

# Judicial Branch

## Mission Statement

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## Description

To provide a forum for the fair and peaceful resolution of disputes through a process defined in the constitution and law. The Iowa Supreme Court also has extensive supervisory and administrative duties of the States entire court system. The Supreme Court is assisted by the office of the State Court Administrator.

## Financial Summary

Object Category	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
<b>Resources</b>				
State Appropriations	220,161,878	221,834,378	228,043,968	221,834,378
Receipts from Other Entities	16,824,262	16,430,727	16,430,727	16,430,727
Interest, Dividends, Bonds & Loans	17,972,140	12,500,010	12,500,010	12,500,010
Fees, Licenses & Permits	512,519	530,010	530,010	530,010
Refunds & Reimbursements	1,497,681	1,310,110	1,310,110	1,310,110
Sales, Rents & Services	180,914	204,000	204,000	204,000
Miscellaneous	17,265,444	5,002,000	5,002,000	5,002,000
Centralized Payroll	8,776,973	8,100,000	8,100,000	8,100,000
Beginning Balance and Adjustments	245,177,891	250,592,795	257,086,660	241,493,304
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>528,369,701</b>	<b>516,504,030</b>	<b>529,207,485</b>	<b>507,404,539</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Personal Services	190,108,167	201,320,247	207,529,737	201,320,147
Travel & Subsistence	2,673,894	2,144,025	2,140,025	2,140,025
Supplies & Materials	2,462,056	2,052,729	2,052,829	2,052,829
Contractual Services and Transfers	23,434,658	26,770,389	27,261,607	23,256,607
Equipment & Repairs	14,034,211	6,633,570	6,633,570	4,725,089
Claims & Miscellaneous	35,594,728	25,220,266	25,220,266	25,220,266
Licenses, Permits, Refunds & Other	270	11,000	11,000	11,000
State Aid & Credits	9,113,502	10,858,500	10,858,500	10,858,500
Reversions	355,421	—	—	—
Balance Carry Forward	250,592,795	241,493,304	247,499,951	237,820,076
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>528,369,700</b>	<b>516,504,030</b>	<b>529,207,485</b>	<b>507,404,539</b>
<b>Full Time Equivalent</b>	<b>1,791</b>	<b>1,872</b>	<b>1,874</b>	<b>1,874</b>

## Appropriations from General Fund

Appropriations	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Judicial Branch	201,018,878	202,691,378	208,900,968	202,691,378
Jury & Witness (GF) to Revolving Fund (0043)	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000
Court Ordered Services-GF	3,290,000	3,290,000	3,290,000	3,290,000
Graduated Sanctions-GF	12,253,000	12,253,000	12,253,000	12,253,000
Total Judicial Branch	220,161,878	221,834,378	228,043,968	221,834,378

## Appropriations Detail

### Judicial Branch

General Fund

#### Appropriation Description

General Fund appropriation to the Governor/Lt. Governor's Office to cover staff salaries and support costs for the Office. Funding supports all areas of the office which deal with citizen contacts, correspondence, casework, board and commission appointments, volunteers and proclamations.

#### Judicial Branch Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
<b>Resources</b>				
Appropriation	201,018,878	202,691,378	208,900,968	202,691,378
Federal Support	1,971,897	1,982,093	1,982,093	1,982,093
Intra State Receipts	80,201	—	—	—
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Other Agencies	919,636	1,647,634	1,647,634	1,647,634
Fees, Licenses & Permits	154,994	150,000	150,000	150,000
Refunds & Reimbursements	—	100	100	100
Rents & Leases	139,836	169,000	169,000	169,000
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>204,285,441</b>	<b>206,640,205</b>	<b>212,849,795</b>	<b>206,640,205</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Personal Services-Salaries	187,675,557	198,235,672	204,445,162	198,235,572
Personal Travel In State	2,239,393	1,820,469	1,820,469	1,820,469
State Vehicle Operation	18,908	18,856	18,856	18,856
Depreciation	14,823	13,600	13,600	13,600
Personal Travel Out of State	322,869	191,100	191,100	191,100
Office Supplies	999,286	682,361	682,461	682,461
Facility Maintenance Supplies	172,447	78,103	78,103	78,103
Equipment Maintenance Supplies	26,316	70,702	70,702	70,702
Professional & Scientific Supplies	—	100	100	100
Other Supplies	2,508	3,100	3,100	3,100
Printing & Binding	70,817	14,143	14,143	14,143
Food	33,398	41,200	41,200	41,200
Uniforms & Related Items	26,593	24,500	24,500	24,500
Postage	965,367	892,420	892,420	892,420
Communications	941,417	385,268	385,268	385,268
Rentals	115,997	92,144	92,144	92,144
Utilities	199,972	190,000	190,000	190,000
Professional & Scientific Services	170,314	32,600	32,600	32,600
Outside Services	3,378,228	1,323,482	1,323,482	1,323,482
Advertising & Publicity	4,595	8,734	8,734	8,734
Reimbursement to Other Agencies	454,990	692,780	692,780	692,780
ITS Reimbursements	916,775	980,639	980,639	980,639
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Attorney General Services	7,776	3,000	3,000	3,000

## Judicial Branch Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Auditor of State Services	703,241	500,000	500,000	500,000
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Other Agencies Services	42,813	93,365	93,365	93,365
Equipment	—	10,000	10,000	10,000
Office Equipment	—	15,000	15,000	15,000
Equipment - Non-Inventory	1,966,600	172,414	172,414	172,414
IT Equipment	2,433,929	39,187	39,187	39,187
Other Expense & Obligations	24,822	14,266	14,266	14,266
Licenses	270	1,000	1,000	1,000
Reversions	355,421	—	—	—
Total Expenditures	204,285,441	206,640,205	212,849,795	206,640,205

## Jury & Witness (GF) to Revolving Fund (0043)

General Fund

### Appropriation Description

Jury & Witness (GF) to Revolving Fund (0043)

## Jury & Witness (GF) to Revolving Fund (0043) Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
<b>Resources</b>				
Appropriation	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000
Total Resources	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Intra-State Transfers	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000
Total Expenditures	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000

**Court Ordered Services-GF**

General Fund

**Appropriation Description**

Court Ordered Services-GF

**Court Ordered Services-GF Financial Summary**

Object Class	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
<b>Resources</b>				
Balance Brought Forward (Approps)	—	351,514	557,630	557,630
Appropriation	3,290,000	3,290,000	3,290,000	3,290,000
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>3,290,000</b>	<b>3,641,514</b>	<b>3,847,630</b>	<b>3,847,630</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Personal Travel Out of State	1,334	1,000	1,000	1,000
Office Supplies	22,950	25,000	25,000	25,000
Professional & Scientific Supplies	16,788	15,000	15,000	15,000
Professional & Scientific Services	1,411,374	(46,116)	160,000	160,000
Outside Services	3,202	5,000	5,000	5,000
Intra-State Transfers	470,500	1,600,000	1,600,000	1,600,000
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Other Agencies Services	—	500	500	500
Aid to Individuals	1,012,339	1,483,000	1,483,000	1,483,000
Loans to Local Governments	—	500	500	500
Balance Carry Forward (Approps)	351,514	557,630	557,630	557,630
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>3,290,000</b>	<b>3,641,514</b>	<b>3,847,630</b>	<b>3,847,630</b>

**Graduated Sanctions-GF**

General Fund

**Appropriation Description**

Court Ordered Services-GF

**Graduated Sanctions-GF Financial Summary**

Object Class	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
<b>Resources</b>				
Balance Brought Forward (Approps)	—	4,402,019	4,683,121	2,590,423
Appropriation	12,253,000	12,253,000	12,253,000	12,253,000
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>12,253,000</b>	<b>16,655,019</b>	<b>16,936,121</b>	<b>14,843,423</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Personal Services-Salaries	686,507	1,120,303	1,120,303	1,120,303
Personal Travel In State	2,485	4,000	4,000	4,000
Personal Travel Out of State	—	1,000	1,000	1,000

## Graduated Sanctions-GF Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Office Supplies	64	—	—	—
Professional & Scientific Supplies	—	1,000	1,000	1,000
Professional & Scientific Services	1,118,991	1,968,898	2,250,000	2,250,000
Outside Services	—	1,000	1,000	1,000
Intra-State Transfers	409,897	3,958,395	3,958,395	3,958,395
Reimbursement to Other Agencies	510	—	—	—
Refunds-Other	—	10,000	10,000	10,000
Aid to Individuals	5,632,526	7,000,000	7,000,000	7,000,000
Balance Carry Forward (Approps)	4,402,019	2,590,423	2,590,423	497,725
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>12,253,000</b>	<b>16,655,019</b>	<b>16,936,121</b>	<b>14,843,423</b>

## County Courthouse Technology Projects-0943-TRF

Technology Reinvestment Fund

### Appropriation Description

County Courthouse Technology Projects-0943-TRF

## County Courthouse Technology Projects-0943-TRF Financial Summary

Object Class	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
<b>Resources</b>				
Balance Brought Forward (Approps)	114,256	18,536	18,536	—
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>114,256</b>	<b>18,536</b>	<b>18,536</b>	<b>—</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Communications	580	—	—	—
Outside Services	5,470	5,000	5,000	—
Office Equipment	84,256	5,000	5,000	—
Equipment - Non-Inventory	5,414	8,536	8,536	—
Balance Carry Forward (Approps)	18,536	—	—	—
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>114,256</b>	<b>18,536</b>	<b>18,536</b>	<b>—</b>

## Fund Detail

### Judicial Branch Fund Detail

Funds	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
Judicial Branch	304,941,260	285,967,292	291,973,939	278,473,281
Jury & Witness Fee Rev Fund	6,330,975	5,705,192	6,508,770	4,897,422
Civil Reparations Trust Fund	685,118	365,310	365,310	365,310
Judicial Branch Court Debt Clearing Fund	17,268,528	5,290,796	5,251,000	5,290,796
Judicial-Prevention Services-Title IV E Reimbursements	10,148,065	8,895,706	16,033,324	7,832,504
Court Technology & Modernization Fund	35,259,218	29,089,421	27,789,443	21,894,498
Judicial Retirement Fund	235,135,100	236,602,331	236,007,556	238,192,751
Technology Reinvestment Fund	114,256	18,536	18,536	—

### Jury & Witness Fee Rev Fund

#### Fund Description

This account receives a general fund appropriation to the Judicial Branch to provide for payment of jury and witness fees and mileage pursuant to Chapter 602.1302 of the Code of Iowa.

### Jury & Witness Fee Rev Fund Detail

Object Class	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
<b>Resources</b>				
Balance Brought Forward (Funds)	2,724,145	2,104,192	2,907,770	1,296,422
Adjustment to Balance Forward	(67)	—	—	—
Intra State Receipts	3,606,972	3,600,000	3,600,000	3,600,000
Other	(75)	1,000	1,000	1,000
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>6,330,975</b>	<b>5,705,192</b>	<b>6,508,770</b>	<b>4,897,422</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Personal Services-Salaries	2,986	282,770	282,770	282,770
Postage	124,000	135,000	135,000	135,000
Professional & Scientific Services	(135)	40,000	40,000	40,000
Outside Services	1,703,312	1,600,000	1,600,000	1,600,000
Intra-State Transfers	302,233	—	—	—
Reimbursement to Other Agencies	34	1,000	1,000	1,000
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Other Agencies Services	30,128	50,000	50,000	50,000
State Aid	2,064,225	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000
Balance Carry Forward (Funds)	2,104,192	1,296,422	2,100,000	488,652
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>6,330,975</b>	<b>5,705,192</b>	<b>6,508,770</b>	<b>4,897,422</b>

## Judicial Retirement Fund

### Fund Description

This account receives employee and state contributions, and earned interest.

### Judicial Retirement Fund Detail

Object Class	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2027
	Actuals	Current Year Budget Estimate	Total Department Request	Total Governor's Recommended
<b>Resources</b>				
Balance Brought Forward (Funds)	208,385,997	216,002,311	215,407,536	217,592,731
Interest	15,129,435	10,000,000	10,000,000	10,000,000
Dividends	2,842,696	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000
Fees, Licenses & Permits	—	10	10	10
Refunds & Reimbursements	—	10	10	10
Payroll Deductions	8,776,973	8,100,000	8,100,000	8,100,000
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>235,135,100</b>	<b>236,602,331</b>	<b>236,007,556</b>	<b>238,192,751</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
Professional & Scientific Services	—	500	500	500
Outside Services	—	4,000	4,000	4,000
Reimbursement to Other Agencies	—	4,000	4,000	4,000
ITS Reimbursements	681	1,000	1,000	1,000
Gov Fund Type Transfers - Other Agencies Services	—	100	100	100
Other Expense & Obligations	19,132,109	19,000,000	19,000,000	19,000,000
Balance Carry Forward (Funds)	216,002,311	217,592,731	216,997,956	219,183,151
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>235,135,100</b>	<b>236,602,331</b>	<b>236,007,556</b>	<b>238,192,751</b>