



County Employees' Retirement Fund

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Clerk Bulletin

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Pre-Retirement Seminar

CERF and Empower Retirement will have an online Pre-Retirement Seminar from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. on October 27. Empower will send registration information to employees. This will be the last seminar for 2022.

Timetable for End of December Terminations

Many employees will end their county employment on December 31, 2022, and be eligible to commence their CERF Pension benefit on January 1, 2023.

Here are some helpful tips and timelines:

CERF needs Form 2V (Termination Vested) and 2B (Designation of Survivor) 30 to 90 days prior to commencement of CERF Pension benefits. Participants can sign and date those forms as early as October 3 of this year. Form 2V also requires completion by the county and signature of the County Clerk.

Please have all immediate retirees contact your county's Benefits Specialist at CERF. If you are not sure who your Benefits Specialist is, call CERF toll-free, 877-632-2373.

CERF Savings Online Enrollment

County employees can enroll online for the CERF 457 and 401(a) Savings Plan by going to <http://empowermyretirement.com> and clicking on the green "Register" button. Once registered, they can complete enrollment in the CERF 457 and 401(a) Plans. Online enrollment is an easy, secure way to enroll.

Medical Leave

Your county must have a written medical leave policy, stating the number of months allowed, in order for CERF to honor that as service credit, for a period up to 12 months. If your county simply follows the Family Medical Leave Act of 1993, a written statement to that effect must be included in your county personnel handbook.

Surveyors and Coroners

Some counties have unique situations regarding surveyors or coroners.

If the county has an elected or appointed county surveyor or coroner, that individual should be enrolled in CERF, regardless of how or if that person is compensated.