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**MASSACHUSETTS COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT PUBLISHES ANNUAL  
REPORT COVERING 2013 ACTIVITIES**

BOSTON, MA (May 16, 2014) – On May 16, 2014, the Commission on Judicial Conduct's Executive Director, Howard V. Neff, III, published the Commission's Annual Report, covering its activities from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

The Commission reports that 312 complaints were filed with the Commission in 2013, and out of those complaints, 55 were docketed for investigation or preliminary inquiry, as each met the standard of alleging facts that, if true, would constitute judicial misconduct.

The Commission considered 100 complaints filed in 2013 and previous years and disposed of 97 of them in 2013. Of the 100 complaints considered by the Commission in 2013, 94 were dismissed upon the Commission's finding of no misconduct. In two of those instances, the Commission expressed concern to the judge regarding future conduct. Six complaints that were subject to an Informal Adjustment or Agreed Disposition were actively monitored by the Commission in 2013 and three of those complaints were successfully closed.

The Annual Report includes statistics for the year 2013, overall statistics dating back to the year 2009, a copy of the Commission's enabling statute, a copy of its rules, and the Code of the Judicial Conduct.

The Commission's statute and rules, and a copy of the 2013 Annual Report are available on the Commission's website: [www.mass.gov/cjc](http://www.mass.gov/cjc).

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