

NEW YORK STATE
Unified Court System

BUDGET

FISCAL YEAR
2017–2018

GENERAL STATE CHARGES

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To: Judges of the Court of Appeals

From: Lawrence K. Marks *LM*

I respectfully submit the itemized estimates of the annual financial needs of the Judiciary for General State Charges for the Fiscal Year beginning April 1, 2017. Article VII, Section 1 of the Constitution requires the submission of these estimates to the Governor and legislative leaders on or before December 1, 2016.

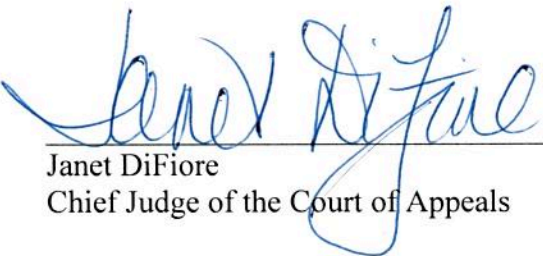
For the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year, the Judiciary is again submitting itemized estimates of funding for General State Charges necessary to pay the fringe benefits of judges, justices and nonjudicial employees separately from itemized estimates of the annual operating needs of the Judiciary. This presentation follows the long-standing practice of the Executive and Legislative Branches of separately presenting requests for funding of fringe benefit costs and requests for operating funds. The Judiciary will submit a single budget bill, which includes requests for funding for operating expenses and fringe benefit costs for the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year.

CHIEF JUDGE'S CERTIFICATION

ITEMIZED ESTIMATES OF THE
FINANCIAL NEEDS OF THE JUDICIARY
FOR GENERAL STATE CHARGES

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of New York, I certify that the attached schedules are the itemized estimates of the financial needs of the Judiciary for General State Charges for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2017 and that they have been approved by the Court of Appeals.





Janet DiFiore
Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals

Attest: 


Clerk of the Court of Appeals

Date: November 22, 2016

COURT OF APPEALS APPROVAL

ITEMIZED ESTIMATES OF THE
FINANCIAL NEEDS OF THE JUDICIARY
FOR GENERAL STATE CHARGES

Pursuant to Article VII, Section 1 of the Constitution of the State of New York, the Court of Appeals approves the attached itemized estimates of the financial needs of the Judiciary for General State Charges for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2017.




Janet DiFiore
Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals


Associate Judges of the Court of Appeals:



Eugene F. Pigott, Jr.



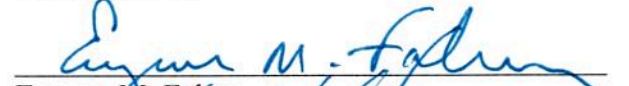
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Attest: 

Clerk of the Court of Appeals

Date: November 22, 2016

2017-18 JUDICIARY BUDGET REQUEST

GENERAL STATE CHARGES

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**Unified Court System
2017-18 Budget Request
All Funds Appropriation Requirements
General State Charges**

	<u>2016-17 Available</u>	<u>2017-18 Required</u>	<u>Change</u>
General Fund	\$681,765,708	\$734,726,867	\$52,961,159
NYC County Clerks' Operations Offset Fund	\$11,226,089	\$11,371,034	\$144,945
Judiciary Data Processing Offset Fund	\$8,589,061	\$8,806,663	\$217,602
Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund - Other	\$7,827,554	\$8,352,791	\$525,237
Court Facilities Incentive Fund	\$731,554	\$839,013	\$107,459
Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection	\$231,664	\$242,642	\$10,978
General State Charges - All Funds	\$710,371,630	\$764,339,010	\$53,967,380

**Unified Court System
2017-18 Budget Request
All Funds Disbursement Requirements
General State Charges
(Millions \$)**

	<u>2016-17 Adjusted</u>	<u>2017-18 Required</u>	<u>Change</u>
General Fund	681.8	734.7	52.9
NYC County Clerks' Operations Offset Fund	11.2	11.4	0.2
Judiciary Data Processing Offset Fund	8.6	8.8	0.2
Miscellaneous Special Revenue Fund - Other	7.8	8.4	0.6
Court Facilities Incentive Aid Fund	0.7	0.8	0.1
Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection	0.2	0.2	0.0
General State Charges - All Funds Total	710.3	764.3	54.0

STATE OF NEW YORK

FY 2017-18

General State Charges

MAJOR PURPOSE SUMMARY

General State Charges

2017-18 All Funds Budget Request:	\$764,339,010
General Fund:	734,726,867
Special Revenue Funds:	29,612,143

Major Purpose Description

This Major Purpose includes funding required for fringe benefits provided to state-paid judges and nonjudicial employees. Appropriations are required for pension contributions, Social Security and Medicare, health insurance premiums, dental, vision and life insurance, and employee benefit funds. These General State Charges appropriations are included in the 2017-18 budget bill submitted by the Judiciary.

Summary of 2017-18 Funding

The General State Charges Major Purpose All Funds budget requirement is \$764.3 million, or an increase of \$54 million (7.6%) over the current year adjusted appropriation. Required amounts for payment of fringe benefits include funding for the continuation of all statutorily-required and collectively bargained benefit provisions, as follows:

Nonpersonal Service

Pension: \$295.8 million

The amount required reflects an estimated obligation of \$294.5 million to the New York State Employees' Retirement System, which includes the repayment of certain amortized amounts from prior years. This represents an increase of \$16.4 million (5.9%) from the current year's adjusted appropriation. The funding requirement also reflects an estimated obligation of \$1.2 million to the New York City Retirement System for certain retirees who elected to remain in that retirement system.

Social Security and Medicare: \$111.8 million

The amount reflects a statutorily-mandated employer contribution rate of 7.65% applied to earnings up to \$127,200 and 1.45% on earnings exceeding \$127,200. The requirement represents an increase of \$5.9 million (5.6%) over the current year's adjusted appropriation. This increase reflects salary increments, in addition to a 7.3% increase in the maximum salary that is subject to Social Security withholding. The net increase in these funding requirements is partially offset by savings associated with turnover.

Health, Dental, Vision & Life Insurance: \$331.7 million

This requirement reflects an increase of \$31.2 million (10.4%) over the 2016-17 adjusted appropriation. The requested amount reflects increased costs for employer-provided health insurance as projected by the NYS Department of Civil Service. Funding is included for active and retired employees' health insurance; administrative costs payable to the NYS Department of Civil Service, and funds necessary to reimburse localities for certain retirees who elected to re-

main in local health plans. The amount also includes costs associated with dental, vision and life insurance coverage for judges, unrepresented and managerial/confidential nonjudicial employees.

Employee Benefit Funds: \$25.0 million

This requirement reflects an increase of \$0.4 million (1.7%) over the 2016-17 adjusted appropriation. The amount includes contractual obligations to employee benefit funds for eligible employees and retirees.

State of New York - Judiciary
Budget Summary for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

ALL FUNDS
GENERAL STATE CHARGES

	<u>Current Appropriation as Adjusted</u>	<u>UCS Recommended</u>	<u>Changes to Current Appropriation</u>
<u>Nonpersonal Service</u>			
Pension	279,370,754	295,794,905	16,424,151
Social Security and Medicare	105,927,516	111,841,791	5,914,275
Health, Dental, Vision and Life	300,453,945	331,670,501	31,216,556
Employee Benefit Funds	24,619,415	25,031,813	412,398
Total Nonpersonal Service	710,371,630	764,339,010	53,967,380
 Grand Total	 710,371,630	 764,339,010	 53,967,380

State of New York - Judiciary
Budget Summary for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

GENERAL STATE CHARGES
STATE OPERATIONS - GENERAL FUND

	<u>Current Appropriation as Adjusted</u>	<u>UCS Recommended</u>	<u>Changes to Current Appropriation</u>
<u>Nonpersonal Service</u>			
Pension	267,836,073	284,690,834	16,854,761
Social Security and Medicare	101,840,695	107,643,276	5,802,581
Health, Dental, Vision and Life	288,445,752	318,357,851	29,912,099
Employee Benefit Funds	23,643,188	24,034,906	391,718
Total Nonpersonal Service	681,765,708	734,726,867	52,961,159
 Grand Total	 681,765,708	 734,726,867	 52,961,159

State of New York - Judiciary
Budget Summary for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

GENERAL STATE CHARGES
NYC CO CLERKS' OPERATIONS OFFSET
FUND

	<u>Current Appropriation as Adjusted</u>	<u>UCS Recommended</u>	<u>Changes to Current Appropriation</u>
<u>Nonpersonal Service</u>			
Pension	4,035,642	3,791,285	(244,357)
Social Security and Medicare	1,429,857	1,433,507	3,650
Health, Dental, Vision and Life	5,324,180	5,714,795	390,615
Employee Benefit Funds	436,410	431,447	(4,963)
Total Nonpersonal Service	11,226,089	11,371,034	144,945
Grand Total	11,226,089	11,371,034	144,945

State of New York - Judiciary
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GENERAL STATE CHARGES
JUDICIARY DATA PROCESSING
OFFSET FUND

	<u>Current Appropriation as Adjusted</u>	<u>UCS Recommended</u>	<u>Changes to Current Appropriation</u>
<u>Nonpersonal Service</u>			
Pension	3,689,199	3,522,648	(166,551)
Social Security and Medicare	1,307,110	1,331,934	24,824
Health, Dental, Vision and Life	3,320,573	3,674,657	354,084
Employee Benefit Funds	272,179	277,424	5,245
Total Nonpersonal Service	8,589,061	8,806,663	217,602
Grand Total	8,589,061	8,806,663	217,602

State of New York - Judiciary
Budget Summary for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

GENERAL STATE CHARGES
MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL REVENUE
FUND

	<u>Current Appropriation as Adjusted</u>	<u>UCS Recommended</u>	<u>Changes to Current Appropriation</u>
<u>Nonpersonal Service</u>			
Pension	3,396,115	3,357,847	(38,268)
Social Security and Medicare	1,203,268	1,269,622	66,354
Health, Dental, Vision and Life	2,983,612	3,463,816	480,204
Employee Benefit Funds	244,559	261,506	16,947
Total Nonpersonal Service	7,827,554	8,352,791	525,237
Grand Total	7,827,554	8,352,791	525,237

State of New York - Judiciary
Budget Summary for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

GENERAL STATE CHARGES
COURT FACILITIES INCENTIVE AID
FUND

	<u>Current Appropriation as Adjusted</u>	<u>UCS Recommended</u>	<u>Changes to Current Appropriation</u>
<u>Nonpersonal Service</u>			
Pension	315,229	334,576	19,347
Social Security and Medicare	111,688	126,505	14,817
Health, Dental, Vision and Life	281,558	351,402	69,844
Employee Benefit Funds	23,079	26,530	3,451
Total Nonpersonal Service	731,554	839,013	107,459
Grand Total	731,554	839,013	107,459

State of New York - Judiciary
Budget Summary for Fiscal Year 2017-2018

GENERAL STATE CHARGES
LAWYERS' FUND FOR CLIENT
PROTECTION

	Current Appropriation as Adjusted	UCS Recommended	Changes to Current Appropriation
<u>Nonpersonal Service</u>			
Pension	98,496	97,715	(781)
Social Security and Medicare	34,898	36,947	2,049
Health, Dental, Vision and Life	98,270	107,980	9,710
Total Nonpersonal Service	231,664	242,642	10,978
Grand Total	231,664	242,642	10,978