



1 time of retirement except that the numerical designation shall be  
2 followed with the letter 'X'. Official plate J-20 may be issued  
3 upon request to the Director of the Administrative Office of the  
4 Courts.

- 5 b. Superior court. – Official plates shall be issued to the various  
6 senior resident superior court judges upon request and shall bear  
7 the letter 'J' followed by a numerical designation which for a  
8 district as defined in G.S. 7A-41.1(a) shall be equal to the sum  
9 of the numerical designation of their respective judicial districts  
10 plus 20. Where there is more than one regular resident superior  
11 court judge for such a district, official plates shall upon request  
12 be issued to other resident judges of the district similar to the  
13 official plate to be issued upon request to the senior resident  
14 superior court judge of the district except the numerical  
15 designation on each subsequent plate shall be followed by a  
16 hyphen and a letter of the alphabet beginning with the letter 'A',  
17 which shall be indicative of the recipient's position as to  
18 seniority. The numerical designation for the senior resident  
19 superior court judge for a set of districts as defined in G.S. 7A-  
20 41.1(a) shall be equal to the sum of 20 plus the numerical  
21 designation which the districts in the set have in common and  
22 shall be followed by no letter, and the numerical designation for  
23 each other regular resident superior court judge of the set of  
24 districts shall have the same numerical designation as that of the  
25 senior resident superior court judge and shall be followed by a  
26 hyphen and a letter of the alphabet beginning with the letter 'A'  
27 which shall indicate the recipient's position as to seniority  
28 among all of the regular resident superior court judges of the set  
29 of districts and shall not necessarily correspond with the letter  
30 designation of the superior court district established under G.S.  
31 7A-41 for which he is a resident judge, provided that in the set  
32 of districts 7B and 7C, the senior resident superior court judge  
33 for that set shall be issued on request an official plate bearing  
34 the designation ~~27B-27C~~ following the letter 'J', and all other  
35 resident superior court judges of the set shall be issued on  
36 request an official plate bearing that designation followed by a  
37 ~~hyphen and a letter of the alphabet beginning with the letter 'A'~~  
38 ~~indicating that judge's position as to seniority among all the regular~~  
39 ~~resident superior court judges of that set~~ the letter 'B'. Special  
40 judges and emergency judges of the superior court shall be  
41 issued an official plate bearing the letter 'J' with a numerical  
42 designation as designated by the Administrative Office of the  
43 Courts with the approval of the Chief Justice of the Supreme  
44 Court of North Carolina. Retired judges shall be issued a similar

- 1 plate except that the numerical designation shall be followed by  
2 the letter 'X'.
- 3 c. North Carolina district court judges. – An official plate shall be  
4 issued upon request to each chief judge of the district courts of  
5 North Carolina which shall bear the letter 'J' followed by a  
6 numerical designation equal to the sum of the numerical  
7 designation of their respective district court districts plus 100  
8 and all other judges of the district courts serving within the  
9 same district court district shall, upon request, be issued an  
10 official plate bearing the same letter and numerical designation  
11 as appears on the official plate issued to the chief district judge  
12 of the district court district except that on each subsequent  
13 official plate issued within a district, the numerical designation  
14 shall be followed by a letter of the alphabet beginning with the  
15 letter 'A' which shall be indicative of the recipient's position as  
16 to seniority. Retired judges shall be issued a similar plate except  
17 that the numerical designation shall be followed by the letter  
18 'X'.
- 19 c1. Clerks of Superior Court. Official plates shall be issued upon  
20 request to the various clerks of superior court which plate shall  
21 bear the words 'Clerk Superior Court', followed by the  
22 numerical designation of their respective counties in  
23 alphabetical order, beginning with 100 and preceded by the  
24 letter 'C'.
- 25 d. District attorneys. – Official plates shall be issued upon request  
26 to the various district attorneys which plates shall bear the  
27 letters 'DA', followed by a numerical designation indicative of  
28 their prosecutorial district.
- 29 e. United States judges. – Official plates shall be issued upon  
30 request to Justices of the United States Supreme Court, Judges  
31 of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals and to the District  
32 Judges of the United States District Courts residing in North  
33 Carolina and shall bear the words 'U.S. Judge', followed by a  
34 numerical designation beginning with the number '1' which  
35 shall be indicative of the judge's seniority position as to the date  
36 he began continuous service as a United States Judge as  
37 designated by the Secretary of State. Retired judges and judges  
38 who have taken senior status shall be issued similar plates  
39 except that the numerical designation shall be based upon the  
40 date of such retirement or assumption of senior status and shall  
41 follow the numerical designation of active justices and judges.
- 42 f. United States attorneys. – Official plates shall be issued upon  
43 request to the United States Attorneys, which plates shall bear  
44 the letters, 'U.S. Attorney', followed by a numerical designation

1                                    indicative of their district, with 1 being the Eastern District, 2  
2                                    being the Middle District, and 3 being the Western District.  
3                                    g.     United States marshals. – Official plates shall be issued upon  
4                                    request to the United States Marshals, which plates shall bear  
5                                    the letters, 'U.S. Marshal', followed by a numerical designation  
6                                    indicative of their district, with 1 being the Eastern District, 2  
7                                    being the Middle District, and 3 being the Western District."  
8                                    Sec. 2. This act is effective upon ratification and shall apply to each effected  
9     person on the date of the first subsequent regular renewal of his existing appellate  
10    division plate, or upon the date of the subsequent regular issuance of his first appellate  
11    plate.