

Table 5.5
COMPENSATION OF JUDGES OF APPELLATE COURTS AND GENERAL TRIAL COURTS

State or other jurisdiction	Court of last resort	Appellate courts		General trial courts	Salary
		Salary	Intermediate appellate court		
Alabama	Supreme Court	\$148,302	Court of Criminal Appeals	Circuit courts	\$108,248 (e)
			Court of Civil Appeals		
Alaska	Supreme Court	114,468	Court of Appeals	Superior courts	105,852
Arizona	Supreme Court	126,525	Court of Appeals	Superior courts	120,750
Arkansas	Supreme Court	120,346	Court of Appeals	Chancery courts	112,728
			Circuit courts		
California	Supreme Court	162,409	Court of Appeals	Superior court	133,052
Colorado	Supreme Court	107,808	Court of Appeals	District courts	98,808
Connecticut	Supreme Court	129,404 (a)	Appellate Court	Superior courts	116,000 (a)
Delaware	Supreme Court	144,100	...	Superior courts	137,400
Florida	Supreme Court	150,000	District Court of Appeals	Circuit courts	130,000
Georgia	Supreme Court	153,086	Court of Appeals	Superior courts	121,938 (b)
Hawaii	Supreme Court	115,547	Intermediate Court	Circuit courts	106,922
Idaho	Supreme Court	102,125	Court of Appeals	District courts	95,718
Illinois	Supreme Court	158,103	Court of Appeals	Circuit courts	127,427
Indiana	Supreme Court	115,000 (c)	Court of Appeals	Circuit courts	90,000
			Superior courts		
Iowa	Supreme Court	116,600	Court of Appeals	District courts	106,610
Kansas	Supreme Court	111,402	Court of Appeals	District courts	97,285
Kentucky	Supreme Court	120,092	Court of Appeals	Circuit courts	110,288
Louisiana	Supreme Court	108,503	Court of Appeals	District courts	97,146
Maine	Supreme Judicial Court	103,584	...	Superior courts	97,110
Maryland	Court of Appeals	126,500	Court of Special Appeals	Circuit courts	115,000
Massachusetts	Supreme Judicial Court	126,943	Appellate Court	Superior courts	112,777
Michigan	Supreme Court	159,960	Court of Appeals	Circuit courts	135,966
Minnesota	Supreme Court	118,213	Court of Appeals	District courts	104,562
Mississippi	Supreme Court	102,300	Court of Appeals	Chancery courts	94,700
			Circuit courts		
Missouri	Supreme Court	123,000	Court of Appeals	Circuit courts	108,000
			Municipal division of circuit courts		
Montana	Supreme Court	89,381	...	District courts	82,600
Nebraska	Supreme Court	114,358	Court of Appeals	District courts	105,781
Nevada	Supreme Court	131,272	...	District courts	111,000 (b)
New Hampshire	Supreme Court	113,266	...	Superior courts	106,187
New Jersey	Supreme Court	152,191	Appellate division of Superior Court	Superior courts	137,165
New Mexico	Supreme Court	96,283	Court of Appeals	District courts	86,896
New York	Court of Appeals	151,200	Appellate divisions of Superior Court	Supreme courts	136,700
North Carolina	Supreme Court	115,336 (a)	Court of Appeals	Superior courts	104,523 (a)
North Dakota	Supreme Court	92,289	...	District courts	84,765
Ohio	Supreme Court	120,750	Court of Appeals	Courts of common pleas	103,500
Oklahoma	Supreme Court	106,706	Court of Appeals	District courts	95,898
Oregon	Supreme Court	99,200	Court of Appeals	Circuit courts	90,400
			Tax court		
Pennsylvania	Supreme Court	133,643	Superior Court	Courts of common pleas	116,065
			Commonwealth Court		
Rhode Island	Supreme Court	127,098 (a)	...	Superior courts	114,430 (a)
South Carolina	Supreme Court	119,510	Court of Appeals	Circuit courts	113,535
South Dakota	Supreme Court	97,739	...	Circuit courts	91,291
Tennessee	Supreme Court	118,428	Court of Appeals	Chancery courts	108,036
			Circuit courts		
			Criminal courts		
Texas	Supreme Court	113,000	Court of Appeals	District courts	101,700 (e)
Utah	Supreme Court	114,050	Court of Appeals	District courts	103,700
Vermont	Supreme Court	102,499	...	Superior courts	97,416
			District courts		
Virginia	Supreme Court	132,523 (d)	Court of Appeals	Circuit courts	123,027
Washington	Supreme Court	131,558	Court of Appeals	Superior courts	119,230
West Virginia	Supreme Court	95,000	...	Circuit courts	90,000
Wisconsin	Supreme Court	120,017	Court of Appeals	Circuit courts	106,812
Wyoming	Supreme Court	93,000	...	District courts	83,700

See footnotes at end of table.

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<i>State or other jurisdiction</i>	<i>Court of last resort</i>	<i>Appellate courts</i>			<i>General trial courts</i>	<i>Salary</i>
		<i>Salary</i>	<i>Intermediate appellate court</i>	<i>Salary</i>		
Dist. of Columbia	Court of Appeals	153,900	...	...	Superior courts	145,100
American Samoa	High Court	74,303	...	...	...	...
Guam .....	...	126,000	...	...	Superior courts	100,000
No. Mariana Islands	Commonwealth	126,000	...	...	Superior courts	120,000
Puerto Rico	Supreme Court	100,000	Appellate Court	90,000	Superior courts	80,000
U.S. Virgin Islands .....	...	...	...	...	Territorial courts	125,000

Source: National Center for State Courts, *Survey of Judicial Salaries* (Winter 2002).

Note: Compensation is shown according to most recent legislation, even though laws may not yet have taken effect.

(a) The base pay is supplemented by increments for length of service.

(b) Median salary. If more than half the salaries are the same as the mini-

mum or the maximum salary, then the median (the midpoint above which half the salaries fall) is either the minimum or maximum salary.

(c) In Indiana, subsistence allowance range is \$3,000 to \$5,500.

(d) Plus \$6,500 in lieu of travel, lodging, and other expenses.

(e) Based on local supplements.