

# H.R. 4

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES

June 4th, 2023

Mr. Jones (for himself) introduced the following bill;

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### A BILL

-To ordain and establish the current make up of the Federal Judiciary into statue and authorize additional judgeships-

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America  
in Congress assembled,*

#### SEC.1. SHORT TITLE

This bill shall be cited as the “Judiciary Act of 2023”

#### SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds that—

- (a) The United States requires the current judiciary to be enshrined into law under Article III of the Constitution
- (b) The Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and its District Courts requires additional judgeships to better provide equal access to justice.

#### SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act—

- (a) COURT OF APPEALS.— The term “Court of Appeals” refers to the term as defined under Title 28 U.S Code § 43
- (b) DISTRICT COURT.— The term “District Court” refers to the term as defined under Title 28 U.S. Code § 132
- (c) DISTRICT JUDGE.— The term “District Judge” refers to a Judge of a District Court.

#### **SEC. 4. PROVISIONS**

- (a) IN GENERAL.—The following sections of the U.S. Code are to be amended as follows.
  - (i) Title 28 U.S. Code § 41 is struck and read to say
    - (1) The Judicial Circuit of the United States is constituted as follows:
      - a) The Federal Circuit which is composed of all Federal judicial districts
  - (ii) Title 28 U.S. Code § 44 is struck and read to say
    - (1) The District Judges appointed under Title 28 U.S. Code § 133 shall concurrently serve as circuit judges of the Federal Circuit.
  - (iii) Title 28 U.S. Code § 81 is struck and read to say
    - (1) The Commonwealth of Olympia and the District of Columbia are merged into one judicial district to be known as the First Circuit
    - (2) First Circuit
      - a) The First Circuit comprises of two divisions
      - b) The Division of Columbia comprises the District of Columbia.
        - i) Court for the Division of Columbia shall be held at Washington D.C.
      - c) The Division of Olympia comprises the Commonwealth of Olympia
        - i) Court for the Division of Olympia shall be held at Boston.
  - (iv) Title 28 U.S. Code § 82 is struck and read to say

(1) The Commonwealth of Lincoln and the State of Jackson are merged into one judicial district to be known as the Second Circuit

(2) Second Circuit

a) The Second Circuit shall comprise of two divisions

b) The Division of Lincoln shall comprise of the Commonwealth of Lincoln

i) Court for the Division of Lincoln shall be held in Columbus

c) The Division of Jackson shall comprise of the State of Jackson

i) Court for the Division of Jackson shall be held in Atlanta

(v) Title 28 U.S. Code § 83 is struck and read to say

(1) The State of Frontier and the District of Pacifica are merged into one judicial district to be known as the Third Circuit

(2) Third Circuit

a) The Third Circuit shall comprise of two divisions

b) The Division of Frontier shall comprise of the State of Frontier

i) Court for the Division of Frontier shall be held in Lincoln

c) The Division of Pacifica shall comprise of the District of Pacifica

i) Court for the Division of Pacifica shall be held in Sacramento

(vi) Title 28 U.S. Code § 81A, Title 28 U.S. Code § 84-131 are hereby repealed

(vii) Title 28 U.S. Code § 133 is struck and read to say

(1) The President shall appoint, by and with advice and consent of the Senate, district judges for the several districts, as follows

(2) Two Judges for the First Circuit

(3) Two Judges for the Second Circuit

(4) Two Judges for the Third Circuit

(viii) Title 28 U.S. Code § 134 (b) is struck and read to say

(1) Each district judge shall reside in the district for which he is appointed.

(ix) All currently active District Judges shall retain their positions.

**SEC. 5. SUPREMACY:**

All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

**SEC. 6. ENACTMENT:**

EFFECTIVE DATE.— The provisions of this Act shall come into force immediately upon passage.