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# Judicial Nomination Commission

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Description	FY 2013 Actual	FY 2014 Approved	FY 2015 Proposed	% Change from FY 2014
Operating Budget	\$202,205	\$270,000	\$270,000	0.0
FTEs	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0

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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 2015 proposed budget is presented in the following tables:

## FY 2015 Proposed Gross Funds Operating Budget, by Revenue Type

Table DV0-1 contains the proposed FY 2015 agency budget compared to the FY 2014 approved budget. It also provides FY 2012 and FY 2013 actual expenditures.

**Table DV0-1**  
(dollars in thousands)

Appropriated Fund	Actual FY 2012	Actual FY 2013	Approved FY 2014	Proposed FY 2015	Change from FY 2014	Percent Change*
<b>General Fund</b>						
Local Funds	0	0	65	0	-65	-100.0
<b>Total for General Fund</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-65</b>	<b>-100.0</b>
<b>Federal Resources</b>						
Federal Payments	232	202	205	270	65	31.7
<b>Total for Federal Resources</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>31.7</b>
<b>Gross Funds</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

\*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 2015 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website.

## FY 2015 Proposed Full-Time Equivalents, by Revenue Type

Table DV0-2 contains the proposed FY 2015 FTE level compared to the FY 2014 approved FTE level by revenue type. It also provides FY 2012 and FY 2013 actual data.

**Table DV0-2**

Appropriated Fund	Actual FY 2012	Actual FY 2013	Approved FY 2014	Proposed FY 2015	Change from FY 2014	Percent Change
<b>Federal Resources</b>						
Federal Payments	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Total for Federal Resources</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Total Proposed FTEs</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

## FY 2015 Proposed Operating Budget, by Comptroller Source Group

Table DV0-3 contains the proposed FY 2015 budget at the Comptroller Source Group (object class) level compared to the FY 2014 approved budget. It also provides FY 2012 and FY 2013 actual expenditures.

**Table DV0-3**  
(dollars in thousands)

Comptroller Source Group	Actual FY 2012	Actual FY 2013	Approved FY 2014	Proposed FY 2015	Change from FY 2014	Percent Change*
11 - Regular Pay - Continuing Full Time	156	158	160	190	30	18.8
14 - Fringe Benefits - Current Personnel	12	12	15	24	9	59.9
<b>Subtotal Personal Services (PS)</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>22.3</b>
20 - Supplies and Materials	0	8	4	11	7	175.0
31 - Telephone, Telegraph, Telegram, Etc.	6	6	7	7	0	-1.0
40 - Other Services and Charges	14	18	80	35	-45	-56.5
41 - Contractual Services - Other	4	0	0	0	0	N/A
70 - Equipment and Equipment Rental	40	0	4	3	0	-14.2
<b>Subtotal Nonpersonal Services (NPS)</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>-39</b>	<b>-41.1</b>
<b>Gross Funds</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

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### 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.

### Program Structure Change

The Judicial Nomination Commission has no program structure changes in the FY 2015 proposed budget.

## FY 2015 Proposed Operating Budget and FTEs, by Program and Activity

Table DV0-4 contains the proposed FY 2015 budget by program and activity compared to the FY 2014 approved budget. It also provides the FY 2013 actual data.

**Table DV0-4**

(dollars in thousands)

Program/Activity	Dollars in Thousands				Full-Time Equivalents			
	Actual FY 2013	Approved FY 2014	Proposed FY 2015	Change from FY 2014	Actual FY 2013	Approved FY 2014	Proposed FY 2015	Change from FY 2014
<b>(2000) Judicial Nomination</b>								
(2100) Advertising Judicial Vacancies	0	1	0	-1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
(2500) Commission Administration and Support	202	269	270	1	2.0	2.0	2.0	0.0
<b>Subtotal (2000) Judicial Nomination</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Total Proposed Operating Budget</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

(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 2015 Operating Appendices** located on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's website.

### FY 2015 Proposed Budget Changes

The Judicial Nomination Commission's (JNC) proposed FY 2015 gross budget is \$270,000, which represents no change from the FY 2014 approved gross budget of \$270,000. The budget is comprised entirely of Federal Payments.

### Current Services Funding Level

The Current Services Funding Level (CSFL) is a Local funds ONLY representation of the true cost of operating District agencies, before consideration of policy decisions. The CSFL reflects changes from the FY 2014 approved budget across multiple programs, and it estimates how much it would cost an agency to continue its current programs and operations into the following fiscal year. The FY 2015 CSFL adjustments to the FY 2014 Local funds budget are described in table 5 of this agency's budget chapter. Please see the CSFL Development section within Volume 1: Executive Summary for more information regarding the methodology used and components that comprise the CSFL.

JNC's FY 2015 CSFL budget is \$0, which represents a \$65,000, or 100.0 percent, decrease from the FY 2014 approved Local funds budget of \$65,000.

### CSFL Assumptions

The FY 2015 CSFL calculated for JNC includes an adjustment entry that is not described in detail on table 5. This adjustment includes a reduction of \$65,000 to account for the removal of one-time funding appropriated in FY 2014, which was used to obtain technical resources to enhance the agency's new online application system.

### Agency Budget Submission

**Technical Adjustment:** On January 17, 2014, the Federal Payments budget for Appropriation Year 2014 was approved in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2014. The FY 2015 Federal Payments request for the Judicial Nomination Commission is increased by \$65,000 to align the budget with the President's budget request.

### Mayor's Proposed Budget

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

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## FY 2014 Approved Budget to FY 2015 Proposed Budget, by Revenue Type

Table DV0-5 itemizes the changes by revenue type between the FY 2014 approved budget and the FY 2015 proposed budget.

**Table DV0-5**  
(dollars in thousands)

DESCRIPTION	PROGRAM	BUDGET	FTE
<b>LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2014 Approved Budget and FTE</b>		<b>65</b>	<b>0.0</b>
Removal of One-Time Funding	Judicial Nomination	-65	0.0
<b>LOCAL FUNDS: FY 2015 Current Services Funding Level Budget (CSFL)</b>		<b>0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2014 Approved Budget and FTE</b>		<b>205</b>	<b>2.0</b>
Technical Adjustment: To align budget with the President's FY 2015 Budget Request	Judicial Nomination	65	0.0
<b>FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2015 Agency Budget Submission</b>		<b>270</b>	<b>2.0</b>
No Change		0	0.0
<b>FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2015 Mayor's Proposed Budget</b>		<b>270</b>	<b>2.0</b>
No Change		0	0.0
<b>FEDERAL PAYMENTS: FY 2015 District's Proposed Budget</b>		<b>270</b>	<b>2.0</b>
<b>Gross for DV0 - Judicial Nomination Commission</b>		<b>270</b>	<b>2.0</b>

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## Agency Performance Plan

The agency's performance plan has the following objective for FY 2015:

**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 statute.

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### KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

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Measure	FY 2012 Actual	FY 2013 Target	FY 2013 Actual	FY 2014 Projection	FY 2015 Projection	FY 2016 Projection
Percent of candidate panels for judicial vacancies presented within statutory time frames	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Percent of required background investigations conducted and completed on judicial vacancy applicants within statutory time frames	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%