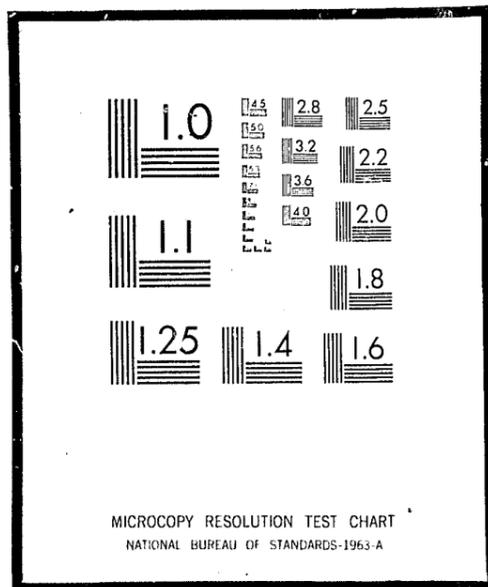


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FOREWORD

This is the third quarterly survey of judicial salaries in state court systems published by the National Center for State Courts. The National Center will continually maintain this data on a current basis so that any state court system desiring information between quarterly issues can contact the National Center directly for the latest changes. All changes in this edition have been typed in italics to make the changes more noticeable.

In this issue, the section dealing with judicial salaries in courts of limited and special jurisdiction is divided into seven categories on a jurisdictional basis, which is self-explanatory.

In Appendix I we have listed all pending legislation which could affect judicial salaries on a state by state basis. Appendix II indicates those states which provide for "floating" judicial salaries on the consumer price index or other cost of living adjusters. Appendix III, which was included in the first issue of the salary survey and dealt with the Economic Stabilization Act, has not been included since the second issue due to the expiration of the Act on April 30, 1974 and no new controls being imposed.

Edward B. McConnell
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Although we have made every effort to ensure the accuracy of the survey data, and have verified each state's figures with the appropriate Court Administrator or Chief Justice, some errors may occur, and we would very much appreciate notification of any inaccuracies, omissions or further pending legislation which would affect the status of judicial salaries in your state. All such information or suggestions should be forwarded directly to:

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State	Highest Court		State Court Administrator	Intermediate Appellate Court	General Trial Court
	C.J.	A.J.			
Alabama	22,500 33,500* *1/1/75	22,500 33,500* *1/1/75	19,500	C.C.A. 22,000 C.A. 22,000 C.C.A. 33,000* C.A. 33,000* *1/1/75	State 18,000* Local supps. 0-40% of state pd. salary** *1/1/75 base goes to 25,000 **Depending on size of county
Alaska	44,000	44,000	40,000		S.C. 40,000
Arizona	32,000 37,000* *1/6/75	32,000 37,000* *1/6/75	30,240	30,000 35,000* *1/6/75	S.C. 28,000 33,000* Comm. 22,400 26,400* *1/6/75 Comm. salary set by Presiding Judge not to exceed 80% salary of S.C. Judge
Arkansas	30,000	27,500	22,100		C.C. 25,000 Ch.C. 25,000

Key to Abbreviations:

Judges: C.J. & P.J. - Chief or Presiding Judge
Comm. - Commissioners
A.J. - Associates
C. - Chancellor
V.C. - Vice Chancellor

Courts: Sup. Ct. - Supreme Court
C.C.A. - Court of Criminal Appeals
C.A. - Court of Appeals
C.C. - Circuit Court
Co.C. - County Court

S.C. - Superior Court
D.C. - District Court
Ch.C. - Chancery Court
C.P. - Court of Common Pleas

State	Highest Court		State Court Administrator	Intermediate Appellate Court	General Trial Court	
	C.J.	A.J.				
California	54,841	57,675	45,504		S.C.	40,322
Colorado	37,500	35,000	32,000	C.J. A.J.	32,500 32,000	D.C. 28,000
Connecticut	40,000	36,000	38,000* * Ct. Admin. is also a Sup. Ct. A.J.		S.C.: J. J. of	35,000 34,500
Delaware	38,500 42,500* *7/1/75	38,000 42,000* *7/1/75	25,000-31,000		S.C.: P.J. A.J. Ch.C.: C. V.C.	35,500 39,500* 35,000 39,000* 35,500 39,500* 35,000 39,000* *7/1/75

State	Highest Court		State Court Administ. a	Intermediate Appellate t	General Trial Court	
	C.J.	A.J.				
Florida	36,000 40,000* *1/1/75	36,000 40,000* *1/1/75	32,000	34,000 38,000* *1/1/75	C.C.	32,000 36,000* *1/1/75
Georgia	40,000	40,000	30,000	39,500	S.C. Local supps. to	32,500 12,100
Hawaii	33,880	32,670	22,670		C.C.	30,250
Idaho	30,000	30,000	27,000		D.C.	27,000
Illinois	42,500	42,500	40,000	40,000	Judges Supp. A. Judges Supp. * Du Page and Cook County Supplement	30,000 7,500* 23,500 4,500*
Indiana	29,500 Subsistence all. 3,000	29,500	24,000	29,500 Subsistence all. 3,000 Ct. Admin. 19,800	C.C. + S.C. County supps. to 400	21,500-26,500

State	Highest Court		State Court Administrator	Intermediate Appellate Court	General Trial Court
	C.J.	A.J.			
Iowa	34,000	33,000	22,000		D.C.: C.J. 29,500 A.J. 29,000
Kansas	29,500 35,000* *1/13/75	28,000 32,500* *1/13/75 Comm. 27,500 32,000* *1/13/75	23,500 27,500* *1/13/75		D.C. 23,500* Local supps. 1,266 * 1/13/75 base to 27,500 Local supps. 1,266-2,532
Kentucky	31,500	27,500	26,000		Circuit Court 26,000
Louisiana	37,500	37,500	32,500	35,000	D.C. base 20,500 Supp. 18,000* * Statewide average salary with supplement 32,000
Maine	27,500	26,000	21,000		S.C. 25,500

State	Highest Court		State Court Administrator	Intermediate Appellate Court		General Trial Court	
	C.J.	A.J.		C.J.	A.J.		
Maryland	43,800	42,800	38,000	C.J. 41,200 A.J. 40,100		C.C.	38,000
Massachusetts	42,236	40,788	30,691	C.J. 39,220 A.J. 37,771		S.C.: C.J. A.J.	37,771 36,203
Michigan	42,000* See App. I	Comm. 26,599 to 32,698	37,751		41,961	C.C. Local supps. up to D.C. Local supps. up to	26,500 15,259 21,500 12,500
Minnesota	40,000	36,500	32,000			D.C. D.C. Others * Ramsey, Hennepin, St. Louis Counties	33,500* 32,000
Mississippi	C.J. 35,000 P.J. 34,500	34,000				C.C. Ch.C.	30,000 30,000
Missouri	31,500	31,500	23,500		30,000	C.C.	28,000

State	Highest Court		State Court Administrator	Intermediate Appellate Court	General Trial Court
	C.J.	A.J.			
Montana	28,000	27,000			D.C. 25,000
Nebraska	30,500 35,500* *1/1/75	30,500 35,500* *1/1/75	25,000 30,000* *1/1/75		D.C. 27,500 Local supps 1,500* * where pop. over 150,000 1/1/75to 32,500 - same supplement
Nevada	28,000 35,000* *1/1/75	28,000 35,000* *1/1/75			D.C. 24,000 30,000* *1/1/75
New Hampshire	32,700* *FY 75 to 34,008	32,500* *FY 75 to 33,800			S.C. C.J. 32,600 FY 75 33,904 A.J. 32,400 FY 75 33,696
New Jersey	50,500	48,000	37,770 - 50,993* *Acting Admin. Dir. 45,000	S.C.A.D. 45,000	S.C. (assignment judges) 43,000 S.C. 40,000 Co.C. 40,000

State	Highest Court		State Court Administrator	Intermediate Appellate Court	General Trial Court		
	C.J.	A.J.					
New Mexico	29,500	29,500	23,900	28,000	D.C.	27,000	
New York	63,143	60,575	57,000	<u>1st & 2nd Depts.</u>		<u>1st & 2nd Departments</u>	
				P.J.	55,266	48,998*	
				A.J.	51,627		
				<u>3rd & 4th Depts.</u>		<u>3rd & 4th Departments</u>	
				P.J.	55,266	48,998*	
				A.J.	51,267	*above figures include local supplements	
North Carolina	39,000	38,000	32,500	C.J.	36,500	S.C.	30,500
				A.J.	35,500		
North Dakota	28,500	28,000	20,000			D.C.	26,000
Ohio	43,500	40,000	31,000		37,000	C.C. Pleas	23,500-34,000
						Probate	23,500-34,000
Oklahoma	30,000	30,000	24,360		26,000	Dist. Judge	25,000
	C.C.A.	C.C.A.		Assoc. Dist. Judge*		16,500-23,000	
	30,000	30,000		* Based on population			

State	Highest Court		State Court Administrator	Intermediate Appellate Court	General Trial Court	
	C.J.	A.J.				
Oregon	32,000	32,000	30,000	31,000	C.C.	29,000
Pennsylvania	52,500	50,000	42,500	S.C.: P.J. 49,500* A.J. 48,000* *same salary for commonwealth ct.	C.C.P.: P.J. 40,500 to 42,500* J. 40,000 * depends on size of county	
Rhode Island	34,000	33,000	16,952 - 19,328* * 7/1/75 to 19,604 - 22,360		S.C.: P.J. 32,000 A.J. 31,000	
	* See App. III for effective salaries of Rhode Island Court personnel					
South Carolina	41,730	36,380	28,890		C.C.	36,380
South Dakota	29,000	28,000	20,000		P. Cir. J. 27,000 Cir. J. 26,000	
Tennessee	42,607	39,330	36,052	P.J. 37,363 A.J. 36,052 same figures for C.C.A.	C.C. 32,775 Ch.C. 32,775 Crim. C. 32,775 Equity C. 32,775	

State	Hi hest Court		State Court Administrator	Intermediate Appellate Court	General Trial Court	
	C.J.	A.J.				
Texas	40,500 C.C.A. - 40,500	40,000 C.C.A. - 40,000		C.J. 35,500 A.J. 35,000 Local supps. to 4,000	D.C. state salary Local supps. up to	25,000 13,000
Utah	24,00	24,000	22,000		D.C.	22,000
Vermont	31,400	29,900	25,800		S.C.: P.J. J. A.J.	26,800 25,800 per day \$25
Virginia	41,300 42,300* *7/1/75	40,300 41,300* *7/1/75	29,126		D.C. Base Supplement	29,900 600 - 11,700 31,350* *7/1/75
Washington	34,825	34,825	25,650	31,650	S.C. Pro Tem J. Pro Tem Atty.	28,500 \$68 per day \$114 per day

State	Highest Court		State Court Administrator	Intermediate Appellate Court	General Trial Court	
	C.J.	A.J.				
West Virginia	32,500	32,500	*See App. I		C.C. * See App. I	26,000 *
Wisconsin	44,292	39,726	35,000		C.C. State pay Local supps. to	26,296 9,000
Wyoming	30,000	30,000				27,500
Puerto Rico	32,600	32,000	30,600		S.C. D.C.	28,000 29,300
District of Columbia	38,750* *D.C. Court	38,250* of Appeals	36,000* * Exec. Off. of D.C. Courts		S.C.	C.J. 36,500 A.J. 36,000
United States Courts	62,500	60,000	40,000* * Admin. Director of the Courts	C.A.	42,500	D.C. 40,000

NOTE: Circuit and district courts shown here are of limited or special jurisdiction. Courts of general jurisdiction are shown in the preceding section.

State	Family Courts A) Juvenile B) Domestic	Probate Courts (PC) Surrogate Crts. (SC)	Justice Courts (JC) Justice of the Peace (JP)	County Courts	Circuit or District Crts. (CC or DC)	Municipal Crts. (MC) Police Crts. (PC)	Common Plea Courts
Alabama		Fees + Salary amount unavailable		Justice Cts. 5,000-12,000		Recorders Cts. up to 22,000	Inferior Cts. 300 - 31,500* *Judges receiv- ing 300/yr. receive add. fees & salary as Probate Judges
Alaska				magistrates* *set by Sup.Ct. amount unavailable	D.C. 33,500		
Arizona			J.C. 5,100 - 14,000* *1/6/75 6,000-15,000 Based on regis- tered voters in J.P. precinct			P.C. 300-31,722 set by Mayor and City Council	
Arkansas			J.P. fees in civil cases - small salary (\$100-200 mo. for criminal cases)	3,000-5,000		M.C. 2,400 to 22,500 P.C. 1,200 to 3,600 City Court* 1,200 to 3,600 *formerly by Mayor's Court	100-900 based on cases* *this ct. is presided over by the Cnty. Judge who re- ceives this in add. to his regular salary

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California			J.C. 1,200 - 32,000			37,098	
Colorado	J.C. 28,000 S.C. (Domestic) 28,000	28,000		Denver-25,000 Others 2,500- 25,000		M.C. 500 to 30,000	
Connecticut	J.C.: C.J. 32,500 J. of 23,500	Fees up to 34,500			C.C.: * C.J. 28,500 A.J. 26,500 *Cir. Crt. Judges become Crt. of Common Pleas Judges effective 12/31/74		J. 32,500 J. of 28,500
Delaware	Family Court: C.J. 34,500 38,500* A.J. 34,000 38,000* *7/1/75		J.P. 10,000			M.C. Wilmington C.J. 27,000 A.J. 26,000 A.J. 11,400* * part-time	C.J. 34,500 38,500* A.J. 34,000 38,000* *7/1/75

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Florida				Pop. less than 40,000: 24,000 Pop. more than 40,000: 32,000 1/1/75 2,000 increase		Varies amount unavailable	
Georgia	J.C. 30,500* * Counties over 500,000		J.P. fees amount unavailable	8,000-25,000* * depends on county. All cts. called State Court of ___ Cnty.		Augusta: C.J. 11,200 A.J. 9,700 City Courts: 4,600- 15,000	Civil Court: 30,000 (Fulton) 16,000 (Troup)
Hawaii					D.C. 24,200		
Idaho						Magistrates Lawyers full-time 20,000 part-time 10,000-12,000 Lay full-time 10,000-14,500 pt.-time 8,000- 9,000	

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Illinois							
Indiana	J.C. 21,500- 26,500* *Depends on pop. of cnty.	21,500 - 26,500*	J.P. fees up to 7,500		Criminal Crt. 21,500- 26,500	Marion County 24,500 Magistrates Ct. 600- 2,200*	
Iowa					D.A.J. 21,000	Magistrates full-time 21,000 part-time 5,160	
Kansas	J.C. 19,518- 20,591* Depends on cnty *1/13/75 to 23,374-30,032	5,592- 26,032* Depends on cnty. *1/13/75 to 9,000-30,032		No. of cases filed: Less than 250-25% of probate judge salary Each addit. 250 - 5%		City Courts: 3,780 to 5,700* * 1/13/75 3,780 to 8,400 Magistrate Cts. 8,014 to 20,500* *1/13/75 8,455 to 27,029	

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Kentucky		up to 14,300	<i>Cnty. over</i> 250,000 9,600 <i>Cnty. 60,000 -</i> 250,000 3,600 <i>Cnty. 20,000 -</i> 60,000 2,400 <i>Cnty. less than</i> 20,000 1,200			P.C. 1st class cities 25,000 2nd class cities 21,500	Quarterly Courts: up to 14,300
Louisiana	J.C. State Sal. 20,500 supp. to 18,000* *statewide ave. w/ supp. 32,000		Parish Court Jefferson 37,000 J.P. fees amount unavailable			New Orleans: M.C. 22,824 Traffic Ct. (N.O.) 22,824 City Courts 3,600 to 24,000 depends on pop. + fees	
Maine		4,500 - 10,900			D.C. C.J. 24,000 A.J. 23,000		

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Maryland	Orphans Court Pt.-time: salaried - 500 to 18,500 others - 8 to 19.50 per day				D.C. C.J. 40,100 A.J. 32,200		
Massachusetts	J.C. Boston-31,738 Others-30,168	P.C. C.J. 32,944 A.J. 31,738 Part-time* 11,343 *1 pt.-time J.		Hampden Cnty. Housing Ct. 36,203 City of Boston Housing Ct. J. 36,203 A.J. 32,583	D.C. C.J. 31,738 A.J. 30,168 Part-time 9,171 to 12,189 spec. per diem \$61	Boston C.J. 31,738 A.J. 30,168	Land Court 36,203
Michigan		7,058 to 35,789* *some pt. time		Recorders Ct. Detroit-40,157		Pt. time 5,000 to 20,000	Detroit 31,873
Minnesota		33,500* *Hennepin and Ramsey Counties only	J.P. fees* *extremely limited duties amount unavailable	23,500* *Not learned in the law 27,500-29,000* *learned in the law			

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Mississippi			J.P. fees amount unavailable	5,400-28,700			
Missouri		16,200-28,000* *based on pop.			St. Louis Ct. of Criminal Corrections 26,000	Magistrate 16,200-22,400* *based on pop.	
Montana			J.P. fees amount unavailable			P.C. up to 5,400 based on pop.	
Nebraska	J.C. 27,500 Supp. 1,500* *Pop. over 150,000 1/1/75 base to 32,500	20,000 - 27,500 based on pop. Assoc. up to 15,000				M.C. 24,500 29,500* *1/1/75	Workmen's Comp. Ct. 25,500 30,500* *1/1/75

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Nevada			J.C. set locally amount unavailable			set locally amount unavailable	
New Hampshire		P.C. 10,920- 11,357			D.C. 2,900- 24,000	150 - 5,100* * by ordinance	
New Jersey	Juv. & Dom. Rel. Crts. 40,000			Cnty. District Crts. 37,000		up to 25,000	
New Mexico		up to 3,960		Magistrate Ct. 3,800 - 16,500		Albuquerque only 20,000	Small Claim Ct. 8,000 (one only)
New York	Family Court NYC 42,451 Other 30,075-48,998* *Min. salary will be 36,000 on 1/1/75	S.C. NYC 48,998 Others 32,075-48,998* *Min. salary will be 36,000 on 1/1/75	J.C. varies amount unavailable	32,075-48,998* *Min. salary will be 36,000 on 1/1/75	Nassau Cty. D.C. P.J. 44,500 A.J. 42,000 Suffolk Cty. P.J. 44,500 A.J. 42,000	NYC Civil Ct. 42,451 NYC Crim. Ct. 42,451	Ct. of Claim P.J. 50,722 A.J. 48,998

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North Carolina					D.C. C.J. 24,500 A.J. 23,500		
North Dakota			Cnty. J.C. - up to 5,000	Of increased jurisdiction: 13,500-19,000 Others: 7,000-10,400			
Ohio				8,000		M.C. 21,000- 30,000 Part-time 8,000	
Oklahoma	Oklahoma has special courts manned by District Judges who receive only expenses. Courts of Tax Review and Bank Review.					set locally by ordinance amount unavailable	St. Indust. Ct. 25,000
Oregon			J.P. up to 10,030	3,000-11,700	D.C. 26,000		Tax Court 29,000

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Pennsylvania			J.P. 7,500 - 16,500* *excluding Philadelphia depending on magisterial district size			Philadelphia Atty. Judges: P.J. 36,500 A.J. 35,000 Lay Judges: 18,500 Traffic Ct. P.J. 19,500 A.J. 18,500	
Rhode Island	<i>Family Court</i> C.J. 32,000 A.J. 31,000	P.C. up to 11,440 Probate judges are pt.-time			D.C. C.J. 29,250 A.J. 28,520		
* See App. I for effective salaries of all Rhode Island Court personnel							
South Carolina	Family Ct. set locally* * see pending legislation amount unavailable	P.C. set locally* amount unavailable	for impact on courts of limited and special jurisdiction	C.C. set locally* amount unavailable		M.C. set locally* amount unavailable	

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South Dakota	Municipal Judges eliminated via	Judicial article effective 1/7/75	and District County Courts have been		1974: 18,000	1974: M.C.J. 18,000	Law trained magistrate: 18,000 <i>Lay Magistrate:</i> 500-7,500
Tennessee	J.C. set locally amount unavailable	Ctny. Probate Cts. set locally amount unavailable		Gen. Sessions Ct. 1,800 to 32,775		set locally amount unavailable	
Texas* *all set locally	Same as Dist. Ct. in county for Juv. & Dom. Relations	Probate Court 10,500-27,600	J.P. 11.00 to 23,928	"Constitutional" 1,688-31,800 Civil, Crim., Crim. Appeals, Statutory: 10,500-27,600		M.C. 300-17,376	
Utah	J.C. 22,000		J.P. determined by city comm., town council, etc. Fee system abolished in 1971			City Cts. set by city ordinance 13,000-19,800	

State	Family Courts A) Juvenile B) Domestic	Probate Courts (PC) Surrogate Crts. (SC)	Justice Courts (JC) Justice of the Peace (JP)	County Courts	Circuit or District Crts. (CC or DC)	Municipal Crts. (MC) Police Crts. (PC)	Common Plea Courts
Vermont		5,700-21,600			D.C. C.J. 23,700 J. 22,700		
Virginia	Juv. & Dom. Rel. D.C. 26,910 + local supp. 28,215*+ local supp. *7/1/75				Gen. D.C. 26,910 28,215*+ local supps. *7/1/75		
Washington			J.P. based on pop. If Jus- tice receives more than 15,000 is con- sidered full- time		D.C. 23,250	Seattle-27,000 Other 9,000	
West Virginia		See App. I					

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Wisconsin				State pay: 12,060 County pay: 12,060 local supps. up to 10,480. *See Appendix I for limita- tions		set locally amount unavailable	
Wyoming*	*Office of Constable abolished effective 1/1/75		J.P. 1,600-4,800 FY 75 (1/1/75) 2,500-7,200			set locally amount unavailable	
Puerto Rico			6,000				
United States Courts				Court of Claims 42,500	Court of Customs and Patent Appeals 42,500	Customs Court 40,000	

Courts of Limited and Special Jurisdiction

APPENDIX I

States in which there is pending or anticipated legislation with respect to judicial salaries.

Arkansas:

The Arkansas Bar Association and the State Judicial Council will sponsor a bill in the next General Assembly which convenes in January of 1975 for the following salaries.

	1975-1976	1976-1977
Supreme Court		
Chief Justice	32,500	34,300
Associate Justice	30,000	31,800
Circuit Court	27,500	29,150
Chancery Court	27,500	29,150
Executive Secretary of the Judicial Department	27,500	29,150

Florida:

Legislation was passed in the 1974 legislative session establishing the salaries noted effective 1/1/75.

Illinois:

H.B. 2518 currently pending in the present legislative session would increase the Supreme Court to \$50,000. The Appellate Court to \$45,000; the Court Administrator to \$45,000; all Circuit Judges to \$42,500 and all Associate Circuit Judges to \$37,000. The bill has passed the House and is before the Senate for consideration.

Louisiana:

Legislation to raise judicial salaries will be introduced in April, 1975. Increases are being sought at all levels in the judiciary.

Michigan:

It is anticipated that the Michigan legislature will pass legislation under which the state will assume all costs of the District Court. The legislation provides that judicial salaries for these courts will be set at a uniform \$34,000 with local supplements forbidden. This would be the beginning of state financing of all courts.

* As concerns Supreme Court justices salaries, the State Officers Compensation Commission has approved an increase to \$43,500 of the justices salaries. This has yet to receive final approval by the legislature.

New Jersey:

It is anticipated legislation for increasing judicial salaries will be submitted this fall.

New Mexico:

The Administrative Director of the New Mexico Courts has advised the New Mexico Legislative Finance Committee he will seek substantial salary increases for Appellate Judges and Judges of Courts of General Jurisdiction. A bill requesting such salary increases will be introduced in the legislature in January. It is undetermined at this time whether the limited Jurisdictional Judges will be requesting a salary increase as well.

The proposed salaries are: Supreme Court Justices \$39,500; Appellate Judges \$38,000; District Judges \$37,000.

North Dakota:

Legislation will be introduced to raise the salary levels in the Supreme Court and the District Courts. The salaries will be increased to the following levels on the following dates;

7/1/75	Supreme Court	
	Chief Justice	\$32,500
	Associate Justice	\$32,000
	District Court	\$30,000
	Court Administrator	\$24,000
7/1/76	Supreme Court	
	Chief Justice	\$37,500
	Associate Justice	\$37,000

District Court \$34,500
Court Administrator \$28,800

The lower courts will propose salary increases also but the proposed figures have not yet been made public.

The County Court of Increased Jurisdiction and the County Court salaries may be increased up to 10% by the Boards of County Commissioners in each county.

Oregon:

Legislation will be introduced in the 1975 legislature to include judges in the regular cost of living percentage increase being planned for all state employees.

Pennsylvania:

House Bill No. 2715 was introduced on November 12, 1974 providing for salary increases for district justices in Magisterial Districts. The bill was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. See Appendix II for legislation concerning annual cost of living increases.

South Carolina:

A special Judicial System Study Committee created by an act of the South Carolina General Assembly to recommend legislation to implement the new Judicial Article of the Constitution has recommended the establishment of District Courts divided into six divisions as follows: (1) Civil, (2) Criminal, (3) Family, (4) Equity, (5) Traffic, and (6) Probate.

The District Courts will eliminate the courts of limited and special jurisdiction noted in Part II Salaries. The Committee further recommends that the new court system be put into effect by July 1, 1976 and be state financed.

Legislation to carry out the Committee's recommendations was introduced during the 1974 session of the General Assembly. No action was taken on the legislation. It will be reintroduced at the convening of the General Assembly in January 1975.

Utah:

Legislation to increase judicial salaries will be presented in the January 1975 session. The proposed legislation will increase the annual salaries of Supreme Court Justices to \$34,000 and the annual salaries of the District and Juvenile Judges as well as the Court Administrator to \$32,000.

Vermont:

The Vermont office of the State Court Administrator is going to introduce legislation to amend 32 V.S.A. §1003 (c). The legislation seeks to vest the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court with the authority to fix the compensation of judicial officers within prescribed ranges. The legislation would also provide the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court with \$1,500 more than any other judicial officer and the Chief Superior Judge and Chief District Judge with \$1,000 more than any other judicial officer under their respective jurisdictions.

Washington (State):

A State Salary Commission has just completed a study of salaries for state elected officials. When their report is filed with the Governor it will recommend the following salary levels: Supreme Court \$44,000; Court of Appeals \$41,000; Superior Court \$40,000 and full time District Court \$30,000. It is anticipated legislation will be introduced reflecting these recommendations.

West Virginia:

At the recent election held on November 5, 1974, a Judicial Reform Amendment was passed which eliminated limited and special Courts, making them all Circuit Courts. The basic salary for a Judge of the Circuit Court is \$26,000, so that until changed by the legislature all general trial court salaries will be in that amount. The amendment also abolished the Justice of the Peace system, making former "Justices" "Magistrates" and bringing them into the judicial branch at a salary yet to be fixed. There is also a provision for a State Court Administrator at a salary to be fixed by the Supreme Court.

The Legislature will not convene until January so the salary figures resulting from the implementation of this amendment are not available for the December publication.

Wisconsin:

The maximum salary limitations for Circuit and County Judges are as follows:

\$33,500 through December 31, 1974 and \$34,500 for the period January 1, 1975 through December 31, 1975, barring any intervening group reassignments which may occur. State pay and local supplements combined cannot exceed those limitations.

APPENDIX II

Floating Salary Statutes.

California, Maryland, Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Tennessee all provide for judicial salary increases based on floating indices as per capita income increases and the consumer price index. The statutory formulae for these salary increases follow.

California: The California Government Code §6203 provides:

"Salary increases; formula. On September 1, 1968, and on September 1 of each fourth year thereafter the salary of each justice and judge named in Sections 68200 and 68202, inclusive, shall be increased by that amount which is produced by multiplying the then current salary of each justice or judge by the percentage by which the figure representing per capita personal income in California as compiled and reported by the United States Department of Commerce has increased between the calendar year which precedes September 1 of the fourth year preceding the designated date of adjustment and the calendar year which immediately precedes the designated date of adjustment.

In addition to the increase provided under this section on September 1, 1968, on the effective date of the 1969 amendments to this section and on September 1 of each year thereafter, the salary of each justice and judge named in Sections 68200 to 68202, inclusive, shall be increased by that amount which is produced by multiplying the then current salary of each justice or judge by the percentage by which the figure representing the California consumer price index as compiled and reported by the California Department of Industrial Relations has increased in the previous calendar year."

The judges named in §§68200 to 68202 include, the Chief Justice of California, associate justices of the Supreme Court, justices of courts of appeal, superior court judges and municipal court judges.

Maryland: 27 Maryland Code §47 Salaries of Judges provides:

"From and after July 1, 1972, the salaries of the judges of the Court of Appeals, the Court of Special Appeals, the circuit courts of the several counties, the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City and the District Court shall be as provided in the State budget. Whenever there is a general salary increase awarded to State employees, the said judges shall receive the same percentage increase as is awarded to the minimum step of the highest salary grade for classified employees in the State salary plan. Any general salary increase awarded to State employees in the budget bill enacted at the 1972 session of the General Assembly shall not be applicable to and shall not inure to the benefit of the judges. Any proposed increases in the salaries of judges subsequent to July 1, 1972,

shall not be included in that portion of the budget for the judicial department but shall be included in that portion of the budget for the executive department and shall be subject to legislative review and approval."

Massachusetts: Massachusetts General Laws Annotated Chapter 30 §46 provides:

"The director of personnel and standardization shall annually determine the percentum difference between the average cost of living for the next preceding calendar year and the average cost of living for the calendar year next preceding the calendar year during which the weekly rates prescribed in the above salary schedule were last revised, both as shown by the United States Consumer Price Index for such years, and shall prepare and submit to the general court a report of such determination within a reasonable time after said Index for the next preceding calendar year has become available. Whenever such determination indicates a percentum increase or decrease of at least three percentum, such report shall be accompanied by a recommendation for legislation to provide a corresponding percentum increase or decrease in the salaries of all employees in the service of the commonwealth and paid from the treasury thereof...Whenever such determination indicates a percentum increase of at least three percentum, as hereinbefore described, such report shall be accompanied by a recommendation of legislation to provide a corresponding percentum increase in the salaries of the chief justice and associate justices of the supreme judicial court, the appeals court, the superior court and the municipal court of the city of Boston, the judges and associate judges of the land court, the chief judge and the judges of probate and insolvency, the chief justice and the justices of the district courts other than the municipal court of the city of Boston, the justices and special justices of the Boston Juvenile Court, the justices of the Worcester, Bristol county and Springfield juvenile courts, and special justices of the district courts, including the municipal court of the city of Boston, such increase to take effect as of the beginning of the first payroll period of the year in which such report is submitted."

Ohio:

All judicial personnel will be given an 8.5% cost of living increase in salary as of December 15, 1974.

Pennsylvania:

S.B. No 1651 introduced april 23, 1974 provides; Section 1.
(a) "All employees of the Commonwealth shall be entitled to receive, as additional compensation, a cost of living allowance as provided in this section. The amount of the cost of living allowance shall be determined on the basis of the 'Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers' published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor (1967-1959=100). . . .

Beginning September 1, 1974, the compensation of judges and chancellors shall be the base salaries fixed in this law adjusted to reflect the percentage of change in the per capita personal income of the state of Tennessee, as defined and published by the United States Department of Commerce, between that of the calendar year 1970 and the calendar year next preceding September 1 of the year for which the salaries are to be paid. The adjustments shall occur on September 1, 1974 and on September 1 of every year thereafter for the ensuing year commencing September 1. The base salaries per year shall be as follows:

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, thirty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$32,500).

Associate Justices of the Supreme Court, thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000).

Presiding Judge of the Court of Appeals and Presiding Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, twenty-eight thousand five hundred dollars (\$28,500).

Associate Judges of the Court of Appeals and Court of Criminal Appeals, twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500).

Circuit Judges, Criminal Judges and chancellors, twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

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