

IN THE COURT OF APPEALS OF MARYLAND

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER PERTAINING  
TO 40-HOUR WORKWEEK

WHEREAS, the Honorable William Donald Schaefer by Executive Order dated January 8 , 1991, as amended by Executive Order of February 27, 1991, has directed that the employees of the Executive Branch of State Government shall work a 40-hour week effective July 1, 1991; and

WHEREAS, the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House have directed that the employees of the Legislative Branch shall also work the same 40-hour week; and

WHEREAS, the Judicial Branch of Government takes cognizance of the severe fiscal problems facing the State of Maryland and accepts a responsibility to impose fiscal restraint wherever possible; and

WHEREAS, it would appear incumbent upon the State funded employees in permanent status of the Judicial Branch of Government to work the same number of hours as the other aforementioned employees of the State.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert C. Murphy, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, and Administrative Head of the Judicial Branch, do hereby this 25th day of April, 1991, ORDER:

1. That State funded employees who enjoy permanent status within the Judicial Branch of Government shall work a 40-hour week effective with the beginning of the pay period on July 10, 1991; and

2. That the employees of the state funded components of the Judicial Branch who enjoy permanent employment status include the following: Court of Appeals, Court of Special Appeals, Circuit Court Clerks' Offices, District Court, Administrative Office of the Courts, Rules Committee, State Board of Law Examiners, and the State Law Library; and

3. That the public hours of the above-described components of the Judicial Branch shall be 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday; and

4. That in contrast to the aforementioned public hours, application of the employee 40-hour workweek will be within the discretion of the appropriate administrators in each of the various components set out above; and

5. That appropriate conversions be made to all personal, annual, sick, and compensatory leave accrued prior to July 10, 1991, in order to insure that the employees of the Judicial Branch do not suffer any diminution of the benefits that they have already earned.

/s/Robert C. Murphy  
Chief Judge

Filed: April 25, 1991

/s/Alexander L. Cummings  
Clerk  
Court of Appeals of Maryland