
N.Y.S. COUNTY COURT JUDGES ASSOCIATION

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To Commission on Legislative Judicial and Executive Compensation:

On behalf of the New York State County Court Judges Association, I submit this communication for consideration at your Public Hearing November 30, 2015. While I cannot attend due to my trial schedule, I respectfully request consideration of the following on behalf of our association.

We are in accord with the position of the New York State Judiciary expressed by the Chief Administrative Judge in his submission to this honorable commission. There is one additional issue concerning pay parity among County Court Judges, which while generally addressed at pages 24 to 26 of the Chief Administrative Judge's Submission, should also be considered by the Commission, we respectfully submit. Many upstate County Judges sit in three courts: commonly called "Three Hatters", presiding over Criminal, Family and Surrogate matters. Clearly this factor creates greater caseloads and the need to be familiar with diverse state agencies and multiple areas of the law, and gives added reason to address pay parity as to them. We feel that there is no reason why a judge presiding exclusively in a criminal part in any other county in the state should be compensated at a greater rate than these judges. In all other respects the New York State Judiciary Submission adequately addresses our concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

Judge Victor J. Alfieri, Jr., President

County Court



