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MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 1, 2020

TO: Probate Judges
County Administrators
Probate Registers/Administrators

FROM: Thomas P. Boyd

SUBJECT: Judges' Salaries

[Public Act 31 of 2016](#) provides that judges' annual salaries shall be increased by the percentage pay increase, excluding lump-sum payments, paid to civil service nonexclusively represented employees classified as executives and administrators on or after January 1, 2016. This pay increase takes effect on the same date as the effective date of the pay increase paid to civil service nonexclusively represented employees classified as executives and administrators.

Effective October 1, 2020, judges will receive a two percent increase in their annual salary. Effective April 5, 2021, judges will receive a one percent increase in their annual salary. This does not impact the local salaries paid to circuit and district judges (\$45,724); however, there is an impact on the local salaries paid to probate judges. For calendar year 2020, probate judges should receive a total salary of \$152,201.25. For the period January 1, 2021, through April 4, 2021, probate judges should receive a total salary of \$39,060.64. For the period April 5, 2021, through December 31, 2021, probate judges should receive a total salary of \$116,560.48. Please adjust the amount per pay period accordingly. If there is an additional pay increase in 2021, we will provide you with the amounts of the calendar year salaries to be paid.

If you have any questions regarding the statutorily required annual salary of a judge, please contact Beth Eimer at 517-373-4689 or EimerB@courts.mi.gov.