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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALARIES OF THE JUDGES AND
OTHER PERSONNEL OF THE VARIOUS DISTRICT COURTS;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALARIES OF THE
JUDGES AND OTHER PERSONNEL OF THE
VARIOUS DISTRICT COURTS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 16-17-108 is amended to read as follows:

16-17-108. Salaries of personnel and other requirements of various
district courts.

(a) The Alexander District Court Judge shall receive a monthly salary
of not more than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250).

(b) The Arkadelphia-Clark County District Court Judge shall receive an
annual salary of not less than fifty-three thousand five hundred dollars
(\$53,500) nor more than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000), and the
Arkadelphia-Clark County District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary
of not less than twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) nor more than
~~twenty-nine thousand one hundred twenty dollars (\$29,120)~~ thirty-four
thousand dollars (\$34,000), such salaries to be established annually by the
Clark County Quorum Court. Upon approval by the Clark County Quorum Court,
the Arkadelphia-Clark County District Court Judge may appoint one (1) deputy
district clerk to receive a salary as established by the Clark County Quorum
Court.



1 (c) The Ashdown District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
2 not less than thirty-two thousand eight hundred dollars (\$32,800) nor more
3 than ~~forty-four thousand dollars (\$44,000)~~ fifty-eight thousand dollars
4 (\$58,000), as determined by the governing body of the City of Ashdown and the
5 Quorum Court of Little River County. The salary shall be paid sixty-two
6 percent (62%) by Little River County and thirty-eight percent (38%) by the
7 City of Ashdown, unless otherwise agreed by the Quorum Court of Little River
8 County and the governing body of the City of Ashdown.

9 (d) The Ash Flat District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
10 of not less than ~~twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000)~~ thirty thousand
11 dollars (\$30,000) nor more than ~~thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000)~~ forty
12 thousand dollars (\$40,000), and the Ash Flat District Court Clerk shall
13 receive an annual salary of not less than ~~fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000)~~
14 sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) nor more than ~~seventeen thousand dollars~~
15 ~~(\$17,000)~~ twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), as determined by the Quorum
16 Court of Sharp County and to be paid by Sharp County.

17 (e) The Augusta District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
18 not less than ten thousand eight hundred dollars (\$10,800) nor more than
19 eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000), the city and the county to share the
20 cost equally.

21 (f) The Batesville District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
22 of not less than ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~ fifty thousand dollars
23 (\$50,000) nor more than ~~forty-three thousand dollars (\$43,000)~~ fifty-five
24 thousand dollars (\$55,000), as determined by the governing body of Batesville
25 and the Quorum Court of Independence County.

26 (g) The Beebe District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
27 not less than twenty-four thousand nine hundred eighty dollars (\$24,980) nor
28 more than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000). The district court clerk shall
29 receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-four thousand four hundred
30 dollars (\$24,400) nor more than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000).

31 (h) The Benton District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
32 not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) nor more than ~~ninety-nine~~
33 ~~thousand dollars (\$99,000)~~ one hundred nine thousand dollars (\$109,000), and
34 the court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less thirty thousand
35 dollars (\$30,000) nor more than ~~forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)~~ fifty
36 thousand dollars (\$50,000). Such salaries shall be as determined by the

governing body of the City of Benton and the Saline County Quorum Court.

(i) The Benton County District Court-West Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000) and not more than ~~thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000)~~ one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), as determined by the Benton County Quorum Court and the governing bodies of the City of Gentry and the City of Decatur. One-half (1/2) of the salary is to be paid by Benton County, one-fourth (1/4) of the salary is to be paid by the City of Decatur, and one-fourth (1/4) of the salary is to be paid by the City of Gentry.

(j) The Bentonville District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) nor more than ~~sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000)~~ one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), as determined by the City Council of Bentonville in concurrence with the Benton County Quorum Court.

(k) The Berryville District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) and not more than twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000).

(l) The Biscoe District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than three thousand six hundred dollars (\$3,600) nor more than thirteen thousand six hundred dollars (\$13,600).

(m) The Blytheville District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) nor more than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) as may be approved by the Mississippi County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Blytheville.

(n) The Booneville District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) nor more than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), as may be determined by the City Council of the City of Booneville and the Quorum Court of Logan County and shall be payable one-half (1/2) by the City of Booneville and one-half (1/2) by Logan County and shall be paid in twelve (12) equal monthly installments.

(o) The Bradley County District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) nor more than twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000) as established by the Bradley County Quorum Court and approved by the governing body of the City of Warren.

(p) The Brinkley District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand two hundred dollars (\$10,200) nor more than

1 twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), and the Brinkley District Court Clerk
2 shall receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand four hundred
3 eighty-eight dollars (\$10,488) and not more than twenty thousand dollars
4 (\$20,000).

5 (q) The Bryant District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
6 not less than ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~ fifty thousand dollars
7 (\$50,000) nor more than ~~fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)~~ ninety thousand
8 dollars (\$90,000).

9 (r) The Cabot District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
10 not less than ~~twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000)~~ twenty-five thousand dollars
11 (\$25,000) nor more than ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~ thirty-five
12 thousand dollars (\$35,000), as may be determined by the governing body of the
13 City of Cabot.

14 (s)(1) The Camden District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
15 of not less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more than fifty
16 thousand dollars (\$50,000), to be paid by the City of Camden and Ouachita
17 County.

18 (2) The East Camden District Court Judge shall receive an annual
19 salary of not less than three thousand eight hundred fifty-nine dollars
20 (\$3,859) nor more than twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000), to be paid by
21 the City of East Camden.

22 (t) The Carlisle District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
23 of not less than four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4,500) nor more than
24 nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000).

25 (u) The Charleston District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
26 of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) nor more than ~~eighteen~~
27 ~~thousand dollars (\$18,000)~~ twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). The salaries
28 and costs may be set and the payment thereof may be apportioned by agreement
29 between the governing body of the City of Charleston and the Franklin County
30 Quorum Court.

31 (v) The Clarendon District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
32 of not less than four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800), and the
33 Clarendon District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less
34 than eight thousand nine hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$8,988).

35 (w) The Clarksville District Court Judge shall receive an annual
36 salary of not less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) nor more than

1 ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~ thirty-one thousand dollars (\$31,000). This
2 expense, as well as all other expenses related to the operation of the
3 Clarksville District Court, is to be divided among the county and all cities
4 within the county based on the percentage of the total fine money collected
5 during the year by each participating entity.

6 (x) The Clinton-Van Buren County District Court Judge shall receive an
7 annual salary of not less than eleven thousand dollars (\$11,000) nor more
8 than ~~thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000)~~ thirty-seven thousand dollars
9 (\$37,000), as determined by the City Council of Clinton and the Quorum Court
10 of Van Buren County. This salary and that of the clerk and any deputies shall
11 be apportioned between the county and any city therein by agreement between
12 the respective governing bodies.

13 (y) The Conway District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
14 not less than sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) nor more than one hundred
15 ten thousand dollars (\$110,000).

16 (z)(1)(A) The Judge of the District Courts of Corning, Piggott, and
17 Rector shall receive an annual salary of not less than seventeen thousand
18 dollars (\$17,000) nor more than thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000), to be
19 paid, as well as other current benefits, in equal monthly installments by
20 Clay County.

21 (B) Fifty percent (50%) of the amount shall be reimbursed
22 by the City of Corning, the City of Piggott, and the City of Rector at
23 eighteen and one-half percent (18.5%), eighteen and one-half percent (18.5%),
24 and thirteen percent (13%), respectively, to the county treasury.

25 (2)(A) The clerks of the respective district courts shall
26 receive an annual salary of not less than four thousand five hundred dollars
27 (\$4,500) nor more than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000), to be paid, as well
28 as other current benefits, in equal monthly installments by Clay County.

29 (B) Fifty percent (50%) of the amount shall be reimbursed
30 by the respective cities.

31 (aa)(1) The Judge of the Craighead County District Court shall be a
32 full-time district judge and shall receive as compensation for services an
33 annual salary of not less than ~~seventy-nine thousand nine hundred dollars~~
34 ~~(\$79,900)~~ eighty-seven thousand dollars (\$87,000) nor more than ~~eighty-seven~~
35 ~~thousand dollars (\$87,000)~~ ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000), as
36 determined by the Quorum Court of Craighead County and the governing body of

1 the City of Jonesboro, to be paid in equal monthly installments. The amount
2 of the salary shall be appropriated by ordinance adopted by the Quorum Court
3 of Craighead County. The amount of the salary and necessary expenses
4 appropriated for the court shall be apportioned among and paid to the county
5 from the respective cities of the first class and cities of the second class,
6 incorporated towns, and the government of Craighead County as a prorated
7 amount based on the number of cases filed from each of the towns and cities
8 and the county during the preceding calendar year. Apportionment of the costs
9 of the court shall be by order of the district court upon certification of
10 the cases filed by the Clerk of the Craighead County District Court.

11 (2) The Judge of the Craighead County District Court shall
12 maintain dockets and hold court, as deemed necessary, in each of the county
13 seats of Craighead County and may establish dockets and hold court in other
14 cities and towns in Craighead County as deemed necessary by ordinance adopted
15 by the Quorum Court of Craighead County.

16 (bb) The Crossett District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
17 of not less than ~~ten thousand eight hundred dollars (\$10,800)~~ twenty thousand
18 dollars (\$20,000) nor more than ~~twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000)~~
19 thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$38,000), and the district court clerk shall
20 receive an annual salary of not less than ~~seven thousand dollars (\$7,000)~~
21 fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) nor more than ~~nineteen thousand five~~
22 ~~hundred dollars (\$19,500)~~ twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000). The
23 salaries shall be in an amount within the range prescribed in this
24 subsection, as agreed upon by the Ashley County Quorum Court and the
25 governing body of the City of Crossett.

26 (cc) The DeQueen District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
27 of not less than fifty percent (50%) nor more than eighty percent (80%) of
28 the annual salary established by law for circuit judges. The DeQueen District
29 Court Clerk shall have an annual salary of not less than fourteen thousand
30 dollars (\$14,000). The salaries, expenses, and operating costs of the DeQueen
31 District Court shall be paid equally by the City of DeQueen and the County of
32 Sevier.

33 (dd)(1)(A) The Dermott District Court Judge shall receive an annual
34 salary of not less than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) nor more than
35 twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000).

36 (B)(i) The court clerk shall receive an annual salary of

1 not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) nor more than eighteen
2 thousand dollars (\$18,000).

3 (ii) Provided, however, that the court clerk's
4 position shall be a full-time or part-time position.

5 (2) The salaries shall be in an amount within the range
6 prescribed in this subsection as agreed upon by the Chicot County Quorum
7 Court and the governing body of the City of Dermott.

8 (ee) The Des Arc District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
9 of not less than seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) nor more than fifteen
10 thousand dollars (\$15,000).

11 (ff) The DeValls Bluff District Court Judge shall receive an annual
12 salary of not less than three thousand six hundred dollars (\$3,600) nor more
13 than thirteen thousand six hundred dollars (\$13,600). The DeWitt District
14 Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirteen thousand
15 dollars (\$13,000), nor more than twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000), the
16 district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twelve
17 thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) nor more than twenty-two thousand
18 five hundred dollars (\$22,500), and the deputy clerk shall receive an annual
19 salary of not less than ten thousand five hundred dollars (\$10,500) nor more
20 than twenty thousand five hundred dollars (\$20,500). The salaries shall be
21 determined by the governing body of the City of DeWitt and the Arkansas
22 County Quorum Court and paid equally by the city and the county.

23 (gg) The Dumas District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
24 not less than twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500) nor more
25 than forty-three thousand dollars (\$43,000). The clerk of the court shall
26 receive an annual salary of not less than eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000)
27 nor more than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), and the deputy clerk shall
28 receive an annual salary of not less than fourteen thousand five hundred
29 dollars (\$14,500) nor more than twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000). The
30 salaries shall be paid one-half (1/2) by the Desha County Quorum Court and
31 one-half (1/2) by the City of Dumas and shall be determined by the Desha
32 County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Dumas.

33 (hh) *The Elkins District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of*
34 *not less than ~~ten thousand dollars (\$10,000)~~ twenty thousand dollars*
35 *(\$20,000) nor more than ~~twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000)~~ thirty*
36 *thousand dollars (\$30,000). The annual salary for each clerk of the Elkins*

1 District Court shall be not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) nor more
2 than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

3 (ii) If a district court is established in Eudora, the judge shall
4 receive an annual salary of not less than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000)
5 nor more than twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000), and the clerk shall
6 receive an annual salary of not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000)
7 nor more than eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000).

8 (jj) The Eureka Springs District Court Judge shall receive an annual
9 salary of not less than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) nor more than
10 twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000).

11 (kk) *The Fayetteville District Court Judge shall receive an annual*
12 *salary of not less than ~~sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000)~~ ninety-five thousand*
13 *dollars (\$95,000) nor more than one hundred twenty thousand dollars*
14 *(\$120,000). ~~The annual salary of the Judge of the Fayetteville District~~*
15 *~~Court may be increased in the amounts as may be agreed by the Quorum Court of~~*
16 *~~Washington County and the governing body of the City of Fayetteville by~~*
17 *~~ordinances or resolutions adopted by their respective bodies.~~*

18 (ll) The Fordyce District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
19 of not less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) nor more than thirty
20 thousand dollars (\$30,000), and each clerk of the court shall receive an
21 annual salary of not less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) nor more
22 than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), as may be determined by the
23 Fordyce City Council and the Dallas County Quorum Court, and the salaries
24 shall be paid by the City of Fordyce and Dallas County in equal monthly
25 installments.

26 (mm) The Forrest City District Court Judge shall receive an annual
27 salary of not less than forty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$42,500) nor
28 more than fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000), as may be set by the Quorum
29 Court of St. Francis County and the governing body of Forrest City.

30 (nn)(1)(A) The Fort Smith District Court Judges shall receive annual
31 salaries of not less than eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000) nor more than
32 ~~ninety one thousand dollars (\$91,000)~~ one hundred thousand dollars
33 (\$100,000), as may be determined by the governing body of the City of Fort
34 Smith.

35 (B) Special judges shall be paid at the rate of one
36 hundred fifty dollars (\$150) per day.

(2) The district judges shall appoint a qualified elector to serve as district court clerk. The salaries of the district judges, the district court clerks, and any special judges authorized by this subdivision (nn)(2), and the operating expenses of the Fort Smith District Court shall be paid seventy percent (70%) by the City of Fort Smith and thirty percent (30%) by Sebastian County. The district judges shall be of good moral character, shall be residents and electors of the city and the state, and shall possess the qualifications required by law for circuit judges. In the event a district judge is ill, absent, or temporarily disqualified, that district judge shall designate a member of the bar regularly practicing in the court to serve in his or her place during the illness, absence, or disqualification of the district judge, and he or she shall have all the powers and authority of the district judge. The special judge so appointed shall be paid one hundred dollars (\$100) for each day he or she serves, to be paid by the city and county.

(3) Upon a vacancy in the office of district judge caused by death or otherwise, the vacancy shall be filled as prescribed by the Arkansas Constitution.

(oo) The Greenwood District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000) nor more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000), to be set by the Quorum Court of Sebastian County, and the salaries of the court clerk and the clerk's deputies shall be set by the Quorum Court of Sebastian County. At least thirty (30) days before the candidate filing deadline for the 2004 election, the Quorum Court of Sebastian County may vote to declare the position of Greenwood District Court Judge to be full-time and prohibit the judge from the private practice of law beginning January 1, 2005. The salaries shall be paid ninety percent (90%) by Sebastian County and ten percent (10%) by the City of Greenwood. In order to defray the expenses of operating the Greenwood District Court, ninety percent (90%) of the Sebastian County net fines, ten percent (10%) of the City of Greenwood net fines, and fifteen percent (15%) of all other cities' net fines processed by the Greenwood District Court may or shall be deposited in a bank account entitled the "Greenwood District Court Operating Fund" to be administered by the Greenwood District Court Judge pursuant to a budget approved as follows: the district judge shall submit a proposed annual budget to a committee composed of the members of the

1 quorum court that represent the Greenwood District of Sebastian County. The
2 committee shall approve the judge's budget or formulate a reasonable budget
3 which shall be approved by the Quorum Court of Sebastian County, unless found
4 by a majority of the quorum court to be clearly excessive. If funds provided
5 from the fines as set out in this subsection become insufficient or
6 excessive, the committee shall adjust the percentage of fines on a pro rata
7 basis to increase or decrease the funds necessary to operate the court
8 pursuant to the budget established in this subsection. The Judge of the
9 Greenwood District Court shall be bonded in accordance with §§ 19-1-401 - 19-
10 1-403.

11 (pp) The Hamburg District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
12 of not less than ~~ten thousand eight hundred dollars (\$10,800)~~ twenty thousand
13 dollars (\$20,000) nor more than ~~twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000)~~
14 thirty-eight thousand dollars (\$38,000), and the district court clerk shall
15 receive an annual salary of not less than ~~seven thousand dollars (\$7,000)~~
16 fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) nor more than ~~nineteen thousand five~~
17 ~~hundred dollars (\$19,500)~~ twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000). The
18 salaries shall be in an amount within the range prescribed in this
19 subsection, as agreed upon by the Ashley County Quorum Court and the
20 governing body of the City of Hamburg.

21 (qq)(1) The Judge of the Hampton District Court shall receive an
22 annual salary of not less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) nor more
23 than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), and the clerk of the court shall
24 receive an annual salary of not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000)
25 nor more than twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000), as may be determined by
26 the Hampton City Council and the Calhoun County Quorum Court.

27 (2) The salaries shall be paid by the City of Hampton and
28 Calhoun County in equal monthly installments.

29 (rr) The Harrisburg District Court Judge shall receive an annual
30 salary of not less than seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$7,200) nor more
31 than eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000).

32 (ss) The Harrison District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
33 of not less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more than fifty-five
34 thousand dollars (\$55,000).

35 (tt) The Hazen District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
36 not less than six thousand four hundred dollars (\$6,400) nor more than

1 sixteen thousand four hundred dollars (\$16,400).

2 (uu) The Heber Springs District Court Judge shall receive an annual
3 salary of not less than seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000) nor more than
4 forty thousand dollars (\$40,000). The salary shall be set by and the payment
5 thereof shall be apportioned between the county and the city by agreement of
6 the Cleburne County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Heber
7 Springs. The Heber Springs Municipal Court Judge shall be elected by a
8 county-wide vote of the qualified electors of Cleburne County.

9 (vv) The Helena District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
10 not less than seventeen thousand four hundred dollars (\$17,400) nor more than
11 thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000). The salary shall be determined by the
12 governing body of the City of Helena and the Phillips County Quorum Court,
13 with each responsible for paying one-half (1/2) of the salary.

14 (ww) The Hope District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
15 not less than thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$37,500), beginning
16 January 1996, nor more than forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000), and the
17 clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-four thousand
18 dollars (\$24,000) nor more than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000). The amount
19 of the salaries shall be determined by agreement between the governing body
20 of the City of Hope and the Quorum Court of Hempstead County.

21 (xx)(1) The Quorum Court of Garland County and the Board of Directors
22 of the City of Hot Springs are hereby authorized by ordinances of the two (2)
23 bodies to create an additional district court judgeship for the Hot Springs
24 District Court. If an additional judgeship is created, the current district
25 judge shall preside over the First Division of the Hot Springs District
26 Court, and the person selected to the new judgeship shall preside over the
27 Second Division of the Hot Springs District Court.

28 (2) If an additional judgeship is created as authorized in this
29 subsection, the person to fill the position shall be elected at the next
30 general election after such authorization for a term of four (4) years, and
31 all successors shall be elected for terms of four (4) years.

32 (3) Each Hot Springs District Court Judge shall receive an
33 annual salary of not less than sixty-five thousand dollars (\$65,000) nor more
34 than seventy-six thousand dollars (\$76,000), and the Hot Springs District
35 Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-six
36 thousand dollars (\$26,000) nor more than forty-two thousand dollars

1 (\$42,000). The salaries shall be determined by the governing body of the City
2 of Hot Springs and the Quorum Court of Garland County.

3 (4) The salaries of the district judges, the district court
4 clerks, any special judges authorized by this subdivision (xx)(4), and the
5 operating expenses of the Hot Springs District Court shall be paid fifty
6 percent (50%) by the City of Hot Springs and fifty percent (50%) by Garland
7 County. In the event a district judge is ill, absent, or temporarily
8 disqualified, that district judge shall designate a member of the bar
9 regularly practicing in the court to serve in his or her place during the
10 illness, absence, or disqualification and the designee shall have all the
11 powers and authority of the district judge.

12 (5) Upon a vacancy in the office of district judge caused by
13 death or otherwise, the governing body of the city and the quorum court of
14 the county shall appoint a person possessing the qualifications required for
15 district judge who shall serve until the next general election, at which
16 election, a district judge shall be elected in the manner prescribed by law
17 for the election of district judges to fill the unexpired term of the
18 district judge so vacating the office.

19 (6)(A) Any district judge of the City of Hot Springs who has
20 served or serves twelve (12) elective years as District Judge of Hot Springs
21 shall be eligible to retire and receive a retirement benefit equal to one-
22 half (1/2) the salary the district judge was receiving at the time of
23 retirement for the remainder of his or her life. Provided, however, that only
24 those years during which the judge did not engage in the private practice of
25 law shall be eligible for this computation.

26 (B) Any district judge of the City of Hot Springs elected
27 to the position after July 1, 2001, and having served sixteen (16) elective
28 years in that position, shall be eligible to retire and receive a retirement
29 benefit equal to one-half (1/2) the salary the district judge was receiving
30 at the time of retirement for the remainder of his or her life. Provided,
31 however, that only those years during which the judge did not engage in the
32 private practice of law shall be eligible for this computation.

33 (yy) The Hoxie District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
34 not less than ~~six thousand dollars (\$6,000)~~ eight thousand five hundred
35 (\$8,500) nor more than ~~twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000)~~ fourteen thousand
36 five hundred dollars (\$14,500), to be paid by the City of Hoxie and approved

1 by its governing body.

2 (zz) The Huntsville District Court Judge shall receive an annual
3 salary of not less than ~~sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000)~~ twenty thousand
4 dollars (\$20,000) nor more than ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~ thirty-five
5 thousand dollars (\$35,000).

6 (aaa) The Jacksonville District Court Judge shall receive an annual
7 salary of not less than ~~sixty-five thousand five hundred dollars (\$65,500)~~
8 sixty-nine thousand eight hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$69,827) nor more
9 than ~~sixty-nine thousand five hundred dollars~~ seventy-four thousand eight
10 hundred dollars (\$74,800) and the district court clerk shall receive an
11 annual salary of not less than ~~twenty-nine thousand seven hundred seventeen~~
12 ~~dollars (\$29,717)~~ thirty-one thousand six hundred eighty dollars (\$31,680)
13 nor more than ~~thirty-one thousand five hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$31,527)~~
14 thirty-three thousand nine hundred thirty-six dollars (\$33,936).

15 (bbb) The Jasper District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
16 of not less than ~~thirteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$13,500)~~ seventeen
17 thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) nor more than ~~twenty thousand dollars~~
18 ~~(\$20,000)~~ twenty-two thousand five hundred dollars (\$22,500), and the clerk
19 shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~eleven thousand five hundred~~
20 ~~dollars (\$11,500)~~ twelve thousand five hundred dollars (\$12,500) nor more
21 than ~~fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)~~ seventeen thousand five hundred
22 dollars (\$17,500). The salaries and all other expenses of the office of Judge
23 of the Jasper District Court shall be paid on the basis of ninety percent
24 (90%) by the county and ten percent (10%) by the City of Jasper.

25 (ccc) The Lake Village District Court Judge shall receive an annual
26 salary of not less than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) nor more than
27 twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000), and the court clerk shall receive an
28 annual salary of not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) nor more
29 than eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000). If authorized by the governing body
30 of the City of Lake Village and the Chicot County Quorum Court, the judge
31 shall be authorized to employ a deputy court clerk, full-time or part-time,
32 at an annual salary of not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) nor more
33 than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000). The salaries shall be in an amount
34 within the range prescribed in this subsection, as agreed upon by the Chicot
35 County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Lake Village.

36 (ddd) The Judge of the Lewisville District Court, Lafayette County,

1 shall receive an annual salary of not less than seventeen thousand three
2 hundred twelve dollars and nineteen cents (\$17,312.19) nor more than ~~twenty-~~
3 ~~seven thousand dollars (\$27,000)~~ thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), and the
4 City of Lewisville shall pay to the district judge at least five thousand two
5 hundred eighty-seven dollars and fifty-three cents (\$5,287.53) but no more
6 than ~~eight thousand dollars (\$8,000)~~ nine thousand five hundred dollars
7 (\$9,500) of the salary, and Lafayette County shall pay to the district judge
8 at least twelve thousand twenty-four dollars and sixty-six cents (\$12,024.66)
9 but not more than ~~eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000)~~ twenty thousand five
10 hundred dollars (\$20,500) of the salary. The Clerk of the Lewisville District
11 Court, Lafayette County, shall receive an annual salary of not less than
12 fifteen thousand one hundred eighty-three dollars and fifty-nine cents
13 (\$15,183.59) nor more than ~~twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000)~~ twenty-two
14 thousand dollars (\$22,000), and the City of Lewisville shall pay to the
15 district clerk at least four thousand seventy-five dollars and fifty cents
16 (\$4,075.50) but not more than ~~seven thousand dollars (\$7,000)~~ seven thousand
17 seven hundred dollars (\$7,700) of the salary, and Lafayette County shall pay
18 to the district clerk not less than eleven thousand one hundred eight dollars
19 and nine cents (\$11,108.09) but not more than ~~thirteen thousand dollars~~
20 ~~(\$13,000)~~ fourteen thousand three hundred dollars (\$14,300) of the salary.

21 (eee) The Little Rock District Court Judges of the First Division,
22 Second Division, and Third Division shall receive annual salaries of not less
23 than ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000) nor more than one hundred twenty-
24 five thousand dollars (\$125,000).

25 (fff) The Lonoke District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
26 of not less than five thousand dollars (\$5,000) nor more than twenty thousand
27 dollars (\$20,000) as may be determined by the governing body of the City of
28 Lonoke.

29 (ggg) The Malvern District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
30 of not less than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) nor more than ~~forty-~~
31 ~~five thousand dollars (\$45,000)~~ fifty-four thousand dollars (\$54,000), as
32 prescribed by the governing body of the City of Malvern and the Quorum Court
33 of Hot Spring County, and, provided further, that the first seventeen
34 thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) shall be paid fifty percent (50%) by
35 the city and fifty percent (50%) by the county, and that portion of the
36 annual salary in excess of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500)

1 shall be paid by the city and county in the same proportion that the city and
2 county shared in the revenues generated by the court in the previous year.
3 Furthermore, the Judge of the Malvern District Court shall be entitled to an
4 additional deputy district court clerk whose salary shall be determined by
5 the governing body of the City of Malvern and the Quorum Court of Hot Spring
6 County, and the salary shall be paid by the city and county in the same
7 proportion as the city and county shared in the revenues generated by the
8 court in the previous year.

9 (hhh) The Magnolia District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
10 of not less than twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000) nor more than ~~thirty-~~
11 ~~five thousand dollars (\$35,000)~~ forty thousand dollars (\$40,000). Any
12 salaries paid over the minimum salaries set in this subsection shall be paid
13 only upon the approval of the governing bodies of the City of Magnolia and
14 Columbia County.

15 (iii) The Marianna District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
16 of not less than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) nor more than thirty-six
17 thousand dollars (\$36,000). The pro rata share of the salary attributable to
18 the City of Marianna shall be at least seven thousand dollars (\$7,000) but
19 not more than twenty thousand seven hundred dollars (\$20,700), and the pro
20 rata share of the salary attributable to Lee County shall be at least nine
21 thousand dollars (\$9,000) but not more than fifteen thousand three hundred
22 dollars (\$15,300). Lee County shall pay all of the salary, and the City of
23 Marianna shall reimburse Lee County on a monthly basis the pro rata share of
24 the annual salary attributable to the City of Marianna.

25 (jjj) The Marion County District Court Judge shall receive an annual
26 salary of not less than thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000) nor more than
27 ~~twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000)~~ twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000).

28 (kkk) Beginning January 1, 2005, the Marion District Court Judge shall
29 receive an annual salary of not less than twenty-five thousand dollars
30 (\$25,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000). This salary
31 shall be as determined by the Marion City Council.

32 (lll) The Marked Tree District Court Judge shall receive an annual
33 salary of not less than seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$7,200) nor more
34 than eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000).

35 (mmm) The Marshall-Searcy County District Court Judge shall receive an
36 annual salary of not less than ~~fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)~~ twenty

1 thousand dollars (\$20,000) nor more than ~~twenty-five thousand dollars~~
2 ~~(\$25,000)~~ thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), and the clerk of the court shall
3 receive an annual salary of not less than ~~sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000)~~
4 seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000) nor more than ~~eighteen thousand dollars~~
5 ~~(\$18,000)~~ nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000), determined by the Quorum Court
6 of Searcy County and the governing body of the City of Marshall by ordinances
7 or resolutions adopted by the respective bodies. The salary of the judge
8 shall be determined by ordinances or resolutions of the quorum court and the
9 governing body of the city within the minimum and maximum prescribed in this
10 subsection. All salaries shall be paid fifty percent (50%) by Searcy County
11 and fifty percent (50%) by the City of Marshall. The salaries shall be paid
12 in equal monthly installments. The Marshall-Searcy County District Judge
13 shall be of good moral character, shall be a resident and elector of the
14 city, county, and the state, and shall possess the qualifications required by
15 law of circuit judges.

16 (nnn) The Maumelle District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
17 of not less than twenty thousand three hundred fifty dollars (\$20,350) nor
18 more than ~~twenty-six thousand four hundred dollars (\$26,400)~~ forty thousand
19 dollars (\$40,000). The district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of
20 not less than seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) nor more than
21 ~~thirty thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$30,250)~~ forty thousand dollars
22 (\$40,000). The salary shall be as determined by the Board of Directors of the
23 City of Maumelle.

24 (ooo) The McCrory District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
25 of not less than four thousand eight hundred dollars (\$4,800) nor more than
26 seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$7,500).

27 (ppp) The McGehee District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
28 of not less than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) nor more than thirty
29 thousand dollars (\$30,000). The salary shall be paid one-half (1/2) by the
30 Desha County Quorum Court and one-half (1/2) by the City of McGehee and shall
31 be determined by the Desha County Quorum Court and the governing body of the
32 City of McGehee. The district court clerk shall be employed and paid by the
33 City of McGehee at such a salary as the governing body shall determine.

34 (qqq) The Melbourne District Court Judge shall receive an annual
35 salary of not less than seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$7,200) nor more
36 than ~~eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000)~~ twenty-five thousand dollars

1 ~~(\$25,000)~~, and the district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not
2 less than two thousand four hundred dollars (\$2,400) nor more than ~~fourteen~~
3 ~~thousand nine hundred sixty seven dollars and sixty two cents (\$14,967.62)~~
4 twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). Provided, that the salaries shall be
5 subject to the approval of the Melbourne City Council and the Izard County
6 Quorum Court.

7 (rrr) The Mena District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
8 not less than ~~fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000)~~ thirty-two thousand dollars
9 (\$32,000) nor more than ~~twenty four thousand dollars (\$24,000)~~ forty-six
10 thousand dollars (\$46,000) to be paid in equal monthly installments, with
11 fifty-six percent (56%) to be paid by Polk County, twenty-seven percent (27%)
12 to be paid by the City of Mena, and seventeen percent (17%) to be paid by the
13 town of Grannis.

14 (sss) The Monticello District Court Judge shall receive an annual
15 salary of not less than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) nor more than
16 twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000). The salary shall be paid one-half
17 (1/2) by the City of Monticello and one-half (1/2) by Drew County in the
18 amount as may be agreed to by the Drew County Quorum Court and the governing
19 body of the City of Monticello.

20 (ttt) The Morrilton District Court Judge shall receive an annual
21 salary of not less than ~~eighteen thousand five hundred forty dollars~~
22 ~~(\$18,540)~~ twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) nor more than ~~twenty-eight~~
23 ~~thousand dollars (\$28,000)~~ thirty-four thousand dollars (\$34,000). *Provided,*
24 *that the salary may be increased by such an amount as may be agreed to by the*
25 *Conway County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Morrilton by*
26 *ordinances adopted by their respective bodies.*

27 (uuu) The Mountain Home District Court Judge shall receive an annual
28 salary of not less than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) and not more
29 than ~~fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000)~~ fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000),
30 and the Mountain Home District Court Clerks shall receive compensation in an
31 amount as may be provided by the City of Mountain Home and the Quorum Court
32 of Baxter County. The salaries shall be paid one-half (1/2) by the City of
33 Mountain Home and one-half (1/2) by Baxter County.

34 (vvv) The Mountain View District Court Judge shall receive an annual
35 salary of not less than eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) nor more than ~~twenty~~
36 ~~thousand dollars (\$20,000)~~ twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), and the

1 clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than six thousand dollars
2 (\$6,000) and not more than ~~fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)~~ twenty thousand
3 dollars (\$20,000). The salaries shall be subject to the approval of the
4 Mountain View City Council and the Stone County Quorum Court.

5 (www) The Mt. Ida District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
6 of not less than ~~fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)~~ seventeen thousand
7 dollars (\$17,000) nor more than ~~twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000)~~ twenty-five
8 thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be paid in equal monthly installments. The
9 district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of ~~fifteen thousand~~
10 ~~dollars (\$15,000)~~ not less than nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) nor more
11 than twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000), and the secretary shall receive
12 an annual salary of ~~eight thousand dollars (\$8,000)~~ not less than sixteen
13 thousand dollars (\$16,000) nor more than twenty-two thousand dollars
14 (\$22,000). Montgomery County shall pay eighty percent (80%) of the salaries,
15 and the City of Mt. Ida shall pay twenty percent (20%) of the salaries.

16 (xxx) The Murfreesboro District Court Judge shall receive an annual
17 salary of not less than six thousand dollars (\$6,000) nor more than fifteen
18 thousand dollars (\$15,000), and the clerk shall receive an annual salary of
19 not less than three thousand dollars (\$3,000) nor more than twenty thousand
20 dollars (\$20,000). Seventy-five percent (75%) of the salaries shall be paid
21 by Pike County, and twenty-five percent (25%) thereof shall be paid by the
22 City of Murfreesboro.

23 (yyy) The Nashville District Court Judge shall have an annual salary
24 of not less than twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000). The Nashville
25 District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than twelve
26 thousand dollars (\$12,000) nor more than nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000),
27 unless provided for otherwise by ordinance of the Howard County Quorum Court
28 and the governing body of the City of Nashville. The salary is to be paid
29 one-half (1/2) by the City of Nashville and one-half (1/2) by Howard County.

30 (zzz) The Newport District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
31 of not less than thirty-five thousand (\$35,000) nor more than forty-five
32 thousand dollars (\$45,000). The salary of the district court judge shall be
33 paid one-half (1/2) by the City of Newport and one-half (1/2) by Jackson
34 County.

35 (aaaa)(1) Each North Little Rock District Court Judge shall receive an
36 annual salary of not less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) nor more than

1 ~~eighty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$87,500)~~ ninety-seven thousand
2 five hundred dollars (\$97,500), as may be prescribed by the governing body of
3 North Little Rock. Each Judge of the North Little Rock District Court is
4 authorized to employ a chief clerk, whose salary shall be at least thirty-two
5 thousand five hundred dollars (\$32,500) but not more than ~~forty-five thousand~~
6 ~~five hundred dollars (\$45,500)~~ fifty-five thousand five hundred dollars
7 (\$55,500), a deputy clerk, whose salary shall be at least ~~twenty-seven~~
8 ~~thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500)~~ thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000)
9 but not more than ~~thirty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$37,500)~~ forty-
10 two thousand five hundred dollars (\$42,500), and two (2) clerks, whose
11 salaries shall each be at least twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) but not
12 more than ~~thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000)~~ forty thousand dollars
13 (\$40,000).

14 (2) The Judge of the First Division and the Judge of the Second
15 Division of the North Little Rock District Court, subject to the approval of
16 the governing body of North Little Rock, may each employ an additional clerk
17 whose salary shall be at least twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) but not more
18 than ~~thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000)~~ forty thousand dollars (\$40,000).

19 (bbbb) The Osceola District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
20 of not less than forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) nor more than seventy-
21 five thousand dollars (\$75,000), as may be approved by the Quorum Court of
22 Mississippi County and the governing body of Osceola. The Osceola District
23 Court shall have jurisdiction over the Osceola District of Mississippi
24 County.

25 (cccc) The Ozark District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
26 of not less than twenty-two thousand six hundred dollars (\$22,600) nor more
27 than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000). The salaries and costs may be
28 set and the payment thereof may be apportioned by agreement between the
29 governing body of the City of Ozark and the Franklin County Quorum Court.

30 (dddd) The Paragould District Court shall be known as the Greene
31 County-Paragould District Court. The Greene County-Paragould District Court
32 Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty-four thousand
33 four hundred twenty-two dollars (\$34,422) until January 1, 2006, and then not
34 less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) nor more than eighty-five thousand
35 dollars (\$85,000), the clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than
36 nineteen thousand eight hundred fifty-six dollars (\$19,856) nor more than

1 twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000), the chief deputy clerk shall receive
2 an annual salary of not less than sixteen thousand six hundred twenty-four
3 dollars (\$16,624) nor more than twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000), and
4 the deputy clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirteen
5 thousand three hundred fourteen dollars (\$13,314) nor more than twenty
6 thousand dollars (\$20,000). The salaries shall be determined by the Greene
7 County Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Paragould and shall
8 be paid in twelve (12) equal monthly installments. The Judge of the Greene
9 County-Paragould District Court shall possess the same qualifications for
10 service as judges of the circuit courts of this state.

11 (eeee) The Paris District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
12 of not less than twenty-two thousand dollars (\$22,000) nor more than forty
13 thousand dollars (\$40,000), as may be determined by the City Council of the
14 City of Paris and the Quorum Court of Logan County and shall be payable one-
15 half (1/2) by the City of Paris and one-half (1/2) by Logan County and shall
16 be paid in twelve (12) equal monthly installments.

17 (ffff) The Perry County District Court Judge shall receive an annual
18 salary of not less than ~~eighteen thousand five hundred forty dollars~~
19 ~~(\$18,540)~~ twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) nor more than ~~twenty-four~~
20 ~~thousand dollars (\$24,000)~~ twenty-six thousand five hundred dollars
21 (\$26,500), with one-half (1/2) being paid by the participating cities and
22 one-half (1/2) being paid by the county.

23 (gggg)(1) The First Division Pine Bluff District Court Judge shall
24 receive an annual salary of not less than eighty-five thousand dollars
25 (\$85,000) nor more than ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000), as may be
26 approved by the Jefferson County Quorum Court and the governing body of the
27 City of Pine Bluff. The judge shall not engage in the private practice of
28 law. The clerk of the court shall receive an annual salary of not less than
29 twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand
30 dollars (\$35,000), as may be approved by the Jefferson County Quorum Court
31 and the governing body of the City of Pine Bluff.

32 (2) The Second Division Pine Bluff District Court Judge shall
33 receive an annual salary of not less than eighty-five thousand dollars
34 (\$85,000) nor more than ninety-five thousand dollars (\$95,000), as may be
35 approved by the Jefferson County Quorum Court and the governing body of the
36 City of Pine Bluff. The clerk of the court shall receive an annual salary of

1 not less than twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) nor more than thirty-
2 five thousand dollars (\$35,000), as may be approved by the Jefferson County
3 Quorum Court and the governing body of the City of Pine Bluff.

4 (hhhh) The Pocahontas District Court Judge shall receive an annual
5 salary of not less than nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) nor more than
6 ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~ thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000), and
7 the district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than six
8 thousand dollars (\$6,000) nor more than twenty-five thousand dollars
9 (\$25,000). The salaries shall be payable one-half (1/2) by the City of
10 Pocahontas and one-half (1/2) by Randolph County and shall be payable in
11 twelve (12) equal monthly installments.

12 (iiii) *The Prairie Grove District Court Judge shall receive an annual*
13 *salary of not less than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) nor more than*
14 *thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), and the clerk shall receive an annual*
15 *salary of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) nor more than* ~~twenty-~~
16 ~~five thousand dollars (\$25,000)~~ thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).

17 (jjjj) The annual salary of the Judge of the Prescott District Court
18 shall be not less than twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000) nor more than
19 twenty-six thousand dollars (\$26,000), and the annual salary of the Clerk of
20 the Prescott District Court shall be not less than twelve thousand dollars
21 (\$12,000) nor more than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000). The salaries for
22 the district court judge and district court clerk shall be established within
23 these ranges by the Nevada County Quorum Court and the City of Prescott City
24 Council, and the salaries shall be paid sixty percent (60%) by Nevada County
25 and forty percent (40%) by the City of Prescott. The salaries shall be paid
26 in equal monthly installments.

27 (kkkk) The Pulaski County District Court Judge shall receive an annual
28 salary of not less than ~~seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000)~~ eighty
29 thousand dollars (\$80,000) nor more than ~~one hundred thousand dollars~~
30 ~~(\$100,000)~~ one hundred nineteen thousand dollars (\$119,000), the court clerk
31 shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~thirty-two thousand dollars~~
32 ~~(\$32,000)~~ thirty-seven thousand dollars (\$37,000) nor more than ~~forty-five~~
33 ~~thousand dollars (\$45,000)~~ fifty-three thousand dollars (\$53,000), and the
34 court bailiff shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~thirty thousand~~
35 ~~dollars (\$30,000)~~ thirty-two thousand dollars (\$32,000) nor more than ~~forty~~
36 ~~thousand dollars (\$40,000)~~ forty-six thousand dollars (\$46,000). The Judge of

1 the Pulaski County District Court shall not engage in the private practice of
2 law.

3 (lllll) The Rison District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
4 of not less than fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) nor more than thirty
5 thousand dollars (\$30,000), and the clerk shall receive an annual salary of
6 not less than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000) nor more than twenty-four
7 thousand dollars (\$24,000), as may be determined by the City Council of Rison
8 and the Quorum Court of Cleveland County.

9 (mmmm) The Rogers District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
10 of not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) nor more than ~~one hundred~~
11 ~~thousand dollars (\$100,000)~~ one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000).

12 (nnnn) The Russellville District Court Judge shall receive an annual
13 salary of not less than fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000) nor more than
14 seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000), the court clerk shall receive an
15 annual salary of not less than twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000) nor
16 more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000), the chief deputy clerk of
17 the court shall receive an annual salary of not less than eighteen thousand
18 five hundred dollars (\$18,500) nor more than thirty-one thousand dollars
19 (\$31,000), and the deputy clerk of the court shall receive an annual salary
20 of not less than sixteen thousand five hundred dollars (\$16,500) nor more
21 than twenty-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$27,500).

22 (oooo) The Salem District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
23 of not less than twenty thousand eight hundred dollars (\$20,800) nor more
24 than ~~twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000)~~ twenty-eight thousand dollars
25 (\$28,000). The annual salary of the Clerk of the Salem District Court shall
26 be not less than fifteen thousand three hundred dollars (\$15,300) nor more
27 than ~~twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000)~~ twenty-one thousand dollars (\$21,000).
28 The expense of salaries, along with all other necessary and customary
29 expenses of the court, shall be shared by Fulton County, the City of Salem,
30 and the City of Mammoth Spring, based on a percentage of the actual number of
31 cases handled through the court for each governmental entity. The percentage
32 shall be determined annually by dividing the total number of cases handled by
33 the court into the number of cases handled annually for each of the
34 aforementioned governmental entities. On January 1 of each year, each share
35 shall be estimated based on the number of cases handled by the court for each
36 of the respective governmental entities for the preceding year. However, on

December 31 of each year, each share shall be adjusted to reflect the actual percentage for each governmental entity for that year based on the actual case load. The salaries and expenses shall be paid in equal monthly installments by Fulton County, and the City of Salem and the City of Mammoth Spring shall reimburse the county on a monthly basis for their respective shares of salaries and expenses.

(pppp) The Scott County District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~seventeen thousand dollars (\$17,000)~~ twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000) nor more than ~~twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000)~~ thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), and the clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirteen thousand dollars (\$13,000) nor more than ~~sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000)~~ twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). The salaries shall be subject to the approval of the Waldron City Council and the Scott County Quorum Court and shall be paid in equal monthly installments, one-half (1/2) to be paid by the City of Waldron and one-half (1/2) to be paid by Scott County.

(qqqq) The Searcy District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than *fifty-six thousand dollars (\$56,000)* nor more than *fifty-eight thousand dollars (\$58,000)*.

(rrrr)(1) The Sheridan District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) nor more than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), as approved by the quorum court, to be paid as follows:

(A) Not less than three thousand nine hundred sixty dollars (\$3,960) nor more than eight thousand one hundred dollars (\$8,100) by the City of Sheridan, as approved by the Sheridan City Council; and

(B) The balance by Grant County, as approved by the Grant County Quorum Court.

(2)(A) The Sheridan District Court Clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) nor more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000), as approved by the quorum court.

(B) The District Clerk's salary shall be paid as follows:

(i) Twenty-seven percent (27%) to be paid by the City of Sheridan; and

(ii) Seventy-three percent (73%) to be paid by Grant County.

(ssss) The Sherwood District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) nor more than seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000), and the district court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) nor more than sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000). The salaries are to be determined by the governing body of the City of Sherwood.

(tttt) The Siloam Springs District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000)~~ thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) nor more than ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~ one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000). The salary shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the City of Siloam Springs, as concurred in by the Benton County Quorum Court.

(uuuu) The Springdale District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~forty thousand dollars (\$40,000)~~ eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000) nor more than ~~seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000)~~ one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), as determined by the governing body of Springdale.

(vvvv) The Stuttgart District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) nor more than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), the court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than thirteen thousand eight hundred thirty-four dollars and ninety-two cents (\$13,834.92) nor more than twenty-eight thousand dollars (\$28,000), and the deputy court clerk shall receive an annual salary of not less than eleven thousand four hundred seventy-five dollars (\$11,475), nor more than twenty-one thousand four hundred seventy-five dollars (\$21,475). The salaries shall be as determined by the governing body of the City of Stuttgart and the Arkansas County Quorum Court and paid one-half (1/2) by the city and one-half (1/2) by the county.

(xxxx)(1) The Texarkana District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than seventy thousand five hundred dollars (\$70,500) nor more than seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000). The salary shall be paid two-thirds (2/3) by the City of Texarkana and one-third (1/3) by Miller County. Any salary increase shall be agreed upon by the city and county prior to its effective date.

(2)(A) The Texarkana District Court shall have two (2) divisions, the City Division and the County Division.

1 (B) The City Division shall hear all civil and criminal
2 cases arising out of violations of city ordinances and those cases arising
3 out of violations of state laws committed within the corporate limits of the
4 City of Texarkana and all other cases in controversy arising within the
5 corporate limits of the city within the jurisdiction of a district court as
6 established by law. The City Division shall have a chief district court clerk
7 whose salary shall be paid by the City of Texarkana in an amount to be
8 determined by its governing body.

9 (C) The County Division shall hear all civil and criminal
10 cases arising out of violations of any of the laws of the state committed
11 outside the corporate limits of the City of Texarkana and all other cases in
12 controversy arising outside the corporate limits of the city within the
13 jurisdiction of a district court as established by law. The County Division
14 shall have a chief district court clerk whose salary shall be paid by Miller
15 County in an amount to be determined by its quorum court.

16 (www) The Trumann District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
17 of not less than seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$7,200) nor more than
18 eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000). The salary shall be paid one-half (1/2)
19 by the City of Trumann and one-half (1/2) by Poinsett County.

20 (yyyy) The Tyronza-Lepanto District Court Judge shall receive an
21 annual salary of not less than seven thousand two hundred dollars (\$7,200)
22 nor more than eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000). The salary shall be paid
23 one-half (1/2) by the City of Tyronza and the City of Lepanto and one-half
24 (1/2) by Poinsett County.

25 (zzzz) The Ulm District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of
26 not less than nine hundred dollars (\$900) nor more than ten thousand nine
27 hundred dollars (\$10,900).

28 (aaaaa) The El Dorado District Court shall be known as the Union
29 County District Court. The Union County District Court Judge shall receive an
30 annual salary of not less than forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) nor more than
31 ~~fifty five thousand dollars (\$55,000)~~ seventy thousand dollars (\$70,000). The
32 salary shall be as determined by the Union County Quorum Court and the
33 governing body of the City of El Dorado.

34 (bbbbb) The Van Buren District Court Judge shall receive an annual
35 salary of not less than ~~sixty two thousand dollars (\$62,000)~~ eighty thousand
36 dollars (\$80,000) nor more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000).

(ccccc) The Walnut Ridge District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000)~~ thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) nor more than ~~forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000)~~ fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), one-half (1/2) of the salary to be paid by the City of Walnut Ridge, and the other one-half (1/2) shall be paid by Lawrence County.

(ddddd) The Ward District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than three thousand six hundred dollars (\$3,600) nor more than twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000), as may be determined by the governing body of the City of Ward.

(eeeeee) *The West Fork District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than ~~fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000)~~ twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) nor more than ~~twenty-seven thousand dollars (\$27,000)~~ forty thousand dollars (\$40,000). The annual salary for each clerk of the West Fork District Court shall not be less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) nor more than thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000).*

(fffff) The West Helena District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than twelve thousand three hundred twelve dollars (\$12,312) nor more than thirty-six thousand dollars (\$36,000), of which not less than five hundred thirteen dollars (\$513) nor more than one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) per month shall be paid by the City of West Helena, and of which not less than five hundred thirteen dollars (\$513) nor more than one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500) per month shall be paid by Phillips County.

(ggggg)(1) The West Memphis District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than forty-five thousand dollars (\$45,000) nor more than fifty-four thousand dollars (\$54,000). The salary shall be determined by the governing body of the City of West Memphis and the Crittenden County Quorum Court.

(2) The Judge of the West Memphis District Court shall have the authority to appoint a referee to hear all civil cases which may be filed with the district court. The civil referee of the West Memphis District Court shall receive the same compensation as may be paid to a small claims referee in district courts under Arkansas law.

(hhhhh) The Wrightsville District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary of not less than sixteen thousand dollars (\$16,000) nor more than

1 twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000). The district court clerk shall
2 receive an annual salary of not less than ten thousand nine hundred twenty-
3 six dollars (\$10,926) nor more than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000). The
4 salaries shall be determined by the Board of Directors of the City of
5 Wrightsville.

6 (iiiiii) The Wynne District Court Judge shall receive an annual salary
7 of not less than thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) nor more than forty
8 thousand dollars (\$40,000). This salary and the salaries of all court
9 employees shall be as determined by the governing body of the City of Wynne.
10 The Judge of the Wynne District Court may appoint a small claims referee to
11 hear small claims cases in the Wynne District Court. If a referee is
12 appointed, the small claims referee of the Wynne District Court shall receive
13 a salary as fixed by the quorum court.

14 (jjjjj) The Yell County District Court Judge shall receive an annual
15 salary of not less than ten thousand one hundred six dollars (\$10,106) nor
16 more than twenty-one thousand six hundred forty-three (\$21,643), as
17 determined by the quorum court.

18 (kkkkk) The salaries of personnel of all district courts not
19 specifically mentioned in this section shall be as otherwise provided by law.

20 (lllll)(1) The Elkins District Court Judge, Fayetteville District
21 Court Judge, Prairie Grove District Court Judge, Springdale District Court
22 Judge, and West Fork District Court Judge, at the request of the Washington
23 County Circuit Court and with the respective district judge's consent, may
24 perform certain functions as a judicial officer and as authorized by the
25 Arkansas Rules of Criminal Procedure or may perform certain pretrial
26 functions, including, but not limited to, conducting pretrial release
27 inquiries, making reasonable cause determinations, accepting pleas of not
28 guilty or not guilty by reason of insanity, and issuing search warrants,
29 arrest warrants, and summons.

30 (2) Additional compensation in excess of the salary provided in
31 this section may be paid and must be approved by appropriation ordinances of
32 the engaging county quorum court.

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34 /s/ Verkamp
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