

**Supreme Court of Arkansas**

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Honorable Jonathan Dismang, Co-Chair  
Honorable Lane Jean, Co-Chair  
Joint Budget Committee  
Arkansas General Assembly  
One Capitol Mall  
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Co-Chairs:

The Arkansas Supreme Court recently met to discuss our appropriation, and we decided to respectfully request only one change to the 2026-2027 appropriation bill for the Arkansas Supreme Court:

We request that the Supreme Court appropriation bill be amended to include one new position, Supreme Court Police Chief. This new position is needed to provide overall command and leadership of the Supreme Court Police Department. The position will provide executive oversight, administration, and operational management of the Supreme Court Police Officers assigned to the Justice Building.

Requested Job Title and Pay Grade

Supreme Court Police Chief    LES05

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Karen R. Baker".

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Karen R. Baker  
Chief Justice  
Arkansas Supreme Court

**ARKANSAS SENATE**  
95th General Assembly - Fiscal Session, 2026  
**Amendment Form**

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**Subtitle of Senate Bill 55**

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2026-2027  
FISCAL YEAR.

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**Amendment No. \_\_\_ to Senate Bill 55**

Amend Senate Bill 55 as originally introduced:

Page 2, delete lines 21 and 22 and replace with the following:

"(27)	Q106C	DATA POLICY MANAGER	1	GRADE IST08
(28)	Q371C	SUPREME COURT POLICE CHIEF	<u>1</u>	GRADE LES05
		MAX NO. OF EMPLOYEES	52".	

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The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and \_\_\_\_\_

By: Joint Budget Committee  
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Secretary