#### Regional Probate Court #14

**Jennifer Berkenstock**Probate Judge

In 2009, the Connecticut State Legislature enacted legislation that provided for the regionalization of Connecticut's Probate Court System. As a result of this legislation, East Haddam, East Hampton, Marlborough and Portland became part of a regional Probate Court effective January 1, 2011—Region #14 District Probate Court.

The Court is located in Marlborough at 9 Austin Drive, Suite 211. The Court is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Thursday from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm and Friday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. The Court is staffed by Probate Judge Jennifer Berkenstock and three probate clerks.

## Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Major Service Level Accomplishments

- Judge Berkenstock provided a well-run court that provided excellent service to the public.
- In 2020/2021, in order to reopen the Probate Court to minimize the risk of COVID-19 transmission, the Probate Court expanded their offices into a small additional space adjacent to the current court space.

### Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Major Service Level Goals

Continue to support Judge Berkenstock in providing a well-run court that provides excellent service to the public.

# **Additional Budget Information**

**Regional Court Allocations:** The Probate Court's expenses are allocated to each of the four towns based upon the residential Grand List provided by towns to the Office of Policy and Management. The entire Probate Court budget for 2023-2024 is \$57,311. The allocation is as follows: East Haddam-25.4312%, East Hampton-33.5703%, Marlborough-17.1839% and Portland-23.8146%.

### **Expenditures by Expense Type**

Name	Account ID	FY2020 Actual	FY2021 Actual	FY2022 Actual	FY2023 Budgeted	FY24 Requests as of 2-9- 23b (General Fund)	FY2023 Budgeted vs. FY24 Requests as of 2-9-23b (General Fund) (\$ Change)	FY2023 Budgeted vs. FY24 Requests as of 2-9-23b (General Fund) (% Change)
Expense Objects								
Miscellaneous								
REGION #14 PROBATE COURT	10541610- 58252	\$12,717	\$12,922	\$14,503	\$14,812	\$14,575	-\$237	-1.6%
Total Miscellaneous:		\$12,717	\$12,922	\$14,503	\$14,812	\$14,575	-\$237	-1.6%
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