

Salary Comparisons
Judiciary Salaries
Compensation Council

I. Judicial Salariesⁱ

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| a. Chief Justice, Supreme Court: \$236,429 | d. Appeals Ct. Judge: \$202,528 |
| b. Supreme Court Justice: \$214,935 | e. District Ct. Chief Judge: \$199,622 |
| c. Chief Judge, Appeals Court: \$212,650 | f. District Court Judge: \$190,117 |

II. County Attorneys

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| a. Anoka: \$247,085 ⁱⁱ | h. Beltrami: \$184,725 ^{ix} |
| b. Carver: \$244,730 ⁱⁱⁱ | i. Chisago: \$202,248 ^x |
| c. Dakota: \$240,464 ^{iv} | j. Kanabec: \$148,740 ^{xi} |
| d. Hennepin: \$231,564 ^v | k. Mower: \$191,314 ^{xii} |
| e. Ramsey: \$223,930 ^{vi} | l. Olmsted: \$228,577 ^{xiii} |
| f. Scott: \$212,737 ^{vii} | m. St. Louis: \$209,872 ^{xiv} |
| g. Washington: \$240,466 ^{viii} | n. Stearns: \$237,515 ^{xv} |

III. Assistant County Attorneys (Average)^{xvi}

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| a. Anoka: \$211,848 | f. Washington: \$201,094 |
| b. Carver: \$177,424 | g. Beltrami: \$159,619 |
| c. Dakota: \$212,180 | h. Chisago: \$111,696 |
| d. Hennepin: \$205,316 | i. Olmsted: \$191,942 |
| e. Ramsey: \$188,801 | j. Stearns: \$215,446 |

IV. Minnesota Board of Public Defense^{xvii}

- a. Managing Attorney max: \$184,258
- b. Assistant public defender max: \$158,500

V. Private Sector attorneys^{xviii}

	Min	Avg	Max
Lawyer/Attorney, 10+ Years' Experience	\$150,068	\$181,900	\$211,593
Lawyer/Attorney, 4-9 Years' Experience	\$118,235	\$149,800	\$185,913
Lawyer/Attorney, 2-3 Years' Experience	\$105,395	\$132,145	\$162,105
First-Year Lawyer/Attorney	\$85,868	\$105,663	\$137,228

ⁱ <https://mncourts.gov/about-the-courts/fast-facts>

ⁱⁱ https://www.hometownsource.com/abc_newspapers/community/coonrapids/anoka-county-board-approves-second-salary-increase-in-two-months-for-county-attorney-and-sheriff/article_690186d5-709f-41dd-8526-6e7ede604bb4.html

ⁱⁱⁱ <https://citizenportal.ai/articles/7223316/Carver-County/Minnesota/Carver-County-approves-7-pay-increases-for-county-attorney-sheriff-and-commissioners>

^{iv} Circa 2025; LRL Data

^v <https://hennepinmn.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=6829188&GUID=ED1A37B6-558B-4AB1-83C9-07B0F62CCDE9>

^{vi} Circa 2025; LRL Data

^{vii} Circa 2025; LRL Data

^{viii} <https://www.washingtoncountymn.gov/3713/Salary-Compliance-Notice>

^{ix} <https://www.beltramicountymn.gov/media/aknopqct/salary-compliance-for-website.pdf>

^x <https://www.chisagocountymn.gov/DocumentCenter/View/24381/2026-Top-Three-Salaries-for-the-Website-PDF?bidId=>

^{xi} https://cms5.revize.com/revize/kanabeccounty/document_center/Departments/Coordinator/Minutes/2025/January%202025%20Minutes.pdf

^{xii} <https://www.co.mower.mn.us/281/Salary-Compliance-Notice>

^{xiii} <https://krocnews.com/2026-budget-olmsted-county-budget/>

^{xiv} <https://www.stlouiscountymn.gov/policies/transparency>

^{xv} Circa 2025; LRL Data

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^{xvii} <https://www.roberthalf.com/us/en/insights/salary-guide>