

JUDICIAL SERVICE COMMISSION

The Judicial Service Commission is one of four (4) Commissions that falls under the OSC which operates under the general direction of the Chief Personnel Officer.

The functions of the Judicial Service Commission is to appoint, remove and exercise disciplinary control over judges including:

- ❖ Resident Magistrates
- ❖ Judge of the Traffic Court
- ❖ Registrar of the Supreme Court
- ❖ Registrar of the Court of Appeal
- ❖ Puisne Judges
- ❖ Judges of the Court of Appeal
- ❖ All other Judges

The Judicial Service Commission is entrenched in the Constitution of Jamaica (Section 111-113). Its membership must include:

- ❖ The Chief Justice
- ❖ President of the Court of Appeal
- ❖ Chairman, PSC
- ❖ Three (3) members appointed in a similar manner as members of the PSC

The present members of the Commission with effect from June 1, 2016, are:

- ❖ Hon. Mrs. Justice Zaila McCalla, OJ - Chief Justice & Chairperson
- ❖ Hon. Mr. Justice C Dennis Morrison, OJ, CD - President, Court of Appeal
- ❖ Hon. Shirley Tyndall, OJ, CD - Chairman, PSC
- ❖ Hon. Mr Justice Karl Harrison (ret'd), CD
- ❖ Mr William Chin-See, CD, QC
- ❖ Miss Minna Israel

The Secretary to the Judicial Service Commission is a member of staff of the Office of the Services Commissions (OSC) and is appointed to perform the duties of the Commission in keeping with Regulation 4 of the Judicial Service Regulations, 1961.