

JUDICIAL BRANCH



SUPREME COURT

Supreme Court of Wyoming
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002



TO: Joint Appropriations Committee – 59th Legislature
 FROM: Chief Justice Barton R. Voigt
 RE: Wyoming Supreme Court
 SUBJECT: 2009-2010 Biennium Budget Recommendations

The Supreme Court is recommending a 2009-2010 Budget of \$47,862,838

ADMINISTRATION – 0100

Standard Budget Request

The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Standard Budget as submitted.

Exception Budget Request

The Supreme Court is submitting an Exception Budget request for \$244,056 for Administration. \$141,056 is requested for a full-time Bailiff, \$5,000 is requested for postage, \$20,000 is requested to cover the increased cost of Dues to the National Center for State Courts, \$5,000 is requested to cover the cost of in-state travel, \$25,000 is requested to cover the increased cost of supplies and printing, \$20,000 is requested for law books, \$18,000 is requested for a new digital phone system and a copier, and \$10,000 is requested to cover the rising cost of providing training for judges and clerks. The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Exception Budget as submitted.

ADMINISTRATION –0100 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Federal Fund	Special Revenue	Positions FT	PT
Requested	\$7,832,216	\$7,392,277	\$289,939	\$150,000	30	0
Recommended	\$7,832,216	\$7,392,277	\$289,939	\$150,000	30	0
Difference	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	

JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION – 0200

Standard Budget Request

The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Standard Budget as submitted.

Exception Budget Request

The Supreme Court is not submitting an Exception Budget Request.

JUDICIAL NOMINATION COMMISSION – 0200 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$15,001	\$15,001	0	0
Recommended	\$15,001	\$15,001	0	0
Difference	\$0	\$0	0	0

GUARDIAN AD LITEM – 0300

Standard Budget Request

The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Standard Budget as submitted.

Exception Budget Request

The Supreme Court is not submitting an Exception Budget Request.

GUARDIAN AD LITEM – 0300 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$4,200,000	\$4,200,000	1	0
Recommended	\$4,200,000	\$4,200,000	1	0
Difference	\$0	\$0	0	0

LAW LIBRARY – 0400

Standard Budget Request

The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Standard Budget as submitted.

Exception Budget Request

The Supreme Court is submitting an Exception Budget Request for \$158,874. \$16,040 is requested to cover the rising cost of dues/registrations, data processing, in-state travel, and office supplies. \$141,834 is requested in order to cover the increased cost of providing up to date legal materials for the Law Library, and \$1,000 is requested to cover the increased cost of telecommunications.

LAW LIBRARY – 0400 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$1,685,934	\$1,685,934	3	2
Recommended	\$1,685,934	\$1,685,934	3	2
Difference	\$ 0	\$ 0	0	0

CIRCUIT COURTS – 0500

Standard Budget Request

The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Standard Budget as submitted.

Exception Budget Request

The Supreme Court is submitting an Exception Budget Request for \$1,296,649. The request includes \$765,701 for salaries a judge, five full-time clerks, one new part-time clerk and the reclassification of three part-time clerks to full-time. \$157,168 is requested to cover the equipment needs in the circuit courts, \$10,000 to cover the cost of jury trials, \$87,320 to cover the additional cost of supplies, travel, utilities, communications, equipment repairs, and surety bonds. \$500 for telecommunications and \$275,960 in Professional Fees for temporary personnel, interpreter costs and magistrate services. The Supreme Court does not recommend approval of one full-time position requested in Judicial District 7.

CIRCUIT COURTS - 0500 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$25,244,685	\$25,244,685	155	7
Recommended	\$25,110,877	\$25,110,877	154	7
Difference	\$ 133,808	\$ 133,808	1	0

COURT TECHNOLOGY – 0600

Standard Budget Request

The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Standard Budget as submitted.

Exception Budget Request

The Supreme Court is submitting an exception budget request for \$3,320,959. We are requesting \$27,000 to purchase a vehicle, and \$23,640 to cover the monthly maintenance fee of a permanently assigned vehicle. \$197,000 to cover the cost of internet to 52 court sites. \$2,536,919 for computer hardware and software, \$86,400 to cover the rental cost for an off-site data center, \$405,000 to cover the annual maintenance on our case management software and \$45,000 for contractual travel. The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Exception Budget as submitted.

COURT TECHNOLOGY – 0600 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Special Revenue	Positions	
				FT	PT
Requested	\$7,158,080	\$1,315,410	\$5,842,670	10	0
Recommended	\$7,158,080	\$1,315,410	\$5,842,670	10	0
Difference	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0

JUDICIAL RETIREMENT – 0700

Standard Budget Request

The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Standard Budget as submitted.

Exception Budget Request

The Supreme Court is requesting \$50,000 to cover the salary costs when retired judges provide judicial services to the Supreme Court or District Courts

JUDICIAL RETIREMENT – 0700 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$1,573,913	\$1,573,913	0	20
Recommended	\$1,573,913	\$1,573,913	0	20
Difference	\$0	\$0	0	0

BOARD OF JUDICIAL POLICY & ADMINISTRATION - 0900

Standard Budget Request

The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Standard Budget as submitted.

Exception Budget Request

The Supreme Court is requesting an exception request of \$252,856. \$141,056 is requested to cover the cost of a law clerk to be shared by the Circuit Court Judges. \$16,800 is requested to cover the cost of dues to the Wyoming State Bar for attorneys employed by the Supreme Court and District Court. \$95,000 is requested to cover the cost of a legal needs assessment for the State of Wyoming. The Supreme Court does not recommend the law clerk position requested by the circuit court judges.

BOARD OF JUDICIAL POLICY & ADMINISTRATION – 0900 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$427,873	\$427,873	1	0
Recommended	\$286,817	\$286,817	0	0
Difference	\$141,056	\$141,056	1	0

AGENCY SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Special Rev/Fed Funds	Positions	
				FT	PT
Requested	\$48,137,702	\$41,855,093	\$6,282,609	201	29
Recommended	\$47,862,838	\$41,580,229	\$6,282,609	199	29
Difference	\$ 274,864	\$ 274,864	\$ 0	2	0



STATE OF WYOMING

2009-2010

BIENNIUM BUDGET REQUEST

SUPREME COURT 101

Agency Name and Number

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Name

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