

Application No.	Applicant	Reason for delay	Estimated date of completion
<b>Renewal Special Permits Applications</b>			
15251-R .....	Suburban Air Freight, Inc., Omaha, NE .....	3	07-31-2013
9198-R .....	Washington State Department of Natural Resources, Olympia, WA .....	4	08-31-2013
14996-R .....	Skydance Helicopters of Northern Nevada, Minden, NV .....	1,4	07-31-2013
11136-R .....	Fireworks by Grucci, Brookhaven, NY .....	4	07-31-2013

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**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Internal Revenue Service**

**Proposed Collection; Comment Request Regulation Project**

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). Currently, the IRS is soliciting comments concerning regulations governing practice before the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** Written comments should be received on or before October 21, 2013 to be assured of consideration.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Yvette B. Lawrence, Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the form and instructions should be directed to Gerald J. Shields at Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the internet at [Gerald.J.Shields@irs.gov](mailto:Gerald.J.Shields@irs.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title:* Regulations Governing Practice Before the Internal Revenue Service.

*OMB Number:* 1545-1916.

*Form Number:* REG-138367-06.

*Abstract:* This collection of information is necessary to ensure practitioners comply with minimum standards when writing a State or local bond opinion. A practitioner may provide a single opinion or may provide a combination of documents, but only if the documents, taken together, satisfy

the requirements of 31 CFR 10.39. In addition, the collection of information will assist the Commissioner, through the Office of Professional Responsibility, to ensure that practitioners properly advise taxpayers regarding state or local bonds. On September 17, 2012, Treasury and the IRS published a notice of proposed rulemaking that would amend the regulations at 31 CFR Part 10. That notice of proposed rulemaking also withdrew the notice of proposed rulemaking (REG-159824-04) that was published in the **Federal Register** on December 20, 2004 (69 FR 75887). See 77 FR 57055.

*Current Actions:* There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB. This information collection is being submitted for renewal purposes only.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Affected Public:* Individuals and Households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 1,500.

*Estimated Time per Respondent:* 2 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 30,000.

The following paragraph applies to all of the collections of information covered by this notice:

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a valid OMB control number.

Books or records relating to a collection of information must be retained as long as their contents may become material in the administration of any internal revenue law. Generally, tax returns and tax return information are confidential, as required by 26 U.S.C. 6103.

*Request for Comments:* Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the

information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide information.

Approved: August 15, 2013.

**Allan M. Hopkins,**  
*IRS Tax Analyst.*

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**UNITED STATES SENTENCING COMMISSION**

**Sentencing Guidelines for United States Courts**

**AGENCY:** United States Sentencing Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of final priorities.

**SUMMARY:** In May 2013, the Commission published a notice of possible policy priorities for the amendment cycle ending May 1, 2014. See 78 FR 32533 (May 30, 2013). After reviewing public comment received pursuant to the notice of proposed priorities, the Commission has identified its policy priorities for the upcoming amendment cycle and hereby gives notice of these policy priorities.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeanne Doherty, Public Affairs Officer, 202-502-4502, [pubaffairs@ussc.gov](mailto:pubaffairs@ussc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The United States Sentencing Commission is an independent commission in the judicial branch of the United States Government. The Commission promulgates sentencing guidelines and policy statements for federal sentencing courts pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(a). The Commission also periodically reviews and revises previously promulgated guidelines pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(o) and submits guideline amendments to the Congress not later than the first day

of May each year pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(p).

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. 994(g), the Commission intends to consider the issue of reducing costs of incarceration and overcapacity of prisons, to the extent it is relevant to any identified priority.

As part of its statutory authority and responsibility to analyze sentencing issues, including operation of the federal sentencing guidelines, the Commission has identified its policy priorities for the amendment cycle ending May 1, 2014. The Commission recognizes, however, that other factors, such as the enactment of any legislation requiring Commission action, may affect the Commission's ability to complete work on any or all of its identified priorities by the statutory deadline of May 1, 2014. Accordingly, it may be necessary to continue work on any or all of these issues beyond the amendment cycle ending on May 1, 2014.

As so prefaced, the Commission has identified the following priorities:

(1) Continuation of its work with Congress and other interested parties on statutory mandatory minimum penalties to implement the recommendations set forth in the Commission's 2011 report to Congress, titled *Mandatory Minimum Penalties in the Federal Criminal Justice System*, including its recommendations regarding the severity and scope of mandatory minimum penalties, consideration of expanding the "safety valve" at 18 U.S.C. 3553(f), and elimination of the mandatory "stacking" of penalties under 18 U.S.C. 924(c), and to develop appropriate guideline amendments in response to any related legislation.

(2) Review, and possible amendment, of guidelines applicable to drug offenses, including possible consideration of amending the Drug Quantity Table in § 2D1.1 (Unlawful Manufacturing, Importing, Exporting, or Trafficking (Including Possession with Intent to Commit These Offenses); Attempt or Conspiracy) across drug types.

(3) Continuation of its work with the congressional, executive, and judicial branches of government, and other interested parties, with respect to the Commission's December 2012 report to Congress, titled *The Continuing Impact of United States v. Booker on Federal Sentencing*, and development of appropriate guideline amendments in response to any related legislation.

(4) Continuation of its work on economic crimes, including (A) a comprehensive, multi-year study of § 2B1.1 (Theft, Property Destruction, and Fraud) and related guidelines,

including examination of the loss table and the definition of loss, and (B) consideration of any amendments to such guidelines that may be appropriate in light of the information obtained from such study.

(5) Continuation of its multi-year study of statutory and guideline definitions relating to the nature of a defendant's prior conviction (e.g., "crime of violence," "aggravated felony," "violent felony," and "drug trafficking offense") and the impact of such definitions on the relevant statutory and guideline provisions (e.g., career offender, illegal reentry, and armed career criminal), possibly including recommendations to Congress on any statutory changes that may be appropriate and development of guideline amendments that may be appropriate.

(6) Continuation of its comprehensive, multi-year study of recidivism, including (A) Examination of circumstances that correlate with increased or reduced recidivism; (B) possible development of recommendations for using information obtained from such study to reduce costs of incarceration and overcapacity of prisons; and (C) consideration of any amendments to the *Guidelines Manual* that may be appropriate in light of the information obtained from such study.

(7) Undertaking a multi-year review of federal sentencing practices pertaining to violations of conditions of probation and supervised release, including possible consideration of amending the policy statements in Chapter Seven of the *Guidelines Manual*.

(8) Possible consideration of amending the policy statement pertaining to "compassionate release," § 1B1.13 (Reduction in Term of Imprisonment as a Result of Motion by Director of Bureau of Prisons).

(9) Continuation of its work with Congress and other interested parties on child pornography offenses to implement the recommendations set forth in the Commission's December 2012 report to Congress, titled *Federal Child Pornography Offenses*, and to develop appropriate guideline amendments in response to any related legislation.

(10) Implementation of the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013, Pub. L. 113-4, and any other crime legislation enacted during the 112th or 113th Congress warranting a Commission response.

(11) Resolution of circuit conflicts, pursuant to the Commission's continuing authority and responsibility, under 28 U.S.C. 991(b)(1)(B) and *Braxton v. United States*, 500 U.S. 344

(1991), to resolve conflicting interpretations of the guidelines by the federal courts.

(12) Consideration of any miscellaneous guideline application issues coming to the Commission's attention from case law and other sources.

**Authority:** 28 U.S.C. 994(a), (o); USSC Rules of Practice and Procedure 5.2.

**Patti B. Saris,**

*Chair.*

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## UNITED STATES SENTENCING COMMISSION

### Sentencing Guidelines for United States Courts

**AGENCY:** United States Sentencing Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice of final action regarding technical and conforming amendments to federal sentencing guidelines effective November 1, 2013.

**SUMMARY:** On April 30, 2013, the Commission submitted to the Congress amendments to the sentencing guidelines and official commentary, which become effective on November 1, 2013, unless Congress acts to the contrary. Such amendments and the reasons for amendment subsequently were published in the **Federal Register**, 78 FR 26425 (May 6, 2013). The Commission has made technical and conforming amendments, set forth in this notice, to commentary provisions and policy statements related to those amendments.

**DATES:** The Commission has specified an effective date of November 1, 2013, for the amendments set forth in this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jeanne Doherty, Public Affairs Officer, (202) 502-4502, [pubaffairs@ussc.gov](mailto:pubaffairs@ussc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The United States Sentencing Commission, an independent commission in the judicial branch of the United States government, is authorized by 28 U.S.C. 994(a) to promulgate sentencing guidelines and policy statements for federal courts. Section 994 also directs the Commission to review and revise periodically promulgated guidelines and authorizes it to submit guideline amendments to Congress not later than the first day of May each year. See 28 U.S.C. 994(o), (p). Absent an affirmative disapproval by Congress within 180 days after the Commission submits its amendments, the amendments become