



**Statewide Pending General Sessions Warrants
as of July 1, 2024
Circuit Solicitor Data
(Pursuant to 2024-2025 SC Appropriations Act, Part 1B)**

** "ALL WARRANTS PENDING": The total number of warrants that, as of July 1, is reported to the clerk of court as pending in a county/circuit. This includes warrants that remain on and are reported as pending on the docket but are associated with defendants actively participating in a diversion or drug/treatment court program, or have been transferred to another circuit or the Attorney General's Office.*

CIRCUIT/ COUNTY	FY 24 NEW WARRANTS ADDED DURING FISCAL YEAR		FY 23 PENDING WARRANTS	FY 24 PENDING WARRANTS				# TOTAL WARRANTS DISPOSED DURING FY 24
	CIRCUIT SOLICITOR DATA	JUDICIAL BRANCH DATA	ALL WARRANTS PENDING ON 7/1/2023*	ALL WARRANTS PENDING ON 7/1/2024*	# OF WARRANTS PENDING ON 7/1/2024 AGED 365 DAYS OR LESS	# OF WARRANTS PENDING ON 7/1/2024 AGED 366-544 DAYS	# OF WARRANTS PENDING ON 7/1/2024 AGED 545 DAYS OR MORE	
1st CIRCUIT								
Calhoun	361	405	578	581	279	111	191	303
Dorchester	2,639	2,430	2,899	2,851	1,718	545	588	2,707
Orangeburg	2,864	2,963	2,623	3,218	1,825	399	994	2,928
Circuit Totals	5,864	5,798	6,100	6,650	3,822	1,055	1,773	5,938
2nd CIRCUIT								
Aiken	3,441	3,403	5,917	6,146	2,574	844	2,728	3,234
Bamberg	451	451	761	716	334	161	221	500
Barnwell	1,027	1,016	1,394	1,690	771	285	634	743
Circuit Totals	4,919	4,870	8,072	8,552	3,679	1,290	3,583	4,477
3rd CIRCUIT								
Clarendon	690	737	1,067	1,159	810	150	199	836
Lee	325	376	584	1,752	1,016	138	598	318
Sumter	2,548	2,523	6,676	6,467	2,020	929	3,518	2,343
Williamsburg	738	786	1,051	1,502	1,034	285	183	524
Circuit Totals	4,301	4,422	9,378	10,880	4,880	1,502	4,498	4,021
4th CIRCUIT								
Chesterfield	1,811	1,753	2,998	2,785	1,164	336	1,285	2,095
Darlington	2,524	2,473	3,695	4,137	1,745	401	1,991	2,067
Dillon	1,270	1,260	1,303	1,367	631	156	580	1,197
Marlboro	825	809	1,244	919	382	151	386	1,162
Circuit Totals	6,430	6,295	9,240	9,208	3,922	1,044	4,242	6,521
5th CIRCUIT								
Kershaw	1,504	1,485	4,270	4,057	1,198	478	2,381	1,717
Richland	12,667	12,183	16,635	17,755	9,096	2,017	6,642	11,547
Circuit Totals	14,171	13,668	20,905	21,812	10,294	2,495	9,023	13,264
6th CIRCUIT								
Chester	969	988	1,459	1,650	768	283	599	814
Fairfield	766	734	905	867	487	151	229	897
Lancaster	2,708	2,679	6,135	6,279	2,111	917	3,251	2,680
Circuit Totals	4,443	4,401	8,499	8,796	3,366	1,351	4,079	4,391
7th CIRCUIT								
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Cherokee	2,126	2,126	2,697	2,482	1,420	418	644	2,347
Spartanburg	7,209	7,209	9,711	8,949	4,941	1,461	2,547	8,461
Circuit Totals	9,335	9,335	12,408	11,431	6,361	1,879	3,191	10,808
8th CIRCUIT								
Abbeville	689	689	847	926	437	180	309	638
Greenwood	3,211	3,285	4,308	4,529	2,281	673	1,575	3,298
Laurens	3,064	3,062	4,141	4,122	2,132	507	1,483	3,404
Newberry	1,066	1,086	1,693	1,838	773	270	795	940
Circuit Totals	8,030	8,122	10,989	11,415	5,623	1,630	4,162	8,280



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9th CIRCUIT								
Berkeley	3,948	4,006	6,632	6,105	2,829	963	2,313	4,736
Charleston	8,223	8,009	13,716	14,025	6,333	1,983	5,709	8,265
Circuit Totals	12,171	12,015	20,348	20,130	9,162	2,946	8,022	13,001
10th CIRCUIT								
Anderson	4,311	4,508	3,094	3,509	2,729	429	351	4,250
Oconee	2,410	2,628	2,442	2,215	1,594	309	312	2,817
Circuit Totals	6,721	7,136	5,536	5,724	4,323	738	663	7,067
11th CIRCUIT								
Edgefield	583	603	694	488	383	43	62	716
Lexington	6,046	6,114	6,534	6,327	4,332	826	1,169	6,103
McCormick	353	367	251	223	210	3	10	405
Saluda	291	283	404	210	169	16	25	400
Circuit Totals	7,273	7,367	7,883	7,248	5,094	888	1,266	7,624
12th CIRCUIT								
Florence	4,383	4,325	6,895	6,845	3,025	1,060	2,760	4,649
Marion	782	790	1,358	1,212	626	112	474	879
Circuit Totals	5,165	5,115	8,253	8,057	3,651	1,172	3,234	5,528
13th CIRCUIT								
Greenville	15,763	17,038	18,115	17,244	10,603	2,902	3,739	17,063
Pickens	3,515	4,139	4,776	4,242	2,742	735	765	4,506
Circuit Totals	19,278	21,177	22,891	21,486	13,345	3,637	4,504	21,569
14th CIRCUIT								
Allendale	233	245	415	209	125	22	62	428
Beaufort	2,119	2,129	5,060	4,564	1,406	606	2,552	2,425
Colleton	1,048	952	1,831	1,168	533	141	494	1,447
Hampton	528	440	1,184	779	246	139	394	763
Jasper	1,160	960	1,824	1,631	662	152	817	1,126
Circuit Totals	5,088	4,726	10,314	8,351	2,972	1,060	4,319	6,189
15th CIRCUIT								
Georgetown	1,205	1,310	1,387	1,247	790	212	245	1,426
Horry	8,647	8,933	9,587	9,344	5,746	1,453	2,145	9,607
Circuit Totals	9,852	10,243	10,974	10,591	6,536	1,665	2,390	11,033
16th CIRCUIT								
Union	1,197	1,257	1,389	1,045	626	119	300	1,724
York	7,247	7,214	5,923	4,807	3,516	458	833	10,528
Circuit Totals	8,444	8,471	7,312	5,852	4,142	577	1,133	12,252
FY 24 STATEWIDE TOTALS	131,485	133,161	179,102	176,183	91,172	24,929	60,082	141,963
FY 23 STATEWIDE TOTALS	130,266	132,580	Warrants Pending on 7/1/2022 184,082	Warrants Pending on 7/1/2023 179,102	92,948	27,856	58,298	Warrants Disposed During FY 23 127,109

* The 7th Circuit Solicitor's Office is unable to retrieve "FY 24 New Warrants Added During FY" due to a ransomware attack on April 27, 2023 that affected Spartanburg County as well as the 7th Circuit Solicitor's Office. The data entered for this specific information is the same as the Judicial Branch's reported data and may not accurately reflect the actual number of new warrants received by the 7th Circuit Solicitor's Office during FY 24.



**Offices of Circuit Solicitor
 FY 24 Prosecutor Recruitment and Retention Statistics
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Judicial Circuit and Counties	# Attorney Hiring Goal (reported 7/14/2023)	Total Attorneys as of 7/14/2023 (excludes elected solicitor)	# Attorneys Hired Between 7/14/2023-6/30/2024	# Attorneys that Left Office Between 7/14/2023-6/30/2024	Total Attorneys as of 7/1/2024 (excludes elected solicitor)	Steps Taken to Hire and Retain Attorneys
1ST CIRCUIT <i>Calhoun, Dorchester, Orangeburg</i>	5	17	6	4	19	Advertisement with in-state law schools, local prosecutor job fairs, word of mouth
2ND CIRCUIT <i>Aiken, Bamberg, Barnwell</i>	6	13	3	2	14	* Pay raises for current attorneys * Scheduled on campus interviews at in-state law schools * Increased online postings for attorney openings
3RD CIRCUIT <i>Clarendon, Lee, Sumter, Williamsburg</i>	7	12	2	5	9	Job opportunities have been posted with Zip Recruiter, SC Bar website, SCCPC website, and the County website. We also attended the SCCPC Job Fair. Current attorneys were given increases in order to retain experience.
4TH CIRCUIT <i>Chesterfield, Darlington, Dillon, Marlboro</i>	4	12	4	0	16	To recruit attorneys, we have attended job fairs, posted the job openings on our website, promoted the job openings through online job sites (Zip Recruiter and Indeed), and we have reached out to nearby law schools to assist in recruiting.
5TH CIRCUIT <i>Kershaw, Richland</i>	4	36	7	5	38	Every ASOL received a salary increase of at least 5%. Minimum starting salaries increased by approximately 15%. Regular advertisements for ASOL jobs have been posted on the SC Bar Career Center Classified page, LinkedIn, and the SC Commission on Prosecution Coordination website. Office representatives attended four different job fairs to include one in Washington, DC.
6TH CIRCUIT <i>Chester, Fairfield, Lancaster</i>	4	15	5	1	19	For the most part, our efforts to retain current talent have been fruitful. With help from local governments, we've been able to maintain our current career ladder and offer other benefits unique to our circuit. Although we've hired several new attorneys, recruiting remains difficult in this rural circuit. We've attended job fairs all over the Southeast and will continue to do so. We offer a benefits package that is unmatched by any other law office. We will continue aggressively recruiting in the upcoming months to try to fill all open vacancies.
7TH CIRCUIT <i>Cherokee, Spartanburg</i>	4	25	7	2	30	We continue our practice as outlined last year and it has allowed us to retain our prosecutors. We look to have seven (7) attorneys starting with us in August.



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<p align="center">8TH CIRCUIT <i>Abbeville, Greenwood, Laurens, Newberry</i></p>	4	15	2	2	15	<p>* The 8th Circuit was able to give significant merit raises to our prosecutors. We increased the starting salaries and our salary ranges are now much more competitive. Our most experienced people, who also handle the largest caseloads and most critical cases, are much less likely to be lured away by private firms and other government agencies.</p> <p>* We developed a recruitment strategy focusing on younger attorneys that can be trained by experienced attorneys to take lower end of the docket cases. This helps to lower prosecutor caseloads and move cases more efficiently.</p> <p>* We have conducted on campus interviews at USC Law School, which resulted in two new hire commitments. We also participated in job fairs hosted by the NDAA in Washington, D.C., the SCCPC and USC Law School in Columbia, and the Southeast Prosecutor job fair in Nashville. We have several pending job offers out to prospective hires.</p> <p>* Solicitor Stumbo judged a Moot Court competition at USC, and made a job offer to a 3L student, who will be joining our circuit in 2025.</p> <p>* We are also using social media more extensively to advertise prosecutor positions and actively reaching out to law clerks and law students.</p> <p>* We made a recruitment video called "Why the 8th Circuit?" that highlights our counties and what each area has to offer.</p>
<p align="center">9TH CIRCUIT <i>Berkeley, Charleston</i></p>	5	58	9	7	60	<p>We have enacted merit, retention raises in an effort to capitalize on our training investments of newer attorneys and to retain seasoned prosecutors. We have worked with Berkeley County in conducting a comprehensive salary study that has brought Berkeley County into a more competitive position. Unfortunately, the "new" money created a bidding war amongst solicitors' offices and between solicitors' offices and public defender's offices. This has presented a challenge for all of us, but it has created fairer compensation and competition in the market place.</p>



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10TH CIRCUIT <i>Anderson, Oconee</i>	4	18	4	3	19	Attorney positions are advertised through county HR departments in both counties in our circuit, on social media platforms, we are engaged in social networking within the legal community and attended the Prosecution Job Fair in February. We continue to screen applicants and interview qualified candidates as they apply. Pay increases/incentives have been put in place to reassure the retention of current attorneys employed in the office.
11TH CIRCUIT <i>Edgefield, Lexington, McCormick, Saluda</i>	4	25	5	0	30	Retention measures applied to retain existing attorneys. Continuing to seek additional new attorneys for office.
12TH CIRCUIT <i>Florence, Marion</i>	6	10	3	0	13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Advertising attorney vacancies through USC and Charleston Schools of Law. * Advertising attorney vacancies through Florence County Human Resources. * Attended Job Fair at Charleston School of Law to recruit potential candidates. * Lobbying visiting Judges for possible Clerk candidates to fill vacancies. * Adjusted salaries of Assistant Solicitors to help insure retention in this very competitive market. * A Regent University board member has recruited at his law school.
13TH CIRCUIT <i>Greenville, Pickens</i>	7	50	6	2	54	Our vacant attorney positions are being advertised on multiple social media platforms, we are conducting on-campus/virtual interviews with the law schools, and we are attending the SCCPC's prosecution job fair in February. We have increased our starting salaries and provided retention bonuses to all attorneys in the office. We also offer specialized CLE training opportunities and expanded management/leadership opportunities in the office for career development progression.
14TH CIRCUIT <i>Allendale, Beaufort, Colleton, Hampton, Jasper</i>	7	22	5	5	22	Since the start of FY2024, we have hired five new lawyers and continue to interview candidates for additional positions (five currently funded). We participate in job fairs, advertise positions on our website and social media channels. Enhanced retention by adopting pay structure modeled on U.S. Attorney's Office scale.
15TH CIRCUIT <i>Georgetown, Horry</i>	4	33	7	7	33	Salaries were increased for starting attorneys and attorneys within our office. Ads have been placed on both county websites and other various job posting services.



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<p align="center">16TH CIRCUIT <i>Union, York</i></p>	4	30	3	5	28	<p>Since July 2024, we hired 3 new attorneys out of law school. Two are now Assistant Solicitors and one left our office to move to Horry County in April 2024. We have made offers to 2 current law school graduates who will join our office in August as interns and will become Assistant Solicitors after successful passage of the Bar. We also will be making an offer to another attorney in late July. This attorney has passed the bar, and we anticipate that he will accept our offer as Assistant Solicitor sometime in mid-August.</p> <p>We have re-doubled our recruitment efforts and are continuing our commitment to retention of existing attorneys. Not only are we posting vacancies with our county human resources, we post vacancies in many other locations. We have purchased marketing items to boost our in-person recruitment at state and regional recruitment fairs (including NDAA). In an effort to retain our current employees, we have expended funding allocated in the proviso to increase compensation among our experienced attorneys so that it is commensurate with like positions in similar offices.</p> <p>New attorneys are trained under a Senior Solicitor to mentor and advise on our office's procedures and case management process. We continue to collaborate with the Circuit Defender to triage jail cases to quickly dispose of those defendants' cases which are not complex. We also triage non-jail cases to identify cases for diversions or plea. The net result of this effort has been that we moved over 500 more cases than were filed this year and our pending case inventory is approximately where it was pre-Covid. Where we still have work to do is in the reduction of our pending trial caseload, but we are making progress there as well with a steady improvement of our pending cases over 365 days percentage.</p>
Statewide Totals	79	391	78	50	419	



**Statewide Circuit Solicitor
Attorney Staffing
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CIRCUIT	<i>Full-time & part-time attorneys counted once for the court/role in which most time is spent</i>							EXPERIENCE: # of years worked as a licensed practicing lawyer, including before joining a solicitor's office)							# Grant-Funded Attorneys (portion of total attorneys)	# Part-time Attorneys (portion of total attorneys)	# Full-time Attorneys (excludes elected solicitor)	# Funded Attorney Vacancies	# Unfunded Attorney Vacancies
	Elected Solicitor	General Sessions	Common Pleas (forfeitures; magistrate appeals)	Summary Court (magistrate & city courts)	Family Court	Administrative Attorneys (not appearing in court)	TOTAL ATTORNEYS (excludes elected solicitor)	< 5 yrs. Experience	5-9 yrs. Experience	10-14 yrs. Experience	15 - 19 yrs. Experience	20+ yrs. Experience	TOTAL ATTORNEYS (excludes elected solicitor)						
1	1	16	1	0	2	0	19	7	3	6	2	1	19	0	3	16	2	2	
2	1	12	0	1	1	0	14	2	4	2	1	5	14	0	0	14	5	0	
3	1	8	0	0	1	0	9	1	1	1	2	4	9	0	0	9	0	0	
4	1	13	0	0	2	1	16	2	0	2	5	7	16	1	5	11	0	2	
5	1	36	0	1	1	0	38	12	7	5	7	7	38	2	0	38	5	0	
6	1	17	0	1	1	0	19	3	5	2	2	7	19	1	6	13	3	0	
7	1	28	0	1	1	0	30	11	7	5	2	5	30	1	1	29	1	2	
8	1	14	0	0	1	0	15	2	1	6	1	5	15	2	2	13	4	0	
9	1	51	0	1	5	3	60	21	20	4	7	8	60	1	2	58	3	0	
10	1	16	0	1	2	0	19	3	2	3	2	9	19	0	2	17	2	0	
11	1	23	0	4	3	0	30	8	11	2	2	7	30	1	2	28	0	0	
12	1	12	0	0	1	0	13	5	1	2	1	4	13	0	0	13	3	2	
13	1	46	1	5	2	0	54	18	15	7	3	11	54	0	1	53	5	0	
14	1	21	0	0	1	0	22	10	1	2	2	7	22	3	1	21	5	4	
15	1	27	1	3	2	0	33	12	6	4	4	7	33	2	0	33	4	0	
16	1	26	0	0	2	0	28	8	3	9	2	6	28	1	5	23	0	0	
7/1//2024 TOTAL	16	366	3	18	28	4	419	125	87	62	45	100	419	15	30	389	42	12	
7/14/2023 TOTAL	16	343	3	13	26	5	390	107	84	61	45	93	390	18	26	364	44	18	