

1 **RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO O.C.G.A. § 15-6-27(h) TO APPROVE SALARY**
2 **SUPPLEMENTS FOR STATE PAID STAFF EMPLOYED IN THE SUPERIOR COURT**
3 **OF THE ATLANTA JUDICIAL CIRCUIT.**
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5 **WHEREAS**, O.C.G.A. § 15-6-25 authorizes each superior court judge to employ a
6 secretary whose salary is paid by the State and controlled by the State salary schedule
7 and/or rules; and

8 **WHEREAS**, O.C.G.A. § 15-6-28 authorizes each chief superior court judge to
9 employ either a law assistant or court administrator, and additional law assistants and
10 administrators subject to availability of funds, whose salaries are paid by the State and
11 controlled by the State salary schedule and/or rules; and

12 **WHEREAS**, O.C.G.A. § 15-6-27(h) authorizes the Fulton County Board of
13 Commissioners, the governing authority of the county comprising the whole of the Atlanta
14 Judicial Circuit, to supplement the salaries and fringe benefits of State-paid personnel;
15 and

16 **WHEREAS**, there is no statutory cap on the amount of the supplement for State-
17 paid personnel; and

18 **WHEREAS**, the Superior Court of the Atlanta Judicial Circuit reports currently
19 having three (3) State-paid staff positions; and

20 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners recognizes that all State-paid personnel
21 employed in the Superior Court are necessary and contribute to the success of the justice
22 system in the Atlanta Judicial Circuit; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the salaries paid by the State are not as competitive as the salaries
24 offered by Fulton County for similar County-funded positions; and

25 **WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners believes that providing a supplement
26 funded by Fulton County as allowed by law for State-paid positions would help attract and
27 retain staff in the Superior Court; and

28 **WHEREAS**, allowing county supplements for State-paid positions in the Superior
29 Court to be processed pursuant to this Resolution in lieu of making individualized requests
30 to the Board of Commissioners promotes efficiency in government.

1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that County supplements for State-paid
2 staff in the Superior Court for the Atlanta Judicial Circuit are hereby authorized up to
3 \$50,000 per staff member.

4 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Superior Court Judge of the Atlanta
5 Judicial Circuit, subject to availability of funds in the Superior Court's budget, is authorized
6 to identify the specific amount of the County supplement to be paid to individuals in State-
7 paid positions.

8 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any County supplement that is \$50,000 or more
9 shall not be increased further.

10 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution shall be effective upon
11 adoption.

12 **BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED** that all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict
13 with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

14 **PASSED AND ADOPTED** this _____ day of _____, 2022.

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16 **FULTON COUNTY**
17 **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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19 **Sponsored by:**

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22 Natalie Hall
23 Commissioner, District 4

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25 **ATTEST:**

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28 Tonya R. Grier
29 Clerk to the Commission

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31 **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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