

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	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Number of bills for review	817	836	810	1053	878	875	875
Average number of bills reviewed per day/number of calendar days	38/22	35/24	35/23	37/28	36/24	36/24	36/24

Goal 2. Handle all Securities Division matters.

Obj. 2.1 To handle all Securities Division matters effectively.

Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Broker/dealer (firm) registration and renewals	1,832	1,859	1,872	1,806	1,778	1,750	1,725
Registered agents (stockbrokers)	220,487	242,119	257,380	257,093	263,054	263,000	263,000
Investment adviser/financial planner (firm) registrations and	629	615	587	588	571	550	550
Federal Covered Adviser notice filings	2,297	2,456	2,581	2,595	2,678	2,650	2,650
Investment adviser/financial planner representative (individual) registration, renewals and notice filings	13,916	14,871	14,254	12,077	15,186	15,000	15,000
Securities registrations, renewals, and exemption and notice filings	33,216	31,874	30,305	29,133	27,851	26,500	26,000

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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	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Franchise registration and renewals	1,657	1,825	1,884	1,931	2,020	2,000	2,000
Active cases, investigations and inquiries	1,126	1,283	1,267	1,671	1,606	1,500	1,500
Registration fees (\$)	\$28,242,529	\$29,181,204	\$29,023,429	\$28,522,981	\$28,299,881	\$27,750,000	\$27,750,000
Fines imposed, restitution and rescission (\$)	\$40,906,414	\$24,188,028	\$5,860,646	\$5,806,189	\$22,569,862	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
Inquiries	37,120	39,446	54,707	59,704	63,536	55,000	55,000
Complaints	10,064	11,375	12,166	11,188	12,121	12,500	13,000

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	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Investigations, inquiries and advice	387	224	195	181	250	300	300
Enforcement actions	38	38	37	35	8	10	10
Parens patriae	8	8	7	7	5	7	7
Other civil	30	30	30	30	70	80	80
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Antitrust defense	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Amicus briefs	3	3	7	3	3	4	4
Debarments	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
Funds recovered for State (\$)	363,117	0	220,729	220,209	68,969	174,000	180,000
Funds recovered for Maryland subdivisions (\$)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Funds recovered for consumers (\$)	0	0	0	0	140,000	546,000	670,000

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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	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Cases pending beginning of year	329	365	363	357	368	363	363
New cases	152	120	120	118	140	130	130
Total	481	485	483	475	508	493	493
Fraud cases opened	106	88	83	83	93	85	85
Patient abuse cases opened	46	32	38	35	46	45	45
Investigations completed	131	104	127	104	105	110	110
Cases pending end of fiscal year	350	365	357	368	403	385	375
Criminal charges	6	9	7	7	9	10	9
Civil settlements	15	14	14	9	14	14	10
Fines, settlements, restitution, and/or overpayments identified (\$)	\$19,166,233	\$7,295,920	\$2,141,686	\$10,546,967	\$9,267,986	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000

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

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	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Review of Maryland Insurance Commissioner actions	918	783	1,246	1,813	2,005	1,688	1,688
Investigations conducted	57	47	140	199	224	188	188
Requests for Commissioner action	3	6	18	18	20	19	19
Legislative activity	7	4	2	51	75	43	43

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

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Performance Measures	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
New Investigations	N/A	19	16	22	25	27	27
Existing Investigations	N/A	0	12	28	28	28	28
Potential Investigations	N/A	52	54	24	34	34	40
Reports Completed	N/A	7	20	21	24	24	27

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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	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Total number of matters litigated by court jurisdiction	228	222	247	246	439	520	542
1 State Courts	75	78	86	64	127	148	170
1 Federal Courts	98	83	95	96	172	206	206
1 Miscellaneous	55	61	66	86	140	166	166

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	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Federal cases filed and assigned	76	67	68	60	109	130	130
State cases filed and assigned	1,001	759	926	1,201	1,159	1,200	1,200
Dispositions from State court: cases handled by the Division	608	505	465	480	478	500	500
Successful cases	468	430	364	391	374	400	400
Percent successful	77%	85%	78%	81%	78%	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	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Matters litigated: Maryland Court of Special Appeals	2	0	1	1	1	1	1
Total Division referrals and general unit activity	242	369	483	360	490	480	440
Organized Crime Unit							
Indictments	127	34	107	50	85	70	70
Conviction Rate	100%	77%	98%	90%	100%	95%	97%
Fraud and Corruption Unit							
Indictments	11	13	12	15	21	22	23
Conviction Rate	100%	100%	100%	95%	100%	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	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Act.	2024 Act.	2025 Act.	2026 Est.	2027 Est.
Federal Cases	47	35	40	53	42	40	40
State Cases	50	50	50	48	64	55	55
Administration	27	20	25	48	31	35	35
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

NOTES

¹ The Civil Litigation Division was reorganized in 2025 to include the Contract Litigation Unit, the Correctional Litigation Unit, the Federal Accountability Unit (FAU), and the Torts Litigation Unit (TLU).