

FY 2025-2026 State Mandated Supplements and Salaries (Effective July 1, 2025)

Court Salaries

For Probate Judge, Magistrate Salary, and Master-in-Equity salaries contact SC Court Administration at (803) 734-1800.

State Salary Supplements for County Officials – FY 2025-2026

Auditors/Treasurers: \$24,805; 2% Increase (total before withholdings)
Probate Judges: \$15,000 (total before withholdings)
Registers of deeds (elected or appointed): \$15,000 (total before withholdings)
Coroners: \$15,000 (total before withholdings)
Clerk of Court: \$15,000 (total before withholdings)
Sheriffs: \$15,000 (total before withholdings)

Additional State Salary Information

FY 2025–2026 (Current Year) State Employee Cost-of-Living Adjustment: 2% Increase

FY 2024–2025 (Current Year) State Employee Cost-of-Living Adjustment: \$1,125 base pay increase for state FTEs making under \$50,000 and a 2.25 percent base pay increase for state FTEs making over \$50,000

FY 2025- 2026 Circuit Court Judge Salary: \$217,574

FY 2024-2025 Circuit Court Judge Salary: \$212,514

Sources:

- State salary increases are provided for in FY 2025 – 2026 State Appropriations Bill, Part 1B Provisos Section 117.141. (GP: Employee Compensation):
 - *(2) With respect to unclassified and non-judge judicial unclassified state agency employees or unclassified executive compensation system employees not elsewhere covered in this act, effective on the first pay date that occurs on or after July first of the current fiscal year the compensation of all unclassified employees shall be increased by 2 percent. ...*
 - *(7) Effective on the first pay date that occurs on or after July first of the current fiscal year, the Chief Justice and other judicial officers shall receive an annualized base pay increase of 2 percent for FTEs.*
 - *(8) Effective on the first pay date that occurs on or after July first of the current fiscal year, county auditors and county treasurers shall receive an annualized base pay increase of 2 percent.*
- Sheriffs, Clerks-of-Court, Registers of Deed, Coroners, and Probate Judges supplement information is derived from line-item appropriations in the FY 2025– 2026 Budget Bill, Section 113, Aid to Subdivisions.

Notes:

- County Auditors and Treasurers receive quarterly salary-only payments directly from the South Carolina State Treasurers office. Average state withholdings for benefits are approximately 28% of the gross salary amount appropriated for each auditor and treasurer salary supplement in the S.C. General Appropriations Act.
- Sheriffs, Clerks-of-Court, Registers of Deed, Coroners, and Probate Judges supplements are disbursed to the counties.