6/30/94

TENTATIVE

AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS 72ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

AND

DISTRICT COURT EMPLOYEES

CHAPTER #1518

COUNCIL #25

AFSOME, AFL-CIO

JULY 1, 1990

THROUGH

JUNE 30, 1994

LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS COLLECTION Michigan State University

St. Clair Couri

TABLE OF CONTENTS

ARTICLE	TOPIC	PAGE
	AGREEMENT	1
	PURPOSE AND INTENT	1
1	RECOGNITION	1
2	MANAGEMENT RIGHTS	2
3	CONTRACTUAL WORK	2
4	UNION SECURITY	3
5	UNION DUES AND SERVICE FEE DEDUCTIONS	3
6	UNION REPRESENTATION	5
7	GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE	1 2 3 3 5 6 9
8	DISCHARGE AND SUSPENSION	9
9	PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES	9
10	SENIORITY	10
11	LOSS OF SENIORITY	10
12	SENIORITY LIST	11
13	LAYOFF	11
14	RECALL FROM LAYOFF	13
15	STUDENT EMPLOYMENT	13
16	TRANSFERS	14
17	TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENTS	14
18	RATES FOR NEW JOBS	15
19	JOB POSTING	15
20	VETERANS	17
21	LEAVES OF ABSENCE	17
22	WORKING HOURS	19
23	OVERTIME	20
24	EQUALIZATION OF OVERTIME HOURS	20
25	SICK DAYS	21
26	FUNERAL LEAVE	23
27	JURY DUTY AND SUBPOENA AND WITNESS FEES	23
28	INJURY LEAVE	23
29	FOLIDAYS	24
30	VACATIONS	25
31	HEALTH CARE AND DENTAL INSURANCE	27
32	LIFE INSURANCE	30
33	ACT OF GOD	30
34	SERVICE RECOGNITION	31
35	MILEAGE ALLOWANCE	31
36	PENSIONS	31
37	UNION BULLETIN BOARDS	32
38	SAFE WORKING ENVIRONMENT	32
39	WITHHOLDING OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	33
40	UNIFORM COST REIMBURSEMENT	33
41	EMPLOYEE LIABILITY	34
42	SALARY SCHEDULE	35
43	TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT	36
15	THE PRODUCT OF THE REAT	

TOPICAL INDEX

PAGE	TOPIC	ARTICLE
30	ACT OF GOD	33
1	AGREEMENT	
2	CONTRACTUAL WORK	3
9	DISCHARGE AND SUSPENSION	8
34	EMPLOYFE LIABILITY	41
20	EQUALIZATION OF OVERTIME HOURS	24
23	FUNERAL LEAVE	26
6	GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE	7
27 24	HEALTH CARE AND DENTAL INSURANCE HOLIDAYS	31 29
24	NJURY LEAVE (Worker's Compensation)	29
15	JOB POSTING	19
23	JURY DUTY	27
11	LAYOFF	13
17	LEAVES OF ABSENCE	21
30	LIFE INSURANCE	32
10	LOSS OF SENIORITY	11
2	MANAGEMENT RIGHTS	2
31	MILEAGE ALLOWANCE	35
20	OVERTIME	23
31	PENSIONS	36
9	PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEE	9
1	PURPOSE AND INTENT	10
15	RATES FOR NEW JOBS	18
13	RECALL FROM LAYOFF	14 1
1 32	RECOGNITION SAFE WORKING ENVIRONMENT	38
32	SALARY SCHEDULE	42
10	SENIORITY	10
11	SENIORITY LIST	12
31	SERVICE RECOGNITION	34
21	SICK DAYS	25
13	STUDENT EMPLOYMENT	15
14	TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENTS	17
36	TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT	43
14	TRANSFERS	16
33	UNIFORM COST REIMBURSEMENT	40
32	UNION BULLETIN BOARDS	37
3	UNION DUES AND SERVICE FEE DEDUCTION	5
5 3	UNION REPRESENTATION	6
3	UNION SECURITY	4
25	VACATIONS	30 20
17	VETERANS	39
33	WITHHOLDING OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WORKING HOURS	22
19	WUKALING HUUKS	22

AGREEMENT

This Agreement entered into on this July 1, 1990 between the 72nd Judicial District Court and the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners, the legislative body of said court (hereinafter referred to respectively as the "Court" or the "County") and the St. Clair County District Court Employees, Chapter of Local 1518, affiliated with Michigan Council #25, AFSCME, AFL-CIO (hereinafter referred to as the "Union").

Note: The headings used in this Agreement and exhibits neither add to nor subtract from the meaning, but are for reference only.

PURPOSE AND INTENT

The general purpose of this Agreement is to set forth terms and conditions of employment and to promote orderly and peaceful labor relations for the mutual interest of the Court and County, the employees and the Union.

The parties recognize their responsibility to maintain the integrity and operation of the Court, and shall therefore strive to peaceably resolve all differences without inconvenience to the public.

ARTICLE 1

RECOGNITION

The Union is hereby recognized as the exclusive representative for the purpose of collective bargaining with respect to wages, rates of pay, hours of employment, working conditions, and other conditions of employment for all employees in the unit described as follows: All employees of the 72nd Judicial District Court including Court Reporter(s), Deputy Clerk(s), and Bailiff(s), Clerk Typist(s) I and II, and Clerical Assistant, but excluding Judges, Court Administrator(s), Administrative Secretary(s), student programs as hereinafter defined, and any other supervisory or confidential employees.

Court Reporters represented by the Union shall be subject to all provisions of this Agreement equally with all employees, but shall be considered separate and distinct with regard to such matters as are specifically applicable and provided in this contract, except as otherwise provided by applicable laws.

Employees represented by the Union but receiving any part of their salaries and benefits made available through any Federally funded program, shall be subject to all provisions of this Agreement equally with all other employees, but shall be considered separate and distinct with regard to such matters as are specifically applicable and as provided in this contract, except as otherwise provided by applicable laws.

ARTICLE 2 MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

It is recognized that all rights, powers, and duties of their offices inherent therein or otherwise provided by law or Court rule are reserved and retained by the respective Judges of the 72nd Judicial District Court, except only as expressly abridged in this Agreement. The management of the 72nd Judicial District Court, the control of its properties, and the maintenance of order and efficiency is solely the prerogative and responsibility of the Court and/or County. Other rights and responsibilities not expressly abridged by this contract shall belong solely to the Court and County in addition to the following, and are hereby provided as illustration only and not by way of limitation:

- a. The right to decide the number and location of its facilities, departments, and etc.; work to be performed within the unit; the right to alter or discontinue jobs, classifications, or practices; the maintenance and repairs; amount and kind of supervision necessary; methods and means of operation; scheduling and establishment of hours; manpower and work sites; full control of the selection, examination, review, and evaluation of personnel, programs, operations and facilities; to determine when and where services will best facilitate the 72nd District Court.
- b. Further, it is recognized that the responsibility and prerogatives of the Management of the 72nd Judicial District Court for the selection and direction of the working forces includes but is not limited to the right to decide the number of employees, the right to hire, suspend, discipline for just cause or transfer, train or retrain; the right to decide employee qualifications and job qualifications; to determine the times and amounts of overtime to be worked; recesses and to carry out Supreme Court Directives concerning holidays; the right to make necessary rules and regulations governing employee's conduct and safety; and to relieve an employee from duty because of lack of work or other legitimate reason; all of which are vested exclusively in the Court and County, subject only to the provisions of this Agreement.
- c. The Court and County's failure to exercise any function or right hereby directly or indirectly reserved to it or its exercise of such function or right in a particular way shall not be deemed a waiver of its rights to exercise such function or right or preclude the Court and County from exercising the same in some other way not in conflict with the express provisions of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 3 CONTRACTUAL WORK

SECTION 1

The County and the Court are interested in maintaining maximum employment for all employees covered by this Agreement, consistent with the needs of the Court. Therefore, in making these determinations, the County and the Court intends always to keep the interest of the Court employees in mind.

The right of contracting or subcontracting is vested with the County and the Court.

SECTION 3

In cases where contacting or subcontracting will affect bargaining unit employees, the County and the Court will meet with the Union at least thirty (30) days prior to letting any contract. At such meeting, the Union will be advised of the nature and scope of the work to be performed and the reasons to justify the County's contracting of work. Additionally, the County or the Court shall provide the Union with a list of the employees and classifications affected.

SECTION 4

Therefore, it is the County's and the Court's intention that any Court employee who desires to further a career in the public service shall not be denied the opportunity. When and where possible, the County or the Court shall train or retrain an employee and provide continued employment.

ARTICLE 4 UNION SECURITY

SECTION 1

Employees covered by this Agreement at the time it becomes effective shall be required as a condition of continued employment to become members of the Union or pay a service fee equivalent to Union dues for the duration of this Agreement, within thirty (30) calendar days after the effective date of this Agreement.

SECTION 2

Employees who are hired, rehired, or transferred into the bargaining unit after the effective date of this Agreement shall be required, as a condition of continued employment, to become members of the Union or pay a service fee to the Union, as long as they remain a non-member, for the duration of this Agreement, the month following the month in which they are employed.

ARTICLE 5 UNION DUES AND SERVICE FEE DEDUCTION

SECTION 1

Check Off:

a. The County and the Court agree to deduct from the wages of any employee, all Union membership dues or service fees, as provided in a designated written authorization form. The executed written authorization for Union dues or service fee deduction shall remain in full force and effect during the period of this contract and may be revoked only by written notice given during the period thirty (30) calendar days immediately prior to the expiration of this Agreement. The termination notice must be given both to the Court and County and to the Union.

b. The dues will be authorized, levied, and certified in accordance with the constitution and by-laws of the local Union. Each employee and the Union hereby authorize the Court and the County to rely upon and to honor certification by the Secretary-Treasurer of the local Union regarding the amounts to be deducted.

SECTION 2

Remittance of Dues and Fees:

a. Check off deductions under all properly executed authorizations for check off shall become effective at the time the application is signed by the employee and shall be deducted from the first and second pay check of each month.

AUTHORIZATION FORM

TO:

Employer

I hereby request and authorize you to deduct from my earnings one of the following:

() An amount established by the Union as monthly dues.

() An amount equivalent to monthly Union dues, which is established as a service fee.

The amount deducted shall be paid to Michigan Council #25, A.F.S.C.M.E., AFL-CIO, in behalf of Local 1518.

BY:

Print Last Name	First Name			
Address	City, State	Zip	Telephone	
Department		Classification		
Signature			Date	

b. Deductions for any calendar month shall be remitted to the Secretary-Treasurer of Michigan Council #25, A.F.S.C.M.E., AFL-CIO, with the alphabetical list of names and the amount deducted, no later than the fifth (5th) working day of the month, following the month in which they were deducted.

Λ

c. The Court or the County shall notify the Secretary-Treasurer of the names and addresses of employees who are newly hired, rehired, transferred, or reinstated into the bargaining unit and of the names and addresses of employees who are no longer subject to deductions because of employment status.

SECTION 3

The Union shall indemnify, defend, and save the County harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits, or other forms of liability that shall arise out of or as a result from any conduct taken by the County for the purposes of complying with the provisions of this Article and <u>Article 4 - Union Security</u>. It is further agreed that no employee shall have any claim against the County for any deductions made or not made, as the case may be, except that the County shall be responsible to provide the Union with dues or service fee deducted from the employee's pay. In no case shall the County be responsible to pay the employee an amount equal to dues or service fee which may or may not have been deducted and paid to the Union.

ARTICLE 6 UNION REPRESENTATION

SECTION 1

The Chapter Chairperson of the Union or alternate shall suffer no loss of pay or benefits for representing members of the bargaining unit on all matters of application of this Agreement, including the presentation of grievances, negotiations of changes, and terms and conditions of employment during regularly scheduled hours of work.

SECTION 2

Employees covered by this Agreement shall be represented by a Bargaining Committee selected by the Union. The County and the Court agrees that up to two (2) members of the Union's Bargaining Committee, one of which will be the Chapter Chairperson, shall suffer no loss of pay or benefits when in actual attendance at a bargaining meeting during regularly scheduled hours of work. Meetings shall be mutually agreed in advance between the parties.

SECTION 3

The Union shall notify the County and the Court, in writing, of names and classifications of all chapter representatives of the union. Members of the Unit who are not officially identified as union representatives shall not be recognized or permitted to represent the interests of other members of the Union to the County and the Courts. Changes in union representation shall be made, in writing, to the Court Administrator and the Personnel Officer of the County in prompt fashion.

ARTICLE 7 GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

A grievance is any dispute, controversy or difference between (a) the parties, (b) Management and an employee or employees on any issues with respect to, on account of or concerning the meaning, interpretation or application of this Agreement or any terms or provisions thereof.

A grievance shall refer to the specific provision or provisions of this Agreement alleged to have been violated. In cases involving discipline or discharge, a grievance may be made as to matter of fact of just cause. Any grievance not conforming to the provisions of this paragraph shall be denied. Employee(s), with or without chairperson, shall first bring a matter of grievance to the attention of the Court Administrator within fifteen (15) working days of the alleged occurrence in order to attempt an informal settlement. A grievance that does not specifically apply to salary, job classification, or a fringe benefit shall be considered non-economic. A grievance that specifically applies to salary, job classification or a fringe benefit shall be considered economic. An economic grievance shall be referred to the Personnel Officer for resolution.

STEP 1

- a. If the non-economic problem cannot be resolved informally, the facts constituting the grievance shall be set forth in writing with specific reference to the provision(s) of this Agreement involved, dated and signed by the Grievant(s) and served upon the Court Administrator, who shall within five (5) working days thereafter, meet and discuss the problem with the Chairperson, at a time between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. on a working day.
- b. If the economic problem cannot be resolved informally, the facts constituting the grievance shall be set forth in writing with special reference to the provision(s) of this Agreement involved, dated and signed by the Grievant(s) and presented to the Personnel Officer. The Personnel Officer shall meet with the Grievant and Union Representative within five (5) working days to discuss the matter. A written opinion of the County's aforementioned two (2) representatives shall be provided within five (5) working days to the Union and the Grievant.

STEP 2

Non-Economic Grievances

- a. Grievance(s) shall be considered settled at Step 1 unless within five (5) working days after service of the Court Administrator's decision the Grievant(s) serve(s) upon the Court Administrator a written request for a hearing, before all Judges of the 72nd Judicial District Court. A copy of the written grievance shall be attached to such request.
- b. Within ten (10) working days of service of the request in (a) above, the Judges shall meet with the Grievant(s), the Chairperson and a Union Representative, theretofore, designated as Grievance Representative, and conduct a hearing of the grievance. All parties involved in the grievance to this step may be present.

c. The Judges shall serve their written majority opinion to the Grievant(s) within ten (10) days after the hearing.

Economic Grievance

- a. Grievance(s) shall be considered settled at Step 1, unless within five (5) days after service of the Personnel Officer, and the Court Administrator the Grievant(s) serve(s) upon the Personnel Officer a written request for a hearing. A copy of the written grievance shall be attached to such request.
- b. Within ten (10) days of service of the request in (a) above, the Personnel Officer, and Court Administrator will meet with the Grievant(s), the Chairperson and a Union Representative, theretofore, designated as Grievance Representative, and conduct a hearing of the grievance. All parties involved in the grievance at this step may be present.
- c. The Personnel Officer and Court Administrator shall serve their written opinion to the Grievant(s) within ten (10) days after the hearing.

STEP 3

It is mutually agreed by the parties hereto that the inclusion of compulsory arbitration provision, as the final step in the grievance procedure, represents a concession by the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners and the 72nd Judicial District Court, which is made on condition and subject to the effect of implementation of each and every one of the following safeguards:

- a. The grievance shall be considered settled at Step 2 unless written notice is delivered to the Personnel Officer within thirty (30) days after the completion of Step 2. A copy of the request for arbitration shall be provided to the Personnel Officer and Court Administrator. The parties shall be limited to requesting arbitration from the Michigan Employment Relations Commission, or the American Arbitration Association or as may be otherwise mutually agreed by the County, Court and Union.
- b. That the Union, on behalf of its members, and the Board of Commissioners and the District Court, on behalf of the supervisory personnel, shall make available during the proceedings before the arbitrator, any witnesses alleged by the opposite party to have knowledge of material facts or evidence upon the issue being submitted to the arbitrator. In the event the Board of Commissioners or the District Court fail to produce such supervisory personnel without good and sufficient reason as determined by the arbitrator, or in the event such supervisory personnel are produced and refuse to answer any questions which the arbitrator directs them to answer, the arbitrator may enter an award against the Board of Commissioners and/or the District Court, which award shall be final and binding and not subject to review except as to issue of law. In the event an employee certified as eligible in the Bargaining Unit for membership

in the Union is not produced, without good and sufficient reason as determined by the arbitrator, or is produced and refuses to answer any questions which the arbitrator directs them to answer, the arbitrator may enter an award against the Grievant and the Union; which award shall be final and binding and not subject to review by the Grievant or the Union except as to issue of law; provided further, that the failure of such employee to appear and/or answer as herein described shall constitute good and sufficient cause for the summary discharge of such employees.

- The parties hereto recognize the fact that under existing laws, some c. employees may not choose to become members of the Union. In this connection, the Union agrees to furnish the Personnel Officer and Court Administrator with a list of its membership within ten (10) days following the execution of this contract; and further agrees to furnish a current list of members upon request. Any member of the Union, by accepting membership and the benefits of this Agreement, waives all legal rights otherwise available from the penalties of this provision. Such waiver shall be in consideration of the St. Clair County Board of Commissioners providing a compulsory arbitration provision. As a condition of continued employment with the County, a Bargaining Unit member shall appear as a witness in all arbitration hearings, upon request, and answer under oath, all questions which the arbitrator directs them to answer. It is further agreed that failure to appear, under request, shall constitute good and sufficient cause for summary discharge.
- d. The fee and expenses of the arbitrator shall be shared equally. All other expenses related to the arbitration proceedings, including any expenses incurred by calling witnesses, shall be borne by the parties incurring such expenses.
- e. The arbitrator shall have powers as hereby limited, after due investigation, to make a decision in cases of alleged violations, misinterpretations, or misapplication of a specific Article and Section of this Agreement.
- f. The arbitrator shall have no power to add to, subtract from, disregard, alter, or modify any of the terms of this Agreement.
- g. The arbitrator, in rendering a decision, shall give full recognition of the Management Rights provision of this Agreement as it relates to responsibilities, power, authority, and rights vested with the Court and County, except as specifically limited by express provisions of this Agreement.
- h. The arbitrator's decision shall be submitted in writing and shall set forth the findings and conclusions with respect to the issue(s) submitted to arbitration, and such decision shall be final and binding on the Union, its members, the employee(s) involved, and the Court and County.

ARTICLE 8 DISCHARGE AND SUSPENSION

SECTION 1

The Court or the County shall notify the Union in writing within two (2) working days of the discharge or suspension of a member and within fifteen (15) calendar days of the discipline of a member.

SECTION 2

Should the discharged, suspended or disciplined employee consider the charge improper, procedures outlined in the Grievance Procedure provisions of the Agreement may be followed by the employee.

SECTION 3

Upon imposing any discipline on a current charge, the court will not take into account any prior infractions which occurred more than three (3) years previously unless such prior infraction involves an intentional falsification of their employment application which has not been formerly disclosed in writing to the Court or County.

ARTICLE 9 PROBATIONARY EMPLOYEES

SECTION 1

New employees hired in the unit shall be considered as probationary employees for the first ninety (90) calendar days of their employment. When an employee completes the probationary period, they shall be entered on the seniority list of the unit and shall rank for seniority from their initial date of hire.

SECTION 2

The probationary period may be extended an additional sixty (60) calendar days, by mutual agreement, in writing, between the Court, the Union, and the employee involved, provided the Court gives reasons for said extension.

SECTION 3

The Union shall represent probationary employees for the purpose of collective bargaining in respect to rates of pay, wages, hours of employment, and working conditions of employment, as set forth in the Recognition Clause of this Agreement, except discharged and disciplined employees for other than union activity.

SECTION 4

Employees hired after the date of this Agreement, who receive any part of their salary or benefits through any Federally funded programs, shall have their seniority computed separate and distinct from other employees if applicable by law.

ARTICLE 10 SENIORITY

SECTION 1

Full time employees shall accrue seniority from their most recent date of hire with the County or Court, whichever is greater, provided employment is continuous. Seniority shall apply only as set forth in this Agreement.

SECTION 2

Part time employees shall accrue seniority prorated on the basis of the number of hours worked within the bargaining unit as it relates to normal full time hours.

SECTION 3

Temporary employees shall accrue no seniority. A temporary employee shall be defined as an employee who is employed seasonally or in an emergency or who is employed to replace an employee on an approved leave of absence. Temporary employees, other than when replacing an employee on an approved leave of absence, shall be temporary for a period not to exceed ninety (90) working days. Temporary employees shall not be entitled to fringe benefits.

SECTION 4

The seniority for full time and part time employees shall be maintained separately and distinctly.

SECTION 5

An employee whose working hours change to full time or part time shall be entitled to their previously accrued seniority and shall accrue seniority from that time consistent with their new status.

ARTICLE 11 LOSS OF SENIORITY

An employee shall lose seniority for the following reasons:

a. Resigns or otherwise quits.

b. Is discharged and the discharge is not reversed.

c. The employee does not return to work when recalled from layoff as set forth in the recall procedure.

d. Retires.

e. Fails to resume work at the end of an approved leave, unless authorized or excused in writing by the Court.

f. Is absent from work without good and satisfactory reason given to the Court unless authorized or excused in writing by the Court. In the event the parties disagree as to whether or not the reason is "good and satisfactory", it may be resolved by the Grievance Precedure beginning at Step 2 of the procedure.

g. Layoff for a continuous period of six (6) months or the length of the employee's seniority, whichever is greater, but not greater than two (2) years.

ARTICLE 12 SENIORITY LIST

SECTION 1

The seniority list on the date of this Agreement will show the date employed (first day on which the employee reported for work), name, and job title of all employees of the bargaining unit entitled to seniority, and post such list in each building.

SECTION 2

An up to date seniority list will be provided the Chapter Chairperson within a reasonable period of request.

ARTICLE 13 LAYOFF

SECTION 1

Layoff shall mean a reduction as determined necessary by the County and the Court in the work force. An employee shall be considered to be laid off who is not working in the classification to which they were last hired.

SECTION 2

The Union shall be notified promptly of a layoff. The Union may request a meeting with the Court and the County to discuss a layoff. Be it provided, however, such meeting shall not prohibit or constrain the Court and County in the execution of a layoff as provided herein. Be it further provided that the meeting shall not be scheduled when the layoff is to employees in State or Federally funded programs, if applicable by law.

SECTION 3

The determination of layoff, or the method thereof insofar as it does not violate any provisions herein, shall not be subject to the Grievance Procedure.

SECTION 4

Employees to be laid off will have no less than fourteen (14) calendar days written notice of layoff. The Union will be provided a copy of the layoff notice given to each employee.

All part time employee(s) shall be laid off before any full time employees regardless of seniority.

SECTION 6

When a layoff is determined to be necessary, temporary and probationary employees shall be laid off first, provided the remaining employees are qualified to perform the function required by the Employer. To be qualified, an employee must meet the minimal education, experience, and ability standards established for the position. Employee(s) shall be laid off in seniority order from the least to the most senior, provided that the most senior employee(s) qualified to perform the function shall be retained.

SECTION 7

An employee who is scheduled for layoff but who has superior seniority and has the necessary qualifications to displace a less senior employee in a different classification shall be granted a one (1) month trial period. The trial period will provide the Court and the employee with the opportunity to become acquainted with the job. If at the end of the trail period the employee is unable to perform the function to the satisfaction of the supervisor, the employee shall be laid off and the most senior laid off employee qualified for the position shall be recalled.

SECTION 8

No employee shall be permitted to displace an employee in a higher paying classification salary range.

SECTION 9

In the event two or more employees have equal seniority, layoff shall be by employee payroll number. The employee(s) with the highest employee payroll number shall be considered to have the least seniority.

SECTION 10

During the period of layoff, an employee shall accrue no seniority nor be eligible for any fringe benefits.

SECTION 11

A laid off or displaced employee shall have recall rights for a period of six (6) months or the length of their seniority, whichever is greater, but not greater than two (2) years.

ARTICLE 14 RECALL FROM LAYOFF

SECTION 1

Recall from layoff shall mean a return to work from layoff including a displacement.

SECTION 2

When a recall is determined necessary by the Court and the County, the most senior laid off or displaced employee qualified to perform the function shall be recalled.

SECTION 3

Notice of return to work shall be sent by Registered or Certified mail to the last known address of the employee. The date to report to work shall allow the employee the opportunity to provide the interim employer with two (2) weeks separation notice. Failure of the employee to report to work as scheduled, or to confirm a mutually satisfactory alternate date, shall result in the employee's termination. The Employer may contact the employee in order to arrange for a mutually satisfactory date to return to work which provides less than two (2) weeks notice.

SECTION 4

The employee on layoff shall accrue no seniority. Upon recall, the employee's seniority shall be calculated accordingly and all provisions shall apply as determined by the adjusted seniority date.

SECTION 5

A laid off or displaced employee shall have recall rights for a period of six (6) months or the length of their seniority, whichever is greater, but not greater than two (2) years.

SECTION 6

A laid off or displaced employee who fails to accept an offer of work to which the employee is qualified shall forfeit further recall rights. The laid off employee shall be considered to have quit.

ARTICLE 15 STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

SECTION 1

For the purpose of this Agreement, student shall mean an employee who receives credit for graduation or for course completion from an accredited school or college for work performed with the Court, in conjunction with a bonafide co-op or intern program.

Students as defined herein, shall not be eligible for Union membership.

SECTION 3

Students shall not displace or cause the layoff of any regular bargaining unit employee.

ARTICLE 16 TRANSFERS

SECTION 1

If an employee transfers to a position with the County or the Court not included in the bargaining unit and thereafter within six (6) months transfers back to a position within the bargaining unit, the employee shall retain all rights accrued for the purpose of any benefits as may be provided in this Agreement.

SECTION 2

When operations or organizational components are transferred from one location to another for a period of more than seven (7) calendar days, the employees affected will be given the opportunity to transfer within their classification, so long as continuous and effective delivery of service shall not be affected. In the event affected employees refuse to transfer with the operation organizational component, and there are no other current vacancies to which they may transfer, they shall be deemed to have resigned.

ARTICLE 17 TEMPORARY ASSIGNMENTS

SECTION 1

An employee may be temporarily assigned to perform the tasks or duties of another employee within or without the former's classification when the Court believes the circumstances warrant such. To be temporarily assigned the duties of a Court Reporter/Records, an employee must possess a valid state certificate.

SECTION 2

Temporary assignments shall be authorized in writing to the employee by the Court Administrator.

SECTION 3

A temporarily assigned employee shall not be paid the rate consistent with the position for working ten (10) or fewer workdays except as Court Reporter/Recorder. Upon working the eleventh (11th) day, the employee shall be entitled to pay back to the first day of the temporary assignment. A temporarily assigned employee having met the conditions herein shall not be made to suffer a reduced rate of pay for a temporary assignment.

An employee temporarily assigned to perform the duties of a Court Reporter/Recorder shall be paid the difference between their rate of pay and that of Court Reporter/Recorder from the time assigned until the time relieved. Be it provided, however, that the minimum pay shall be for one (1) hour unless assigned for a greater period of time in which case the actual period of time shall be paid.

ARTICLE 18 RATES FOR NEW JOBS

SECTION 1

The County and the Court before establishing same, shall give written notice to the Union of a newly proposed classification and rate structure prior to the time the classification becomes effective.

SECTION 2

The Union shall, within seven (7) calendar days of such notification, give written notice to the County and the Court of its request to be heard concerning said proposed rate structure.

SECTION 3

The County or the Court shall, within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of the notice in Section 2, set a time for hearing the Union's view.

SECTION 4

Failure of the Union to give Section 2 notice or to appear at the Section 3 hearing shall be approval of the proposal unless the parties have agreed to extend the above time limits.

ARTICLE 19 JOB POSTING

SECTION 1

When a bargaining unit vacancy occurs, a notice shall be posted at the various locations of the Court in a conspicuous place. The Chapter Chairperson shall be provided a copy of the posting. The posting shall include:

- a. A brief description of the job;
- b. The pay range;
- c. The location and working hours;
- d. The qualifications; and
- e. Application procedure.

The job notice shall be posted for five (5) consecutive working days (excluding Saturday, Sunday, and holidays).

SECTION 3

The Court shall be entitled to recruit and select non-Bargaining Unit members for the positions of Clerk Typist I and Court Reporter. All other positions shall be filled by promotion from within the Bargaining Unit, unless there are no qualified applicants in the bargaining unit.

SECTION 4

When a test is provided, all candidates shall be given the same test.

SECTION 5

In awarding a position, the Court will consider the applicant's qualifications, test score, and seniority. Qualifications shall mean education, experience, and skills and ability, as set forth in the job description. Where an applicant's qualifications and test scores are equal, seniority shall be the determining factor.

SECTION 6

Applicants awarded a job within the department shall have a twenty (20) working day trial period. Applicants awarded the job from another department shall have a ninety (90) working day trial period.

SECTION 7

During the trial period, employees who disqualify themselves or are disqualified by the Court, shall be returned to their former job. The County or the Court shall provide the Chapter Chairperson with the name(s) of the applicant(s) awarded a job.

SECTION 8

When an employee is promoted to a higher paying classification, they shall be compensated at the nearest higher salary step to their current compensation in the new classification.

SECTION 9

Employees of this Bargaining Unit may apply for positions in the other Bargaining Units and will be given preferential consideration for positions for which they may qualify.

ARTICLE 20 VETERANS

SECTION 1

The re-employment rights of employees and probationary employees will be in accordance with all applicable laws and regulations.

SECTION 2

Employees who are reinstated in accordance with the Universal Military Training Act, as amended, and other applicable laws and regulations, will be granted leaves of absence for a period not to exceed a period equal to their seniority, in order to attend school full time under applicable Federal laws in effect on the date of Agreement.

SECTION 3

Employees who are in some branch of the Armed Forces Reserve or the National Guard will be paid the difference between their Reserve pay and their regular pay when they are on full time active duty in the Reserve or National Guard; provided proof of service and pay is submitted. A maximum of two (2) weeks per year is the limitation.

ARTICLE 21 LEAVES OF ABSENCE

SECTION 1

Leaves of absence for reasonable periods, not to exceed one (1) year, will be granted without loss of seniority for:

- a. Illness leave (physical or mental); and
- b. Prolonged illness of spouse, parent or child.

All leaves shall be granted for a period not to exceed one (1) year, consistent with complying with the period of medical disability stipulated in writing by the attending physician. The Court may require an employee on a leave of absence due to illness to submit to an examination by a physician chosen by the Court, provided the charges of the physician are paid by the Court.

SECTION 2

Upon Court approval, leaves of absence for reasonable periods, not to exceed one (1) year, may be granted without loss of seniority for:

a. Serving in any union position; and

b. Educational purposes.

Such a leave shall be consistent with meeting the operating needs of the Department.

An employee who has a combined continuous leave of absence, including extensions, for one (1) year and is unable to return to work, shall be considered to have resigned.

SECTION 4

All leaves based upon illness, including maternity, shall be supported by a statement from the attending physician, when requested by the Court. In all cases of illness extending beyond seven (7) calendar days, the employee shall provide, upon request by the Court and at reasonable intervals, physician statements evidencing the employee's inability to return to normal work duties. The Court may waive the right, but such waiver shall not form the basis for submitting a grievance when such waiver is not granted.

SECTION 5

In no case shall an employee be granted a leave of absence greater than their accrued seniority.

SECTION 6

An employee shall not be entitled to return to work from a leave of absence due to illness without medical verification by the attending physician of medical recovery.

SECTION 7

Request for an extension of a leave of absence shall be submitted in writing to the Court Administrator no less than five (5) working days prior to the expiration date of the leave.

SECTION 8

While on a leave of absence without pay, the employee accrues no vacation time, sick days, retirement credit, or gain from any other fringe benefit.

SECTION 9

Failure to report to work on the first scheduled workday after the expiration of a leave of absence shall result in an immediate discharge.

SECTION 10

Leaves of absence with pay for any short term educational training which would benefit the Court may be authorized by the Court Administrator.

SECTION 11

Union employees elected to attend the International Convention, Council Convention, or educational conferences shall be granted a leave of absence to attend such conference or convention. Under no circumstances shall the total amount of leave time for all employees for union activities exceed an accumulated total of fourteen (14) days per year. A maximum of two (2) Union members may attend any such convention or conference at any one time, however, employees must be from different departments unless otherwise mutually agree. Such leaves shall be without pay.

SECTION 12

The Court shall provide the employees the opportunity to return to the position held at the time the leave of absence was granted.

ARTICLE 22 WORKING HOURS

SECTION 1

A full work day shall consist of seven and one half (7 1/2) hours.

SECTION 2

A full work week shall consist of thirty-seven and one half (37 1/2) hours.

SECTION 3

A part time employee shall be scheduled to work twenty-five (25) or fewer hours a week. The Court shall not employ more than four (4) part time Clerical Assistants. The number of full time employees, as of July 1, 1985 shall not be decreased as the result of employing part time employees.

SECTION 4

Any proposed change in the number of work hours in a day or week shall be reviewed jointly by the parties.

SECTION 5

Each employee working more than six (6) consecutive hours shall be entitled to two (2) fifteen (15) minute breaks, one in the first half of their shift and one in the second half of their shift.

SECTION 6

Employees who work less than six (6) hours in a shift shall be entitled to one (1) fifteen (15) minute break to be scheduled at the midpoint of their shift.

SECTION 7

Each employee working six (6) or more hours shall be entitled to a one (1) hour lunch period as established by past practice and scheduled at the mutual convenience of the Court and the employee.

SECTION 8

The Judge(s) shall have the sole discretion for the scheduling of hours of work of the Court Reporter(s).

ARTICLE 23 OVERTIME

SECTION 1

Employees shall be compensated time and one-half $(1 \ 1/2)$ the base hourly rate of pay for:

- a. All work performed by employees in excess of their normally scheduled hours in a day or shift. Normally scheduled hours shall mean seven and one-half (7 1/2) hours.
- b. All work performed by employees in excess of their normally scheduled hours in a seven (7) consecutive day work week. Normally scheduled hours shall means thirty-seven and one-half (37 1/2) hours.
- c. The provisions of (1) and (b) shall be applied individually to each situation and not collectively. Employees shall not have overtime compounded by applying provisions (a) and (b) in the same instance.
- d. Early reporting time: Any full time employee called to work before the start of their regular shift shall receive time and one-half (1 1/2) for the time worked prior to their normal start only.

SECTION 2

Employees shall be compensated at twice the base hourly rate of pay for:

- a. All work performed on the seventh (7th) consecutive workday or shift.
- b. All work performed on a holiday.

SECTION 3

Employees called in early or back to work shall be entitled to time and one-half $(1 \ 1/2)$ their base hourly rate of pay provided their hours of work are consistent with the definition provided in Section 1 (1) and (b) of this Article. An employee called back to work for overtime shall be guaranteed at least two (2) hours pay at the rate of time and one-half $(1 \ 1/2)$.

SECTION 4

The Employer shall compensate the employee with compensatory time off or pay at the employee's option. Compensatory time shall be scheduled at the mutual convenience of the employee and the Employer.

ARTICLE 24 EQUALIZATION OF OVERTIME HOURS

The Court shall determine the need for overtime. Overtime shall be distributed according to the ability of the employee to perform the function required and as equally among qualified employees as circumstances allow.

ARTICLE 25 SICK DAYS

SECTION 1

Employees shall accumulate sick days to be used for days lost to illness or as otherwise provided.

SECTION 2

Full time employees shall accrue sick days at the rate of one (1) day per month for the first sixty (60) months of continuous service.

SECTION 3

Commencing the sixty-first (61st) month, employees shall accrue two (2) days per month.

SECTION 4

Sick days shall accrue to a maximum of one hundred twenty (120) days.

SECTION 5

An employee shall be eligible to use sick days after completion of six (6) months of continuous service.

SECTION 6

An employee shall not be paid more sick days than have been accrued.

SECTION 7

Sick days may be used for absences other than illness of the employee as follows: Serious or critical illness to a member of the immediate family not to exceed ten (10) sick days.

SECTION 8

Proof of illness of an employee's immediate family may be required before payment of sick days is made.

SECTION 9

Proof of an employee's illness may be required if an employee exhibits questionable attendance or if an employee's illness raises a question of fitness to perform normal duties.

In the event an employee's illness continues for four consecutive days or for more than five (5) days in a three (3) consecutive month period, the employee must present a doctor's statement that provides an excuse for said absences.

Sick days may be take in place of normally scheduled workdays, excluding holidays.

SECTION 11

Sick days shall not accrue on a leave of absence without pay.

SECTION 12

Sick days shall be counted as days worked for the purpose of computing all benefits provided by this Agreement.

SECTION 13

Upon termination for any reason, each employee with twelve (12) or more months of employment shall be entitled to receive compensation based on the base rate of pay commencing as follows:

Months of Service	% of Accrual		
13 to 24	20%		
25 to 36	30%		
37 to 48	40%		
49+	50%		

Based on the total number of sick days accrued, provided that in no event shall said accrual exceed one hundred twenty (120) days. In the case of death of a member of the bargaining unit, payment of sick leave shall be made to the beneficiary, or to the employee's estate.

SECTION 14

Each employee shall give the Court two (2) weeks written notice of termination, or the employee shall forfeit one (1) day of retrievable sick pay for each workday short of the required two (2) weeks notice of a voluntary quit.

SECTION 15

Employees may convert sick days to vacation days to a maximum of six (6) converted vacation days a year effective upon the execution date of this Agreement, in accordance with the following restrictions:

- a. The employee shall have a balance of eighty (80) sick days to be eligible to convert sick days.
- b. Sick days shall convert on a basis of two (2) sick days to one (1) vacation day.
- c. Sick days shall only be converted to whole and not fractional vacation days.

d. Sick days in excess of the maximum accrual of 120 sick days shall be automatically converted to vacation days on the same basis as provided herein except that the six (6) day maximum shall not apply to the excess sick days.

ARTICLE 26 FUNERAL LEAVE

Members of the bargaining unit shall be allowed up to five (5) working days with pay as funeral leave days, to be deducted from sick leave, for a death in the immediate family. Immediate family is to be defined as follows: mother, father, step-parents, brother, sister, wife or husband, son or daughter, step-children, mother-in-law, father-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, grandparents, and grandchildren.

ARTICLE 27

JURY DUTY AND SUBPOENA AND WITNESS FEES

SECTION 1

An employee who is called to perform jury duty or who are subpoenaed or called upon to be a witness shall inform the Court immediately.

SECTION 2

Employees on jury duty shall be paid regular pay for performing duty during regularly scheduled work hours. Pay for jury duty shall be returned to the Court in lieu of regular salary.

SECTION 3

Time spent on jury duty shall not be deducted from sick days or vacation days nor adversely affect any fringe benefits.

SECTION 4

Employees who are subpoenaed to produce records or to act as a witness shall continue to receive their normal pay when employment related. Any compensation, such as subpoena or witness fees, but not including reimbursement of actual personal expenses, shall be surrendered to the County Treasurer.

ARTICLE 28 INJURY LEAVE (Worker's Compensation)

SECTION 1

The County shall provide employees the opportunity to supplement Worker's Compensation from accrued sick days on a leave of absence due to a work related illness or injury.

The supplemental compensation shall provide the difference between Worker's Compensation and the Employee's normal pay minus Federal, State, local, and F.I.C.A. taxes.

SECTION 3

The supplemental compensation shall be deducted from the employee's accrued sick days but in no case exceed the employee's accrued sick days.

SECTION 4

When an employee is eligible for Worker's Compensation, the employee shall endorse to the County the Worker's Compensation check and the County shall continue to provide the employee with a regular pay check minus the normal authorized payroll deduction.

SECTION 5

Employees who elect not to supplement their Worker's Compensation, or who have no or insufficient sick days, or who exhaust their sick days while on an injury leave, shall retain the Worker's Compensation check as directed by the County.

SECTION 6

In computing the amount of sick days to supplement Worker's Compensation, the County shall subtract from the employee's normal pay (as defined in Section 2) the total Worker's Compensation pay and divide it by the employee's daily gross (before taxes) pay. The sick day amount shall be rounded off to the nearest whole or half day.

ARTICLE 29 HOLIDAYS

SECTION 1

Holidays shall be those as prescribed by the State Supreme Court Administrator's Office as of January 30, 1981 or any subsequent directive from same. All full time employees shall be entitled to the following paid holidays based on the Court's regular workday:

New Year's Day (January 1) Martin Luther King's Birthday (third Monday of January) President's Day (third Monday of February) Memorial Day (last Monday in May) Independence Day (July 4) Labor Day (first Monday in September) Veteran's Day (November 11) Thanksgiving Day (fourth Thursday in November) Friday following Thanksgiving Day December 24 (whenever Christmas Day falls on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday) Christmas Day December 31 (whenever New Year's Day falls on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday)

and such other holiday(s) as may be granted to this unit by the Court or the County, but only if same can be lawfully recognized by the Court or the County and approved by the State Supreme Court Administrator's Office.

SECTION 2

In the event a holiday falls on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be considered as the holiday. In the event a holiday falls on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be considered as the holiday.

SECTION 3

Paid holidays shall be counted as days worked for the purpose of computing all benefits provided by this Agreement.

SECTION 4

The Court shall make every effort to provide reasonable accommodation for employees to attend services associated with the practice of their religious beliefs. Be it provided that the employee shall give sufficient notice to provide the supervisor opportunity to make necessary operational arrangements. Such operational arrangements shall not adversely affect the operation of the department. The County will not compensate the employee for time away from the job except that the employee may utilize vacation or compensatory time.

ARTICLE 30 VACATIONS

SECTION 1

Each full time employee shall accrue vacation days according to the following schedule:

Years of Service	Full Time Employees Days
1 - 2	10
3 - 4	12
5 - 9	15
10 - 14	17
15 - 19	20
20 - 24	22
25+	25

The full allocation of days according to the above schedule shall be credited to the employees upon each anniversary of full time employment with the Court.

SECTION 3

Vacation days shall not be used prior to their being credited or beyond the numbers of those days accumulated.

SECTION 4

An employee shall be entitled to carry forward from the previous years accrual as many days that when added to the anniversary credit does not exceed forty (40) days. In other words, an employee shall not be entitled to maintain an accrual of more than forty (40) days at any time.

SECTION 5

The employee, upon termination or retirement shall be paid for all earned vacation days, up to but not greater than forty (40) days, upon the next regular payday after termination or retirement; if possible but no later than on the following regular payday. In case of death, the beneficiary or the employee's estate shall be paid all vacation pay due.

SECTION 6

Paid holidays occurring during a paid vacation shall not be charged as vacation, but as holiday.

SECTION 7

The presiding Judge or designate shall approve all requests for vacation leave. Years of service shall be considered if there is a conflict in choice of vacation days, provided 30 days advance notice is given to the Court.

SECTION 8

Vacation credit shall not be earned during a leave of absence without pay.

If an employee becomes ill and is under the care of a duly licensed physician during their vacation it will be rescheduled. However, the employee must provide a statement from the attending physician.

ARTICLE 31 HEALTH CARE AND DENTAL INSURANCE

SECTION 1

Each full time regular employee shall be eligible to participate in the following Blue Cross/Blue Shield MVF-1, comprehensive hospitalization plan with the following riders which shall include eligible dependents. The core plan follows:

Hospital Deductible \$150 - Employee/\$250 - Family ML - Laboratory and X-Ray Expense Benefits D45NM - TB and Nervous and Mental Expense Benefits SAT-2 - Substance Abuse Programs Medicare 2-1 - Medicare Complimentary Coverage RP - Routine Pap Test HC - Hospice Care RM - Routine Mamogram VST - Voluntary Sterilization FC - Dependent Eligibility SD - Sponsored Dependent COB - Coordination of Benefits \$3.00 Co-Pay - Prescription Drug Rider Master Medical Option 3 Precertification Case Management

The Employer shall pay the total cost of premiums of full time regular employees with the following exceptions:

- a. Employees hired on or after June 30, 1987 shall pay 100% of FC, SD, and/or Medicare 2-1 riders premium costs.
- b. Employees hired prior to June 30, 1987 who do not enroll dependents on the FC, SD, and/or Medicare 2-1 riders until after June 30, 1987 shall pay 50% of the rider premium costs and the County shall pay 50% of the premium costs.
- c. Employees hired prior to June 30, 1987 with enrolled dependents shall not pay any of the FC, SD, and/or Medicare 2-1 riders premium costs. Be it provided, however, that enrollment changes on or after June 30, 1987 shall be subject to the preceding subsection b.

d. Employee premium cost shall be paid by way of payroll deduction.

The part time regular employee shall pay the total cost of health insurance premiums by way of a payroll deduction. The payroll deduction shall be made from the paycheck immediately prior to receipt of the health insurance statement.

SECTION 2

Each full time employee eligible to participate in the plan shall be entitled to select any one of the following options in the place of the core option.

A. OPTION I

All coverages and riders subject to: * \$100/\$200 Deductible * 80/20 cost share of usual, reasonable and customary charges. Precertification/Case Management Annual Cash Rebate (Paid Bi-Weekly) * \$200 - Single Plan * \$335 - Two Person Plan * \$410 - Family Plan

B. OPTION II

All coverages and riders subject to: * \$250/\$500 Deductible * 80/20 cost share of usual, reasonable customary charges. Precertification/Casemanagement Annual Cash Rebate (Paid bi-weekly) * \$400 - Single Plan * \$675 - Two Person Plan * \$830 - Family Plan

C. OPTION III

Full time employee's eligible to participate in the plan but who elect not to participate shall be entitled annual compensation as follows:

- * \$1350 Family Plan subscriber
- * \$1100 Two Person subscriber
- * \$ 650 One Person subscriber

Payment shall be made in equal bi-weekly installments. The employee may elect the compensation through deferred compensation or individual flexible spending account. The employee shall have sole responsibility to apply for deferred compensation which shall be consistent with all terms and conditions of deferred compensation.

SECTION 3

The County shall have authority to select the health care provider provided such coverage is identical.

All employee premium costs shall be paid by way of payroll deduction in advance of the effective date of coverage. The premium cost(s) shall be paid in equal installments the first two (2) pay periods of each month.

SECTION 5

The County shall provide full time employees with the plan 100/50/50 dental insurance with a carrier of the County's choosing:

A. CORE OPTION

- * Plan 100 50/50 to an annual maximum of \$600 per individual.
- * Orthodontia Plan 50/50 to a lifetime maximum of \$1500 of \$3000 per individual.

B. OPTION I

* \$200 to a flexible reimbursement account.

C. OPTION II

* \$150 cash rebate.

SECTION 6

In order to acquire and maintain benefits, the employee must enroll and register subsequent changes and modifications as they occur and in accordance with the governing regulations established by the County and/or the insurance carrier.

SECTION 7

An employee who fails to provide timely notice of a status change may be required to reimburse the County for the difference in premium costs. The County will notify new employees of all insurance benefits upon hire and further advise employees of open enrollment periods and procedure to apply for and modify insurance benefits.

SECTION 8

An employee shall be entitled to modify their election during the plan year only in the event and consistent with a family status change. That election shall be implemented without undue delay but consistent with the established policy and in consideration of the date of notice provided the County.

ARTICLE 32 LIFE INSURANCE

SECTION 1

A full time employee shall be eligible for core life insurance in the amount of \$15,000. Effective upon the earliest date following ratification by the parties, the core amount shall be \$30,000.

SECTION 2

A. OPTION I

The eligible employee may purchase an additional amount equal to the core at the Employer's group rate. The employee shall be subject to and responsible for any and all taxes on the premium amount as determined by the IRS.

B. OPTION II

The eligible employee may purchase an amount equal to twice the core at the Employer's group rate. The employee shall be subject to and responsible for any and all taxes on the premium amount as determined by the IRS.

SECTION 3

On an approved leave of absence without pay, the employee may continue premium payment within the provisions of the insurance policy or forfeit insurance coverage.

SECTION 4

In order to be eligible for benefits, the employee must enroll by the method and manner determined by the County.

ARTICLE 33 ACT OF GOD

SECTION 1

In the event of a natural or man-made disaster or emergency, the Chairman of the Board of Commissioners or the presiding Judge may declare the same and authorize the pay of those employees unable to report to work. Any employee who reports to work shall receive compensatory time and straight pay for the work performed.

SECTION 2

In the event any member or members of the bargaining unit are sent home from work or are advised not to report to work for reason other than for discipline by the Court, those employee shall receive their full day's pay for that day.

ARTICLE 34 SERVICE RECOGNITION

SECTION 1

The Employer shall recognize an employee's years of continuous full time service by providing a percentage of salary not to exceed the maximum payment as follows:

Years of Service	Percentage	Maximum Payment		
5 - 9	2%	\$ 500		
10 - 14	48	\$1,000		
15 - 19	6%	\$1,500		
20 - 24	88	\$2,000		
25+	10%	\$2,500		

SECTION 2

Employees who satisfy the minimal requirements each year shall be paid a single lump sum the first full pay period following their date of full time hire.

SECTION 3

The maximum payment shall apply to each employee when the employee attains a new years of service plateau after April 1, 1986. An employee who attains 5 years of service after April 1, 1986 shall be subject to the maximum payment. An employee eligible for service recognition prior to April 1, 1986 shall be subject to the maximum payment only when seniority entitles them to the 10, 15, 20 or 25 year plateau of years of service.

ARTICLE 35 MILEAGE ALLOWANCE

SECTION 1

Employees who use their personal vehicles on business required by the Employer shall be reimbursed at the maximum rate allowable by the U.S. Department of Internal Revenue.

ARTICLE 36 PENSIONS

Full time employees shall be subject to participation in the St. Clair County Retirement Plan.

ARTICLE 37 UNION BULLETIN BOARDS

The Union may use a bulletin board which shall be located at each location leased or owned by the County of St. Clair and designated for use by the Court. The bulletin board shall be located in a convenient place for the purpose of posting notices of the following activities:

- a. Notices of Union recreational and social events.
- b. Notices of Union elections.
- c. Notices of results of Union elections.
- d. Notices of Union meetings.

ARTICLE 38 SAFE WORKING ENVIRONMENT

SECTION 1

The Court and the employees of the Court share a mutual concern for providing a safe working environment. In order to better achieve optimum safety at all of its locations and for all employees, the County and the union agree to abide by OSHA and MIOSHA for the protection of the Court's employees.

SECTION 2

The Court or the Union shall, in writing communicate its concern in the form of a safety recommendation. The safety recommendation shall identify the location, setting, danger and remedy in the issue.

SECTION 3

In the event the safety recommendation is not implemented, or the union is apprised of the disposition of the recommendation within five (5) days of the written communication, either party may request a meeting to discuss the reasons and/or difficulties in implementing the safety recommendation. Members of the bargaining unit called upon to be present at such meeting shall receive their regular pay and benefits when such scheduling is during an employee's regularly scheduled hours of work.

SECTION 4

Responsibilities for the approval and initiation of procedures or policies to promote a safer working environment rests with the Court and the employees.

SECTION 5

The Court will post diagramed escape routes in a conspicuous place in each of its offices. The postings will include instructions for evacuation in the event of specific types of disasters and emergencies.

ARTICLE 39 WITHHOLDING OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

SECTION 1

It is recognized that the need to provide effective and dependable operations to the public is of paramount importance and that there should be no interruptions of such services.

SECTION 2

The Union, or any of its members or any employee shall not directly or indirectly cause, encourage, participate in or permit a strike, sit-down, stay-in, slow down or similar conduct which might interfere with or interrupt the operation of the Court.

SECTION 3

The Court shall have the right to discipline or discharge any employee violating Section 2, and the Union agrees not to oppose such action. It is understood, however, that an employee shall have recourse to the Grievance Procedure as to matters of fact in the alleged action of such employees.

SECTION 4

The Court will not lock out any employees during the term of this Agreement.

ARTICLE 40 UNIFORM COST REIMBURSEMENT

SECTION 1

Employees, required to wear a uniform, shall be provided a uniform allowance according to the following escalating scale based upon time in service in a classification in which a uniform is required:

Time in Service	Allowance		
One year	\$500		
Two years	\$200		
Three or more years	\$500		

SECTION 2

The uniform allowance shall be paid in four (4) equal installments for each calendar quarter in January, April, July and October.

SECTION 3

Probationary employees shall not be eligible for uniform allowance. An employee who completes probation shall receive the allowance issued during the probation period with their regular allowance.

The employee must be on the payroll when the allowance is paid to be eligible to receive the allowance.

SECTION 5

The Court shall have the right to change or modify the uniform or to discontinue the use of uniforms and thereby discontinue providing uniform allowance.

SECTION 6

All uniforms and uniform parts shall be the property of the Court and shall be returned to the Court upon termination of employment or discontinuance of working in a position which requires wearing a uniform.

SECTION 7

The Court shall furnish all uniform leather parts.

ARTICLE 41 EMPLOYEE LIABILITY

SECTION 1

The County shall indemnify each employee against claims of liability which may arise from the course of employment.

ARTICLE 42 SALARY SCHEDULE

à.

Effective July 1, 1990 - 4%

	START	6 MOS.	1 YEAR	2 YEAR	3 YEAR
Bailiff	\$21,575	22,003	22,434	23,347	24,310
Chief Deputy Clerk	\$26,138	26,638	27,192	28,332	29,530
Clerical Assistant	\$ 6.06		6.97	7.57	
Clerk Typist I	\$17,234	17,536	17,839	18,522	19,207
Clerk Typist II	\$18,012	18,364	18,695	19,402	20,164
Court Reporter	\$27,188		27,561	28,185	
Deputy Clerk	\$21,575	22,003	22,434	23,347	24,310
Effective July 1, 1991 -	48				
	START	6 MOS.	1 YEAR	2 YEAR	3 YEAR
Bailiff	\$22,438	22,883	23,331	24 201	25,282
Chief Deputy Clerk	\$27,184	27,703	28,280	24,281 29,465	30,711
Clerical Assistant	\$ 6.31	21,105	7.25	7.87	50,711
Clerk Typist I	\$17,923	18,237	18,553	19,263	19,975
Clerk Typist II	\$18,732	19,099	19,443	20,178	20,971
Court Reporter	\$28,275		28,663	29,312	
Deputy Clerk	\$22,438	22,883	23,331	24,281	25,282
Effective July 1, 1992 -	4.5%				
	START	6 MOS.	1 YEAR	2 YEAR	3 YEAR
	DIANI	0 100.	1 ILAN	ZILAN	JILAN
Bailiff	\$23,448	23,913	24,381	25,374	26,420
Chief Deputy Clerk	\$28,407	28,950	29,553	30,791	32,093
Clerical Assistant	\$ 6.59		7.58	8.22	
Clerk Typist I	\$18,730	19,058	19,388	20,130	20,874
Clerk Typist II	\$19,575	19,958	20,318	21,086	21,915
Court Reporter	\$29,547		29,953	30,631	
Deputy Clerk	\$23,448	23,913	24,381	25,374	26,420
Effective July 1, 1993 - 3.5%					
	CTTADT	6 MOS	1 VEAD	2 VEAD	3 VEAD

	START	6 MOS.	1 YEAR	Z YEAR	3 YFAR
Bailiff	\$24,269	24,750	25,234	26,262	27,345
Chief Deputy Clerk	\$29,401	29,963	30,587	31,869	33,216
Clerical Assistant	\$ 6.82		7.85	8.51	
Clerk Typist I	\$19,386	19,725	20,067	20,835	21,605
Clerk Typist II	\$20,260	20,657	21,029	21,824	22,682
Court Reporter	\$30,581		31,001	31,703	
Deputy Clerk	\$24,269	24,750	25,234	26,262	27,345
Clerical Assistant Clerk Typist I Clerk Typist II Court Reporter	\$ 6.82 \$19,386 \$20,260 \$30,581	19,725 20,657	7.85 20,067 21,029 31,001	8.51 20,835 21,824 31,703	21,60 22,68

ARTICLE 43 TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

This Agreement shall be in effect and become operative on July 1, 1990 and shall continue in operation and effect through June 30, 1994 If either party hereto desires to terminate, modify, or amend this Agreement, it shall at least sixty (60) days prior to June 30, 1994, give notice to the County and the Court or to the Union as the case may be of its intention to terminate, modify, or amend this Agreement. If neither party shall give notice to terminate, modify, or amend this Agreement as provided, the Agreement shall continue in operation and effect after July 1, 1994 subject to termination or modification, thereafter by either party upon sixty (60) days written notice.

In witness whereof, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement the

day of FOR THE UNION FOR THE EMPLOYER Presiding Judge Chairman, Board of Commissioners County Clerk Date Date

LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING REGARDING COMPUTER USERS EYE CARE

The Seventy-Second (72nd) Judicial Court (hereafter the Court), the County of St. Clair (hereafter the County) and the District Court Employees - AFSCME Local 1518 do hereby establish and agree as follows:

1. Employees who are computer users, as determined exclusively by the Court, and who have vision problems related to the use of the computer shall be eligible and subject to the following eye care evaluation and treatment.

2. An employee with a vision problem related to computer use shall inform the Court Administrator of the nature of the vision problem.

3. The county shall have exclusive right to select an Optometrist or Ophthalmologist to provide an appropriate eye examination, the full cost to be borne by the Court and/or County. The employee may request an Optometrist of their choice to perform the eye examination. The Court and/or the County shall reimburse the employee to a maximum of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) for the cost of the eye examination. The Court Administrator shall endeavor to schedule the eye examination at a time mutually convenient to the Court and the employee.

4. The County shall have exclusive right to select a vendor to provide frames and corrective lenses if determined necessary by the attending Optometrist or Ophthalmologist. In accordance with this selection the vendor shall provide the employee with a choice of frames, at the full cost to the Court and/or the County. In addition a CRT lens tint shall be provided the employee along with the full cost of corrective lenses. The cost of bi-focals or tri-focals shall be borne by the Court and/or County if related to the computer use. The employee may select frames of greater value than the choice offering or may request special lens extras at their own expense. The employee may choose a vendor of their choice to provide them with lenses and frames. The Court and/or the County shall reimburse the employee to a maximum of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for the total cost of lenses or frames. There shall be no payment or reimbursement for contact lenses, unless provided for with a CRT tint.

FOR THE AFSOME

FOR THE COUNTY

Don Maki, Staff Representative

Steven Miller

John Hoffman

,

Date

Terry E. Pettee, Personnel Officer

Robert Kempf, Deputy Controller

J. D. McCarthy, Dist. Court Admin.

Date

