## DEPARTMENT OF STATE TREASURER

INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT DIVISION PROPOSED ADDITION OF CLASSIFICATIO TITLES TO COMPENSATION STRUCTURE

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## BACKGROUND

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- In December 2014, the North Carolina Department of State Treasurer (NCDST) engaged Mercer to develop a compensation structure for investment-related classification titles, to be used in Fiscal Year 2015 (FY2015).
- In 2016, NCDST re-engaged Mercer to update the compensation structure based on market movement. NCDST plans to implement the updated structure in Fiscal Year 2017 (FY2017).
- The overview, methodology, and final structures for both the FY2015 and FY2017 compensation structures can be found in the Mercer report titled, "Investment Management Division Compensation Structure Update," from November 16, 2016.
- The proposed FY2017 structure is provided on the following page, for reference.


## FY2017 COMPENSATION STRUCTURE

| Grade | Min | Mid | Max | Midpoint <br> Progression | Range <br> Width |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10 | $\$ 48,000$ | $\$ 59,000$ | $\$ 71,000$ |  | $50 \%$ |
| 11 | $\$ 54,000$ | $\$ 67,000$ | $\$ 81,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 12 | $\$ 60,000$ | $\$ 76,000$ | $\$ 91,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 13 | $\$ 68,000$ | $\$ 85,000$ | $\$ 103,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
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| 15 | $\$ 86,000$ | $\$ 108,000$ | $\$ 130,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 16 | $\$ 97,000$ | $\$ 122,000$ | $\$ 146,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 17 | $\$ 110,000$ | $\$ 137,000$ | $\$ 165,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 18 | $\$ 123,000$ | $\$ 154,000$ | $\$ 185,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 19 | $\$ 139,000$ | $\$ 174,000$ | $\$ 210,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 20 | $\$ 157,000$ | $\$ 195,000$ | $\$ 235,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 21 | $\$ 176,000$ | $\$ 220,000$ | $\$ 265,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 22 | $\$ 203,000$ | $\$ 254,000$ | $\$ 305,000$ | $15.0 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 23 | $\$ 233,000$ | $\$ 292,000$ | $\$ 350,000$ | $15.0 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 24 | $\$ 269,000$ | $\$ 336,000$ | $\$ 404,000$ | $15.0 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 25 | $\$ 309,000$ | $\$ 387,000$ | $\$ 463,000$ | $15.0 \%$ | $50 \%$ |

## ADDITION OF CLASSIFICATION TITLES

## ADDITION OF CLASSIFICATION TITLES OVERVIEW

- In addition to updating the compensation structure for FY2017, NCDST requested that several classification be added to the structure:
- Legal Counsels C and J
- Paralegals C, J and A
- Policy Analyst C, J and A
- Head of Investment Systems Analysis
- Investment Systems Analysts C, J and A
- To slot the 12 new classes within the structure, Mercer benchmarked these classification titles to the competitive market using a similar methodology to the FY2015 study.
- The exact methodology and surveys used in this analysis are shown on the following page.


## ADDITION OF CLASSIFICATION TITLES BENCHMARKING METHODOLOGY

- To benchmark the new classification titles, Mercer used the most recent versions of the survey sources used in the FY2015 study. These surveys represent other large public funds that are comparable to NCDST. The sources are listed below:

| FY2017 Structure Sources | FY2015 Structure Sources |
| :--- | :--- |
| Mercer's 2015 Compensation Design for | Mercer's 2013 Compensation Design for |
| Public Pension Fund Investment | Public Pension Fund Investment |
| Professionals Survey | Professionals Survey |
| McLagan's 2016 and 2015* US Public | McLagan's 2014 US Public Funds |
| Funds Compensation Survey | Compensation Survey |
| Mercer's 2016 Benchmark Database | Mercer's 2014 Benchmark Database |

*2016 McLagan data was used for all classification titles, with the exception of the Investment Systems Analyst - A, Investment Systems Analyst - J, and the Head of Investment Systems Analysis. 2015 data was used for these classification titles, as 2016 data was unavailable.

- All market data for the updated structure was trended forward to November 1, 2016. An annual increase rate of $3 \%$ was used, based on the median actual increases for US employees in 2015 and $2016{ }^{1}$.
- Detailed market data by classification title can be found in the Appendix of this report.


## ADDITION OF CLASSIFICATION TITLES

## FY2017 STRUCTURE SLOTTING

- New classification titles (in bold) were slotted into the FY2017 Structure based on their competitive market benchmarking and relative positioning compared to other roles within NCDST:

| Grade | Job Titles | Min | Mid | Max | Midpoint <br> Progression | Range <br> Width |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10 | Paralegal - C | $\$ 48,000$ | $\$ 59,000$ | $\$ 71,000$ |  | $50 \%$ |
| 11 | Paralegal - J | $\$ 54,000$ | $\$ 67,000$ | $\$ 81,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 12 | Investment Analyst - C, Paralegal - A | $\$ 60,000$ | $\$ 76,000$ | $\$ 91,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 13 | Investment Analyst - J, Corporate Governance Analyst - <br> C, Investment Systems Analyst - C | $\$ 68,000$ | $\$ 85,000$ | $\$ 103,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 14 | Investment Analyst - A, Investment Systems Analyst - J, <br> Corporate Governance Analyst - J | $\$ 77,000$ | $\$ 96,000$ | $\$ 116,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 15 | Accounting Manager, Investment Systems Analyst - A, <br> Corporate Governance Analyst - A | $\$ 86,000$ | $\$ 108,000$ | $\$ 130,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 16 | Legal Counsel - C, Head of Investment Systems | $\$ 97,000$ | $\$ 122,000$ | $\$ 146,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 17 | Legal Counsel - J | $\$ 110,000$ | $\$ 137,000$ | $\$ 165,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 18 | Portfolio Manager - C, Legal Counsel - A, Deputy Director <br> Financial Operations | $\$ 123,000$ | $\$ 154,000$ | $\$ 185,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 19 | Portfolio Manager - J, General Counsel | $\$ 139,000$ | $\$ 174,000$ | $\$ 210,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 20 | Portfolio Manager - A | $\$ 157,000$ | $\$ 195,000$ | $\$ 235,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 21 | Investment Director - C, CFO | $\$ 176,000$ | $\$ 220,000$ | $\$ 265,000$ | $12.5 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 22 | Investment Director - J | $\$ 203,000$ | $\$ 254,000$ | $\$ 305,000$ | $15.0 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 23 | Investment Director - A | $\$ 233,000$ | $\$ 292,000$ | $\$ 350,000$ | $15.0 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 24 |  | $\$ 269,000$ | $\$ 336,000$ | $\$ 404,000$ | $15.0 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| 25 | Chief Investment Officer | $\$ 309,000$ | $\$ 387,000$ | $\$ 463,000$ | $15.0 \%$ | $50 \%$ |

## APPENDIX

## DETAILED MARKET DATA

| Title | Mercer Title Match | McLagan Title Match |  <br> McLagan Blend |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Paralegal - C | Legal Assistant - Entry | Not Available | \$52,962 |
| Paralegal - J | Legal Assistant - Experienced | Not Available | \$60,276 |
| Paralegal - A | Legal Assistant - Senior | Not Available | \$83,944 |
| Legal Counsel - C | Legal Counsel - Experienced -10\% | Corporate Governance Director -20\% | \$118,153 |
| Legal Counsel - J | Legal Counsel - Experienced | Corporate Governance Director -10\% | \$132,107 |
| Corporate Governance Analyst - C | Not Available | Not Available | No Data ${ }^{1}$ |
| Corporate Governance Analyst - J | Not Available | Not Available | No Data ${ }^{1}$ |
| Corporate Governance Analyst - A | Not Available | Not Available | No Data ${ }^{1}$ |
| Head of Investment Systems Analysis | Not Available | Head of Investment Systems - Senior Investment Systems Analyst (2015 Data) $+20 \%$ | \$126,464 |
| Investment Systems Analyst - C | Not Available | Intermediate Investment Systems Analyst | \$83,439 |
| Investment Systems Analyst - J | Not Available | Senior Investment Systems Analyst (2015 Data) - 10\% | \$94,848 |
| Investment Systems Analyst - A | Not Available | Senior Investment Systems Analyst (2015 Data) | \$105,387 |

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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Mercer and DST were unable to find sufficiently comparable benchmark jobs in the marketplace for the Corporate Governance Analyst classification titles. Rather than choosing a job match that is incomparable, Mercer slotted these roles into the FY2017 compensation structure, based on an assessment of the level of these classification titles relative to other roles at NCDST. This is a standard practice that Mercer utilizes as not all jobs are "benchmark" jobs.

