

JUDGES' REMUNERATION ACT 18 OF 1990

[ASSENTED TO 9 NOVEMBER 1990] [DATE OF COMMENCEMENT: 1 APRIL 1990]

(Signed by the President)

as amended by

Proclamation 12 of 1994

Judges' Remuneration Amendment Act 24 of 1994

Proclamation 14 of 2003

Proclamation 11 of 2007

Proc 10 in GG 4941 of 2012

[with effect from 1 April 2012]

ACT

To provide for the remuneration of judges; the granting of additional service benefits to them; for the making available of motor vehicles to them; and for matters connected therewith.

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1 Definitions

In this Act, unless the context indicates otherwise, "judge" means any person holding, or any person who at the date of commencement of this Act, held the office of-

- (a) Chief Justice or additional judge of the Supreme Court of Namibia; or
- (b) Judge-President or additional judge of the High Court of Namibia.

2 Remuneration of judges

(1) Any person who holds office as a judge, whether in an acting or an ad hoc or permanent capacity, shall in respect thereof be paid an annual non-taxable allowance and a monthly salary at the rates specified in the second column of the First and Second Schedule, respectively, opposite the designation of the office in which the judge concerned serves.

Subsec (1) substituted by sec 1 of Act 24 of 1994.]

(2) Any salary and allowance payable in terms of subsection (1), shall be paid from the State Revenue Fund out of moneys appropriated by the National Assembly for that purpose.

3 Amendment of First Schedule

(1) The President, acting on recommendation of the Judicial Service Commission, may by proclamation in the Gazette amend the second column of the Second Schedule so as to increase the rates specified therein.

Subsec (1) substituted by sec 2 of Act 24 of 1994.]

(2) A proclamation in terms of subsection (1) may be issued with retrospective effect as from a date which may not be earlier than one year prior to the date of the proclamation.

4 Date of commencement of tenure of office of judge

The date of commencement of the tenure of office of a judge shall be the date of his or her appointment as such by the President.

5 Regulations

(1) The President may, after consultation with the Judicial Service Commission, make regulations as additional service benefits of judges.

(2) Any benefit payable in terms of any regulation made under subsection (1), shall be paid from the State Revenue Fund out of moneys appropriated by the National Assembly for that purpose.

6 Making available of motor vehicles to judges

A motor vehicle owned by the State may on such conditions as the President may determine, be made available to any person who holds office as a judge in a permanent or acting capacity, for use, in accordance with directions so determined, in the course of his or her official functions as well as for his or her private purposes.

7 Repeal of laws and saving

(1) Subject to the provisions of subsection (2), the laws specified in the Second Schedule are hereby repealed.

(2) Any direction determined under any provision of any law repealed by subsection (1), shall, unless such direction is inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be deemed to have been determined under the corresponding provision of this Act.

(3) For the purposes of this Act, any directions in force by virtue of the provisions of subsection (2), shall be construed in accordance with the provisions of this Act, in so far as they relate to those provisions, unless it would in any particular case be obviously inappropriate.

(4) Any right or benefit acquired or accrued under a provision of any law repealed by subsection (1), or the regulations made thereunder shall, in so far as it is not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be deemed to have been acquired or accrued under the corresponding provision of this Act or the regulations made thereunder.

8 Short title

This Act shall be called the Judges' Remuneration Act, 1990, and shall be deemed to have come into operation on 1 April 1990.

First Schedule

(Section 2(1))

[First Schedule inserted by sec 3 of Act 24 of 1994.]

Designation of Office	Non-taxable allowance per annum
Chief Justice	N\$17 500
Additional judge of the Supreme Court	N\$10 000
Ad hoc judge of the Supreme Court	An allowance at the same rate as that of an additional judge of the Supreme Court, proportionate to the period during which he or she acts as an ad hoc judge
Judge-President	N\$15 000
Additional judge of the High Court	N\$10 000

Second Schedule

(Section 2(1))

[Second Schedule substituted by sec 4 of Act 24 of 1994, by Proclamation 14 in GG 2974 of 2 May 2003 (wef 1 April 2003), by Proclamation 11 of 2 July 2007 (wef 1 April 2007) and by Proclamation 10 of 30 April 2012 (wef 1 April 2012).]

Designation of Office	Salary per Annum
Chief Justice	911 966
Supreme Court Judge	884 332

Supreme Court Ad hoc Judge Salary equal to that of Supreme Court Judge, proportionate to the period during which he or she acts as Ad hoc Judge

Judge-President 870 513

High Court Judge 829 061

High Court Acting Judge Salary equal to that of High Court Judge, proportionate to the period during which he or she acts as Acting Judge

Third Schedule

(Section 7(1))

No. and year of Law	Short Title
Act 16 of 1981	Judges' Remuneration Act, 1981
Act 10 of 1982	Judges' Remuneration Amendment Act, 1982
Proclamation AG. 25 of 1984	Judges' Remuneration Amendment Proclamation, 1984
Act 24 of 1986	Judges' Remuneration Amendment Act, 1986
Act 18 of 1987	Judges' Remuneration Amendment Act, 1987
Act 5 of 1988	Judges' Remuneration Amendment Act, 1988