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Administration - Historical Notes

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Sincerely,

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County Legislative Body

The following acts once applied to the quarterly court or the county legislative body of Loudon County and are included herein for historical purposes. Also referenced below are acts which repeal prior law without providing new substantive provisions.

- 1. Private Acts of 1921, Chapter 513, set the fees of justices of the peace, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and constables in Loudon County.
- 2. Private Acts of 1955, Chapter 283, set the compensation paid to Loudon County Justices of the Peace at \$5.00 per day plus mileage for meetings attended.

County Mayor

The references below are of acts which once applied to the office of county judge, or county executive in Loudon County. They are included herein for historical purposes only. Also referenced below are acts which repeal prior law without providing new substantive provisions.

- 1. Private Acts of 1919, Chapter 163, as amended by Private Acts of 1927, Chapter 690, created a county judge in all counties in the state having a population of not less than 13,608 nor more than 13,620 to be elected for a term of eight years with a compensation of \$900 per annum. The office of chairman and chairman pro tem of the county court of Loudon county was abolished by this act.
- 2. Private Acts of 1978, Chapter 215, authorized the county judge to change the meeting place for the quarterly county court from the courthouse to the county justice center if inclement weather made it impractical to meet at the courthouse.
- 3. Private Acts of 1951, Chapter 138, as amended by Private Acts of 1975, Chapter 141, designated the county judge as the administrative and financial agent for the county. The compensation for both positions was \$3,600 annually, paid in 12 equal monthly installments.

County Register

The following act once affected the office of county register in Loudon County, but is no longer operative.

1. Private Acts of 1931, Chapter 275, set the salary of the Loudon County Register of Deeds to \$300 per annum.

Port Authority

- 1. Public Acts of 1963, Chapter 218, created the Little Tennessee River Port Authority. It was repealed by Private Acts of 1965, Chapter 95.
- Private Acts of 1967/68, Chapter 68, would have repealed Private Acts of 1965, Chapter 95.
 Private Acts of 1967/68, Chapter 68 corrected grammatical and spelling mistakes in Private Acts of 1965, Chapter 95.
- 3. Private Acts of 1967/68, Chapter 68 was passed by Monroe County, but was never passed by the Loudon County Quarterly Court. Therefore, it never went into effect.

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General References

The following private or local acts constitute part of the administrative and political history of Loudon County but are today no longer operative because they have either been superseded, repealed, or failed to receive local approval. Also referenced below are acts which repeal prior law without providing new substantive provisions.

- 1. Public Acts of 1883, Chapter 193, authorized the sheriff of Loudon County to conduct an election in August, 1883 to ascertain the will of the voters in reference to the assessment of the railroad liability of the fraction of Loudon County which had previously been part of Blount County.
- 2. Public Acts of 1887, Chapter 66, was an act passed for the relief of the Blount fraction of Loudon County. Since at the time of the formation of Loudon County, there was a bonded indebtedness on Blount County for which that portion of Loudon County which was taken from Blount remained legally liable. This act provided that there would be an election to determine if the entire populace of Loudon County should assume the debt of the Blount faction and if so, provisions were made for a bond issue to provide the necessary funds.
- 3. Private Acts of 1919, Chapter 68, authorized the Loudon County Court to hire a county surveyor,

- with the requirement that the person hired to be a resident of the county.
- 4. Private Acts of 1919, Chapter 472, authorized the comptroller's office to furnish the Loudon county judge with copies of each volume of the supreme court reports, not otherwise appropriated and on hand in the comptroller's office. Loudon County was to pay any expenses in transporting these volumes.
- 5. Private Acts of 1919, Chapter 628, gave the power of condemnation to trustees or commissioners of any cemetery, church or graveyard in Loudon County.
- 6. Private Acts of 1921, Chapter 278, set the salary of the Loudon County Surveyor at \$7.50 per day.
- 7. Private Acts of 1921, Chapter 513, fixed the fees of justices of the peace, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and constables for services performed in Loudon County.
- 8. Private Acts of 1937, Chapter 691, set the salary of the Loudon County Judge at \$300 per year plus an additional \$300 per year for office expenses.
- 9. Private Acts of 1961, Chapter 373, authorized the appointment of deputies or assistants by the county register in Loudon County at an annual salary of \$1,200 per annum.

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