

COMMONWEALTH ATTORNEY

Mission

“The Office of the Commonwealth’s Attorney for the 30th Judicial District shall fulfill its statutory duties through the aggressive, competent, and ethical prosecution of criminal cases. The primary responsibility of the office is to see that justice is accomplished. The promotion of justice contributes to the protection of the community.”

Programs and Services

In 2006 the staff of 102, including 47 prosecutors, handled 4,121 new felony prosecutions and closed 4,590 felony cases, which makes the Jefferson County Commonwealth Attorney’s Office the busiest felony prosecution office in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

The Progressive Criminal Justice Unit, or “Rocket Docket” resolved 1,337 cases in 2006, an increase of 256 cases over 2005. In addition to taking these cases off the already crowded Circuit Court criminal dockets, the Rocket Docket has enabled the Metro Corrections and the Metro Government to realize huge savings, over \$5,000,000 last year, by reducing the amount of time that a defendant spends in custody.

Goals & Indicators

- Pursue new felony cases;
- Aggressively close outstanding cases;
- Invoke “Rocket Docket” proceedings, where appropriate, to clear crowded criminal dockets and save on housing defendants.

Commonwealth Attorney

Budget Summary

	Prior Year Actual 2005-2006	Original Budget 2006-2007	Revised Budget 2006-2007	Mayor's Recommended 2007-2008	Council Approved 2007-2008
General Fund Appropriation	1,024,800	1,022,200	1,022,200	1,055,200	1,055,200
Total Revenue:	1,024,800	1,022,200	1,022,200	1,055,200	1,055,200
Personal Services	962,800	981,300	981,300	1,010,300	1,010,300
Contractual Services	42,100	19,700	19,700	12,700	12,700
Supplies	8,200	6,000	6,000	7,900	7,900
Interdepartment Charges	11,600	15,200	15,200	24,300	24,300
Total Expenditure:	1,024,700	1,022,200	1,022,200	1,055,200	1,055,200
Expenditures By Activity					
Felony Prosecution	1,024,700	1,022,200	1,022,200	1,055,200	1,055,200
Total Expenditure:	1,024,700	1,022,200	1,022,200	1,055,200	1,055,200

Commonwealth Attorney	Position Detail	
	Mayor's Recommended FY2007-2008	Council Approved FY2007-2008
Position Allocation (in Full-Time Equivalent)		
Full-time	20	20
Permanent Part-time	1	1
Seasonal/Other	0	0
Total Positions	21	21

Position Title

Attorney	12	12
Detective	1	1
Paralegal	3	3
Secretary	1	1
Victim Advocate	4	4