

**ARKANSAS PERFORMANCE BUDGETING & ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM**  
**AGENCY PROGRAM COMMENTARY**  
**2003 - 2005**

Act 208 of 1979 created the Court of Appeals and provided for 6 judges to be elected to 8-year terms from six districts across the state. In 1993, the General Assembly passed Act 1085, which increased the number of sitting judges from 6 to 12 effective July 1, 1995. However, Act 1085 was amended by Act 11 of the First Extraordinary Session of 1995, which provided that the Court of Appeals would continue to consist of 6 judges until January 1, 1996, at which time the Court would be composed of 9 judges until January 1, 1997, when the Court would be increased to twelve judges. Pursuant to Act 11, the Court of Appeals has been composed of twelve judges since January 1, 1997. Act 889 of 1999 provided for elections to fill the positions held by the six additional judges appointed by the Governor pursuant to Act 11. Under Act 889, the electors of the six existing Court of Appeals districts will elect an additional Court of Appeals judge from each district to begin office January 1, 2001, and serve for four years or until such later date as the boundaries of the existing Court of Appeals districts are redefined and judges from those districts are elected.

**Regular Salaries.** The salary requests for FY04 and 05 reflect a 2.7% increase each year above the appropriated level for FY03. The FY04 request will fund a 2.7% increase for all of the Court's employees except for the law clerks, who will receive a \$4,000 increase above their FY03 salary levels to match a similar increase being given to the law clerks of the Supreme Court in FY04. Arkansas Code Annotated section 16-12-108(f)(1) (Repl. 1999) provides that "[l]aw clerks for the Court of Appeals shall receive the same salaries as Supreme Court law clerks." The Court is not seeking any additional positions or upgrades during the next biennium.

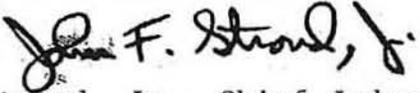
**Extra Help.** Request is the same as the FY02-03 appropriation.

**Personal Services Matching** is being requested in proportion to the additional salary requests for FY04 and FY05. The FY04 request is \$660,006; the FY05 request is \$677,826.

**Maintenance and Operation.** This request is the same as the FY02-03 levels.

**Conference Fees and Travel.** This request is the same as the Court's FY02-03 appropriation.

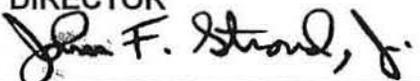
**Capital Outlay.** This request has not increased from the Court's FY02-03 appropriation.

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**Court-Appointed Attorneys.** Because of the increasing legal fees awarded attorneys, the Court is requesting a \$10,000 increase for FY04 and a \$20,000 increase for FY05.

**Special Judges.** This request has not changed from the Court's FY02-03 appropriation of \$17,044.

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John F. Stroud, Jr., Chief Judge

DIVISION OF LEGISLATIVE AUDIT  
AUDIT OF:  
ARKANSAS COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2001

Findings

None

Recommendations

None

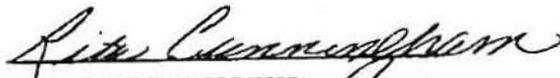
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 EMPLOYMENT SUMMARY  
 Required by: A.C.A. 19-4-307

AGENCY TITLE: 0018 AR COURT OF APPEAL

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	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL	PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL
WHITE EMPLOYEES	9	35	44	94%
BLACK EMPLOYEES	0	3	3	6%
EMPLOYEES OF OTHER RACIAL MINORITIES	0	0	0	0%
TOTAL EMPLOYED AS OF			3	6%
	08/05/2002			
	DATE		TOTAL MINORITIES	
			47	100%
			TOTAL EMPLOYEES	

  
 AGENCY DIRECTOR

**ARKANSAS PERFORMANCE BUDGETING & ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM  
STATE AGENCY PUBLICATIONS**

**Fiscal Year 2002-2003  
Required by: A.C.A. 25-1-204**

**AGENCY: Arkansas Court of Appeals**

**Agency # 018**

NAME OF PUBLICATION	STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION ACT # OR A.C.A.	REQUIRED FOR GOVERNOR AND/OR GENERAL ASSEMBLY ONLY	NUMBER OF COPIES PUBLISHED & DISTRIBUTED	REASON(S) FOR CONTINUED PUBLICATION AND DISTRIBUTION
No Publications				
				150

**ARKANSAS PERFORMANCE BUDGETING & ACCOUNTABILITY SYSTEM**  
**Biennial Appropriation Summary**

Agency            018        ARKANSAS COURT OF APPEALS  
 Appropriation    111        OPERATIONS  
 Fund                HSC        STATE CENTRAL SERVICES

Character Title	Expenditures			Request		Recommendations	
	2001-02	2002-03	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	Legislative	
	Actual	Budgeted	Authorized	Total	Total	2003-04	2004-05
Regular Salaries	1,887,620	2,216,049	2,216,049	2,275,882	2,337,330		
No. of Positions	49	49	49	49	49		
Extra Help	0	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000		
No. of Positions	0	2	2	2	2		
Personal Serv Matching	473,298	636,006	636,006	660,006	677,826		
Operating Expenses	137,880	152,185	152,185	152,185	152,185		
Conf Fees & Travel	45,729	68,900	68,900	68,900	68,900		
Capital Outlay	37,400	45,500	45,500	45,500	45,500		
Legal Counsel	101,275	110,000	110,000	120,000	130,000		
Special Judges	4,605	17,044	17,044	17,044	17,044		
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>2,687,807</b>	<b>3,270,684</b>	<b>3,270,684</b>	<b>3,364,517</b>	<b>3,453,785</b>		

Funding Sources							
Fund Balances							
General Revenues							
Federal Funds							
Special Revenues							
State Central Services	2,687,807	3,270,684	*****	3,364,517	3,453,785		
Non-Revenue Receipts			*****				
Cash Funds			*****				
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>2,687,807</b>	<b>3,270,684</b>	<b>*****</b>	<b>3,364,517</b>	<b>3,453,785</b>		
Excess Appro./(Funding)			*****				
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