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MEMORANDUM

TO: All General Sessions Judges

FROM: John Coke – General Counsel 

CC: Michelle Long – Director
Stephanie J. Holliday – Human Resources Manager

DATE: February 6, 2024

RE: Revised Cost of Living Adjustments (2023 and 2024) for General Sessions Judges



The Administrative Office of the Courts (“AOC”) was asked to review Tennessee Code Annotated §16-15-5003 to determine the proper calculation method to use when making the annual cost of living adjustments (“COLA”). Upon review, the AOC has determined that revisions are required for the 2023 and 2024 reported adjustments because 5003(i)(5) directs that the yearly COLA adjustments be adjusted pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 8-23-103. As a result, and in accordance with the above statute, the revised adjustments are as follows:

Revised 2023 COLA (effective July 1, 2023): 5% (prior reported adjustment was 4%)

Revised 2024 COLA (effective July 1, 2024): 4.1% (prior reported adjustment was 2%)

If you have questions about the yearly COLA adjustments and whether the adjustments apply to your county, please consult with your county attorney and/or fiscal department. If you have general questions about these revisions, please contact John Coke – AOC General Counsel – at john.coke@tncourts.gov or (615) 741-2687.