

HOWARD SUPERIOR COURT I

WILLIAM C. MENGES, JR.

Judge

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November 2, 2018

Richard M. Miller.
President, Howard County Council
Howard County Administration Center
220 North Main Street
Kokomo, Indiana 46901

Dear Mr. Miller:

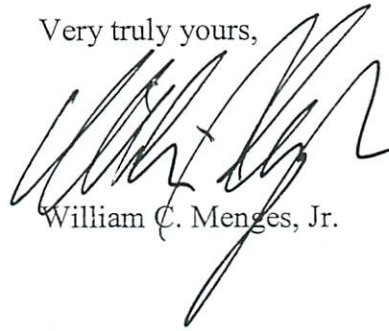
As you will recall, the 2019 Budget adopted by the County Council provides for salaries for various Court Support staff. In the case of the Court Reporter and Assistant Court Reporters for Howard Superior Court 1, the budgeted salaries are substantially less than the equivalent personnel in the other Howard County Courts. The employees of Superior Court 1 perform the same tasks as those being paid substantially more, without any articulable, logical, or justifiable reason for the discrepancy. Accordingly, I would respectfully request that the council raise the 2019 annual salary for our Court Reporter to forty-two thousand seven hundred eighty-nine dollars (\$42,789.00), and for each of our Assistant Court Reporters to forty thousand four hundred fifty-six dollars (\$40,456.00).

I would be happy to meet with you and other members of the County Council to discuss this situation, and a possible amicable resolution at a time and place of your convenience.

Please consider this to be a request to meet as required by Trial Rule 60.5.

Thank you for your kind consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. C. Menges, Jr.', written over the typed name.

William C. Menges, Jr.

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CC:

Councilman, James T. Papacek

Councilman, John J. Roberts

Councilman, Dwight V. Singer

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