

**SUPREME COURT (0032)**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2016**  
**As Enacted by Act 221 of 2015**

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

In accordance with the Arkansas Constitution, the Supreme Court shall exercise appellate jurisdiction, coextensive with the state, and it shall have general superintending control over all inferior courts of law and equity. The Supreme Court also has the authority to regulate the practice of law and the professional conduct of attorneys and to determine the appellate jurisdiction of the Court of Appeals.

**TOTAL APPROPRIATION**

The total appropriation is \$10,698,541 for FY2016.

**FUNDING SOURCES**

Funding for the operations of the Supreme Court is from the State Central Services Fund.

The Appellate Mediation and Bar of Arkansas Appropriations are funded with cash funds from grants and fees.

**II) CHANGE LEVEL REQUEST**

**OPERATIONS**

Appropriation totals \$4,613,627 for FY2016 which is \$112,000 over base level due to restoration of FY2015 authorized Capital Outlay.

**BAR OF ARKANSAS-Cash Funds (Attorney License Fees)**

Recommended at \$6,075,000 which is the FY2015 authorized amount. A.C.A 19-4-607(a) exempts constitutional officers from preparing an annual operations plan and the Supreme Court has chosen to utilize this exemption for the Bar of Arkansas programs and employee, therefore this appropriation and employees are not in the state accounting system.

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS (Total FY2015 Authorized Positions:67)**

Total Authorized Positions FY2016:67

Total Base Level Positions:67

Increase/(Decrease) Over Base Level: 0

Extra Help Positions FY2016:5 (Total FY2015 Authorized Extra Help:5)

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

**ACCESS TO JUSTICE:** Employees of the Supreme Court may provide support to the Access to Justice Foundation.

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