

**Judiciary  
Emergency Supplemental Request for COVID-19 Impact**

**Courts of Appeals, District Courts, and Other Judicial Services  
Salaries and Expenses**

**Legislative Language:**

*For an additional amount for “Salaries and Expenses”, \$25,000,000, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, domestically or internationally: Provided, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.*

**Description of Request:**

The Judiciary requests \$25.0 million in net additional emergency supplemental appropriations in the courts’ Salaries and Expenses account to address COVID-19 pandemic impacts in appellate, district, and bankruptcy courts, and in probation and pretrial services offices. To identify these additional requirements, the Administrative Office received input from courts and probation and pretrial services offices nationwide on additional COVID-19 funding needs. After analyzing those requests, the Administrative Office has identified additional COVID-19 requirements totaling \$52.5 million, partially offset by \$27.5 million of available balances, resulting in a net supplemental appropriations request of \$25.0 million, to address the following emergent needs:

- Enhanced Cleaning. \$15.1 million is for enhanced cleaning of courthouses and court facilities. GSA provides regular cleaning of court facilities in accordance with tenant occupancy agreements but will only cover the cost of enhanced cleaning when there is a confirmed or suspected COVID-19 event and then only the area(s) accessed by the infected person(s). The Judiciary requires funding for enhanced cleaning of all court facilities nationwide to ensure the health and safety of Judiciary personnel, litigants, and the public. Enhanced cleaning would begin prior to re-occupancy of court facilities and be repeated as exposure incidents occur.
- Health Screening at Courthouse Entrances. \$15.0 million is for health screening at courthouse entrances utilizing the contract vehicle established by GSA for this purpose. Screening would be provided for 8 weeks.
- IT Infrastructure Costs. \$11.2 million is for hardware, software, licenses, and contract services to support the Judiciary’s national IT infrastructure to address increased demand due to expanded telework and videoconferencing, as well as costs associated with continuing to support current IT system hosting environments due to pandemic-related delays in migrating to cloud hosting.

- Telework and Videoconferencing Equipment. \$7.8 million is for laptops, printers, and peripherals to enable court and probation and pretrial services personnel to be fully telework capable, and for videoconferencing equipment in courts and detention facilities to facilitate holding criminal proceedings via electronic versus in-person means.
- Probation and Pretrial Services Supervision Costs. \$1.6 million is for increased costs associated with supervision of offenders released from prison and defendants on pretrial release, including mental health and drug testing and treatment, location monitoring, and Second Chance Act related expenses such as temporary housing for offenders/defendants.
- Other Costs. \$1.8 million is for miscellaneous equipment and supplies.

**As identified above, \$25.0 million in additional supplemental appropriations, combined with \$27.5 million in available Judiciary balances, would enable the Judiciary to fund these COVID-19 emergency requirements totaling \$52.5 million.**

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**Courts of Appeals, District Courts, and Other Judicial Services**  
**Defender Services**

**Legislative Language:**

*For an additional amount for “Defender Services”, \$9,400,000, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, domestically or internationally: Provided, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.*

**Description of Request:**

The Judiciary requests \$9.4 million in additional emergency supplemental appropriations in the Defender Services account to address COVID-19 pandemic impacts in federal defender organizations, which provide legal representation and other services to persons who are financially unable to obtain them in criminal and related matters in federal court. To identify these additional requirements, the Administrative Office received input from federal defender organizations nationwide on additional COVID-19 funding needs. After analyzing those requests, the Administrative Office has identified additional COVID-19 requirements totaling \$9.4 million to address the following emergency needs:

- IT Equipment and Infrastructure Upgrades. \$7.9 million is for hardware, software, and contract services to enable federal defender organization personnel to be fully telework capable, to support the federal defender national IT infrastructure to address increased demand due to expanded telework and videoconferencing, and for telecommunications upgrades to enable remote management of federal defender organization phone systems.
  
- Enhanced Cleaning. \$1.5 million is for enhanced cleaning of federal defender organizations’ office space. GSA provides regular cleaning of federal public defender offices in accordance with tenant occupancy agreements but will only cover the cost of enhanced cleaning when there is a confirmed or suspected COVID-19 event and then only the area(s) accessed by the infected person(s). The Judiciary requires funding for enhanced cleaning of all federal public defender offices and grant-funded community defender offices to ensure the health and safety of federal defender organization personnel and their clients.

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**Courts of Appeals, District Courts, and Other Judicial Services**  
**Court Security**

**Legislative Language:**

*For an additional amount for “Court Security”, \$2,200,000, to prevent, prepare for, and respond to coronavirus, domestically or internationally: Provided, That such amount is designated by the Congress as being for an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.*

**Description of Request:**

The Judiciary requests \$2.2 million in emergency supplemental appropriations in the Court Security account to address security related COVID-19 pandemic impacts in the federal courts. The funding will address the following needs:

- Remote Security. \$1.8 million is for software and equipment that will enable court staff to renew security certificates for Judiciary personal identity verification-interoperable (PIV-I) cards remotely. This software and equipment will allow court staff currently teleworking to reset their security pins for digital signatures due to pin expiration or for other reasons without having to risk health and safety by physically going to the office.
- Personal Protective Equipment. \$0.4 million is to purchase personal protective equipment (gloves, masks, hand sanitizer, disinfecting wipes, etc.) for court security officers.