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MEMORANDUM

To: County Judges, County Executives, General Sessions Judges,
Highway Officials and County Officials

From: James H. Westbrook, Jr., Executive Director *Jim*

Subject: Salary Increases Effective September 1, 1979

Date: May 21, 1979

As you are aware, the Tennessee General Assembly enacted legislation in 1977 which removed the cost-of-living escalator on county officials' salaries after September 1, 1978. However the General Assembly recently enacted the County Officials Salary Bill (SB 808 / HB 964), subsequently signed into law by Governor Alexander, which will give those county officials whose salaries are determined by T.C.A. 8-2403 (maximum salary law) and T.C.A. 8-2405 (minimum salary law) an across the board seven percent (7%) salary increase effective September 1, 1979.

Enclosed you will find schedules of salary increases for salaries affected by this legislation as well as a salary schedule for General Sessions Judges, who will continue to receive cost-of-living adjustments until 1982. The tables show current annual salary, annual salary effective September 1979 and the fiscal year 1979-80 salary for budgetary purposes.

If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact this office or the CTAS field representative in your area.

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Enclosure

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County Executives
County Judges, County Chairman,
County Managers, and County Administrators

Minimum Salaries
Provided for by T.C.A. 8-2414
Fiscal Year 1979-80

<u>County Class</u>	<u>1970 Population</u>	<u>Base Min. Eff. 9/1/78</u>	<u>Min. Salary Eff. 9/1/79</u>	<u>2 Mos. @ 9/1/78 Base</u>	<u>10 Mos. @ 9/1/79 Base</u>	<u>Total Budget Year FY 79-80 Min. Salary</u>
1st	400,000 or more	\$43,153.27	\$46,174.00	\$7,192.21	\$38,478.33	\$45,670.54
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	33,110.31	35,428.03	5,518.39	29,523.36	35,041.75
3rd	50,000 - 150,000	25,264.27	27,032.77	4,210.71	22,527.31	26,738.02
4th	24,500 - 50,000	21,655.08	23,170.94	3,609.18	19,309.11	22,918.29
5th	12,000 - 24,500	19,850.50	21,240.04	3,308.42	17,700.03	21,008.45
6th	6,000 - 12,000	17,143.61	18,343.66	2,857.27	15,286.39	18,143.66
7th	3,770 - 6,000	16,241.31	17,378.20	2,706.89	14,481.83	17,188.72
8th	3,770 or less	12,632.14	13,516.39	2,105.36	11,263.66	13,369.02

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County Trustees, Sheriffs, Clerks of Courts,
Clerks and Masters of Chancery Courts, Clerks of Probate Courts,
Clerks of Circuit Courts, Register of Deeds, Clerks of Criminal Courts,
Assessors of Property, and Clerks of General Sessions Courts

Maximum Salaries
Provided for by T.C.A. 8-2403
Fiscal Year 1979-80

County Class	1970 Population	Base Maximum Eff. 9/1/78	Max. Salary Eff. 9/1/79 @ 7.0% Inc.	2 Mos. @ 9/1/78 Base Maximum	10 Mos. @ 9/1/79 Base Maximum	Total Budget Year FY 79-80 Max. Salary
1st	400,000 or more	\$37,524.57	\$40,151.29	\$6,254.10	\$33,459.41	\$39,713.51
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	28,791.57	30,806.98	4,798.60	25,672.48	30,471.08
3rd**	100,000 - 200,000	23,197.01	24,820.80	3,866.17	20,684.00	24,550.17
3rd	50,000 - 150,000	21,968.93	23,506.76	3,661.49	19,588.96	23,250.45
4th	24,500 - 50,000	18,830.51	20,148.65	3,138.42	16,790.54	19,928.96
5th	12,000 - 24,500	17,261.31	18,469.60	2,876.89	15,391.33	18,268.22
6th	6,000 - 12,000	14,907.49	15,951.01	2,484.58	13,292.51	15,777.09
7th	3,770 - 6,000	14,122.88	15,111.48	2,353.81	12,592.90	14,946.71
8th	3,770 or less:					
	Trustee	10,984.46	11,753.37	1,830.74	9,794.48	11,625.22
	All Others	9,415.26	10,074.33	1,569.21	8,395.27	9,964.48

**Chapter 667, Public Acts of 1974 applies to Sullivan County only (not codified)

Minimum Salaries
Provided for by T.C.A. 8-2405
Fiscal Year 1979-80

County Class	1970 Population	Base Minimum Eff. 9/1/78	Min. Salary Eff. 9/1/79 @ 7.0% Inc.	2 Mos. @ 9/1/78 Base Minimum	10 Mos. @ 9/1/79 Base Minimum	Total Budget Year FY 79-80 Minimum Salary
a1	600,000 or more	\$17,179.43	\$18,381.99	\$2,863.24	\$15,318.33	\$18,181.57
a	400,000 - 600,000	19,758.38	21,141.47	3,293.06	17,617.89	20,910.95
b	150,000 - 400,000	19,601.47	20,973.57	3,266.91	17,477.98	20,744.89
c	50,000 - 150,000	16,156.03	17,286.95	2,692.67	14,405.79	17,098.46
d	25,000 - 50,000	14,047.84	15,031.19	2,341.31	12,525.99	14,867.30
e	12,000 - 25,000	12,553.67	13,432.43	2,092.28	11,193.69	13,285.97
f	6,000 - 12,000	10,827.54	11,585.47	1,804.59	9,654.56	11,459.15
g	5,000 - 6,000	9,824.61	10,512.33	1,637.44	8,760.28	10,397.72
h	3,800 - 5,000	9,258.33	9,906.41	1,543.06	8,255.34	9,798.40
i	3,770 - 3,800	8,630.65	9,234.80	1,438.44	7,695.66	9,134.10
j	3,770 or less:					
	Clerks of County & Probate Courts	10,490.55*	11,224.89	1,748.43	9,354.07	11,102.50
	Sheriffs	9,549.02*	10,217.45	1,591.50	8,514.54	10,106.04
	Trustees, Clerks & Master, Clerks of Criminal Courts, Register of Deeds	7,352.13	7,866.78	1,225.36	6,555.65	7,781.01

Note: The Minimum Salary of the Assessor of Property is equal the maximum compensation of the County Trustee. The Assessor and Circuit Court Clerk in certain counties are authorized compensation in addition to the above amount. (Section 8-2405(B), T.C.A.)

*Chapter 168, Public Acts of 1977, increased the minimum salary of the clerks of county and probate courts and the sheriff in counties with less than 3,770 population to above the maximum salary provided by T.C.A. 8-2403.

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Minimum Salary Schedule County Highway Officials Provided for by T.C.A. 54-1006 Fiscal Year 1979-80

Table I

If the county clerk in the following class counties draws the maximum salary provided for in T.C.A. 8-2403, the minimum salary for the county highway official is as follows:

County Class	1970 Population	Base Minimum Eff. 9/1/78	Min. Salary Eff. 9/1/79	2 Mos. @ 9/1/78 Base	10 Mos. @ 9/1/79 Base	Total Budget Year FY 1979-80 Minimum Salary
1st	400,000 or more	\$37,524.57	\$40,151.29	\$6,254.10	\$33,459.41	\$39,713.51
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	28,791.57	30,806.98	4,798.60	25,672.48	30,471.08
3rd*	100,000 - 200,000	23,197.01	24,820.80	3,866.17	20,684.00	24,550.17
3rd	50,000 - 150,000	21,968.93	23,506.76	3,661.49	19,588.96	23,250.45
4th	24,500 - 50,000	18,830.51	20,148.65	3,138.42	16,790.54	19,928.96
5th	12,000 - 24,500	17,261.31	18,469.60	2,876.89	15,391.33	18,268.22
6th	6,000 - 12,000	14,907.49	15,951.01	2,484.58	13,292.51	15,777.09
7th	3,770 - 6,000	14,122.88	15,111.48	2,353.81	12,592.90	14,946.71
8th	3,770 or less	9,415.25	10,074.33	1,569.21	8,395.27	9,964.48

*Chapter 667, Public Acts of 1974 applies to Sullivan County only (not codified)

Table II

If the county court clerk in the following class counties draws the minimum salary provided for in T.C.A. 8-2405, the minimum salary for the county highway official is as follows:

County Class	1970 Population	Base Minimum Eff. 9/1/78	Min. Salary Eff. 9/1/79	2 Mos. @ 9/1/78 Base	10 Mos. @ 9/1/79 Base	Total Budget Year FY 1979-80 Minimum Salary
al	600,000 or more	\$17,179.43	\$18,381.99	\$2,863.24	\$15,318.33	\$18,181.57
a	400,000 - 600,000	19,758.38	21,141.47	3,293.06	17,617.89	20,910.95
b	150,000 - 400,000	19,601.47	20,973.57	3,266.91	17,477.98	20,744.89
c	50,000 - 150,000	16,156.03	17,286.95	2,692.67	14,405.79	17,098.46
d	25,000 - 50,000	14,047.84	15,031.19	2,341.31	12,525.99	14,867.30
e	12,000 - 25,000	12,553.67	13,432.43	2,092.28	11,193.69	13,285.97
f	6,000 - 12,000	10,827.54	11,585.47	1,804.59	9,654.56	11,459.15
g	5,000 - 6,000	9,824.61	10,512.33	1,637.44	8,760.28	10,397.72
h	3,800 - 5,000	9,258.33	9,906.41	1,543.06	8,255.34	9,798.40
i	3,770 - 3,800	8,630.65	9,234.80	1,438.44	7,695.66	9,134.10
j	3,770 or less	10,490.55*	11,224.89	1,748.43	9,354.07	11,102.50

Note: If the county clerk in your county draws compensation between the minimum and maximum rates, you should contact him or her to determine what your minimum salary should be effective September 1, 1979.

*Chapter 168, Public Acts of 1977, increased the minimum salary of the clerks of county and probate courts and the sheriff in counties with less than 3,770 population to above the maximum salary provided by T.C.A. 8-2403.

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GENERAL SESSIONS JUDGES SALARIES As Provided for in T.C.A. 16-1109(D)

County Class	1970 Population	Base Salary Eff. 9/1/78	Base Salary Eff. 9/1/79 @ 7.7% Inc.	2 Mos. @ 9/1/78 Base	10 Mos. @ 9/1/79 Base	Total Budget Yr. FY 79-80 Salary
1st	100,000 or more	\$30,701.92	\$33,065.97	\$ 5,116.99	\$27,554.97	\$32,671.96
2nd	50,000 - 100,000	25,926.06	27,922.37	4,321.01	23,268.64	27,589.65
3rd	40,000 - 50,000	23,879.28	25,717.98	3,979.88	21,431.65	25,411.53
4th	30,000 - 40,000	20,467.94	22,043.97	3,411.32	18,369.98	21,781.30
5th	20,000 - 30,000	15,009.82	16,165.58	2,501.64	13,471.31	15,972.95
6th	15,000 - 20,000	12,280.77	13,226.39	2,046.80	11,021.99	13,068.79
7th	10,000 - 15,000	10,916.23	11,756.78	1,819.37	9,797.32	11,616.69
8th	10,000 or less	9,551.70	10,287.18	1,591.95	8,572.65	10,164.60

Exceptions as Provided in T.C.A. 16-1109(D)
(See footnotes following figures)

County	1970 Population	Base Salary Eff. 9/1/78	Base Salary Eff. 9/1/79 @ 7.7% Inc.	2 Mos. @ 9/1/78 Base	10 Mos. @ 9/1/79 Base	Total Budget Yr. FY 79-80 Salary
Hamilton	250,000-260,000	\$25,243.80	\$27,187.57	\$ 4,207.30	\$22,656.31	\$26,863.61
Montgomery	62,000- 63,000	30,701.92	33,065.97	5,116.99	27,554.97	32,671.96
Greene	47,000- 47,700	18,830.50	20,280.45	3,138.42	16,900.37	20,038.79
Carter	43,000- 43,500	18,830.50	20,280.45	3,138.42	16,900.37	20,038.79
Carter	43,000- 43,500	21,832.47	23,513.57 ¹	3,638.75	19,594.64	23,233.39
Putnam	35,470- 36,000	28,655.12	30,861.56 ²	4,775.85	25,717.97	30,493.82
Williamson	34,000- 35,000	23,879.28	25,717.98	3,979.88	21,431.65	25,411.53
Williamson	34,000- 35,000	30,701.92	33,065.97 ³	5,116.99	27,554.97	32,671.96
Giles	22,050- 22,300	19,103.41	20,574.37 ⁴	3,183.90	17,145.31	20,329.21
Loudon	24,000- 24,300	21,499.98	23,155.48 ⁵	3,583.33	19,296.23	22,879.56
Carroll	25,700- 26,000	16,374.35	17,635.18	2,729.06	14,695.98	17,425.04
Henry	23,700- 24,000	17,260.68	18,589.75	2,876.78	15,491.46	18,368.24
Jefferson	24,900- 25,000	21,832.47	23,513.57 ⁶	3,638.75	19,594.64	23,233.39
Weakley	28,500- 28,950	19,103.41	20,574.37	3,183.90	17,145.31	20,329.21
Rhea	17,000- 17,250	10,233.97	11,021.99	1,705.66	9,184.99	10,890.65
Claiborne	19,000- 19,500	13,645.30	14,695.99	2,274.22	12,246.66	14,520.87
Haywood	19,500- 20,000	15,009.82	16,165.58	2,501.64	13,471.31	15,972.95
Polk	11,600- 12,000	8,187.17	8,817.58	1,364.53	7,347.99	8,712.51
Grainger	13,900- 14,000	13,645.30	14,695.99	2,274.22	12,246.66	14,520.87
Humphreys	13,500- 13,600	17,260.68	18,589.75	2,876.78	15,491.46	18,368.24
Meigs	5,200- 5,225	6,822.64	7,347.98	1,137.11	6,123.32	7,260.43
Hancock	6,700- 6,750	10,916.23	11,756.78	1,819.37	9,797.32	11,616.69

¹Salary of \$23,513.57 is effective only if these general sessions judges had juvenile jurisdiction.

²Salary of 30,861.56 for judges of the general sessions court is effective provided that they serve and preside as both general sessions judge and juvenile judge. Otherwise, the base salary for this class county is \$22,043.97.

³The base salary of \$30,701.92 is effective in this class county only if the general sessions judge exercises all jurisdiction and authority conferred by law upon the county judge or chairman. Otherwise, the base salary for this class county is \$23,879.28.

⁴The base salary of \$19,103.41 is effective only if these general sessions judges have probate and juvenile jurisdiction.

⁵The base salary of \$21,499.98 is effective only if these general sessions judges have juvenile and domestic relations jurisdiction.

⁶Base salary of \$21,832.47 for probate and juvenile jurisdiction. Otherwise, base salary is \$15,009.83.