

## INFORMATION

### On the judges appointed in 2005-2014

(According to old and new regulations on recruitment and appointment of the judges)

Since initiating the judiciary reform (2005) to date, there have been 186 new judges working within the judiciary of Georgia, who were appointed to their positions based on both old and new regulations of judges' recruitment and appointment. Besides, before March 2009, 127 judges were appointed within the judiciary according to the old regulation, and starting from June of the same year, only the graduates of the High School of Justice have been appointed to the office of a judge. There is a 10-month training program at the High School of Justice, which consists of both theoretical and practical course. At present, there are 59 judges working within the judiciary who have been appointed based on the new regulation.

Before appointment, these judges used to work within:

1. The judiciary (common courts, High Council of Justice, Constitutional Court) - 98 (52,7%);
2. The bar (the bar, NGOs) - 24 (13%);
3. The law enforcement bodies (Prosecutor's Office, Ministry of Internal Affairs National Security Council) - 46 (24,7%);
4. Other private and public institutions (National Bank, Tbilisi City Hall, Ministry of Health, JSC Telecommunication Company, etc.) - 14 (7,5%);
5. The institutes of higher education as teachers of law - 4 (2,1%).

There are 98 men and 88 women among the new 186 judges. Their average age is 33 (their age at the moment of appointment). Their age at the moment of appointment was:

1. 28-29 years old - 33 judges (17,7%)
2. 30-40 years old - 136 judges (73,1%)
3. 41-50 years old - 16 judges (8,6%)
4. Above 51 - 1 judge (0,5%).

30 of them have passed the exam in general specialization, 65 of them - in civil and administrative law specialization, and 91 - in criminal law specialization.

Currently 7 of them work at the Supreme Court of Georgia, 27 - at the appeal courts, and 152 - at trial courts.