

STATE OF GEORGIA

COUNTY OF CLAYTON

RESOLUTION NO. 2008- 02

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND PUBLICATION OF QUALIFYING FEES FOR EACH COUNTY OFFICE TO BE FILLED IN THE UPCOMING GENERAL PRIMARY AND ELECTION; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to provisions of O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131, it is the duty of the governing authority to fix and publish a qualifying fee for each county office to be filled in the upcoming primary and general election; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CLAYTON COUNTY, GEORGIA AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED

Section 1. In accordance with provisions of O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131(a), the Board of Commissioners hereby sets and publishes the qualification fees for each County office to be filled in the upcoming primary and general election. Except as otherwise provided hereafter, such fee shall be three (3%) percent of the total gross salary of the office, including all supplements, paid in the preceding year. In the case of the Judge of the Probate Court, Chief Judge of the Magistrate Court, Sheriff, Clerk of the Superior Court and Tax Commissioner; the qualifying fee shall be three (3%) percent of the minimum salary exclusive of supplements, cost-of-living and longevity increases. The following list represents the various offices and corresponding qualification fees:

Senate –	\$ 520.25
State Representatives –	\$ 520.25
Superior Court Judges –	\$4,612.49
State Court Judges –	\$4,381.86
District Attorney –	\$4,470.69
Probate Court Judge –	\$2,750.48

Magistrate Court Judge –	\$2,750.48
Solicitor General –	\$3,195.54
Tax Commissioner –	\$2,750.48
Sheriff –	\$2,842.77
Clerk Superior Court –	\$2,750.48
County Commission Chair –	\$3,940.41
County Commissioners –	\$ 654.69
School Board –	\$ 360.00
Surveyor –	\$ 35.00

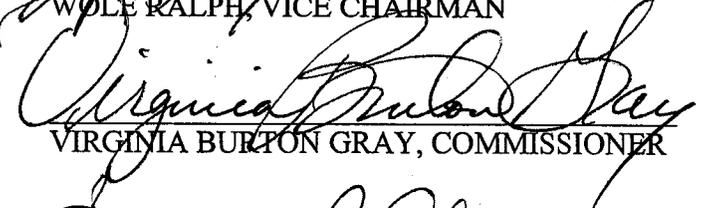
Section 2. This Resolution shall be effective on the date of its approval by the Board of Commissioners.

SO RESOLVED, this the 2nd day of January, 2008.

CLAYTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


 ELDRIN BELL, CHAIRMAN

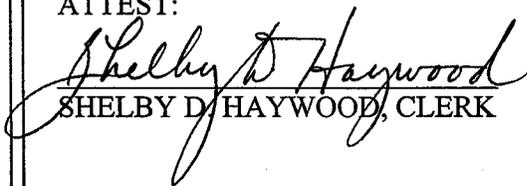

 WOLE RALPH, VICE CHAIRMAN


 VIRGINIA BURTON GRAY, COMMISSIONER


 SONNA SINGLETON, COMMISSIONER

- Absent -
 MICHAEL EDMONDSON, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:


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MEMORANDUM

To: County Mangers/Clerks/Administrators
From: Jim Grubiak 
Date: December 20, 2007
Subject: Qualifying Fees for 2008 County Elections

SETTING QUALIFYING FEES FOR 2008 COUNTY ELECTIONS

State law pertaining to qualifying fees, O.C.G.A. § 21-2-131, requires each county governing authority to fix and publish qualifying fees for county offices not later than February 1 of any year in which a general primary, nonpartisan election, or general election is to be held.

Generally. Except as described below for county officers, magistrates and county commissioners, qualifying fees are to be set at 3 percent of the total gross salary of the office paid in the preceding calendar year including all supplements authorized by law. For non-salaried offices, the county shall fix a fee not to exceed 3 percent of the income derived from such county offices by the person holding the office for the preceding year.

County Officers and Magistrates. For the offices of clerk of superior court, judge of probate court, magistrate, sheriff, and tax commissioner, the qualifying fee shall be 3 percent of the minimum base salary specified in state law for each county based on population. See subsection (a) of Code Section 15-6-88 for clerks of court, paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 15-9-63 for judges of probate court, subsection (a) of Code Section 15-10-23 for magistrates, paragraph (1) of subsection (a) of Code Section 15-16-20 for sheriffs, and paragraph (1) of subsection (b) of Code Section 48-5-183 for tax commissioners. Note that the base which appears in the Code should not be adjusted to reflect supplements, cost-of-living increases, or longevity increases.

County Commissioners. For the office of members of the county governing authority, the qualifying fee is 3 percent of the base salary established by local Act of the General Assembly. For sole commissioners it would be the salary established by local Act of the General Assembly or by the state minimum salary law for sole commissioners (O.C.G.A. § 36-5-25) whichever is applicable. However, in those counties where the commissioners, or sole commissioner, have exercised home rule power and increased their own compensation pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 35-5-24, the higher salary adopted by the commissioners serves as the base for calculating the qualifying fees. As with the county officers and magistrates, the base for commissioners is not adjusted to reflect training supplements or cost-of-living increases.

-November 29, 2007