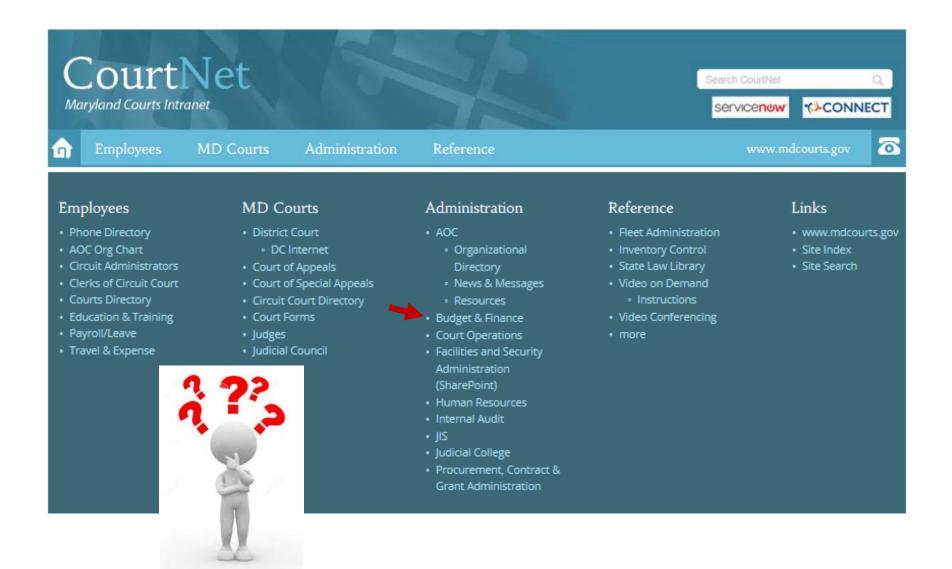
## General Budget and Finance & GEARS Information





#### **CourtNet - General Information**





#### CourtNet - Department of Budget and Finance





#### Department of Budget and Finance

As the Department of Budget and Finance for the Administrative Office of the Courts, we are pleased to offer this web site to assist you. Our mission is to provide accurate, reliable, and timely financial related services to the Maryland Judiciary.

The Department of Budget and Finance is comprised of two units: Accounting Operations, and Budget and Reports, which collectively handle the accounting, budgeting, and all financial services of the Judiciary. Key functional responsibilities include accounts payable, revenue, accounts receivable, formulation, presentation, justification and execution of the Judiciary budget, as well as oversight of the security and operational aspects of the GEARS financial software system.

#### **Accounting Operations**

This unit is comprised of two areas, Accounts Payable and Revenue, each with a corresponding supervisor. The Accounts Payable unit covers the following areas: payment of invoices to vendors

for goods and services, telephone, utilities, rents, masters, senior judges, interpreters, and other expenses and payments to employees for travel, reimbursement, and training/education. The Revenue unit covers the following areas: processing of Certificates of Deposits, Revenue 120-adjustments, disbursement transmittals, traffic, bond and other revenue refunds; local, agency, special fund allocations, printing, reconciliation and distribution of monthly revenue reports.

#### **Budget and Reports**

This unit is comprised of two areas, Budget and Reports, each with a corresponding supervisor. The Budget unit covers the following areas: maintenance of the chart of accounts, review and approval of requisitions Judiciary-wide for budget availability and object coding, monitors budget to actual expenditures throughout the year, encumbrance tracking, budget formulation, budget projections and budget revisions, working and petty cash funds, and 1099 reporting. The Reports Unit covers the following areas: inter-agency transfers, monitoring of submitted work/data with GAD, processing of adjustments, printing, reconciliation and distribution of monthly expenditure reports, as well as vendor file maintenance.

Please see Newsflash for important information regarding Accounting Day coming up on November 16th.

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#### **Tammy Sitar**

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#### CourtNet - Quick Reference





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#### Quick Reference

Note: The below items are listed here in order to be easily assessable. Please use the Questions/Comments link to let us know of any additional items that you feel would be appropriate for this new section.

- · Expenditure Chart of Accounts All
- · Revenue Chart of Accounts Circuit Court Clerks
- · Revenue Chart of Accounts District Court
- Revenue Chart of Accounts Programs
- Account Codes and Definitions
- · Document Type Prefixes
- · Sales Tax Exemption Certificate
- State Approved Bank List
- · State of MD One Stop Vendor Payment Inquiry System

NEW Please see Newsflash for important information regarding Accounting Day held on November 16th.

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#### **Accounts and Definitions**

#### R\* Stars Expenditures Accounts and Definitions

				7600 and Dominion
			Eligible for	
			Encumbrance	
			Review (E)	
Account Class	Account	Description	or not eligible (NE)	Definition
	0820	Medical Care	NE	Contractual services specifically related to medical care costs.
	0821	Management Studies & Consultants	E	Contractual services related to management studies, consultants and architect costs.
	0823	Security Services	E	Contractual services specifically related to security services costs.
	0824	Laboratory Services	NE	Laboratory Services costs.
	0826	Delivery & Moving	E	Contractual services specifically related to delivery and moving costs.
	0827	Trash Removal	NE	Contractual services specifically related to trash and garbage removal costs.
	0828	Office Assistance	NE	Contractual services specifically related to office assistance costs (ex. Temporary Manpower).
	0829	Fiscal Services	NE	Contractual services and fees specifically related to fiscal and accounting services.
	0832	Education & Training Reimbursement (HR Only)	NE	Judicial College Use ONLY - Contractual services specifically related to education & training contract costs.
	0834	American Sign Language Interpretation Services	NE	Contractual services specifically related to American sign language interpretive services.
	0854	Computer Hardware & Software Maintenance	NE	Preventive or remedial maintenance charges.
	0858	Software Licenses	E	Fees paid to a software vendor for the publisher's permission to use proprietary software.
	0870	Payment to Panel Attorneys	NE	Costs to provide panel attorney representation
	0872	Bar Exam Services	E	Costs to provide the bar-exam, including Board of Director expenses.
	0873	Outside Services - Other	E	Miscellaneous services furnished by the private sector (ex. messenger, courier, armored car services, web site, network services).
	0875	State Retirement Administrative Fee	NE	State Retirement Administrative Fee
	0882	In State Services Computer Usage	NE	Costs for computer usage at the Annapolis Data Center.
	0885	In State Services - Other	E	Costs for Lab Testing by State Services.
	0891	Interpreters	NE	Costs for Interpreters.
	0892	Subscription Database Services	NE	Database information access charges and electronic subscriptions (ex. Lexis/Nexus).
	0893	Transcript & Translation Services	E	Transcription costs and document translation services.
	0894	DBM Benefits System Access Charges	NE	Costs charged by DBM for Benefits System Access Charges.
	0897	State Budget System	NE	Costs charged by DBM for the State Budget System.
	0898	DP Contractual Services	E	Data processing related contractual services costs (ex. programming services).
	0899	Other Contractual Services	E	Non data processing related contractual services costs which cannot be specifically recorded to any other sub object.
09 Supplies &	0902	General Office Supplies	NE	General office supplies such as stationery, forms, writing materials, cleaning supplies, water, etc.
Materials	0909	Medical Supplies	NE	Medical Supplies.
	0912	Small Equipment and Furniture	NE	Non sensitive* equipment/furniture under \$1,000 per item, and sensitive* items under \$250 per item.
	0913	Uniforms	NE	Clothing for bailiffs, robes for Judges, apparel for guards, apparel for warehouse staff.
	0915	Library-Books & Reference Materials	NE	Books and reference materials (not Annotated Code).
	0926	JIS Only - DP Office Supplies	NE	JIS Only - Office Supplies related to Data Processing needs
	0930	Packaged Software	NE	Purchase of packaged programs that do real work for users such as word processing, spreadsheets, database management systems.
	0995	Corporate Purchasing Card	NE	This is a default for P-card charges not identified to a specific sub object. All expenditures should be redirected to the appropriate sub object.
	0999	Other Supplies and Materials	NE	Costs not specified in the preceding classification list.



## CourtNet - Department of Budget and Finance - Newsflash





#### Newsflash

On October 25, 2017, Tammy Sitar, Deputy Director, distributed an invitation and agenda Accounting Day, which will be held on Thursday, November 16. Please review this information and RSVP as indicated, if you plan to attend.

On July 16, 2017, Deputy Director of Budget and Finance, Tammy Sitar, distributed an email response to a couple inquiries from the FY19 Budget Workshops. Please review the memo.

On June 6, 2017, Deputy Director of Budget and Finance, Tammy Sitar, distributed an invitation to all Court and Program Budget
Representatives, as well as directions to the PY19 Budget Workshops coming in June to Frederick County, the Judiciary Education and
Conference Center and Queen Anne's county. We will also hold a conference call. Please RSVP and let us know where you would like to
attend. The forms will be distributed at a later date. However, please review the presentation and Instructions

Conference Call Information: June 30, 2017 @10am

Toll-free dial-in number: **866-792-3105** Conference code: 7712933573

On May 31, 2017, Tammy Sitar, Deputy Director, sent the FY17 YE Close email and new FY17 YE Checklist detailing important dates and deadlines for a successful year-end (originally distributed via a GEARS Update on April 27). Please review this information, share with your office staff as needed and reply with any questions or concerns. In addition, please be sure to review all GEARS email updates and the GEARS site to stay current on year-end processing.

On November 17, 2016, the Department of Budget and Finance hosted our annual Accounting Day at the JECC. [See photos and more] Approximately 200 representatives from the state's Circuit Courts and District Court locations, as well as court related agencies, programs, and Administrative Office of the Courts departments were GEARed up and ready for the 14th annual Judiciary Accounting Day.

The morning then kicked into high gear for information sharing and the collective audience heard two presentations: GEARS update (potx) and MDEC update. (potx)

After the morning group presentations, participants were able to select and attend four of the following sessions that focused on GEARS functionality and other issues as indicated below. (pptx)

- · Accounts Payable, Tips and Tools
- GEARS 9.2 Sneak Peek
- · GL and KK Year-end Review
- · District Court MDEC Lessons Learned
- Circuit Court MDEC Lessons Learned
- · Internal Audit District Court
- Internal Audit Circuit Court for MDEC/UCS
- Internal Audit Circuit Court for GEARS/RCS
- District Court Headquarters CCU and P&P Update and Other Tips
- · Order to Cash Tips and Tools
- Procurement Tips and Tools
- Travel Forum



#### **CourtNet - GEARS Information**



Message from State Court Administrator Pamela Harris: Political Activity

March 2, 2018

Dear Colleagues:

With the election season fast approaching, I take this opportunity to inform and remind all staff of the personnel and ethics laws concerning political activities of State officials and employees.

Read more.





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Online Employee Suggestion Box	Human Resources
Judiciary Phone Directory	Career Center
Employee Handbook	Information Security
Social Media Policy	Judicial Council
Employee Policies (MD Rule 16-806)	Forms Index
Revenue Collection System (RCS)	New/Revised Forms Index
Legislative Activities Protocol	• Commissioners
News & Messages	Judiciary Holidays



#### **CourtNet - GEARS Site**





#### Welcome to GEARS

GEARS is the Judiciary-wide financial system that supports the Budget, Finance, Procurement, and Grants Management processes, as well as Local Court Accounting for Circuit and District Courts. The system went live July 1, 2013 and allows for centralized real-time data, along with improved flow of information, transactions and reports. In addition, the system enables a uniform application of our policies and procedures across the Judiciary.

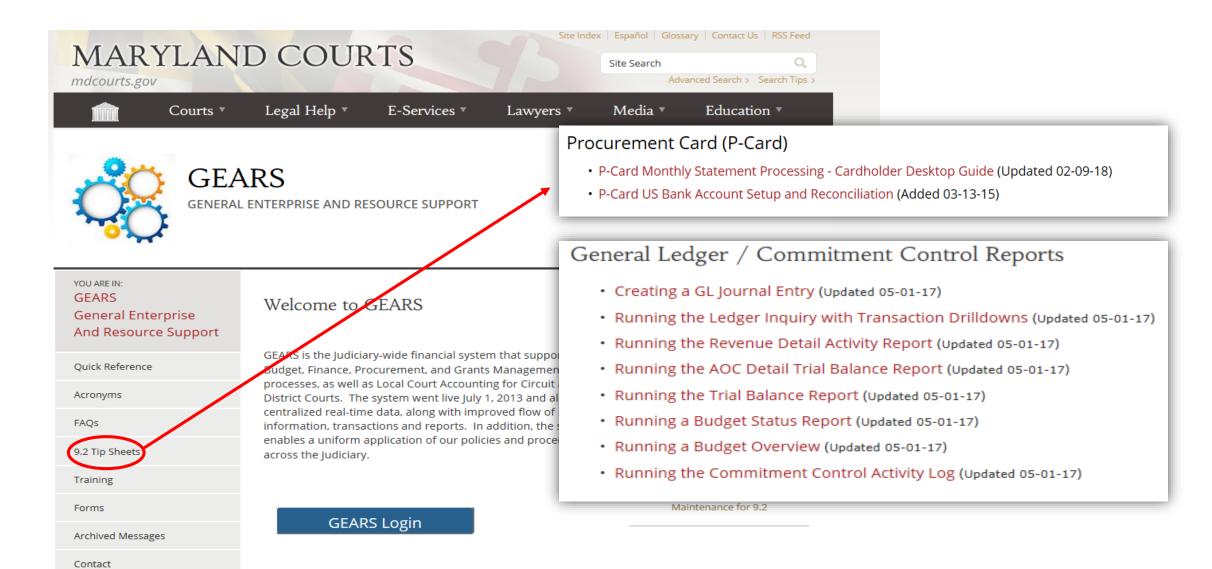
**GEARS Login** 

#### WHAT'S NEW

- NEW 07-16-17: Important Year-End Information
- 06-26-17: FY18 Per Diem Meal Allowances, GEARS Accounts, FY17 Year-End
- 06-11-17: Attachments, PO Reviews, Security Queries, Worklist and Year-End Information
- · Year-End Checklist
- · Year-End Memo
- Internet Explorer Maintenance for 9.2



#### **CourtNet – GEARS - Tip Sheets**



# Commitment Control - KK General Ledger - GL Review and Reports





### **Commitment Control - Budget Overview**

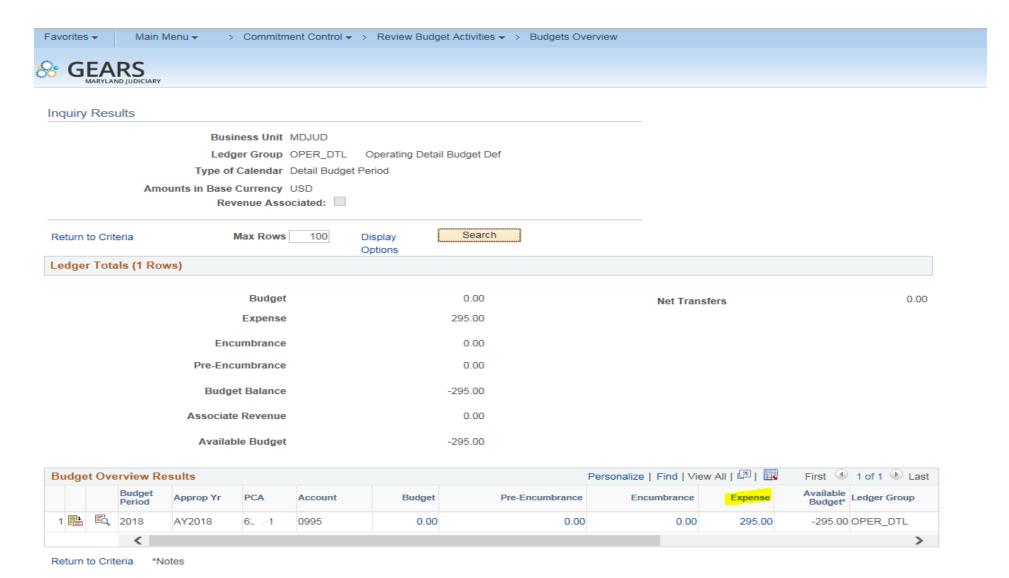
- Budgets Overview is an online inquiry tool that provides summary and detailed information about activity in expense accounts.
- It allows users to drill into source transactions within Budget, Pre-encumbrances, Encumbrances, and Expenses.

KK>Review Budget Activities>Budgets
 Overview>Budget Inquiry Criteria





## **Commitment Control - Budget Overview**



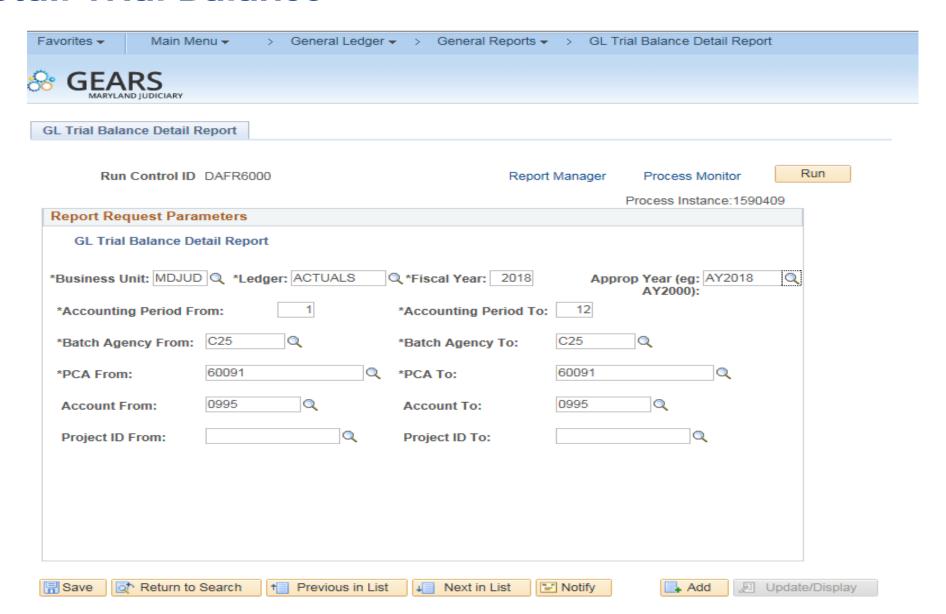


## General Ledger - Detail Trial Balance Report

- Customized report that shows all <u>posted</u> details to the General Ledger that are part of the balance as requested in the report parameters.
- Does not show budget information.
  - \* WARNING: Be sure to include your parameter selection when using this tool. These reports can become very large and can effect the system performance!
- GL>General Reports>GL Trial Balance Detail Report



#### **Detail Trial Balance**





## **Detail Trial Balance Report**

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BUSINESS\_UNIT: MDJUD

LEDGER: ACTUALS BATCH AGENCY FROM: C25 PCA FROM: 60001

ACCOUNT FROM: 0995

FISCAL YEAR: 2018
BATCH AGENCY TO: C25
PCA TO: 60301
ACCOUNT TO: 0995

BATCH DOC NBR VOUCHER INVOICE

C25 VZA26003 00383639 4246044555598642

C25 JA000141

ACC GENERAL LEDGER DETAIL TRIAL BALANCE REPORT

PAGE NO: 3
PERIOD TO: 12 RUN DATE: 14-MAR-2018

PROJECT

JRNL ID

APA0162354

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JRNL	DATE PCA ACC	OUNT TRANS AMT	CUSTOMER/VENDOR
11/07	/2017 <mark>6 11 099</mark>	99.00	US BANK
0995	Monthly Activ	ity: 99.00	
01/09	/2018 6′ 1 <mark>099</mark>	-99.00	
0995	Monthly Activ	ity: -99.00	
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## **Journal Entries**



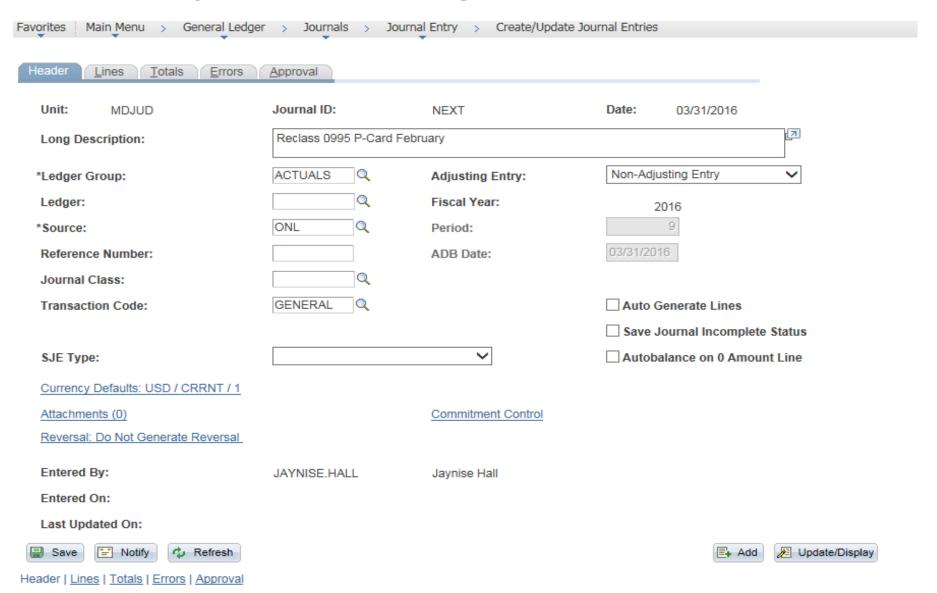
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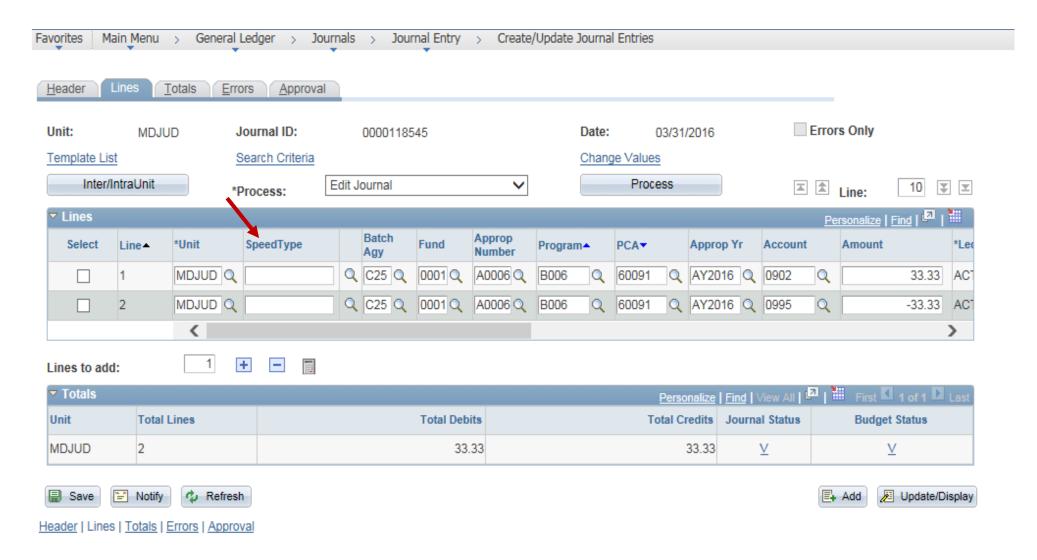
Change the coding on an already posted voucher

- Correct Appropriation Year
- Correct Account Code and/or PCA
- Reclass P-Card transactions from 0995
- Expenditure Journals now require approval
- Journal should always have an attachment backup for journal
- GL>Journals>Journal Entry>Create/Update Journal Entries

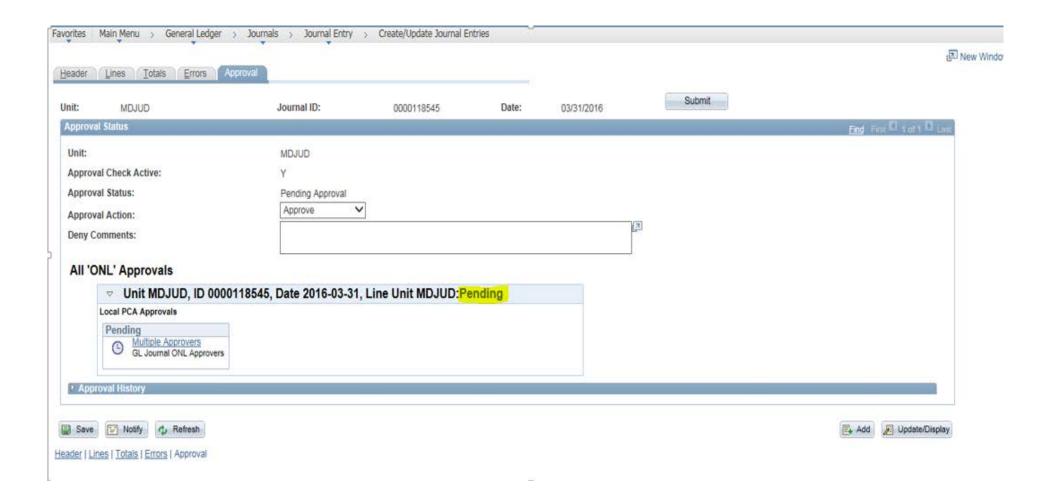
## **Journal Entry – Header Page**



## **Journal Entry - Lines Page**



### Journal Entry – Submit Approval Request



### Journal Entry - Approval Email

----Original Message-----

From: Tammy.Sitar@mdcourts.gov [mailto:Tammy.Sitar@mdcourts.gov]

Sent: Monday, March 28, 2016 12:34 PM

To: Darla McLaughlin < Darla.McLaughlin@mdcourts.gov >

Subject: Journal ID "0000120504" Business Unit "MDJUD" Has Been "Approved"

The following journal has been "Approved".

Business Unit: MDJUD

Journal ID: 0000120504

Journal Date: 2016-03-01

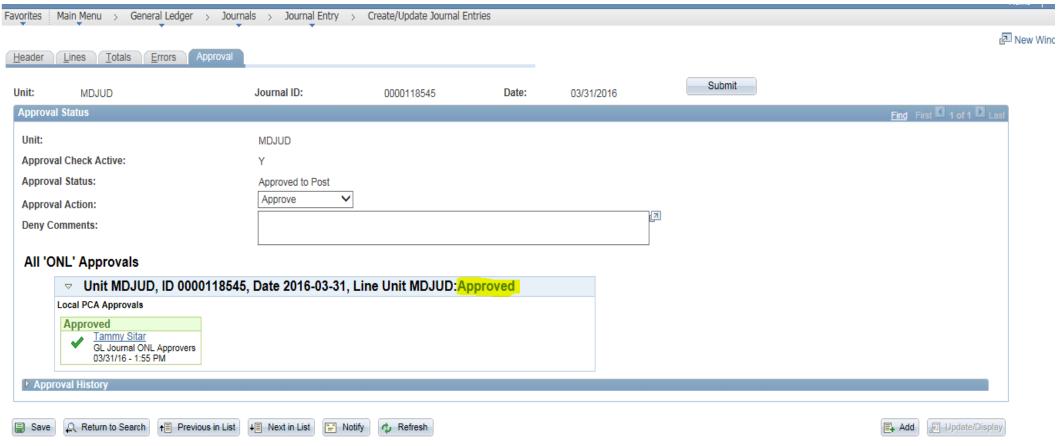
Line Business Unit: MDJUD

You can navigate directly to the journal entry page for more information by clicking the link below.

https://gears.mdcourts.gov/psp/fsprd/EMPLOYEE/ERP/c/PROCESS\_JOURNALS.JOURNAL\_APPROVAL.GBL?

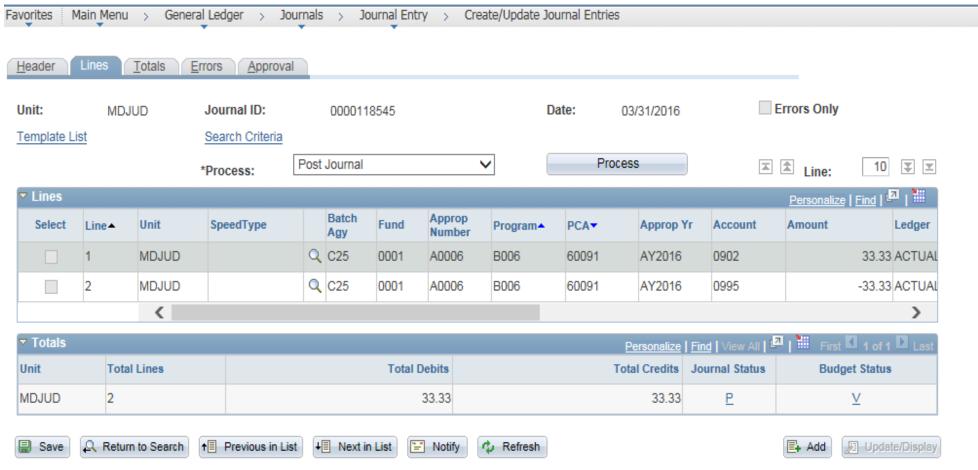
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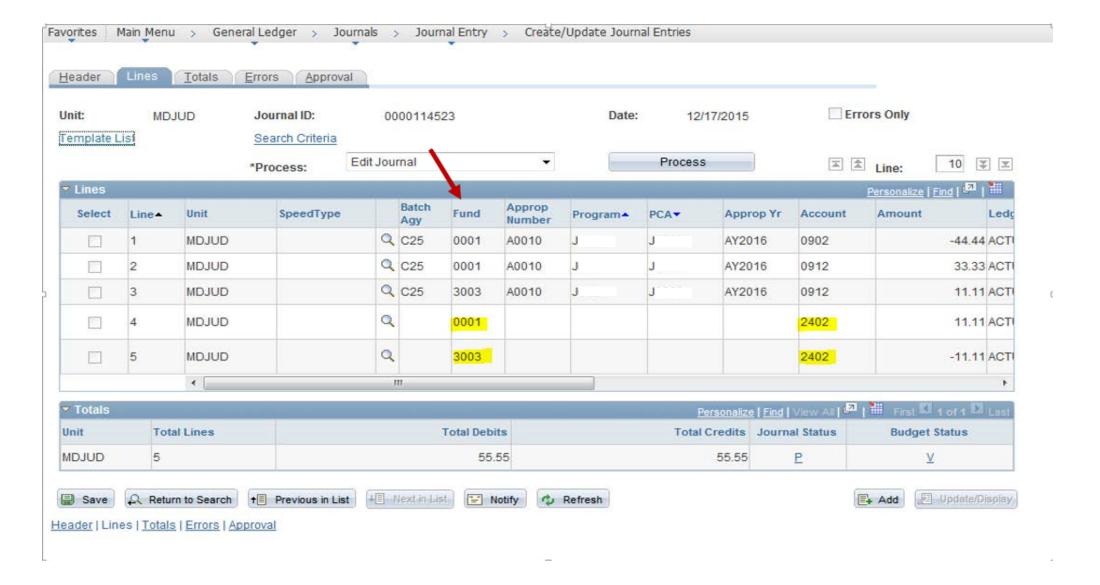
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## **Journal Entry - Posted**



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### **Journal Entry – Between Funds**



## QUESTIONS???

