

# Budget Brief: Judicial Conduct Commission

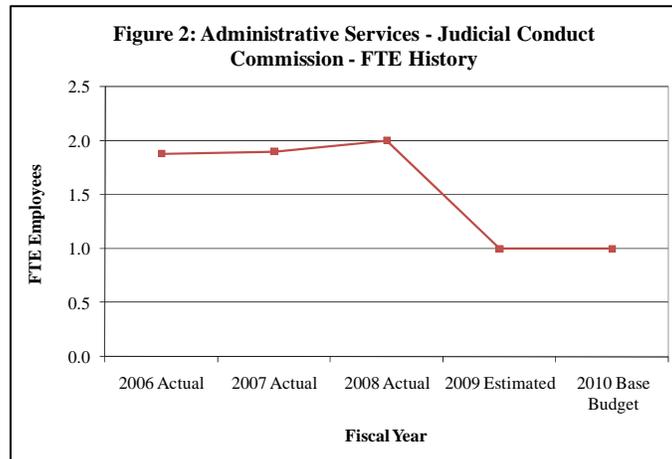
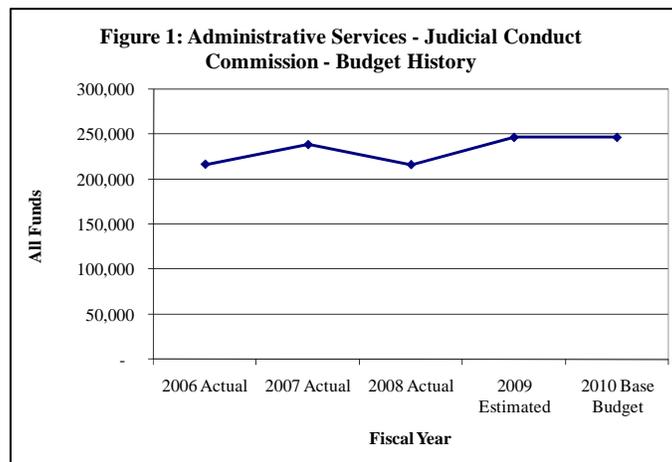
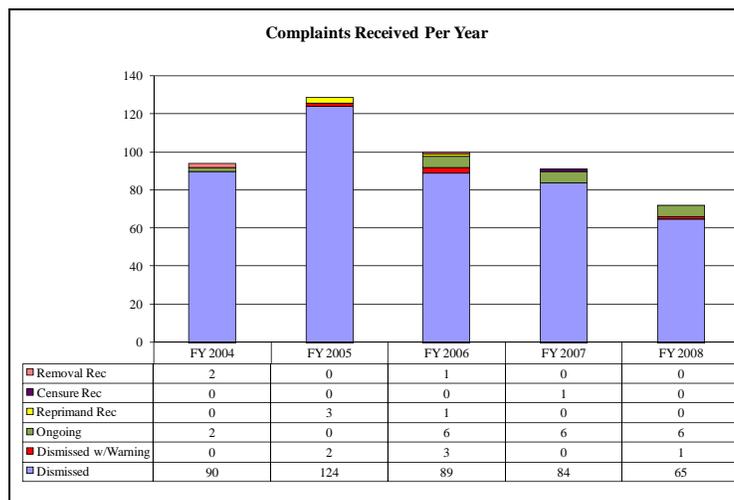
## SUMMARY

The Judicial Conduct Commission is a quasi-independent agency that investigates and resolves complaints against Utah judges. The executive director manages claims, assigns investigators, and recommends prosecution of judges when necessary. The commission dismisses approximately ninety percent of all claims, resolves five percent by stipulation, and conducts formal hearings for five percent of all claims.

Judicial Conduct Commission Membership			
Legislators	Judges	Attorneys	Public
Sen. Gene Davis	Hon. Russell Bench	Ruth Lybbert, Chair	Rod Orton, Vice-Chair
Sen. Gregory Bell	Hon. Royal Hansen	Ronald Russell	Elaine Englehardt, PhD
Rep. Neal Hendrickson			Flora Ogan
Rep. Douglas Aagard			

## ACCOUNTABILITY DETAIL

The commission is required to file an annual report to the Legislature. The following data comes from their FY 2008 report.

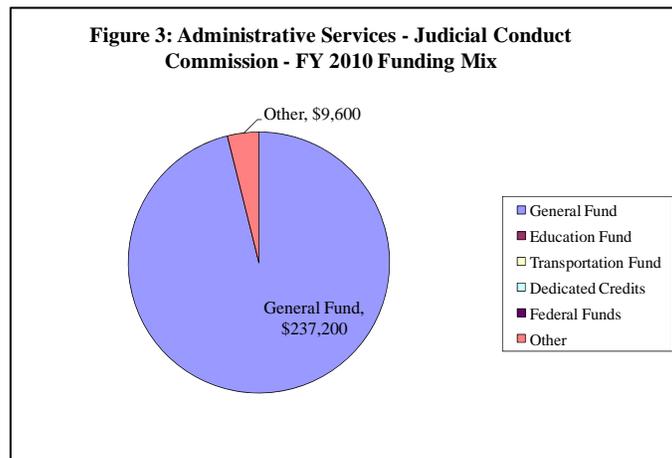


## BUDGET DETAIL

Current Expense in this budget is used to hire outside investigators and temporary employees based on case load.

### Intent Language

The Analyst recommends the Legislature adopt the following supplemental intent language for Fiscal Year 2009:



*Under terms of UCA 63G-1-402(3), the Legislature intends that funds provided by Item 45, Chapter 2, Laws of Utah 2008 shall not lapse and that those funds shall be used to hire temporary contractors on as-as-needed basis.*

**LEGISLATIVE ACTION**

The Analyst recommends the Legislature consider adopting:

1. A total FY 2010 base appropriation of \$246,800 for the Judicial Conduct Commission.
2. Intent language making this appropriation nonlapsing for temporary contractors as needed.

**BUDGET DETAIL TABLE**

<b>Administrative Services - Judicial Conduct Commission</b>						
	<b>FY 2008</b>	<b>FY 2009</b>		<b>FY 2009</b>		<b>FY 2010*</b>
<b>Sources of Finance</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Appropriated</b>	<b>Changes</b>	<b>Revised</b>	<b>Changes</b>	<b>Base Budget</b>
General Fund	254,700	256,400	(19,200)	237,200	0	237,200
General Fund, One-time	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beginning Nonlapsing	59,200	59,200	38,300	97,500	(9,600)	87,900
Closing Nonlapsing	(97,500)	(59,200)	(28,700)	(87,900)	9,600	(78,300)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$216,400</b>	<b>\$256,400</b>	<b>(\$9,600)</b>	<b>\$246,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$246,800</b>
<b>Programs</b>						
Judicial Conduct Commission	216,400	256,400	(9,600)	246,800	0	246,800
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$216,400</b>	<b>\$256,400</b>	<b>(\$9,600)</b>	<b>\$246,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$246,800</b>
<b>Categories of Expenditure</b>						
Personal Services	183,100	211,400	(23,400)	188,000	0	188,000
In-State Travel	2,700	3,100	400	3,500	0	3,500
Out of State Travel	4,400	6,600	0	6,600	0	6,600
Current Expense	21,900	28,700	11,900	40,600	0	40,600
DP Current Expense	4,300	6,600	1,500	8,100	0	8,100
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$216,400</b>	<b>\$256,400</b>	<b>(\$9,600)</b>	<b>\$246,800</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$246,800</b>
<b>Other Data</b>						
Budgeted FTE	2.0	2.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	2.0
Actual FTE	1.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

\*Does not include amounts in excess of subcommittee's state fund allocation that may be recommended by the Fiscal Analyst.