

Oklahoma Senate Committee on Appropriations

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2013-14 Performance Report

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COUNCIL ON JUDICIAL COMPLAINTS

AGENCY MISSION STATEMENT:

To efficiently and impartially investigate complaints regarding the conduct of persons holding judicial positions and to determine if such complaints should be the subjects of disciplinary actions before the Court on the Judiciary, the Chief Justice and/or the Supreme Court, or should be dismissed.

LEAD ADMINISTRATOR:

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GOVERNANCE:

The agency is governed by a three member Council. One member is appointed by each of the following: the Speaker, the President Pro Tem, the President of the Oklahoma Bar Association. Members serve five year terms with a maximum service of two terms. At least one member must be a layperson, the other members are lawyers. The current members are Gary Clark, Glen Huff and Dr. Leroy Milton. The members elect officers and there are no subgroups.

GOVERNANCE ACCOUNTABILITY:

There is no attendance policy however no member has missed a meeting since July 1, 2011.

MODERNIZATION EFFORTS:

The Council is a two person agency and performs its investigative mission through the efforts of its employees and a contract attorney/investigator, accordingly we do not rely on technology or other systems that lend themselves to modernization. We do utilize investigative techniques that reduce travel requirements and have held telephonic investigative Council meetings when possible. Otherwise our modernization efforts are the same as all agencies have undergone with CORE and other state wide efforts. In an effort to reduce costs we have reduced our reliance on our contract attorney/investigator and have assumed that workload in-house.

CORE MISSION:

We perform no services outside our core mission and none of our mission is duplicated by another agency.

PRIVATE ALTERNATIVES:

None of the services which are performed by the agency are performed in the private sector either in Oklahoma or other states.