Judicial Nomination Commission

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	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	% Change from
Description	Actual	Approved	Proposed	FY 2015
Operating Budget	\$239,169	\$270,000	\$270,000	0.0
FTEs	1.8	2.0	2.0	0.0

The mission of the District of Columbia Judicial Nomination Commission (JNC) is to screen, select, and recommend candidates to the President of the United States for his consideration in appointing judges to the District of Columbia Court of Appeals and Superior Court of the District of Columbia. The JNC also appoints the chief judges of both courts.

Summary of Services

The JNC advertises judicial vacancies; solicits applications; conducts background investigations; carefully reviews investigative materials; reads briefs and other application materials; interviews applicants; solicits and considers input from the bench, bar, and public regarding applicants' fitness to serve; and carefully evaluates each candidate's application and background. The JNC also appoints the chief judges of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals and Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

The agency's FY 2016 proposed budget is presented in the following tables:

FY 2016 Proposed Gross Funds Operating Budget, by Revenue Type

Table DV0-1 contains the proposed FY 2016 agency budget compared to the FY 2015 approved budget. It also provides FY 2013 and FY 2014 actual expenditures.

Table DV0-1 (dollars in thousands)

	Actual	Actual	Approved	Proposed	Change from	Percent
Appropriated Fund	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2015	Change*
General Fund						
Local Funds	0	58	0	0	0	N/A
Total for General Fund	0	58	0	0	0	N/A
Federal Resources						
Federal Payments	202	181	270	270	0	0.0
Total for Federal Resources	202	181	270	270	0	0.0
Gross Funds	202	239	270	270	0	0.0

^{*}Percent change is based on whole dollars.

Notes: If applicable, for a breakdown of each Grant (Federal and Private), Special Purpose Revenue type and Intra-District agreement, please refer to **Schedule 80 Agency Summary by Revenue Source** in the **FY 2016 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website.

FY 2016 Proposed Full-Time Equivalents, by Revenue Type

Table DV0-2 contains the proposed FY 2016 FTE level compared to the FY 2015 approved FTE level by revenue type. It also provides FY 2013 and FY 2014 actual data.

Table DV0-2

	Actual	Actual	Approved	Proposed	Change from	Percent
Appropriated Fund	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2015	Change
Federal Resources						
Federal Payments	2.0	1.8	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
Total for Federal Resources	2.0	1.8	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
Total Proposed FTEs	2.0	1.8	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0

FY 2016 Proposed Operating Budget, by Comptroller Source Group

Table DV0-3 contains the proposed FY 2016 budget at the Comptroller Source Group (object class) level compared to the FY 2015 approved budget. It also provides FY 2013 and FY 2014 actual expenditures.

Table DV0-3 (dollars in thousands)

					Change	
	Actual	Actual	Approved	Proposed	from	Percent
Comptroller Source Group	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2015	Change*
11 - Regular Pay - Continuing Full Time	158	145	190	206	16	8.3
13 - Additional Gross Pay	0	1	0	13	13	N/A
14 - Fringe Benefits - Current Personnel	12	15	24	20	-4	-17.3
Subtotal Personal Services (PS)	170	162	214	239	25	11.6
20 - Supplies and Materials	8	6	11	6	-5	-41.8
31 - Telephone, Telegraph, Telegram, Etc.	6	6	7	7	0	-5.4
40 - Other Services and Charges	18	65	35	17	-18	-52.3
70 - Equipment and Equipment Rental	0	0	3	2	-2	-50.0
Subtotal Nonpersonal Services (NPS)	32	78	56	31	-25	-44.3
Gross Funds	202	239	270	270	0	0.0

^{*}Percent change is based on whole dollars.

Program Description

The Judicial Nomination Commission operates through the following program:

Judicial Nomination Commission – solicits, screens, and recommends candidates to the President of the United States for judicial vacancies on the District of Columbia Court of Appeals and the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. This includes providing administration and support to ensure that applications are complete, applicant background investigations are conducted, public comments are sought, and applicant materials are readily available for Commission members' review.

Program Structure Change

The Judicial Nomination Commission has no program structure changes in the FY 2016 proposed budget.

FY 2016 Proposed Operating Budget and FTEs, by Program and Activity

Table DV0-4 contains the proposed FY 2016 budget by program and activity compared to the FY 2015 approved budget. It also provides the FY 2014 actual data.

Table DV0-4

(dollars in thousands)

	Dollars in Thousands				Full-Time Equivalents			
Program/Activity	Actual FY 2014	Approved FY 2015	Proposed FY 2016	Change from FY 2015	Actual FY 2014	Approved FY 2015	Proposed FY 2016	Change from FY 2015
(2000) Judicial Nomination								
(2500) Commission Administration and Support	239	270	270	0	1.8	2.0	2.0	0.0
Subtotal (2000) Judicial Nomination	239	270	270	0	1.8	2.0	2.0	0.0
Total Proposed Operating Budget	239	270	270	0	1.8	2.0	2.0	0.0

(Change is calculated by whole numbers and numbers may not add up due to rounding)

Note: For more detailed information regarding the proposed funding for the activities within this agency's programs, please see **Schedule 30-PBB Program Summary by Activity** in the **FY 2016 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website.

FY 2016 Proposed Budget Changes

The Judicial Nomination Commission's (JNC) proposed FY 2016 gross budget is \$270,000, which represents no change from the FY 2015 approved gross budget of \$270,000. The budget is comprised entirely of Federal Payments.

Agency Budget Submission

Increase: JNC's FY 2016 proposed Federal Payments budget includes an increase of \$24,797 to support projected salary step and Fringe Benefits costs.

Decrease: A reduction of \$24,797 aligns the budget with funding estimates for Supplies, Information Technology maintenance costs, and equipment purchase.

Mayor's Proposed Budget

No Change: Judicial Nomination Commission's budget proposal reflects no change from the agency budget submission to the Mayor's proposed budget.

District's Proposed Budget

No Change: Judicial Nomination Commission's budget proposal reflects no change from the Mayor's proposed budget to the District's proposed budget.

FY 2015 Approved Budget to FY 2016 Proposed Budget, by Revenue Type

Table DV0-5 itemizes the changes by revenue type between the FY 2015 approved budget and the FY 2016 proposed budget.

Table DV0-5 (dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2015 Approved Budget and FTE		270	2.0
Increase: To adjust personal services	Judicial Nomination	25	0.0
Decrease: To offset projected increases in personal services	Judicial Nomination	-25	0.0
FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2016 Agency Budget Submission		270	2.0
No Change		0	0.0
FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2016 Mayor's Proposed Budget		270	2.0
No Change		0	0.0
FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2016 District's Proposed Budget		270	2.0
Gross for DV0 - Judicial Nomination Commission		270	2.0

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Agency Performance Plan

The agency's performance plan has the following objective for FY 2016:

Objective 1: Increase the pool of highly qualified applicants to fill each judicial vacancy within the required 60-day period either prior to or following the occurrence of a vacancy in accordance with the agency's governing statute.

KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017
Measure	Actual	Target	Actual	Projection	Projection	Projection
Percent of candidate panels for judicial vacancies presented within statutory time frames	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Percent of required background investigations on judicial vacancy applicants conducted and completed within statutory time frames	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%