

100 DAYS of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine in new composition





MEMBERS OF THE NEW COMPOSITION **OF THE HQCJU**

The First Chamber of the High Qualification **Commission of Judges of Ukraine**



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The Second Chamber of the High Qualification **Commission of Judges of Ukraine**



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ORGANIZATION OF THE COMMISSION WORK

16 HQCJU members

were appointed by HCJ Decisions dated June 01, 2023

14 out of them

enrolled in the Commission's staff

Approved

panels in the Commission's composition

Appointed

representatives to the composition of Senior Civil Service Commission in the Judiciary

Elected

Leadership and approved personal Composition of the chambers at organizational meeting on June 06, 2023

Measures taken

to implement the State Anti-Corruption Program for 2023–2025

Ensured:

- Participation of representatives in the working group of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine on improvement of the Law of Ukraine "On the Judiciary and Status of Judges"
- Participation in the HCJ's working group on UJITS



Established:

- Working group to assess corruption risks in the Commission's activities
- Working group to develop proposals to the Procedure for Special Training of Candidates for the Position of Judge
- · Working group to develop a new version of the Rules of Procedure

Approved:

- Regulation on the Automated System for Determining the Members of the Commission for Preparation for Consideration and Reporting of Cases
- Regulation on Taking Qualification Exam and Methodology for Evaluating Judicial Candidates
- Rules of Procedure of the HQCJ.
 4 decisions on amendments to the Rules were adopted

Prepared:

- Proposals to improve the Procedure for Secondment of a Judge to Another Court of the Same Level and Specialization (as a temporary transfer)
- Proposals for determining the number of judges in local and appellate courts
- Schedule of interviews for the purposes of qualification evaluation



ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PUBLIC INTEGRITY COUNCIL

05.07.2023	The Commission reviewed the documents of 21 NGOs, recognizing 16 of them as meeting the requirements for participation in the meeting of representatives of NGOs to establish the Public Integrity Council
 A meeting of representatives of public associations was convened to establish the Public Integrity Council 	• 27.07.2023



14.08.2023	A joint meeting of members of the High Qualification Commission of Judges of Ukraine and the Public Integrity Council was held to discuss topical issues of cooperation
 20 members of the Public Integrity Council elected 	• 31.08.2023



42 meetings held

issues considered: 175

- **38** at the meetings of Panels
- **76** at the plenary meetings





61 at the meetings of the First and Second Chambers

TEMPORARY TRANSFER (SECONDMENT) OF JUDGES

Received:

notifications of the SJA of Ukraine

- **44** on secondment to other courts
 - 6 on early termination of secondment of judges

91

consent of a judge

within the framework of consideration of notifications from the SJA of Ukraine on the need to consider the issue of judges' secondment



Results of notifications consideration by the Commission

- **16** judges are recommended to be seconded to 6 courts
- 57 judges were denied to be recommended for secondment
- Judges, whose issues on secondment were left without consideration
- 17 judges are recommended to terminate their secondment ahead of schedule
- Judges were denied in the recommendation to terminate their secondment ahead of schedule
- 2 notifications of SJA of Ukraine was returned due to the impossibility of its appointment for consideration
- 21 notifications of SJA of Ukraine are left without consideration

SELECTION OF JUDGES FOR JUDICIAL POSITION

POSITION					 Approved ratings of candidates for the position of judge and reserves for filling vacant positions of local court judges in new versions 	
	Qualification exam was appointed		Decided to check and evaluate practical assignments performed by the judicial candidates		! 585 candidates are in the reserves to fill vacant judicial positions	
03.04.2017		25.07.2019— 29.08.2019		• 26.07.2023		• September 2023
	• 24.06.2019		15.06.2023		01.08.2023	
 Selection of judges for judicial position was announced 		 368 candidates for the position of local court judge passed qualification exam 	 Completed checking 1,028 practical assigns performed by 368 can for the position of local judge 342 administrative specialization 321 commercial specialization 365 general specialization 		nments, andidates cal court ive on	The announcement of a competition for local court judges is planned





VERIFICATION OF INTEGRITY DECLARATIONS OF JUDGES AND THEIR FAMILY TIES

30 notifications reviewed

on information, that may indicate that the judge's statements in the integrity declaration are inaccurate (including incomplete), out of which:



are left without consideration



information is recognized as unconfirmed

5 notifications reviewed

on information that may indicate that the judge's statements in the **family ties declaration** are inaccurate (including incomplete), out of which:



are left without consideration





information is recognized as validated and decided to apply to HCJ on bringing respective judges to disciplinary responsibility



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INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

Cooperation with Ambassadors and Heads of Diplomatic Missions of G-7 Countries





Working meeting was held with Heads of Diplomatic Missions of G-7 Countries, discussed plans and priorities of newly established Commission's composition



- · Meeting with Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to Ukraine Melinda Simmons
- Joint Action Plan sighed with IDLO
- · Received expert evaluation on Rules of Procedure of the Commission



- Protocol of cooperation signed
- Procedure of the Commission
- on improving interview skills





important issues with:

- Department for the Enforcement of ECHR Judgments of the Directorate General for Human Rights and Rule of Law of the Council of Europe
- Council of Europe Project "Support to the Functioning of Justice in the War and Post-War Context in Ukraine"
- The Joint Delegation of the Venice Commission and the Directorate General for Human Rights and the Rule of Law (DG-I) of the Council of Europe



USAID Justice for All Activity Program

· Received expert support in the form of recommendations to the draft of Rules of Ensured participation of Commission's members and Secretariat staff in Orientation Session; training "Assessment of financial integrity of judges and judicial candidates" and a workshop

PRAVO-JUSTICE

European Union Project "Pravo-Justice"

- Memorandum of cooperation signed
- Received expert support in the form of proposals to the draft of Rules of Procedure of the Commission
- Ensured participation of Commission's members in Strategic Session, arranged under the support of the Project

Council of Europe

Expert meetings were held to discuss a number of

German SIRZ Foundation for International Legal Cooperation (IRZ)

With the support of the project, a study visit of the HQCJU member to Germany on the Independence of the Judiciary was organized



Participation of a member of the HQCJU in the XI Summer School on Constitutional Law "Rule of Law and Constitutionalism"

