# **Judicial Nomination Commission**

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### Table DV0-1

					% Change
	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	from
Description	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	FY 2020
OPERATING BUDGET	\$229,012	\$286,990	\$297,569	\$310,569	4.4
FTEs	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
CAPITAL BUDGET	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	N/A
FTEs	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A

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. JNC also appoints the chief judges of both courts.

### **Summary of Services**

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. 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 2021 approved budget is presented in the following tables:

# FY 2021 Approved Gross Funds Operating Budget and FTEs, by Revenue Type

Table DV0-2 contains the approved FY 2021 budget by revenue type compared to the FY 2020 approved budget. It also provides FY 2018 and FY 2019 actual data.

# **Table DV0-2** (dollars in thousands)

	Dollars in Thousands						Fu	ıll-Time E	quivalen	ts		
	Change									Change		
	Actual	Actual	ApprovedA	pproved	from	%	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from	%
Appropriated Fund	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2020	Change*	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2020 C	Change
GENERAL FUND												
Local Funds	0	0	8	36	28	369.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A
TOTAL FOR												
GENERAL FUND	0	0	8	36	28	369.9	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	N/A

Table DV0-2

(dollars in thousands)

	Dollars in Thousands						Fu	ull-Time E	quivalen	ts		
					Change						Change	
	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from	%	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from	%
Appropriated Fund	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2020	Change*	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2020 C	Change
FEDERAL												
RESOURCES												
Federal Payments	229	287	290	275	-15	-5.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
TOTAL FOR												
FEDERAL												
RESOURCES	229	287	290	275	-15	-5.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
GROSS FUNDS	229	287	298	311	13	4.4	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0

<sup>\*</sup>Percent change is based on whole dollars.

Note: 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 2021 Operating Appendices located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website.

# FY 2021 Approved Operating Budget, by Comptroller Source Group

Table DV0-3 contains the approved FY 2021 budget at the Comptroller Source Group (object class) level compared to the FY 2020 approved budget. It also provides FY 2018 and FY 2019 actual expenditures.

## Table DV0-3

(dollars in thousands)

					Change	
	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from	Percentage
Comptroller Source Group	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2020	Change*
11 - Regular Pay - Continuing Full Time	169	203	206	124	-82	-39.8
12 - Regular Pay - Other	0	0	0	83	83	N/A
13 - Additional Gross Pay	6	0	0	0	0	N/A
14 - Fringe Benefits - Current Personnel	37	55	43	46	3	7.8
15 - Overtime Pay	2	0	0	0	0	N/A
SUBTOTAL PERSONAL SERVICES (PS)	214	258	250	254	4	1.8
20 - Supplies and Materials	2	0	3	2	-1	-23.2
31 - Telecommunications	6	6	6	6	0	4.3
40 - Other Services and Charges	5	22	31	44	12	39.2
41 - Contractual Services - Other	3	0	8	5	-3	-39.9
SUBTOTAL NONPERSONAL SERVICES (NPS)	15	29	48	57	9	17.9
GROSS FUNDS	229	287	298	311	13	4.4

<sup>\*</sup>Percent change is based on whole dollars.

## FY 2021 Approved Operating Budget and FTEs, by Division/Program and Activity

Table DV0-4 contains the approved FY 2021 budget by division/program and activity compared to the FY 2020 approved budget. It also provides FY 2018 and FY 2019 actual data. For a more comprehensive explanation of divisions/programs and activities, please see the Division/Program Description section, which follows the table.

Table DV0-4

(dollars in thousands)

	Dollars in Thousands					Full-Time Equivalents				
					Change					Change
	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from	Actual	Actual	Approved	Approved	from
Division/Program and Activity	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2020	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2020
(2000) JUDICIAL NOMINATION										
(2100) Advertising Judicial Vacancies	0	0	8	36	28	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
(2500) Commission Administration and										
Support	229	287	290	275	-15	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
SUBTOTAL (2000) JUDICIAL										
NOMINATION	229	287	298	311	13	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
TOTAL APPROVED										
OPERATING BUDGET	229	287	298	311	13	2.0	2.0	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 approved funding for the activities within this agency's programs, please see **Schedule 30-PBB Program Summary by Activity** in the **FY 2021 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website. "No Activity Assigned" indicates budget or actuals that are recorded at the division/program level.

## **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 2021 approved budget.

## FY 2020 Approved Budget to FY 2021 Approved Budget, by Revenue Type

Table DV0-5 itemizes the changes by revenue type between the FY 2020 approved budget and the FY 2021 approved budget. For a more comprehensive explanation of changes, please see the FY 2021 Approved Budget Changes section, which follows the table.

## Table DV0-5

(dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	DIVISION/PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2020 Approved Budget and FTE		0	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: F1 2020 Approved Budget and F1E		0	0.0
No Change		0	0.0

## Table DV0-5

(dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	DIVISION/PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2021 Recurring Budget		8	0.0
No Change		0	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2021 Mayor's Proposed Budget		8	0.0
Enhance: To align resources with operational spending goals (one-time)	Judicial Nomination	28	0.0
LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2021 District's Approved Budget		36	0.0
FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2020 Approved Budget and FTE  Decrease: To align with the President's FY 2021 Budget Request  FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2021 Mayor's Proposed Budget	Judicial Nomination	290 -36 254	2.0 0.0 2.0
Increase: To meet the District's approved budget request	Judicial Nomination	21	0.0
FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2021 District's Approved Budget		275	2.0
GROSS FOR DV0 - JUDICIAL NOMINATION COMMISSION		311	2.0

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## **FY 2021 Approved Budget Changes**

The Judicial Nomination Commission's (JNC) approved FY 2021 gross budget is \$310,569, which represents a 4.4 percent increase over its FY 2020 approved gross budget of \$297,569. The budget is comprised of \$35,569 in Local funds and \$275,000 in Federal Payment funds.

#### **Recurring Budget**

**No Change:** The Judicial Nomination Commission's budget proposal reflects no change from the FY 2020 approved budget to the FY 2021 recurring budget.

### **Mayor's Proposed Budget**

**Decrease:** The FY 2021 Federal Payment request for JNC is decreased by \$36,000 to align the budget with the President's budget request.

## **District's Approved Budget**

**Enhance:** The approved budget for the Judicial Nomination Commission includes a one-time Local funds enhancement in the amount of \$28,000 to the Judicial Nomination program. This adjustment includes \$15,000 to align the budget with anticipated personal services costs, \$6,000 to support fixed cost projections for Telecommunications, \$5,000 for contractual services costs, and \$2,000 to support supplies and materials purchases.

**Increase:** The FY 2021 Federal Payment request for JNC is increased by \$21,000 to meet the District's approved budget request.

## **Agency Performance Plan\***

The Judicial Nomination Commission (JNC) has the following strategic objectives for FY 2021:

## **Strategic Objectives**

Strategic Objectives describe what the agency will do, at a high level, to achieve its mission. These are action-based sentences that define what an agency does for its customers, whether the customers are residents or other District agencies, and how that improves the District.

## **Objectives**

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.

### **ACTIVITIES**

Activities include the work that happens on a daily basis to help achieve the Strategic Objectives. Activity names come from the budget line items. This is further divided into "daily services" (ex. sanitation disposal), and long-term "key projects" that are high profile, one-time and span several years, (ex. redevelopment of Walter Reed Army Medical Center). Many agencies will mostly have daily services, whereas some agencies that have more of their budget come from capital funding will have several key projects.

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. (1 Activity)

Activity Title	<b>Activity Description</b>	Type of Activity
Screen, select, and recommend candidates to the President of the United States for consideration in appointing judges to the District of Columbia Court of Appeals and Superior Court of the District of Columbia	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.	Daily Service

## **KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS**

Key Performance Indicators measure how well an agency is achieving its Strategic Objectives. They are outcome-oriented and should be used to answer the question, "What does the agency need to measure to determine success?"

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. (2 Measures)

	New Measure/	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
Measure	Benchmark Year	Actual	Target	Actual	Target	Target
Percent of candidate panels for	No	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
judicial vacancies presented within						
statutory time frames						
Percent of required background	No	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
investigations on judicial vacancy						
applicants conducted and completed						
within statutory time frames						

## **WORKLOAD MEASURES**

Workload Measures, also called inputs or outputs, quantify an activity, effort or process that is necessary to make progress towards the Strategic Objectives. They help answer the question; "How much are we doing?"

## 1. Screen, select, and recommend candidates to the President of the United States for consideration in appointing judges to the District of Columbia Court of Appeals and Superior Court of the District of Columbia

	New Measure/	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Measure	Benchmark Year	Actual	Actual	Actual
Number of Court of Appeals Chief Judge	No	1	0	0
Designations				
Number of Court of Appeals Judicial	No	1	0	0
Vacancies				
Number of Superior Court Chief Judge	No	0	0	0
Designations				
Number of Superior Court Judicial Vacancies	No	6	5	5

### **Performance Plan End Notes:**

<sup>\*</sup>For more information about the structure and components of FY 2021 draft performance plans, please see the FY 2021 Approved Budget and Financial Plan, Volume 1, Appendix E.

\*\*Key performance indicators that are new may not have historical data and may only have FY 2021 targets.

\*\*\*For the final versions of agency FY 2021 performance plans when they become available in December 2020, see the OCA website at https://oca.dc.gov