

Commission on Judicial Nominees Evaluation 2019 Statewide Demographics Report

Report in Compliance with Government Code Section 12011.5 (n)(B)

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Government Code section 12011.5 (n)(B) requires that on or before March 1, the Commission on Judicial Nominees Evaluation (JNE) collect and release aggregate, statewide data on the following: (1) demographics of the judicial candidates reviewed relative to ethnicity, race, disability, veteran status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, and areas of legal practice and employment; and (2) a summary of JNE Commission recommendations by the same categories.

Consistent with statutory intent, the 2019 Statewide Demographics Report includes data only for the 62 candidates whose qualifications for judicial office were reviewed in the 2019 calendar year.

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Gender

	Exception	ally Well								
	Quali	Qualified			Qualified		Not Qualified		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Female	/	58.3	14	45.2	8	57.1	2	40.0	31	50.0
Male	5	41.7	17	54.8	6	42.9	3	60.0	31	50.0
Total	12	100.0	31	100.0	14	100.0	5	100.0	62	100.0

Ethnicity/Race

	Exceptiona	ally Well								
	Quali	fied	Well Qualified		Qualified		Not Qualified		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Asian	2	16.7	3	9.7	1	7.1	0	-	6	9.7
Black or African American	2	16.7	4	12.9	2	14.3	0	-	8	12.9
Hispanic or Latino	2	16.7	2	6.5	0	-	2	40.0	6	9.7
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	-	1	3.2	1	7.1	0	-	2	3.2
Some Other Race	0	-	1	3.2	0	-	0	-	1	1.6
White	6	50.0	20	64.5	9	64.3	3	60.0	38	61.3
Unknown	0	-	0	-	1	7.1	0	-	1	1.6
Total	12	100.0	31	100.0	14	100.0	5	100.0	62	100.0

Areas of Legal Practice and Employment

	Exceptiona	ally Well									
	Qualified		Well Qua	Well Qualified		Qualified		Not Qualified		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	
Administrative	6	9.4	13	8.6	6	7.8	3	13.6	28	8.9	
Civil Law	10	15.6	24	15.8	13	16.9	3	13.6	50	15.9	
Legislative	6	9.4	6	3.9	3	3.9	1	4.5	16	5.1	
House/Staff Counsel	4	6.3	9	5.9	6	7.8	2	9.1	21	6.7	
Juvenile/Family/Probate	5	7.8	23	15.1	10	13.0	3	13.6	41	13.0	
Criminal	9	14.1	25	16.4	14	18.2	3	13.6	51	16.2	
Litigation (Trial/Appellate)	11	17.2	28	18.4	12	15.6	3	13.6	54	17.1	
Corporate/Transactional	5	7.8	10	6.6	7	9.1	2	9.1	24	7.6	
Other Legal Practice	8	12.5	14	9.2	6	7.8	2	9.1	30	9.5	
Total	64	100.0	152	100.0	77	100.0	22	100.0	315	100.0	

Note: The totals exceed the number of applicants because candidates are allowed to mark multiple areas of legal practice and employment on the Judicial Appointment Application. A candidate's rating is reflected in each legal practice and employment area marked.

Female Candidates - Sexual Orientation/Gender Identity

	Exceptiona	ally Well									
	Qualif	Qualified		Well Qualified		Qualified		Not Qualified		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	
Heterosexual	5	100.0	15	88.2	6	100.0	2	66.7	28	90.3	
Lesbian	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	
Bisexual	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	
Transgender	0	-	0	-	0	-	1	33.3	1	3.2	
Unknown	0	-	2	11.8	0	-	0	-	2	6.5	
Total	5	100.0	17	100.0	6	100.0	3	100.0	31	100.0	

Male Candidates - Sexual Orientation/Gender Identity

	Exceptiona	lly Well									
	Qualif	Qualified		Well Qualified		Qualified		Not Qualified		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	
Heterosexual	6	85.7	13	92.9	6	75.0	2	100.0	27	87.1	
Gay	1	14.3	0	-	1	12.5	0	-	2	6.5	
Bisexual	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	
Transgender	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	0	-	
Unknown	0	-	1	7.1	1	12.5	0	-	2	6.5	
Total	7	100.0	14	100.0	8	100.0	2	100.0	31	100.0	

Veteran Status

	Exception	ally Well								
	Quali	Qualified Well Qu			ll Qualified Qualified			alified	Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Veteran	0	-	2	6.5	0	-	1	20.0	3	4.8
Nonveteran	12	100.0	29	93.5	14	100.0	4	80.0	59	95.2
Total	12	100.0	31	100.0	14	100.0	5	100.0	62	100.0

Disability Status

	Exception	ally Well								
	Quali	Qualified			Qualified		Not Qualified		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Disability	0	-	1	3.2	0	-	0	-	1	1.6
No Disability	12	100.0	30	96.8	14	100.0	5	100.0	61	98.4
Total	12	100.0	31	100.0	14	100.0	5	100.0	62	100.0