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Retirement

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Effect, of retired county employee's appointment as Judge of Probate, upon retirement allowance being paid such employee.

FACTS:

A retired Clerk of Courts who is a member of the State Retirement System through his local participating district presently receives a retirement allowance. This individual is under consideration for appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of Judge of Probate in his county.

QUESTION:

If appointed Judge of Probate, may this retired county employee continue to receive his retirement allowance?

ANSWER:

Yes, provided that his annual "earnable compensation" as Judge of Probate as defined in Me. Rev. Stat. Ann., Tit. 5, § 1001 (9) (Supp. 1967), does not equal or exceed his "average final compensation," as that term is defined in Me. Rev. Stat. Ann., Tit. 5, § 1001 (3) (1964), at the time of his retirement from his former position as Clerk of Courts. See Me. Rev. Stat. Ann., Tit. 5, § 1123, (1964).

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