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February 1, 2018

Honorable Larry Teague, Chairman
Honorable Lane Jean, Chairman
Joint Budget Committee
Arkansas State Capitol
500 Woodlane Street
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Dear Senator Teague and Representative Jean:

The Arkansas Court of Appeals respectfully requests changes to our 2018-19 appropriations bill pursuant to Arkansas Code Annotated Section 16-12-108(f)(1), which reads: "Law clerks for the Court of Appeals shall receive the same salaries as Supreme Court law clerks."

Current salaries for the Supreme Court law clerks are significantly higher than salaries for the Court of Appeals law clerks, despite the requirement of section 16-12-108(f)(1). The lack of parity stems from the 2017 Biennial Session, in which the Court of Appeals followed recommendations of the Office of Personnel Management and classified its law clerks as Grade GS10, while the Supreme Court, in a later filing, classified its law clerks as Grade GS12. The GS12 grade has resulted in higher salaries for Supreme Court law clerks.

In order to achieve equal salaries for our law clerks, the Court of Appeals requests first that our law clerks be upgraded from GS10 to GS12. This change would be reflected as shown below:

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Max. No. Employees	Max. Annual Salary Rate
(5)	Q033C	CA Law Clerk	24	GS10 GS12

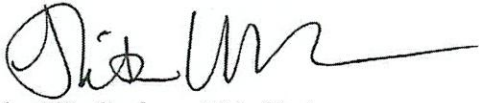
Upon receiving the upgrade to GS12, the Court of Appeals requests that our Regular Salaries appropriation be increased by \$233,000.¹ The Regular Salaries change would be reflected as shown below:

Item No.		Fiscal Year 2018-2019
(01)	Regular Salaries	\$2,809,306 \$3,042,306

¹ Our current Personal Services Matching appropriation is sufficient. **No additional funds are sought for matching.**

The upgrade to GS12 and the additional appropriation for Regular Salaries would enable the Court of Appeals to to match the salaries of the Arkansas Supreme Court law clerks in accordance with Arkansas Code Annotated Section 16-12-108(f)(1).

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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Rita W. Gruber, Chief Judge
Arkansas Court of Appeals

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Andrea Lea
Auditor of State



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State of Arkansas

January 12, 2018

Senator Larry Teague, Co-Chair
Representative Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Joint Budget Committee
Arkansas General Assembly
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Teague and Representative Jean:

The Auditor of State's office is requesting a budget changes as follows:

HSC5900 005 – Auditor of State's office is requesting to move one position with salary and matching appropriations:

Position #09991127 - 052D Clerical Tech, from Auditor of State, HSC5900 005 126061, to Unclaimed Property, HSC5900 122 126021, as a 063D UCP Tech position.

HSC5900 122 – Auditor of State's office moved to a new vendor for Unclaimed Property. The fees will be paid out of Professional Fees.

Move \$120,000 from :02 Operating Expense to :10 Professional Fees.

Thank you for your assistance. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

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Andrea Lea
Auditor of State

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS
SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS
MARTY SULLIVAN, DIRECTOR



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Ensuring Justice"*

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January 5, 2018

Honorable Larry Teague, Co-Chair
Honorable Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Joint Budget Committee
Arkansas General Assembly
One Capitol Mall
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Teague and Representative Jean:

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) respectfully requests the following changes be made to its fiscal year 2018-1019 appropriations bill:

1. The attached personnel changes reflect a reorganization effort that will require no additional funds from the State Central Services Fund.
2. Section 12. Appropriation – Court Automation. We are requesting an increase in the operating expense line from \$2,000,000 to \$2,250,000. This again would require no additional funds from the State Central Services Fund. This appropriation is payable from the Judicial Fine Collection Enhancement Fund.
3. Insert New Section 14, second attachment. Appropriation – Court Automation Enhancement. This request is for operating expenses and other costs associated with the state court automation system by the Administrative Office of the Courts. This appropriation, if approved, would be payable from the State Central Services Fund.
4. Section 20. Appropriation – Court Security Grants. We are requesting an increase in (04) Security Grants from \$250,000 to \$500,000. This appropriation, if approved, would be payable from the State Central Services Fund.

These requests will help ensure the effective and efficient administration of justice for all Arkansans. We appreciate your consideration and service to our state. Should you have questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Marty Sullivan

Attachments

CURRENT ACT 825**FY 2019 REQUEST****Section 1**

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Max No.	Salary Grade	Title	Max No.	Salary Grade
(5)	Q050C	AOC COORDINATOR OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE	1	GS11	AOC COURT INTERPRETER SERVICES DIRECTOR	1	GS11
(7)	Q014C	AOC DRUG COURT COORDINATOR	1	GS10	AOC SPECIALTY COURT COORDINATOR	1	GS10
(8)	Q058C	AOC JUDICIAL EDUCATION COORDINATOR	1	GS10	AOC JUDICIAL BRANCH EDUCATION DIRECTOR	1	GS10
(18)	Q088C	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT SPECIALIST	1	IT07	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT MANAGER	1	IT07
(19)	Q018C	AOC CASE MANAGEMENT BUSINESS MANAGER	1	IT06	AOC COURT APPLICATIONS BUSINESS DIRECTOR	1	IT10
(20)	Q114C	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST II	1	IT06	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST II	2	IT06
(21)	Q219C	AOC DATA QUALITY MANAGER	1	IT06	AOC DATA QUALITY MANAGER	1	IT07
(22)	Q048C	AOC PROGRAMMER	2	IT06	AOC SOFTWARE ENGINEER	2	IT06
(25)	Q249C	AOC COMPUTER SUPPORT ANALYST I	1	IT03	N/A	0	N/A
(26)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	AOC JUVENILE JUSTICE SPECIALIST	1	GS09

Section 11

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Max No.	Salary Grade	Title	Max No.	Salary Grade
(2)	Q015N	AOC SOFTWARE MANAGER	1	IT11	AOC APPLICATIONS DIRECTOR	1	IT11
(4)	Q062N	AOC HARDWARE MANAGER	1	IT10	AOC SYSTEMS DIRECTOR	1	IT10
(5)	Q017C	AOC CONTEXTE PROGRAM MANAGER	1	IT09	AOC IT PROJECT MANAGEMENT OFFICE DIRECTOR	1	IT10
(8)	Q028C	AOC HELP DESK MANAGER	1	IT08	AOC TECHNICAL TEAM MANAGER	1	IT08
(9)	Q140C	AOC SOFTWARE ENGINEER LEAD	1	IT08	AOC DEVELOPMENT TEAM MANAGER	1	IT08
(12)	Q190C	AOC PROJECT MANAGER II	2	IT06	AOC PROJECT MANAGER II	3	IT06
(13)	Q048C	AOC PROGRAMMER	1	IT06	N/A	0	N/A
(14)	Q142C	AOC SOFTWARE ENGINEER	3	IT06	AOC SOFTWARE ENGINEER	4	IT06
(17)	Q135C	AOC BUSINESS ANALYST	3	IT05	AOC BUSINESS ANALYST	4	IT05
(18)	Q143C	AOC TRAINING PROJECT MANAGER	1	IT05	N/A	0	N/A
(20)	Q250C	AOC PROJECT MANAGER I	1	IT04	N/A	0	N/A
(23)	Q068C	AOC FUNCTIONAL SPECIALIST	6	GS09	AOC APPLICATION SPECIALIST	8	GS09
(25)	Q134C	AOC TRAINER	2	GS09	N/A	0	N/A
(27)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	AOC Judicial Chief IT Security Officer	1	IT09

Section 23 (section eliminated in 2019 Request)

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Max No.	Salary Grade	Title	Max No.	Salary Grade
(1)	Q251C	AOC STAFF ATTORNEY	1	GS09	N/A	0	N/A

Insert new Section 14

SECTION 14. APPROPRIATION - COURT AUTOMATION - ENHANCEMENT. There is hereby appropriated, to the Administrative Office of the Courts, to be payable from the State Central Services Fund, for operating expenses and other costs associated with the state court automation system by the Administrative Office of the Courts - Court Automation – Enhancement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, the following:

ITEM NO.	FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019	
(01) Court Automation Expenses		\$1,200,000
TOTAL AMOUNT APPROPRIATED		\$1,200,000



*ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS
SUPREME COURT OF ARKANSAS*

MARTY SULLIVAN, DIRECTOR

January 5, 2018

Honorable Larry Teague, Co-Chair
Honorable Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Joint Budget Committee
Arkansas General Assembly
One Capitol Mall
Little Rock, AR 72201

Dear Senator Teague and Representative Jean:

On behalf of the Supreme Court of Arkansas, I respectfully request the following changes be made to its fiscal year 2018-2019 appropriations bill:

CURRENT ACT 827

FY 2019 REQUEST

Section 1

Item No.	Class Code	Title	Max No.	Salary Grade	Title	Max No.	Salary Grade
(24)	Q122C	DATA RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GS05	DATA RESEARCH ANALYST	1	GS06
(28)	Q106C	DATA POLICY MANAGER	1	IT04	DATA POLICY MANAGER	1	IT06

This change in salary grade will create equity with similar positions within the Justice Building. No additional appropriation for Regular Salaries will be needed and no further changes in the appropriations bill are requested.

We appreciate your consideration and service to our state. Should you have questions or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Marty Sullivan

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STATE CAPITOL BUILDING
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DENNIS MILLIGAN
TREASURER



TREASURER OF STATE

January 5, 2017

The Honorable Larry Teague
The Honorable Lane Jean
Joint Budget Committee

Chairmen:

I am respectfully requesting the following items to be addressed during the upcoming fiscal session of the Arkansas General Assembly.

FY18 Supplemental

I am requesting a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$50 million for the Property Tax Relief fund in order to ensure smooth and proper redistributions to counties.

FY19 Appropriations

I am requesting an increase in the appropriation for the Property Tax Relief fund of \$50 million for the FY19 fiscal year for a total of \$300 million in order to ensure the smooth and proper redistribution to counties.

I am also requesting the following change to the Office of Treasurer of State appropriation for fiscal year 2019. I would like to eliminate one of the Q351U Treas Manager V positions and create a new position and title of Treas Chief Information Technology Officer with a line item maximum of \$97,400 and respective increase in Personal Services Matching. Additionally, I would like to reduce ITEM No. (4) (A) Oper. Expense by \$15,545 for new a total of \$1,104,455, and reduce ITEM No. (5) Data Processing Syst/Services by \$15,545 for a new total of \$954,455. These offsets will ensure there is no increase to the overall appropriation for my office nor increase in personnel in FY19. We currently have an open Treas Manager V position, so this would not result in any staff losing their job.

To put in perspective this request, maintenance costs for our Treasury Management System (ARTMS) for FY17 were \$158,848.25 and currently costs through the end of December were \$115,962.50. This would afford us the ability to bring this function internal to the office, ensure dedicated 24 hour monitoring and maintenance, and reduce overall expenses to the taxpayers of Arkansas.

Finally, I am requesting an increase in Section 4. Appropriation- Investment-Cash as follows:

(01) Maint. & Gen. Operation	
(A) Oper. Expense	\$30,000
(B) Conf. & Travel	\$0
(C) Prof. Fees	\$20,000
(D) Cap. Outlay	\$75,000
(E) Data Proc	\$150,000
Total Amount Appropriated	\$275,000

Thank you for your consideration into this matter.

Sincerely,

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Dennis Milligan



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Supreme Court of Arkansas

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February 6, 2018

Honorable Larry Teague, Co-Chair
Honorable Lane Jean, Co-Chair
Joint Budget Committee
Arkansas General Assembly
One Capitol Mall
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RE: *Griffen v. Supreme Court, et al*, Case No. 4:17-cv-00639-DPM

Dear Senator Teague and Representative Jean:

The Arkansas Supreme Court, and the justices individually, were sued by Judge Wendell Griffen in the referenced case. By letter dated October 10, 2017, Governor Hutchinson authorized the justices to employ outside counsel upon the Attorney General's recusal.

Legal fees incurred by the justices are paid from the Supreme Court's Professional Services Appropriation – Char. 10, with an appropriation of \$25,000. Legal fees and expenses in that amount have been paid, and fees and expenses in the amount of \$135,774.62 are outstanding.

I respectfully request that funds be appropriated to pay the outstanding balance of \$135,774.62 and that the account (Professional Services Appropriation – Char. 10) be appropriated an additional \$250,000.00 for the current fiscal year and \$250,000.00 for the next fiscal year.

This request will ensure outstanding invoices are paid and will provide funds to pay future fees and expenses to the extent they are incurred. We are hopeful that this matter will be resolved quickly. If that is the case, we will not use the additional funds requested. I appreciate your consideration. Should you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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John Dan Kemp