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Ms. Brenda Halpin, Director
State of Connecticut
Office of the State Comptroller
Retirement Services Division
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Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Brenda:

Enclosed is the "Connecticut Probate Judges and Employees Retirement System Report of the Actuary on the Valuation Prepared as of December 31, 2015".

The valuation indicates that employer contributions at the rate of 7.72% of compensation are sufficient to support the benefits of the System. Please note that the Commission has adopted a revised funding policy for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, whereby, the actuarially determined employer contribution rate cannot be less than the employer normal cost rate.

Please let us know if there are any questions concerning the report.

Sincerely yours,

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**CONNECTICUT PROBATE JUDGES
AND EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

**REPORT OF THE ACTUARY ON THE VALUATION
PREPARED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015**





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State of Connecticut
State Employees Retirement Commission
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Members of the Commission:

Connecticut General Statutes Title 45a, Chapter 801, Part III governs the operation of the Connecticut Probate Judges and Employees Retirement System. The actuary makes periodic valuations of the contingent assets and liabilities of the Retirement System at the direction of the Commission. We have submitted the report giving the results of the actuarial valuation of the Retirement System prepared as of December 31, 2015. The report indicates that actuarially determined employer contributions at the rate of 7.72% of compensation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 are sufficient to support the benefits of the System.

In preparing the valuation, the actuary relied on data provided by the Comptroller's Office. While not verifying data at the source, the actuary performed tests for consistency and reasonableness. Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the Commission has adopted a revised funding policy, whereby, the actuarially determined employer contribution rate cannot be less than the employer normal cost rate.

The System is funded on an actuarial reserve basis. The actuarial assumptions recommended by the actuary and adopted by the Commission are in the aggregate reasonably related to the experience under the System and to reasonable expectations of anticipated experience under the System. The assumptions and methods used for funding purposes meet the parameters set for the disclosures presented in the financial section by Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement Nos. 25 and 27. The funding objective of the plan is that contribution rates over time will remain level as a percent of payroll. The valuation method used is the projected unit credit method. Gains and losses are reflected in the unfunded accrued liability which is being amortized as a level dollar amount within a 13-year period.

This is to certify that the valuation was prepared in accordance with principles of practice prescribed by the Actuarial Standards Board, and that the actuarial calculations were performed by qualified actuaries in accordance with accepted actuarial procedures, based on the current provisions of the retirement system and on actuarial assumptions that are internally consistent and reasonably based on the actual experience of the System.

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Future actuarial results may differ significantly from the current results presented in this report due to such factors as the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the plan's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. Since the potential impact of such factors is outside the scope of a normal annual actuarial valuation, an analysis of the range of results is not presented herein.

The undersigned meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John J. Garrett'.

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SECTION I - SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL RESULTS

1. For convenience of reference, the principal results of the current and preceding valuations are summarized below:

Valuation Date	December 31, 2015	December 31, 2013
Number of active members	371	346
Annual compensation	\$ 19,041,511	\$ 16,689,104
Retired members and beneficiaries:		
Number	336	364
Annual allowances	\$ 4,739,254	\$ 4,805,711
Deferred Vested Members:		
Number	28	21
Annual allowances	\$ 334,008	\$ 232,060
Assets:		
Market Value	\$ 85,294,815	\$ 86,744,972
Actuarial Value	92,001,796	87,490,158
Unfunded actuarial accrued liability	\$ (6,149,851)	\$ (4,873,023)
Amortization period (years)	13	15
Funded Ratio	107.2%	105.9%
For Fiscal Year Ending	June 30, 2017	June 30, 2015
Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution (ADEC):		
Normal cost	\$ 2,188,457	\$ 1,898,008
Accrued liability	<u>(720,454)</u>	<u>(527,142)</u>
Total	\$ 1,468,003	\$ 1,370,866
Actuarially Determined Employer Contribution Rates:		
Normal cost	11.50%	11.37%
Accrued liability	<u>(3.78)</u>	<u>(3.16)</u>
Total	7.72%	8.21%

2. The results of the valuation are given in Schedule A.



3. Comments on the valuation results are given in Section IV, comments on the experience and actuarial gains and losses during the valuation year are given in Section VII and the rates of contribution payable by employers are given in Section V.
4. Schedule B of this report presents the development of the actuarial value of assets. Schedule D details the actuarial assumptions and methods employed. Schedule F gives a summary of the benefit and contribution provisions of the plan.
5. The table on the following page provides a history of some pertinent figures.



Connecticut Probate Judges and Employees Retirement System

Comparative Schedule

Valuation Date December 31	Active Members				Retired Lives				Valuation Results (\$ thousands)		
	Number	Payroll (\$ thousands)	Average Salary	% increase from previous valuation	Number	Active/ Retired Ratio	Annual Benefits (\$ thousands)	Benefits as % of Payroll	Accrued Liability	Valuation Assets	UAAL
2006*	389	\$15,781	\$40,567	3.4%	258	1.5	2,717	17.2	N/A	N/A	N/A
2007*	409	16,915	41,357	1.9	277	1.5	2,979	17.6	\$60,631	\$86,325	\$(25,694)
2008*	418	17,683	42,305	2.3	283	1.5	3,137	17.7	59,437	78,213	(18,776)
2009	412	17,959	43,590	3.0	288	1.4	3,156	17.6	61,314	86,776	(25,462)
2011	330	15,404	46,679	7.1	342	1.0	4,417	28.7	73,127	85,154	(12,027)
2013	346	16,689	48,234	3.3	364	1.0	4,806	28.8	82,617	87,490	(4,873)
2015	371	19,042	51,325	6.4	336	1.0	4,739	24.9	85,852	92,002	(6,150)

*All amounts prior to 2009 reported by prior actuarial firm.



SECTION II – MEMBERSHIP

Data regarding the membership of the System for use as a basis for the valuation were furnished by the Comptroller's office. The following tables summarize the membership of the Retirement System as of December 31, 2015 and December 31, 2013 upon which the valuation was based. Detailed tabulations of the data are given in Schedule G.

Active Members as of December 31, 2015

Group	Number	Payroll	Salary	Group Averages	
				Age	Service
Judges	54	\$ 5,908,227	\$ 109,412	57.7	12.3
Employees	317	13,133,284	41,430	49.8	10.5
Total	371	\$ 19,041,511	\$ 51,325	50.9	10.8

Of the 371 active members, 161 are vested and 210 are non-vested.

Active Members as of December 31, 2013

Group	Number	Payroll	Salary	Group Averages	
				Age	Service
Judges	52	\$ 5,449,451	\$ 104,797	57.9	14.4
Employees	294	11,239,653	38,230	49.8	10.4
Total	346	\$ 16,689,104	\$ 48,234	51.1	11.0

Of the 346 active members, 163 are vested and 183 are non-vested.



Retired Lives as of December 31, 2015

Type of Benefit Payment	No.	Annual Benefits	Group Averages	
			Benefit	Age
Retirement	301	\$ 4,453,047	\$ 14,794	74.7
Survivor	35	286,207	8,177	79.0
Total	336	\$ 4,739,254	\$ 14,105	75.1

This valuation also includes 28 deferred vested members with estimated annual benefits of \$334,008 and 121 non-vested inactive members with employee contribution account balances totaling \$241,710.

Retired Lives as of December 31, 2013

Type of Benefit Payment	No.	Annual Benefits	Group Averages	
			Benefit	Age
Retirement	327	\$ 4,521,976	\$ 13,829	73.7
Survivor	37	283,735	7,669	77.7
Total	364	\$ 4,805,711	\$ 13,203	74.1

This valuation also includes 21 deferred vested members with estimated annual benefits of \$232,060 and 121 non-vested inactive members with employee contribution account balances totaling \$241,710.

SECTION III - ASSETS

- As of December 31, 2015, the total market value of assets amounted to \$85,294,815 as reported by the Comptroller’s Office. This amount includes \$4,435 of receivables as of the valuation date. The actuarial value of assets used for the current valuation was \$92,001,796. Schedule B shows the development of the actuarial value of assets as of December 31, 2015.
- Schedule C shows receipts and disbursements of the System for the two years preceding the valuation date and a reconciliation of the fund balances at market value.



SECTION IV – COMMENTS ON VALUATION

1. Schedule A of this report outlines the results of the valuation of the Retirement System as of December 31, 2015. The valuation was prepared in accordance with the actuarial assumptions and methods set forth in Schedule D and the actuarial cost method which is described in Schedule E.

2. The valuation shows that the System has a total actuarial accrued liability of \$85,851,945, of which \$48,538,944 is for the benefits payable on account of present retired members, beneficiaries of deceased members, and members entitled to deferred vested benefits, and \$37,313,001 is for the benefits expected to be payable on account of present active members, based on service to the valuation date. Against these liabilities, the System has total present assets for valuation purposes of \$92,001,796 as of December 31, 2015. When this amount is deducted from the actuarial accrued liability of \$85,851,945, there remains \$(6,149,851) as the unfunded actuarial accrued liability. A negative unfunded accrued liability reflects an excess of actuarial value of assets over accrued liability.

3. The employer's contributions to the System consist of normal contributions and accrued liability contributions. The normal cost represents the ultimate cost of the benefits and the accrued liability contribution is an addition (reduction in case of an excess) due to the amortization of the unfunded accrued liability. The valuation indicates that annual employer normal contributions at the rate of 11.50% of active members' compensation are required to provide the currently accruing benefits of the System.

4. Accrued liability contributions of (3.78)% of payroll are to be made toward amortizing the unfunded accrued liability. Annual accrued liability credits at the rate of (3.78)% of payroll will amortize the negative unfunded accrued liability within 13 years from the valuation date.



SECTION V – CONTRIBUTIONS PAYABLE BY EMPLOYER

The following table shows the amount and rate of contribution payable by the employer for the 2016/2017 and 2015/2016 fiscal years.

Contribution for	2016 / 2017		2015 / 2016	
	Contribution Amount	Contribution Rate	Contribution Amount	Contribution Rate
Normal Cost				
Service retirement benefits	\$2,349,439	12.34%	\$2,117,733	12.23%
Disability benefits	104,399	0.55%	95,650	0.55%
Survivor benefits	<u>15,237</u>	<u>0.08%</u>	<u>14,009</u>	<u>0.08%</u>
Total	\$2,469,075	12.97%	\$2,227,393	12.86%
Less Member Contributions	280,618	1.47%	258,210	1.49%
Employer Normal Cost	\$2,188,457	11.50%	\$1,969,183	11.37%
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liabilities (13 and 14 year level dollar amortization)	\$(720,454)	(3.78)%	\$(511,997)	(2.96)%
Total	\$1,468,003	7.72%	\$1,457,186	8.41%



The following table shows the estimated rates of contributions payable by the employer for the next two fiscal years following the valuation date. These results assume an 8.00% investment return on actuarial value of assets for the two years following the valuation date, and 3.75% annual growth in the compensation of active members.

Contribution for*	2017/2018		2018/2019	
	As % of Pay	\$	As % of Pay	\$
Employer Normal Cost	11.49%	\$2,270,524	11.49%	\$2,355,669
Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liabilities	(2.98)%	\$(589,550)	(1.83)%	\$(375,891)
Total (not less than Normal Cost)	11.49%	\$2,270,524	11.49%	\$2,355,669

* Beginning with the contribution requirement for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, the Commission has adopted a revised funding policy, whereby, the actuarially determined employer contribution rate cannot be less than the employer normal cost rate.

As can be seen in the table above, the employer contributions expressed as a percentage of payroll are expected to increase over the next two fiscal years due to the Commission's revised funding policy and the anticipation that the System remains above a 100% funded ratio. Of course, lower than expected investment returns could possibly alter this trend.



SECTION VI – ACCOUNTING INFORMATION

1. Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statements 25 and 27 set forth certain items of required supplementary information to be disclosed in the financial statements of the System and the employer. One such item is a distribution of the number of employees by type of membership, as follows:

**NUMBER OF ACTIVE AND RETIRED MEMBERS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND DECEMBER 31, 2013**

GROUP	2015	2013
Retirees and beneficiaries currently receiving benefits	336	364
Terminated employees entitled to benefits but not yet receiving benefits	149	142
Active plan members	<u>371</u>	<u>346</u>
Total	856	852

2. Another such item is the schedule of funding progress as shown below.

SCHEDULE OF FUNDING PROGRESS
(Dollar amounts in thousands)

Actuarial Valuation	Actuarial Value of Assets	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL) - Projected Unit Credit	Unfunded AAL (UAAL)	Funded Ratio	Covered Payroll	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll
Date	(a)	(b)	(b – a)	(a / b)	(c)	((b – a) / c)
12/31/2011	\$85,154	\$73,127	\$(12,027)	116.4%	\$15,404	(78.1)%
12/31/2013	87,490	82,617	(4,873)	105.9	16,689	(29.2)
12/31/2015	92,002	85,852	(6,150)	107.2	19,042	(32.3)



3. The following shows the schedule of employer contributions (all dollar amounts are in thousands).

<u>Fiscal Year Ending June 30</u>	<u>Valuation Date Ending December 31</u>	<u>Actuarially Determined Contribution</u>	<u>Percentage Contributed</u>
2015	2013	\$1,370,866	100%
2016	2013	\$1,457,186	
2017	2015	\$1,468,003	
2018	2015	\$2,270,524	

4. The information presented in the required supplementary schedules was determined as part of the actuarial valuation at December 31, 2015. Additional information as of the latest actuarial valuation follows.

Valuation date	12/31/2015
Actuarial cost method	Projected Unit Credit
Amortization method	Level dollar, closed
Remaining amortization period	13 years
Asset valuation method	5-year smoothed actuarial value
Actuarial assumptions:	
Investment rate of return*	8.00%
Projected salary increases*	4.75%
Cost-of-living adjustments	2.30%
Social Security Wage Base	3.00%
*Includes inflation at	2.75%



SECTION VII – EXPERIENCE

Actual experience will never (except by coincidence) coincide exactly with assumed experience. It is assumed that gains and losses will be in balance over a period of years, but sizable year to year fluctuations are common. Detail on the derivation of the experience gain/(loss) for the year ended December 31, 2015 is shown below.

	<u>\$ Thousands</u>
(1) UAAL* as of December 31, 2013	\$ (4,873.0)
(2) Total normal cost from last valuation	2,146.9
(3) Total actual contributions for 2014	1,808.5
(4) Interest accrual: $(1) \times .08 + [(2) - (3)] \times .0392$	<u>(376.6)</u>
(5) Expected UAAL as of December 31, 2014: $(1) + (2) - (3) + (4)$	\$ (4,911.2)
(6) Total normal cost from last valuation	2,146.9
(7) Total actual contributions for 2015	1,650.5
(8) Interest accrual: $(5) \times .08 + [(6) - (7)] \times .0392$	<u>(373.5)</u>
(9) Expected UAAL as of December 31, 2015 before changes: $(5) + (6) - (7) + (8)$	\$ (4,788.3)
(10) Change due to plan amendments	0.0
(11) Change due to actuarial assumptions or methods	<u>0.0</u>
(12) Expected UAAL as of December 31, 2015 after changes: $(9) + (10) + (11)$	\$ (4,788.3)
(13) Actual UAAL as of December 31, 2015	\$ (6,149.8)
(14) Gain/(loss): $(12) - (13)$	\$ 1,361.5
(15) Gain/(loss) as percent of actuarial accrued liabilities at start of year (\$82,617.1)	1.7%

*Unfunded actuarial accrued liability.

Valuation Date December 31	Actuarial Gain/(Loss) as a % of Beginning Accrued Liabilities
2011	(22.4)%
2013	5.4
2015	1.7



SCHEDULE A

RESULTS OF VALUATION

PREPARED AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND DECEMBER 31, 2013

	DECEMBER 31, 2015	DECEMBER 31, 2013
1. ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY		
Present value of prospective benefits payable in respect of:		
(a) Present active members		
- Service retirement benefits	\$35,644,750	\$32,127,776
- Disability retirement benefits	1,438,316	1,284,003
- Death and survivor benefits	<u>229,934</u>	<u>206,381</u>
- Total	\$37,313,001	\$33,618,160
(b) Present inactive members and members entitled to deferred vested benefits:	\$3,321,605	\$2,020,114
(c) Present annuitants and beneficiaries	<u>\$45,217,339</u>	<u>\$46,978,861</u>
(d) Total actuarial accrued liability [1(a) + 1(b) + 1(c)]	\$85,851,945	\$82,617,135
2. ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS	<u>\$92,001,796</u>	<u>\$87,490,158</u>
3. UNFUNDED ACTUARIAL ACCRUED LIABILITY [1(d) – 2]	\$(6,149,851)	\$(4,873,023)



SCHEDULE B

DEVELOPMENT OF ACTUARIAL VALUE OF ASSETS

For the Year Ending December 31	2015	2014
(1) Actuarial Value Beginning of Year*	\$ 90,558,920	\$ 87,490,158
(2) Market Value End of Year**	\$ 85,294,815	\$ 87,932,793
(3) Market Value Beginning of Year	\$ 87,932,793	\$ 86,744,972
(4) Cash Flow		
(a) Contributions	\$ 1,650,544	\$ 1,808,512
(b) Disbursements	<u>(4,987,218)</u>	<u>(4,818,999)</u>
(c) Net: (4)(a) + (4)(b)	\$ (3,336,674)	\$ (3,010,487)
(5) Investment Income		
(a) Market Total: (2) – (3) – (4)(c)	\$ 694,261	\$ 4,193,873
(b) Assumed Rate	8.00%	8.00%
(c) Amount for Immediate Recognition: [(1) x (5)(b)] + [(4)(c) x (5)(b) x 0.5]	\$ 7,111,247	\$ 6,878,793
(d) Amount for Phased-In Recognition: (5)(a) – (5)(c)	(6,416,986)	(2,684,920)
(6) Phased-In Recognition of Investment Income		
(a) Current Year: (5)(d) / 5	\$ (1,283,397)	\$ (536,984)
(b) First Prior Year	(536,984)	370,320
(c) Second Prior Year	370,320	456,187
(d) Third Prior Year	456,187	(1,342,258)
(e) Fourth Prior Year	<u>(1,342,258)</u>	<u>248,756</u>
(h) Total Recognized Investment Gain	\$ (2,336,132)	\$ (803,979)
(7) Preliminary Actuarial Value End of Year: (1) + (4)(c) + (5)(c) + (6)(h)	\$ 92,001,796	\$ 90,558,920
(8) Final Actuarial Value End of Year Using 20% Corridor: Greater of [(7) and .8 x (2)], but no more than 1.2 x (2)	\$ 92,001,796	\$ 90,558,920
(9) Difference Between Market & Actuarial Values: (2) – (8)	\$ (6,706,981)	\$ (2,626,127)
(10) Rate of Return on Actuarial Value	5.37%	7.06%

* Before corridor constraints, if applicable and adjusted.

** Includes additional receivables of \$4,435 in 2015 and \$4,435 in 2014.



SCHEDULE C

**SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
(Market Value)**

	YEAR ENDING	
	December 31, 2015 (\$1,000's)	December 31, 2014 (\$1,000's)
<u>Receipts for the Year</u>		
Contributions:		
Members	\$ 237	\$ 246
Employer	<u>1,414</u>	<u>1,563</u>
Subtotal	\$ 1,651	\$ 1,809
Investment Earnings	694	4,194
Health Services Allowance	0	0
Other	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
TOTAL	\$ 2,349	\$ 6,007
<u>Disbursements for the Year</u>		
Benefit Payments	\$ 4,973	\$ 4,797
Refunds to Members	14	22
Health Services Cost	0	0
Other	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	\$ 4,987	\$ 4,819
<u>Excess of Receipts over Disbursements</u>	\$ (2,638)	\$ 1,188
<u>Reconciliation of Asset Balances</u>		
Asset Balance as of the Beginning of Year	\$ 87,933	\$ 86,745
Excess of Receipts over Disbursements	<u>(2,638)</u>	<u>1,188</u>
Asset Balance as of the End of Year	<u>\$ 85,295</u>	<u>\$ 87,933</u>
Rate of Return	0.80%	4.92%



SCHEDULE D

OUTLINE OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

Adopted or reaffirmed by the Commission for the December 31, 2013 and later valuations.

VALUATION INTEREST RATE: 8.00% per annum, compounded annually, net of expenses.

SALARY INCREASES: 4.75% per annum.

COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS: 2.30% per annum.

SOCIAL SECURITY WAGE BASE INCREASES: 3.00% per annum.

SEPARATIONS BEFORE SERVICE RETIREMENT: Representative values of the assumed annual rates of separation before service retirement are as follows:

Age	Annual Rates of			
	Withdrawal		Death	Disability
	Employees	Judges		
	Men			
20	5.00%	5.00%	.024%	.03%
25	5.00	5.00	.032	.04
30	5.00	2.50	.037	.06
35	5.00	1.25	.059	.08
40	5.00	0.75	.086	.12
45	5.00	0.38	.107	.19
50	5.00	0.00	.142	.31
55	5.00	0.00	.219	.52
60	5.00	0.00	.414	.73
65	5.00	0.00	.810	.00
	Women			
20	7.50%	7.50%	.013%	.03%
25	7.50	7.50	.014	.04
30	5.00	3.75	.019	.06
35	5.00	1.88	.033	.08
40	5.00	1.25	.044	.12
45	5.00	0.63	.069	.19
50	5.00	0.00	.101	.31
55	5.00	0.00	.198	.52
60	5.00	0.00	.392	.73
65	5.00	0.00	.760	.00



RETIREMENT: The assumed annual rates of retirement are shown below.

<u>Age</u>	<u>Annual Rates of Retirement*</u>
50 – 61	5%
62 – 64	10
65 – 69	20
70 +	100

DEATHS AFTER RETIREMENT: The RP 2000 Mortality Table projected with Scale AA 15 years for men set back 2 years and projected 25 years for women set back 1 year is used for the period after retirement and for dependent beneficiaries. Based on the results of the most recent experience study adopted by the Commission, the numbers of expected future deaths are 12-14% less than the actual number of deaths that occurred during the study period for healthy retirees. Representative values of the assumed annual rates of mortality are as follows:

<u>Age</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
40	.086%	.044%	65	.810%	.760%
45	.107	.069	70	1.425	1.311
50	.142	.101	75	2.460	2.083
55	.219	.198	80	4.483	3.482
60	.414	.392	85	8.075	5.981

50% (men) and 80% (women) of the RP-2000 Disability Mortality Table is used for the period after disability.

ASSET METHOD: Actuarial Value, as developed in Schedule B. The actuarial value of assets recognizes a portion of the difference between the market value of assets and the expected value of assets, based on the assumed valuation rate of return. The amount recognized each year is 1/5 of the difference between market value and expected actuarial value. In addition, the actuarial value of assets cannot be less than 80% or more than 120% of the market value of assets.

VALUATION METHOD: Projected Unit Credit cost method. See Schedule E for a brief description of this method.

SPOUSES: For members who have elected spouse coverage, husbands are assumed to be three years older than their wives.

NON-VESTED INACTIVE MEMBERS: The employee contribution account balances as of the valuation date is used as a liability for these members.



SCHEDULE E

ACTUARIAL COST METHOD

The valuation is prepared on a projected benefit basis, under which the present value, at the interest rate assumed to be earned in the future (currently 8.00%), of each member's expected benefits at retirement or death is determined, based on age, service and sex. The calculations take into account the probability of a member's death or termination of employment prior to becoming eligible for a benefit, as well as the possibility of his terminating with a service, disability or survivor's benefit. Future salary increases are also anticipated. The present value of the expected benefits payable on account of the active members is added to the present value of the expected future payments to retired members, beneficiaries and members entitled to deferred vested benefits to obtain the present value of all expected benefits payable from the System on account of the present group of members and beneficiaries.

The Projected Unit Credit cost method is used to develop employer contributions. The employer contributions required to support the benefits of the System consist of a normal contribution and an unfunded actuarial accrued liability contribution.

The Actuarial Accrued Liability is determined as the present value of benefits accrued to the valuation date, where the accrued benefit for each active member is the pro-rata portion (based on service to the valuation date) of the projected benefit payable at termination, death, disability or retirement. The Actuarial Accrued Liability for deferred vested and inactive members is the present value as of the valuation date of their remaining benefit payments.

The normal contribution is determined as the present value of the portion of the projected benefit attributable to the year following the valuation date.

The Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability is determined by subtracting the Actuarial Value of Assets from the Actuarial Accrued Liability.



SCHEDULE F

**SUMMARY OF MAIN SYSTEM PROVISIONS
AS INTERPRETED FOR VALUATION PURPOSES**

The Connecticut Probate Judges and Employees Retirement System (CT PJERS) is a defined benefit pension plan established by the Connecticut General Assembly for the purpose of providing retirement allowances and other benefits for Probate judges and employees of probate courts in Connecticut, and their survivors and other beneficiaries. Special retirement provisions apply to a judge whose probate district is merged with another district and who has not been elected to a term which begins or is subsequent to such consolidation.

Eligibility Requirements

Judges All Judges of Probate (provided one full term is served by age 70).

Employees All persons who are employed by any probate court for more than 430 hours per year.

Credited Service All periods as a Judge of Probate, Acting Judge of Probate, Employee of any probate court, plus a period of not more than 3 years of service as a member of the General Assembly or in the military.

Final Average Compensation *Judges* – average annual compensation for the 3 highest paid years of service in the probate court, provided the compensation for any year does not exceed the maximum net income allowed by law.

Employees – the average annual rate of pay during the employee’s 3 highest paid years of employment.

Normal Retirement Benefit

Eligibility *Judges* - Age 62 and 10 years of service (age 70 mandatory retirement provided one full term is served).

Employees - Age 62 and 10 years of service (age 70 mandatory retirement regardless of service).

Benefit *Judges and Employees not covered by Social Security* – 2% of Final Average Compensation times years of Credited Service, minimum \$360 annually.

Judges and Employees covered by Social Security – 1% of Final Average Compensation up to \$4,800 plus 2% of Final Average Compensation above \$4,800, times years of Credited Service, minimum \$360 annually.

Early Retirement Benefit



Eligibility	<i>Judges and Employees</i> - 10 years of creditable service.
Benefit	Accrued benefit actuarially reduced unless separation occurs after age 60 in which case the reduction is .25% for each month that separation precedes age 62.
Disability Retirement Benefit	
Eligibility	10 years of creditable service.
Benefit	Calculated as a normal retirement benefit
Deferred Vested Retirement Benefit	
Eligibility	10 years of creditable service.
Benefit	Accrued benefit deferred to age 62.
Pre-Retirement Spouse's Benefit	
Eligibility	10 years of service and married for at least one year.
Benefit	Average of 50% of life annuity benefit and 50% of joint and 50% survivor benefit which member would have received had he retired on the date of his death.
Termination Benefit	
Eligibility	Termination with less than 10 years of creditable service.
Benefit	Return of the member's accumulated contributions with interest (no interest paid if the termination is due to death).
Payment Options	Straight life annuity; 50% or 100% joint and last survivor annuity; 10 or 20 year certain and life annuity.
Cost of Living Adjustments	The COLA percentage is based on the average monthly change in the nationwide Consumer Price Index and it is applied annually on July 1 to the previous July 1 benefit amount. The COLA is limited to 3% and no adjustment is made if the change in the CPI is less than 1%.



Contributions

By Members

Judges and Employees not covered by Social Security – 3.75% of Compensation

Judges and Employees covered by Social Security – 1% of Compensation up to the current Social Security Wage Base plus 3.75% of Compensation above the current Social Security Wage Base.

By Employers

Employer contributions are actuarially determined and approved and certified by the Commission. The minimum employer contribution is the employer normal cost.



SCHEDULE G

**The Number and Average Annual Compensation of Active Judges
By Age and Service as of December 31, 2015**

Age	Years of Service									Total
	Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 & Up	
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg. Pay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25 to 29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg. Pay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
30 to 34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg. Pay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
35 to 39	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Avg. Pay	103,752	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	103,752
40 to 44	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Avg. Pay	87,281	118,622	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	102,952
45 to 49	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Avg. Pay	92,037	123,545	0	110,773	0	0	0	0	0	105,833
50 to 54	0	3	1	2	3	3	0	0	0	12
Avg. Pay	0	97,186	118,722	120,084	120,230	111,173	0	0	0	112,055
55 to 59	3	3	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	12
Avg. Pay	71,681	104,015	106,501	107,085	118,622	110,124	0	0	0	99,139
60 to 64	1	4	0	1	1	4	1	0	0	12
Avg. Pay	103,752	110,419	0	118,622	118,722	115,748	118,722	0	0	113,707
65 to 69	0	1	0	3	2	2	1	1	0	10
Avg. Pay	0	123,445	0	119,896	104,574	120,534	118,622	118,622	0	117,059
70 & Up	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Avg. Pay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	8	13	2	9	7	12	2	1	0	54
Avg. Pay	86,738	108,530	112,612	116,345	115,312	113,996	118,672	118,622	0	109,412

Average Age: 57.7
Average Service: 12.3



SCHEDULE G
(Continued)

**The Number and Average Annual Compensation of Active Employees
By Age and Service as of December 31, 2015**

Age	Years of Service									Total
	Under 1	1 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 29	30 to 34	35 & Up	
Under 25	3	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Avg. Pay	21,565	21,897	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21,786
25 to 29	5	4	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Avg. Pay	27,703	27,047	28,941	0	0	0	0	0	0	27,958
30 to 34	3	13	13	4	0	0	0	0	0	33
Avg. Pay	40,610	30,708	37,260	46,062	0	0	0	0	0	36,050
35 to 39	0	8	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	16
Avg. Pay	0	32,217	40,342	55,752	45,447	0	0	0	0	39,488
40 to 44	0	6	9	2	7	2	0	0	0	26
Avg. Pay	0	36,946	33,625	46,574	55,651	42,595	0	0	0	42,008
45 to 49	2	13	11	5	5	3	0	0	0	39
Avg. Pay	42,846	36,159	47,210	49,126	56,260	48,468	0	0	0	44,805
50 to 54	5	11	12	9	4	3	4	1	1	50
Avg. Pay	26,015	34,224	39,538	41,312	50,528	58,648	66,586	73,900	47,943	42,381
55 to 59	2	11	21	14	8	2	5	1	0	64
Avg. Pay	28,059	27,755	40,908	46,695	43,585	60,154	66,512	77,001	0	43,012
60 to 64	4	3	7	2	12	7	2	0	2	39
Avg. Pay	29,799	26,968	41,991	42,106	54,396	50,300	62,460	0	75,341	47,659
65 to 69	0	2	4	7	3	4	3	1	1	25
Avg. Pay	0	32,257	31,475	34,483	54,094	41,623	63,271	69,542	75,470	43,816
70 & Up	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
Avg. Pay	0	0	0	0	29,415	0	0	0	0	29,415
Total	24	77	86	46	42	21	14	3	4	317
Avg. Pay	29,838	31,369	39,137	44,378	50,975	49,783	65,260	73,481	68,524	41,430

Average Age: 49.8
Average Service: 10.5



SCHEDULE G
(Continued)

**NUMBER OF RETIRED MEMBERS
AND THEIR BENEFITS BY AGE**

Age	Number	Total Annual Benefits	Average Annual Benefits
Under 50	1	\$ 6,335	\$ 6,335
50 - 54	7	25,891	3,699
55 - 59	10	74,276	7,428
60 - 64	26	285,250	10,971
65 - 69	47	913,000	19,426
70 - 74	71	1,298,199	18,284
75 - 79	49	740,358	15,109
80 - 84	42	530,713	12,636
85 - 89	30	380,693	12,690
90 - 94	15	176,282	11,752
95 & Over	3	22,050	7,350
Total	301	\$ 4,453,047	\$ 14,794

**NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES
AND THEIR BENEFITS BY AGE**

Age	Number	Total Annual Benefits	Average Annual Benefits
Under 50	2	\$ 17,714	\$ 8,857
50 - 54	1	646	646
55 - 59	1	646	646
60 - 64	2	13,234	6,617
65 - 69	1	22,610	22,610
70 - 74	2	18,658	9,329
75 - 79	3	10,556	3,519
80 - 84	5	42,922	8,585
85 - 89	10	90,679	9,068
90 - 94	5	25,432	5,086
95 & Over	3	43,108	14,369
Total	35	\$ 286,207	\$ 8,177



SCHEDULE G
(Continued)

**NUMBER OF DEFERRED VESTED MEMBERS
AND THEIR BENEFITS BY AGE**

Age	Number	Total Annual Benefits	Average Annual Benefits
Under 50	6	\$ 50,756	\$ 8,459
50 - 54	6	89,633	14,939
55 - 59	5	52,015	10,403
60 - 64	4	60,244	15,061
65 - 69	1	7,800	7,800
70 - 74	0	0	0
75 - 79	5	55,440	11,088
80 - 84	1	18,120	18,120
85 - 89	0	0	0
90 - 94	0	0	0
95 & Over	0	0	0
Total	28	\$ 334,008	\$ 11,929



SCHEDULE H

ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL EXPERIENCE

**Gains & Losses in Accrued Liabilities
Resulting from Difference Between
Assumed Experience & Actual Experience
(\$ Thousands)**

Type of Activity	\$ Gain (or Loss) For Two Year Period Ending 12/31/2015	\$ Gain (or Loss) For Two Year Period Ending 12/31/2013
Age & Service Retirements. If members retire at older ages, there is a gain. If younger ages, a loss.	\$ 828.7	\$ (479.2)
Disability Retirements. If disability claims are less than assumed, there is a gain. If more claims, a loss.	1.4	11.2
Death-in Service Benefits. If survivor claims are less than assumed, there is a gain. If more claims, there is a loss.	(297.2)	42.0
Withdrawal From Employment. If more liabilities are released by withdrawals than assumed, there is a gain. If smaller releases, a loss.	(453.2)	273.6
Pay Increases. If there are smaller pay increases than assumed, there is a gain. If greater increases, a loss.	290.2	505.3
New Members. Additional unfunded accrued liability will produce a loss.	(444.8)	(703.9)
Investment Income. If there is a greater investment income than assumed, there is a gain. If less income, a loss.	(3,131.2)	(4,312.7)
Death After Retirement. If retirants live longer than assumed, there is a loss. If not as long, a gain.	3,971.7	(767.1)
Other. Miscellaneous gains and losses resulting from changes in valuation software, data adjustments, timing of financial transactions, etc.	<u>595.9</u>	<u>(494.6)</u>
Gain (or Loss) During Year From Financial Experience	<u>\$ 1,361.5</u>	<u>\$ (3,977.8)</u>
Non-Recurring Items. Adjustments for plan amendments, assumption changes, or method changes.	<u>0.0</u>	<u>(3,211.5)</u>
Composite Gain (or Loss) During Year	<u>\$ 1,361.5</u>	<u>\$ (7,189.3)</u>