



### **Judicial Performance Evaluation**

#### **District of Columbia**

**Scope.** Evaluations are required for judges seeking reappointment and retired judges wishing to serve as senior judges.

**Commission.** The Commission on Judicial Disabilities and Tenure consists of five members and three alternate members appointed by the President, the Commissioner of the District of Columbia (Mayor), and the Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. Members serve staggered, six-year terms.

**Criteria.** Candidates for reappointment are evaluated on their work product, legal scholarship, dedication, efficiency, and demeanor. Retired judges seeking senior status are evaluated on their physical and mental fitness and ability to perform judicial duties.

**Data Collection.** Each candidate for reappointment or senior status submits a written statement reviewing the significant aspects of his or her judicial activities that may be helpful to the Commission in its evaluation, along with illustrative materials. The Commission may also accept and seek pertinent information from the bar, other judges, court staff, and members of the lay public, and convene a conference with the candidate.

**Dissemination.** Evaluation reports for reappointment candidates are submitted to the President, the candidate, and the public.

**Website.** <http://cjdt.dc.gov/>