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COUNTY OFFICIALS' SALARIES
for FY 91-92

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MEMORANDUM

TO: County Executives, Directors of Accounts and Budgets and Directors of Finance

FROM: Robert M. Wormsley, Executive Director 

RE: County Officials' Salaries FY 91-92

Even though other legislation may be passed affecting county officials' salaries, the CTAS staff knows county officials are trying to plan budgets for FY 91-92. As you recall, last year's Public Chapter 1035 provided for a five percent (5%) increase in the maximum and minimum salaries and for a \$2,000 increase in the minimum salaries effective September 1, 1991.

While this basic five percent (5%) increase was passed last year, there have been bills to affect the salary schedule this year. 1991 Public Chapter 248 amends the population classification in T.C.A. § 8-24-101 effective July 1, 1991. 1991 Public Chapter 227 increases the sheriff's salary to ten percent (10%) higher than the maximum salary of the trustee and states that the total compensation paid to the sheriff shall not be equal to or exceed the salary of the county executive. 1991 Public Chapter 227 makes this ten percent (10%) sheriff's pay increase effective September 1, 1991.

This salary schedule may be revised if additional legislation is passed. CTAS will mail out an amended salary schedule if additional laws are passed. The amounts shown on these schedules have been rounded to the nearest dollar. CTAS sincerely appreciates the assistance of the County Audit Division of the Comptroller's Office for the review of this schedule. Please feel free to contact your CTAS field advisor should you need assistance with interpreting this schedule.

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COUNTY EXECUTIVES
Minimum Salaries
Provided for by T.C.A. 8-24-112
Fiscal Year 1991-92

County Class	1980 Population	Salary				Total Budget FY 91-92 Salary
		Base Salary Eff. 7/1/91	Eff. 9/1/91 @ 5% Inc.	2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/91	10 Mos. @ 9/1/91 Base	
1st	400,000 - 600,000	81,040	85,091	13,507	70,910	84,417
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	74,556	78,284	12,426	65,237	77,663
3a	74,500 - 150,000	50,099	52,604	8,350	43,836	52,186
3b	50,000 - 74,500	47,445	49,817	7,908	41,515	49,423
3c	67,300 - 67,600 (1)	49,868	52,362	8,311	43,635	51,946
4th	23,300 - 50,000	40,667	42,701	6,778	35,584	42,362
5th	12,000 - 23,300	37,278	39,141	6,213	32,618	38,831
6th	5,500 - 12,000	32,194	33,804	5,366	28,170	33,536
7th	5,500 or less	30,501	32,026	5,083	26,688	31,771
7th (2)	5,500 or less	29,187	30,646	4,864	25,539	30,403

NOTE: T.C.A. 8-24-112 specifies the County Executive's minimum salary is at least 15% higher than the maximum salary payable to the County Trustee. The minimum salary statute does not apply to the following counties, by population classification: Shelby, McMinn, Rhea, and Humphreys.

(1) According to the 1980 or subsequent federal census.

(2) Applicable to counties with a population of 6,000 or less where no increase was given to officials effective 9/1/87 (Van Buren).

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COUNTY HIGHWAY OFFICIALS (1)

Minimum Salaries

Provided for by T.C.A. 54-7-106

Fiscal Year 1991-92

BASED ON TRUSTEE EARNING MAXIMUM SALARY:

County Class	1980 Population	Trustee's		2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/91	10 Mos. @ 9/1/91 Base	Total Budget FY 91-92 Salary
		Base Salary + 10% Eff. 9/1/90	Eff. 9/1/91 @ 5% Inc. + 10%			
3a	74,500 - 150,000	47,919	50,315	7,987	41,930	49,917
3b	50,000 - 74,500	45,381	47,650	7,564	39,709	47,273
3c	67,300 - 67,600 (2)	47,700	50,085	7,950	41,737	49,687
4th	23,300 - 50,000	38,900	40,845	6,483	34,037	40,520
5th	12,000 - 23,300	35,656	37,439	5,943	31,199	37,142
6th	5,500 - 12,000	30,795	32,335	5,133	26,946	32,079
7th	5,500 or less	29,175	30,633	4,862	25,528	30,390
7th (3)	5,500 or less	27,918	29,314	4,653	24,429	29,082

NOTE: The County Uniform Highway Law provides that if two or more persons act as the chief administrative officer of the county highway department, the compensation amount above is equally divided between or among them. Effective September 1, 1990, the minimum salary of the county highway official is ten percent greater than the salary of the Trustee. If the Trustee in your county draws compensation between the minimum and maximum rates, you should contact the Trustee to determine what your minimum salary should be effective September 1, 1991. The latest information available to CTAS shows no trustee making minimum salary.

- (1) Not applicable to highway officials in Classes 1 and 2.
- (2) According to the 1980 or subsequent census.
- (3) Applicable to counties with a population of 6,000 or less where no increase was given to officials effective 9/1/87 (Van Buren).

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**COUNTY TRUSTEES, COUNTY CLERKS, CLERKS AND MASTERS,
CLERKS OF PROBATE COURTS, CLERKS OF CIRCUIT COURTS, REGISTERS
OF DEEDS, CLERKS OF CRIMINAL COURTS, CLERKS OF GENERAL
SESSIONS COURTS, AND JUVENILE COURT CLERKS**

Maximum Salaries

Provided for by T.C.A. 8-24-102

Fiscal Year 1991-92

County Class	1980 Population	Maximum Base Salary Eff. 7/1/91	Max. Salary Eff. 9/1/91 @ 5% Inc.	2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/91	10 Mos. @ 9/1/91 Base	Total Budget FY 91-92 Salary
1st	400,000 or more	70,469	73,992	11,745	61,660	73,405
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	64,831	68,073	10,805	56,727	67,532
3a	74,500 - 150,000	43,563	45,741	7,261	38,118	45,379
3b	50,000 - 74,500	41,256	43,319	6,876	36,099	42,975
3c	67,300 - 67,600 (1)	43,363	45,531	7,227	37,943	45,170
4th	23,300 - 50,000	35,363	37,131	5,894	30,943	36,837
5th	12,000 - 23,300	32,415	34,036	5,402	28,363	33,765
6th	5,500 - 12,000	27,996	29,395	4,666	24,496	29,162
7th	5,500 or less	26,522	27,849	4,420	23,207	27,627
7th (2)	5,500 or less	25,380	26,649	4,230	22,208	26,438

Minimum Salaries

Provided for by T.C.A. 8-24-104

Fiscal Year 1991-92

County Class	1980 Population	Base Salary Eff. 7/1/91	Min. Salary Eff. 9/1/91 @ 5% Inc. + \$2,000	2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/91	10 Mos. @ 9/1/91 Base	Total Budget FY 90-91 Salary
*	600,000 or more	34,262	37,975	5,710	31,646	37,356
1st	400,000 - 600,000	39,106	43,061	6,518	35,885	42,403
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	38,810	42,751	6,468	35,626	42,094
3rd	50,000 - 150,000	32,340	35,957	5,390	29,964	35,354
4th	24,500 - 50,000	28,379	31,798	4,730	26,499	31,229
5th	12,000 - 24,500	25,575	28,854	4,263	24,045	28,308
6th	6,000 - 12,000	22,334	25,451	3,722	21,209	24,931
7th	5,000 - 6,000	20,452	23,474	3,409	19,562	22,971
8th	5,000 or less	19,387	22,356	3,231	18,630	21,861
8th (2)	5,000 or less	18,638	21,570	3,106	17,975	21,081
8th (3)	5,000 or less	20,851	23,894	3,475	19,911	23,386
8th (4)	5,000 or less	21,700	24,785	3,617	20,654	24,271

NOTE: The Circuit Court Clerk serving as General Sessions Clerk in counties with a population of 7,600 to 8,000 (Clay, Bledsoe) and the Register and Clerk & Master in counties with a population of 22,050 to 22,200 (Giles), using the subsequent federal census, have a salary equal to the maximum compensation of the Trustee. T.C.A. 8-24-104(b).

(1) According to the 1980 or subsequent federal census.

(2) Applicable to counties with a population of 6,000 or less where no increase was given to officials effective 9/1/87 (Van Buren).

(3) Applicable to County Clerks and Probate Clerks in Van Buren County.

(4) Applicable to County Clerks and Probate Clerks in Moore County.

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ASSESSORS OF PROPERTY
Minimum Salaries
Provided for by T.C.A. 8-24-102, 8-24-104
Fiscal Year 1991-92

County Class	1980 Population	Minimum Base Salary Eff. 7/1/91	Min. Salary Eff. 9/1/91 @ 5% Inc.	2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/91	10 Mos. @ 9/1/91 Base	Total Budget FY 91-92 Salary
1st	400,000 or more	70,469	73,992	11,745	61,660	73,405
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	64,831	68,073	10,805	56,727	67,532
3a	74,500 - 150,000	43,563	45,741	7,261	38,118	45,379
3b	50,000 - 74,500	41,256	43,319	6,876	36,099	42,975
3c	67,300 - 67,600 (1)	43,363	45,531	7,227	37,943	45,170
4th	23,300 - 50,000	35,363	37,131	5,894	30,943	36,837
5th	12,000 - 23,300	32,415	34,036	5,402	28,363	33,765
6th	5,500 - 12,000	27,996	29,395	4,666	24,496	29,162
7th	5,500 or less	26,522	27,849	4,420	23,207	27,627
7th (2)	5,500 or less	25,380	26,649	4,230	22,208	26,438

NOTE: The minimum salary of the Assessor is equal to the maximum compensation of the Trustee, with the Assessor in Shelby County (by population) receiving an additional \$3,600.

(1) According to the 1980 or subsequent federal census.

(2) Applicable to counties with a population of 6,000 or less where no increase was given to officials effective 9/1/87 (Van Buren).

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COUNTY SHERIFFS

Fiscal Year 1991-92

County Class	Population	Salary				Total Budget FY 91-92 Salary
		Base Salary Eff. 7/1/91	Eff. 9/1/91 @ 5% Inc. + 10%	2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/91	10 Mos. @ 9/1/91 Base	
1st	400,000 or more	70,469	81,392	11,745	67,826	79,571
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	64,831	74,880	10,805	62,400	73,205
3a	74,500 - 150,000	43,563	50,315	7,261	41,930	49,191
3b	50,000 - 74,500	41,256	47,650	6,876	39,709	46,585
3c	67,300 - 67,600 (1)	43,363	50,085	7,227	41,737	48,964
4th	23,300 - 50,000	35,363	40,845	5,894	34,037	39,931
5th	12,000 - 23,300	32,415	37,439	5,402	31,199	36,601
6th	5,500 - 12,000	27,996	32,335	4,666	26,946	31,612
7th	5,500 or less	26,522	30,633	4,420	25,528	29,948
7th (2)	5,500 or less	25,380	29,314	4,230	24,429	28,659

NOTE: Sheriffs may receive additional compensation set by the county legislative body. (8-24-102(b), 8-24-103(b)(3), 8-24-111) 1991 Public Chapter 227 provides that the total compensation paid to the sheriff shall not be equal to or exceed the salary of the county executive.

(1) According to the 1980 or subsequent federal census.

(2) Applicable to counties with a population of 6,000 or less where no increase was given to officials effective 9/1/87 (Van Buren).

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CERTIFIED REGISTRARS AT LARGE

Minimum Salaries

Provided for by T.C.A. 2-12-208

Fiscal Year 1991-92

County Class	1980 Population	Minimum Base Salary Eff. 7/1/91	Min. Salary Eff. 9/1/91 @ 5% Inc.	2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/91	10 Mos. @ 9/1/91 Base	Total Budget FY 91-92 Salary
1st	400,000 or more	45,805	48,095	7,634	40,079	47,713
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	51,865	54,458	8,644	45,382	54,026
3a	74,500 - 150,000	34,851	36,593	5,808	30,494	36,302
3b	50,000 - 74,500	33,005	34,655	5,501	28,879	34,380
3c	67,300 - 67,600 (1)	34,691	36,425	5,782	30,354	36,136
4th	23,300 - 50,000	24,754	25,992	4,126	21,660	25,786
5th	12,000 - 23,300	22,690	23,825	3,782	19,854	23,636
6th	5,500 - 12,000	19,597	20,577	3,266	17,147	20,413
7th	5,500 or less	18,566	19,494	3,094	16,245	19,339
7th (2)	5,500 or less	17,766	18,654	2,961	15,545	18,506

(1) According to the 1980 or subsequent federal census.

(2) Applicable to counties with a population of 6,000 or less where no increase was given to officials effective 9/1/87 (Van Buren).