- (1) IS APPOINTED AS A JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS, THE COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS, A CIRCUIT COURT OF A COUNTY IN THE STATE, OR THE DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND IS ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM AS PROVIDED IN § 27–201(A) OF THIS TITLE; AND
- (2) (I) IS RECEIVING A SERVICE RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE FROM THE EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM AT THE TIME OF APPOINTMENT IN ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION; OR
- (II) 1. HAS EARNED A VESTED ALLOWANCE FROM THE EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM; AND
- 2. BEGINS RECEIVING THE VESTED ALLOWANCE WHILE SERVING AS A JUDGE DESCRIBED IN ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.
- (B) AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION MAY ELECT TO RECEIVE SERVICE CREDIT IN THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.
- (C) (1) AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION WHO ELECTS TO RECEIVE SERVICE CREDIT IN THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM UNDER SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION SHALL COMPLETE AND FILE A FORM PROVIDED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES DIRECTING THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO SUSPEND THE INDIVIDUAL'S ALLOWANCE WHILE THE INDIVIDUAL IS RECEIVING SERVICE CREDIT IN THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.
- (2) (I) AN INDIVIDUAL SHALL FILE A FORM DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES:
- 1. IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS RECEIVING A SERVICE RETIREMENT ALLOWANCE FROM THE EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM PRIOR TO SERVING AS A JUDGE, AT THE TIME THE INDIVIDUAL BECOMES A MEMBER OF THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; OR
- 2. IF THE INDIVIDUAL HAS EARNED A VESTED ALLOWANCE FROM THE EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM AND BECOMES ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE THAT ALLOWANCE AFTER THE INDIVIDUAL BECOMES A MEMBER OF THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AT THE TIME THE INDIVIDUAL APPLIES TO RECEIVE THE VESTED ALLOWANCE.