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FAIRFIELD COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

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Carri Brown, Fairfield County Administrator
210 East Main Street, Room 301
Lancaster, Ohio 43130

RE: 2021 appropriations for compensation of elected officials

Dear Dr. Brown:

At your request, this office has reviewed the statutorily required compensation for elected officials, and hereby advises that the following sums should be appropriated for the compensation of elected officials for the 2021 calendar year. Senate Bill 296 became effective on December 27, 2018, which affects compensation of elected officials. However, SB 296 is not applicable to an elected official until that official completes the term they were in when the bill took effect. Because of the timing of SB 296, the compensation of the Clerk of Courts, two County Commissioners, the County Coroner, the County Engineer, the County Prosecuting Attorney, and the County Sheriff needs to be prorated based on when the start date of each term occurs in 2021. I have attached additional information on this proration as Appendix A.

County Auditor	\$94,928 ¹
County Clerk of Court of Common Pleas.....	\$75,681
County Commissioner (term commencing January 1).....	\$81,157
County Commissioner (term commencing January 2).....	\$81,133
County Commissioner (term commencing January 3).....	\$81,109
County Coroner.....	\$63,278
County Engineer ²	\$117,627
County Prosecuting Attorney ³	\$145,563
County Recorder	\$70,783 ⁴

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- 1 The County Auditor is also entitled to an additional \$3,000, which is paid from the undivided estate tax fund or from the county real estate assessment fund pursuant to R.C. 5731.41.
 - 2 The Fairfield County Engineer does not engage in a private practice.
 - 3 The Fairfield County Prosecuting Attorney does not engage in a private practice.
 - 4 The current County Recorder has indicated his intention to retire on June 30, 2020. If he does in fact retire, the newly appointed County Recorder will receive the salary increased by SB 296 for the re-

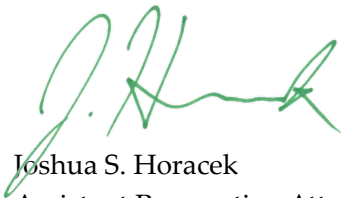
County Sheriff	\$106,335 ⁵
County Treasurer	\$70,161
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Domestic Relations Division.....	\$14,000
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, General Division (Term commencing February 9)	\$14,000
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, General Division (Term commencing January 1).....	\$14,000
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas, Juvenile/Probate Division.....	\$14,000
Member of the Board of Elections	\$13,152 ⁶

Also, for your reference, please be advised the following sums should be appropriated for furtherance of justice funds:

Prosecuting Attorney Furtherance of Justice Fund	\$72,782
Sheriff Furtherance of Justice Fund	\$47,268

Should you have any questions, or need any clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me in this regard.

Very truly yours,



Joshua S. Horacek
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

mainder of 2020, and no proration in 2021 will be necessary. If, however, the current County Recorder completes his term, then a proration will be necessary, and the total salary for 2021 will be \$70,720.

5 This sum presumes an appropriation is made by the General Assembly pursuant to R.C. 325.06(B), in which case, the County will be reimbursed \$11,415.25 by the State.

6 The next preceding census federal census established the population of Fairfield County as 146,156. See https://factfinder.census.gov/faces/nav/jsf/pages/community_facts.xhtml.

Appendix A

	Current Term Salary	New Term Salary	Term Start Date in 2021	Days under Current Term Salary	Day under New Term Salary	Current Term Salary Appropriation	New Term Salary Appropriation	Total Appropriation
County Clerk of Courts	\$67,525	\$75,749	Monday, January 4, 2021	3	362	\$555	\$75,126	\$75,681
County Commissioner	\$72,346	\$81,157	Saturday, January 2, 2021	1	364	\$198	\$80,934	\$81,133
County Commissioner	\$72,346	\$81,157	Sunday, January 3, 2021	2	363	\$396	\$80,712	\$81,109
County Coroner	\$56,458	\$63,334	Monday, January 4, 2021	3	362	\$464	\$62,814	\$63,278
County Engineer	\$104,950	\$117,732	Monday, January 4, 2021	3	362	\$863	\$116,764	\$117,627
County Prosecuting Attorney	\$140,638	\$145,603	Monday, January 4, 2021	3	362	\$1,156	\$144,407	\$145,563
County Recorder*	\$63,098	\$70,783	Monday, January 4, 2021	3	362	\$519	\$70,201	\$70,720
County Sheriff	\$102,737	\$106,365	Monday, January 4, 2021	3	362	\$844	\$105,491	\$106,335
County Treasurer	\$67,525	\$75,749	Monday, September 6, 2021	248	117	\$45,880	\$24,281	\$70,161

* If a proration is necessary