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# INDEPENDENT CITIZENS COMMISSION

# September 8, 2021

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The Independent Citizens Commission met on Wednesday, September 8, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. in room 151 of the State Capitol in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Chairman Banks called the meeting to order with roll call. Commission members present Mr. Chuck Banks, Mr. Jonathon Rogers, Mrs. Annabelle Imber Tuck, and Mrs. Jan Zimmerman and Tommy May. Ms. Melanie Jenkins- Auditor of State’s office.

**Consideration of minutes from the August 25, 2021**

A motion was made by Commissioner Tuck to adopt the minutes as written, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman. The motion carried without objection.

**Discussion of Salaries for Judges, Justices, Prosecuting Attorneys:**

After discussion between Commissioners, Commissioner Tuck made a motion to propose a 3% increase for Fiscal Year 22 to Judges, Justices and Prosecuting Attorneys Division A will be 95% of Circuit Judges salaries and Division B will be 85% of Division A Salaries. Commissioner Zimmerman seconded and the motion passes without objection.

The 10-day comment period will begin on September 9, 2021. Then the commission will vote on the Resolution as written.

Commission will make request for more information on the Elected Officials and General Assembly. Discussion of those salaries will occur at the next meeting if requested information is available.

Chairman Banks discussed Article 19 section 31 and Administrative Procedure Act and what it means for the Commission. If they are under the Administrative Procedure Act or not. Commissioners asked to postpone this discussion until next meeting so they could do some other research.

The next Arkansas Independent Citizens Commission meeting will be Tuesday September 21, 2021, at 10am.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

**Handouts and complete audio of the meeting can be found at** [**http://citizenscommission.ar.gov**](http://citizenscommission.ar.gov)