

convenient and which meets all the required information criteria. This information collection is currently approved for use through May 31, 2019.

**II. Review Focus**

The Department of Labor is particularly interested in comments which:

- \* Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

- \* evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

- \* enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and

- \* minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses.

**III. Current Actions**

The Department of Labor seeks the approval for the extension of this currently approved information collection in order to carry out its responsibility to approve representative fees under the two Acts.

*Type of Review:* Extension.

*Agency:* Office of Workers' Compensation Programs.

*Title:* Representative Fee Request.

*OMB Number:* 1240-0049.

*Agency Number:* CA-143/CA-155.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit, individuals or households.

*Total Respondents:* 7,697.

*Total Annual Responses:* 7,697.

*Average Time per Response:* 30 minutes.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 3,849.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* \$0.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance):* \$2,307.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or

included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: March 6, 2019.

**Yoon Ferguson,**

*Agency Clearance Officer, Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, U.S. Department of Labor.*

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**LEGAL SERVICES CORPORATION**

**Notice of Solicitation of Proposals for Calendar Year 2020 Basic Field Grant Awards**

**AGENCY:** Legal Services Corporation.

**ACTION:** Solicitation for proposals for the Provision of Civil Legal Services.

**SUMMARY:** The Legal Services Corporation (LSC) is a federally established and funded organization that funds civil legal aid organizations across the country and in the U.S. territories. Its mission is to expand access to justice by funding high-quality legal representation for low-income people in civil matters.

In anticipation of a congressional appropriation to LSC for Fiscal Year 2020, LSC hereby announces the availability of funds for grants to be made in calendar year 2020 and is soliciting grant proposals from interested parties who are qualified to provide effective, efficient, and high-quality civil legal services to eligible clients in the service area(s) of the states and territories identified below. The availability and the exact amount of congressionally appropriated funds, as well as the date, terms, and conditions of funds available for grants for calendar year 2020, have not been determined.

**DATES:** SEE SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section for grant application dates.

**ADDRESSES:** Legal Services Corporation—Notice of Funds Availability, 3333 K Street NW, Third Floor, Washington, DC 20007-3522.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Judith Kim, Office of Program Performance, at (202) 295-1518 or [lscgrants@lsc.gov](mailto:lscgrants@lsc.gov), or visit the LSC

website at <https://www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Applicants must file a Notice of Intent to Compete (NIC) to participate in the LSC grants process. Applicants must file the NIC by May 3, 2019, 5:00 p.m. E.D.T. The print version of the Request for Proposals (RFP), which contains the grant proposal guidelines, proposal content requirements, and selection criteria, and provides access to the NIC and the service area descriptions will be available at <https://www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs/basic-field-grant> on or around the week of April 8, 2019.

In addition to submitting the grant proposal, applicants for basic field grant awards must also respond to the LSC Fiscal Grantee Funding Application (FGFA). The FGFA will be available on or around the week of April 8, 2019. Please access the FGFA and the online RFP application at <https://www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/grantee-login>.

The listing of all key dates in the LSC 2020 basic field grants process, including the deadlines for filing the grant proposals and the FGFA are at <http://www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs/basic-field-grant/basic-field-grant-key-dates>.

LSC seeks proposals from: (1) Non-profit organizations that have as a purpose the provision of legal assistance to eligible clients; (2) private attorneys; (3) groups of private attorneys or law firms; (4) state or local governments; and (5) sub-state regional planning and coordination agencies that are composed of sub-state areas and whose governing boards are controlled by locally elected officials.

The service areas for which LSC is requesting grant proposals are listed below. Service area descriptions are available at <https://www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs/basic-field-grant/lsc-service-areas>. LSC will post all updates and/or changes to this notice at <http://www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs/basic-field-grant>. Interested parties are asked to visit <http://www.lsc.gov/grants-grantee-resources/our-grant-programs/basic-field-grant> regularly for updates on the LSC grants process.

State or Territory	Service Area(s).
Arizona .....	AZ-3, AZ-5, NAZ-6, MAZ.
Arkansas .....	AR-6, AR-7.
California .....	CA-1, CA-12, CA-27, CA-28, NCA-1.
Connecticut .....	CT-1.
District of Columbia .....	DC-1.
Illinois .....	IL-3, IL-7.
Kentucky .....	KY-2, KY-9, KY-10.

State or Territory	Service Area(s)
Louisiana .....	LA-13.
Massachusetts .....	MA-4, MA-10, MA-11.
Michigan .....	MI-9, MI-12, MI-15, MMI, NMI-1.
Minnesota .....	MN-4, MN-5, MN-6, MMN.
Missouri .....	MO-4, MO-5.
New Hampshire .....	NH-1.
New Mexico .....	NM-5, MNM, NNM-4.
New York .....	NY-9.
North Dakota .....	MND.
Ohio .....	OH-18, OH-20, OH-21, OH-23, MOH.
Oklahoma .....	OK-3, NOK-1, MOK.
Pennsylvania .....	PA-5, PA-24.
Puerto Rico .....	PR-2.
South Dakota .....	SD-2.
Tennessee .....	TN-4, TN-7, TN-9, TN-10.
Texas .....	TX-13, TX-15, NTX-1, MSX-2.
Virginia .....	VA-17, VA-19, VA-20.
West Virginia .....	WV-5.
Wisconsin .....	WI-5, MWI.

March 7, 2019.

**Stefanie Davis,**

*Assistant General Counsel.*

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## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

### Agency Information Collection Activities: Comment Request; Generic Clearance of the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics Improvement Projects

**AGENCY:** National Science Foundation.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) is announcing plans to renew this collection. In accordance with the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, we are providing opportunity for public comment on this action. After obtaining and considering public comment, NSF will prepare the submission requesting Office of Management and Budget (OMB) clearance of this collection for no longer than 3 years.

**DATES:** Written comments on this notice must be received by May 13, 2019 to be assured consideration. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable. Send comments to address below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Suzanne H. Plimpton, Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite W18200, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; telephone (703) 292-7556; or send email to [splimpto@nsf.gov](mailto:splimpto@nsf.gov). Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339, which is accessible 24

hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year (including Federal holidays).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title of Collection:* Generic Clearance of the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics Improvement Projects.

*OMB Control Number:* 3145-0174.

*Expiration Date of Current Approval:* July 31, 2019.

*Type of Request:* Intent to seek approval to extend an information collection for three years.

*Abstract.* Established within the National Science Foundation by the America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010 § 505, codified in the National Science Foundation Act of 1950, as amended, the National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES)—one of 13 principal federal statistical agencies—serves as a central Federal clearinghouse for the collection, interpretation, analysis, and dissemination of objective data on science, engineering, technology, research and development for use by practitioners, researchers, policymakers, and the public. NCSES conducts about a dozen nationally-representative surveys to obtain the data for these purposes. The Generic Clearance will be used to ensure that the highest quality data are obtained from these surveys. State of the art methodology will be used to develop, evaluate, and test questionnaires and survey concepts as well as to improve survey and statistical methodology. This may include field or pilot tests of questions for future large-scale surveys, as needed. The Generic Clearance will also be used to test and evaluate data dissemination tools and methods, in an effort to improve access for data users.

*Use of the Information.* The purpose of these studies is to use the latest and

most appropriate methodology to improve NCSES surveys, evaluate new data collection efforts, and evaluate data dissemination tools and mechanisms. Methodological findings may be presented externally in technical papers at conferences, published in the proceedings of conferences, or in journals. Improved NCSES surveys, data collections, and data dissemination will help policymakers in decisions on research and development funding, graduate education, and the scientific and engineering workforce, as well as contributing to reduced survey costs.

*Expected Respondents.* The respondents will be from industry, academia, nonprofit organizations, members of the public, and State, local, and Federal governments. Respondents will be either individuals or institutions, depending on the topic under investigation. Qualitative procedures will generally be conducted in person, online (using Skype, Webex, or other conferencing tools), or over the phone. Quantitative procedures may be conducted using mail, Web, email, or phone modes, depending on the topic under investigation. Up to 7,595 respondents will be contacted across all projects. No respondent will be contacted more than twice in one year under this generic clearance. Every effort will be made to use technology to limit the burden on respondents from small entities.

Both qualitative and quantitative methods will be used to improve NCSES's current data collection instruments and processes and to reduce respondent burden, as well as to develop new surveys and new or improved data dissemination tools. Qualitative and quantitative methods that may be used include, but are not limited, to the following: Behavior