

# Submission Instructions for CalPERS 180-Day Wait Period Exception School Employers and Sample Resolution

## **Bona Fide Separation in Service**

If a member retires/will retire prior to their normal retirement age, the highest of all formulas (e.g., age 55 for 2% at 55 formula, age 60 for 2% at 60 formula, age 62 for 1.25% at 65 formula, etc.), you cannot provide an agreement written or verbal, for post-retirement employment *prior to* the member's retirement date. The retiree must be separated from service for at least 60 days between the date of retirement and the first day worked for the employer. This bona fide separation in service requirement is mandated by federal tax law and must be met *before* you obtain a 180-day wait period exception.

If the member has more than one retirement benefit formula, then the normal retirement age may be up to the maximum normal retirement age of 62. For more details, refer to the Employment of a Retiree section of the CalPERS <u>Public Agency & Schools Reference Guide (PDF, 3.0 MB)</u>.

Included is a sample resolutions for school employers to use for approving a 180-day wait period exception. The required documents should be submitted to CalPERS before the retiree begins working to ensure the exception is valid and the employment compliant.

The resolution for **Extra Help Retired Annuitants,** under **Government (Gov.) Code sections 7522.56 & 21229**, is for CalPERS retirees hired to perform work of limited duration, such as elimination of a backlog, special project work, or to perform work exceeding regular staff work. Schools should only appoint retirees to retired annuitant designated positions. A retiree must reinstate from retirement to be employed in any regular staff position which includes any permanent positions such as full time, part time, seasonal, limited term, permanent intermittent, exempt from membership, or any other type of temporary or periodic regular staff position. Submit the following documents to CalPERS **before** the retiree begins working to ensure the exception is valid and the employment is compliant:

- Executed and signed resolution
- Copy of the employment agreement or personnel appointment paperwork
- Copy of the publicly available pay schedule listing the comparable or vacant position

These documents can be submitted to CalPERS via:

- 1. Email: <u>Working After Retirement@calpers.ca.gov</u> using the following subject line: 180-Day Exception [Agency Name], [Retiree Name], [Retiree CalPERS ID]
- 2. Fax: (916) 795-9540
- 3. Mail:

CalPERS Membership & Post-Retirement Employment Services Employer Account Management Division PO Box 942709 Sacramento, CA 94229-2709

## SAMPLE RESOLUTION FOR 180-DAY WAIT PERIOD EXCEPTION

## **County Office of Education**

### Gov. Code sections 7522.56 & 21229

#### [Resolution Number]

#### [Date of Resolution]

WHEREAS, in compliance with Government (Gov.) Code section 7522.56 the [governing body name] must provide CalPERS this certification resolution when hiring a retiree before 180 days has passed since their retirement date; and

WHEREAS, [retiree name, CalPERS ID or last four digits of the social security number] retired from [employer from which retired] in the position of [position title from which retired], effective [CalPERS retirement date]; and

WHEREAS, Gov. Code section 7522.56 requires post-retirement employment commence no earlier than 180 days after the retirement date, which is [date of 181<sup>st</sup> day after retirement] without this certification resolution; and

WHEREAS, Gov. Code section 7522.56 provides that this exception to the 180-day wait period shall not apply if the retiree accepts any retirement-related incentive; and

WHEREAS, the [governing body name], the [school district name] and [retiree name] certify that [retiree name] has not and will not receive a Golden Handshake or any other retirement-related incentive; and

WHEREAS, the [governing body name] hereby appoints [retiree name] as an extra help retired annuitant to perform the duties of the [position title] for the [school district name] under Gov. Code section 21229 effective [date of appointment]; and

WHEREAS, no matters, issues, terms or conditions related to this employment and appointment have been or will be placed on a consent calendar; and

WHEREAS, the employment shall be limited to 960 hours per fiscal year for all CalPERS employers; and

WHEREAS, the compensation paid to retirees cannot be less than the minimum nor exceed the maximum monthly base salary paid to other employees performing comparable duties, divided by 173.333 to equal the hourly rate; and

WHEREAS, the maximum base salary for this position is [monthly salary] and the hourly equivalent is [hourly rate], and the minimum base salary for this position is [monthly salary] and the hourly equivalent is [hourly rate]; and

WHEREAS, the hourly rate paid to [retiree name] will be [hourly rate]; and

WHEREAS, [retiree name] has not and will not receive any other benefit, incentive, compensation in lieu of benefit or other form of compensation in addition to this hourly pay rate; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the [governing body name] hereby certifies the nature of the appointment of [retiree name] as described herein and detailed in the attached employment agreement/contract/appointment document and that this appointment is necessary to fill the critically needed position of [position title] for the [school district name] by [date employment begins] because [describe the reasons and conditions that require this position be filled by the listed date].

[Signatures and other notations as per usual for resolution by governing body name including vote count]