

JUDICIAL BRANCH



SUPREME COURT

Supreme Court of Wyoming
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002



TO: Joint Appropriations Committee – 61st Legislature
FROM: Chief Justice Marilyn S. Kite
RE: Wyoming Supreme Court
SUBJECT: 2013-2014 Biennium Budget Recommendations

The Supreme Court is recommending a 2013-2014 Budget of \$57,517,093

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 \$532,000. The request includes \$40,000 to cover the increased cost of dues to the National Center for State Courts, as well as \$18,000 to cover the increased cost of Westlaw for Supreme Court attorneys. \$400,000 of special revenue spending authority is requested to cover increased credit card transaction fees. We are also requesting \$54,000 to cover the cost of the market pay study conducted by The Hay Group, as well as \$20,000 to provide training to judges statewide.

ADMINISTRATION –0100 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Federal Fund	Special Revenue	Positions FT	PT
Requested	\$11,276,212	\$7,942,615	\$283,597	\$3,050,000	31	0
Recommended	\$11,276,212	\$7,942,615	\$283,597	\$3,050,000	31	0
Difference	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0

JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION – 0200

Standard Budget Request

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

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

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 \$71,200. \$50,000 is requested to cover the increased cost of electronic subscription materials. The request also includes \$9,200 for a maintenance contract for the library's electronic shelving and \$12,000 to cover the cost of new copiers for the library.

LAW LIBRARY – 0400 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$1,593,316	\$1,593,316	3	1
Recommended	\$1,593,316	\$1,593,316	3	1
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 \$43,620. The request will cover the cost of new copiers in four circuit courts. The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Exception Budget as submitted.

CIRCUIT COURTS - 0500 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$26,417,967	\$26,417,967	154	7
Recommended	\$26,417,967	\$26,417,967	154	7
Difference	\$ 0	\$ 0	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 \$9,361,500. We are requesting \$2,208,000 to cover the cost of software support and equipment maintenance, as well as hardware replacement in all state courts. \$2,600,000 is requested for the implementation and completion of the uniform district court case management system. \$2,535,000 is requested for the development and pilot of a uniform circuit court case management system. Additionally, we are requesting \$300,000 for courtroom technology enhancements and \$134,500 to add video appearance capability in up to 10 circuit courts. Lastly, we are requesting \$1,584,000 to fund a grant to the Wyoming Association of Sheriffs and Chiefs of Police for the Electronic Citation Program. 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	\$13,870,501	\$9,992,154	\$3,878,347	11	0
Recommended	\$13,870,501	\$9,992,154	\$3,878,347	11	0
Difference	\$0	\$0	\$0	0	0

JUDICIAL RETIREMENT – 0700

Standard Budget Request

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

JUDICIAL RETIREMENT – 0700 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$1,453,967	\$1,453,967	0	16
Recommended	\$1,453,967	\$1,453,967	0	16
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 submitting an Exception Budget Request of \$2,328,312. \$1,540,438 is requested in order to adjust employee salaries to 91% of market, following the market pay evaluation by Hay Group, and \$173,944 is requested to provide merit increases for high-performing employees. \$388,650 is requested to cover the employee benefits associated with these adjustments. We are also requesting \$100,000 to establish a contingency fund for court security on high-profile court cases, as well as \$12,000 to cover the increased cost of drug court magistrates. \$85,120 is requested for the cost of a time-study of the Circuit Court and District Court judges, as well as \$28,160 for a “Time to Disposition” study for Circuit and District Courts. The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Exception Budget as submitted.

BOARD OF JUDICIAL POLICY & ADMINISTRATION – 0900 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$2,890,129	\$2,890,129	0	0
Recommended	\$2,890,129	\$2,890,129	0	0
Difference	\$0	\$0	0	0

AGENCY SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Special Rev/Fed Funds	Positions	
				FT	PT
Requested	\$57,517,093	\$50,305,149	\$7,211,944	199	24
Recommended	\$57,517,093	\$50,305,149	\$7,211,944	199	24
Difference	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	0	0



STATE OF WYOMING

2013-2014

BIENNIUM BUDGET REQUEST

SUPREME COURT 101

Agency Name and Number

Submitted by:

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