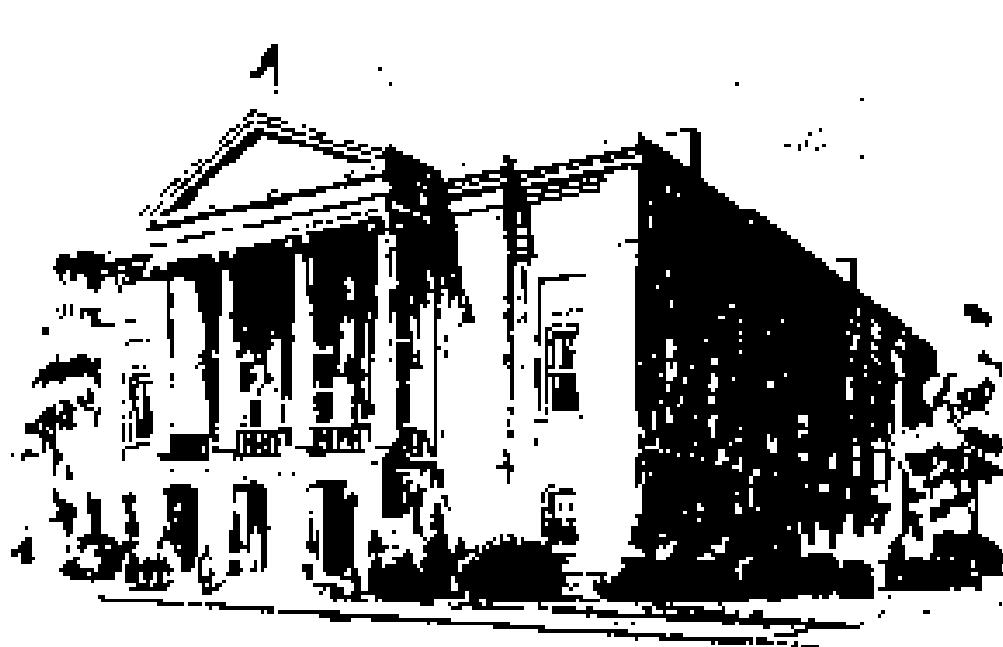


Fiscal Year (FY) 2003 Budget Estimates

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces

Appropriation



February 2002

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE ARMED FORCES
U. S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, Defense
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I. Description of Operations Financed:

This appropriation provides for the salaries of five civilian judges and a staff of 54 other civilian positions. All customary expenses required to operate a government activity are financed, such as salaries, benefits, travel costs, rent, communications services, supplies and materials, purchase of equipment, maintenance, contractual services, and the expense of printing opinions and decisions of the Court.

The United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces is an Article I Court established by the Uniform Code of Military Justice (10 USC 941). The Court serves as the Court of last resort for the vast majority of criminal appeals in the military justice system of the United States and is subject only to certiorari review by the Supreme Court of the United States in a limited number of cases. The Court's jurisdiction extends to the review of questions of law that have been approved by reviewing authorities and affirmed or set aside by a Court of Criminal Appeals. The Court also exercises its extraordinary relief authority pursuant to the All Writs Act.

II. Financial Summary (O&M: Dollars in Thousands):

		FY 2002			-
A. <u>Activity Group:</u>	<u>FY 2001</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>FY 2003</u>
U.S. Court of Appeals	<u>Actuals</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>Request</u>	<u>Estimate</u>	<u>Estimate</u>
for the Armed Forces	8,491	9,096	9,096	9,096	9,925

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II. Financial Summary (O&M: Dollars in Thousands) (Continued):

B. Reconciliation Summary:

	<u>Change</u> <u>FY 2002/FY 2002</u>	<u>Change</u> <u>FY 2002/FY 2003</u>
Baseline Funding	9,096	9,096
Congressional Adjustments	-	-
Subtotal Appropriated Amount	9,096	9,096
Price Changes	-	299
Program Changes	-	530
Current Estimate	9,096	9,925

C. Reconciliation of Increases and Decreases:

FY 2002 Amended President's Budget	9,096
1. Congressional Adjustments:	-
2. Appropriated Amount	9,096
3. Functional Transfers	-
4. Other Transfers-Out	-
5. Price Change	-
6. Program Increase	-
7. Revised FY 2002 Current Estimate	9,096
8. Price Growth	299
9. Transfers	-
10. Program Increases in FY 2003	

Normal cost level resumed after a decrease
to meet higher priority requirements.
This reestablishes the standard level for
Supplies and Materials:

250

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II. Financial Summary (O&M: Dollars in Thousands) (Continued):

C. Reconciliation of Increases and Decreases (Continued):

Expanded costs to cover additional US Marshall
service for increased physical security of the
courthouse facility:

Other Contracts

278

Total Program Increases

530

11. FY 2003 Budget Request

9,925

III. Performance Criteria and Evaluation Summary:

The Court reviews cases from all of the Armed Forces which, for the most part, are derived from various courts of Criminal Appeals. These cases involve the most serious court martial felony convictions and sentences that present legal issues of serious constitutional magnitude, such as death penalty cases, search and seizure issues, the interpretation of international treaty and status of forces agreements, and more recently, the sensitive issues

of law relating to the prosecution of individuals for drug abuse on the basis of urinalysis test results, and the prosecution of child sex abuse cases. As a result, the amount of work involved in the average case has been escalating. It is anticipated that the complexity of the average case will continue to increase, thereby increasing workload to the Court during FY 2003.

In addition, proposed changes in legislation require that Federal agencies be charged the full Government share of the accruing retirement costs of current Civil Service Retirement System (CSRS) employees, and the accruing health care costs of all future Federal retirees. This will cause the Court's costs to rise significantly through the outyears.

III. Performance Criteria and Evaluation Summary (Continued):

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Finally, costs will rise due to augmented security requirements resulting from the terrorist attacks that occurred on September 11, 2001. This includes the use of more contracted security personnel and other security services.

IV. Personnel Summary:

	<u>FY 2001</u>	<u>FY 2002</u>	<u>FY 2003</u>	<u>Change FY 2002/FY 2003</u>
<u>Civilian End Strength (Total)</u>				
U.S. Direct Hire	50	59	59	-
<u>Civilian FTEs (Total)</u>				
U.S. Direct Hire	53	59	59	-

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V. OP 32 Line Items as Applicable (Dollars in Thousands):

	Change from FY 2001 to FY 2002			Change from FY 2002 to FY 2003			FY 2003 Estimate
	FY 2001 Actuals	Price Growth	Program Growth	FY 2002 Estimate	Price Growth	Program Growth	
Exec, Gen & Spec Schedule	5,884	270	726	6,880	261	-	7,141
Travel of Persons	63	1	-	64	1	-	65
Rental Payment to GSA	873	17	-	890	18	-	908
Purchased Utilities	47	1	-	48	1	-	49
Purchased Communications	100	1	-	101	2	-	103
Postal Services	1	-	-	1	-	-	1
Supplies & Materials	465	7	-299	173	3	250	426
Printing/Reproduction	5	-	-	5	-	-	5
Equipment Maintenance	4	-	56	60	1	-	61
Facility Maintenance	37	-	-37	-	-	-	-
Equipment Purchases	89	1	-	90	2	-	92
Mgmt/Prof Support Services	495	7	-455	47	1	-	48
Other Intra-Government Purchases	55	1	-	56	1	-	57
Other Contracts	373	5	303	681	10	278	969
Other Costs	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	8,491	311	294	9,096	299	530	9,925