

THE JUDICIARY

SUMMARY BY PROGRAM
(amounts expressed in thousands)

-----Year Ending June 30, 1985-----						Year Ending -----June 30, 1987-----		
Orig. & (S)Supple- mental	Reapp. & (R)Rec	Transfers (E) Emer- gencies	Total Available	Expended		1986 Adjusted Approp	Requested	Recom- mended
2,366	---	26	2,392	2,273	Supreme Court	2,470	2,574	2,416
5,924	---	1,054	6,978	6,859	Superior Court--Appellate Division	7,340	7,911	7,461
18,380	---	-443	17,937	17,481	Civil Court	18,639	19,404	18,313
8,679	---	-185	8,494	7,940	Criminal Courts	7,569	9,292	8,349
4,309	---	2,191	6,500	6,220	Family Courts	7,790	7,593	6,843
350	---	1	351	319	Municipal Courts	413	1,436	1,206
2,211	---	1,648	3,859	3,249	Probation Services	2,994	7,313	3,729
7,377	---	398	7,775	7,281	Court Reporting	7,582	8,618	8,152
553	---	-29	524	474	Legal and Professional Services	645	622	539
4,343	---	1,174	5,517	4,837	Information Services	4,687	7,011	6,317
825	---	462	1,287	1,265	Field Operations	1,081	1,561	1,440
3,028	6,439	-4,776	4,691	4,210	Management and Administration	4,037	4,222	3,700
58,345	6,439	1,521	66,305	62,408	Total Appropriation, The Judiciary	65,247	77,557	68,465

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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.

	Actual FY 1984	Actual FY 1985	Budgeted FY 1986	Budget Estimate FY 1987
EVALUATION DATA				
Court Year--July 1 to June 30				
Supreme Court				
Appeals				
Added.....	404	265	260	270
Disposed.....	439	276	265	275
Pending June 30.....	202	191	186	181

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	Actual FY 1984	Actual FY 1985	Budgeted FY 1986	Budget Estimate FY 1987
Certifications added.....	1,142	1,053	1,100	1,150
Motions added.....	1,243	1,113	1,150	1,200
Disciplinary proceedings added.....	102	117	115	115
Superior Court-Appellate Division				
Appeals				
Added.....	6,391	6,121	6,427	6,748
Disposed.....	6,538	6,099	6,427	6,748
Pending June 30.....	6,143	6,165	6,165	6,165
Motions added.....	5,821	5,596	5,876	6,170
Civil Courts				
Civil Cases				
Added.....	58,692	61,150	63,068	64,960
Disposed.....	58,060	63,985	65,905	67,882
Pending June 30.....	60,203	57,368	54,531	51,609
County District Courts				
Added.....	368,639	398,734	403,768	415,881
Disposed.....	374,112	395,087	406,940	419,148
Pending June 30.....	35,119	38,766	35,594	32,327
Surrogate Courts				
Accounts disposed of.....	138,041	137,100	137,100	141,213
Probate Section				
Wills, administration and inventories indexed.....	24,185	24,792	40,000	42,000
Accounts audited.....	103	96	150	150
Adoption judgments.....	4,280	1,535	4,000	4,200
Microfilm and Vaults Section				
Papers processed and filmed.....	4,231,247	4,326,754	5,000,000	12,000,000
Lower courts and agency judgments.....	32,954	54,642	85,000	95,000
Taxed Costs and Execution Section				
Execution and writs used.....	15,500	18,158	18,200	18,500
Bills of costs prepared.....	2,700	2,551	3,500	3,600
Records Section				
Cases processed				
Complaints.....	126,587	133,288	140,000	143,000
Letters of administration, etc.....	246	201	350	400
Certificates issued.....	794	508	500	550
Copies sent to attorneys.....	437,577	429,350	440,000	450,000
Finance Section				
Vouchers prepared.....	360,000	360,595	370,000	375,000
Deposits for security costs.....	1,728	1,775	1,900	1,950
Attorneys' accounts maintained.....	1,255	1,250	1,300	1,350
Judgment and Search Section				
Indexing and Docketing				
Judgments.....	89,661	78,880	110,000	122,000
Warrants of satisfactions, assignments, releases, etc.....	35,428	30,229	41,000	44,000
Tax Court				
Local Appeals				
Filed.....	4,908	3,345	4,573	4,717
Closed.....	5,273	4,781	5,027	5,178
Pending June 30.....	5,496	4,060	3,606	3,145
State Appeals				
Filed.....	637	249	197	233
Disposed of.....	807	267	187	238
Pending June 30.....	262	244	254	249
Foreclosure				
Matrimonial actions.....	29,712	29,564	30,000	30,500
Foreclosures.....	8,297	7,287	8,500	8,500
Payments out of court.....	1,188	1,872	2,000	2,200
Criminal Courts				
Criminal Cases				
Added.....	37,135	38,017	38,918	40,086
Disposed.....	38,640	37,326	39,192	41,152
Pending June 30.....	29,359	30,050	29,776	28,710
Family Courts				
Matrimonial				
Added.....	30,325	30,653	31,400	32,342
Disposed.....	31,238	30,908	31,835	32,790
Pending June 30.....	15,543	15,288	14,853	14,405
Juvenile and Domestic Relations Courts				
Added.....	204,702	212,244	217,439	223,962
Disposed.....	208,522	211,240	217,577	224,104
Pending June 30.....	18,395	19,399	19,261	19,119

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	Actual FY 1984	Actual FY 1985	Budgeted FY 1986	Budget Estimate FY 1987
General Equity				
Added.....	6,784	6,712	6,757	6,960
Disposed.....	6,783	6,695	6,896	7,103
Pending June 30.....	3,502	3,519	3,380	3,237
Municipal Courts				
Non-Traffic Violations				
Indictables.....	72,772	81,254	83,691	86,202
Disorderly Person.....	200,580	222,560	229,237	236,114
Other Non-Traffic.....	81,578	108,297	111,546	114,892
Traffic Violations				
Drunk Driving.....	38,966	37,453	38,577	39,734
Moving Violations.....	1,382,586	1,560,021	1,606,822	1,655,027
Parking.....	3,146,068	3,274,298	3,372,527	3,473,703
Municipal court clerks.....	531	531	531	531
Probation Services				
Probation officers.....	1,406	1,439	1,470	1,499
Probation support staff.....	1,367	1,344	1,350	1,357
Intensive Supervision Program				
Applications.....	1,374	1,522	1,980	2,357
Assessment Reports.....	353	351	396	470
Resentencing Panel Hearings.....	193	269	317	378
Participants.....	158	286	400	488
Revocations.....	20	55	52	80
Community Services				
Persons Sentenced.....	13,985	15,949	16,000	17,910
Hours Ordered.....	2,171,062	2,217,386	2,600,000	2,676,500
Persons Discharged.....	7,284	11,733	8,300	12,200
Total Hours Served.....	1,093,304	1,194,070	1,250,000	1,320,000
Active Cases as of June 30.....	9,528	15,464	10,880	23,203
Court Reporting				
Official Court Reporters.....	215	215	215	215
Per diem reporters.....	20	35	35	25
Sound Recording Installations				
Civil Courts.....	42	45	45	65
Family Courts.....	50	50	50	70
Municipal Courts.....	531	531	531	531
Supreme Court.....	1	1	1	1
Appellate Courts.....	2	2	3	4
Tax Courts.....	7	9	12	12
Management and Administration				
Candidates for Bar admission examined.....	2,883	3,675	3,950	4,000
AFFIRMATIVE ACTION DATA				
Male Minority.....	29	37	47	61
Male Minority %.....	2.8	2.3	2.9	3.6
Female Minority.....	149	173	185	210
Female Minority %.....	14.5	10.9	11.5	12.5
Total Minority.....	178	210	232	271
Total Minority %.....	17.3	13.3	14.4	16.1
POSITION DATA				
Budgeted Positions.....	1,303	1,348	1,477	1,503
Supreme Court.....	52	55	55	55
Superior Court-Appellate Division.....	184	184	199	213
Civil Courts.....	416	432	455	448
Criminal Courts.....	106	120	105	130
Family Courts.....	69	43	126	114
Municipal Courts.....	12	12	12	12
Probation.....	41	42	40	35
Court Reporting.....	228	233	227	227
Legal and Professional Services.....	17	18	16	15
Information Services.....	47	96	101	109
Field Operations.....	20	20	23	34
Management and Administration.....	111	93	118	111
Authorized Positions--Federal.....	54	42	48	56
Authorized Positions--All Other.....	---	---	45	44
Positions Budgeted in Lump Sum Appropriations.....	90	190	57	65
Total Positions.....	1,447	1,580	1,627	1,668

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APPROPRIATION DATA (amounts expressed in thousands)

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					Appellate Division	02	7,340	7,911	7,461
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8,679	---	-185	8,494	7,940	Criminal Courts	04	7,569	9,292	8,349
4,309	---	2,191	6,500	6,220	Family Courts	05	7,790	7,593	6,843
350	---	1	351	319	Municipal Courts	06	413	1,436	1,206
2,211	---	1,648	3,859	3,249	Probation Services	07	2,994	7,313	3,729
7,377	---	398	7,775	7,281	Court Reporting	08	7,582	8,618	8,152
553	---	-29	524	474	Legal and Professional Services	09	645	622	539
4,343	---	1,174	5,517	4,837	Information Services	10	4,687	7,011	6,317
825	---	462	1,287	1,265	Field Operations	11	1,081	1,561	1,440
3,028	6,439	-4,776	4,691	4,210	Management and Administration	12	4,037	4,222	3,700
58,345	6,439	1,521	66,305	62,408	Total Appropriation		65,247	77,557	68,465
<u>Distribution by Object</u>									
<u>Personal Services--</u>									
80	---	---	80	80	Chief Justice		80	80	80
468	---	---	468	456	Associate Justices (6 @ \$78,000)		468	468	468
---	---	---	---	---	Positions established from lump sum appropriation		6,510	---	---
---	---	---	---	---	Judicial positions converted		---	---	---
17,165	---	3,132	20,297	19,958	Judges		17,347	23,845	22,945
23,600	---	2,406	26,006	24,728	Salaries and wages		26,956	29,073	27,253
---	---	---	---	---	Positions converted		162	357	244
---	---	---	---	---	New positions		393	428	106
41,313	---	5,538	46,851	45,222	Total Personal Services		51,916(b)	54,601	51,446
1,538	---	769	2,307	2,191	Materials and Supplies		1,658	2,175	1,659
5,961	---	1,881	7,842	6,967	Services Other Than Personal		6,400	6,521	5,550
492	---	-118	374	318	Maintenance and Fixed Charges		302	396	315
<u>Special Purpose--</u>									
50	---	95	145	130	Rules development	01	150	150	150
---	---	20	20	20	Administrative support services	02	---	---	---
2,048	---	-817	1,231	1,231	County district court judges	03	---	---	---
1,100	---	---	1,100	1,046	Automobile arbitration	03	1,100	1,100	1,100
---	---	---	---	---	Alternative dispute resolution	03	---	800	800
100	---	-40	60	32	Criminal Disposition Commission	04	190	190	190
250	---	50	300	97	Computerized county jail information system	04	201	101	101
500	---	---	500	431	Speedy trial program, case processing improvement	04	500	500	500
---	---	2	2	2	Administrative support services	04	---	---	---
---	---	68	68	68	Burlington Comprehensive Justice Center project	04	---	---	---
---	---	---	---	---	Supervised pre-trial release program	04	---	200	---
225	---	87	312	270	Family crisis intervention	05	225	225	225
219	---	122	341	341	Child support and paternity program (State share)	05	277	483	277
2,603	---	-1,606	997	992	Implementation of family court (PL 1982, c.78)	05	---	---	---
300	---	-100	200	176	Juvenile Delinquency Disposition Commission	05	300	400	300
---	---	45	45	6	Child visitation program	05	---	---	---
---	---	25	25	---	Special program for court appointed special advocates	05	---	37	---
---	---	---	---	---	Child Placement Advisory Council	05	---	94	---
---	---	---	---	---	Municipal court assistance	06	---	996	878
600	---	226	826	521	Intensive supervision program	07	1,100	2,773	2,000
650	---	88	738	715	Community services program	07	650	3,050	650

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80	---	58	138	62	07	---	295	---	
59	---	---	59	59	12	80	80	80	
---	{ 5,627 812 R }	---	---	---		59	65	59	
---		-6,210	229	---		---	---	---	
8,784	6,439	-7,887	7,336	6,199		---	---	---	
---	---	---	---	---		4,832	11,539	7,310	
257	---	1,338	1,595	1,511		---	---	---	
						139	2,325	2,185	

OTHER RELATED APPROPRIATIONS									
Federal Funds									
---	62 R	---	62	62	04	165	3	3	
---	---	16,388	16,388	16,388	05	18,114	19,947	19,947	
---	{ 12 2 R }	8	22	21	07	4	---	---	
---	---	296	296	296	12	198	---	---	
---	76	16,692	16,768	16,767		18,481	19,950	19,950	

All Other Funds									
---	157 R	123	280	157	03	300	260	260	
---	1 R	---	1	1	05	---	---	---	
---	{ 13 1,317 R }	1	1,331	1,305	12	1,570	1,779	1,779	
---	1,488	124	1,612	1,463		1,870	2,039	2,039	
58,345	8,003	18,337	84,685	80,638		85,598	99,546	90,454	

It is recommended that the unexpended balance as of June 30, 1986 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.

- (a) Funding for 2 temporary Affirmative Action positions is contained in the Special Purpose Account for Affirmative Action.
- (b) The 1986 appropriation has been adjusted for the allocation of the salary program.

3,035,482	135,768	5,498	3,176,748	3,047,370	Grand Total, Direct State Services	3,404,645	3,876,014	3,732,962
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