

Judiciary - Court of Appeals

	FY 2025 ACTUAL	FY 2026 ESTIMATE	FY 2027 BASELINE
PROGRAM BUDGET			
Division I	16,044,200	16,662,200	16,823,700
Division II	8,345,200	8,646,500	8,727,200
AGENCY TOTAL	24,389,400	25,308,700	25,550,900
OPERATING BUDGET			
<i>Full Time Equivalent Positions</i>	162.8	163.8	163.8 ^{1/}
Personal Services	14,557,700	15,621,100	15,770,700
Employee Related Expenditures	7,219,900	7,797,700	7,900,300
Professional and Outside Services	409,900	36,600	36,600
Travel - In State	159,900	211,000	211,000
Travel - Out of State	14,600	15,600	15,600
Other Operating Expenditures	2,027,400	1,616,700	1,616,700
Equipment	0	10,000	0
AGENCY TOTAL	24,389,400	25,308,700	25,550,900 ^{2/}
FUND SOURCES			
General Fund	24,389,400	25,308,700	25,550,900
SUBTOTAL - Appropriated Funds	24,389,400	25,308,700	25,550,900
TOTAL - ALL SOURCES	24,389,400	25,308,700	25,550,900

AGENCY DESCRIPTION — The Court of Appeals has jurisdiction in all proceedings appealable from the Superior Court except criminal death penalty cases, which are automatically appealed to the Supreme Court. Division I also has statewide responsibility for reviewing appeals from the Arizona Corporation Commission, Industrial Commission, the Department of Economic Security unemployment compensation rulings, and the Arizona Tax Court. Division I convenes in Phoenix and encompasses the counties of Apache, Coconino, La Paz, Maricopa, Mohave, Navajo, Yavapai, and Yuma. Division II convenes in Tucson and encompasses the counties of Cochise, Gila, Graham, Greenlee, Pima, Pinal, and Santa Cruz.

FOOTNOTES

- ^{1/} Of the 163.8 FTE positions for fiscal year 2026-2027, 112.3 FTE positions are for division one and 51.5 FTE positions are for division two. (General Appropriations Act footnote)
- ^{2/} General Appropriation Act funds are appropriated as an Operating Lump Sum by Subprogram.

Operating Budget

The Baseline includes \$25,550,900 and 163.8 FTE Positions from the General Fund in FY 2027 for the operating budget. These amounts include \$16,823,700 and 112.3 FTE Positions for Division I and \$8,727,200 and 51.5 FTE Positions for Division II. Adjustments are as follows:

Judicial Salary Increase

The Baseline includes an increase of \$252,200 from the General Fund in FY 2027 for full implementation of a pay increase for Court of Appeals judges.

The FY 2025 General Appropriations Act increased the Court of Appeals judge's salary from \$190,000 to \$200,000 on January 1, 2025 and to \$210,000 on January 1, 2026. The FY 2025 budget's 3-year spending plan included an additional \$252,200 in FY 2027 for full implementation.

Remove One-Time Equipment Funding

The Baseline includes a decrease of \$(10,000) from the General Fund in FY 2027 to remove one-time equipment funding.