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GASB STATEMENT NO. 68 REPORT FOR THE

ALABAMA JUDICIAL RETIREMENT FUND PREPARED AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2022


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Board of Control
Alabama Judicial Retirement Fund
Montgomery, Alabama
Ladies and Gentlemen:
Presented in this report is information to assist the Alabama Judicial Retirement Fund (JRF) in meeting the requirements of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 68 and to identify the information to be provided by the actuary, Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting (CMC). The information presented is for the period ending September 30, 2022 (the Measurement Date).

GASB Statement Number 68 established accounting and financial reporting requirements for governmental employers that provide pension benefits to their employees through a trust.

The annual actuarial valuation used as a basis for much of the information presented in this report was performed as of September 30, 2021. The valuation was based upon data, furnished by the JRF staff, for active, inactive and retired members along with pertinent financial information.

The actuarial calculations were performed by qualified actuaries according to generally accepted actuarial principles and practices, as well as in conformity with Actuarial Standards of Practice issued by the Actuarial Standards Board. The calculations are based on the current provisions of the Plan, and on actuarial assumptions that are, internally consistent and individually reasonable based on the actual experience of the Plan. In addition, the calculations were completed in compliance with the laws governing the Plan and, in our opinion, meet the requirements of GASB 68. Larry Langer and Ed Koebel are members of the American Academy of Actuaries and meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

Future actuarial results may differ significantly from the current results presented in this report due to such factors as the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period or additional cost or contribution requirements based on the plan's funded status); and changes in plan provisions or applicable law. Since the potential impact of such factors is outside the scope of a normal annual actuarial valuation, an analysis of the range of results is not presented herein.

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In order to prepare the results in this report, we have utilized appropriate actuarial models that were developed for this purpose. These models use assumptions about future contingent events along with recognized actuarial approaches to develop the needed results.

These results are only for financial reporting and may not be appropriate for funding purposes or other types of analysis. Calculations for purposes other than satisfying the requirements of GASB 67 and GASB 68 may produce significantly different results. Future actuarial results may differ significantly from the current results presented in this report due to such factors as changes in plan experience or changes in economic or demographic assumptions.

Sincerely yours,


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Executive Officer

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# REPORT OF THE ANNUAL GASB STATEMENT NO. 68 REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR THE EMPLOYERS PARTCIPATING IN THE ALABAMA JUDICIAL RETIREMENT FUND 

## PREPARED AS OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

## SECTION I - INTRODUCTION

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board issued Statement No. 68 (GASB 68), "Accounting and Financial Reporting For Pensions" in June 2012. GASB 68's effective date is for an employer's fiscal year beginning after June 15, 2014. The Alabama Judicial Retirement Fund (JRF) is a cost-sharing multipleemployer defined benefit pension plan in a special funding situation.

This report, prepared as of September 30, 2022 (the Measurement Date), presents information to assist the employers participating in JRF in meeting the requirements of GASB 68 for the fiscal year ending in 2023 (Reporting Date). The material provided in this report is based on the data we received to prepare the annual actuarial valuation of the Alabama Judicial Retirement Fund as of September 30, 2021. The results of the valuation were detailed in a report dated April 21, 2022.

The NPL shown in the GASB Statement No. 67 Report for the Alabama Judicial Retirement Fund Prepared as of September 30, 2022, and submitted December 12, 2022, is the collective NPL used for purposes of GASB 68. Please refer to that report for the derivation of the collective NPL.

Among the assumptions needed for the liability calculation is a Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR). To determine the SEIR, the FNP must be projected into the future for as long as there are anticipated benefits payable under the plan's provision applicable to the membership and beneficiaries of the Fund on the Measurement Date. Future contributions were projected to be made in accordance with the Funding Policy adopted by the Board. The Funding Policy is shown in Schedule F of this report. If the FNP is not projected to be depleted at any point in the future, as the results currently indicate, the long-term expected rate of return on plan investments expected to be used to finance the benefit payments may be used as the SEIR.

If, however, at a future measurement date the FNP is projected to be depleted, the SEIR is determined as the single rate that will generate a present value of benefit payments equal to the sum of the present value determined by discounting all projected benefit payments through the date of depletion by the long-term expected rate of return and the present value determined by discounting those benefits after the date of depletion by a 20 -year tax-exempt municipal bond (rating AA/Aa or higher) rate. The Municipal Bond Index Rate used, if necessary, for this purpose is the average of the Bond Buyer General Obligation 20-year Municipal Bond Index, the Fidelity General Obligation AA 20-year Municipal Bond Index, and the S\&P High Grade 20-year Municipal Bond Index. We have determined that a discount rate of 7.40 percent meets the requirements of GASB 68.

Pension Expense (PE) includes amounts for service cost (the normal cost under the Entry Age Normal actuarial cost method for the year), interest on the Total Pension Liability (TPL), changes in benefit structure, amortization of increases/decreases in liability due to actuarial experience and actuarial assumption changes, and amortization of investment gains/losses. The actuarial experience and assumption change impacts are amortized over the average expected remaining service life of the Plan membership as of the Measurement Date, and investment gains/losses are amortized over five years. The development of the collective PE is shown in Section IV.

The unrecognized portions of each year's experience, assumption changes and investment gains/losses are used to develop deferred inflows and outflows, which also must be included in the employer's financial statements. The development of the collective deferred inflows and outflows is shown in Section III.

These collective amounts have been allocated based on the proportionate share associated with each participating employer. The State makes contributions to JRF for its employees and also on behalf of employees of the participating county employers. Therefore, these employers are considered to be in a special funding situation as defined by GASB 68 and the State is treated as a non-employer contributing entity in JRF. Since the counties do not contribute directly to the JRF, there is no NPL or deferred inflows or outflows to report in the financial statements of the counties. However, the notes to the financial statements must disclose the portion of the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective NPL that is associated with the employer. In addition, each county must recognize the total PE associated with the county as well as revenue in an amount equal to the non-employer contributing entities' total proportionate share of the collective PE associated with the county.

The proportionate share percentages for the State as the employer and the State as a non-employer contributing entity, have been calculated based on actual contributions to the Fund as shown in the following table:

| Contribution Type | Amount |  | Proportionate Share |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Employer Contributions related to <br> special funding employers | $\$ 2,589,882$ | $12.56168 \%$ |  |
| Employer Contributions related to State <br> employer | $\underline{18,027,447}$ | $\underline{87.43832 \%}$ |  |
| Total Employer Contributions | $\$ 20,617,329$ | $100.00000 \%$ |  |

The proportionate share percentages for each employer in a special funding situation have been determined by allocating the total proportionate share for these employers based on the total salaries of the employees of each employer.

Schedule A of this report shows the amount of salaries for the employees of each county employer for the years ending September 30, 2021, and September 30, 2022. Schedule A also shows the proportionate share percentages that have been determined based on these salaries.

Based on these percentages we have determined the proportionate share amounts of the NPL, PE and Deferred Inflows and Outflows for each participating employer. These amounts are shown in Schedule B.

Section II of this report is a summary of the principal results of the collective amounts under GASB 68. Section III provides the results of all the necessary calculations, presented in the order laid out in GASB 68 for note disclosure and Section V shows the Required Supplementary Information (RSI).

## SECTION II - SUMMARY OF COLLECTIVE AMOUNTS

|  | 2022 | 2021 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Valuation Date: Measurement Date: Reporting Date: | September 30, 2021 <br> September 30, 2022 <br> September 30, 2023 | September 30, 2020 September 30, 2021 September 30, 2022 |
| Single Equivalent Interest Rate (SEIR): Long-Term Expected Rate of Return Municipal Bond Index Rate Fiscal Year in which Plan's Fiduciary Net Position is projected to be depleted from future benefit payments for current members Single Equivalent Interest Rate | $\begin{aligned} & 7.40 \% \\ & 4.40 \% \\ & \\ & \mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{A} \\ & 7.40 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 7.40 \% \\ 2.29 \% \\ \text { N/A } \\ 7.40 \% \end{array}$ |
| Net Pension Liability: <br> Total Pension Liability (TPL) <br> Plan Fiduciary Net Position (FNP) <br> Net Pension Liability (NPL = TPL - FNP) <br> FNP as a percentage of TPL | $\begin{array}{rr} \$ & 504,805,472 \\ & \underline{297,549,382} \\ \hline 207,256,090 \\ 58.94 \% \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} \$ & 503,881,386 \\ & \begin{array}{l} 365,328,338 \\ \hline \end{array} \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| Collective Pension Expense (PE): | \$ 29,020,033 | \$ 12,958,934 |
| Deferred Outflows of Resources: | \$ 55,195,438 | \$ 20,672,286 |
| Deferred Inflows of Resources: | \$ 3,312,768 | \$ 29,089,954 |

## SECTION III - NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The material presented herein will follow the order presented in GASB 68. Paragraph numbers are provided for ease of reference. Amounts are shown in aggregate. Please refer to Schedule B of this report for the proportionate share of certain pension amounts as required by GASB 68.

Paragraphs 77 and 78(a)-(f): These paragraphs require information to be disclosed regarding the actuarial assumptions used to measure the TPL.

The TPL was determined by an actuarial valuation as of September 30, 2021, using the following actuarial assumptions, applied to all periods included in the measurement: The complete set of actuarial assumptions utilized in developing the TPL are outlined in Schedule E. These assumptions include:

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { Inflation } & 2.50 \text { percent } \\
\text { Projected Salary increases } & 2.75-3.50 \text { percent, including inflation } \\
\text { Investment rate of return } & \begin{array}{l}
7.40 \text { percent, net of pension plan investment expense, } \\
\text { including inflation }
\end{array}
\end{array}
$$

Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teacher tables with the following adjustments, projected generationally using scale MP-2020 adjusted by 66-2/3\% beginning with year 2019:

| Group | Membership Table | Set Forward(+)/Setback (-) | Adjustment to Rates |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Service Retirees | Teacher RetireeBelow Median | Male: +2, Female: +2 | Male: $108 \%$ ages < 63, $96 \%$ ages > 67, Phasing down 63-67; Female: 112\% ages < 69, $98 \%$ > age 74 , Phasing down 69-74 |
| Beneficiaries | Contingent Survivor Below Median | Male: +2, Female: None | None |
| Disabled Retirees | Teacher Disability | Male: +8, Female: +3 | None |

The actuarial assumptions used the September 30, 2021 valuation, for purposes of determining the TPL, were based on the results of an actuarial experience study for the period October 1, 2015 - September 30, 2020 and a discount rate of $7.40 \%$, as adopted by the Board of Trustees on September 14, 2021.

The long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was determined using a log-normal distribution analysis in which best-estimate ranges of expected future real rates of return (expected returns, net of pension plan investment expense and inflation) are developed for each major asset class. These ranges are combined to produce the long-term expected rate of return by weighting the expected future real rates of return by the target asset allocation percentage and by adding expected inflation. The target asset allocation and best estimates of geometric rates of return for each major asset class, as provided by RSA, are summarized in the following table:

| Asset Class | Target <br> Allocation | Long-Term Expected <br> Rate of Return* |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Fixed Income | $22.0 \%$ | $2.8 \%$ |
| US Large Stocks | $39.0 \%$ | $8.0 \%$ |
| US Mid Stocks | $11.0 \%$ | $10.0 \%$ |
| US Small Stocks | $5.0 \%$ | $11.0 \%$ |
| Int'l Developed Mkt Stocks | $12.0 \%$ | $9.5 \%$ |
| Int'l Emerging Mkt Stocks | $3.0 \%$ | $11.0 \%$ |
| Alternatives | $1.0 \%$ | $9.0 \%$ |
| Real Estate | $2.0 \%$ | $6.5 \%$ |
| Cash | $5.0 \%$ | $1.5 \%$ |
| Total | $100.0 \%$ |  |

*Includes assumed rate of inflation of 2.00\%.

Discount rate. The discount rate used to measure the total pension liability was 7.40 percent. The projection of cash flows used to determine the discount rate assumed that plan member contributions will be made at the current contribution rate and that employer contributions will be made at rates equal to the difference between actuarially determined contribution rates and the member rate. Based on those assumptions, the pension plan's fiduciary net position was projected to be available to make all projected future benefit payments of current plan members. Therefore, the long-term expected rate of return on pension plan investments was applied to all periods of projected benefit payments to determine the total pension liability.

Paragraph 78 (g): This paragraph requires disclosure of the sensitivity of the NPL to changes in the discount rate. The following presents the NPL of the Fund, calculated using the discount rate of 7.40 percent, as well as what the Fund's NPL would be if it were calculated using a discount rate that is 1-percentage-point lower ( 6.40 percent) or 1-percentage-point higher ( 8.40 percent) than the current rate:

|  | $1 \%$ <br> Decrease <br> $(6.40 \%)$ | Current <br> Discount Rate <br> $(7.40 \%)$ | Increase <br> $(8.40 \%)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net Pension Liability | $\$ 253,047,775$ | $\$ 207,256,090$ | $\$ 167,639,012$ |

Paragraph 80(a): This paragraph requires disclosure of the employer's proportionate share of the collective NPL and if an employer has a special funding situation the portion of the non-employer contributing entities' proportional share of the collective NPL that is associated with the employer. These amounts are shown in Schedule B.

Paragraph 80(b): This paragraph requires disclosure of the employer's proportion (percentage) of the collective NPL and the changes in proportion since the prior measurement date. These amounts are shown for all entities in Schedule A.

Paragraph 80(c): September 30, 2021, is the actuarial valuation date upon which the TPL is based. An expected TPL is determined as of September 30, 2022, using standard roll forward techniques. The procedure used to determine the TPL as of September 30, 2022, is shown on page 7 of the GASB 67 report for JRF submitted on December 12, 2022.

Paragraph $\mathbf{8 0 ( g ) : ~ P l e a s e ~ s e e ~ S e c t i o n ~ I V ~ o f ~ t h i s ~ r e p o r t ~ f o r ~ t h e ~ d e v e l o p m e n t ~ o f ~ t h e ~ c o l l e c t i v e ~ p e n s i o n ~}$ expense. The PE associated with each employer is shown in Schedule B.

Paragraph 80(h): Since certain expense items are amortized over closed periods each year, the deferred portions of these items must be tracked annually. If the amounts serve to reduce pension expense they are labeled deferred inflows. If they will increase pension expense they are labeled deferred outflows. The amortization of these amounts is accomplished on a level dollar basis, with no interest included in the deferred amounts. Experience gains/losses and the impact of changes in actuarial assumptions, if any, are amortized over the average expected remaining service life of the active and inactive Plan members at the beginning of the fiscal year. Investment gains and losses are amortized over a fixed five-year period.

The table below provides a summary of the collective deferred inflows and outflows as of the Measurement Date. The allocation of the collective deferred inflows and outflows is provided in Schedule B.

|  | Collective <br> Deferred Outflows <br> of Resources | Collective <br> Deferred Inflows <br> of Resources |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Differences between expected and actual experience | $\$ 5,065,634$ | $\$ 3,312,768$ |
| Changes of actuarial assumptions | $8,989,919$ | 0 |
| Net difference between projected and actual earnings on <br> plan investments <br> Total | $\underline{41,139,885}$ | $\underline{0}$ |
| \$55,195,438 | $\underline{\$ 3,312,768}$ |  |

The following tables show the components of the collective deferred outflows of resources and the collective deferred inflows of resources by year.

Collective Deferred Outilows and Inflows for Differences between Expected and Actual Experience

|  |  |  |  | Beginning | Balance |  |  |  |  | Ending | Balance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Initial <br> Balance of Losses / Deferred Outflow | Initial <br> Balance of Gains / Deferred Inflow | Amortization Period | Deferred Outflows (a) | Deferred Inflows (b) | Losses / Deferred Outflows (c) | Gains / Deferred Inflows (d) | Amounts <br> Recognized in Pension Expense / Deferred Outflow <br> (e) | Amounts <br> Recognized <br> in Pension <br> Expense / <br> Deferred Inflow <br> (f) | Deferred Outflows (a) + (c) - (e) | $\begin{gathered} \text { Deferred } \\ \text { Inflows } \\ (\mathrm{b})+(\mathrm{d})-(\mathrm{f}) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| 2022 | \$0 | \$4,259,273 | 4.5 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$4,259,273 | \$0 | \$946,505 | \$0 | \$3,312,768 |
| 2021 | 746,396 | 0 | 4.6 | 584,136 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 162,260 | 0 | 421,876 | 0 |
| 2020 | 13,350,802 | 0 | 4.6 | 7,546,106 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,902,348 | 0 | 4,643,758 | 0 |
| 2019 | 0 | 4,517,687 | 3.9 | 0 | 1,042,544 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1,042,544 | 0 | 0 |
| 2018 | 0 | 9,133,889 | 4.1 | 0 | 222,777 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 222,777 | 0 | 0 |
| Total |  |  |  | \$8,130,242 | \$1,265,321 | \$0 | \$4,259,273 |  |  | \$5,065,634 | \$3,312,768 |


|  |  |  |  | Beginning Balance |  |  |  |  |  | Ending | Balance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Year | Initial <br> Balance of Losses / Deferred Outflow | Initial <br> Balance of Gains / Deferred Inflow | Amortization Period | Deferred Outflows (a) | Deferred Inflows (b) | Losses / Deferred Outflows (c) | Gains / Deferred Inflows (d) | Amounts <br> Recognized <br> in Pension <br> Expense / <br> Deferred Outflow <br> (e) | Amounts <br> Recognized <br> in Pension Expense / Deferred Inflow <br> (f) | Deferred Outflows $(\mathrm{a})+(\mathrm{c})-(\mathrm{e})$ | Deferred Inflows $(b)+(d)-(f)$ |
| 2022 | \$0 | \$0 | 4.5 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| 2021 | 15,905,243 | 0 | 4.6 | 12,447,581 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,457,662 | 0 | 8,989,919 | 0 |
| 2020 | 0 | 0 | 4.6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2019 | 0 | 0 | 3.9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2018 | 3,872,903 | 0 | 4.1 | 94,463 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 94,463 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total |  |  |  | \$12,542,044 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |  |  | \$8,989,919 | \$0 |



| Summary of Amortization of Deferred Outiows and Inflows of Resources |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amortization Year | Actual and Expected Experience |  |  |  |  |  | Assumption Changes |  |  |  |  |
| 2024 | \$0 |  | \$0 | \$2,902,348 | \$162,260 | $(\$ 946,505)$ | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$3,457,662 | \$0 |
| 2025 | 0 |  | 0 | 1,741,410 | 162,260 | $(946,505)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3,457,662 | 0 |
| 2026 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 97,356 | $(946,505)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2,074,595 | 0 |
| 2027 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | $(473,253)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2028 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Thereafter | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | \$0 |  | \$0 | \$4,643,758 | \$421,876 | (\$3,312,768) | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$8,989,919 | \$0 |


| Summary of Amortization of Deferred Outilows and Inflows of Resources |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Amortization | Investment Gains/Losses |  |  |  |  |  |
| Year | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | Total |
| 2024 | \$0 | \$2,531,111 | \$18,940 | (\$8,002,173) | \$15,644,353 | \$15,767,996 |
| 2025 | 0 | 0 | 18,940 | $(8,002,173)$ | 15,644,353 | 12,075,947 |
| 2026 | 0 | 0 | 0 | $(8,002,171)$ | 15,644,353 | 8,867,628 |
| 2027 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15,644,352 | 15,171,099 |
| 2028 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 |
| Thereafter | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | \$0 |
| TOTAL | \$0 | \$2,531,111 | \$37,880 | (\$24,006,517) | \$62,577,411 | \$51,882,670 |

Paragraph 80(i): Collective amounts reported as deferred outflows of resources and deferred inflows of resources related to pensions will be recognized in pension expense as follows ( $100 \%$ of these amounts are allocated to the State):

| Deferred Amounts to be Recognized in Fiscal Years Following the Reporting Date: |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Year 1 | \$ 15,767,996 |
| Year 2 | 12,075,947 |
| Year 3 | 8,867,628 |
| Year 4 | 15,171,099 |
| Year 5 | 0 |
| Thereafter | 0 |

Paragraph 80(j): The amount of revenue recognized for the support provided by the non-employer contributing entity for the participating employers is provided in Schedule B.

## SECTION IV - PENSION EXPENSE

As noted earlier, the collective Pension Expense (PE) consists of a number of different items. GASB 68 refers to the first as Service Cost which is the Normal Cost using the Entry Age Normal actuarial funding method. The second item is interest on the beginning Total Pension Liability (TPL) and the cash flow during the year at the $7.40 \%$ rate of return in effect as of the previous measurement date.

The next three items refer to any changes that occurred in the TPL due to:

- benefit changes, or
- actual versus expected experience, or
- changes in actuarial assumptions.

Benefit changes, which are reflected immediately in PE, can be positive, if there is a benefit enhancement for existing Plan members, or negative if there is a benefit reduction. For the year ended September 30, 2022, there were no benefit changes to be recognized.

The next item to be recognized is the portion of current year changes in TPL due to actual versus expected Plan experience for the year. The portion to recognize in the current year is determined by spreading the total change over the average expected remaining service life of the entire Plan membership determined at the beginning of the year. The average expected remaining service life of active members is the average number of years the active members are expected to remain active. For the year ended September 30,2022 , this number of years for the active members is 10.5 . The average expected remaining service life of the inactive members is zero. The number of years to use for the amortization is the weighted average for all active and inactive members, or 4.5 years. The amount to be recognized due to actual versus expected experience for the year is $\$(946,505)$.

The last item under changes in TPL are changes in actuarial assumptions since the last measurement date. Recognition of the change in TPL due to changes in actuarial assumptions, is also spread over the average expected remaining service life of the plan membership. For the year ended September 30, 2022, there were no assumption changes to be recognized.

Member contributions for the year and projected earnings on the Fiduciary Net Position (FNP), determined at the discount rate used to calculate the liabilities, are subtracted from the amount determined thus far. One-fifth of current period differences between projected and actual investment earnings on the FNP are recognized in the pension expense. The projected earnings on the FNP, the current difference between projected and actual investment earnings on the FNP, and the amount recognized due to this difference are calculated as shown in the following table.

## Investment Earnings (Gain)/Loss

Determined as of the Measurement Date
a. Expected asset return rate
7.40\%
b. Beginning of year FNP (BOY)
\$ 365,328,338
c. End of year FNP 297,549,382
d. Expected return on BOY for the plan year ( $\mathrm{a} \times \mathrm{b}$ ) 27,034,297
e. External Cash Flow
(i) Employer contributions 20,617,329
(ii) Member contributions 4,691,655
(iii) Refunds of contributions
(iv) Benefit Payments
(v) Administrative expenses $(40,541,892)$
(vi) Other
(vii) Total net external cash flow
$(15,999,507)$
f. Expected return on net cash flow
(a $0.5 \times \mathrm{e}(\mathrm{vii})$ )
g. Projected earnings for plan year ( $\mathrm{d}+\mathrm{f}$ ) 26,442,315
h. Net investment income (c-b-e(vii)) $(51,779,449)$
i. Investment earnings (gain)/loss ( $\mathrm{g}-\mathrm{h}$ )
$\$ \quad 78,221,764$
j. Amount recognized in Pension Expense (i/5) $\$ \quad 15,644,353$

The current year portions of previously determined experience, assumption and earnings amounts, recognized as deferred outflows and inflows (see Section III) are included also. Deferred outflows are added to the PE while deferred inflows are subtracted from the PE. Administrative expenses and other miscellaneous items are also included in the PE.

The calculation of the Collective Pension Expense determined as of the measurement date is shown in the following table:

| Collective Pension Expense <br> Determined as of the Measurement Date |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Service Cost at end of year | \$ | 10,275,112 |
| Interest on the TPL and net cash flow |  | 35,775,147 |
| Current-period benefit changes |  | 0 |
| Expensed portion of current-period difference between expected and actual experience in the total pension liability |  | $(946,505)$ |
| Expensed portion of current-period changes of assumptions |  | 0 |
| Member contributions |  | $(4,691,655)$ |
| Projected earnings on plan investments |  | $(26,442,315)$ |
| Expensed portion of current-period differences between projected and actual earnings on plan investments |  | 15,644,353 |
| Administrative expense |  | 441,591 |
| Other |  | 0 |
| Recognition of beginning deferred outflows of resources as pension expense |  | 6,616,733 |
| Recognition of beginning deferred inflows of resources as pension expense |  | $(7,652,428)$ |
| Collective Pension Expense | \$ | 29,020,033 |

## SECTION V - REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Paragraphs 81(a)-(b): This information was supplied in individual employer reporting.

## Paragraph 82:

Changes of benefit terms. The member contribution rate was increased from $6.00 \%$ of salary to $8.25 \%$ of salary on October 1, 2011, and to $8.50 \%$ of salary on October 1, 2012.

All justices, judges, and circuit clerks elected or appointed on or after November 8, 2016, are covered under a new benefit structure. In addition, district attorneys serving in the capacity of district attorney on or after that date will also become members of the Fund and will be covered under the new structure as follows:
(i) A service retirement allowance is payable upon the request of any member who has attained age 62 and completed at least 10 years of creditable service.
(ii) Upon service or disability retirement a member who is a judge with years of service less than 18 years, receives a retirement allowance equal to $4 \%$ of the member's average final compensation (the 5 highest years in the last 10 years of creditable service) multiplied by the number of years of creditable service, not to exceed $75 \%$ of average final compensation. For a member who is a judge with 18 or more years of service, the allowance is $75 \%$ of the member's average final compensation.
(iii) Upon service or disability retirement a member who is a clerk or a district attorney receives a retirement allowance equal to $3 \%$ of the member's average final compensation (the 5 highest years in the last 10 years of creditable service), not to exceed $80 \%$ of average final compensation.

## Changes of assumptions.

In 2021, rates of retirement and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In 2021, economic assumptions and the assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience, including a change in the discount rate from $7.65 \%$ to $7.40 \%$. In 2021 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the Pub-2010 Teacher Retiree Below Median Tables projected generationally with $66-2 / 3 \%$ of the MP-2020 scale beginning in 2019.

In 2018, the discount rate was changed from $7.75 \%$ to $7.65 \%$.
In 2016, rates of retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In 2016, economic assumptions and the assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience. In 2016 the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2000 White Collar Mortality Table projected to 2020 using scale BB adjusted $115 \%$ for males and $112 \%$ for females older than 78.

In 2010 and later, the expectation of retired life mortality was changed to the RP-2000 Mortality Tables rather than the 1994 Group Annuity Mortality Table, which was used prior to 2010. In 2010, rates of withdrawal, retirement, disability and mortality were adjusted to more closely reflect actual experience. In 2010, assumed rates of salary increase were adjusted to more closely reflect actual and anticipated experience.

## SCHEDULE A

## Alabama Judicial Retirement Fund <br> Schedule of Employer Allocations

For the Fiscal Years Ended September 30, 2021 and September 30, 2022

| County | 2021 Calculated Salary |  | 2021 Employer Allocation Percentage 0.23088\% | 2022 CalculatedSalary |  | 2022 Employer Allocation Percentage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Autauga | \$ | 114,834 |  | \$ | 128,520 | 0.23094\% |
| Baldw in |  | 129,706 | 0.26078\% |  | 139,000 | 0.24977\% |
| Barbour |  | 67,109 | 0.13492\% |  | 69,300 | 0.12453\% |
| Bibb |  | 86,810 | 0.17453\% |  | 97,706 | 0.17557\% |
| Blount |  | 87,170 | 0.17526\% |  | 90,521 | 0.16266\% |
| Bullock |  | 52,500 | 0.10555\% |  | 52,499 | 0.09434\% |
| Butler |  | 92,554 | 0.18608\% |  | 96,490 | 0.17338\% |
| Calhoun |  | 110,107 | 0.22137\% |  | 114,798 | 0.20628\% |
| Chambers |  | 88,680 | 0.17829\% |  | 92,230 | 0.16573\% |
| Cherokee |  | 108,996 | 0.21914\% |  | 112,117 | 0.20146\% |
| Chilton |  | 85,106 | 0.17111\% |  | 81,480 | 0.14641\% |
| Choctaw |  | 99,868 | 0.20079\% |  | 102,364 | 0.18394\% |
| Clarke |  | 86,010 | 0.17292\% |  | 87,654 | 0.15751\% |
| Clay |  | 72,403 | 0.14557\% |  | 70,440 | 0.12657\% |
| Cleburne |  | 104,523 | 0.21015\% |  | 104,523 | 0.18782\% |
| Coffee |  | 85,290 | 0.17148\% |  | 86,143 | 0.15479\% |
| Colbert |  | 75,553 | 0.15190\% |  | 75,552 | 0.13576\% |
| Conecuh |  | 94,666 | 0.19033\% |  | 97,033 | 0.17436\% |
| Coosa |  | 77,812 | 0.15644\% |  | 78,850 | 0.14169\% |
| Covington |  | 96,866 | 0.19475\% |  | 100,667 | 0.18089\% |
| Crenshaw |  | 96,415 | 0.19384\% |  | 96,397 | 0.17322\% |
| Cullman |  | 101,484 | 0.20404\% |  | 107,209 | 0.19264\% |
| Dale |  | 82,896 | 0.16666\% |  | 87,370 | 0.15700\% |
| Dallas |  | 102,783 | 0.20665\% |  | 126,082 | 0.22656\% |
| DeKalb |  | 107,856 | 0.21685\% |  | 110,016 | 0.19769\% |
| Emore |  | 98,000 | 0.19703\% |  | 97,999 | 0.17610\% |
| Escambia |  | 77,183 | 0.15518\% |  | 88,000 | 0.15813\% |
| Etow ah |  | 120,121 | 0.24151\% |  | 136,800 | 0.24582\% |
| Fayette |  | 99,432 | 0.19991\% |  | 100,421 | 0.18045\% |
| Franklin |  | 132,319 | 0.26603\% |  | 132,319 | 0.23776\% |
| Geneva |  | 94,063 | 0.18912\% |  | 95,662 | 0.17190\% |
| Greene |  | 80,851 | 0.16255\% |  | 80,851 | 0.14528\% |
| Hale |  | 109,110 | 0.21937\% |  | 114,565 | 0.20586\% |
| Henry |  | 120,373 | 0.24201\% |  | 149,023 | 0.26778\% |
| Houston |  | 109,336 | 0.21982\% |  | 131,570 | 0.23642\% |
| Jackson |  | 110,113 | 0.22138\% |  | 111,913 | 0.20110\% |
| Jefferson |  | 301,025 | 0.60523\% |  | 301,019 | 0.54088\% |
| Lamar |  | 121,044 | 0.24336\% |  | 115,361 | 0.20729\% |
| Lauderdale |  | 92,372 | 0.18572\% |  | 86,373 | 0.15520\% |
| Law rence |  | 79,396 | 0.15963\% |  | 81,686 | 0.14678\% |
| Lee |  | 118,937 | 0.23912\% |  | 122,802 | 0.22066\% |
| Limestone |  | 111,428 | 0.22403\% |  | 114,762 | 0.20622\% |

## SCHEDULE A (continued)

| County | $\begin{aligned} & 2021 \text { Calculated } \\ & \text { Salary } \end{aligned}$ | 2021 Employer <br> Allocation <br> Percentage | 2022 Calculated Salary | 2022 Employer Allocation Percentage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low ndes | 104,134 | 0.20936\% | 104,135 | 0.18712\% |
| Macon | 95,160 | 0.19132\% | 71,347 | 0.12820\% |
| Madison | 108,098 | 0.21733\% | 108,099 | 0.19424\% |
| Marengo | 130,195 | 0.26176\% | 141,090 | 0.25353\% |
| Marion | 88,849 | 0.17863\% | 101,444 | 0.18229\% |
| Marshall | 81,851 | 0.16456\% | 81,851 | 0.14708\% |
| Mobile | 163,335 | 0.32839\% | 177,400 | 0.31877\% |
| Monroe | 109,750 | 0.22065\% | 111,001 | 0.19946\% |
| Montgomery | 114,673 | 0.23055\% | 116,369 | 0.20910\% |
| Morgan | 93,254 | 0.18749\% | 95,124 | 0.17093\% |
| Perry | 73,341 | 0.14745\% | 73,341 | 0.13179\% |
| Pickens | 67,398 | 0.13550\% | 68,438 | 0.12298\% |
| Pike | 104,874 | 0.21085\% | 108,024 | 0.19411\% |
| Randolph | 61,945 | 0.12454\% | 61,944 | 0.11131\% |
| Russell | 112,390 | 0.22596\% | 108,389 | 0.19476\% |
| Shelby | 129,958 | 0.26128\% | 139,000 | 0.24977\% |
| St. Clair | 99,255 | 0.19955\% | 98,138 | 0.17634\% |
| Sumter | 78,936 | 0.15870\% | 80,672 | 0.14496\% |
| Talladega | 89,919 | 0.18078\% | 59,887 | 0.10761\% |
| Tallapoosa | 79,720 | 0.16028\% | 85,853 | 0.15427\% |
| Tuscaloosa | 156,502 | 0.31465\% | 164,613 | 0.29579\% |
| Walker | 72,500 | 0.14576\% | 75,572 | 0.13580\% |
| Washington | 108,582 | 0.21831\% | 109,621 | 0.19698\% |
| Wilcox | 69,400 | 0.13953\% | 69,400 | 0.12471\% |
| Winston | 109,801 | 0.22076\% | 113,887 | 0.20464\% |
| Total for State Support Provided to the Counties | \$ $\underline{\underline{6,786,920}}$ | $\underline{ } 13.64522 \%$ \$ | \$ 6,990,726 | $\underline{12.56168 \%}$ |
| State Employer |  | 86.35478\% |  | 87.43832\% |
| Total State of Alabama |  | 100.00000\% |  | 100.00000\% |

## SCHEDULE B

## Alabama Judicial Retirement Fund

## Schedule of Pension Amounts by Employer

As of and for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2023 with Net Pension Liability as of September 30, 2022

| County | Net Pension Liability 2022 | Deferred Outfows of Resources |  |  |  |  | Deferred Inflow s of Resources |  |  |  | Pension Expense |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Difference <br> Betw een Expected and Actual Experience | Net Difference Betw een Projected and Actual Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments | Change of Assumptions | Changes in Proportion and Differences <br> Betw een Employer Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions | Total Deferred Outflow s of <br> Resources | Differences <br> Betw een Expected and Actual Experience | Change of Assumptions | Changes in <br> Proportion and Differences <br> Betw een Employer Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions | Total <br> Deferred <br> Inflow s <br> of <br> Resources | Proportionate Share of Plan Pension Expense | Deferred Amounts from Changes in <br> Proportion and Differences <br> Betw een <br> Employer <br> Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions | Total <br> Employer <br> Pension <br> Expense |
| Autauga | \$ 478,637 | 11,699 | \$ 95,008 | \$ 20,761 | \$ 2,667 | \$ 130,135 | \$ 7,651 | \$ | \$ 17,120 | 24,771 | \$ 67,020 | \$ $(18,616)$ | 48,404 |
| Baldw in | 517,664 | 12,652 | 102,755 | 22,454 | 2,441 | 140,302 | 8,274 | - | 29,058 | 37,332 | 72,484 | $(15,627)$ | 56,857 |
| Barbour | 258,096 | 6,308 | 51,231 | 11,195 | - | 68,734 | 4,125 | - | 16,526 | 20,651 | 36,138 | 2,125 | 38,263 |
| Bibb | 363,880 | 8,894 | 72,229 | 15,784 | 3,833 | 100,740 | 5,816 | - | 2,343 | 8,159 | 50,950 | 292 | 51,242 |
| Blount | 337,123 | 8,240 | 66,918 | 14,623 | 681 | 90,462 | 5,389 | - | 22,702 | 28,091 | 47,205 | $(5,644)$ | 41,561 |
| Bullock | 195,525 | 4,779 | 38,811 | 8,481 | - | 52,071 | 3,125 | - | 19,987 | 23,112 | 27,377 | $(8,652)$ | 18,725 |
| Butler | 359,341 | 8,783 | 71,328 | 15,587 | 2,077 | 97,775 | 5,744 | - | 26,998 | 32,742 | 50,317 | $(10,979)$ | 39,338 |
| Calhoun | 427,528 | 10,449 | 84,863 | 18,544 | - | 113,856 | 6,834 | - | 27,853 | 34,687 | 59,865 | $(6,943)$ | 52,922 |
| Chambers | 343,486 | 8,395 | 68,181 | 14,899 | 1,811 | 93,286 | 5,490 | - | 32,940 | 38,430 | 48,095 | $(11,988)$ | 36,107 |
| Cherokee | 417,538 | 10,205 | 82,880 | 18,111 | - | 111,196 | 6,674 | - | 35,931 | 42,605 | 58,464 | $(6,766)$ | 51,698 |
| Chilton | 303,444 | 7,417 | 60,233 | 13,162 | - | 80,812 | 4,850 | - | 33,501 | 38,351 | 42,487 | (961) | 41,526 |
| Choctaw | 381,227 | 9,318 | 75,673 | 16,536 | 1,908 | 103,435 | 6,094 | - | 28,179 | 34,273 | 53,380 | $(9,141)$ | 44,239 |
| Clarke | 326,449 | 7,979 | 64,799 | 14,160 | - | 86,938 | 5,218 | - | 25,248 | 30,466 | 45,709 | $(9,728)$ | 35,981 |
| Clay | 262,324 | 6,412 | 52,071 | 11,379 | - | 69,862 | 4,193 | - | 30,872 | 35,065 | 36,730 | $(14,507)$ | 22,223 |
| Cleburne | 389,268 | 9,514 | 77,269 | 16,885 | - | 103,668 | 6,222 | - | 39,862 | 46,084 | 54,505 | $(16,274)$ | 38,231 |
| Coffee | 320,812 | 7,841 | 63,680 | 13,915 | - | 85,436 | 5,128 | - | 69,208 | 74,336 | 44,923 | $(31,319)$ | 13,604 |
| Colbert | 281,371 | 6,877 | 55,852 | 12,205 | 491 | 75,425 | 4,497 | - | 28,632 | 33,129 | 39,396 | $(10,469)$ | 28,927 |
| Conecuh | 361,372 | 8,832 | 71,732 | 15,675 | - | 96,239 | 5,776 | - | 26,230 | 32,006 | 50,599 | $(27,744)$ | 22,855 |
| Coosa | 293,661 | 7,177 | 58,291 | 12,738 | 513 | 78,719 | 4,694 | - | 25,416 | 30,110 | 41,118 | $(10,319)$ | 30,799 |
| Covington | 374,906 | 9,163 | 74,418 | 16,262 | 1,320 | 101,163 | 5,992 | - | 25,359 | 31,351 | 52,494 | $(9,042)$ | 43,452 |
| Crenshaw | 359,009 | 8,775 | 71,263 | 15,572 | 1,569 | 97,179 | 5,738 | - | 38,505 | 44,243 | 50,267 | $(16,410)$ | 33,857 |
| Cullman | 399,258 | 9,758 | 79,252 | 17,318 | - | 106,328 | 6,382 | - | 24,691 | 31,073 | 55,905 | $(6,989)$ | 48,916 |
| Dale | 325,392 | 7,953 | 64,590 | 14,114 | 796 | 87,453 | 5,201 | - | 17,721 | 22,922 | 45,560 | $(7,151)$ | 38,409 |
| Dallas | 469,559 | 11,477 | 93,207 | 20,368 | 23,179 | 148,231 | 7,505 | - | 1,454 | 8,959 | 65,745 | $(9,013)$ | 56,732 |
| DeKalb | 409,725 | 10,014 | 81,329 | 17,772 | 3,505 | 112,620 | 6,549 | - | 36,438 | 42,987 | 57,370 | $(11,330)$ | 46,040 |
| Emore | 364,978 | 8,921 | 72,447 | 15,831 | - | 97,199 | 5,834 | - | 37,720 | 43,554 | 51,104 | $(15,934)$ | 35,170 |
| Escambia | 327,734 | 8,010 | 65,055 | 14,216 | 3,850 | 91,131 | 5,238 | - | 11,335 | 16,573 | 45,888 | $(5,744)$ | 40,144 |
| Etow ah | 509,477 | 12,452 | 101,130 | 22,099 | 4,926 | 140,607 | 8,143 | - | 23,683 | 31,826 | 71,337 | $(31,544)$ | 39,793 |
| Fayette | 373,994 | 9,141 | 74,237 | 16,222 | 5,243 | 104,843 | 5,978 | - | 47,367 | 53,345 | 52,366 | $(52,469)$ | (103) |
| Franklin | 492,772 | 12,044 | 97,814 | 21,374 | 1,843 | 133,075 | 7,876 | - | 50,158 | 58,034 | 68,999 | $(16,627)$ | 52,372 |
| Geneva | 356,273 | 8,708 | 70,719 | 15,454 | 4,970 | 99,851 | 5,695 | - | 32,362 | 38,057 | 49,884 | $(1,395)$ | 48,489 |
| Greene | 301,102 | 7,359 | 59,768 | 13,061 | - | 80,188 | 4,813 | - | 38,960 | 43,773 | 42,161 | $(15,420)$ | 26,741 |
| Hale | 426,657 | 10,428 | 84,691 | 18,507 | 2,753 | 116,379 | 6,820 | - | 30,154 | 36,974 | 59,740 | $(11,660)$ | 48,080 |
| Henry | 554,990 | 13,565 | 110,164 | 24,073 | 32,211 | 180,013 | 8,871 | - | 11,749 | 20,620 | 77,710 | 6,553 | 84,263 |
| Houston | 489,995 | 11,976 | 97,263 | 21,254 | 18,976 | 149,469 | 7,832 | - | 15,515 | 23,347 | 68,609 | $(2,220)$ | 66,389 |
| Jackson | 416,792 | 10,187 | 82,732 | 18,079 | 1,570 | 112,568 | 6,662 | - | 38,441 | 45,103 | 58,359 | $(14,020)$ | 44,339 |
| Jefferson | 1,121,006 | 27,400 | 222,518 | 48,627 | - | 298,545 | 17,918 | - | 101,142 | 119,060 | 156,964 | $(42,897)$ | 114,067 |

SCHEDULE B (continued)

| County | Net Pension Liability 2022 | Deferred Outfows of Resources |  |  |  |  | Deferred Inflow s of Resources |  |  |  | Pension Expense |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Difference <br> Betw een Expected and Actual Experience | Net Difference Betw een Projected and Actual Investment Earnings on Pension Plan Investments | Change of Assumptions | Changes in Proportion and Differences <br> Betw een <br> Employer <br> Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions | Total Deferred Outflow s of $\qquad$ | Differences <br> Betw een Expected and Actual Experience | Change of Assumptions | Changes in Proportion and Differences <br> Betw een <br> Employer <br> Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions | Total Deferred Inflow s of $\qquad$ | Proportionate Share of Plan Pension Expense | Deferred Amounts from Changes in <br> Proportion and Differences <br> Betw een <br> Employer <br> Contributions and Proportionate Share of Contributions | Total <br> Employer Pension Expense |
| Lamar | 429,621 | 10,501 | 85,279 | 18,635 | 24,424 | 138,839 | 6,868 | - | 44,029 | 50,897 | 60,156 | $(27,060)$ | 33,096 |
| Lauderdale | 321,661 | 7,862 | 63,849 | 13,952 | 931 | 86,594 | 5,141 | - | 44,545 | 49,686 | 45,039 | $(15,033)$ | 30,006 |
| Law rence | 304,210 | 7,435 | 60,385 | 13,195 | 2,655 | 83,670 | 4,862 | - | 22,488 | 27,350 | 42,597 | $(8,859)$ | 33,738 |
| Lee | 457,331 | 11,178 | 90,779 | 19,837 | 2,883 | 124,677 | 7,310 | - | 24,768 | 32,078 | 64,036 | $(5,865)$ | 58,171 |
| Limestone | 427,404 | 10,446 | 84,839 | 18,539 | 921 | 114,745 | 6,832 | - | 31,307 | 38,139 | 59,845 | $(12,736)$ | 47,109 |
| Low ndes | 387,818 | 9,479 | 76,981 | 16,822 | 9,009 | 112,291 | 6,199 | - | 30,218 | 36,417 | 54,303 | (166) | 54,137 |
| Macon | 265,702 | 6,494 | 52,741 | 11,525 | - | 70,760 | 4,247 | - | 106,041 | 110,288 | 37,205 | $(62,541)$ | $(25,336)$ |
| Madison | 402,574 | 9,839 | 79,910 | 17,462 | - | 107,211 | 6,435 | - | 46,769 | 53,204 | 56,371 | $(14,447)$ | 41,924 |
| Marengo | 525,456 | 12,843 | 104,302 | 22,792 | 6,824 | 146,761 | 8,399 | - | 12,547 | 20,946 | 73,572 | $(1,091)$ | 72,481 |
| Marion | 377,807 | 9,234 | 74,994 | 16,388 | 9,220 | 109,836 | 6,039 | - | 8,547 | 14,586 | 52,900 | $(22,605)$ | 30,295 |
| Marshall | 304,832 | 7,451 | 60,509 | 13,222 | - | 81,182 | 4,872 | - | 31,793 | 36,665 | 42,681 | $(13,462)$ | 29,219 |
| Mobile | 660,670 | 16,148 | 131,142 | 28,657 | 2,272 | 178,219 | 10,560 | - | 33,020 | 43,580 | 92,506 | $(12,563)$ | 79,943 |
| Monroe | 413,393 | 10,104 | 82,058 | 17,931 | - | 110,093 | 6,608 | - | 37,574 | 44,182 | 57,883 | $(31,349)$ | 26,534 |
| Montgomery | 433,372 | 10,592 | 86,023 | 18,798 | 6,496 | 121,909 | 6,927 | - | 35,064 | 41,991 | 60,683 | $(3,201)$ | 57,482 |
| Morgan | 354,263 | 8,659 | 70,320 | 15,366 |  | 94,345 | 5,663 | - | 28,793 | 34,456 | 49,605 | $(11,977)$ | 37,628 |
| Perry | 273,143 | 6,676 | 54,218 | 11,848 | 540 | 73,282 | 4,366 | - | 27,789 | 32,155 | 38,245 | $(10,624)$ | 27,621 |
| Pickens | 254,884 | 6,230 | 50,594 | 11,056 | 599 | 68,479 | 4,074 |  | 23,400 | 27,474 | 35,687 | $(9,659)$ | 26,028 |
| Pike | 402,305 | 9,833 | 79,857 | 17,450 | 10,726 | 117,866 | 6,430 | - | 34,712 | 41,142 | 56,330 | $(5,661)$ | 50,669 |
| Randolph | 230,697 | 5,639 | 45,793 | 10,007 | - | 61,439 | 3,687 | - | 26,421 | 30,108 | 32,301 | $(10,103)$ | 22,198 |
| Russell | 403,652 | 9,866 | 80,124 | 17,509 | 19,138 | 126,637 | 6,452 | - | 35,664 | 42,116 | 56,519 | 2,527 | 59,046 |
| Shelby | 517,664 | 12,652 | 102,755 | 22,454 | 32,075 | 169,936 | 8,274 | - | 32,288 | 40,562 | 72,484 | 3,267 | 75,751 |
| St. Clair | 365,475 | 8,933 | 72,546 | 15,853 | 5,090 | 102,422 | 5,842 | - | 39,915 | 45,757 | 51,176 | $(10,470)$ | 40,706 |
| Sumter | 300,438 | 7,343 | 59,636 | 13,032 | 1,481 | 81,492 | 4,802 | - | 23,678 | 28,480 | 42,068 | $(9,394)$ | 32,674 |
| Talladega | 223,028 | 5,451 | 44,271 | 9,674 | - | 59,396 | 3,565 | - | 93,122 | 96,687 | 31,228 | $(29,825)$ | 1,403 |
| Tallapoosa | 319,734 | 7,815 | 63,467 | 13,869 | 17,598 | 102,749 | 5,111 | - | 16,501 | 21,612 | 44,768 | 24,237 | 69,005 |
| Tuscaloosa | 613,043 | 14,984 | 121,688 | 26,591 | 13,522 | 176,785 | 9,799 | - | 42,523 | 52,322 | 85,840 | $(15,290)$ | 70,550 |
| Walker | 281,454 | 6,879 | 55,868 | 12,208 | - | 74,955 | 4,499 | - | 29,306 | 33,805 | 39,409 | $(9,890)$ | 29,519 |
| Washington | 408,253 | 9,978 | 81,037 | 17,708 | 10,231 | 118,954 | 6,525 | - | 54,841 | 61,366 | 57,164 | $(15,785)$ | 41,379 |
| Wilcox | 258,469 | 6,317 | 51,306 | 11,211 | - | 68,834 | 4,131 | - | 28,233 | 32,364 | 36,189 | $(17,918)$ | 18,271 |
| Winston | 424,129 | 10,366 | 84,189 | 18,397 | - | 112,952 | 6,779 | - | 36,555 | 43,334 | 59,387 | $(12,933)$ | 46,454 |
| Total for State Support | \$ 26,034,847 | \$ 636,329 | \$ 5,167,861 | \$ 1,129,285 | \$ 299,768 | \$ 7,233.243 | \$ 416,139 | \$ | \$ 2,203,811 | \$ 2.619,950 | \$ 3,645,401 | \$ (847,048) | \$ 2.798,353 |
| State Employer | 181,221,243 | 4,429,305 | 35,972,024 | 7,860,634 | 1,985,365 | 50,247,328 | 2,896,629 |  | 81,322 | 2,977,951 | 25,374,632 | 847,048 | $\underline{26,221,680}$ |
| Total State of Alabama | \$207,256,090 | \$ 5.065.634 | \$41.139.885 | \$8.989,919 | \$ 2,285,133 | \$57.480.571 | \$3.312.768 |  | \$ 2.285.133 | \$ 5.597,901 | \$29,020,033 | \$ | \$29,020,033 |

## SCHEDULE C

Alabama Judicial Retirement Fund
Schedule of Remaining Deferred Outflows/(Inflows) As of and for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2023

| County | 2024 |  | 2025 |  | 2026 |  | 2027 |  | 2028 |  |  | Thereafter |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Autauga | \$ | 31,475 | \$ | 24,929 | \$ | 13,914 | \$ | 35,046 | \$ |  |  | \$ | - |
| Baldw in |  | 30,978 |  | 23,681 |  | 12,217 |  | 36,094 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Barbour |  | 14,309 |  | 10,486 |  | 6,094 |  | 17,194 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Bibb |  | 27,575 |  | 21,275 |  | 16,925 |  | 26,806 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Blount |  | 18,768 |  | 13,867 |  | 7,118 |  | 22,618 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Bullock |  | 8,431 |  | 6,062 |  | 1,983 |  | 12,483 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Butler |  | 19,689 |  | 14,689 |  | 6,427 |  | 24,228 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Calhoun |  | 22,902 |  | 17,163 |  | 10,276 |  | 28,828 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Chambers |  | 16,014 |  | 12,303 |  | 3,447 |  | 23,092 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Cherokee |  | 19,697 |  | 14,778 |  | 6,440 |  | 27,676 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Chilton |  | 12,200 |  | 7,922 |  | 4,158 |  | 18,181 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Choctaw |  | 21,263 |  | 15,365 |  | 7,378 |  | 25,156 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Clarke |  | 16,699 |  | 12,126 |  | 6,266 |  | 21,381 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Clay |  | 8,822 |  | 6,121 |  | 3,753 |  | 16,101 |  |  |  |  | - |
| Cleburne |  | 16,750 |  | 12,042 |  | 3,943 |  | 24,849 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Coffee |  | $(4,842)$ |  | $(1,040)$ |  | $(3,774)$ |  | 20,756 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Colbert |  | 12,526 |  | 8,958 |  | 2,852 |  | 17,960 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Conecuh |  | 18,340 |  | 13,478 |  | 8,571 |  | 23,844 |  |  |  |  | - |
| Coosa |  | 14,555 |  | 10,510 |  | 4,458 |  | 19,086 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Covington |  | 21,160 |  | 15,619 |  | 7,854 |  | 25,179 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Crenshaw |  | 15,817 |  | 11,324 |  | 2,884 |  | 22,911 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Cullman |  | 21,327 |  | 16,346 |  | 10,219 |  | 27,363 |  |  |  |  | - |
| Dale |  | 19,529 |  | 14,563 |  | 8,198 |  | 22,241 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Dallas |  | 41,928 |  | 33,685 |  | 26,032 |  | 37,627 |  |  | - |  | - |
| DeKalb |  | 21,513 |  | 15,576 |  | 5,681 |  | 26,863 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Emore |  | 15,453 |  | 11,145 |  | 3,748 |  | 23,299 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Escambia |  | 21,838 |  | 17,623 |  | 10,626 |  | 24,471 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Etow ah |  | 28,565 |  | 24,132 |  | 18,088 |  | 37,996 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Fayette |  | 15,711 |  | 11,604 |  | (17) |  | 24,200 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Franklin |  | 22,546 |  | 16,052 |  | 4,989 |  | 31,454 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Geneva |  | 19,712 |  | 14,072 |  | 4,743 |  | 23,267 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Greene |  | 7,879 |  | 6,269 |  | 3,049 |  | 19,218 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Hale |  | 24,110 |  | 18,084 |  | 8,185 |  | 29,026 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Henry |  | 47,843 |  | 39,074 |  | 27,645 |  | 44,831 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Houston |  | 35,761 |  | 29,806 |  | 21,978 |  | 38,577 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Jackson |  | 20,198 |  | 14,730 |  | 5,341 |  | 27,196 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Jefferson |  | 51,008 |  | 36,362 |  | 20,560 |  | 71,555 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Lamar |  | 35,094 |  | 21,766 |  | 5,526 |  | 25,556 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Lauderdale |  | 11,373 |  | 6,893 |  | 81 |  | 18,561 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Law rence |  | 17,607 |  | 12,723 |  | 5,820 |  | 20,170 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Lee |  | 29,157 |  | 20,852 |  | 12,128 |  | 30,462 |  |  | - |  | - |
| Limestone |  | 23,066 |  | 16,903 |  | 8,260 |  | 28,377 |  |  | - |  | - |

## SCHEDULE C (continued)

| County | 2024 | 2025 | 2026 | 2027 | 2028 | Thereafter |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Low ndes | 26,028 | 17,605 | 7,485 | 24,756 |  | - - |
| Macon | $(18,496)$ | $(15,989)$ | $(14,183)$ | 9,140 |  | - - |
| Madison | 13,858 | 10,378 | 4,075 | 25,696 |  | - - |
| Marengo | 40,346 | 29,762 | 18,586 | 37,121 |  | - - |
| Marion | 29,799 | 23,123 | 14,073 | 28,255 |  | - - |
| Marshall | 12,756 | 9,214 | 3,087 | 19,460 |  | - - |
| Mobile | 40,072 | 31,120 | 16,654 | 46,793 |  | - - |
| Monroe | 19,146 | 13,935 | 6,029 | 26,801 |  | - - |
| Montgomery | 25,971 | 18,246 | 7,481 | 28,220 |  | - - |
| Morgan | 17,593 | 12,863 | 6,207 | 23,226 |  | - - |
| Perry | 12,201 | 8,722 | 2,770 | 17,434 |  | - - |
| Pickens | 12,181 | 8,890 | 3,320 | 16,614 |  | - - |
| Pike | 25,852 | 18,403 | 5,754 | 26,715 |  | - - |
| Randolph | 8,176 | 6,089 | 2,339 | 14,727 |  | - - |
| Russell | 30,833 | 19,519 | 9,716 | 24,453 |  | - - |
| Shelby | 48,314 | 34,016 | 11,031 | 36,013 |  | - - |
| St. Clair | 18,259 | 12,533 | 2,909 | 22,964 |  | - - |
| Sumter | 16,231 | 11,730 | 5,302 | 19,749 |  | - - |
| Talladega | $(10,777)$ | $(13,210)$ | $(17,682)$ | 4,378 |  | - - |
| Tallapoosa | 29,658 | 21,042 | 8,013 | 22,424 |  | - - |
| Tuscaloosa | 40,868 | 29,792 | 12,006 | 41,797 |  | - - |
| Walker | 9,331 | 7,851 | 4,992 | 18,976 |  | - - |
| Washington | 18,773 | 13,629 | $(1,214)$ | 26,400 |  | - - |
| Wilcox | 10,017 | 7,333 | 2,621 | 16,499 |  | - - |
| Winston | 19,110 | 14,710 | 7,384 | 28,414 |  | - - |
| Total for State Support |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Provided to the Counties | \$ 1,390,446 | \$ 1,021,224 | \$ 472,819 | \$ 1,728,804 | \$ | \$ |
| State Employer | 14,377,550 | 11,054,723 | 8,394,809 | 13,442,295 |  | - - |
| Total State of Alabama | \$15,767,996 | \$12,075,947 | \$ 8,867,628 | \$15,171,099 | \$ | \$ |

## SCHEDULE D

## SUMMARY OF MAIN PLAN PROVISIONS AS INTERPRETED FOR ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING VALUATION PURPOSES

The Judicial Retirement Fund was established September 18, 1973. This valuation included amendments to the Fund effective through the valuation date. There is a new tier of benefits (Tier II) for all justices, judges, and circuit clerks elected or appointed on or after November 8, 2016. In addition, there is a new tier of benefits (District Attorneys' Plan) for all district attorneys serving in the capacity of district attorney on or after November 8, 2016. The following summary describes the main benefit and contribution provisions of the Fund as interpreted for the valuation.

## Membership

Any justice of the Supreme Court, judge of the Court of Civil Appeals, judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals, judge of the Circuit Court, or officeholder of any newly created judicial office receiving compensation from the State treasury became a member of the Fund if he was holding office on the effective date of the Act and elected to come under its provisions. Any such justice or judge elected or appointed to office after the effective date of the Act or any district or probate judge elected or appointed to office after October 10, 1975, or October 1, 1976, respectively, automatically becomes a member. Any circuit clerk or district attorney serving in the capacity of circuit clerk or district attorney on or after November 8, 2016, automatically becomes a member. Certain other district and probate judges as well as certain former county court judges, district attorneys or assistant district attorneys serving as circuit judges, and certain supernumerary judges and justices could also elect to become members.

## Average Final Compensation

The average compensation of a Tier II (Group 3) or District Attorney member for the 5 highest years in the last 10 years of creditable service.

## Creditable Service

Creditable service is service as a member plus certain periods of previous service creditable in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

## SCHEDULE D (continued)

## Benefits

## Service Retirement Benefit

## Condition for Benefit

Tier I (Groups 1 and 2):

Tier II (Group 3) and District Attorneys:

Amount of Benefit
Tier I (Groups 1 and 2):
Completed 10 years of credible service and attained age 62.

The service retirement benefit for a member is equal to:
(a) For a circuit or appellate judge who was a member prior to July 30, 1979, $75 \%$ of the salary prescribed by law for the position from which the member retires.
(b) For a circuit or appellate judge who became a member on or after July 30, 1979, $75 \%$ of the member's salary at the time of separation from service.
(c) For a district judge, $75 \%$ of the position's salary immediately prior to retirement.
(d) For a probate judge, $75 \%$ of the member's salary at the time of separation from service.

## SCHEDULE D (continued)

## Tier II (Group 3) and District Attorneys:

## Disability Retirement Benefit

Condition for Benefit

## Amount of Benefit

Tier I (Groups 1 and 2):

Tier II (Group 3) and District Attorneys:

The service retirement benefit for a member is equal to:
(a) For a member who is a judge with less than 18 years of creditable service, $4 \%$ of average final compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service; for a member who is a judge with 18 or more years of creditable service, $75 \%$ of average final compensation, not to exceed $75 \%$ of average final compensation.
(b) For a member who is a clerk or district attorney, $3 \%$ of average final compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service, not to exceed $80 \%$ of average final compensation.

A disability retirement benefit is payable to any member who becomes permanently, physically, or mentally unable to carry out his duties on a full-time basis, provided the member has completed five or more years of creditable service. (ten years for new tier members)

The disability retirement benefit for a member other than a district or probate judge who was a member prior to July 30, 1979, is equal to $25 \%$ of the salary prescribed by law for the position from which the member retires plus $10 \%$ of such salary for each year of creditable service in excess of five years. The disability retirement benefit is subject to a minimum of $30 \%$ and a maximum of $75 \%$ of such salary.

The disability retirement benefit for a judge who became a member on or after July 30, 1979, or who is a district or probate judge is equal to $25 \%$ of his salary immediately prior to retirement plus $10 \%$ of such salary for each year of creditable service in excess of five years. The disability retirement benefit is subject to a minimum of $30 \%$ and a maximum of $75 \%$ of such salary.

For a member who is a judge with less than 18 years of creditable service, $4 \%$ of average final compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service; for a member who is a judge with 18 or more years of creditable service, $75 \%$ of average final compensation, not to exceed $75 \%$ of average final compensation.

For a member who is a clerk or district attorney, $3 \%$ of average final compensation multiplied by the number of years of creditable service, not to exceed $80 \%$ of average final compensation.

## SCHEDULE D (continued)

## Spouse's Benefit

## Condition for Benefit

Tier I (Groups 1 and 2):

Amount of Benefit
Tier I (Groups 1 and 2):

Upon the death of an active, inactive or retired member with at least 5 years of creditable service, a death benefit is payable to the member's spouse.

The death benefit payable to the spouse of a judge other than a district or probate judge consists of a yearly benefit equal to $3 \%$ of the salary prescribed by law for the position of the former member for each year of credible service, not to exceed $30 \%$ of such salary.

The death benefit payable to the spouse of a district judge consists of a yearly benefit equal to $3 \%$ of the position's salary prescribed by law at the time of death for each year of credible service not to exceed $30 \%$ of such salary.

The death benefit payable to the spouse of a probate judge is a yearly benefit equal to the greater of $\$ 480$ for each year of creditable service to a maximum of 10 years, or $3 \%$ of the member's salary at the time of separation from service for each year of creditable service not to exceed $30 \%$ of such salary.

The benefit is payable for the spouse's life or until his or her remarriage.

## Death in Active Service Benefit

Amount of Benefit
Tier II (Group 3) and District Attorneys:

In the event of the death of a member who is eligible for service retirement, the designated beneficiary may elect: (1) to exercise option 3 as defined below under "Special Privileges at Retirement All Employees" or (2) to receive a return of member contributions and total interest earned plus a death benefit payable from the preretirement death benefit fund equal to the salary on which the member made retirement contributions for the previous fiscal year (October 1 - September 30).

In the event of the death of a member who is not eligible for retirement, the designated beneficiary shall receive the accumulated contributions not to exceed $\$ 5,000$ or the accumulated contributions of the member plus an additional death benefit payable from the preretirement death benefit fund equal to the salary on which their retirement contributions were made for the previous fiscal year. (October 1-September 30)

## SCHEDULE D (continued)

## Benefit Payable on Separation from Service

If a member terminates service and elects not to withdraw his contributions and accrued interest from the plan, he is eligible to receive any of the benefits for which he has sufficient creditable service upon reaching an eligible retirement age.

A member terminating service before reaching eligibility for retirement benefits may elect to receive a return of contributions and accrued interest. "Regular Interest" is $4 \%$ which is the rate adopted by the Board and applied to the balance in each member's account every year; however, if a member receives a refund of contributions, the interest rate applied to the refund is lower than the 4\% regular rate (Based on Section 36-27-16.3(c)(1)).

## Contributions

## By Members

Tier I (Groups 1 and 2):

Tier II (Group 3) and District Attorneys:

## By State

## Special Privileges at Retirement

Tier II (Group 3) and District Attorneys:

Prior to October 1, 2011, each member contributed 6.0\% of salary. Beginning October 1, 2011, each member contributed $8.25 \%$ of salary.
Beginning October 1, 2012, each member contributes $8.50 \%$ of salary.

Each Tier II member and District Attorney member contributes $8.50 \%$ of salary.

If positive investment performance results in a decrease in the total contribution rate paid by employers and employees participating in the Fund, the Retirement Systems of Alabama shall first reduce the employee contribution rate.

The State makes contributions which, in addition to the members' contributions, are sufficient to carry out the provisions of the Act.

In lieu of the full retirement allowance, any member may, at retirement, elect to receive a reduced retirement allowance equal in value to the full allowance with the provision that:
Option 1. If the member dies before the annuity payments equal or exceed the present value of the value of the annuity in the member's account at the date of retirement, the balance is paid to a designated beneficiary or to the estate, or
Option 2. After the member's death, the member's allowance is continued throughout the life of the designated beneficiary, or Option 3. After the member's death, one half of the member's allowance is continued throughout the life of the designated beneficiary, or

## SCHEDULE D (continued)

Option 4. Some other benefit is paid either to the member or to the designated beneficiary provided such benefit, together with the reduced retirement allowance, is of equivalent actuarial value to his retirement allowance and is approved by the Board of Control.

## SCHEDULE E

## STATEMENT OF ACTUARIAL ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODS

The assumptions and methods used in the valuation are based on the results of the Experience Investigation for the Five-Year Period Ending September 30, 2020, dated July 12, 2021, and adopted by the Board on September 14, 2021.

Investment Rate of Return: 7.40\% per annum, compounded annually, including inflation at $2.50 \%$.
Salary Increases: $3.50 \%$ per annum for less than 14 years of service, $3.25 \%$ for 14 years of service, and 2.75\% for 15 or greater years of service, compounded annually, including wage inflation at $2.75 \%$.

Separations Before Retirement: Representative values of the assumed annual rates of withdrawal, death and disability are as follows:

| Years of | Withdrawal | Annual Rate of |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Death* |  | Disability** |
|  |  | Age | Male | Female |  |
| Service |  |  |  |  |  |
| <1 | 3.00\% | 30 | 0.0195\% | 0.0111\% | 0.020\% |
| 1 | 3.00 | 35 | 0.0267 | 0.0169 | 0.040 |
| 2-5 | 3.00 | 40 | 0.0371 | 0.0260 | 0.068 |
| 6-9 | 3.00 | 45 | 0.0585 | 0.0403 | 0.108 |
| 10-14 | 1.30 | 50 | 0.0969 | 0.0605 | 0.163 |
| 10-14 | 1.30 | 55 | 0.1508 | 0.0878 | 0.250 |
| 15-19 | 1.30 | 60 | 0.2321 | 0.1326 | 0.395 |
| 20+ | 1.30 | 64 | 0.3439 | 0.1995 | 0.570 |

* Base rates of pre-retirement mortality as of 2010 from the sex distinct Pub-2010 Teacher Employee Below Median Table with an adjustment factor of $65 \%$, before application of the improvement scale
**Disability rates turn off at retirement eligibility.


## SCHEDULE E (continued)

## Rates of Retirement:

|  | Tier I Judges <br> (Groups 1 and 2)* | Tier II Judges (Group 3) | Clerks and District Attorneys*** |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\underline{\text { Age }}$ |  | $\leq 18$ years | $\geqq 18$ years** |

* $30 \%$ are assumed to retire when first eligible at ages $<60 ; 25 \%$ are assumed to retire when first eligible at ages 60-69.
** $30 \%$ are assumed to retire when first eligible.
${ }^{* * *}$ An additional $20 \%$ are assumed to retire when first eligible and at 27 years of service.
Deaths After Retirement: Mortality rates were based on the Pub-2010 Teacher tables with the following adjustments, projected generationally using scale MP-2020 adjusted by $66-2 / 3 \%$ beginning with year 2019 :

| Group | Membership Table | Set Forward(+)/ Setback (-) | Adjustment to Rates |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Service Retirees | Teacher Retiree- <br> Below Median | Male: +2, Female: +2 | Male: $108 \%$ ages $<63,96 \%$ ages <br> $>67$, Phasing down 63-67; <br> Female: $112 \%$ ages $<69,98 \%>$ <br> age 74, Phasing down $69-74$ |
| Beneficiaries | Contingent Survivor <br> Below Median | Male: +2, Female: None | None |
| Disabled Retirees | Teacher Disability | Male: +8, Female: +3 | None |

Percent Married: 100\% of active members are assumed to be married with the husband 3 years older than the wife.
Actuarial Method: Individual Entry age normal. Gains and losses are reflected in the unfunded accrued liability.
Assets: Market Value.
Liability for Current Inactive Members: Member Contribution Balance is multiplied by a factor of 1.0 .

## SCHEDULE E (continued)

Post Retirement Increases: Allowances of retired members and spouses who receive benefits based on the salaries prescribed by law for the position are assumed to increase by $3.00 \%$ per year. The members' actual salaries at retirement are assumed to be equal to the salary prescribed by law for their position.

Benefits Payable upon Separation from Service: Active members who separated from service prior to becoming eligible for a benefit are assumed to receive a refund of contributions with interest assumed to be $4 \%$ per year.

## SCHEDULE F

## FUNDING POLICY OF THE <br> EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM BOARD OF CONTROL FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE JUDICIAL RETIREMENT FUND Effective 9/30/2021

The purpose of the funding policy is to state the overall funding objectives for the Judicial Retirement Fund (Fund), the benchmarks that will be used to measure progress in achieving those goals, and the methods and assumptions that will be employed to develop the benchmarks.

The funding policy reflects the Board's long-term strategy for stability in funding of the plan.
I. Funding Objectives The goal in requiring employer and member contributions to the Fund is to accumulate sufficient assets during a member's employment to fully finance the benefits the member is expected to receive throughout retirement. In meeting this objective, the Fund will strive to meet the following funding objectives:

- To maintain an increasing funded ratio (ratio of fund actuarial value of assets to actuarial accrued liabilities) that reflects a trend of improved actuarial condition. The long-term objective is to attain a funded ratio which is consistent with the fiscal health and long-term stability of the Fund.
- To maintain adequate asset levels to finance the benefits promised to members and monitor the future demands for liquidity.
- To develop a pattern of contribution rates expressed as a percentage of member payroll as measured by valuations prepared in accordance with applicable State laws and the principles of practice prescribed by the Actuarial Standards Board. In no event will the employer contribution rate be negative.
- To provide intergenerational equity for taxpayers with respect to Fund costs.


## II. Benchmarks

To track progress in achieving the previously outlined funding objectives, the following benchmarks will be measured annually as of the valuation date. The valuation date is the date that the annual actuarial valuation of the Fund's assets and liabilities is prepared. This date is currently September 30th each year with due recognition that a single year's results may not be indicative of long-term trends:

- Funded ratio - The funded ratio, defined as the actuarial value of assets divided by the actuarial accrued liability, should increase over time, before adjustments for changes in benefits, actuarial methods, and/or actuarial assumptions.


## SCHEDULE F (continued)

- Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (UAAL)
> Initial Total UAAL - The initial total UAAL established as of the initial valuation date (September 30, 2021) for which this funding policy is adopted shall be amortized over a closed period. (A closed amortization period is one which is calculated over a fixed period and at the end of that period, the amount is fully amortized).
> New Incremental UAAL - Each valuation after the initial valuation date will produce a New Incremental UAAL consisting of all benefit changes that have occurred since the previous valuation. Each valuation after the initial valuation date will produce a New Incremental UAAL consisting of all assumption and method changes and experience gains and/or losses that have occurred since the previous valuation.
- UAAL Amortization Period and Contribution Rates
> The Initial Total UAAL will be amortized over a closed 19-year period.
> Except as noted later, each New Incremental UAAL shall be amortized over a closed 20 year period.
> Incremental UAAL resulting from plan changes that grant benefit improvements shall be amortized over a period not to exceed 15 years.
> Employer Normal Contribution Rate - the contribution rate determined as of the valuation date each year based on the provisions of Alabama Code Sections 36-27-24 and 12-18-2.
> In each valuation subsequent to the adoption of this funding policy the required employer contribution rate will be determined by the summation of the employer Normal Contribution Rate, a contribution rate for the pre-retirement death benefit fund, a contribution rate for administrative expenses, the individual amortization rate for each of the New Incremental UAAL bases, and the amortization rate for the remaining initial UAAL.


## III. Methods and Assumptions

The actuarial funding method used to develop the benchmarks will be the Entry Age Normal (EAN) actuarial cost method. The actuarial methods and assumptions used will be those last adopted by the Board based upon the advice and recommendation of the actuary. The actuary shall conduct an investigation into the Fund's experience at least every five years and utilize the results of the investigation to form the basis for those recommendations.

