



State Court Administration

Iowa Judicial Branch Building
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Robert Gast
State Court Administrator

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Dear Judicial Branch,

The judicial branch budget appropriation bill has passed both the house and senate and is on its way to the governor to be signed. This appropriation is an increase of around \$460,000 over the FY 2022 appropriation. The good news for the branch is that there is a “surplus” in the judicial retirement fund because of a reduction in the state’s contribution share. The \$4.9 million surplus is included in the judicial branch operations budget. The branch will benefit from this funding but it is not enough to fund everything the branch requested.

The supreme court will now determine how to allocate our budget. Once the governor has signed the bill and the supreme court completes the budgeting process, I will communicate with you further on how the budget appropriation will be used in FY23.

Thanks for your patience in this process. Your work is very important to the people of Iowa and we want to keep you informed as the budget process moves forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert Gast", written in a cursive style.

Robert Gast