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To amend sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.07, 1
1901.08, 1901.31, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code 2
to abolish the Sandusky County County Court, to 3
create the Sandusky County Municipal Court, to 4
provide that the judge of the Sandusky County 5
Municipal Court shall be nominated by petition, 6
and to designate the clerk of courts of Sandusky 7
County the clerk of the Sandusky County Municipal 8
Court. 9

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1901.07, 10
1901.08, 1901.31, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code be amended to 11
read as follows: 12

Sec. 1901.01. (A) There is hereby established a municipal 13
court in each of the following municipal corporations: 14

Akron, Alliance, Ashland, Ashtabula, Athens, Avon Lake, 15
Barberton, Bedford, Bellefontaine, Bellevue, Berea, Bowling Green, 16
Bryan, Bucyrus, Cambridge, Campbell, Canton, Carrollton, Celina, 17
Chardon, Chesapeake, Chillicothe, Cincinnati, Circleville, 18
Cleveland, Cleveland Heights, Columbus, Conneaut, Coshocton, 19
Cuyahoga Falls, Dayton, Defiance, Delaware, East Cleveland, East 20

Liverpool, Eaton, Elyria, Euclid, Fairborn, Fairfield, Findlay, 21
Fostoria, Franklin, Fremont, Gallipolis, Garfield Heights, 22
Georgetown, Girard, Greenville, Hamilton, Hillsboro, Huron, 23
Ironton, Jackson, Kenton, Kettering, Lakewood, Lancaster, Lebanon, 24
Lima, Logan, London, Lorain, Lyndhurst, Mansfield, Marietta, 25
Marion, Marysville, Mason, Massillon, Maumee, Medina, Mentor, 26
Miamisburg, Middletown, Millersburg, Mount Gilead, Mount Vernon, 27
Napoleon, Newark, New Philadelphia, Newton Falls, Niles, Norwalk, 28
Oakwood, Oberlin, Oregon, Ottawa, Painesville, Parma, Perrysburg, 29
Port Clinton, Portsmouth, Ravenna, Rocky River, Sandusky, Shaker 30
Heights, Shelby, Sidney, South Euclid, Springfield, Steubenville, 31
Struthers, Sylvania, Tiffin, Toledo, Troy, Upper Sandusky, Urbana, 32
Vandalia, Van Wert, Vermilion, Wadsworth, Wapakoneta, Warren, City 33
of Washington in Fayette county, to be known as Washington Court 34
House, Willoughby, Wilmington, Wooster, Xenia, Youngstown, and 35
Zanesville. 36

(B) There is hereby established a municipal court within 37
Clermont county in Batavia or in any other municipal corporation 38
or unincorporated territory within Clermont county that is 39
selected by the legislative authority of the Clermont county 40
municipal court. The municipal court established by this division 41
is a continuation of the municipal court previously established in 42
Batavia by this section before the enactment of this division. 43

(C) There is hereby established a municipal court within 44
Columbiana county in Lisbon or in any other municipal corporation 45
or unincorporated territory within Columbiana county, except the 46
municipal corporation of East Liverpool or Liverpool or St. Clair 47
township, that is selected by the judges of the municipal court 48
pursuant to division (I) of section 1901.021 of the Revised Code. 49

(D) Effective January 1, 2008, there is hereby established a 50
municipal court within Erie county in Milan or in any other 51
municipal corporation or unincorporated territory within Erie 52

county that is within the territorial jurisdiction of the Erie 53
county municipal court and is selected by the legislative 54
authority of that court. 55

(E) The Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall remain in 56
existence until December 31, 2008, and shall be replaced by the 57
Stow municipal court on January 1, 2009. 58

(F) Effective January 1, 2009, there is hereby established a 59
municipal court in the municipal corporation of Stow. 60

(G) Effective July 1, 2010, there is hereby established a 61
municipal court within Montgomery county in any municipal 62
corporation or unincorporated territory within Montgomery county, 63
except the municipal corporations of Centerville, Clayton, Dayton, 64
Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, 65
Union, Vandalia, and West Carrollton and Butler, German, Harrison, 66
Miami, and Washington townships, that is selected by the 67
legislative authority of that court. 68

(H) Effective January 1, 2013, there is hereby established a 69
municipal court within Sandusky county in any municipal 70
corporation or unincorporated territory within Sandusky county, 71
except the municipal corporations of Bellevue and Fremont and 72
Ballville, Sandusky, and York townships, that is selected by the 73
legislative authority of that court. 74

Sec. 1901.02. (A) The municipal courts established by section 75
1901.01 of the Revised Code have jurisdiction within the corporate 76
limits of their respective municipal corporations, or, for the 77
Clermont county municipal court, the Columbiana county municipal 78
court, and, effective January 1, 2008, the Erie county municipal 79
court, within the municipal corporation or unincorporated 80
territory in which they are established, and are courts of record. 81
Each of the courts shall be styled 82
"..... municipal court," inserting 83

the name of the municipal corporation, except the following	84
courts, which shall be styled as set forth below:	85
(1) The municipal court established in Chesapeake that shall	86
be styled and known as the "Lawrence county municipal court";	87
(2) The municipal court established in Cincinnati that shall	88
be styled and known as the "Hamilton county municipal court";	89
(3) The municipal court established in Ravenna that shall be	90
styled and known as the "Portage county municipal court";	91
(4) The municipal court established in Athens that shall be	92
styled and known as the "Athens county municipal court";	93
(5) The municipal court established in Columbus that shall be	94
styled and known as the "Franklin county municipal court";	95
(6) The municipal court established in London that shall be	96
styled and known as the "Madison county municipal court";	97
(7) The municipal court established in Newark that shall be	98
styled and known as the "Licking county municipal court";	99
(8) The municipal court established in Wooster that shall be	100
styled and known as the "Wayne county municipal court";	101
(9) The municipal court established in Wapakoneta that shall	102
be styled and known as the "Auglaize county municipal court";	103
(10) The municipal court established in Troy that shall be	104
styled and known as the "Miami county municipal court";	105
(11) The municipal court established in Bucyrus that shall be	106
styled and known as the "Crawford county municipal court";	107
(12) The municipal court established in Logan that shall be	108
styled and known as the "Hocking county municipal court";	109
(13) The municipal court established in Urbana that shall be	110
styled and known as the "Champaign county municipal court";	111
(14) The municipal court established in Jackson that shall be	112

styled and known as the "Jackson county municipal court"; 113

(15) The municipal court established in Springfield that 114
shall be styled and known as the "Clark county municipal court"; 115

(16) The municipal court established in Kenton that shall be 116
styled and known as the "Hardin county municipal court"; 117

(17) The municipal court established within Clermont county 118
in Batavia or in any other municipal corporation or unincorporated 119
territory within Clermont county that is selected by the 120
legislative authority of that court that shall be styled and known 121
as the "Clermont county municipal court"; 122

(18) The municipal court established in Wilmington that, 123
beginning July 1, 1992, shall be styled and known as the "Clinton 124
county municipal court"; 125

(19) The municipal court established in Port Clinton that 126
shall be styled and known as "the Ottawa county municipal court"; 127

(20) The municipal court established in Lancaster that, 128
beginning January 2, 2000, shall be styled and known as the 129
"Fairfield county municipal court"; 130

(21) The municipal court established within Columbiana county 131
in Lisbon or in any other municipal corporation or unincorporated 132
territory selected pursuant to division (I) of section 1901.021 of 133
the Revised Code, that shall be styled and known as the 134
"Columbiana county municipal court"; 135

(22) The municipal court established in Georgetown that, 136
beginning February 9, 2003, shall be styled and known as the 137
"Brown county municipal court"; 138

(23) The municipal court established in Mount Gilead that, 139
beginning January 1, 2003, shall be styled and known as the 140
"Morrow county municipal court"; 141

(24) The municipal court established in Greenville that, 142

beginning January 1, 2005, shall be styled and known as the "Darke county municipal court";

(25) The municipal court established in Millersburg that, beginning January 1, 2007, shall be styled and known as the "Holmes county municipal court";

(26) The municipal court established in Carrollton that, beginning January 1, 2007, shall be styled and known as the "Carroll county municipal court";

(27) The municipal court established within Erie county in Milan or established in any other municipal corporation or unincorporated territory that is within Erie county, is within the territorial jurisdiction of that court, and is selected by the legislative authority of that court that, beginning January 1, 2008, shall be styled and known as the "Erie county municipal court";

(28) The municipal court established in Ottawa that, beginning January 1, 2011, shall be styled and known as the "Putnam county municipal court";

(29) The municipal court established within Montgomery county in any municipal corporation or unincorporated territory within Montgomery county, except the municipal corporations of Centerville, Clayton, Dayton, Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, Union, Vandalia, and West Carrollton and Butler, German, Harrison, Miami, and Washington townships, that is selected by the legislative authority of that court and that, beginning July 1, 2010, shall be styled and known as the "Montgomery county municipal court";

(30) The municipal court established within Sandusky county in any municipal corporation or unincorporated territory within Sandusky county, except the municipal corporations of Bellevue and Fremont and Ballville, Sandusky, and York townships, that is

selected by the legislative authority of that court and that, 174
beginning January 1, 2013, shall be styled and known as the 175
"Sandusky county municipal court." 176

(B) In addition to the jurisdiction set forth in division (A) 177
of this section, the municipal courts established by section 178
1901.01 of the Revised Code have jurisdiction as follows: 179

The Akron municipal court has jurisdiction within Bath, 180
Richfield, and Springfield townships, and within the municipal 181
corporations of Fairlawn, Lakemore, and Mogadore, in Summit 182
county. 183

The Alliance municipal court has jurisdiction within 184
Lexington, Marlboro, Paris, and Washington townships in Stark 185
county. 186

The Ashland municipal court has jurisdiction within Ashland 187
county. 188

The Ashtabula municipal court has jurisdiction within 189
Ashtabula, Plymouth, and Saybrook townships in Ashtabula county. 190

The Athens county municipal court has jurisdiction within 191
Athens county. 192

The Auglaize county municipal court has jurisdiction within 193
Auglaize county. 194

The Avon Lake municipal court has jurisdiction within the 195
municipal corporations of Avon and Sheffield in Lorain county. 196

The Barberton municipal court has jurisdiction within 197
Coventry, Franklin, and Green townships, within all of Copley 198
township except within the municipal corporation of Fairlawn, and 199
within the municipal corporations of Clinton and Norton, in Summit 200
county. 201

The Bedford municipal court has jurisdiction within the 202
municipal corporations of Bedford Heights, Oakwood, Glenwillow, 203

Solon, Bentleyville, Chagrin Falls, Moreland Hills, Orange,	204
Warrensville Heights, North Randall, and Woodmere, and within	205
Warrensville and Chagrin Falls townships, in Cuyahoga county.	206
The Bellefontaine municipal court has jurisdiction within	207
Logan county.	208
The Bellevue municipal court has jurisdiction within Lyme and	209
Sherman townships in Huron county and within York township in	210
Sandusky county.	211
The Berea municipal court has jurisdiction within the	212
municipal corporations of Strongsville, Middleburgh Heights, Brook	213
Park, Westview, and Olmsted Falls, and within Olmsted township, in	214
Cuyahoga county.	215
The Bowling Green municipal court has jurisdiction within the	216
municipal corporations of Bairdstown, Bloomdale, Bradner, Custar,	217
Cygnnet, Grand Rapids, Haskins, Hoytville, Jerry City, Milton	218
Center, North Baltimore, Pemberville, Portage, Rising Sun,	219
Tontogany, Wayne, West Millgrove, and Weston, and within Bloom,	220
Center, Freedom, Grand Rapids, Henry, Jackson, Liberty, Middleton,	221
Milton, Montgomery, Plain, Portage, Washington, Webster, and	222
Weston townships in Wood county.	223
Beginning February 9, 2003, the Brown county municipal court	224
has jurisdiction within Brown county.	225
The Bryan municipal court has jurisdiction within Williams	226
county.	227
The Cambridge municipal court has jurisdiction within	228
Guernsey county.	229
The Campbell municipal court has jurisdiction within	230
Coitsville township in Mahoning county.	231
The Canton municipal court has jurisdiction within Canton,	232
Lake, Nimishillen, Osnaburg, Pike, Plain, and Sandy townships in	233

Stark county.	234
The Carroll county municipal court has jurisdiction within Carroll county.	235 236
The Celina municipal court has jurisdiction within Mercer county.	237 238
The Champaign county municipal court has jurisdiction within Champaign county.	239 240
The Chardon municipal court has jurisdiction within Geauga county.	241 242
The Chillicothe municipal court has jurisdiction within Ross county.	243 244
The Circleville municipal court has jurisdiction within Pickaway county.	245 246
The Clark county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clark county.	247 248
The Clermont county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clermont county.	249 250
The Cleveland municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Bratenahl in Cuyahoga county.	251 252
Beginning July 1, 1992, the Clinton county municipal court has jurisdiction within Clinton county.	253 254
The Columbiana county municipal court has jurisdiction within all of Columbiana county except within the municipal corporation of East Liverpool and except within Liverpool and St. Clair townships.	255 256 257 258
The Coshocton municipal court has jurisdiction within Coshocton county.	259 260
The Crawford county municipal court has jurisdiction within Crawford county.	261 262

Until December 31, 2008, the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court 263
has jurisdiction within Boston, Hudson, Northfield Center, 264
Sagamore Hills, and Twinsburg townships, and within the municipal 265
corporations of Boston Heights, Hudson, Munroe Falls, Northfield, 266
Peninsula, Reminderville, Silver Lake, Stow, Tallmadge, Twinsburg, 267
and Macedonia, in Summit county. 268

Beginning January 1, 2005, the Darke county municipal court 269
has jurisdiction within Darke county except within the municipal 270
corporation of Bradford. 271

The Defiance municipal court has jurisdiction within Defiance 272
county. 273

The Delaware municipal court has jurisdiction within Delaware 274
county. 275

The East Liverpool municipal court has jurisdiction within 276
Liverpool and St. Clair townships in Columbiana county. 277

The Eaton municipal court has jurisdiction within Preble 278
county. 279

The Elyria municipal court has jurisdiction within the 280
municipal corporations of Grafton, LaGrange, and North Ridgeville, 281
and within Elyria, Carlisle, Eaton, Columbia, Grafton, and 282
LaGrange townships, in Lorain county. 283

Beginning January 1, 2008, the Erie county municipal court 284
has jurisdiction within Erie county except within the townships of 285
Florence, Huron, Perkins, and Vermilion and the municipal 286
corporations of Bay View, Castalia, Huron, Sandusky, and 287
Vermilion. 288

The Fairborn municipal court has jurisdiction within the 289
municipal corporation of Beavercreek and within Bath and 290
Beavercreek townships in Greene county. 291

Beginning January 2, 2000, the Fairfield county municipal 292

court has jurisdiction within Fairfield county.	293
The Findlay municipal court has jurisdiction within all of Hancock county except within Washington township.	294 295
The Fostoria municipal court has jurisdiction within Loudon and Jackson townships in Seneca county, within Washington township in Hancock county, and within Perry township, except within the municipal corporation of West Millgrove, in Wood county.	296 297 298 299
The Franklin municipal court has jurisdiction within Franklin township in Warren county.	300 301
The Franklin county municipal court has jurisdiction within Franklin county.	302 303
The Fremont municipal court has jurisdiction within Ballville and Sandusky townships in Sandusky county.	304 305
The Gallipolis municipal court has jurisdiction within Gallia county.	306 307
The Garfield Heights municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Maple Heights, Walton Hills, Valley View, Cuyahoga Heights, Newburgh Heights, Independence, and Brecksville in Cuyahoga county.	308 309 310 311
The Girard municipal court has jurisdiction within Liberty, Vienna, and Hubbard townships in Trumbull county.	312 313
The Hamilton municipal court has jurisdiction within Ross and St. Clair townships in Butler county.	314 315
The Hamilton county municipal court has jurisdiction within Hamilton county.	316 317
The Hardin county municipal court has jurisdiction within Hardin county.	318 319
The Hillsboro municipal court has jurisdiction within all of Highland county except within Madison township.	320 321

The Hocking county municipal court has jurisdiction within Hocking county.	322 323
The Holmes county municipal court has jurisdiction within Holmes county.	324 325
The Huron municipal court has jurisdiction within all of Huron township in Erie county except within the municipal corporation of Sandusky.	326 327 328
The Ironton municipal court has jurisdiction within Aid, Decatur, Elizabeth, Hamilton, Lawrence, Upper, and Washington townships in Lawrence county.	329 330 331
The Jackson county municipal court has jurisdiction within Jackson county.	332 333
The Kettering municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Centerville and Moraine, and within Washington township, in Montgomery county.	334 335 336
Until January 2, 2000, the Lancaster municipal court has jurisdiction within Fairfield county.	337 338
The Lawrence county municipal court has jurisdiction within the townships of Fayette, Mason, Perry, Rome, Symmes, Union, and Windsor in Lawrence county.	339 340 341
The Lebanon municipal court has jurisdiction within Turtlecreek township in Warren county.	342 343
The Licking county municipal court has jurisdiction within Licking county.	344 345
The Lima municipal court has jurisdiction within Allen county.	346 347
The Lorain municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Sheffield Lake, and within Sheffield township, in Lorain county.	348 349 350

The Lyndhurst municipal court has jurisdiction within the	351
municipal corporations of Mayfield Heights, Gates Mills, Mayfield,	352
Highland Heights, and Richmond Heights in Cuyahoga county.	353
The Madison county municipal court has jurisdiction within	354
Madison county.	355
The Mansfield municipal court has jurisdiction within	356
Madison, Springfield, Sandusky, Franklin, Weller, Mifflin, Troy,	357
Washington, Monroe, Perry, Jefferson, and Worthington townships,	358
and within sections 35-36-31 and 32 of Butler township, in	359
Richland county.	360
The Marietta municipal court has jurisdiction within	361
Washington county.	362
The Marion municipal court has jurisdiction within Marion	363
county.	364
The Marysville municipal court has jurisdiction within Union	365
county.	366
The Mason municipal court has jurisdiction within Deerfield	367
township in Warren county.	368
The Massillon municipal court has jurisdiction within	369
Bethlehem, Perry, Sugar Creek, Tuscarawas, Lawrence, and Jackson	370
townships in Stark county.	371
The Maumee municipal court has jurisdiction within the	372
municipal corporations of Waterville and Whitehouse, within	373
Waterville and Providence townships, and within those portions of	374
Springfield, Monclova, and Swanton townships lying south of the	375
northerly boundary line of the Ohio turnpike, in Lucas county.	376
The Medina municipal court has jurisdiction within the	377
municipal corporations of Briarwood Beach, Brunswick,	378
Chippewa-on-the-Lake, and Spencer and within the townships of	379
Brunswick Hills, Chatham, Granger, Hinckley, Lafayette,	380

Litchfield, Liverpool, Medina, Montville, Spencer, and York townships, in Medina county.	381 382
The Mentor municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Mentor-on-the-Lake in Lake county.	383 384
The Miami county municipal court has jurisdiction within Miami county and within the part of the municipal corporation of Bradford that is located in Darke county.	385 386 387
The Miamisburg municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporations of Germantown and West Carrollton, and within German and Miami townships in Montgomery county.	388 389 390
The Middletown municipal court has jurisdiction within Madison township, and within all of Lemon township, except within the municipal corporation of Monroe, in Butler county.	391 392 393
Beginning July 1, 2010, the Montgomery county municipal court has jurisdiction within all of Montgomery county except for the municipal corporations of Centerville, Clayton, Dayton, Englewood, Germantown, Kettering, Miamisburg, Moraine, Oakwood, Union, Vandalia, and West Carrollton and Butler, German, Harrison, Miami, and Washington townships.	394 395 396 397 398 399
Beginning January 1, 2003, the Morrow county municipal court has jurisdiction within Morrow county.	400 401
The Mount Vernon municipal court has jurisdiction within Knox county.	402 403
The Napoleon municipal court has jurisdiction within Henry county.	404 405
The New Philadelphia municipal court has jurisdiction within the municipal corporation of Dover, and within Auburn, Bucks, Fairfield, Goshen, Jefferson, Warren, York, Dover, Franklin, Lawrence, Sandy, Sugarcreek, and Wayne townships in Tuscarawas county.	406 407 408 409 410

The Newton Falls municipal court has jurisdiction within 411
Bristol, Bloomfield, Lordstown, Newton, Braceville, Southington, 412
Farmington, and Mesopotamia townships in Trumbull county. 413

The Niles municipal court has jurisdiction within the 414
municipal corporation of McDonald, and within Weathersfield 415
township in Trumbull county. 416

The Norwalk municipal court has jurisdiction within all of 417
Huron county except within the municipal corporation of Bellevue 418
and except within Lyme and Sherman townships. 419

The Oberlin municipal court has jurisdiction within the 420
municipal corporations of Amherst, Kipton, Rochester, South 421
Amherst, and Wellington, and within Henrietta, Russia, Camden, 422
Pittsfield, Brighton, Wellington, Penfield, Rochester, and 423
Huntington townships, and within all of Amherst township except 424
within the municipal corporation of Lorain, in Lorain county. 425

The Oregon municipal court has jurisdiction within the 426
municipal corporation of Harbor View, and within Jerusalem 427
township, in Lucas county, and north within Maumee Bay and Lake 428
Erie to the boundary line between Ohio and Michigan between the 429
easterly boundary of the court and the easterly boundary of the 430
Toledo municipal court. 431

The Ottawa county municipal court has jurisdiction within 432
Ottawa county. 433

The Painesville municipal court has jurisdiction within 434
Painesville, Perry, Leroy, Concord, and Madison townships in Lake 435
county. 436

The Parma municipal court has jurisdiction within the 437
municipal corporations of Parma Heights, Brooklyn, Linndale, North 438
Royalton, Broadview Heights, Seven Hills, and Brooklyn Heights in 439
Cuyahoga county. 440

The Perrysburg municipal court has jurisdiction within the 441
municipal corporations of Luckey, Millbury, Northwood, Rossford, 442
and Walbridge, and within Perrysburg, Lake, and Troy townships, in 443
Wood county. 444

The Portage county municipal court has jurisdiction within 445
Portage county. 446

The Portsmouth municipal court has jurisdiction within Scioto 447
county. 448

The Putnam county municipal court has jurisdiction within 449
Putnam county. 450

The Rocky River municipal court has jurisdiction within the 451
municipal corporations of Bay Village, Westlake, Fairview Park, 452
and North Olmsted, and within Riveredge township, in Cuyahoga 453
county. 454

The Sandusky municipal court has jurisdiction within the 455
municipal corporations of Castalia and Bay View, and within 456
Perkins township, in Erie county. 457

Beginning January 1, 2013, the Sandusky county municipal 458
court has jurisdiction within all of Sandusky county except within 459
the municipal corporations of Bellevue and Fremont and Ballville, 460
Sandusky, and York townships. 461

The Shaker Heights municipal court has jurisdiction within 462
the municipal corporations of University Heights, Beachwood, 463
Pepper Pike, and Hunting Valley in Cuyahoga county. 464

The Shelby municipal court has jurisdiction within Sharon, 465
Jackson, Cass, Plymouth, and Blooming Grove townships, and within 466
all of Butler township except sections 35-36-31 and 32, in 467
Richland county. 468

The Sidney municipal court has jurisdiction within Shelby 469
county. 470

Beginning January 1, 2009, the Stow municipal court has 471
jurisdiction within Boston, Hudson, Northfield Center, Sagamore 472
Hills, and Twinsburg townships, and within the municipal 473
corporations of Boston Heights, Cuyahoga Falls, Hudson, Munroe 474
Falls, Northfield, Peninsula, Reminderville, Silver Lake, Stow, 475
Tallmadge, Twinsburg, and Macedonia, in Summit county. 476

The Struthers municipal court has jurisdiction within the 477
municipal corporations of Lowellville, New Middleton, and Poland, 478
and within Poland and Springfield townships in Mahoning county. 479

The Sylvania municipal court has jurisdiction within the 480
municipal corporations of Berkey and Holland, and within Sylvania, 481
Richfield, Spencer, and Harding townships, and within those 482
portions of Swanton, Monclova, and Springfield townships lying 483
north of the northerly boundary line of the Ohio turnpike, in 484
Lucas county. 485

The Tiffin municipal court has jurisdiction within Adams, Big 486
Spring, Bloom, Clinton, Eden, Hopewell, Liberty, Pleasant, Reed, 487
Scipio, Seneca, Thompson, and Venice townships in Seneca county. 488

The Toledo municipal court has jurisdiction within Washington 489
township, and within the municipal corporation of Ottawa Hills, in 490
Lucas county. 491

The Upper Sandusky municipal court has jurisdiction within 492
Wyandot county. 493

The Vandalia municipal court has jurisdiction within the 494
municipal corporations of Clayton, Englewood, and Union, and 495
within Butler, Harrison, and Randolph townships, in Montgomery 496
county. 497

The Van Wert municipal court has jurisdiction within Van Wert 498
county. 499

The Vermilion municipal court has jurisdiction within the 500

townships of Vermilion and Florence in Erie county and within all 501
of Brownhelm township except within the municipal corporation of 502
Lorain, in Lorain county. 503

The Wadsworth municipal court has jurisdiction within the 504
municipal corporations of Gloria Glens Park, Lodi, Seville, and 505
Westfield Center, and within Guilford, Harrisville, Homer, Sharon, 506
Wadsworth, and Westfield townships in Medina county. 507

The Warren municipal court has jurisdiction within Warren and 508
Champion townships, and within all of Howland township except 509
within the municipal corporation of Niles, in Trumbull county. 510

The Washington Court House municipal court has jurisdiction 511
within Fayette county. 512

The Wayne county municipal court has jurisdiction within 513
Wayne county. 514

The Willoughby municipal court has jurisdiction within the 515
municipal corporations of Eastlake, Wickliffe, Willowick, 516
Willoughby Hills, Kirtland, Kirtland Hills, Waite Hill, 517
Timberlake, and Lakeline, and within Kirtland township, in Lake 518
county. 519

Through June 30, 1992, the Wilmington municipal court has 520
jurisdiction within Clinton county. 521

The Xenia municipal court has jurisdiction within 522
Caesarcreek, Cedarville, Jefferson, Miami, New Jasper, Ross, 523
Silvercreek, Spring Valley, Sugarcreek, and Xenia townships in 524
Greene county. 525

(C) As used in this section: 526

(1) "Within a township" includes all land, including, but not 527
limited to, any part of any municipal corporation, that is 528
physically located within the territorial boundaries of that 529
township, whether or not that land or municipal corporation is 530

governmentally a part of the township. 531

(2) "Within a municipal corporation" includes all land within 532
the territorial boundaries of the municipal corporation and any 533
townships that are coextensive with the municipal corporation. 534

Sec. 1901.03. As used in this chapter: 535

(A) "Territory" means the geographical areas within which 536
municipal courts have jurisdiction as provided in sections 1901.01 537
and 1901.02 of the Revised Code. 538

(B) "Legislative authority" means the legislative authority 539
of the municipal corporation in which a municipal court, other 540
than a county-operated municipal court, is located, and means the 541
respective board of county commissioners of the county in which a 542
county-operated municipal court is located. 543

(C) "Chief executive" means the chief executive of the 544
municipal corporation in which a municipal court, other than a 545
county-operated municipal court, is located, and means the 546
respective chairman of the board of county commissioners of the 547
county in which a county-operated municipal court is located. 548

(D) "City treasury" means the treasury of the municipal 549
corporation in which a municipal court, other than a 550
county-operated municipal court, is located. 551

(E) "City treasurer" means the treasurer of the municipal 552
corporation in which a municipal court, other than a 553
county-operated municipal court, is located. 554

(F) "County-operated municipal court" means the Auglaize 555
county, Brown county, Carroll county, Clermont county, Columbiana 556
county, Crawford county, Darke county, Erie county, Hamilton 557
county, Hocking county, Holmes county, Jackson county, Lawrence 558
county, Madison county, Miami county, Montgomery county, Morrow 559
county, Ottawa county, Portage county, Putnam county, or Wayne 560

county municipal court and, effective January 1, ~~2008~~ 2013, also 561
includes the ~~Erie~~ Sandusky county municipal court. 562

(G) "A municipal corporation in which a municipal court is 563
located" includes each municipal corporation named in section 564
1901.01 of the Revised Code, but does not include one in which a 565
judge sits pursuant to any provision of section 1901.021 of the 566
Revised Code except division (M) of that section. 567

Sec. 1901.07. (A) All municipal court judges shall be elected 568
on the nonpartisan ballot for terms of six years. In a municipal 569
court in which only one judge is to be elected in any one year, 570
that judge's term commences on the first day of January after the 571
election. In a municipal court in which two or more judges are to 572
be elected in any one year, their terms commence on successive 573
days beginning the first day of January, following the election, 574
unless otherwise provided by section 1901.08 of the Revised Code. 575
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(B) All candidates for municipal court judge may be nominated 577
either by nominating petition or by primary election, except that 578
if the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends only to the 579
corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which the court 580
is located and that municipal corporation operates under a 581
charter, all candidates shall be nominated in the same manner 582
provided in the charter for the office of municipal court judge 583
or, if no specific provisions are made in the charter for the 584
office of municipal court judge, in the same manner as the charter 585
prescribes for the nomination and election of the legislative 586
authority of the municipal corporation. 587

If the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends beyond the 588
corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 589
located or if the jurisdiction of the court does not extend beyond 590
the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 591

located and no charter provisions apply, all candidates for party 592
nomination to the office of municipal court judge shall file a 593
declaration of candidacy and petition not later than four p.m. of 594
the ninetieth day before the day of the primary election in the 595
form prescribed by section 3513.07 of the Revised Code. The 596
petition shall conform to the requirements provided for those 597
petitions of candidacy contained in section 3513.05 of the Revised 598
Code, except that the petition shall be signed by at least fifty 599
electors of the territory of the court. If no valid declaration of 600
candidacy is filed for nomination as a candidate of a political 601
party for election to the office of municipal court judge, or if 602
the number of persons filing the declarations of candidacy for 603
nominations as candidates of one political party for election to 604
the office does not exceed the number of candidates that that 605
party is entitled to nominate as its candidates for election to 606
the office, no primary election shall be held for the purpose of 607
nominating candidates of that party for election to the office, 608
and the candidates shall be issued certificates of nomination in 609
the manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 610

If the jurisdiction of a municipal court extends beyond the 611
corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 612
located or if the jurisdiction of the court does not extend beyond 613
the corporate limits of the municipal corporation in which it is 614
located and no charter provisions apply, nonpartisan candidates 615
for the office of municipal court judge shall file nominating 616
petitions not later than four p.m. of the day before the day of 617
the primary election in the form prescribed by section 3513.261 of 618
the Revised Code. The petition shall conform to the requirements 619
provided for those petitions of candidacy contained in section 620
3513.257 of the Revised Code, except that the petition shall be 621
signed by at least fifty electors of the territory of the court. 622

The nominating petition or declaration of candidacy for a 623

municipal court judge shall contain a designation of the term for 624
which the candidate seeks election. At the following regular 625
municipal election, the candidacies of the judges nominated shall 626
be submitted to the electors of the territory on a nonpartisan, 627
judicial ballot in the same manner as provided for judges of the 628
court of common pleas, except that, in a municipal corporation 629
operating under a charter, all candidates for municipal court 630
judge shall be elected in conformity with the charter if 631
provisions are made in the charter for the election of municipal 632
court judges. 633

(C) Notwithstanding divisions (A) and (B) of this section, in 634
the following municipal courts, the judges shall be nominated and 635
elected as follows: 636

(1) In the Cleveland municipal court, the judges shall be 637
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 638
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be in 639
the statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and within the 640
time prescribed by the charter of the city of Cleveland for filing 641
petitions of candidates for municipal offices. Each elector shall 642
have the right to sign petitions for as many candidates as are to 643
be elected, but no more. The judges shall be elected by the 644
electors of the territory of the court in the manner provided by 645
law for the election of judges of the court of common pleas. 646

(2) In the Toledo municipal court, the judges shall be 647
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 648
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be in 649
the statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and within the 650
time prescribed by the charter of the city of Toledo for filing 651
nominating petitions for city council. Each elector shall have the 652
right to sign petitions for as many candidates as are to be 653
elected, but no more. The judges shall be elected by the electors 654
of the territory of the court in the manner provided by law for 655

the election of judges of the court of common pleas. 656

(3) In the Akron municipal court, the judges shall be 657
nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 658
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. It shall be in 659
statutory form and shall be filed in the manner and within the 660
time prescribed by the charter of the city of Akron for filing 661
nominating petitions of candidates for municipal offices. Each 662
elector shall have the right to sign petitions for as many 663
candidates as are to be elected, but no more. The judges shall be 664
elected by the electors of the territory of the court in the 665
manner provided by law for the election of judges of the court of 666
common pleas. 667

(4) In the Hamilton county municipal court, the judges shall 668
be nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 669
least one hundred electors of the judicial district of the county 670
from which the candidate seeks election, which petitions shall be 671
signed and filed not later than four p.m. of the day before the 672
day of the primary election in the form prescribed by section 673
3513.261 of the Revised Code. Unless otherwise provided in this 674
section, the petition shall conform to the requirements provided 675
for nominating petitions in section 3513.257 of the Revised Code. 676
The judges shall be elected by the electors of the relative 677
judicial district of the county at the regular municipal election 678
and in the manner provided by law for the election of judges of 679
the court of common pleas. 680

(5) In the Franklin county municipal court, the judges shall 681
be nominated only by petition. The petition shall be signed by at 682
least fifty electors of the territory of the court. The petition 683
shall be in the statutory form and shall be filed in the manner 684
and within the time prescribed by the charter of the city of 685
Columbus for filing petitions of candidates for municipal offices. 686
The judges shall be elected by the electors of the territory of 687

the court in the manner provided by law for the election of judges 688
of the court of common pleas. 689

(6) In the Auglaize, Brown, Carroll, Clermont, Crawford, 690
Hocking, Jackson, Lawrence, Madison, Miami, Morrow, Putnam, 691
Sandusky, and Wayne county municipal courts, the judges shall be 692
nominated only by petition. The petitions shall be signed by at 693
least fifty electors of the territory of the court and shall 694
conform to the provisions of this section. 695

(D) In the Portage county municipal court, the judges shall 696
be nominated either by nominating petition or by primary election, 697
as provided in division (B) of this section. 698

(E) As used in this section, as to an election for either a 699
full or an unexpired term, "the territory within the jurisdiction 700
of the court" means that territory as it will be on the first day 701
of January after the election. 702

Sec. 1901.08. The number of, and the time for election of, 703
judges of the following municipal courts and the beginning of 704
their terms shall be as follows: 705

In the Akron municipal court, two full-time judges shall be 706
elected in 1951, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1953, 707
one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967, and one full-time 708
judge shall be elected in 1975. 709

In the Alliance municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 710
elected in 1953. 711

In the Ashland municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 712
elected in 1951. 713

In the Ashtabula municipal court, one full-time judge shall 714
be elected in 1953. 715

In the Athens county municipal court, one full-time judge 716
shall be elected in 1967. 717

In the Auglaize county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1975.	718 719
In the Avon Lake municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1957.	720 721
In the Barberton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1969, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.	722 723 724
In the Bedford municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1979.	725 726
In the Bellefontaine municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1993.	727 728
In the Bellevue municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	729 730
In the Berea municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2005.	731 732
In the Bowling Green municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1983.	733 734
In the Brown county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2005. Beginning February 9, 2003, the part-time judge of the Brown county county court that existed prior to that date whose term commenced on January 2, 2001, shall serve as the full-time judge of the Brown county municipal court until December 31, 2005.	735 736 737 738 739 740
In the Bryan municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1965.	741 742
In the Cambridge municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951.	743 744
In the Campbell municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1963.	745 746

In the Canton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 747
elected in 1951, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1969, and 748
two full-time judges shall be elected in 1977. 749

In the Carroll county municipal court, one full-time judge 750
shall be elected in 2009. Beginning January 1, 2007, the judge 751
elected in 2006 to the part-time judgeship of the Carroll county 752
county court that existed prior to that date shall serve as the 753
full-time judge of the Carroll county municipal court until 754
December 31, 2009. 755

In the Celina municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 756
elected in 1957. 757

In the Champaign county municipal court, one full-time judge 758
shall be elected in 2001. 759

In the Chardon municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 760
elected in 1963. 761

In the Chillicothe municipal court, one full-time judge shall 762
be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 763
1977. 764

In the Circleville municipal court, one full-time judge shall 765
be elected in 1953. 766

In the Clark county municipal court, one full-time judge 767
shall be elected in 1989, and two full-time judges shall be 768
elected in 1991. The full-time judges of the Springfield municipal 769
court who were elected in 1983 and 1985 shall serve as the judges 770
of the Clark county municipal court from January 1, 1988, until 771
the end of their respective terms. 772

In the Clermont county municipal court, two full-time judges 773
shall be elected in 1991, and one full-time judge shall be elected 774
in 1999. 775

In the Cleveland municipal court, six full-time judges shall 776

be elected in 1975, three full-time judges shall be elected in 777
1953, and four full-time judges shall be elected in 1955. 778

In the Cleveland Heights municipal court, one full-time judge 779
shall be elected in 1957. 780

In the Clinton county municipal court, one full-time judge 781
shall be elected in 1997. The full-time judge of the Wilmington 782
municipal court who was elected in 1991 shall serve as the judge 783
of the Clinton county municipal court from July 1, 1992, until the 784
end of that judge's term on December 31, 1997. 785

In the Columbiana county municipal court, two full-time 786
judges shall be elected in 2001. 787

In the Conneaut municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 788
elected in 1953. 789

In the Coshocton municipal court, one full-time judge shall 790
be elected in 1951. 791

In the Crawford county municipal court, one full-time judge 792
shall be elected in 1977. 793

In the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, one full-time judge 794
shall be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected 795
in 1967. Effective December 31, 2008, the Cuyahoga Falls municipal 796
court shall cease to exist; however, the judges of the Cuyahoga 797
Falls municipal court who were elected pursuant to this section in 798
2003 and 2007 for terms beginning on January 1, 2004, and January 799
1, 2008, respectively, shall serve as full-time judges of the Stow 800
municipal court until December 31, 2009, and December 31, 2013, 801
respectively. 802

In the Darke county municipal court, one full-time judge 803
shall be elected in 2005. Beginning January 1, 2005, the part-time 804
judge of the Darke county county court that existed prior to that 805
date whose term began on January 1, 2001, shall serve as the 806

full-time judge of the Darke county municipal court until December 31, 2005. 807
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In the Dayton municipal court, three full-time judges shall be elected in 1987, their terms to commence on successive days beginning on the first day of January next after their election, and two full-time judges shall be elected in 1955, their terms to commence on successive days beginning on the second day of January next after their election. 809
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In the Defiance municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957. 815
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In the Delaware municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 2007. 817
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In the East Cleveland municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957. 819
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In the East Liverpool municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953. 821
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In the Eaton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973. 823
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In the Elyria municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1955, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973. 825
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In the Erie county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2007. 827
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In the Euclid municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951. 829
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In the Fairborn municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1977. 831
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In the Fairfield county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2003, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 2005. 833
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In the Fairfield municipal court, one full-time judge shall 836
be elected in 1989. 837

In the Findlay municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 838
elected in 1955, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1993. 839

In the Fostoria municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 840
elected in 1975. 841

In the Franklin municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 842
elected in 1951. 843

In the Franklin county municipal court, two full-time judges 844
shall be elected in 1969, three full-time judges shall be elected 845
in 1971, seven full-time judges shall be elected in 1967, one 846
full-time judge shall be elected in 1975, one full-time judge 847
shall be elected in 1991, and one full-time judge shall be elected 848
in 1997. 849

In the Fremont municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 850
elected in 1975. 851

In the Gallipolis municipal court, one full-time judge shall 852
be elected in 1981. 853

In the Garfield Heights municipal court, one full-time judge 854
shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected 855
in 1981. 856

In the Girard municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 857
elected in 1963. 858

In the Hamilton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 859
elected in 1953. 860

In the Hamilton county municipal court, five full-time judges 861
shall be elected in 1967, five full-time judges shall be elected 862
in 1971, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1981, and two 863
full-time judges shall be elected in 1983. All terms of judges of 864
the Hamilton county municipal court shall commence on the first 865

day of January next after their election, except that the terms of 866
the additional judges to be elected in 1981 shall commence on 867
January 2, 1982, and January 3, 1982, and that the terms of the 868
additional judges to be elected in 1983 shall commence on January 869
4, 1984, and January 5, 1984. 870

In the Hardin county municipal court, one part-time judge 871
shall be elected in 1989. 872

In the Hillsboro municipal court, one full-time judge shall 873
be elected in 2011. On and after December 30, 2008, the part-time 874
judge of the Hillsboro municipal court who was elected in 2005 875
shall serve as a full-time judge of the court until the end of 876
that judge's term on December 31, 2011. 877

In the Hocking county municipal court, one full-time judge 878
shall be elected in 1977. 879

In the Holmes county municipal court, one full-time judge 880
shall be elected in 2007. Beginning January 1, 2007, the part-time 881
judge of the Holmes county county court that existed prior to that 882
date whose term commenced on January 1, 2007, shall serve as the 883
full-time judge of the Holmes county municipal court until 884
December 31, 2007. 885

In the Huron municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 886
elected in 1967. 887

In the Ironton municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 888
elected in 1951. 889

In the Jackson county municipal court, one full-time judge 890
shall be elected in 2001. On and after March 31, 1997, the 891
part-time judge of the Jackson county municipal court who was 892
elected in 1995 shall serve as a full-time judge of the court 893
until the end of that judge's term on December 31, 2001. 894

In the Kettering municipal court, one full-time judge shall 895

be elected in 1971, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1975.

In the Lakewood municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1955.

In the Lancaster municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1979. Beginning January 2, 2000, the full-time judges of the Lancaster municipal court who were elected in 1997 and 1999 shall serve as judges of the Fairfield county municipal court until the end of those judges' terms.

In the Lawrence county municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1981.

In the Lebanon municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1955.

In the Licking county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971.

In the Lima municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967.

In the Lorain municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973.

In the Lyndhurst municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957.

In the Madison county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1981.

In the Mansfield municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1969.

In the Marietta municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957.

In the Marion municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 926
elected in 1951. 927

In the Marysville municipal court, one full-time judge shall 928
be elected in 2011. On and after January 18, 2007, the part-time 929
judge of the Marysville municipal court who was elected in 2005 930
shall serve as a full-time judge of the court until the end of 931
that judge's term on December 31, 2011. 932

In the Mason municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 933
elected in 1965. 934

In the Massillon municipal court, one full-time judge shall 935
be elected in 1953, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 936
1971. 937

In the Maumee municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 938
elected in 1963. 939

In the Medina municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 940
elected in 1957. 941

In the Mentor municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 942
elected in 1971. 943

In the Miami county municipal court, one full-time judge 944
shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected 945
in 1979. 946

In the Miamisburg municipal court, one full-time judge shall 947
be elected in 1951. 948

In the Middletown municipal court, one full-time judge shall 949
be elected in 1953. 950

In the Montgomery county municipal court: 951

One judge shall be elected in 2011 to a part-time judgeship 952
for a term to begin on January 1, 2012. If any one of the other 953
judgeships of the court becomes vacant and is abolished after July 954
1, 2010, this judgeship shall become a full-time judgeship on that 955

date. If only one other judgeship of the court becomes vacant and 956
is abolished as of December 31, 2021, this judgeship shall be 957
abolished as of that date. Beginning July 1, 2010, the part-time 958
judge of the Montgomery county county court that existed before 959
that date whose term commenced on January 1, 2005, shall serve as 960
a part-time judge of the Montgomery county municipal court until 961
December 31, 2011. 962

One judge shall be elected in 2011 to a full-time judgeship 963
for a term to begin on January 2, 2012, and this judgeship shall 964
be abolished on January 1, 2016. Beginning July 1, 2010, the 965
part-time judge of the Montgomery county county court that existed 966
before that date whose term commenced on January 2, 2005, shall 967
serve as a full-time judge of the Montgomery county municipal 968
court until January 1, 2012. 969

One judge shall be elected in 2013 to a full-time judgeship 970
for a term to begin on January 2, 2014. Beginning July 1, 2010, 971
the part-time judge of the Montgomery county county court that 972
existed before that date whose term commenced on January 2, 2007, 973
shall serve as a full-time judge of the Montgomery county 974
municipal court until January 1, 2014. 975

One judge shall be elected in 2013 to a judgeship for a term 976
to begin on January 1, 2014. If no other judgeship of the court 977
becomes vacant and is abolished by January 1, 2014, this judgeship 978
shall be a part-time judgeship. When one or more of the other 979
judgeships of the court becomes vacant and is abolished after July 980
1, 2010, this judgeship shall become a full-time judgeship. 981
Beginning July 1, 2010, the part-time judge of the Montgomery 982
county county court that existed before that date whose term 983
commenced on January 1, 2007, shall serve as this judge of the 984
Montgomery county municipal court until December 31, 2013. 985

If any one of the judgeships of the court becomes vacant 986
before December 31, 2021, that judgeship is abolished on the date 987

that it becomes vacant, and the other judges of the court shall be 988
or serve as full-time judges. The abolishment of judgeships for 989
the Montgomery county municipal court shall cease when the court 990
has two full-time judgeships. 991

In the Morrow county municipal court, one full-time judge 992
shall be elected in 2005. Beginning January 1, 2003, the part-time 993
judge of the Morrow county county court that existed prior to that 994
date shall serve as the full-time judge of the Morrow county 995
municipal court until December 31, 2005. 996

In the Mount Vernon municipal court, one full-time judge 997
shall be elected in 1951. 998

In the Napoleon municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 999
elected in 2005. 1000

In the New Philadelphia municipal court, one full-time judge 1001
shall be elected in 1975. 1002

In the Newton Falls municipal court, one full-time judge 1003
shall be elected in 1963. 1004

In the Niles municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1005
elected in 1951. 1006

In the Norwalk municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1007
elected in 1975. 1008

In the Oakwood municipal court, one part-time judge shall be 1009
elected in 1953. 1010

In the Oberlin municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1011
elected in 1989. 1012

In the Oregon municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1013
elected in 1963. 1014

In the Ottawa county municipal court, one full-time judge 1015
shall be elected in 1995, and the full-time judge of the Port 1016
Clinton municipal court who is elected in 1989 shall serve as the 1017

judge of the Ottawa county municipal court from February 4, 1994, 1018
until the end of that judge's term. 1019

In the Painesville municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1020
be elected in 1951. 1021

In the Parma municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1022
elected in 1951, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1967, and 1023
one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971. 1024

In the Perrysburg municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1025
be elected in 1977. 1026

In the Portage county municipal court, two full-time judges 1027
shall be elected in 1979, and one full-time judge shall be elected 1028
in 1971. 1029

In the Port Clinton municipal court, one full-time judge 1030
shall be elected in 1953. The full-time judge of the Port Clinton 1031
municipal court who is elected in 1989 shall serve as the judge of 1032
the Ottawa county municipal court from February 4, 1994, until the 1033
end of that judge's term. 1034

In the Portsmouth municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1035
be elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1036
1985. 1037

In the Putnam county municipal court, one full-time judge 1038
shall be elected in 2011. Beginning January 1, 2011, the part-time 1039
judge of the Putnam county county court that existed prior to that 1040
date whose term commenced on January 1, 2007, shall serve as the 1041
full-time judge of the Putnam county municipal court until 1042
December 31, 2011. 1043

In the Rocky River municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1044
be elected in 1957, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1045
1971. 1046

In the Sandusky municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1047

elected in 1953. 1048

In the Sandusky county municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 2013. Beginning on January 1, 2013, the two part-time judges of the Sandusky county county court that existed prior to that date shall serve as part-time judges of the Sandusky county municipal court until December 31, 2013. If either judgeship becomes vacant before January 1, 2014, that judgeship is abolished on the date it becomes vacant, and the person who holds the other judgeship shall serve as the full-time judge of the Sandusky county municipal court until December 31, 2013. 1049
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In the Shaker Heights municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1957. 1058
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In the Shelby municipal court, one part-time judge shall be elected in 1957. 1060
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In the Sidney municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1995. 1062
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In the South Euclid municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1999. The part-time judge elected in 1993, whose term commenced on January 1, 1994, shall serve until December 31, 1999, and the office of that judge is abolished on January 1, 2000. 1064
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In the Springfield municipal court, two full-time judges shall be elected in 1985, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1983, all of whom shall serve as the judges of the Springfield municipal court through December 31, 1987, and as the judges of the Clark county municipal court from January 1, 1988, until the end of their respective terms. 1069
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In the Steubenville municipal court, one full-time judge shall be elected in 1953. 1075
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In the Stow municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1077

1078 elected in 2009, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 2013.
1079 Beginning January 1, 2009, the judge of the Cuyahoga Falls
1080 municipal court that existed prior to that date whose term
1081 commenced on January 1, 2008, shall serve as a full-time judge of
1082 the Stow municipal court until December 31, 2013. Beginning
1083 January 1, 2009, the judge of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court
1084 that existed prior to that date whose term commenced on January 1,
1085 2004, shall serve as a full-time judge of the Stow municipal court
1086 until December 31, 2009.

1087 In the Struthers municipal court, one part-time judge shall
1088 be elected in 1963.

1089 In the Sylvania municipal court, one full-time judge shall be
1090 elected in 1963.

1091 In the Tiffin municipal court, one full-time judge shall be
1092 elected in 1953.

1093 In the Toledo municipal court, two full-time judges shall be
1094 elected in 1971, four full-time judges shall be elected in 1975,
1095 and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1973.

1096 In the Upper Sandusky municipal court, one full-time judge
1097 shall be elected in 2011. The part-time judge elected in 2005,
1098 whose term commenced on January 1, 2006, shall serve as a
1099 full-time judge on and after January 1, 2008, until the expiration
1100 of that judge's term on December 31, 2011, and the office of that
1101 judge is abolished on January 1, 2012.

1102 In the Vandalia municipal court, one full-time judge shall be
1103 elected in 1959.

1104 In the Van Wert municipal court, one full-time judge shall be
1105 elected in 1957.

1106 In the Vermilion municipal court, one part-time judge shall
1107 be elected in 1965.

In the Wadsworth municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1108
be elected in 1981. 1109

In the Warren municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1110
elected in 1951, and one full-time judge shall be elected in 1971. 1111

In the Washington Court House municipal court, one full-time 1112
judge shall be elected in 1999. The part-time judge elected in 1113
1993, whose term commenced on January 1, 1994, shall serve until 1114
December 31, 1999, and the office of that judge is abolished on 1115
January 1, 2000. 1116

In the Wayne county municipal court, one full-time judge 1117
shall be elected in 1975, and one full-time judge shall be elected 1118
in 1979. 1119

In the Willoughby municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1120
be elected in 1951. 1121

In the Wilmington municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1122
be elected in 1991, who shall serve as the judge of the Wilmington 1123
municipal court through June 30, 1992, and as the judge of the 1124
Clinton county municipal court from July 1, 1992, until the end of 1125
that judge's term on December 31, 1997. 1126

In the Xenia municipal court, one full-time judge shall be 1127
elected in 1977. 1128

In the Youngstown municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1129
be elected in 1951, and two full-time judges shall be elected in 1130
1953. 1131

In the Zanesville municipal court, one full-time judge shall 1132
be elected in 1953. 1133

Sec. 1901.31. The clerk and deputy clerks of a municipal 1134
court shall be selected, be compensated, give bond, and have 1135
powers and duties as follows: 1136

(A) There shall be a clerk of the court who is appointed or
elected as follows:

(1)(a) Except in the Akron, Barberton, Toledo, Hamilton
county, Miami county, Montgomery county, Portage county, and Wayne
county municipal courts and through December 31, 2008, the
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court, if the population of the territory
equals or exceeds one hundred thousand at the regular municipal
election immediately preceding the expiration of the term of the
present clerk, the clerk shall be nominated and elected by the
qualified electors of the territory in the manner that is provided
for the nomination and election of judges in section 1901.07 of
the Revised Code.

The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of six
years, which term shall commence on the first day of January
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's
successor is elected and qualified.

(b) In the Hamilton county municipal court, the clerk of
courts of Hamilton county shall be the clerk of the municipal
court and may appoint an assistant clerk who shall receive the
compensation, payable out of the treasury of Hamilton county in
semimonthly installments, that the board of county commissioners
prescribes. The clerk of courts of Hamilton county, acting as the
clerk of the Hamilton county municipal court and assuming the
duties of that office, shall receive compensation at one-fourth
the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common
pleas as determined in accordance with the population of the
county and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of
the Revised Code. This compensation shall be paid from the county
treasury in semimonthly installments and is in addition to the
annual compensation that is received for the performance of the
duties of the clerk of courts of Hamilton county, as provided in
sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code.

(c) In the Portage county and Wayne county municipal courts, 1169
the clerks of courts of Portage county and Wayne county shall be 1170
the clerks, respectively, of the Portage county and Wayne county 1171
municipal courts and may appoint a chief deputy clerk for each 1172
branch that is established pursuant to section 1901.311 of the 1173
Revised Code and assistant clerks as the judges of the municipal 1174
court determine are necessary, all of whom shall receive the 1175
compensation that the legislative authority prescribes. The clerks 1176
of courts of Portage county and Wayne county, acting as the clerks 1177
of the Portage county and Wayne county municipal courts and 1178
assuming the duties of these offices, shall receive compensation 1179
payable from the county treasury in semimonthly installments at 1180
one-fourth the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of 1181
common pleas as determined in accordance with the population of 1182
the county and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 1183
of the Revised Code. 1184

(d) In the Montgomery county and Miami county municipal 1185
courts, the clerks of courts of Montgomery county and Miami county 1186
shall be the clerks, respectively, of the Montgomery county and 1187
Miami county municipal courts. The clerks of courts of Montgomery 1188
county and Miami county, acting as the clerks of the Montgomery 1189
county and Miami county municipal courts and assuming the duties 1190
of these offices, shall receive compensation at one-fourth the 1191
rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas 1192
as determined in accordance with the population of the county and 1193
the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised 1194
Code. This compensation shall be paid from the county treasury in 1195
semimonthly installments and is in addition to the annual 1196
compensation that is received for the performance of the duties of 1197
the clerks of courts of Montgomery county and Miami county, as 1198
provided in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised Code. 1199

(e) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)(e) of 1200

this section, in the Akron municipal court, candidates for 1201
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by 1202
primary election. The primary election shall be held on the day 1203
specified in the charter of the city of Akron for the nomination 1204
of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of 1205
section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the declarations 1206
of candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and the 1207
nominating petitions of independent candidates for the office of 1208
clerk of the Akron municipal court shall be signed by at least 1209
fifty qualified electors of the territory of the court. 1210

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1211
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1212
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1213
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1214
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1215
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1216
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1217
Revised Code. 1218

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 1219
any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1220
party for election to the office of clerk of the Akron municipal 1221
court, a primary election shall not be held for the purpose of 1222
nominating a candidate of that party for election to that office. 1223
If only one person files a valid declaration of candidacy and 1224
petition for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1225
party for election to that office, a primary election shall not be 1226
held for the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for 1227
election to that office, and the candidate shall be issued a 1228
certificate of nomination in the manner set forth in section 1229
3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1230

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1231
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 1232

of the Akron municipal court shall contain a designation of the 1233
term for which the candidate seeks election. At the following 1234
regular municipal election, all candidates for the office shall be 1235
submitted to the qualified electors of the territory of the court 1236
in the manner that is provided in section 1901.07 of the Revised 1237
Code for the election of the judges of the court. The clerk so 1238
elected shall hold office for a term of six years, which term 1239
shall commence on the first day of January following the clerk's 1240
election and continue until the clerk's successor is elected and 1241
qualified. 1242

(f) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)(f) of 1243
this section, in the Barberton municipal court, candidates for 1244
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by 1245
primary election. The primary election shall be held on the day 1246
specified in the charter of the city of Barberton for the 1247
nomination of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary 1248
provision of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the 1249
declarations of candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and 1250
the nominating petitions of independent candidates for the office 1251
of clerk of the Barberton municipal court shall be signed by at 1252
least fifty qualified electors of the territory of the court. 1253

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1254
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1255
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1256
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1257
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1258
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1259
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1260
Revised Code. 1261

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 1262
any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1263
party for election to the office of clerk of the Barberton 1264

municipal court, a primary election shall not be held for the 1265
purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for election to 1266
that office. If only one person files a valid declaration of 1267
candidacy and petition for nomination as a candidate of a 1268
particular political party for election to that office, a primary 1269
election shall not be held for the purpose of nominating a 1270
candidate of that party for election to that office, and the 1271
candidate shall be issued a certificate of nomination in the 1272
manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1273

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1274
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 1275
of the Barberton municipal court shall contain a designation of 1276
the term for which the candidate seeks election. At the following 1277
regular municipal election, all candidates for the office shall be 1278
submitted to the qualified electors of the territory of the court 1279
in the manner that is provided in section 1901.07 of the Revised 1280
Code for the election of the judges of the court. The clerk so 1281
elected shall hold office for a term of six years, which term 1282
shall commence on the first day of January following the clerk's 1283
election and continue until the clerk's successor is elected and 1284
qualified. 1285

(g)(i) Through December 31, 2008, except as otherwise 1286
provided in division (A)(1)(g)(i) of this section, in the Cuyahoga 1287
Falls municipal court, candidates for election to the office of 1288
clerk of the court shall be nominated by primary election. The 1289
primary election shall be held on the day specified in the charter 1290
of the city of Cuyahoga Falls for the nomination of municipal 1291
officers. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of section 1292
3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the declarations of 1293
candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and the nominating 1294
petitions of independent candidates for the office of clerk of the 1295
Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall be signed by at least fifty 1296

qualified electors of the territory of the court. 1297

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1298
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1299
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1300
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1301
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1302
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1303
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1304
Revised Code. 1305

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 1306
any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1307
party for election to the office of clerk of the Cuyahoga Falls 1308
municipal court, a primary election shall not be held for the 1309
purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for election to 1310
that office. If only one person files a valid declaration of 1311
candidacy and petition for nomination as a candidate of a 1312
particular political party for election to that office, a primary 1313
election shall not be held for the purpose of nominating a 1314
candidate of that party for election to that office, and the 1315
candidate shall be issued a certificate of nomination in the 1316
manner set forth in section 3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1317

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1318
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 1319
of the Cuyahoga Falls municipal court shall contain a designation 1320
of the term for which the candidate seeks election. At the 1321
following regular municipal election, all candidates for the 1322
office shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the 1323
territory of the court in the manner that is provided in section 1324
1901.07 of the Revised Code for the election of the judges of the 1325
court. The clerk so elected shall hold office for a term of six 1326
years, which term shall commence on the first day of January 1327
following the clerk's election and continue until the clerk's 1328

successor is elected and qualified. 1329

(ii) Division (A)(1)(g)(i) of this section shall have no 1330
effect after December 31, 2008. 1331

(h) Except as otherwise provided in division (A)(1)(h) of 1332
this section, in the Toledo municipal court, candidates for 1333
election to the office of clerk of the court shall be nominated by 1334
primary election. The primary election shall be held on the day 1335
specified in the charter of the city of Toledo for the nomination 1336
of municipal officers. Notwithstanding any contrary provision of 1337
section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the Revised Code, the declarations 1338
of candidacy and petitions of partisan candidates and the 1339
nominating petitions of independent candidates for the office of 1340
clerk of the Toledo municipal court shall be signed by at least 1341
fifty qualified electors of the territory of the court. 1342

The candidates shall file a declaration of candidacy and 1343
petition, or a nominating petition, whichever is applicable, not 1344
later than four p.m. of the ninetieth day before the day of the 1345
primary election, in the form prescribed by section 3513.07 or 1346
3513.261 of the Revised Code. The declaration of candidacy and 1347
petition, or the nominating petition, shall conform to the 1348
applicable requirements of section 3513.05 or 3513.257 of the 1349
Revised Code. 1350

If no valid declaration of candidacy and petition is filed by 1351
any person for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1352
party for election to the office of clerk of the Toledo municipal 1353
court, a primary election shall not be held for the purpose of 1354
nominating a candidate of that party for election to that office. 1355
If only one person files a valid declaration of candidacy and 1356
petition for nomination as a candidate of a particular political 1357
party for election to that office, a primary election shall not be 1358
held for the purpose of nominating a candidate of that party for 1359
election to that office, and the candidate shall be issued a 1360

certificate of nomination in the manner set forth in section 1361
3513.02 of the Revised Code. 1362

Declarations of candidacy and petitions, nominating 1363
petitions, and certificates of nomination for the office of clerk 1364
of the Toledo municipal court shall contain a designation of the 1365
term for which the candidate seeks election. At the following 1366
regular municipal election, all candidates for the office shall be 1367
submitted to the qualified electors of the territory of the court 1368
in the manner that is provided in section 1901.07 of the Revised 1369
Code for the election of the judges of the court. The clerk so 1370
elected shall hold office for a term of six years, which term 1371
shall commence on the first day of January following the clerk's 1372
election and continue until the clerk's successor is elected and 1373
qualified. 1374

(2)(a) Except for the Alliance, Auglaize county, Brown 1375
county, Columbiana county, Holmes county, Putnam county, Sandusky 1376
county, Lorain, Massillon, and Youngstown municipal courts, in a 1377
municipal court for which the population of the territory is less 1378
than one hundred thousand, the clerk shall be appointed by the 1379
court, and the clerk shall hold office until the clerk's successor 1380
is appointed and qualified. 1381

(b) In the Alliance, Lorain, Massillon, and Youngstown 1382
municipal courts, the clerk shall be elected for a term of office 1383
as described in division (A)(1)(a) of this section. 1384

(c) In the Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes county, ~~and~~ 1385
Putnam county, and Sandusky county municipal courts, the clerks of 1386
courts of Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes county, ~~and~~ Putnam 1387
county, and Sandusky county shall be the clerks, respectively, of 1388
the Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes county, ~~and~~ Putnam 1389
county, and Sandusky county municipal courts and may appoint a 1390
chief deputy clerk for each branch office that is established 1391
pursuant to section 1901.311 of the Revised Code, and assistant 1392

clerks as the judge of the court determines are necessary, all of 1393
whom shall receive the compensation that the legislative authority 1394
prescribes. The clerks of courts of Auglaize county, Brown county, 1395
Holmes county, ~~and~~ Putnam county, and Sandusky county, acting as 1396
the clerks of the Auglaize county, Brown county, Holmes county, 1397
~~and~~ Putnam county, and Sandusky county municipal courts and 1398
assuming the duties of these offices, shall receive compensation 1399
payable from the county treasury in semimonthly installments at 1400
one-fourth the rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of 1401
common pleas as determined in accordance with the population of 1402
the county and the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 1403
of the Revised Code. 1404

(d) In the Columbiana county municipal court, the clerk of 1405
courts of Columbiana county shall be the clerk of the municipal 1406
court, may appoint a chief deputy clerk for each branch office 1407
that is established pursuant to section 1901.311 of the Revised 1408
Code, and may appoint any assistant clerks that the judges of the 1409
court determine are necessary. All of the chief deputy clerks and 1410
assistant clerks shall receive the compensation that the 1411
legislative authority prescribes. The clerk of courts of 1412
Columbiana county, acting as the clerk of the Columbiana county 1413
municipal court and assuming the duties of that office, shall 1414
receive in either biweekly installments or semimonthly 1415
installments, as determined by the payroll administrator, 1416
compensation payable from the county treasury at one-fourth the 1417
rate that is prescribed for the clerks of courts of common pleas 1418
as determined in accordance with the population of the county and 1419
the rates set forth in sections 325.08 and 325.18 of the Revised 1420
Code. 1421

(3) During the temporary absence of the clerk due to illness, 1422
vacation, or other proper cause, the court may appoint a temporary 1423
clerk, who shall be paid the same compensation, have the same 1424

authority, and perform the same duties as the clerk. 1425

(B) Except in the Hamilton county, Montgomery county, Miami 1426
county, Portage county, and Wayne county municipal courts, if a 1427
vacancy occurs in the office of the clerk of the Alliance, Lorain, 1428
Massillon, or Youngstown municipal court or occurs in the office 1429
of the clerk of a municipal court for which the population of the 1430
territory equals or exceeds one hundred thousand because the clerk 1431
ceases to hold the office before the end of the clerk's term or 1432
because a clerk-elect fails to take office, the vacancy shall be 1433
filled, until a successor is elected and qualified, by a person 1434
chosen by the residents of the territory of the court who are 1435
members of the county central committee of the political party by 1436
which the last occupant of that office or the clerk-elect was 1437
nominated. Not less than five nor more than fifteen days after a 1438
vacancy occurs, those members of that county central committee 1439
shall meet to make an appointment to fill the vacancy. At least 1440
four days before the date of the meeting, the chairperson or a 1441
secretary of the county central committee shall notify each such 1442
member of that county central committee by first class mail of the 1443
date, time, and place of the meeting and its purpose. A majority 1444
of all such members of that county central committee constitutes a 1445
quorum, and a majority of the quorum is required to make the 1446
appointment. If the office so vacated was occupied or was to be 1447
occupied by a person not nominated at a primary election, or if 1448
the appointment was not made by the committee members in 1449
accordance with this division, the court shall make an appointment 1450
to fill the vacancy. A successor shall be elected to fill the 1451
office for the unexpired term at the first municipal election that 1452
is held more than one hundred thirty-five days after the vacancy 1453
occurred. 1454

(C)(1) In a municipal court, other than the Auglaize county, 1455
the Brown county, the Columbiana county, the Holmes county, the 1456

Putnam county, the Sandusky county, and the Lorain municipal 1457
courts, for which the population of the territory is less than one 1458
hundred thousand, the clerk of the municipal court shall receive 1459
the annual compensation that the presiding judge of the court 1460
prescribes, if the revenue of the court for the preceding calendar 1461
year, as certified by the auditor or chief fiscal officer of the 1462
municipal corporation in which the court is located or, in the 1463
case of a county-operated municipal court, the county auditor, is 1464
equal to or greater than the expenditures, including any debt 1465
charges, for the operation of the court payable under this chapter 1466
from the city treasury or, in the case of a county-operated 1467
municipal court, the county treasury for that calendar year, as 1468
also certified by the auditor or chief fiscal officer. If the 1469
revenue of a municipal court, other than the Auglaize county, the 1470
Brown county, the Columbiana county, the Putnam county, the 1471
Sandusky county, and the Lorain municipal courts, for which the 1472
population of the territory is less than one hundred thousand for 1473
the preceding calendar year as so certified is not equal to or 1474
greater than those expenditures for the operation of the court for 1475
that calendar year as so certified, the clerk of a municipal court 1476
shall receive the annual compensation that the legislative 1477
authority prescribes. As used in this division, "revenue" means 1478
the total of all costs and fees that are collected and paid to the 1479
city treasury or, in a county-operated municipal court, the county 1480
treasury by the clerk of the municipal court under division (F) of 1481
this section and all interest received and paid to the city 1482
treasury or, in a county-operated municipal court, the county 1483
treasury in relation to the costs and fees under division (G) of 1484
this section. 1485

(2) In a municipal court, other than the Hamilton county, 1486
Montgomery county, Miami county, Portage county, and Wayne county 1487
municipal courts, for which the population of the territory is one 1488
hundred thousand or more, and in the Lorain municipal court, the 1489

clerk of the municipal court shall receive annual compensation in 1490
a sum equal to eighty-five per cent of the salary of a judge of 1491
the court. 1492

(3) The compensation of a clerk described in division (C)(1) 1493
or (2) of this section and of the clerk of the Columbiana county 1494
municipal court is payable in either semimonthly installments or 1495
biweekly installments, as determined by the payroll administrator, 1496
from the same sources and in the same manner as provided in 1497
section 1901.11 of the Revised Code, except that the compensation 1498
of the clerk of the Carroll county municipal court is payable in 1499
biweekly installments. 1500

(D) Before entering upon the duties of the clerk's office, 1501
the clerk of a municipal court shall give bond of not less than 1502
six thousand dollars to be determined by the judges of the court, 1503
conditioned upon the faithful performance of the clerk's duties. 1504

(E) The clerk of a municipal court may do all of the 1505
following: administer oaths, take affidavits, and issue executions 1506
upon any judgment rendered in the court, including a judgment for 1507
unpaid costs; issue, sign, and attach the seal of the court to all 1508
writs, process, subpoenas, and papers issuing out of the court; 1509
and approve all bonds, sureties, recognizances, and undertakings 1510
fixed by any judge of the court or by law. The clerk may refuse to 1511
accept for filing any pleading or paper submitted for filing by a 1512
person who has been found to be a vexatious litigator under 1513
section 2323.52 of the Revised Code and who has failed to obtain 1514
leave to proceed under that section. The clerk shall do all of the 1515
following: file and safely keep all journals, records, books, and 1516
papers belonging or appertaining to the court; record the 1517
proceedings of the court; perform all other duties that the judges 1518
of the court may prescribe; and keep a book showing all receipts 1519
and disbursements, which book shall be open for public inspection 1520
at all times. 1521

The clerk shall prepare and maintain a general index, a 1522
docket, and other records that the court, by rule, requires, all 1523
of which shall be the public records of the court. In the docket, 1524
the clerk shall enter, at the time of the commencement of an 1525
action, the names of the parties in full, the names of the 1526
counsel, and the nature of the proceedings. Under proper dates, 1527
the clerk shall note the filing of the complaint, issuing of 1528
summons or other process, returns, and any subsequent pleadings. 1529
The clerk also shall enter all reports, verdicts, orders, 1530
judgments, and proceedings of the court, clearly specifying the 1531
relief granted or orders made in each action. The court may order 1532
an extended record of any of the above to be made and entered, 1533
under the proper action heading, upon the docket at the request of 1534
any party to the case, the expense of which record may be taxed as 1535
costs in the case or may be required to be prepaid by the party 1536
demanding the record, upon order of the court. 1537

(F) The clerk of a municipal court shall receive, collect, 1538
and issue receipts for all costs, fees, fines, bail, and other 1539
moneys payable to the office or to any officer of the court. The 1540
clerk shall each month disburse to the proper persons or officers, 1541
and take receipts for, all costs, fees, fines, bail, and other 1542
moneys that the clerk collects. Subject to sections 307.515 and 1543
4511.193 of the Revised Code and to any other section of the 1544
Revised Code that requires a specific manner of disbursement of 1545
any moneys received by a municipal court and except for the 1546
Hamilton county, Lawrence county, and Ottawa county municipal 1547
courts, the clerk shall pay all fines received for violation of 1548
municipal ordinances into the treasury of the municipal 1549
corporation the ordinance of which was violated and shall pay all 1550
fines received for violation of township resolutions adopted 1551
pursuant to section 503.52 or 503.53 or Chapter 504. of the 1552
Revised Code into the treasury of the township the resolution of 1553
which was violated. Subject to sections 1901.024 and 4511.193 of 1554

the Revised Code, in the Hamilton county, Lawrence county, and 1555
Ottawa county municipal courts, the clerk shall pay fifty per cent 1556
of the fines received for violation of municipal ordinances and 1557
fifty per cent of the fines received for violation of township 1558
resolutions adopted pursuant to section 503.52 or 503.53 or 1559
Chapter 504. of the Revised Code into the treasury of the county. 1560
Subject to sections 307.515, 4511.19, and 5503.04 of the Revised 1561
Code and to any other section of the Revised Code that requires a 1562
specific manner of disbursement of any moneys received by a 1563
municipal court, the clerk shall pay all fines collected for the 1564
violation of state laws into the county treasury. Except in a 1565
county-operated municipal court, the clerk shall pay all costs and 1566
fees the disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for in 1567
the Revised Code into the city treasury. The clerk of a 1568
county-operated municipal court shall pay the costs and fees the 1569
disbursement of which is not otherwise provided for in the Revised 1570
Code into the county treasury. Moneys deposited as security for 1571
costs shall be retained pending the litigation. The clerk shall 1572
keep a separate account of all receipts and disbursements in civil 1573
and criminal cases, which shall be a permanent public record of 1574
the office. On the expiration of the term of the clerk, the clerk 1575
shall deliver the records to the clerk's successor. The clerk 1576
shall have other powers and duties as are prescribed by rule or 1577
order of the court. 1578

(G) All moneys paid into a municipal court shall be noted on 1579
the record of the case in which they are paid and shall be 1580
deposited in a state or national bank, or a domestic savings and 1581
loan association, as defined in section 1151.01 of the Revised 1582
Code, that is selected by the clerk. Any interest received upon 1583
the deposits shall be paid into the city treasury, except that, in 1584
a county-operated municipal court, the interest shall be paid into 1585
the treasury of the county in which the court is located. 1586

On the first Monday in January of each year, the clerk shall 1587
make a list of the titles of all cases in the court that were 1588
finally determined more than one year past in which there remains 1589
unclaimed in the possession of the clerk any funds, or any part of 1590
a deposit for security of costs not consumed by the costs in the 1591
case. The clerk shall give notice of the moneys to the parties who 1592
are entitled to the moneys or to their attorneys of record. All 1593
the moneys remaining unclaimed on the first day of April of each 1594
year shall be paid by the clerk to the city treasurer, except 1595
that, in a county-operated municipal court, the moneys shall be 1596
paid to the treasurer of the county in which the court is located. 1597
The treasurer shall pay any part of the moneys at any time to the 1598
person who has the right to the moneys upon proper certification 1599
of the clerk. 1600

(H) Deputy clerks of a municipal court other than the Carroll 1601
county municipal court may be appointed by the clerk and shall 1602
receive the compensation, payable in either biweekly installments 1603
or semimonthly installments, as determined by the payroll 1604
administrator, out of the city treasury, that the clerk may 1605
prescribe, except that the compensation of any deputy clerk of a 1606
county-operated municipal court shall be paid out of the treasury 1607
of the county in which the court is located. The judge of the 1608
Carroll county municipal court may appoint deputy clerks for the 1609
court, and the deputy clerks shall receive the compensation, 1610
payable in biweekly installments out of the county treasury, that 1611
the judge may prescribe. Each deputy clerk shall take an oath of 1612
office before entering upon the duties of the deputy clerk's 1613
office and, when so qualified, may perform the duties appertaining 1614
to the office of the clerk. The clerk may require any of the 1615
deputy clerks to give bond of not less than three thousand 1616
dollars, conditioned for the faithful performance of the deputy 1617
clerk's duties. 1618

(I) For the purposes of this section, whenever the population 1619
of the territory of a municipal court falls below one hundred 1620
thousand but not below ninety thousand, and the population of the 1621
territory prior to the most recent regular federal census exceeded 1622
one hundred thousand, the legislative authority of the municipal 1623
corporation may declare, by resolution, that the territory shall 1624
be considered to have a population of at least one hundred 1625
thousand. 1626

(J) The clerk or a deputy clerk shall be in attendance at all 1627
sessions of the municipal court, although not necessarily in the 1628
courtroom, and may administer oaths to witnesses and jurors and 1629
receive verdicts. 1630

Sec. 1907.11. (A) Each county court district shall have the 1631
following county court judges, to be elected as follows: 1632

In the Adams county county court, one part-time judge shall 1633
be elected in 1982. 1634

In the Ashtabula county county court, one part-time judge 1635
shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected 1636
in 1982. 1637

In the Belmont county county court, one part-time judge shall 1638
be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and two 1639
part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence on 1640
January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1641

In the Butler county county court, one part-time judge shall 1642
be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and two 1643
part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence on 1644
January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1645

Until December 31, 2007, in the Erie county county court, one 1646
part-time judge shall be elected in 1982. Effective January 1, 1647
2008, the Erie county county court shall cease to exist. 1648

In the Fulton county county court, one part-time judge shall 1649
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1650
1982. 1651

In the Harrison county county court, one part-time judge 1652
shall be elected in 1982. 1653

In the Highland county county court, one part-time judge 1654
shall be elected in 1982. 1655

In the Jefferson county county court, one part-time judge 1656
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and 1657
two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence 1658
on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1659

In the Mahoning county county court, one part-time judge 1660
shall be elected in 1992, term to commence on January 1, 1993, and 1661
three part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to commence 1662
on January 1, 1995, January 2, 1995, and January 3, 1995, 1663
respectively. 1664

In the Meigs county county court, one part-time judge shall 1665
be elected in 1982. 1666

In the Monroe county county court, one part-time judge shall 1667
be elected in 1982. 1668

In the Morgan county county court, one part-time judge shall 1669
be elected in 1982. 1670

In the Muskingum county county court, one part-time judge 1671
shall be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected 1672
in 1982. 1673

In the Noble county county court, one part-time judge shall 1674
be elected in 1982. 1675

In the Paulding county county court, one part-time judge 1676
shall be elected in 1982. 1677

In the Perry county county court, one part-time judge shall 1678

be elected in 1982. 1679

In the Pike county county court, one part-time judge shall be 1680
elected in 1982. 1681

~~In~~ Until December 31, 2006, in the Sandusky county county 1682
court, two part-time judges shall be elected in 1994, terms to 1683
commence on January 1, 1995, and January 2, 1995, respectively. 1684
The judges elected in 2006 shall serve until December 31, 2012. 1685
The Sandusky county county court shall cease to exist on January 1686
1, 2013. 1687

In the Trumbull county county court, one part-time judge 1688
shall be elected in 1992, and one part-time judge shall be elected 1689
in 1994. 1690

In the Tuscarawas county county court, one part-time judge 1691
shall be elected in 1982. 1692

In the Vinton county county court, one part-time judge shall 1693
be elected in 1982. 1694

In the Warren county county court, one part-time judge shall 1695
be elected in 1980, and one part-time judge shall be elected in 1696
1982. 1697

(B)(1) Additional judges shall be elected at the next regular 1698
election for a county court judge as provided in section 1907.13 1699
of the Revised Code. 1700

(2) Vacancies caused by the death or the resignation from, 1701
forfeiture of, or removal from office of a judge shall be filled 1702
in accordance with section 107.08 of the Revised Code, except as 1703
provided in section 1907.15 of the Revised Code. 1704

Section 2. That existing sections 1901.01, 1901.02, 1901.03, 1705
1901.07, 1901.08, 1901.31, and 1907.11 of the Revised Code are 1706
hereby repealed. 1707

Section 3. Sections 1901.01, 1901.03, 1901.08, and 1907.11 of 1708
the Revised Code are presented in this act as composites of the 1709
sections as amended by both Am. Sub. H.B. 238 and Sub. H.B. 338 of 1710
the 128th General Assembly. The General Assembly, applying the 1711
principle stated in division (B) of section 1.52 of the Revised 1712
Code that amendments are to be harmonized if reasonably capable of 1713
simultaneous operation, finds that the composites are the 1714
resulting versions of the sections in effect prior to the 1715
effective date of the sections as presented in this act. 1716