

2020-2025 Legal Expenditure

Context & Transparency

In recent years, the Office of the Ombudsman has observed a significant increase in both the volume and complexity of matters requiring review and determination. This trend includes several matters of substantial legal and regulatory importance, most notably an unprecedented Freedom of Information (FOI) decision that proceeded to judicial review in the case of *CUC Cayman Islands v. Ombudsman & OfReg* before the Grand Court.

As the Office continues to discharge its statutory responsibilities under the Ombudsman Act and related legislation, it remains steadfast in its commitment to promoting fairness, accountability, and sound public administration. It also staunchly defends its Constitutional role as an independent Office. The escalation in the complexity of matters experienced by the Office has required greater engagement with specialised legal expertise. As a result, the legal costs incurred by the Office have increased correspondingly.

In keeping with the Office's commitment to transparency and responsible governance, a detailed summary of legal expenditures is provided in the accompanying spreadsheet.

Year	Vendor		Total
2020			60,391.40
	ETIENNE BLAKE ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW	60,391.40	
2021			95,788.45
	ETIENNE BLAKE ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW	26,048.27	
	PRIESTLEYS ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW	5,153.78	
	SAVANNAH LAW	64,586.40	
2022			70,742.50
	SAVANNAH LAW	70,742.50	
2023			61,338.50
	CAMPBELLS LLP	24,538.50	
	HSM CHAMBERS	3,150.00	
	LINWOOD ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW	1,400.00	
	SAVANNAH LAW	32,250.00	
2024			173,552.27
	BROADHURST LLC	55,865.18	
	CAMPBELLS LLP	2,214.00	
	HARNEYS WESTWOOD & RIEGELS	37,305.09	
	LINWOOD ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW	5,600.00	
	SAVANNAH LAW	72,568.00	
2025			376,315.42
	HARNEYS WESTWOOD & RIEGELS	1,350.00	
	SAVANNAH LAW	127,228.75	
	BROADHURST LLC	697.00	
	TRAVERS THORP ALBERGA ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW	247,039.67	