

Judicial Nomination Commission FY2017

Agency Judicial Nomination Commission

Agency Code DV0

Fiscal Year 2017

Mission 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.

2017 Strategic Objectives

Objective Number	Strategic 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.
2	Create and maintain a highly efficient, transparent and responsive District government.**

2017 Key Performance Indicators

Measure	New Measure/ Benchmark Year	Frequency of Reporting	Add Data Fields (if applicable)	FY 2014 Actual	FY 2015 Target	FY 2015 Actual	FY 2016 Target	FY 2016 Actual	FY 2017 Target
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)									
Percent of candidate panels for judicial vacancies presented within statutory time frames	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annually		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Percent of required background investigations on judicial vacancy applicants conducted and completed within statutory time frames	<input type="checkbox"/>	Annually		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

We've revisited a project to standardize District wide measures for the Objective "Create and maintain a highly efficient, transparent and responsive District government." New measures will be tracked in FY18 and FY19 and published starting in the FY19 Performance Plan.

2017 Operations

Operations Header	Operations Title	Operations Description	Type of Operations
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)			

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
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2017 Workload Measures

Measure	Freq	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	FY 2017
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. (4 Measures)						
Number of Superior Court Judicial Vacancies	Annually	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	6
Number of Court of Appeals Judicial Vacancies	Annually	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	1
Number of Superior Court Chief Judge Designations	Annually	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	0
Number of Court of Appeals Chief Judge Designations	Annually	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	Annual Measure	1

2017 Strategic Initiatives

Strategic Initiative Title	Strategic Initiative Description	Proposed Completion Date
<i>(empty) (1 Strategic Initiative)</i>		
Continue to expand outreach, and continue efforts to automate the application submission and review process, while keeping applicant data secure.	The expected outcomes include, but are not limited to, streamlining the application process, increasing the number of highly qualified applicants with diverse backgrounds, and improving the quality of information received by the JNC to enable the JNC members to review applications and related background investigation results in a more efficient manner. This projected launch of an online application submission process is Third Quarter FY2017. Outreach activities are ongoing.	09-30-2017