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## **Notice to NHRS Retirees Regarding Individual Pension Information**

*NH Supreme Court rules that individual pension amounts are public information*

CONCORD, N.H. – The New Hampshire Retirement System (NHRS, the retirement system) is sending this notice to inform retirees and beneficiaries of a recent New Hampshire Supreme Court decision that reversed the retirement system’s long-standing policy on the release of individual retiree information.

On November 3, 2011, the Supreme Court rejected the retirement system’s appeal of a lower court ruling that said the names and pension amounts of NHRS retirees and beneficiaries was public information releasable under the Right-to-Know law (RSA 91-A).

NHRS must comply with the Supreme Court’s decision.

Upon the release of the court decision, the retirement system received several Right-to-Know requests for individual pension amounts and related information. Because NHRS must, by law, respond to these requests in a timely manner, this information may be released before all retirees and beneficiaries receive this notice. While the retirement system is under no legal obligation to inform retirees and beneficiaries of the court’s ruling, NHRS is doing so as a courtesy to our membership.

Retirees and beneficiaries with additional questions regarding this notice may send an email to [info@nhrs.org](mailto:info@nhrs.org) or call 603-410-3504 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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