



Ohio Revised Code

Section 141.04 Compensation of judges by state.

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(A) The annual salaries of the chief justice of the supreme court and of the justices and judges named in this section payable from the state treasury are as follows, rounded to the nearest fifty dollars:

(1) For the chief justice of the supreme court, the following amounts effective in the following years:

(a) Beginning January 1, 2000, one hundred twenty-four thousand nine hundred dollars;

(b) Beginning January 1, 2001, one hundred twenty-eight thousand six hundred fifty dollars;

(c) After 2001, the amount determined under division (E)(1) of this section.

(2) For the justices of the supreme court, the following amounts effective in the following years:

(a) Beginning January 1, 2000, one hundred seventeen thousand two hundred fifty dollars;

(b) Beginning January 1, 2001, one hundred twenty thousand seven hundred fifty dollars;

(c) After 2001, the amount determined under division (E)(1) of this section.

(3) For the judges of the courts of appeals, the following amounts effective in the following years:

(a) Beginning January 1, 2000, one hundred nine thousand two hundred fifty dollars;

(b) Beginning January 1, 2001, one hundred twelve thousand five hundred fifty dollars;

(c) After 2001, the amount determined under division (E)(1) of this section.



(4) For the judges of the courts of common pleas, the following amounts effective in the following years:

(a) Beginning January 1, 2000, one hundred thousand five hundred dollars, reduced by an amount equal to the annual compensation paid to that judge from the county treasury pursuant to section 141.05 of the Revised Code;

(b) Beginning January 1, 2001, one hundred three thousand five hundred dollars, reduced by an amount equal to the annual compensation paid to that judge from the county treasury pursuant to section 141.05 of the Revised Code;

(c) After 2001, the aggregate annual salary amount determined under division (E)(2) of this section reduced by an amount equal to the annual compensation paid to that judge from the county treasury pursuant to section 141.05 of the Revised Code.

(5) For the full-time judges of a municipal court or the part-time judges of a municipal court of a territory having a population of more than fifty thousand, the following amounts effective in the following years, which amounts shall be in addition to all amounts received pursuant to divisions (B)(1)(a) and (2) of section 1901.11 of the Revised Code from municipal corporations and counties:

(a) Beginning January 1, 2000, thirty-two thousand six hundred fifty dollars;

(b) Beginning January 1, 2001, thirty-five thousand five hundred dollars;

(c) After 2001, the amount determined under division (E)(3) of this section.

(6) For judges of a municipal court designated as part-time judges by section 1901.08 of the Revised Code, other than part-time judges to whom division (A)(5) of this section applies, and for judges of a county court, the following amounts effective in the following years, which amounts shall be in addition to any amounts received pursuant to division (A) of section 1901.11 of the Revised Code from municipal corporations and counties or pursuant to division (A) of section 1907.16 of the Revised Code from counties:



(a) Beginning January 1, 2000, eighteen thousand eight hundred dollars;

(b) Beginning January 1, 2001, twenty thousand four hundred fifty dollars;

(c) After 2001, the amount determined under division (E)(4) of this section.

(B) Except as provided in sections 1901.122 and 1901.123 of the Revised Code, except as otherwise provided in this division, and except for the compensation to which the judges described in division (A)(5) of this section are entitled pursuant to divisions (B)(1)(a) and (2) of section 1901.11 of the Revised Code, the annual salary of the chief justice of the supreme court and of each justice or judge listed in division (A) of this section shall be paid in equal monthly installments from the state treasury. If the chief justice of the supreme court or any justice or judge listed in division (A)(2), (3), or (4) of this section delivers a written request to be paid biweekly to the administrative director of the supreme court prior to the first day of January of any year, the annual salary of the chief justice or the justice or judge that is listed in division (A)(2), (3), or (4) of this section shall be paid, during the year immediately following the year in which the request is delivered to the administrative director of the supreme court, biweekly from the state treasury.

(C) Upon the death of the chief justice or a justice of the supreme court during that person's term of office, an amount shall be paid in accordance with section 2113.04 of the Revised Code, or to that person's estate. The amount shall equal the amount of the salary that the chief justice or justice would have received during the remainder of the unexpired term or an amount equal to the salary of office for two years, whichever is less.

(D) Neither the chief justice of the supreme court nor any justice or judge of the supreme court, the court of appeals, the court of common pleas, or the probate court shall hold any other office of trust or profit under the authority of this state or the United States.

(E)(1) Each year from 2002 through 2008, the annual salaries of the chief justice of the supreme court and of the justices and judges named in divisions (A)(2) and (3) of this section shall be increased by an amount equal to the adjustment percentage for that year multiplied by the compensation paid the preceding year pursuant to division (A)(1), (2), or (3) of this section.



- (2) Each year from 2002 through 2008, the aggregate annual salary payable under division (A)(4) of this section to the judges named in that division shall be increased by an amount equal to the adjustment percentage for that year multiplied by the aggregate compensation paid the preceding year pursuant to division (A)(4) of this section and section 141.05 of the Revised Code.
- (3) Each year from 2002 through 2008, the salary payable from the state treasury under division (A)(5) of this section to the judges named in that division shall be increased by an amount equal to the adjustment percentage for that year multiplied by the aggregate compensation paid the preceding year pursuant to division (A)(5) of this section and division (B)(1)(a) of section 1901.11 of the Revised Code.
- (4) Each year from 2002 through 2008, the salary payable from the state treasury under division (A)(6) of this section to the judges named in that division shall be increased by an amount equal to the adjustment percentage for that year multiplied by the aggregate compensation paid the preceding year pursuant to division (A)(6) of this section and division (A) of section 1901.11 of the Revised Code from municipal corporations and counties or division (A) of section 1907.16 of the Revised Code from counties.
- (F) In addition to the salaries payable pursuant to this section, the chief justice of the supreme court and the justices of the supreme court shall be entitled to a vehicle allowance of five hundred dollars per month, payable from the state treasury. The allowance shall be increased on the first day of January of each odd-numbered year by an amount equal to the percentage increase, if any, in the consumer price index for the immediately preceding twenty-four month period for which information is available.
- (G) On or before the first day of December of each year, the Ohio supreme court, through its chief administrator, shall notify the administrative judge of the Montgomery county municipal court, the board of county commissioners of Montgomery county, and the treasurer of the state of the yearly salary cost of five part-time county court judges as of that date. If the total yearly salary costs of all of the judges of the Montgomery county municipal court as of the first day of December of that same year exceeds that amount, the administrative judge of the Montgomery county municipal court shall cause payment of the excess between those two amounts less any reduced amount paid



for the health care costs of the Montgomery county municipal court judges in comparison to the health care costs of five part-time county court judges from the general special projects fund or the fund for a specific special project created pursuant to section 1901.26 of the Revised Code to the treasurer of Montgomery county and to the treasurer of the state in amounts proportional to the percentage of the salaries of the municipal court judges paid by the county and by the state.

(H) As used in this section:

(1) The "adjustment percentage" for a year is the lesser of the following:

(a) Three per cent;

(b) The percentage increase, if any, in the consumer price index over the twelve-month period that ends on the thirtieth day of September of the immediately preceding year, rounded to the nearest one-tenth of one per cent.

(2) "Consumer price index" has the same meaning as in section 101.27 of the Revised Code.

(3) "Salary" does not include any portion of the cost, premium, or charge for health, medical, hospital, dental, or surgical benefits, or any combination of those benefits, covering the chief justice of the supreme court or a justice or judge named in this section and paid on the chief justice's or the justice's or judge's behalf by a governmental entity.