History of Judicial Compensation Fact Sheet- September 2023¹

Background

The annual salaries for judges are set in statute². From time to time, this statute has been amended to alter the salaries that judges receive³.

	Effective	Effective	Effective	Effective	Effective	Effective	Effective	Effective	Effective	Effective
	7/1/13	7/1/14	7/1/15	7/1/17	10/31/17	7/1/19	7/1/21	7/1/22	7/1/23	7/1/24
Position	FY 14	FY 15	FY 16	FY 18	FY 18	FY 20	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	FY 25
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court	\$ 184,954	\$ 194,757	\$200,599	\$ 206,617	\$ 200,599	\$ 206,617	\$ 215,915	\$ 226,711	\$ 233,512	\$ 240,518
Chief Court Administrator	\$ 177,728	\$ 187,148	\$192,763	\$ 198,545	\$ 192,763	\$ 198,545	\$ 207,480	\$ 217,854	\$ 224,390	\$ 231,121
Associate Judge Supreme Court	\$ 171,134	\$ 180,204	\$185,610	\$ 191,178	\$ 185,610	\$ 191,178	\$ 199,781	\$ 209,770	\$ 216,063	\$ 222,545
Chief Judge Appellate Court	\$ 169,240	\$ 178,210	\$183,556	\$ 189,063	\$ 183,556	\$ 189,063	\$ 197,571	\$ 207,450	\$ 213,674	\$ 220,084
Judge Appellate Court	\$ 160,727	\$ 169,245	\$174,323	\$ 179,552	\$ 174,323	\$ 179,552	\$ 187,663	\$ 197,046	\$ 202,957	\$ 209,046
Deputy Chief Court Administrator	\$ 157,795	\$ 166,158	\$171,143	\$ 176,277	\$ 171,143	\$ 176,277	\$ 184,209	\$ 193,420	\$ 199,223	\$ 205,199
Superior Court Judge	\$ 154,559	\$ 162,751	\$167,634	\$ 172,663	\$ 167,634	\$ 172,663	\$ 180,460	\$ 189,483	\$ 195,167	\$ 201,023

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Other Impacts

In PA 22-85, compensation for many constitutional offices was tied to judicial compensation. The Governor's salary is that of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. The Lieutenant Governor, the Treasurer, the Secretary, the Comptroller, and the Attorney General all have the same compensation as a Superior Court Judge. When judicial compensation is altered, increases to the salaries for these offices do not take place until after the next election for those offices.

¹ Revised 9/21/2023

² <u>CGS 51-47</u>

³ See Public Acts: PA 13-247, PA 15-5, PA 16-3, PA 17-2, PA 21-2, PA 22-118, and PA 23-204