

**602.9208 Relinquishment of senior judgeship — removal for cause — retirement annuity.**

1. A senior judge, at any time prior to the end of the twelve-month period during which the judge attains senior judge retirement age, may submit to the clerk of the supreme court a written request that the judge's name be stricken from the roster of senior judges. Upon the receipt of the request the clerk shall strike the name of the person from the roster of senior judges, at which time the person shall cease to be a senior judge. A person who relinquishes a senior judgeship as provided in [this subsection](#) may be assigned to temporary judicial duties as provided in [section 602.1612](#).

2. A senior judge is subject to removal under the provisions of [article 2](#), part 1 for any of the causes specified in [section 602.2106, subsection 3](#), paragraph "b". When a person is removed from a senior judgeship as provided in [this subsection](#) the clerk of the supreme court shall strike the name of the person from the roster of senior judges, at which time the person shall cease to be a senior judge.

3. A person who relinquishes a senior judgeship in the manner provided in [subsection 1](#) or who is not reappointed shall be paid a retirement annuity that commences on the effective date of the relinquishment or the date of the completion of the term or appointment and shall be based upon the number of years the person served as a senior judge. A person who serves six or more years as a senior judge shall be paid a retirement annuity that is in an amount equal to the amount of the annuity the person is receiving on the effective date of the relinquishment or the date of the completion of the term or appointment in lieu of an amount determined according to [section 602.9204](#). If the person serves less than six years as a senior judge, the person shall be paid a retirement annuity that is in an amount equal to an amount determined according to [section 602.9107](#) added to an amount equal to the number of years the person served as a senior judge, divided by six, multiplied by the difference between the amount of the annuity the person is receiving on the effective date of the relinquishment and the amount determined according to [section 602.9107](#). A person who is removed from a senior judgeship as provided in [subsection 2](#) shall be paid a retirement annuity that commences on the effective date of the removal and is in an amount determined according to [section 602.9107](#) in lieu of [section 602.9204](#), and any service and annuity of the person as a senior judge is disregarded.

[C81, §605A.28]

[83 Acts, ch 186, §10202\(2\)](#)

[CS83, §602.9208](#)

[84 Acts, ch 1234, §1; 95 Acts, ch 145, §5; 2008 Acts, ch 1191, §154](#)