



**FY 2011 PERFORMANCE PLAN
Judicial Nomination Commission**

MISSION

The mission of the District of Columbia Judicial Nomination Commission (JNC) is to screen, select, and recommendation candidates to the President of the United States for nomination for judicial vacancies on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, and to appoint the chief judges for both courts.

SUMMARY OF SERVICES

The Judicial Nomination Commission notifies the bench, bar and public of upcoming judicial vacancies and solicits bench, bar, and public comment on applicants. JNC screens, selects and recommends candidates to the President of the United States for nomination to judicial vacancies on the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and the District of Columbia Court of Appeals. It is also responsible to appoint the chief judges for Superior Court of the District of Columbia and the District of Columbia Court of Appeals.

AGENCY WORKLOAD MEASURES

Measure	FY 2008 Actual	FY 2009 Actual	FY 2010 YTD
Number of Superior Court Judicial Vacancies	Not Available	3	Not Available
Number of Court of Appeals Judicial Vacancies	Not Available	0	Not Available

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.

INITIATIVE 1.1 Redesign and enhance the content of the JNC website to fully automate the application process, simply the solicitation and receipt of comments on applicants, and enhance outreach efforts to increase the number of applicants for each judicial vacancy.

The expected outcomes include, but are not limited to, streamline the application process, increase in number of highly qualified applicants with diverse backgrounds, and improve the quality of information received by the JNC to enable the members of JNC to review applications and related background investigation results in a more efficient manner.

PROPOSED KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

Measure	FY2009 Actual	FY2010 Target	FY2011 Projection	FY2012 Projection
Percent of candidate panels for judicial vacancies presented within 60 days	100	100	100	100
Percent of required background investigations conducted and completed on judicial vacancy applicants within 60 days	100	100	100	100