

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings1-703.

(a) Title 8, Subtitle 1 of the State Personnel and Pensions Article applies to judicial salaries, except for the provisions of § 8-108(c) of the State Personnel and Pensions Article.

(b) (1) [Whenever] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, WHENEVER a general salary increase is awarded to State employees, each judge shall receive the same percentage increase in salary as awarded to the lowest step of the highest salary grade for employees in the Standard Pay Plan.

(2) IN ANY YEAR THAT A JUDGE'S SALARY IS INCREASED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A RESOLUTION UNDER § 1-708 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE JUDGE MAY NOT RECEIVE A SALARY INCREASE UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

1-708.

(c) Beginning in [1982] 2004 and every [2] 4 years thereafter, the Commission shall review the salaries and pensions of the judges of the courts listed in subsection (a) of this section. After BEGINNING IN [1980] 2008, the Commission shall make written recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly [at least] every 4 years, accounting from September 1, [1980] 2008 2004. The Governor shall include in the budget for the next fiscal year funding necessary to implement those recommendations, contingent on action by the General Assembly under subsections (d) and (e) of this section.

7-301.

(a) The court costs in a traffic case, including parking and impounding cases and cases under § 21-202.1 of the Transportation Article in which costs are imposed, are [\\$20] \$25. Such costs shall also be applicable to those cases in which the defendant elects to waive his right to trial and pay the fine or penalty deposit established by the Chief Judge of the District Court by administrative regulation. In an uncontested case under § 21-202.1 of the Transportation Article or uncontested parking or impounding case in which the fines are paid directly to a political subdivision or municipality, costs are \$2.00, which costs shall be paid to and retained by the political subdivision or municipality. In an uncontested case in which the fine is paid directly to an agency of State government authorized by law to regulate parking of motor vehicles, the costs are \$2.00. The fine and the costs shall be paid to the agency, which shall receive and account for these funds as in all other cases involving sums due the State through a State agency.

(b) (1) The court costs in a criminal case in which costs are imposed are [\\$20] \$25.

(2) The costs shall be in addition to any costs imposed in a criminal case under the Criminal Injuries Compensation Act.