

**RCW 38.12.030 Adjutant general and assistant adjutants general—
How chosen—Annual salaries—Members of judiciary eligible to serve in
guard.** Whenever a vacancy has occurred, or is about to occur in the
office of the adjutant general, the governor shall order to active
service for that position from the active list of the Washington army
national guard or Washington air national guard an officer not below
the rank of a field grade officer who has had at least ten years
service as an officer on the active list of the Washington army
national guard or the Washington air national guard during the fifteen
years next prior to such detail. The officer so detailed shall during
the continuance of his or her service as the adjutant general hold the
rank of a general officer.

Whenever a vacancy has occurred, or is about to occur, in the
offices of assistant adjutants general for the Washington army
national guard or the Washington air national guard, the adjutant
general with the concurrence of the governor may appoint an officer of
the army national guard or the air national guard, who has had at
least ten years service in the active list of his respective branch
during the fifteen years next prior to such detail. The officer so
detailed, may during the continuance of his service as assistant
adjutant general hold the rank of a general officer.

If, by reason of the call or draft of officers of the Washington
army national guard and/or air national guard into federal service,
there is no officer of the Washington national guard available for
detail as the adjutant general or as an assistant adjutant general who
possesses the requisite qualifications, the governor may appoint any
officer or former officer of the organized militia of Washington as
acting adjutant general or as an acting assistant adjutant general. If
the officers on detail as the adjutant general or as assistant
adjutants general are appointed, called, or drafted into the military
service of the United States by order or proclamation of the
president, they shall be granted leaves of absence by the governor,
and are entitled, upon release from federal service, to return to
their former status as adjutant general or as assistant adjutants
general of Washington, and during the period that they are in federal
service, the duties of these offices shall be performed by an acting
adjutant general and acting assistant adjutants general, appointed by
the governor, as provided in this section, who shall receive the same
pay provided for the adjutant general and/or assistant adjutants
general respectively, during the period of such assignments.

The adjutant general shall receive an annual salary equal to the
base pay of a major general in the United States army. The assistant
adjutant general for the Washington army national guard and the
assistant adjutant general for the Washington air national guard shall
each receive an annual salary equal to the base pay of an officer of
equivalent grade in the United States army or United States air force
but not to exceed that of a brigadier general. So long as a member of
the judiciary of the state of Washington is available for judicial
work at such times and under such conditions as may be set forth by
local rules and custom, that member may serve as an active member of
the national guard or air national guard. [1989 c 19 § 13; 1983 c 218
§ 1; 1965 ex.s. c 100 § 1; 1961 c 210 § 3; 1943 c 130 § 21; Rem. Supp.
1943 § 8603-21. Prior: 1921 c 75 § 2; 1917 c 107 § 14; 1909 c 134 §
31, part; 1895 c 108 § 42, part.]