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SENATE BILL 37

By: Joint Budget Committee

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO MAKE AN APPROPRIATION FOR PERSONAL SERVICES
AND OPERATING EXPENSES FOR THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024; AND FOR
OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT FOR THE ARKANSAS SUPREME COURT
APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2023-2024 FISCAL
YEAR.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. REGULAR SALARIES - OPERATIONS. There is hereby established for the Arkansas Supreme Court for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate Fiscal Year 2023-2024
(1)	Q009N	SUPREME COURT CLERK	1	GRADE SE03
(2)	Q051C	NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR	1	GRADE IT10
(3)	Q263C	APPELLATE AUTOMATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE IT08
(4)	Q106C	DATA POLICY MANAGER	1	GRADE IT08
(5)	Q021C	APPELLATE REVIEW ATTORNEY II	2	GRADE GS14
(6)	Q011C	CRIMINAL COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS14
(7)	Q072C	FISCAL OFFICER	1	GRADE GS14



(8)	Q010C LIBRARY DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS14
(9)	Q035C SUPREME COURT LAW CLERK	14	GRADE GS14
(10)	Q012C SUPREME COURT REPORTER	1	GRADE GS14
(11)	Q037C ASSISTANT CRIMINAL COORDINATOR	2	GRADE GS12
(12)	Q036C CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK	1	GRADE GS12
(13)	Q217C DEPUTY CRIMINAL COORDINATOR	1	GRADE GS12
(14)	Q288C SUPREME COURT HUMAN RESOURCE COORD	1	GRADE GS12
(15)	Q083C COMMUNICATIONS COUNSEL	1	GRADE GS11
(16)	Q038C DEPUTY REPORTER	1	GRADE GS11
(17)	Q090C EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT TO CLERK	1	GRADE GS10
(18)	Q091C JUDICIAL CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE ASSIST	1	GRADE GS10
(19)	Q125C SUPREME COURT POLICE OFFICER	3	GRADE GS10
(20)	Q228C DEPUTY CLERK	1	GRADE GS09
(21)	Q108C FINANCIAL SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS09
(22)	Q116C JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT	6	GRADE GS09
(23)	Q109C RECORDS SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS09
(24)	Q107C ASSISTANT CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK	1	GRADE GS08
(25)	Q122C DATA RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GRADE GS08
(26)	Q192C PUBLIC SERVICE LIBRARIAN	1	GRADE GS08
(27)	Q124C LIBRARY TECHNICAL ASSISTANT	<u>1</u>	GRADE GS07
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	49	

SECTION 2. EXTRA HELP - OPERATIONS. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas Supreme Court for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: five (5) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - OPERATIONS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Supreme Court, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for personal services and operating expenses of the Arkansas Supreme Court for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
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NO.	2023-2024
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$3,872,217
(02) EXTRA HELP	30,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	1,231,957
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	342,765
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	30,000
(C) PROF. FEES	25,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	112,000
(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) ARKANSAS REPORTS	229,477
(06) COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEYS	195,000
(07) COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES	20,000
(08) SPECIAL JUSTICES	5,500
(09) JUDICIAL EDUCATION	100,000
(10) RECORDS MAINTENANCE TECHNOLOGY	<u>300,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u>\$6,493,916</u>

SECTION 4. REGULAR SALARIES - SUPREME COURT BAR OF ARKANSAS. There is hereby established for the Arkansas Supreme Court - Bar of Arkansas for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of regular employees.

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Maximum No. of Employees	Maximum Annual Salary Rate
				Fiscal Year 2023-2024
(1)	Q057N	SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF OPC	1	GRADE SE03
(2)	Q058N	SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF OPP	1	GRADE SE03
(3)	Q059N	SUPREME COURT DEP DIRECTOR OF OPC	1	GRADE GS15
(4)	Q268C	SUPREME COURT ATTORNEY SUPERVISOR	1	GRADE GS14
(5)	Q269C	SUPREME COURT ATTORNEY SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS13
(6)	Q200C	SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF AJC	1	GRADE GS13
(7)	Q201C	SUPREME COURT DIRECTOR OF JLAP	1	GRADE GS13
(8)	Q199C	SUPREME COURT SENIOR STAFF ATTY OPC	1	GRADE GS13
(9)	Q202C	SUPREME COURT STAFF ATTORNEY OPC	2	GRADE GS12
(10)	Q264C	HELP DESK APPLICATION SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS11

(11)	Q204C SUPREME COURT DEPUTY DIRECTOR JLAP	1	GRADE GS11
(12)	Q207C SUPREME COURT LICENSING DIRECTOR	1	GRADE GS11
(13)	Q229C SUPREME COURT PROGRAM COORD AJC	1	GRADE GS11
(14)	Q203C SUPREME COURT PROGRAM COORDINATOR OP	2	GRADE GS11
(15)	Q270C SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASST/PARALEGAL	1	GRADE GS09
(16)	Q206C SUPREME COURT FINANCIAL SPECIALIST	1	GRADE GS09
(17)	Q208C SUPREME COURT PARALEGAL OPC	1	GRADE GS09
(18)	Q211C SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASSISTANT AJC	1	GRADE GS07
(19)	Q210C SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASSISTANT OPP	2	GRADE GS07
(20)	Q230C SUPREME COURT ADMIN ASST JLAP	1	GRADE GS07
(21)	Q209C SUPREME COURT INVESTIGATOR OPC	<u>2</u>	GRADE GS07
	MAX. NO. OF EMPLOYEES	25	

SECTION 5. EXTRA HELP - SUPREME COURT BAR OF ARKANSAS. There is hereby authorized, for the Arkansas Supreme Court for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, the following maximum number of part-time or temporary employees, to be known as "Extra Help", payable from funds appropriated herein for such purposes: five (5) temporary or part-time employees, when needed, at rates of pay not to exceed those provided in the Uniform Classification and Compensation Act, or its successor, or this act for the appropriate classification.

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - SUPREME COURT BAR OF ARKANSAS. There is hereby appropriated, to the Arkansas Supreme Court, to be payable from cash funds as defined by Arkansas Code 19-4-801, for personal services and operating expenses for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the following:

ITEM	FISCAL YEAR
<u>NO.</u>	<u>2023-2024</u>
(01) REGULAR SALARIES	\$1,800,247
(02) EXTRA HELP	20,000
(03) PERSONAL SERVICES MATCHING	588,572
(04) MAINT. & GEN. OPERATION	
(A) OPER. EXPENSE	750,000
(B) CONF. & TRAVEL	181,700
(C) PROF. FEES	420,000
(D) CAP. OUTLAY	75,000

(E) DATA PROC.	0
(05) CONSTRUCTION	75,000
(06) REFUNDS/INVESTMENTS/TRANSFERS	<u>1,690,000</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED	<u><u>\$5,600,519</u></u>

SECTION 7. COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER LAWS. Disbursement of funds authorized by this act shall be limited to the appropriation for such agency and funds made available by law for the support of such appropriations; and the restrictions of the State Procurement Law, the General Accounting and Budgetary Procedures Law, the Revenue Stabilization Law, the Regular Salary Procedures and Restrictions Act, or their successors, and other fiscal control laws of this State, where applicable, and regulations promulgated by the Department of Finance and Administration, as authorized by law, shall be strictly complied with in disbursement of said funds.

SECTION 8. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the General Assembly that any funds disbursed under the authority of the appropriations contained in this act shall be in compliance with the stated reasons for which this act was adopted, as evidenced by the Agency Requests, Executive Recommendations and Legislative Recommendations contained in the budget manuals prepared by the Department of Finance and Administration, letters, or summarized oral testimony in the official minutes of the Arkansas Legislative Council or Joint Budget Committee which relate to its passage and adoption.

SECTION 9. EMERGENCY CLAUSE. It is found and determined by the General Assembly, that the Constitution of the State of Arkansas prohibits the appropriation of funds for more than a one (1) year period; that the effectiveness of this Act on July 1, 2023 is essential to the operation of the agency for which the appropriations in this Act are provided, and that in the event of an extension of the legislative session, the delay in the effective date of this Act beyond July 1, 2023 could work irreparable harm upon the proper administration and provision of essential governmental programs. Therefore, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety shall be in full force and effect from and after July 1, 2023.