

**Office of Administrative Hearings**

A.R.S. § 41-1092.01

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	<b>FY 2001 Actual</b>	<b>FY 2002 Estimate</b>	<b>FY 2003 Approved</b>
<b>PROGRAM BUDGET</b>			
Office of Administrative Hearings	<b>2,078,300</b>	<b>2,327,500</b>	<b>1,204,200</b>
<b>OPERATING BUDGET</b>			
Full Time Equivalent Positions	34.0	34.0	18.0
Personal Services	1,483,700	1,569,000	948,600
Employee Related Expenditures	310,000	315,300	195,200
Professional and Outside Services	29,600	37,100	1,900
Travel - In State	10,600	34,900	0
Travel - Out of State	700	2,000	2,000
Other Operating Expenditures	217,400	369,200	93,800
Equipment	26,300	0	0
Lump Sum Reduction	0	0	(37,300)
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>2,078,300</b>	<b>2,327,500</b>	<b>1,204,200</b> <sup>1/2/</sup>
<b>FUND SOURCES</b>			
General Fund	1,212,400	1,193,500	1,190,300
<u>Other Appropriated Funds</u>			
Office of Administrative Hearings -			
ROC Fund	852,100	0	0
Office of Administrative Hearings Fund	0	1,120,200	0
AHCCCS Donations Fund	13,800	13,800	13,900
<i>Subtotal - Other Appropriated Funds</i>	<u>865,900</u>	<u>1,134,000</u>	<u>13,900</u>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>2,078,300</b>	<b>2,327,500</b>	<b>1,204,200</b>

**AGENCY DESCRIPTION** — *The Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) is an independent office whose services and personnel are to be used by all state agencies to conduct administrative hearings, unless exempted by law. All agencies supported by other appropriated or non-appropriated funding sources are to contract for administrative hearing services from the office. The Director shall assign Administrative Law Judges (ALJ) from the office to an agency, on either a temporary or permanent basis, to preside over contested cases in accordance with the special expertise of the ALJ in the subject matter of the agency.*

<sup>1/</sup> The Office of Administrative Hearings shall enter into interagency service agreements to provide services pursuant to Title 41, Chapter 6, Article 10, Arizona Revised Statutes. The agency shall report to the Joint Legislative Budget Committee by September 1, 2002 the number of persons employed and the monies expended from these agreements.

<sup>2/</sup> General Appropriation Act (Laws 2002, Chapter 327) funds are appropriated as a Lump Sum by Agency.

<b>PERFORMANCE MEASURES</b>	FY 1999	FY 2000	FY 2001	FY 2000-03
	Est./Actual	Est./Actual	Est./Actual	Estimate
• Number of hearings held	1,590/1,844	1,590/3,466	3,466/5,100	3,466
• Average days from request for hearing to first date of hearing	65/66	66/53	46/50	46
• Average days from the first scheduled hearing to its conclusion	10/12	10/10	10/43	10
• Average days from the conclusion of the hearing to transmission of the decision to the agency	15/14	15/9	9/9	9
• Evaluations rating the ALJ excellent or good in impartiality	98/95	99/94	95/97	96/97
• Administration as a % of total cost	NA	5.2/NA	5.9/NA	7.9/8.0

**Cost Allocation Plan** — The Executive and the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) elected not to implement the cost allocation plan for agencies that were to be served through monies appropriated from the OAH Fund. Therefore, it is unnecessary to appropriate FTE Positions or monies from the OAH Fund. OAH will instead bill the agencies it provides services to and receive payments through interagency service agreements.

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