

THE STATE OF IDAHO
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As part of the Idaho Courts' commitment to promoting the effective recruitment of highly-qualified applicants for all judgeships, this document summarizes the compensation package for Supreme Court Justices, Court of Appeals Judges, and District Judges.

Judicial Salaries:

The salaries of the judges of the Idaho Courts are set by the Idaho Legislature, currently at the following levels:

Position	Salary as of July 1, 2018
Magistrate Judge	\$123,400
District Judge	\$135,400
Administrative District Judge	\$138,400
Court of Appeals Judge	\$141,400
Court of Appeals Chief Judge	\$144,400
Supreme Court Justice	\$151,400
Supreme Court Chief Justice	\$154,400

Retirement Plans:

The Judges' Retirement Fund, or JRF, is a defined benefit plan that district and appellate judges are eligible to participate in. The JRF is funded by employer and employee contributions. The employee contribution rate is 11.57% as of July 1, 2017. Employee contributions to the JRF are limited to 20 years of contributions.

The retirement benefit under the JRF is a 5% benefit per year for each of the first 10 years and then a 2.5% benefit per year for the next 10 years, up to a maximum of a 75% benefit, which is based on the salary of the highest-paid judicial position held. There are age and years of service requirements in order to qualify for a retirement benefit, as follows:

Age	Years of Service
65	4 years of service
60	10 years of service
55	15 years of service
Any age	20 years of service