivisions (\$)	405,209	0	0	0	0	0	0
Funds recovered for consumers (\$)	1,171,129	0	0	0	0	250,000	500,000

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Goal 5. Handle all Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) matters.

Obj. 5.1 Handle all MFCU matters to protect the integrity of the Medicaid program and to help protect vulnerable adults.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Cases pending beginning of year	302	329	365	363	357	360	360
New cases	193	152	120	120	118	125	125
Total	495	481	485	483	475	485	485
Fraud cases opened	136	106	88	83	83	85	85
Patient abuse cases opened	67	46	32	38	35	45	45
Investigations completed	176	131	104	127	104	120	120
Cases pending end of fiscal year	329	350	365	357	368	385	385
Criminal charges	7	6	9	7	7	10	10
Civil settlements	17	15	14	14	9	14	14
Fines, settlements, restitution, and/or overpayments identified (\$)	32,757,530	19,166,233	7,295,920	2,141,686	10,546,967	5,000,000	5,000,000

Goal 6. To conduct investigations and request the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to initiate actions or proceedings to protect the interests of insurance

Obj. 6.1 Research matters thoroughly and advocate for an appropriate judicial or legislative resolution that will serve the interests of insurance consumers.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Review of Maryland Insurance Commissioner actions	974	918	783	1,246	1,813	1,147	1,147
Investigations conducted	124	57	47	140	199	113	113
Requests for Commissioner action	19	3	6	18	18	13	13
Legislative activity	13	7	4	2	51	15	15

Goal 7. Conduct investigations of all alleged or potential police-involved deaths of civilians.

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Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
New Investigations	N/A	N/A	19	16	0	0	0
Existing Investigations	N/A	N/A	0	12	0	0	0
Potential Investigations	N/A	N/A	52	54	0	0	0
Reports Completed	N/A	N/A	7	20	0	0	0

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Goal 8. To ensure that its attorneys, and all attorneys in the Office of the Attorney General who litigate, provide uniformly high quality litigation services to our clients, Maryland's state agencies, officers and employees.

Obj. 8.1 Litigating those cases most important to the core functions and governmental policies of the State of Maryland, and to the rights and interests of its citizens, or that are of a complexity and size that require special expertise, resources, or attention, and supervising the litigation of other significant cases.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Total number of matters litigated by court jurisdiction	238	228	222	247	246	245	245
State Courts	100	75	78	86	64	70	70
Federal Courts	94	98	83	95	96	95	95
Miscellaneous	44	55	61	66	86	80	80

Goal 9. Handle all Criminal Appeals Division matters and represent the State in criminal appeals.

Obj. 9.1 To competently and efficiently handle all matters assigned to the Division.

Obj. 9.2 To effectively represent the State in criminal cases pending before the appellate courts.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Federal cases filed and assigned	72	76	67	68	60	69	69
State cases filed and assigned	994	1,001	759	926	1,201	1,250	1,250
Dispositions from State court: cases handled by the Division	616	608	505	465	480	650	650
Successful cases	529	468	430	364	391	520	520
Percent successful	86%	77%	85%	78%	81%	80%	80%

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Goal 10. Thoroughly and conscientiously evaluate, investigate and, where appropriate, prosecute significant criminal conduct referred to or otherwise identified by the Criminal Investigation Division (CID), including but not necessarily limited to fraud within or affecting State government, health care fraud, identity fraud, securities fraud, non-State employee misconduct, tax fraud, embezzlement and other business crimes, computer crimes, firearms offenses, gang violence, referrals from local State’s Attorneys, consumer fraud and multi-jurisdictional criminal conduct.

Obj. 10.1 Properly identify, evaluate, investigate and, where appropriate prosecute CID matters so as to maximize effective and ethical delivery of Division investigative, criminal justice and prosecutorial resources.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Matters litigated: Maryland Court of Special Appeals	0	2	0	1	1	1	0
Total Division referrals and general unit activity	378	242	369	483	360	365	350
Organized Crime Unit							
Indictments	25	127	34	107	50	50	50
Conviction Rate	87%	100%	77%	98%	90%	90%	96%
Fraud and Corruption Unit							
Indictments	13	11	13	12	15	16	18
Conviction Rate	100%	100%	100%	100%	95%	95%	95%

Goal 11. Increase knowledge and expertise in new areas such as bankruptcy, tech transfers and labor law.

Obj 11.1 Assist clients to resolve bankruptcy and labor issues and to bring scientific discoveries to market.

Performance Measures	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Est.	2026 Est.
Federal Cases	45	47	35	40	53	45	45
State Cases	46	50	50	50	48	50	50
Administration	42	27	20	25	48	50	50
Advice	3,450	3,450	3,450	3,450	3,450	3,450	3,450
Contracts drafted/reviewed	1,680	1,680	1,680	1,680	1,680	1,680	1,680