



Ohio Revised Code

Section 109.11 Attorney general reimbursement fund.

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(A) There is hereby created in the state treasury the attorney general reimbursement fund that shall be used for the expenses of the office of the attorney general in providing legal services and other services on behalf of the state or any agency or officer thereof.

(B)(1) All amounts received as reimbursement for legal services and other services that have been rendered by the office of the attorney general to the state or any agency or officer thereof shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the attorney general reimbursement fund.

(2) All amounts awarded to the office of the attorney general by order or judgment of a court or as part of a settlement or other compromise of claims for attorney's fees, investigation costs, document management costs, expert witness fees, fines, and all other costs and fees associated with representation provided by the office shall be paid into the state treasury to the credit of the attorney general reimbursement fund.

(3) All amounts paid into the state treasury under division (D)(3) of section 2953.32 or division (B)(3) of section 2953.39 of the Revised Code and that are required under that division to be credited to the attorney general reimbursement fund shall be credited to the fund, and the amounts so credited shall be used by the bureau of criminal identification and investigation for expenses related to the sealing or expungement of records.

(C) When seeking an order or judgment of a court or entering a settlement agreement or other compromise of claims on behalf of the state or any agency or officer thereof, the office of the attorney general shall seek to secure payment of all costs, expenses, and contractual obligations related to the legal services and other services provided, including attorney fees owed to special counsel; costs associated with an investigation, preparation, and presentation of claims asserted, document management, and depositions; and any fees or expenses owed to any expert or consulting expert witness. This division does not apply to matters in which the costs, expenses, and obligations are to be paid from funds within an available appropriation of the office or of the agency or officer.