

Judiciary - Court of Appeals

	FY 2022 ACTUAL	FY 2023 ESTIMATE	FY 2024 APPROVED
PROGRAM BUDGET			
Division I	11,497,300	15,052,100	16,212,600
Division II	5,080,300	7,471,100 ^{1/}	8,498,200
AGENCY TOTAL	16,577,600	22,523,200	24,710,800
OPERATING BUDGET			
<i>Full Time Equivalent Positions</i>	136.8	162.8	162.8 ^{2/}
Personal Services	10,642,000	12,024,200	13,778,600
Employee Related Expenditures	4,528,900	5,476,000	6,633,500
Professional and Outside Services	104,400	8,700	8,700
Travel - In State	159,300	171,200	171,200
Travel - Out of State	6,700	10,800	10,800
Other Operating Expenditures	1,072,400	4,832,300	4,108,000
Equipment	63,900	0	0
AGENCY TOTAL	16,577,600	22,523,200	24,710,800 ^{3/}
FUND SOURCES			
General Fund	16,577,600	22,523,200	24,710,800
SUBTOTAL - Appropriated Funds	16,577,600	22,523,200	24,710,800
TOTAL - ALL SOURCES	16,577,600	22,523,200	24,710,800

AGENCY DESCRIPTION — The Court of Appeals has jurisdiction in all proceedings appealable from the Superior Court except criminal death penalty cases, which are automatically appealed to the Supreme Court. Division I also has statewide responsibility for reviewing appeals from the Arizona Corporation Commission, Industrial Commission, the Department of Economic Security unemployment compensation rulings, and the Arizona Tax Court. Division I convenes in Phoenix and encompasses the counties of Apache, Coconino, La Paz, Maricopa, Mohave, Navajo, Yavapai, and Yuma. Division II convenes in Tucson and encompasses the counties of Cochise, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, Pima, Pinal, and Santa Cruz.

FOOTNOTES

- ^{1/} Of the amount appropriated for the operating lump sum for division two in fiscal year 2022-2023 pursuant to Laws 2022, chapter 313, section 52, \$450,000 from the state general fund is for the remodeling of chambers to accommodate a new three-judge court of appeals panel, is exempt from the provisions of section 35-190, Arizona Revised Statutes, relating to the lapsing of appropriations, until June 30, 2024 and notwithstanding section 41-1252, Arizona Revised Statutes, is not subject to review by the joint committee on capital review. (FY 2024 General Appropriation Act footnote)
- ^{2/} Of the 162.8 FTE positions for fiscal year 2023-2024, 111.3 FTE positions are for division one and 51.5 FTE positions are for division two. (General Appropriation Act footnote)
- ^{3/} General Appropriation Act funds are appropriated as an Operating Lump Sum by Subprogram.

Operating Budget

The budget includes \$24,710,800 and 162.8 FTE Positions from the General Fund in FY 2024 for the operating budget. These amounts include \$16,212,600 and 111.3 FTE Positions for Division I and \$8,498,200 and 51.5 FTE Positions for Division II. Adjustments are as follows:

Full-Year Funding for Additional Judges and Staff

The budget includes an increase of \$2,230,800 from the General Fund in FY 2024 for completed phase-in of 2 new

3-judge Court of Appeals panels and support staff. Of this amount, \$1,115,400 is for Division I and \$1,115,400 is for Division II.

The FY 2023 budget added the new panels effective January 1, 2023, and as a result included half-year funding for positions. The 3-year spending plan annualized this amount in FY 2024.

Judicial Salary Increase

The budget includes an increase of \$644,400 from the General Fund in FY 2024 for completed phase-in of judicial salary increases. Of this amount, \$468,600 is for judges in Division I and \$175,800 is for judges in Division II. The FY 2023 budget increased Court of Appeals judges' salaries from \$154,500 to \$190,000 beginning January 1, 2023.

The FY 2023 budget included half-year funding for the salary increase. The FY 2023 3-year spending plan annualized this amount in FY 2024 for the full-year implementation.

Remove One-Time Chamber Remodeling Funding

The budget includes a decrease of \$(900,000) from the General Fund in FY 2024 to remove one-time funding for the remodeling of chambers to accommodate new judges and staff. Of this amount, \$(450,000) is for Division I and \$(450,000) is for Division II.

An FY 2024 General Appropriation Act footnote makes the \$450,000 for Division II non-lapsing through June 30, 2024 and continues to exempt the expenditure from review by the Joint Committee on Capital Review.

Statewide Adjustments

The budget includes an increase of \$212,400 from the General Fund in FY 2024 for statewide adjustments.
(Please see the Agency Detail and Allocations section.)