

Supreme Court of Wyoming
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002



TO: Honorable Tony Ross, Chairman
Honorable Steve Harshman, Chairman
Joint Appropriations Committee – 64th Legislature

FROM: Chief Justice E. James Burke

RE: Wyoming Supreme Court

SUBJECT: 2017-2018 Biennium Budget Recommendations

The Supreme Court is recommending a 2017-2018 Budget of \$59,031,602

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 \$933,490. Of the request, \$700,000 of increased spending authority would cover a portion of the cost of a critical upgrade for the current Circuit Court case management system and to bring the municipal courts which request inclusion into the same system. In addition, we are requesting a \$233,490 increase in spending authority to fund additional grants under the Wyoming Center for Legal Aid. 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	\$14,046,907	\$9,277,717	\$601,066	\$4,168,124	35	0
Recommended	\$14,046,907	\$9,277,717	\$601,066	\$4,168,124	35	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.

JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION – 0200 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$21,001	\$21,001	0	0
Recommended	\$21,001	\$21,001	0	0
Difference	\$0	\$0	0	0

LAW LIBRARY – 0400

Standard Budget Request

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

LAW LIBRARY – 0400 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$1,516,500	\$1,516,500	3	1
Recommended	\$1,516,500	\$1,516,500	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 \$60,510. \$23,214 will cover the cost of new copiers in three circuit courts. \$24,000 would provide a state vehicle for one judge, and \$13,296 would cover the monthly maintenance costs of the aforementioned vehicle. In addition, we are requesting a \$0 request that the appropriated funding in the temporary services fund be moved from the 900 series to the 100 series so that temporary circuit court employees may be properly classified. The Supreme Court recommends approval of the Exception Budget as submitted.

CIRCUIT COURTS - 0500 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$30,661,889	\$30,661,889	155	7
Recommended	\$30,661,889	\$30,661,889	155	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 \$3,234,256. We are requesting \$1,199,850 to cover the cost of hardware replacement in all state courts. We are requesting two (2) essential permanent positions and \$479,406 for the associated salaries and benefits. We are also requesting \$800,000 to cover a portion of the cost of a critical upgrade for the current Circuit Court case management system and to bring the municipal courts which request inclusion into the same system. We are also requesting \$355,000 for an upgrade to the Supreme Court's electronic filing system. Additionally, we are requesting \$300,000 for courtroom technology enhancements. \$100,000 is requested to fund the purchase of electronic equipment and associated labor for the Supreme Court Learning Center. 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	\$9,913,768	\$5,211,556	\$4,702,212	13	0
Recommended	\$9,913,768	\$5,211,556	\$4,702,212	13	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	\$2,163,196	\$2,163,196	0	19
Recommended	\$2,163,196	\$2,163,196	0	19
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.

BOARD OF JUDICIAL POLICY & ADMINISTRATION – 0900 SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Positions	
			FT	PT
Requested	\$708,341	\$708,341	0	0
Recommended	\$708,341	\$708,341	0	0
Difference	\$0	\$0	0	0

AGENCY SUMMARY

	Total Funds	General Fund	Special Rev/Fed Funds	Positions	
				FT	PT
Requested	\$59,031,602	\$49,560,200	\$9,471,402	205	27
Recommended	\$59,031,602	\$49,560,200	\$9,471,402	205	27
Difference	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	0	0



STATE OF WYOMING

2017-2018

BIENNIUM BUDGET REQUEST

SUPREME COURT 101

Agency Name and Number

Submitted by:

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