

THE JUDICIARY

SUMMARY BY PROGRAM  
(amounts expressed in thousands)

-----Year Ending June 30, 1987-----						-----Year Ending June 30, 1989-----		
Orig. & (S)Supple- mental	Reapp. & (R)Rec	Transfers (E) Emer- gencies	Total Available	Expended		1988 Adjusted Approp	Requested	Recom- mended
2,416	112	93	2,621	2,575	Judicial Services	2,722	3,597	3,298
7,461	126	698	8,285	8,244	Supreme Court	9,150	10,555	9,600
18,313	1,284	1,144	20,741	20,545	Superior Court--Appellate Division	22,615	24,126	23,168
8,349	198	2,299	10,846	10,551	Civil Court	10,847	12,296	11,405
6,918	199	999	8,116	7,939	Criminal Courts	8,569	9,699	9,397
1,206	31	-338	899	881	Family Courts	1,467	1,531	1,461
3,229	277	430	3,936	3,918	Municipal Courts	4,168	6,314	4,754
8,152	42	597	8,791	8,740	Probation Services	9,119	10,516	9,777
539	41	94	674	660	Court Reporting	742	859	712
6,117	287	262	6,666	6,633	Legal and Professional Services	8,840	12,800	11,832
1,440	29	277	1,746	1,743	Information Services	1,854	1,913	1,873
9,010	178	-4,546	4,642	4,578	Field Operations	4,599	6,046	5,761
					Management and Administration			
73,150	2,804	2,009	77,963	77,007	Total Appropriation, The Judiciary	84,692	100,252	93,038

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OBJECTIVES

1. To determine in a fair and expeditious manner the cases of all kinds which are brought to court.
2. To assist the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court in carrying out the constitutional responsibility vested in that office as the administrative head of the entire New Jersey court system.
3. To provide the services and direct support necessary for the effective operation of the Judicial system throughout the State.

Program Classifications

01. Supreme Court--The State Supreme Court consists of the Chief Justice and six Associate Justices, appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, and is the State court of final appeal. Pursuant to Article VI, Section V of the New Jersey Constitution, appeals may be taken to the Supreme Court in causes determined by the Appellate Division of the Superior Court involving a question arising under the Constitution of the United States or of this State; in causes in which there is a dissent in the Appellate Division of the Superior Court; in capital causes; on certification by the Supreme Court itself to the Superior Court and, where provided by rules of the Supreme Court, to the inferior courts; and in such other causes as may be provided by law.  
  
Pursuant to Article VI, Section II of the Constitution, the Supreme Court makes rules governing the administration of the courts in the State.
02. Superior Court, Appellate Division--The Superior Court, pursuant to Article VI, Section III of the Constitution, includes an Appellate Division. The Appellate Division hears appeals from the Law and Chancery Divisions of the Superior Court, the Tax Court, and State administrative agencies.
03. Civil Courts--The Civil Courts include the Civil Part of the Law Division of Superior Court, the General Equity Part of the Chancery Division, and the Tax Court.  
  
The Tax Court is a special category within Civil Courts. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 2A:4A, it has jurisdiction to hear tax appeals of taxpayers and taxing districts with regard to assessment, railroad assessments levied by the State, sales taxes, franchise taxes, gross receipts and all other taxes levied by the State. The Court also hears appeals on homestead rebate denials issued by the Director of the Division of Taxation and appeals by taxing districts from both the equalization tables promulgated by the Director of the Division of Taxation for the distribution of school aid and the equalization tables promulgated by the various counties for the purpose of distributing costs of county government.
04. Criminal Courts--The Criminal Part of the Law Division of the Superior Court hears and determines all serious criminal cases following grand jury indictment. It also hears appeals from municipal courts.
05. Family Courts--The Family Courts hear and determine all causes involving the family including those causes previously heard by the Matrimonial Part of the Superior Court and the Juvenile and Domestic Relations Courts.
06. Municipal Courts--The municipal courts are funded directly by the municipalities, but the State supports a unit within the Administrative Office of the Courts to train municipal court judges and clerks, promulgate manuals of procedures, collect data on municipal court operations, conduct studies for the improvement of municipal courts, and works with other State agencies on matters involving the municipal courts.
07. Probation Services--Probation Services supervises probation operations around the State, fixes standards, recruits and trains probation personnel, conducts research and field review of probation programs, coordinates community services programs, and supervises volunteer programs and conducts training of volunteers, and operates the Intensive Supervision Program.
08. Court Reporting--Court proceedings are recorded verbatim either by court reporters or by sound recordings, as provided by Supreme Court rules.
09. Legal and Professional Services--The Supreme Court, pursuant to Article VI, Section II of the Constitution, is responsible for practice and procedure in the courts of New Jersey. The support to fulfill this function includes judicial conduct, continuing education of judges and staff, rules development, and legal research.
10. Information Services--The Administrative Office of the Courts is responsible for the collection and maintenance of data on court operations, including statistical analysis and reporting, records management, and management information systems.
11. Field Operations--The State provides direct services to trial courts around the State. These services include trial court administrative offices and technical services in systems analysis, jury management, libraries, and others.
12. Management and Administration--Provides overhead services in such areas as budgeting and accounting, purchasing, property maintenance, and personnel. Also administers programs that are wholly or partially reimbursable by special fees, such as Clients' Security Fund, attorney discipline, and the Board of Bar Examiners.

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	Actual FY 1986(a)	Actual FY 1987	Revised FY 1988	Budget Estimate FY 1989
<b>EVALUATION DATA</b>				
Court Year--July 1 to June 30				
<b>Supreme Court</b>				
Appeals				
Added.....	293	245	275	285
Disposed.....	251	279	280	290
Pending June 30.....	211	177	172	167
Certifications added.....	1,369	1,382	1,425	1,440
Motions added.....	1,221	1,415	1,435	1,450
Disciplinary proceedings added.....	125	104	115	120
<b>Superior Court-Appellate Division</b>				
Appeals				
Added.....	6,121	6,275	6,557	7,015
Disposed.....	6,945	6,345	6,557	6,650
Pending June 30.....	5,304	5,234	5,234	5,599
Motions added.....	5,640	6,096	6,400	6,848
<b>Civil Courts</b>				
<b>Civil Cases</b>				
Added.....	72,276	71,759	73,912	76,129
Disposed.....	66,270	68,985	73,912	76,129
Pending June 30.....	66,222	68,996	68,996	68,996
<b>Special Civil Component</b>				
Added.....	398,802	400,876	412,902	425,289
Disposed.....	400,262	404,221	412,902	425,289
Pending June 30.....	40,574	37,229	37,229	37,229
<b>Surrogate Courts</b>				
Accounts disposed of.....	144,240	145,051	149,403	153,885
<b>Probate Section</b>				
Wills, administration and inventories indexed.....	6,463(b)	49,410	60,000	60,000
Accounts audited.....	90	53	100	150
Adoption judgments.....	2,009	1,623	1,800	1,980
<b>Microfilm and Vaults Section</b>				
Papers processed and filmed.....	4,253,033	3,464,002	3,800,000	4,200,000
Lower courts and agency judgments.....	61,500	55,000	60,000	62,000
Boxes returned from counties for storage.....	1,661,044	18,000(c)	37,500	45,000
<b>Taxed Costs and Execution Section</b>				
Execution and writs used.....	18,370	18,001	20,000	15,000
Bills of costs prepared.....	2,480	2,780	3,500	2,000
<b>Records Section</b>				
<b>Cases processed</b>				
Complaints.....	125,319	126,633	100,000	77,000
Letters of administration, etc.....	190	230	230	250
Certificates issued.....	419	475	500	600
Copies sent to attorneys.....	431,000	450,000	475,000	475,000
<b>Finance Section</b>				
Vouchers prepared (d).....	402,665	479,000	100,000	13,000
Deposits for security costs.....	1,636	1,500	1,700	2,000
Attorneys' accounts maintained.....	1,094	1,100	1,500	1,500
<b>Judgment and Search Section</b>				
<b>Indexing and Docketing</b>				
Judgments.....	105,503	107,103	117,813	129,600
Warrants of satisfactions, assignments, releases, etc.....	35,106	54,157	59,572	65,529
<b>Automobile Arbitration</b>				
Cases scheduled.....	20,276	29,623	33,000	34,000
Cases settled prior to hearing.....	5,913	8,927	9,900	10,200
Cases arbitrated.....	5,172	8,383	8,910	9,180
Trial <i>de novo</i> requests.....	2,088	3,919	4,160	4,287
Trials <i>de novo</i> completed.....	236	201	214	220
<b>Foreclosure</b>				
Matrimonial actions.....	29,832	29,684	30,000	31,000
Foreclosures.....	7,302	7,192	7,200	8,000
Payments out of court.....	2,022	1,667	1,800	2,000
<b>Tax Court</b>				
<b>Local Appeals</b>				
Added.....	2,696	2,921	3,150	3,500
Closed.....	3,984	2,932	3,500	3,500
Pending June 30.....	2,772	2,761	2,411	2,411
<b>State Appeals</b>				
Filed.....	259	395	350	350
Disposed of.....	266	335	350	350
Pending June 30.....	237	297	297	297

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	Actual FY 1986(a)	Actual FY 1987	Revised FY 1988	Budget Estimate FY 1989
<b>Criminal Courts</b>				
Criminal Cases				
Added.....	38,442	41,198	42,434	43,707
Disposed.....	37,281	38,600	42,434	43,707
Pending June 30.....	31,248	33,846	33,846	33,846
<b>Family Courts</b>				
Matrimonial				
Added.....	30,646	34,938	35,986	37,066
Disposed.....	30,217	33,319	35,986	37,066
Pending June 30.....	15,542	17,161	17,161	17,161
Juvenile and Domestic Relations Courts				
Added.....	224,017	238,021	245,162	252,517
Disposed.....	222,778	234,661	245,162	252,517
Pending June 30.....	21,185	24,545	24,545	24,545
General Equity				
Added.....	7,045	7,496	7,721	7,953
Disposed.....	6,805	7,355	7,721	7,953
Pending June 30.....	3,898	4,039	4,039	4,039
<b>Municipal Courts</b>				
Non-Traffic Violations				
Indictables.....	88,331	115,285	118,744	122,306
Disorderly Person.....	231,467	250,153	257,658	265,387
Other Non-Traffic.....	110,899	123,918	127,636	131,465
Traffic Violations				
Drunk Driving.....	37,131	41,925	43,183	44,478
Moving Violations.....	1,589,629	1,803,453	1,857,557	1,913,283
Parking.....	3,395,568	3,499,100	3,604,073	3,712,195
Municipal court clerks.....	531	531	531	531
<b>Probation Services</b>				
Probation officers.....	1,507	1,404	1,475	1,550
Probation support staff.....	1,491	1,450	1,525	1,600
Intensive Supervision Program				
Applications.....	1,487	1,602	1,730	1,903
Assessment Reports.....	376	455	500	550
Resentencing Panel Hearings.....	319	328	361	397
Participants.....	382	391	430	473
Revocations.....	90	111	122	134
Community Services				
Persons Sentenced.....	16,637	16,881	17,800	18,868
Hours Ordered.....	2,297,096	2,215,652	2,331,800	2,331,800
Persons Discharged.....	12,397	15,750	19,719	23,663
Total Hours Served.....	1,244,287	1,301,495	1,400,000	1,470,000
Active Cases as of June 30.....	18,131	21,315	25,800	28,122
<b>Court Reporting</b>				
Official Court Reporters.....	215	215	215	215
Per diem reporters.....	35	22	20	20
Sound Recording Installations				
Civil Courts.....	57	73	100	120
Family Courts.....	63	60	80	100
Municipal Courts.....	531	531	531	531
Supreme Court.....	1	1	1	1
Appellate Courts.....	2	2	3	3
Tax Courts.....	8	8	8	8
<b>Management and Administration</b>				
Candidates for Bar admission examined.....	3,750	4,050	4,100	4,200

(a) Some actual FY1986 Evaluation Data have been adjusted to reflect county recounts.

(b) Low volume in FY1986 due to suspension of indexing during conversion from manual to automated system.

(c) Change from File Papers to Storage Boxes

(d) Reduced volume is caused by ongoing implementation of the Direct Filing System.

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<b>AFFIRMATIVE ACTION DATA</b>				
Male Minority .....	44	49	60	83
Male Minority % .....	3.6	3.8	4.4	5.4
Female Minority .....	186	189	207	249
Female Minority % .....	15.3	14.7	15.3	16.1
Total Minority .....	230	238	267	332
Total Minority % .....	18.9	18.5	20.0	21.5

**POSITION DATA**

	1,475	1,503	1,556	1,614
Budgeted Positions .....	55	55	57	71
Supreme Court .....	209	208	228	228
Superior Court--Appellate Division .....	443	447	450	452
Civil Courts .....	130	138	138	140
Criminal Courts .....	114	103	109	112
Family Courts .....	12	14	14	14
Municipal Courts .....	35	32	32	32
Probation Services .....	227	226	226	227
Court Reporting .....	15	17	17	18
Legal and Professional Services .....	92	110	132	158
Information Services .....	34	39	39	39
Field Operations .....	109	114	114	123
Management and Administration .....	44	44	44	51
Authorized Positions--Federal .....	47	50	50	50
Authorized Positions--All Other .....	73	67	68	68
Positions Budgeted in Lump Sum Appropriations .....	1,639	1,664	1,718	1,783
Total Positions .....				

**APPROPRIATION DATA (amounts expressed in thousands)**

-----Year Ending June 30, 1987-----					-----Year Ending June 30, 1989-----				
Orig. & (S)Supple- mental	Reapp. & (R)Rec	Transfers (E) Emer- gencies	Total Available	Expended	PROGRAM CLASSIFICATIONS	Ref Key	1988 Adjusted Approp	Requested	Recom- mended
2,416	112	93	2,621	2,575	Supreme Court	01	2,722	3,597	3,298
7,461	126	698	8,285	8,244	Superior Court--Appellate Division	02	9,150	10,555	9,600
18,313	1,284	1,144	20,741	20,545	Civil Courts	03	22,615	24,126	23,168
8,349	198	2,299	10,846	10,551	Criminal Courts	04	10,847	12,296	11,405
6,918	199	999	8,116	7,939	Family Courts	05	8,569	9,699	9,397
1,206	31	-338	899	881	Municipal Courts	06	1,467	1,531	1,461
3,229	277	430	3,936	3,918	Probation Services	07	4,168	6,314	4,754
8,152	42	597	8,791	8,740	Court Reporting	08	9,119	10,516	9,777
539	41	94	674	660	Legal and Professional Services	09	742	859	712
6,117	287	262	6,666	6,633	Information Services	10	8,840	12,800	11,832
1,440	29	277	1,746	1,743	Field Operations	11	1,854	1,913	1,873
9,010	178	-4,546	4,642	4,578	Management and Administration	12	4,599	6,046	5,761
73,150	2,804	2,009	77,963	77,007	Total Appropriation		84,692	100,252	93,038
<b>Distribution by Object</b>									
80	---	15	95	95	Personal Services--		95	95	95
468	1	89	558	558	Chief Justice				
					Associate Justices (6 @ \$93,000)		558	558	558
					Judicial positions converted		935	340	340
23,295	2	5,586	28,883	28,875	Judges		29,546	30,844	30,311
27,601	111	4,129	31,841	31,690	Salaries and wages		31,867	35,422	33,703
					Positions converted			20	
					New positions		993	2,193	1,187
51,444	114	9,819	61,377	61,218	Total Personal Services		63,994(a)	69,472	66,194
1,660	384	166	2,210	2,174	Materials and Supplies		2,207	2,585	2,476
5,551	516	202	6,269	6,154	Services Other Than Personal		7,740	10,175	9,513
315	71	-142	244	218	Maintenance and Fixed Charges		356	448	444

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Orig. & (S) Supplemental	Reapp. & (R) Rec	Transfers (E) Emergencies	Total Available	Expended	Ref Key	1988 Adjusted Approp	Requested	Recommended	
150	40	-6	184	184	Special Purpose--				
---	---	---	---	---	Rules development	01	150	150	
---	2	37	39	37	Minority concerns	01	---	200	
1,100	1,050	-1,101	1,049	1,014	Administrative support services	03	---	---	
800	22	-56	766	733	Automobile arbitration	03	1,100	1,420	
---	---	---	---	---	Alternative dispute resolution	03	800	800	
190	63	-79	174	36	Court held funds	03	---	100	
101	38	-31	108	---	Criminal Disposition Commission	04	190	280	
500	7	-1	506	506	Computerized county jail information system	04	101	175	
---	---	---	---	---	Speedy trial program, case processing improvement	04	500	500	
277	---	100	377	377	Public defender eligibility review	04	113 S	496	
---	---	65	65	43	Child support and paternity program (State share)	05	277	755	
---	---	---	---	---	Child Placement Review Advisory Council	05	75	75	
375	105	-178	302	196	Developmentally Disabled Task Force-JDC	05	10 S	---	
---	18	-13	5	1	Juvenile Delinquency Commission	05	375 S 50 S	487	
---	---	30	30	30	Child visitation program	05	---	---	
---	---	---	---	---	Special program for court appointed special advocates	05	---	---	
1,500	206	-1,158	548	548	Child placement review boards	05	380 S	380	
---	---	---	---	---	Intensive supervision program	07	2,400	2,659	
---	---	---	---	---	Probationfields	07	---	50	
---	---	---	---	---	Juvenile intensive supervision program	07	---	1,548	
80	10	31	121	109	Affirmative action	12	80	218	
5,310	---	-5,310	---	---	Judicial salary increase	12	---	---	
---	---	---	---	---	Art for the Judiciary	12	---	25	
59	---	142	201	201	Compensation awards	---	65	---	
---	82	-81	1	---	Control-Information Services	10	---	---	
---	5 R	---	5	---	Control-Management and Administration	12	---	---	
10,442	1,648	-7,609	4,481	4,015	<b>Total Special Purpose</b>		6,666	10,318	
---	---	72	72	72	<b>Grants--</b>				
---	---	---	---	---	Bergen County differentiated case management project	03	---	---	
225	29	---	254	254	Family crisis intervention	05	225	225	
878	---	-638	240	240	Municipal court assistance	06	878	878	
650	6	---	656	656	Community services program	07	650	650	
---	---	146	146	146	Community probation supervision program	07	---	157	
---	---	39	39	---	Atlantic City sound recording program	08	---	---	
1,753	35	-381	1,407	1,368	<b>Total Grants</b>		1,753	1,910	
1,985	36	-46	1,975	1,860	<b>Additions, Improvements and Equipment</b>		1,976	5,344	

OTHER RELATED APPROPRIATIONS

Federal Funds

---	65 R	1	66	66	Criminal Courts	04	---	---
---	20 R	19,405	19,425	19,422	Family Courts	05	22,278	25,199
---	---	---	---	---	Municipal Courts	06	154	28
---	---	15	15	15	Probation Services	07	5	---
---	---	72	72	72	Management and Administration	12	87	---
---	85	19,493	19,578	19,575	<b>Total Federal Funds</b>		22,524	25,227

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					All Other Funds				
---	( 22 371 R )	---	393	378	Civil Courts	03	281	343	343
---	36 1,649 R	1	1,686	1,676	Management and Administration	12	1,750	1,932	1,932
-----	2,078	-----	2,079	2,054	<u>Total All Other Funds</u>		2,031	2,275	2,275
-----	73,150	-----	99,620	98,636	<u>Grand Total</u>		109,247	127,754	120,540

It is recommended that the unexpended balance as of June 30, 1988 in this account be appropriated.

It is further recommended that receipts from charges to the Superior Court Trust Fund, Clients' Security Fund, Ethics Financial Committee and the Board on Trial Attorney Certification be appropriated for services provided to those funds.

It is further recommended that, notwithstanding the provisions of section 1 of (C2A:1A-b), the salaries of the following justices and judges are fixed and established as follows:

Title	Salary
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court .....	\$95,000
Associate Justice of the Supreme Court .....	93,000
Judge of the Superior Court Appellate Division .....	90,000
Judge of the Superior Court Assignment Judge .....	88,000
Judge of the Superior Court .....	85,000

(a) The 1988 appropriation has been adjusted for the allocation of the salary program.

3,769,784	222,260	26,601	4,018,645	3,834,626	Grand Total, Direct State Services	4,315,960	5,060,923	4,914,756
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# NOTES