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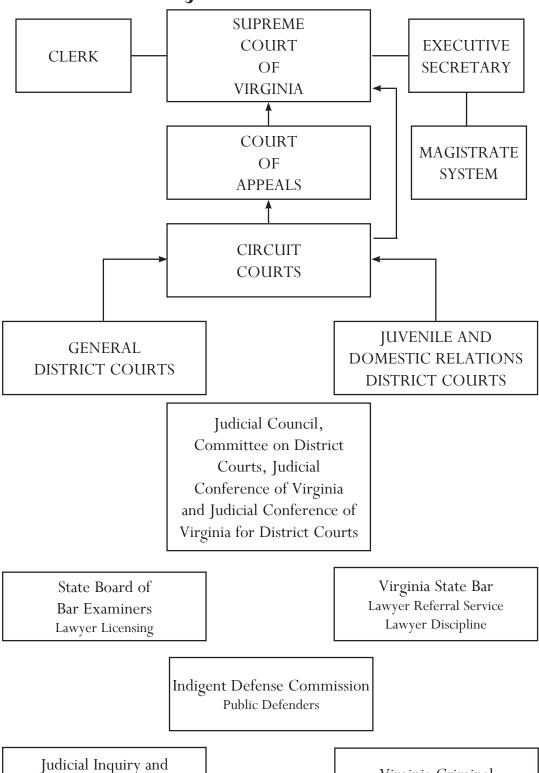
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VIRGINIA COURT STRUCTURE

SUPREME COURT Seven Justices sit en banc and in panels Case types: Court of last resort Mandatory jurisdiction: capital criminal, State Corporation Commission, and attorney and judicial disciplinary cases. Discretionary jurisdiction: civil, noncapital criminal, juvenile and domestic relations. Some original jurisdiction cases. COURT OF APPEALS Eleven Judges sit en banc and in panels Intermediate appellate court Case types: Mandatory jurisdiction in domestic relations and some administrative agency proceedings. Some original jurisdiction cases. Discretionary jurisdiction in noncapital criminal and traffic cases. CIRCUIT COURT (31 circuits: 120 courts) 157 Judgeships Case types: Tort, contract, other civil claims (over \$3,000), mental health, administrative Trial courts of general jurisdiction agency appeals, miscellaneous civil, domestic relations, estate jurisdiction and civil appeals from district courts. Felony, misdemeanor, criminal appeals from district courts. Ordinance violations. Jury trials. DISTRICT COURT (32 districts: 76 general district courts; 74 juvenile and domestic relations district courts; 50 combined district courts) 127 General District Judgeships and 117 J&DR District Judgeships Case types: · Tort, contract, other civil claims (up to \$15,000); separate small claims docket (for matters up to 4,500). Trial courts of limited jurisdiction Misdemeanors. DUI jurisdiction. · Ordinance violations. Moving traffic, parking, miscellaneous traffic jurisdiction. Juvenile jurisdiction, support/custody, interstate support, domestic violence, miscellaneous domestic relations, mental health. Preliminary hearings in felony cases. No jury trials.

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State of the Judiciary Message State of the Judiciary Report



I am privileged to have the opportunity to appear before you today and discuss the state of Virginia's judicial system. However, before I do so, I wish to recognize, our newest Justice, William C. Mims. Justice Mims has outstanding legal experience, and I am most confident that he will be an excellent jurist. I look forward to serving with him as a friend and colleague.

I also wish to acknowledge former Justice Barbara Milano Keenan, who served in Virginia's judicial system for over 30 years. Justice Keenan now serves as a judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. She has made numerous contributions to Virginia's judicial system, and we will miss her very much.

Virginia's judicial system is experiencing great economic challenges....

I wish to acknowledge my fellow Justices: Justice Lawrence Koontz, Justice Cynthia Kinser, Justice Donald Lemons, Justice Bernard Goodwyn, Justice LeRoy Millette, and Justice William Mims. I appreciate their guidance, support, and cooperation.

I also acknowledge our Senior Justices: Justice Harry Carrico, Justice Roscoe Stephenson, Justice Charles Russell, and Justice Elizabeth Lacy.

I thank Karl R. Hade, our Executive Secretary, for his outstanding leadership, his invaluable counsel, and his friendship.

I also wish to thank my wife, Linda, who has been my wife for almost 28 years. She has made great sacrifices to support me in every endeavor that I have pursued. I thank God for her, and I love her with all my heart.

Virginia's judicial system is experiencing great economic challenges that will affect our ability to dispense justice efficiently. Even though we had some success with the budget for the 2010-2012 biennium, we also had some disappointments. Regarding our success, we were able to retain funding for drug courts, which to me is very, very important, because I have seen graduates of drug courts – people who were addicted to substances, people who had never worked, people who had never paid taxes – and their lives have been changed, and they have become productive citizens.

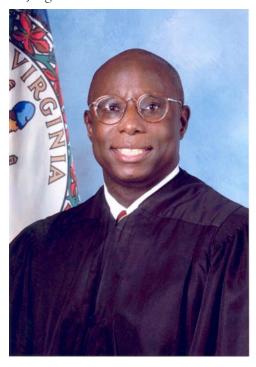
We were able to retain 4.2 million dollars each year

for waivers for lawyers who represent indigent criminal defendants. We were also able to retain \$600,000 for waivers in the current fiscal year that will end on June 30. However, these funds have already been paid to court-appointed attorneys, and we do not have revenue to pay for any additional waivers this fiscal year.

The General Assembly made a budgetary decision that it will not fill judicial vacancies that occur between February 15, 2010 and June 30, 2012. The General Assembly's policy decision represents a savings of approximately 11.2 million dollars. The General Assembly's savings are based on the assumption that 50 judicial vacancies will occur by June 30, 2012. A reduction of 50 judges represents a decrease of 12 percent of Virginia's judges.

When I stood before you to give my State of the Judiciary remarks during the past two years, I informed you that difficult economic challenges awaited us. Now, we must confront these challenges and ascertain how to reduce the impact of these challenges upon the operation of our judicial system.

A reduction of 50 judgeships will have significant fiscal and operational effects upon us. Some judicial circuits and judicial districts, which are already in need of additional help, will be burdened further by the reduction of judges.



Leroy Rountree Hassell, Sr., Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia

Additionally, and potentially troublesome, is the fact that if 50 judges do not retire during the biennium, we will have to make additional budget cuts because our appropriation from the General Assembly does not include funding for 50 judges.

Please remember that we are confronted with extraordinary economic challenges that we have not experienced since the Great Depression. The General Assembly had to make difficult choices that impact all branches of government, including the judiciary. However, we, as judges, must work together to reduce the effects of the loss of revenue and the judicial vacancies upon the dispensation of justice.

Even though I have the authority pursuant to Article VI, § 4 of the Constitution of Virginia to reassign circuit court judges temporarily to other circuits, I will not, and I shall not, exercise this constitutional prerogative. Rather, I ask that we voluntarily work together to help each other. I reiterate, I will not, and I shall not, exercise the constitutional power to temporarily reassign judges.

As judges, we take great pride in our profession and the trust that our fellow Virginians have conferred upon us. Concomitant with that great trust is our spirit of cooperation and our unyielding desire to help each other. I ask that this spirit becomes contagious. For example, the 11th Judicial District, which includes the City of Petersburg, has the highest juvenile and domestic

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relations district court caseload per judge in Virginia, but this district is operating with only one judge. This district is in dire need of help.

In many circuits, including the City of Richmond, Henrico County, and Chesterfield County, judges regularly volunteer to help judges in other circuits. I hope that judges throughout the Commonwealth will volunteer to help each other so that our duty to serve our fellow Virginians is not greatly impaired.

The General Assembly has further reduced the judicial system's budget by an additional 10.6 million dollars during the 2010-2012 biennium. We must make additional cuts in our budget because of this reduction.

We have taken numerous measures in response to the budget crisis. We have implemented a hiring freeze, we have eliminated out-of-state travel reimbursements, we have reduced the acquisition of legal publications, we have eliminated educational conferences, we have renegotiated contracts, we have eliminated a department in the Office of the Executive Secretary, and we have taken other unpopular actions. But, I am very happy to report that we have avoided terminating court employees, an objective that is very, very important to the Supreme Court.

In February of last year, we appointed a Pandemic Flu Preparedness Commission, chaired by Judge Westbrook Parker. The Commission, which performed exceedingly well, developed a comprehensive plan that will allow us to operate our courts safely during an event of pandemic influenza or any other disaster.

Approximately four years ago, we began working on a continuity of operations plan in the event that our courts were affected by the pandemic influenza. In February of last year, we appointed a Pandemic Flu Preparedness Commission, chaired by Judge Westbrook Parker. The Commission, which performed exceedingly well, developed a comprehensive plan that will allow us to operate our courts safely during an event of pandemic influenza or any other disaster. I thank Judge Parker very much for his outstanding leadership on this Commission. Initially when the commission was formed, I told Judge Parker that the Commission had 18 to 24 months to present a plan to the Supreme Court. However, once we began to experience events of pandemic influenza, I told Judge Parker the Commission had six months to complete its work. To his credit, and with his outstanding leadership, the Commission met our new six month timeline.

The General Assembly enacted the necessary legislation that will enable us to implement this plan. I thank Senator Henry Marsh and Delegate Clifford "Clay" Athey for their help.

We have prepared for your information a bench book that you will be able to access online. The bench book includes such topics as the declaration of a state of emergency, pandemic planning and emergency management responsibilities, employee education and training,

operations and case management, court closure and relocation, staffing and other human resource issues. We encourage every court to develop an emergency preparedness plan.

We have continued to make significant strides in the development of our information technology capabilities.

The Commission on Mental Health Law Reform enjoyed legislative success this year. The Commission began its work in December 2005, and has continued to examine Virginia's mental health laws and processes that impact our courts. Some have asked why this issue is important to Virginia's judiciary. Virginia's judges and special justices preside over 24,000 involuntary mental health commitment proceedings each year.

In recognition of the importance of the Supreme Court's Commission, in 2008 the General Assembly unanimously directed the Joint Commission on Healthcare to receive and review recommendations from the Commission on Mental Health Law Reform.

The Commission made numerous recommendations during the past year that were enacted by the General Assembly. Among the recently enacted statutes is the Psychiatric Treatment of Minors Act. This comprehensive Act consolidates the various statutes throughout the Virginia Code into a single, more user-friendly, juvenile commitment Act. Many provisions in the juvenile commitment code were modernized to reflect the new streamlined processes and procedural safeguards that had been incorporated in the adult commitment code.

The new statutes improve the procedures for appellate review of commitment proceedings. The new statutes also provide that the filing of an appeal does not suspend the underlying commitment order, and the appeal does not extend the period of commitment.

We thank the members of the General Assembly who have contributed to the Commission's work. These members include Senator Janet Howell, Senator Louise Lucas, and Senator Mary Margaret Whipple. We also wish to thank Speaker Bill Howell, Delegate Terry Kilgore, Delegate John O'Bannon, III, Delegate David Albo, and Delegate Ward Armstrong for their leadership and support.

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development of our information technology capabilities. We have installed video-docket systems in the Circuit Court of Loudoun County and the Fairfax Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court. We have expanded our case-imaging system, and we have installed this system in 44 circuit courts. Our new Java version of the circuit case management system has been successfully implemented in the Circuit Court of Tazewell County and the Circuit Court of the City of Norfolk. We intend to install the new Java version of the case management system in all circuit courts that use the Supreme Court's information technology.

Our information technology enhancements will enable us to significantly reduce our cost of operations. For example, since the implementation of our online payment of post-court fines and costs, we have collected 14 million dollars electronically, which has reduced employee time. We are averaging approximately 32,000 electronic pre-court and post-court payments per month for a total of approximately 4.2 million dollars monthly. Many of our information technology enhancements were funded through grants that we obtained through non-taxpayer sources.

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We are in the process of implementing an electronic filing system in the circuit and district courts of the City of Norfolk. All members of the Virginia State Bar and their staff will be allowed to file pleadings electronically. I assure you that the e-filing screens will be extraordinarily user-friendly for judges, attorneys and clerks.

We are developing a prototype of the e-filing system, and judges and lawyers throughout Virginia will receive demonstrations and provide input before the initial implementation of the pilot program in Norfolk. We are grateful to the General Assembly, particularly Senator Yvonne Miller, Senator Henry Marsh, Senator Janet Howell, Delegate Lacey Putney and Delegate Clay Athey, for the enactment of the necessary legislation that will allow us to implement and fund our e-filing technology. We also thank Jeffrey Breit, a Norfolk attorney, for his help with this project.

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seminar each year for court-appointed criminal defense attorneys. This program has enjoyed six years of tremendous success and approximately 650 to 700 lawyers attend each year, making this training seminar for lawyers the largest in Virginia, and the only educational program of its type in the nation. I thank Steven Benjamin, Betty Layne DesPortes and Judge Walter Felton for their leadership of this program.

I remain concerned about access to our courts for poor Virginians who are unable to afford legal counsel. Last year, I asked Virginia's statewide bar associations, and particularly the Virginia Bar Association, to develop a plan that will increase the provision of pro bono legal services to the indigent.

The Virginia Bar Association, through the leadership of John Epps and Stephen Busch, has responded to our request for help. The Virginia Bar Association has organized regional meetings of lawyers throughout the Commonwealth. During these meetings, attorneys collaborated on exciting new pro bono initiatives. I am very proud that Virginia's lawyers are determined to ensure that all Virginians, including poor Virginians, have access to our courts.

The Virginia Bar Association sponsored a Pro Bono Summit at the Supreme Court last month to report on our progress, challenges, and future goals. I commend the Virginia Bar Association, and indeed all Virginia's bar associations, who have responded to this important need. I will ask the Virginia Bar Association to continue its leadership role, and to reconvene a Pro Bono Summit in 2011.

I appointed a committee, chaired by Justice Donald Lemons, to review Virginia's appellate rules. I thank Justice Lemons for his outstanding leadership. The committee drafted proposed rules, which have been well publicized and published for comments. The Supreme Court has approved these rules, which will become effective on July 1, 2010. I commend these rules to you for your review. Additionally, we will encourage bar associations throughout the Commonwealth to sponsor continuing legal education programs to ensure that lawyers are knowledgeable of the new appellate rules.

Our fellow Virginians have entrusted to us great power and respect. Indeed, I can think of no greater honor for a lawyer than to be selected to serve as a judge. In the past, I have asked, and I continue to ask, that we serve with hearts of humility, servanthood, and respect.

I am very proud of Virginia's judicial system because many of the finest jurists in America serve as Virginia judges. In spite of our economic challenges, we must retain our spirit of hope, gratitude, and hard work, which has made our Commonwealth and our nation a great place to live.

Even though our budget reductions and judicial vacancies will cause delay and inconvenience in our courts, as judges, we should not be too busy to listen, and we must always be willing to learn. We must temper justice with mercy, and I trust that we will always retain our zeal, passion, and love for the law.

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I urge you to remember that each time we review a file, decide a motion, or adjudicate a case, we make decisions that will affect fellow Virginians and their families. Yes, our economic challenges will cause us to be busier, but justice must not yield to our efforts to be efficient; and our increased dockets must not impair our duty to listen and dispense justice fairly and impartially.

I am very pleased that this year's Conference happens to be in Norfolk. Actually, as the Chairman of the Conference, I had a little influence in the location of this year's Conference. I chose Norfolk for a very special reason.

I was born in Norfolk, at Norfolk Community

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Hospital, which is about 20 minutes from this hotel, adjacent to the campus of Norfolk State University.

I went to elementary school in Norfolk. Judge Jerrauld Jones and I were among 14 black kids who voluntarily integrated Lake Taylor Junior High School in Norfolk. I was one of the first in a group of students who was bussed across town in an effort to integrate the Norfolk public schools.

I attended church in Norfolk, and my great faith in God was birthed, developed, nurtured and matured in Norfolk. My parents met in Norfolk; they were married in Norfolk; and I was raised in Norfolk.

My grandmother, who was a widow with five children at the age of 20 – she was married, but her husband, after whom I was named, died unexpectedly – came to Norfolk in search of work because she had to support her children. She was a domestic worker, and she worked for a Norfolk lawyer whose name appears on probably more deeds of trust than any other lawyer in Virginia, that being Samuel White. He was very kind to my grandmother, and not only did he provide legal help to her, but he helped her acquire real property, which in turn improved her standard of living.

The first time I ever met a lawyer was in Norfolk, Judge Joseph Jordan, who was a member of the Norfolk City Council, and who later became the first black general district court judge in Norfolk.

I have many wonderful memories of Norfolk. I also

had the pleasure of attending a hearing in which a young lawyer by the name of Henry Marsh successfully argued to the federal district court in Norfolk that in order to achieve meaningful integration, bussing was a necessary tool. Henry Marsh won his case, and henceforth, I and thousands of other Norfolkians who were enrolled in the public schools began the experiment of racial integration in our public school system.

Some of my mentors are also from Norfolk: Judge James Benton, who was the first judge of color on the Court of Appeals of Virginia, Justice John Charles Thomas, who was the first judge of color on the Supreme Court of Virginia. They were my mentors, they are my friends, and they encouraged me throughout my career. As a matter of fact, when I was a student at the Harvard Law School, John Charles Thomas, who was then a lawyer at Hunton & Williams, would regularly write letters to me. I guess he thought he was my older brother, and he made sure I was attending class and completing my studies.

About nine years ago, the Supreme Court of Virginia asked the General Assembly to change the method in which we select the Chief Justice. Formerly, by statute, the longest serving justice on the Court was the Chief Justice. We asked the General Assembly for the authority to elect amongst ourselves the Chief Justice. The General Assembly was kind enough to grant that authority to us. We also agreed amongst ourselves that the Chief Justice would only serve two terms, and hence, I approach the conclusion of my second term, and I will

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honor my commitment. I will not, and I shall not, seek a third term as Chief Justice.

During my two terms as Chief Justice, we accomplished quite a bit. Actually, God has blessed us greatly, and we accomplished a lot.

We significantly increased judicial compensation, and we are among the best compensated judges in the nation, even though we have not had raises in three years.

We have implemented comprehensive magistrate reform. I have been on the Court now for 21 years, and even as a lawyer, I had concerns about our magistrate

system. With the help of Delegate Lacey Putney, who has been truly, not only like an uncle, but a family member to me in many, many ways, we were able to reform Virginia's magistrate system.

Diversity. ...It is my belief that unless the judiciary is diverse, we will not enjoy the support of all segments of Virginians. And that, my friends, is very, very, very important to me.

We were also able to reform Virginia's mental health system. And yes, there was a great deal of criticism regarding the role of the judiciary in this effort. But criticism is a part of progress, and Virginia's mental health statutes were in dire need of reform, as they had not been reformed comprehensively in over 50 years. It was time for change. I thank the General Assembly very, very much for its willingness to support our Mental Health Commission's recommendations because from my perspective, we have a moral obligation to help those who are unable to help themselves.

Diversity. We have made great strides in diversity. When I became a lawyer, Virginia's judiciary did not look like Virginia. When I became the Chief Justice, many of our committees did not look like Virginia. I made it my business to ensure that on every major commission we had geographical diversity, religious diversity, racial diversity and gender diversity. It is my belief that unless the judiciary is diverse, we will not enjoy the support of all segments of Virginians. And that, my friends, is very, very, very important to me.

We have made tremendous strides in our information technology. We have come a long, long, long way. And with the help of Senator Tommy Norment, former Senator John Chichester, Chairman Lacey Putney, Delegate Kirk Cox, Delegate Clay Athey, and former Delegate Vincent Callahan, we were able to develop an information technology fund that will ensure a dedicated stream of income that will enable us to continue to improve our information technology.

I have always been concerned about the rights of the poor in our courts. With the help of the Virginia Bar Association, we continue to make strides in encouraging lawyers to provide legal services at no charge to the poor.

We have worked with the Virginia State Bar, and we

have increased the services that the State Bar provides to our fellow lawyers. As you know, the State Bar is an agency of the Supreme Court of Virginia.

We have made FastCase available, which means that any lawyer, whether he or she is a Commonwealth's attorney or a criminal defense attorney, can research cases electronically at no charge.

We have also increased compensation for courtappointed attorneys, and that is very, very important to me. I was extremely happy when the General Assembly embraced our plan to improve compensation for these lawyers.

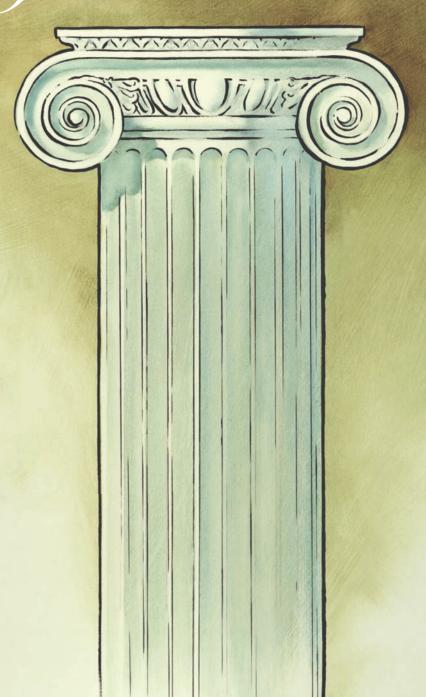
I have enjoyed a very busy, and at times, a very stressful, but a very happy eight years serving as your Chief Justice. My term expires on January 31, 2011, and I will continue to be very busy and to be very innovative and creative until 11:59 p.m. on January 31.

But I say this, and I say this with a great heart, God has blessed me tremendously. I love God, and I thank God for all that He has done for me. And the successes that I have achieved, that we, working together, have achieved, would not have been possible without His great blessings. I am honored to have had the opportunity to serve as your Chief Justice, and I praise our God for His support, for His encouragement, and for His abundance of blessings.

Being a judge is not who we are, but it is what we have been asked and accepted to do. Who are we? We are public servants. And what does a servant do? A servant serves.

You are wonderful judges. And you are wonderful judges because you are bright, you are dedicated, and you care. I hope that you will always remember that we are not kings, and we are not queens. Being a judge is not who we are, but it is what we have been asked and accepted to do. Who are we? We are public servants. And what does a servant do? A servant serves. I thank you, and may God bless our honorable courts and this great Commonwealth.

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Supreme Court of Virginia

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Jurisdiction and Structure

The Supreme Court of Virginia, which sits in Richmond and is composed of seven Justices, concluded its two hundred and thirtieth year of operation in 2009. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court is elected by a majority of the Court's Justices and serves a four-year term. The Court meets for five-day sessions beginning in September of each year and every seventh week until completion of the June docket. There are no formal sessions of court during July and August.

The Court's original jurisdiction may be invoked by way of petition for habeas corpus, mandamus, or prohibition. Appellate jurisdiction is invoked by appeal or writ of error attacking the judgment of a trial court. The Court hears appeals from the circuit courts involving civil cases (excluding domestic relations cases), criminal cases in which a sentence of death has been imposed, habeas appeals, and appeals from the State Corporation Commission.

Additionally, the Supreme Court is empowered to deal with matters concerning judicial censure, retirement, and removal. Subject to some statutory limitations, cases decided by the Court of Appeals may be appealed to the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court may, on its own motion or that of the Court of Appeals, certify a case originally appealed to the Court of Appeals for review by the Supreme Court before it has been determined by the Court of Appeals.

During the recess periods between sessions of the Court, the Justices conduct extensive legal research upon cases awaiting decision, draft and review opinions, study cases in which petitions for appeal have been filed, conduct hearings on petitions for appeal, and attend to administrative duties.

In addition to its appellate functions of examining results reached in lower courts and of redefining and developing the body of state law, the Supreme Court is also authorized to adopt rules of practice and procedure and to oversee changes in the organization of lower courts. The Supreme Court is responsible for the general supervision of the entire Virginia Judicial System.

Review of 2009 Caseload Activity

In 2009, the number of filings in the Supreme Court of Virginia totaled 2,639, which was 24 cases more than recorded in 2008. In 2009, criminal cases decreased by 3 petitions or 0.2%. Civil filings increased by 77 or 13.6%. See Table 1-Part Two. There were 24 petitions withdrawn before being acted upon in 2009. A total of 440 petitions for rehearing were filed with the Court during the year, up from 364 the previous year. A total of 439 of such petitions were decided: 423 refused, 4 withdrawn, and 12 granted. The Court qualified 1,299 local attorneys and 129 corporate attorneys and licensed and qualified 60 foreign attorneys in 2009. In addition, 29 attorneys were appointed to represent indigents, and 199 orders were entered by the Court to show cause or respond. See Table 1 - Part One.

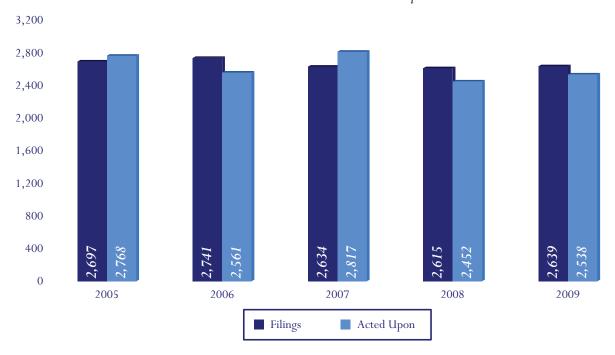
During the year, 187 petitions for appeal were granted, the majority of which (112 or 59.9%) were civil in nature: 108 civil petitions and 4 civil petitions granted from the Court of Appeals (CAV). Also, among those petitions granted were, 56 criminal petitions from the CAV and 1 case certified from the CAV. The Court refused 1,862 petitions for appeal in 2009, including 1,207 criminal petitions refused from the Court of Appeals (64.8% of the total refused) and 304 civil petitions (25.2% of the total refused). There were 248 petitions refused for procedural reasons compared to 208 in 2008. The total number of appeals granted and/or refused increased 5.8% in 2009 to 2,049, an increase of 112 cases from 2008.

Of the original jurisdiction petitions, the Court awarded 25 in 2009, down from 29 the year before. The Court refused 460 original jurisdiction petitions during the year, 354 or 77.0% of which were matters involving habeas corpus. There were also 95 writs of mandamus refused. The total number of original jurisdiction petitions docketed, awarded, and refused was 489, a decline of 5.0% from 515 in 2008. The total number of cases acted on increased in 2009, from 2,452 to 2,538.

There were 114 cases decided by opinion last year while another 64 cases were decided by orders. In 50 or 43.9% of the cases decided by opinion, the judgment of the lower court was affirmed. The number of opinions in which judgments were reversed or remanded in 2009 totaled 51 or 44.7% of the cases decided by opinion.

The number of cases waiting to be argued before the Supreme Court stood at 89 at the end of the year, up 7 cases from 2008's year-end total of 82. See Table 3. The goal of the Supreme Court is to dispose of all cases within 12 months of the filing of the petition for appeal.

Display 1 **Supreme Court of Virginia**2005-2009 Petitions Filed and Acted Upon



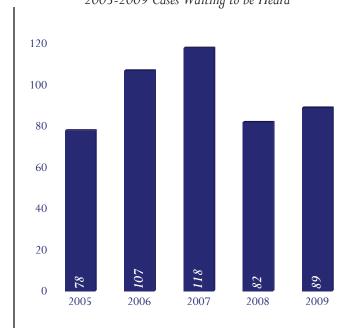
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2005-2009 Appeals Granted and Refused

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Display 3 **Supreme Court of Virginia**2005-2009 Cases Waiting to be Heard



SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA

Table 1 - Part One

Supreme Court of Virginia

2005-2009 Annual Statistics

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Petitions withdrawn before being acted upon	15	24	28	23	24
Petitions for appeal rejected for no filing fee or for late filing fee	6	3	0	0	0
Petitions for appeal rejected for other than no filing fee or late					
filing fee	36	18	9	14	7
Injunction Petitions (8.01-626) Refused	8	4	7	6	2
Injunction Petitions (8.01-626) Granted	5	1	5	2	2
Injunction Petitions (8.01-626) dismissed procedural	0	0	0	1	1
Cases transferred to the Court of Appeals	7	3	1	3	1
Cases decided by opinions	105	116	130	124	114
Number of opinions in which judgments were affirmed	50	46	59	54	50
Number of opinions in which judgments were reversed	51	67	66	70	51
Number of appeals dismissed	2	1	1	0	2
Number of memorandum opinions	0	0	0	0	1
Number of opinions in original jurisdiction cases	2	1	4	0	3
Certified Questions of Law (Total)	1	1	0	0	0
Answered in the Negative	0	0	0	0	0
Answered in the Affirmative	1	1	0	0	0
Number of cases decided by orders*	67	59	69	81	64
Rehearings filed	422	373	390	364	440
Rehearings decided	433	383	358	367	439
Rehearings granted	15	17	13	23	12
Rehearings refused	416	364	343	344	423
Rehearings withdrawn	2	2	1	0	4
Local attorneys qualified	1,301	1,279	1,351	384	1,299
Foreign attorneys licensed and qualified	73	88	78	49	60
Patent attorneys	0	0	0	0	0
Corporate attorneys qualified	194	124	129	163	129
Attorneys appointed by this Court to represent indigents	16	30	20	19	29
Orders entered to show cause or respond	274	250	223	247	199
Granted cases placed in suspense	1	0	0	O	0
Review of Virginia Board of Bar Examiners Decisions	1	2	5	2	1
Granted	1	0	0	O	0
Refused	0	2	5	2	1
Delayed Appeals permitted	106	93	113	87	73
Extensions of time acted on	328	256	232	232	228
Orders ruling on motions/requests other than extensions of					
time	418	406	402	411	392
Orders establishing due date in transfer cases	54	59	61	69	76
Records returned to trial courts (no petition filed)	270	217	246	263	232

^{*}Includes appeals awarded and cases remanded, Writs of Habeas Corpus awarded and made returnable to trial courts, cases dismissed and cases settled.

Table 1 - Part Two

Supreme Court of Virginia

Annual Statistics - Case Type Filings

	2008	2009	Change	Percent Change
State Corporation Commission	4	9	5	125.0%
Civil	568	645	77	13.6%
Workers Compensation	15	13	-2	-13.3%
Certified Questions of Law	1	-	-1	-
Criminal	1,361	1,358	-3	-0.2%
Disciplinary Board	3	3	0	0.0%
Disciplinary Court	2	5	3	150.0%
Death Penalty	1	1	0	0.0%
Habeas Corpus	106	113	7	6.6%
Writ of Habeas Corpus	419	381	-38	-9.1%
Writ of Mandamus	101	87	-14	-13.9%
Writ of Prohibition	20	8	-12	-60.0%
Commonwealth Appeals	2	4	2	100.0%
Actual Innocence	-	5	5	-
Interlocutory Appeals	2	1	-1	-50.0%
Injunctions	9	5	-4	-44.4%
Other	1	1	0	0.0%
Totals	2,615	2,639	24	0.9%

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Table 2

Supreme Court of Virginia

Petitions for Appeal and Original Jurisdiction Petitions

Totalons for Appear and	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Appeal Petitions					
GRÂNTED					
Appeals of Right	15	10	9	8	14
Civil Granted CAV	128 1	135 7	128 5	100 8	108
Criminal Granted	0	0	0	o 1	4 0
Criminal Granted Criminal Granted from CAV	23	43	61	49	56
Habeas Appeals Granted	11	2	4	2	4
Cases Certified from CAV	1	1	1	1	1
Certified Questions of Law Accepted	2	0	0	0	0
Remanded from U.S. Supreme Court	1 1 1 2 2	0	0	170	0
Total	182	198	208	170	187
REFUSED					
Civil Refused	315	309	340	308	304
Civil Dismissed (Procedural)	99	69	108 29	102	117
Civil Refused from CAV Civil Dismissed from CAV (Procedural)	28 27	43 29	29 14	35 15	35 22
Criminal Refused	0	1	0	0	0
Criminal Refused from CAV	1,188	1,023	1,382	1,150	1,207
Criminal Dismissed (Procedural)	0	0	1	0	1
Criminal Dismissed from CAV (Procedural)	72	83	91	62	69
Habeas Appeals Refused	100	142	58	65	67
Habeas Appeals Dismissed (Procedural)	57	64	34	29	40
Habeas Appeals Refused from CAV Certified Questions of Law Rejected	1	1	0	0	0
Total	1,887	1,764	2,057	1,767	1,862
Total Appeals Granted and Refused	2,069	1,962	2,265	1,937	2,049
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Original Jurisdiction Petitions					
DOCKETED	5	2	0	0	44
AWARDED					
Writ of Habeas Corpus	76	42	37	29	24
Writ of Mandamus	0	2	0	0	0
Writ of Prohibition	1	0	0	0	0
Writ of Actual Innocence	0	0	0	0	1
Total	77	44	37	29	25
REFUSED					
	247	299	279	201	245
Writ of Habeas Corpus	347		278	281	245
Writ of Habeas Corpus (Procedural)	135	82	93	89	109
Writ of Mandamus	118	156	132	98	95
Writ of Prohibition	14	14	10	16	10
Writ of Actual Innocence	3	2	2	2	1
Total	617	553	515	486	460
Total Original Jurisdiction Docketed, Awarded and					
Refused	699	599	552	515	489
SUMMARY					
Grand Total of Cases Acted On	2,768	2,561	2,817	2,452	2,538
Total Petitions Filed Annually					
Total I cutons I ned / minually	2,697	2,741	2,634	2,615	2,639

Table 3

Supreme Court of Virginia

Total Granted Cases Left to be Argued at End of Sessions

Session	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
January	59	76	90	91	80
March	74	66	96	91	71
April	56	63	99	83	86
June	75	86	96	84	111
September	59	100	97	81	93
November	78	107	118	82	89

Accumulated Monthly Totals of Cases Filed

Session	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
January	255	249	263	262	241
February	467	430	432	445	416
March	709	661	674	632	653
April	932	866	915	846	902
May	1,164	1,112	1,193	1,064	1,128
June	1,392	1,367	1,411	1,266	1,339
July	1,616	1,576	1,628	1,508	1,596
August	1,860	1,823	1,831	1,749	1,807
September	2,046	2,001	1,998	1,948	2,020
October	2,224	2,222	2,255	2,158	2,216
November	2,478	2,493	2,463	2,342	2,427
December	2,697	2,737	2,634	2,615	2,639

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Table 4

JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA

As of December 31, 2009

	Date	
	Commenced	Present Term
Leroy Rountree Hassell Sr., Chief Justice	12/28/1989	2/1/2002-1/31/2014
Barbara Milano Keenan	7/1/1991	7/1/2003-6/30/2015
Lawrence L. Koontz, Jr.	8/16/1995	8/16/2007-8/15/2019
Cynthia D. Kinser	7/1/1997	2/1/1998-1/31/2010
Donald W. Lemons	3/16/2000	3/16/2000-3/16/2012
S. Bernard Goodwyn	10/10/2007	2/1/2008-2/8/2020
LeRoy F. Millette, Jr.	8/18/2008	2/1/2009-1/31/2021

SENIOR JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA

As of December 31, 2009

Harry L. Carrico Roscoe B. Stephenson, Jr. Charles S. Russell Elizabeth B. Lacy

CLERK OF THE THE SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA

Patricia L. Harrington

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Karl R. Hade





Court of Appeals

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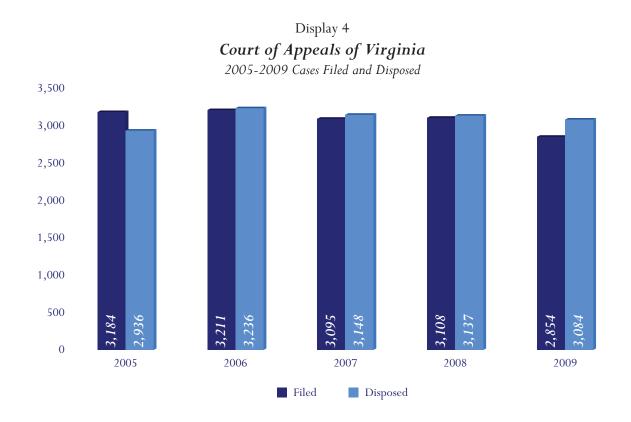
Jurisdiction of the Court

The Court of Appeals of Virginia completed its twenty-fourth year of operation in 2009. Established in 1985, the Court of Appeals is composed of 11 judges who sit in panels of three in various regions of the state. The Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals is elected by a majority of the Court's judges and serves a four-year term.

The Court of Appeals sits in various regional locations in order to provide convenient access to Virginia's citizens. These locations are normally in Alexandria, Norfolk, Richmond, and Salem. The clerk of the Court of Appeals is headquartered in Richmond and receives, processes, and maintains permanent records of appeals and other official documents filed with the Court.

The Court of Appeals hears appeals from circuit courts in all criminal matters except death penalty cases and in all domestic relations matters. In addition, appeals from decisions of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission and from most administrative agencies are taken to the Court. The Court also has original jurisdiction to issue writs of mandamus, prohibition, and habeas corpus in any case over which the Court would have appellate jurisdiction. The Court has authority to hear appeals as a matter of right from:

- any final judgment, order, or decree of a circuit court involving affirmance or annulment of a marriage, divorce, custody, spousal or child support, or control or disposition of a child, as well as other domestic relations cases;
- any final decision of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission (a state agency responsible for handling workers' compensation claims);
- any final decision of a circuit court on appeal from a decision of an administrative agency (example: the Department of Health); and
- any interlocutory order granting, dissolving, or denying an injunction or adjudicating the principles of a cause
 in any of the cases listed above.



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The Court of Appeals also has authority to consider petitions for appeal from:

- final orders of conviction in criminal and traffic matters except where a death penalty is imposed;
- final decisions of a circuit court on an application for a concealed weapons permit; and
- certain preliminary rulings in felony cases when requested by the Commonwealth.

Review of 2009 Caseload Activity

In 2009, the Court of Appeals recorded 2,854 case filings, 254 less than the 3,108 in 2008. This decrease in filings was due to a decrease in criminal petitions by 10.0% and a decrease in appeals of right by 6.3%. See Table 5 and 6.

The majority of filings in 2009 (76.8%) consisted of 2,193 criminal petitions (not including contempt). This was 244 less than the number reported the previous year. The number of petitions involving the Workers' Compensation Commission totaled 155, and there were 253 domestic relations petitions filed during the year. This number of domestic relations appeals was 3 (or 1.2%) less than in 2008.

Final dispositions totaled 3,084 in 2009, 53 less than the year before. This decrease in dispositions was due to a decrease of 25 in non-criminal dispositions and a decrease of 28 in criminal dispositions compared to the decrease in criminal dispositions in 2008 of 23. Criminal dispositions totaled 2,437, and non-criminal dispositions stood at 647. Of the total dispositions in 2009, 79.0% were criminal in nature.

In disposing of the appeals coming before it, the Court in 2009 issued 122 published opinions and 443 unpublished opinions. There were 346 appeals disposed of through orders. The number of published opinions represented an increase of 3.4% from what was reported the previous year, while the number of unpublished opinions increased by one or 0.2% from 442 to 443.

During the year, there were 1,431 cases appealed to the Supreme Court of Virginia from the Court of Appeals, one more than in 2008.

Of the 2,198 criminal petitions disposed, 269 or 12.2% were granted. This compares with 12.4% of criminal petitions granted in 2008. See Tables 6 and 7. There were 27 pre-trial petitions filed by the Commonwealth and 50 original jurisdiction petitions filed during the year. The original jurisdiction petitions filed consisted of 6 habeas corpus petitions, 18 writs of mandamus or prohibition, and 26 writs of actual innocence. There were 43 original jurisdiction petitions disposed of in 2009.

Appeals of right totaled 579 for the year and included, as mentioned above, 155 appeals from the Workers' Compensation Commission and 253 domestic relations appeals. There were also 39 administrative agency appeals, as well as 123 appeals over which the Court did not have jurisdiction and were candidates for transfer to the Supreme Court. In addition, there were 9 appeals filed during the year regarding concealed weapon permit applications or civil contempt. See Table 6.

Of the 565 appeals decided by opinion, 462 (81.8%) were affirmed, 78 (13.8%) were reversed, 14 (2.5%) were affirmed in part, reversed in part, and 9 (1.6%) were dismissed. There were 346 appeals decided by order in 2009 compared to 386 the previous year. Of these, 74 (21.4%) were dismissed, 66 (19.1%) were withdrawn or settled, 11 (3.2%) were reversed, and 90 (26.0%) cases were affirmed. In addition, 105 (30.3%) were modified, transferred, voided, or certified by the court. See Table 7.

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Court of Appeals of Virginia
2005-2009 Criminal Petitions

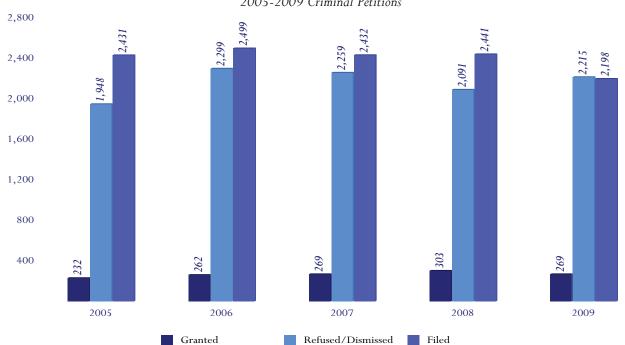


Table 5

Court of Appeals of Virginia
2005-2009 Annual Statistics - Part 1

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Cases Filed					
Criminal Petitions*	2,425	2,493	2,428	2,437	2,193
Domestic Relations	300	295	275	256	253
Workers' Compensation Commission	228	212	164	183	155
Administrative Agency	24	25	38	32	39
Original Jurisdiction	55	48	36	27	50
No Jurisdiction**	117	103	91	137	123
Other***	35	35	63	36	41
Total	3,184	3,211	3,095	3,108	2,854
Final Dispositions					
Non-Criminal	743	661	660	672	647
Criminal	2,193	2,575	2,488	2,465	2,437
Total	2,936	3,236	3,148	3,137	3,084
Disposition of Appeals					
Published Opinions	127	91	106	118	122
Unpublished Opinions	384	409	383	442	443
Orders	413	365	387	386	346
Total	924	865	876	946	911
Cases Appealed to the					
Supreme Court of Virginia	1,322	1,395	1,419	1,430	1,431

^{*}Does not include contempt.

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^{**}These are cases over which the Court of Appeals does not have jurisdiction and which are candidates for transfer to the Supreme Court of Virginia, pursuant to Code §8.01-677.1. Prior to 1995, these cases were counted under the "Administrative Agency" category.

^{***}Includes concealed weapon permit applications, appeals by the Commonwealth before the end of trials, and contempt.

Table 6

Court of Appeals of Virginia
2005-2009 Annual Statistics - Part 2

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Criminal Petitions					
Filed	2,431	2,499	2,432	2,441	2,198
Granted	232	262	269	303	269
Refused/Dismissed/Other	1,948	2,299	2,259	2,091	2,215
% Granted	10.6	10.2	10.6	12.7	10.8
Pre-Trial Petitions Filed					
by Commonwealth					
Filed	19	22	40	22	27
Granted	6	9	23	12	11
Refused/Dismissed/Other	13	13	17	15	14
Original Jurisdiction					
Filed					
Habeas Corpus	6	4	2	2	6
Mandamus/Prohibition	12	6	8	10	18
Actual Innocence*	37	38	26	15	26
Total	55	48	36	27	50
Disposed					
Habeas Corpus	4	3	3	4	3
Mandamus/Prohibition	12	7	8	8	17
Actual Innocence*	34	38	29	17	23
Total	50	48	40	29	43
Appeals of Right Filed					
Domestic Relations	300	295	275	256	253
Workers' Compensation Commission	228	212	164	183	155
Administrative Agency	24	25	38	32	39
No Jurisdiction**	117	103	91	137	123
Other***	10	7	17	10	9
Total	679	642	585	618	579
Total Cases Filed	3,184	3,211	3,095	3,108	2,854
Total Petitions Refused and	-,	- ,	- ,	-,	,
Cases Disposed	2,936	3,236	3,148	3,137	3,084

^{*}As of July 1, 2005, the Court of Appeals had jurisdiction over writs of actual innocence concerning non-biological evidentiary matters.

^{**}These are cases over which the Court of Appeals does not have jurisdiction and which are candidates for transfer to the Supreme Court of Virginia, pursuant to Code § 8.01-677.1. Prior to 1995, these cases were counted under the "Administrative Agency" category.

^{***}Includes concealed weapon permit applications and civil contempt.

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Table 7

Court of Appeals of Virginia
2005-2009 Petitions and Cases Disposed

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Criminal Petitions					
Granted	232	262	269	303	269
Refused/Dismissed	1,758	2,059	2,066	1,864	2,035
Withdrawn, Dismissed on Appellant's Motion	190	240	193	227	180
Pre-Trial Petitions Filed					
by Commonwealth					
Granted	6	9	23	12	11
Refused/Dismissed/Other	12	10	12	13	12
Withdrawn	1	1	5	2	2
Original Jurisdiction					
Actual Innocence					
Granted	0	0	0	1	0
Refused/Dismissed	34	38	29	17	23
Habeas Corpus					
Granted	0	0	0	0	0
Refused/Dismissed	4	3	3	4	3
Mandamus					
Granted	0	0	0	0	1
Refused/Dismissed	10	7	6	6	12
Prohibition					
Granted	0	0	0	0	2
Refused/Dismissed	2	0	2	2	2
Appeals of Right and Granted Petitions					
Decided by Opinion					
Affirmed	405	412	384	465	462
Reversed	65	55	71	72	78
Dismissed	16	10	13	3	9
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	25	21	20	20	14
Other*	0	2	1	0	2
Decided by Order					
Affirmed	3	1	0	65	90
Reversed	15	14	18	13	11
Dismissed	240	163	214	150	74
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	0	0	0	0	0
Withdrawn, Settled	69	95	65	70	66
Other*	86	77	90	88	105
Concealed Weapon Permit Applications					
Granted	2	0	0	0	0
Refused/Dismissed	1	2	5	4	3
Withdrawn	0	0	0	0	0

 $[*] Includes \ modified, \ transferred, \ voided, \ and \ certified.$

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Table 8

JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS OF VIRGINIA

As of December 31, 2009

	Present Term
Walter S. Felton Jr., Chief Judge	9/1/2002-8/31/2010
Larry G. Elder	5/1/2007-4/30/2015
Robert P. Frank	3/16/2007-3/15/2015
Robert J. Humphreys	4/16/2008-4/15/2016
D. Arthur Kelsey	2/1/2003-1/31/2011
Elizabeth A. McClanahan	4/1/2003-3/31/2011
James W. Haley Jr.	2/1/2005-1/31/2013
William G. Petty	3/16/2006-3/15/2014
Randolph A. Beales	4/16/2006-4/15/2014
Cleo E. Powell	2/1/2009-1/31/2017
Rossie D. Alston Jr.	3/1/2009-2/28/2017

SENIOR JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS OF VIRGINIA

As of December 31, 2009

Sam W. Coleman, III Jere M. H. Willis, Jr. Rosemarie Annunziata Rudolph Bumgardner, III Jean Harrison Clements

CLERK OF THE COURT OF APPEALS OF VIRGINIA

Cynthia L. McCoy



Circuit Courts

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Jurisdiction and Structure

The Circuit Courts are Virginia's trial courts of general jurisdiction and have the authority to try a full range of civil and criminal cases. The circuit court system consists of 31 judicial circuits encompassing 120 separate circuit courts in the various counties and cities of the state. As of December 31, 2009, 157 judges and 121 locally elected clerks serve in the circuit courts. The judges of the Circuit Courts are elected and receive interim appointments in the same manner as the Court of Appeals judges. The Chief Judge of the circuit is elected for a two-year term by a vote of the judges serving in the circuit. See Table 23. In 2009, there were two courts, Alexandria (18th) and Fairfax (19th), that did not use the Courts Automated Information System - Case Management System (CAIS-CMS). These courts transmitted their own manually- or electronically-tabulated data. Statistical information has been italicized for these courts in the tables in this section.

Table 9

Circuit Courts

2000-2009 Historical Summary

V	Cases	%	Cases	% Cl	Cases	% Cl
Year	Commenced	Change	Concluded	Change	Pending	Change
2000	264,479	4.2%	256,528	1.8%	239,618	3.3%
2001	269,238	1.8%	260,089	1.4%	238,204	-0.6%
2002	275,457	2.3%	268,381	3.2%	245,677	3.1%
2003	274,722	-0.3%	264,212	-1.6%	250,517	2.0%
2004	282,070	2.7%	272,710	3.2%	254,550	1.6%
2005	278,307	-1.3%	269,187	-1.3%	254,775	0.1%
2006	289,809	4.1%	279,336	3.8%	264,891	4.0%
2007	297,177	2.5%	284,742	1.9%	262,909	-0.7%
2008	291,733	-1.8%	289,095	1.5%	264,624	0.7%
2009	288,407	-1.1%	285,172	-1.4%	258,831	-2.2%

Year	Authorized Judgeships	% Change	Cases Commenced Per Judge	% Change	Cases Concluded Per Judge	% Change
2000	150	1.4%	1,763	2.8%	1,710	0.4%
2001	150	0.0%	1,795	1.8%	1,734	1.4%
2002	150	0.0%	1,863	3.8%	1,789	3.2%
2003	150	0.0%	1,831	-1.7%	1,761	-1.6%
2004	150	0.0%	1,880	2.7%	1,818	3.2%
2005	156	4.0%	1,784	-5.1%	1,726	-5.1%
2006	157	0.6%	1,846	3.5%	1,779	3.1%
2007	157	0.0%	1,893	2.5%	1,814	1.9%
2008	157	0.0%	1,858	-1.8%	1,841	1.5%
2009	157	0.0%	1,837	-1.1%	1,816	-1.4%

	Criminal Cases				Civil Cases					
Year	Cases Commenced	% Change	Cases Concluded	% Change	Cases Commenced	% Change	Cases Concluded	% Change		
2000	159,107	7.2%	153,126	4.1%	105,372	-0.1%	103,402	-1.4%		
2001	161,648	1.6%	160,299	4.7%	107,578	2.1%	99,789	-3.5%		
2002	166,389	2.9%	164,846	2.8%	109,068	1.4%	103,535	3.8%		
2003	170,299	2.3%	165,301	0.3%	104,423	-4.3%	98,911	-4.5%		
2004	176,873	3.9%	172,090	4.1%	105,197	0.7%	100,620	1.7%		
2005	175,264	-0.9%	170,701	-0.8%	103,043	-2.0%	98,486	-2.1%		
2006	186,892	6.6%	182,416	6.9%	102,917	-0.1%	96,920	-1.6%		
2007	193,705	3.6%	188,332	3.2%	103,472	0.5%	96,410	-0.5%		
2008	186,261	-3.8%	188,824	0.3%	105,472	1.9%	100,271	4.0%		
2009	180,198	-3.3%	183,630	-2.8%	108,209	2.6%	101,542	1.3%		

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Table 10

Circuit Courts
2008-2009 Percent Changes in Commenced Cases

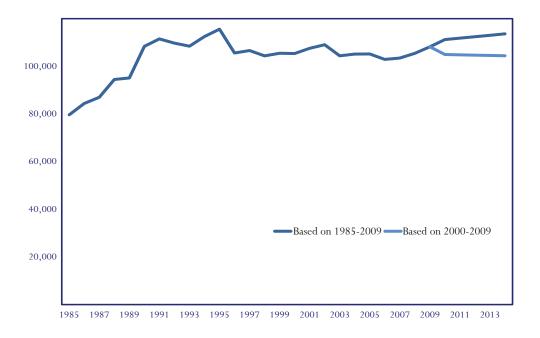
	(Criminal Cases			Civil Cases			Total Cases	
			%			%			%
Circuit	2008	2009	Change	2008	2009	Change	2008	2009	Change
1	6,931	6,038	-12.9%	3,094	3,150	1.8%	10,025	9,188	-8.3%
2	12,750	11,395	-10.6%	6,552	7,242	10.5%	19,302	18,637	-3.4%
3	4,675	4,239	-9.3%	2,786	3,810	36.8%	7,461	8,049	7.9%
4	9,570	8,484	-11.3%	6,106	6,346	3.9%	15,676	14,830	-5.4%
5	4,628	4,401	-4.9%	1,660	1,702	2.5%	6,288	6,103	-2.9%
6	3,193	3,073	-3.8%	1,352	1,260	-6.8%	4,545	4,333	-4.7%
7	5,541	5,220	-5.8%	2,386	2,383	-0.1%	7,927	7,603	-4.1%
8	3,138	3,089	-1.6%	2,262	2,063	-8.8%	5,400	5,152	-4.6%
9	4,619	4,417	-4.4%	2,767	2,799	1.2%	7,386	7,216	-2.3%
10	4,842	4,947	2.2%	1,737	1,763	1.5%	6,579	6,710	2.0%
11	3,551	2,967	-16.4%	1,465	1,413	-3.5%	5,016	4,380	-12.7%
12	6,384	6,534	2.3%	3,432	3,574	4.1%	9,816	10,108	3.0%
13	8,599	8,230	-4.3%	5,015	5,157	2.8%	13,614	13,387	-1.7%
14	6,971	6,882	-1.3%	2,852	3,088	8.3%	9,823	9,970	1.5%
15	15,102	13,927	-7.8%	5,676	5,803	2.2%	20,778	19,730	-5.0%
16	6,097	5,681	-6.8%	3,315	3,508	5.8%	9,412	9,189	-2.4%
17	2,486	2,597	4.5%	1,526	1,539	0.9%	4,012	4,136	3.1%
18	1,675	1,712	2.2%	3,875	4,245	9.5%	5,550	5,957	7.3%
19	8,965	7,993	-10.8%	15,690	13,964	-11.0%	24,655	21,957	-10.9%
20	3,136	3,086	-1.6%	4,527	5,035	11.2%	7,663	8,121	6.0%
21	3,902	3,749	-3.9%	866	898	3.7%	4,768	4,647	-2.5%
22	5,768	6,338	9.9%	2,005	2,065	3.0%	7,773	8,403	8.1%
23	5,852	5,378	-8.1%	3,285	3,236	-1.5%	9,137	8,614	-5.7%
24	5,567	5,061	-9.1%	3,218	3,062	-4.8%	8,785	8,123	-7.5%
25	5,692	5,862	3.0%	2,726	2,816	3.3%	8,418	8,678	3.1%
26	8,138	8,984	10.4%	3,655	3,987	9.1%	11,793	12,971	10.0%
27	8,048	8,627	7.2%	2,881	3,113	8.1%	10,929	11,740	7.4%
28	3,724	4,005	7.5%	1,333	1,435	7.7%	5,057	5,440	7.6%
29	6,798	6,443	-5.2%	1,635	1,617	-1.1%	8,433	8,060	-4.4%
30	5,046	5,556	10.1%	1,510	1,508	-0.1%	6,556	7,064	7.7%
31	4,873	5,283	8.4%	4,283	4,628	8.1%	9,156	9,911	8.2%
Total	186,261	180,198	-3.3%	105,472	108,209	2.6%	291,733	288,407	-1.1%
Urban	88,410	83,074	-6.0%	63,144	64,425	2.0%	151,554	147,499	-2.7%
Rural	97,851	97,124	-0.7%	42,328	43,784	3.4%	140,179	140,908	0.5%

Urban circuits are 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 23, 31

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Circuit Courts

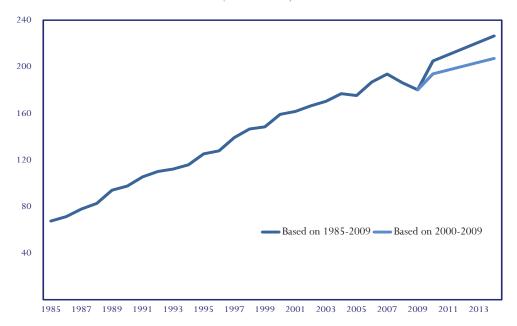
Trends in Commenced Civil Cases



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Circuit Courts

Trends in Commenced Criminal Cases
(Cases in thousands)



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Table 11

Circuit Courts

Trial Rates 2000 - 2009

Year Civil Cases Civil Cases 2000 105,372 103,402 2001 107,578 99,789				
Year Commenced Concluded 2000 105,372 103,402		Cases Concluded	Cases Concluded	Total Cases
2000 105,372 103,402		by Judge	by Jury	Concluded
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		Trial	Trial	by Trial
		17,156	1,514	18,670
4001 107,370 99,789		18,415	1,145	19,560
2002 109,068 103,535		20,157	1,165	21,322
2003 104,423 98,911		19,922	932	20,854
2004 105,197 100,620		20,554	837	21,391
2005 103,043 98,486		20,258	719	20,977
2006 102,917 96,920		21,595	694	22,289
2007 103,472 96,410		22,019	666	22,685
2008 105,472 100,271		22,887	618	23,505
2009 108,209 101,542		22,851	592	23,443
Percent of Percent of I	Percent of			
Cases Cases	Cases	Juries	Juries	Total
	Concluded	Impaneled	Impaneled	Civil
Year by Judge Trial by Jury Trial	by Trial	Law	Equity	Juries
	,		* *	
2000 16.6% 1.5%	18.06%	1,877	22	1,899
2001 18.5% 1.1%	19.6%	1,615	16	1,631
2002 19.5% 1.1%	20.6%	1,352	17	1,369
2003 20.1% 0.9%	21.1%	1,189	7	1,196
2004 20.4% 0.8%	21.3%	1,061	10	1,071
2005 20.6% 0.7%	21.3%	980	10	990
2006 22.3% 0.7%	23.0%	873	5	878
2007 22.8% 0.7%	23.5%	766	9	775
2008 22.8% 0.6%	23.4%	799	-	799
2009 22.5% 0.6%	23.1%	813	-	813
				Total Cases
Criminal Cases Criminal Cas	es	Cases Concluded	Cases Concluded	Concluded
Year Commenced Concluded		by Judge Trial	by Jury Trial	by Trial
2000 159,107 153,126		52,989	2,337	55,326
2001 161,648 160,299		55,709	2,555	58,264
2002 166,389 164,846		55,342	2,482	57,824
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Table 12

Circuit Courts

2009 Age of Concluded Cases

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CRIMINAL CASES

% Concluded Within 12 Months of Filing % Tried/Adjudicated Within Time Frame Specified

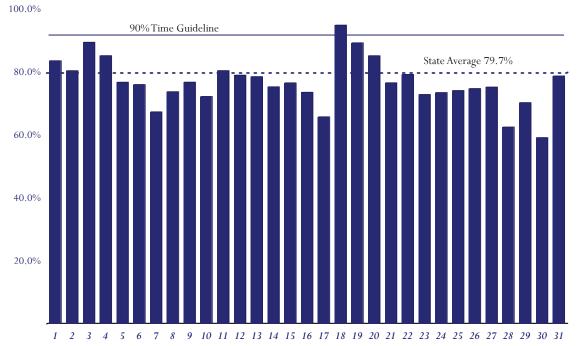
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Circuit	Divorce Cases	Rank	Cases	Rank	of Arrest	Rank	of Arrest	Rank
1	83.5%	6	74.9%	12	51.8%	7	61.2%	5
2	80.4%	8	71.5%	22	45.8%	17	58.8%	7
3	89.4%	2	87.4%	3	52.4%	6	56.6%	10
4	85.1%	4	84.0%	4	47.7%	13	47.4%	17
5	76.7%	14	74.8%	13	43.0%	20	38.9%	25
6	76.0%	17	75.1%	11	43.2%	19	38.1%	26
7	67.3%	28	72.2%	20	26.1%	31	47.7%	16
8	73.7%	22	37.5%	17	47.6%	15	58.8%	8
9	76.7%	13	67.7%	25	50.2%	11	43.0%	22
10	72.2%	26	74.2%	14	30.4%	29	30.3%	29
11	80.4%	7	66.2%	26	42.1%	21	60.9%	6
12	78.9%	10	75.6%	9	49.5%	12	54.7%	11
13	78.5%	12	73.8%	15	47.7%	14	62.5%	4
14	75.2%	18	75.3%	10	51.3%	8	53.1%	13
15	76.5%	16	71.3%	23	37.4%	24	36.5%	27
16	73.5%	23	72.6%	18	34.8%	28	32.9%	28
17	65.7%	29	53.5%	16	57.0%	5	30.0%	2
18	94.8%	1	98.0%	31	98.0%	1	79.5%	1
19	89.2%	3	90.0%	1	75.9%	2	83.8%	23
20	85.1%	5	78.5%	2	46.2%	16	42.9%	24
21	76.5%	15	79.5%	6	57.1%	4	40.5%	12
22	79.2%	9	78.3%	5	67.7%	3	53.9%	3
23	72.8%	25	66.2%	7	50.8%	9	63.9%	15
24	73.4%	24	72.2%	27	36.0%	26	49.3%	19
25	74.1%	21	72.1%	19	36.2%	25	44.6%	21
26	74.7%	20	77.3%	21	39.4%	22	43.6%	30
27	75.2%	19	70.6%	8	35.3%	27	30.2%	18
28	62.5%	30	60.6%	24	50.7%	10	45.9%	20
29	70.2%	27	65.6%	29	45.7%	18	43.9%	9
30	59.1%	31	55.5%	28	38.2%	23	56.8%	14
31	78.7%	11	73.4%	30	26.6%	30	52.1%	31
State	79.7%		75.3%		45.3%		50.7%	
Urban	82.4%		77.5%		50.0%		58.5%	
Rural	75.6%		71.9%		41.8%		42.7%	

Urban circuits are 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 23, 31

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Circuit Courts

2009 Percent of Civil Cases* Concluded Within 12 Months of Filing
(In Circuit Order)



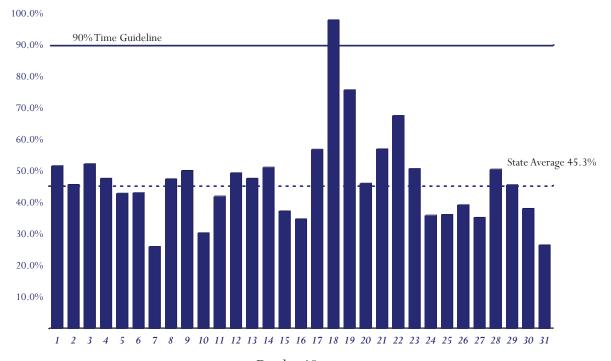
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Circuit Courts

2009 Percent of Felony Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within 120 Days of Arrest*

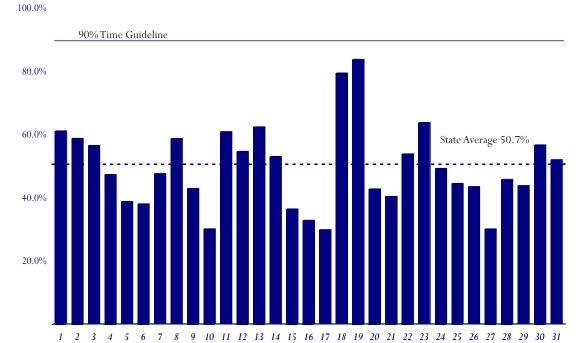
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Circuit Courts

2009 Percent of Misdemeanor Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within 60 Days of Arrest/Filing*



*Note: These statistics are taken from the Courts Automated Information System - Case Management System. Courts not using this system transmit their own manually- or electronically-tabulated data to the Office of the Executive Secretary. These courts include Alexandria (18th Judicial Circuit) and Fairfax (19th).

Table 13

Circuit Courts

2000-2009 Age of Concluded Civil Cases

Civil Cases (Excludes Divorce Cases Only)

Percent of Cases Concluded Within Specified Time Frames

Time I	Interval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
00-03	Months	32.2%	35.1%	36.0%	36.9%	36.9%	37.5%	38.5%	38.9%	38.5%	39.4%
04-06	Months	12.6%	14.1%	13.7%	14.3%	14.3%	14.7%	14.9%	14.7%	14.4%	16.2%
07-12	Months	16.6%	18.0%	17.9%	17.4%	17.5%	17.5%	17.6%	17.4%	16.7%	17.0%
13-18	Months	9.4%	9.1%	8.9%	8.8%	8.8%	8.9%	9.0%	9.0%	8.8%	7.7%
19-24	Months	4.9%	5.3%	4.6%	4.7%	4.7%	4.6%	4.6%	4.4%	4.3%	4.0%
25-36	Months	6.6%	5.9%	5.6%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.6%	5.4%	5.2%	4.7%
37-48	Months	5.8%	4.7%	5.6%	6.7%	6.5%	6.1%	5.5%	5.2%	5.4%	4.1%
49-60	Months	3.3%	2.6%	3.1%	2.6%	2.5%	2.5%	1.9%	2.0%	2.7%	2.2%
60+	Months	8.6%	5.3%	4.7%	3.6%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.9%	4.0%	4.6%
Total		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Percent of Cases Concluded Within 12 Months of Filing

Time Interval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	
State	61.5%	67.2%	67.6%	68.5%	68.7%	69.7%	71.0%	71.0%	69.5%	72.6%	_

Civil Cases (Includes All Civil Cases)

Percent of Cases Concluded Within Specified Time Frames

Time I	Interval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
00-03	Months	36.3%	38.3%	39.0%	39.0%	39.0%	39.9%	41.3%	42.0%	41.5%	43.0%
04-06	Months	15.0%	16.1%	15.6%	15.8%	15.9%	16.3%	16.3%	16.1%	15.5%	16.7%
07-12	Months	15.4%	16.4%	16.3%	16.4%	16.4%	16.2%	16.3%	16.1%	15.6%	15.7%
13-18	Months	8.4%	8.3%	8.2%	8.5%	8.3%	8.3%	8.3%	8.3%	8.3%	7.3%
19-24	Months	4.4%	4.8%	4.2%	4.3%	4.2%	4.2%	4.0%	4.0%	3.9%	3.7%
25-36	Months	5.9%	5.2%	5.2%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	5.2%	4.8%	4.6%	4.3%
37-48	Months	5.0%	4.2%	5.1%	5.1%	5.9%	5.5%	4.9%	4.6%	4.8%	3.8%
49-60	Months	2.8%	2.2%	2.5%	2.2%	2.3%	2.3%	1.7%	1.7%	2.3%	1.9%
60+	Months	6.7%	4.4%	4.0%	3.9%	3.3%	2.7%	2.1%	2.4%	3.4%	3.8%
Total		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Percent of Cases Concluded Within 12 Months of Filing

Time Interval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
State	66.7%	70.9%	70.9%	71.3%	71.2%	72.4%	73.8%	74.3%	72.7%	75.3%

Voluntary Case Processing Time Guidelines

90% of all civil cases should be settled, tried, or otherwise concluded within 12 months of the date of case filing; 98% with 18 months of filing; and the remainder within 24 months of filing except for individual cases in which the court determines exceptional circumstances exist and for which a continuing review should occur.

Table 14

Circuit Courts

2000-2009 Age of Concluded Criminal Cases

Felony Cases

Percent of Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within Specified Time Frames

Time Ir	nterval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
00-60	Days	21.8%	24.0%	24.7%	25.4%	23.6%	22.7%	21.9%	22.6%	22.0%	22.2%
61-90	Days	11.2%	11.2%	12.3%	12.7%	12.2%	12.0%	11.3%	11.4%	11.9%	11.2%
91-120	Days	12.4%	12.6%	13.1%	13.4%	13.4%	12.4%	12.0%	12.0%	12.5%	12.0%
121-150	Days	10.6%	10.4%	10.6%	10.9%	11.1%	10.4%	10.4%	10.7%	10.6%	10.5%
151-180	Days	9.2%	8.5%	8.4%	8.8%	8.6%	8.5%	8.8%	8.7%	9.0%	8.8%
181-270	Days	16.7%	16.6%	15.3%	14.5%	15.5%	16.4%	17.0%	16.1%	15.5%	15.9%
271-365	Days	7.4%	6.8%	6.5%	5.7%	6.3%	7.4%	7.4%	8.2%	7.3%	7.3%
365+	Days	10.6%	9.9%	9.1%	8.6%	9.3%	10.1%	11.2%	10.3%	11.2%	12.2%
Total		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Percent of	Cases Trie	d/Adjudicat	ed Within	120 Days of	Arrest						
Time Ir	nterval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
State		45.5%	47.8%	50.1%	51.5%	49.3%	47.1%	45.2%	46.0%	46.4%	45.3%
Percent of	Cases Trie	d/Adjudicat	ed Within	180 Days of	Arrest						
Time Ir	nterval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
State		65.4%	66.7%	69.1%	71.2%	69.0%	66.1%	64.4%	65.4%	66.0%	64.6%

Misdemeanor Cases

Percent of Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within Specified Time Frames

Time I	nterval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
00-60	Days	49.5%	52.9%	53.0%	53.2%	51.4%	48.0%	48.4%	48.3%	49.3%	50.7%
61-90	Days	18.4%	16.9%	17.5%	17.7%	18.0%	17.5%	17.4%	17.5%	16.2%	16.3%
91-120	Days	9.8%	9.5%	9.2%	9.5%	9.5%	10.0%	9.9%	10.3%	10.2%	10.0%
121-150	Days	5.8%	5.7%	5.7%	5.7%	5.2%	5.9%	5.8%	6.2%	6.6%	5.8%
151-180	Days	3.6%	3.2%	3.2%	3.0%	3.1%	3.9%	3.8%	3.9%	4.0%	3.6%
181-270	Days	5.7%	4.8%	5.1%	5.0%	5.8%	6.5%	6.4%	6.5%	5.9%	6.0%
271-365	Days	2.2%	2.2%	2.0%	1.8%	2.3%	2.5%	2.5%	2.6%	2.8%	2.7%
365+	Days	5.0%	4.8%	4.4%	4.0%	4.7%	5.7%	5.7%	4.8%	5.1%	4.8%
Total		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Percent of Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within 60 Days of Arrest

Time Interval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
State	49.5%	52.9%	53.0%	53.2%	51.4%	48.0%	48.4%	48.3%	49.3%	50.7%
Percent of Cases Tried	/Adjudicat	ed Within	90 Days of	Arrest						

Time Interval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
State	67.9%	69.8%	70.5%	71.0%	69.4%	65.5%	65.8%	65.8%	65.5%	67.0%

Voluntary Case Processing Time Guidelines

90% of all felony cases should be adjudicated or otherwise concluded within 120 days from the date of arrest; 98% within 180 days; and 100% within one year. Preliminary hearings for felony cases in district courts should be concluded within 45 days from the date of arrest. 90% of all misdemeanor cases should be adjudicated or otherwise concluded within 60 days from the date of arrest and 100% within 90 days.

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Table 15

General District and Circuit Courts

2009 Age of Concluded Criminal Cases - Felonies Certified to Grand Jury Average (Mean) Number of Days From Arrest to Adjudication

Circuit	Court	Arrest Date to District Court Disposition (Cert. to GJ)*	District Court Disposition or Circuit Filing to Circuit Adjudication**	Total Elapsed Days	Circuit	Court	Arrest Date to District Court Disposition (Cert. to GJ)*	District Court Disposition or Circuit Filing to Circuit Adjudication**	Total Elapsed Days
1	Chesapeake	83	252	335	11	Amelia	65	169	234
	1					Dinwiddie	94	269	363
2	Accomack	61	273	334		Nottoway	76	121	197
	Northampton	53	178	231		Powhatan	97	200	297
	Virginia Beach	60	216	276		Petersburg	110	236	346
3	Portsmouth	77	174	251	12	Chesterfield Colonial Heights	85 69	188 176	273 245
4	Norfolk	79	244	323					
					13	Richmond City	178	169	347
5	Isle of Wight	96	196	292		Richmond/	57	N/A	57
	Southampton	100	127	227		Manchester			
	Suffolk	87	205	292					
	Franklin City	159	N/A	159	14	Henrico	59	184	243
6	Brunswick	117	202	319	15	Caroline	102	209	311
	Greensville	66	165	231		Essex	116	161	277
	Prince George	132	145	277		Hanover	105	238	343
	Surry	85	213	298		King George	86	221	307
	Sussex	101	221	322		Lancaster	121	158	279
	Hopewell	144	232	376		Northumberland		307	358
	Emporia	84	N/A	84		Richmond Coun		186	306
	I					Spotsylvania	85	182	267
7	Newport News	120	233	353		Stafford	156	257	413
	1					Westmoreland	186	258	444
8	Hampton	108	177	285		Fredericksburg	67	218	285
9	Charles City	35	90	125	16	Albemarle	52	228	280
	Gloucester	76	210	286		Culpeper	87	201	288
	King & Queen	153	152	305		Fluvanna	58	162	220
	King William	54	189	243		Goochland	121	192	313
	Mathews	199	183	382		Greene	59	199	258
	Middlesex	143	198	341		Louisa	108	234	342
	New Kent	115	145	260		Madison	77	177	254
	York	110	167	277		Orange	130	178	308
	Williamsburg	77	166	243		Charlottesville	98	276	374
10	Appomattox	74	298	372	17	Arlington	101	148	249
	Buckingham	77	300	377		Falls Church	109		109
	Charlotte	47	280	327					
	Cumberland	168	207	375	18	Alexandria	68	No Data	68
	Halifax	169	253	422					
	Lunenburg	56	160	216	19	Fairfax	112	No Data	112
	Mecklenburg	95	190	285		J			
	Prince Edward	121	777	898					

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General District and Circuit Courts

2009 Age of Concluded Criminal Cases - Felonies Certified to Grand Jury Average (Mean) Number of Days From Arrest to Adjudication

Circuit	Court	Arrest Date to District Court Disposition (Cert. to GJ)*	District Court Disposition or Circuit Filing to Circuit Adjudication**	Total Elapsed Days	Circuit	Court	Arrest Date to District Court Disposition (Cert. to GJ)*	District Court Disposition or Circuit Filing to Circuit Adjudication**	Total Elapsed Days
20	Fauquier	81	192	273	26	Clarke	72	89	161
-0	Loudoun	109	217	326	20	Frederick	92	206	298
	Rappahannock	72	313	385			92 87	236	323
	Карриналиось	, _	313	303		Page Rockingham	129	172	301
21	Henry	41	160	201		Rockingham Shenandoah	102	143	245
_ 1	Patrick	55	204	259			102	170	2 4 5 294
	Martinsville	115	71	186		Warren	101	212	313
	Widi tiiisviiit	113	/ 1	100		Winchester	101	212	313
22	Franklin	92	177	269	27	Bland	101	237	338
	Pittsylvania	101	151	252		Carroll	80	243	323
	Danville	76	114	190		Floyd	97	150	247
						Giles	146	174	320
23	Roanoke County	75	205	280		Grayson	69	212	281
	Roanoke City	42	203	245		Montgomery	219	169	388
	Salem	55	217	272		Pulaski	104	236	340
						Wythe	64	247	311
24	Amherst	101	124	225		Radford	107	302	409
-	Bedford City	96	179	275		Galax	102	N/A	102
	Campbell	96	230	326		Gdiax	102	1 1 / / 1	102
	Nelson	102	153	255	28	Smyth	95	148	243
	Lynchburg	75	153	228	20	Washington	143	172	315
	Zynenourg	73	133	220		Bristol	189	168	357
25	Alleghany	65	159	224		DIISTOI	107	100	337
	Augusta	150	235	385	29	Buchanan	160	282	442
	Bath	0	179	179	2)	Dickenson	166	282	448
	Botetourt	97	156	253		Russell	133	86	219
	Craig	57	245	302		Tazewell	173	205	378
	Highland	40	242	282		Tazewen	1/3	203	370
	Rockbridge	132	137	269	30	Lee	67	261	328
	Buena Vista	38	165	203	30	Scott	67 91	260	351
	Staunton	83	251	334			91 71		440
	Waynesboro	106	145	251		Wise	/ 1	369	440
	vv ayrıcsboro	100	173	231	31	Prince William	78	255	333
					State	T THICC VV IIII aiii	93	215	308

Note: Data not available for Alexandria (18th) and Fairfax (19th). N/A: Not applicable.

This time frame uses Circuit Filing Date if there was no District Court Disposition Date.

Greater detail on the age of concluded criminal-felony cases for both general district and circuit courts can be found on the Virginia Judiciary's website: www.courts.state.va.us/courtadmin/aoc/judpln/csi/home.html..

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^{*} Based on data from CAIS-CMS for cases certified to Grand Jury (disposition of guilty). These dispositions do not include fugitive cases, unexecuted capiases, and deferred dispositions.

^{**} Based on concluded case data from Circuit Court CAIS-CMS.

Table 16

General District and Circuit Courts

2009 Age of Concluded Criminal Cases - Misdemeanors (All Dispositions) Average (Mean) Number of Days Between Significant Events

Circuit	Court	Arrest Date to District Court Dispositions (All Dispositions)*	District Court Disposition or Circuit Filing to Circuit Adjudication**	Circuit	Court	Arrest Date to District Court Dispositions (All Dispositions)*	District Court Disposition or Circuit Filing to Circuit Adjudication**
1	Chesapeake	100	169	11	Amelia	98	119
	1				Dinwiddie	99	201
2	Accomack	49	188		Nottoway	59	107
	Northampton	76	122		Powhatan	123	106
	Virginia Beach	106	210		Petersburg	115	234
3	Portsmouth	64	140	12	Chesterfield	87	131
					Colonial Heigh	its 72	142
4	Norfolk	99	214				
				13	Richmond City	547	133
5	Isle of Wight	82	166		Richmond/	56	-
	Southampton	128	95		Manchester		
	Suffolk	103	166				
	Franklin City	127	N/A	14	Henrico	108	210
6	Brunswick	111	179	15	Caroline	79	196
	Greensville	142	117		Essex	104	160
	Prince George	151	149		Hanover	99	153
	Surry	174	631		King George	85	195
	Sussex	162	152		Lancaster	88	80
	Hopewell	122	153		Northumberla	nd 81	248
	Emporia	112			Richmond Cou	inty 133	205
					Spotsylvania	95	178
7	Newport News	3 114	169		Stafford	171	219
					Westmoreland	113	241
8	Hampton	104	233		Fredericksburg	76	159
9	Charles City	189	153	16	Albemarle	84	154
	Gloucester	93	143		Culpeper	67	148
	King & Queen	129	178		Fluvanna	84	91
	King William	99	166		Goochland	111	145
	Mathews	137	120		Greene	59	190
	Middlesex	168	260		Louisa	115	165
	New Kent	155	144		Madison	93	163
	York	89	159		Orange	129	315
	Williamsburg	124	159		Charlottesville	78	267
10	Appomattox	144	224	17	Arlington	124	211
	Buckingham	143	238		Falls Church	122	N/A
	Charlotte	126	335				
	Cumberland	93	119	18	Alexandria	84	No Data
	Halifax	144	196				
	Lunenburg	66	179	19	Fairfax Count	ty 122	No Data
	Mecklenburg	79	157		Fairfax City	83	N/A
	Prince Edward	123	214				

Table 16 (continued)

General District and Circuit Courts

2009 Age of Concluded Criminal Cases - Misdemeanors (All Dispositions) Average (Mean) Number of Days Between Significant Events

Circuit	Court	Arrest Date to District Court Dispositions (All Dispositions)*	District Court Disposition or Circuit Filing to Circuit Adjudication**	Circuit	Court	Arrest Date to District Court Dispositions (All Dispositions)*	District Court Disposition or Circuit Filing to Circuit Adjudication**
20	Fauquier	83	159	26	Clarke	76	133
	Loudoun	97	236		Frederick	77	189
	Rappahannock	130	88		Page	78	205
					Rockingham	96	128
21	Henry	40	142		Shenandoah	92	118
	Patrick	76	200		Warren	82	99
	Martinsville	58	97		Winchester	203	193
22	Franklin	65	146	27	Bland	124	247
	Pittsylvania	95	125		Carroll	103	248
	Danville	66	106		Floyd	121	136
					Giles	126	217
23	Roanoke Count		202		Grayson	127	177
	Roanoke City	69	180		Montgomery	324	209
	Salem	82	276		Pulaski	148	215
					Wythe	80	334
24	Amherst	143	108		Radford	191	200
	Bedford City	139	90		Galax	87	N/A
	Campbell	85	154				
	Nelson	86	68	28	Smyth	92	217
	Lynchburg	78	135		Washington	100	167
					Bristol	103	180
25	Alleghany	78	201				
	Augusta	155	241	29	Buchanan	142	235
	Bath	61	171		Dickenson	121	284
	Botetourt	135	190		Russell	160	109
	Craig	174	117		Tazewell	150	151
	Highland	67	243				
	Rockbridge	122	121	30	Lee	76	94
	Buena Vista	75	221		Scott	106	215
	Staunton	118	252		Wise	95	392
	Waynesboro	105	159				
				31	Prince Willian		125
				State		112	170

Note: Data not available for Alexandria (18th) and Fairfax (19th). N/A: Not applicable.

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These dispositions include fugitive cases which upon agreement with the Commonwealth's Attorney are concluded by nolle prosequi ("nol prossed"). These cases, and others such as unexecuted or outstanding capiases and deferred dispositions, when concluded after a period of time may inflate or exaggerate the average number of elapsed days from arrest or filing date to disposition. Therefore, these statistics should be interpreted with full consideration of case processing requirements and procedures of the general district courts.

Greater detail on the age of concluded criminal-misdemeanor cases for both general district and circuit courts can be found on the Virginia Judiciary's website: www.courts.state.va.us/courtadmin/aoc/judpln/csi/home.html.

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st Based on concluded cases data from CAIS-CMS for all dispositions.

^{**} Based on concluded case data from Circuit Court CAIS-CMS.

This time frame uses Circuit Filing Date if there was no District Court Disposition Date.

Table 17

Circuit Courts

2009 Age of Concluded Felony Cases

Average (Mean and Median) Number of Days from Arrest to Adjudication*

How Case Was Commenced	Mean	Median	
Direct Indictment	255	177	
Failure to Appear	149	63	
Indictment	198	125	
Information	165	151	
J&DR Appeal	162	168	
Reinstatement	172	92	
Waiver	124	31	
Average for All Cases	215	140	
How Case Was Concluded	Mean	Median	
Dismissed	251	148	
Guilty Plea Prior to Trial	212	159	
Nolle Prosequi	262	169	
Jury Trial	279	230	
Judge Trial with Witness	198	123	
Withdrawn Prior to Trial	81	1	
Average for All Cases	215	140	

2009 Age of Concluded Misdemeanor Cases
Average (Mean and Median) Number of Days from Arrest to Adjudication*

How Case Was Commenced	Mean	Median	
Direct Indictment	174	124	
Failure to Appear	70	40	
General District Appeal	177	144	
Indictment	248	202	
Information	94	67	
J&DR Appeal	194	146	
Reinstatement	103	54	
Waiver	213	134	
Average for All Cases	170	130	
How Case Was Concluded	Mean	Median	
Dismissed	166	81	
Guilty Plea Prior to Trial	187	153	
Nolle Prosequi	165	131	
Jury Trial	248	217	
Judge Trial with Witness	164	123	
Withdrawn Prior to Trial	155	130	
Average for All Cases	170	130	

^{*} Based on concluded case data from Circuit Courts Case Management System.

This time frame uses Circuit Court Filing Date if there is no Arrest Date.

Table 18

Circuit Courts

2009 Commenced Caseload by Circuit with State Rankings

				Civil				Criminal			al Cases imenced
Circuit	Authorized Judgeship	Civil Total	State Rank	Cases/ Judge	State Rank	Criminal Total	State Rank	Cases/ Judge	State Rank	Cases/ Judge	State Rank
1	5.00	3,150	14	630	15	6,038	12	1,208	15	1,838	17
2	10.00	7,242	2	724	8	11,395	2	1,140	16	1,864	15
3	5.00	3,810	10	762	6	4,239	23	848	26	1,610	25
4	9.00	6,346	3	705	10	8,484	5	943	24	1,648	22
5	3.00	1,702	24	567	20	4,401	22	1,467	8	2,034	8
6	2.34	1,260	30	538	22	3,073	28	1,313	12	1,851	16
7	5.00	2,383	20	477	28	5,220	18	1,044	21	1,521	27
8	4.00	2,063	22	516	25	3,089	26	772	28	1,288	30
9	4.00	2,799	19	700	13	4,417	21	1,104	19	1,804	20
10	3.00	1,763	23	588	19	4,947	20	1,649	5	2,237	5
11	2.66	1,413	29	531	23	2,967	29	1,115	18	1,646	23
12	5.00	3,574	11	715	9	6,534	9	1,307	13	2,022	10
13	8.00	5,157	5	645	14	8,230	6	1,029	22	1,674	21
14	5.00	3,088	16	618	17	6,882	8	1,376	10	1,994	12
15	8.00	5,803	4	725	7	13,927	1	1,741	3	2,466	2
16	5.00	3,508	12	702	12	5,681	14	1,136	17	1,838	18
17	4.00	1,539	26	385	30	2,597	30	649	29	1,034	31
18	3.00	4,245	8	1415	1	1,712	31	571	30	1,986	13
19	15.00	13,964	1	931	3	7,993	7	533	31	1,464	28
20	4.00	5,035	6	1259	2	3,086	27	772	27	2,031	9
21	3.00	898	31	299	31	3,749	25	1,250	14	1,549	26
22	4.00	2,065	21	516	24	6,338	11	1,585	7	2,101	7
23	6.00	3,236	13	539	21	5,378	16	896	25	1,435	29
24	5.00	3,062	17	612	18	5,061	19	1,012	23	1,624	24
25	4.00	2,816	18	704	11	5,862	13	1,466	9	2,170	6
26	5.00	3,987	9	797	5	8,984	3	1,797	2	2,594	1
27	5.00	3,113	15	623	16	8,627	4	1,725	4	2,348	4
28	3.00	1,435	28	478	27	4,005	24	1,335	11	1,813	19
29	4.00	1,617	25	404	29	6,443	10	1,611	6	2,015	11
30	3.00	1,508	27	503	26	5,556	15	1,852	1	2,355	3
31	5.00	4,628	7	926	4	5,283	17	1,057	20	1,983	14
Total	157.00	108,209		689		180,198		1,148		1,837	

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Table 19

Circuit Courts
2009 Cases Commenced Per Judge*

	Authorized	1 & 2	Other	Misde-	Criminal	Civil	Grand
Circuit	Judgeships	Felony	Felony	meanor	Total*	Total*	Total*
1	5.00	7	768	433	1,208	630	1,838
2	10.00	5	600	534	1,140	724	1,864
3	5.00	6	542	300	848	762	1,610
4	9.00	0	612	331	943	705	1,648
5	3.00	16	158	293	1,467	567	2,034
6	2.34	7	940	367	1,313	538	1,852
7	5.00	50	537	457	1,044	477	1,521
8	4.00	7	484	281	772	516	1,288
9	4.00	6	691	408	1,104	700	1,804
10	3.00	13	285	351	1,649	588	2,237
11	2.66	13	784	318	1,115	531	1,647
12	5.00	6	849	451	1,307	715	2,022
13	8.00	16	726	288	1,029	645	1,673
14	5.00	1	887	488	1,376	618	1,994
15	8.00	11	130	600	1,741	725	2,466
16	5.00	6	778	352	1,136	702	1,838
17	4.00	2	523	125	649	385	1,034
18	3.00	20	383	168	571	1,415	1,986
19	15.00	4	339	190	533	931	1,464
20	4.00	14	527	231	772	1,259	2,030
21	3.00	2	809	438	1,250	299	1,549
22	4.00	17	50	518	1,585	516	2,101
23	6.00	3	624	270	896	539	1,436
24	5.00	5	719	288	1,012	612	1,625
25	4.00	66	103	297	1,466	704	2,170
26	5.00	7	324	466	1,797	797	2,594
27	5.00	7	313	406	1,725	623	2,348
28	3.00	3	170	162	1,335	478	1,813
29	4.00	4	269	338	1,611	404	2,015
30	3.00	3	976	873	1,852	503	2,355
31	5.00	25	715	316	1,057	926	1,982
State Average	157.00	10	774	363	1,148	689	1,837
Urban Average					933	724	1,657
Rural Average					1,428	644	2,072

^{*}Figures may not sum to total due to rounding

Table 20

Circuit Courts

2009 Cases Concluded Per Judge*

Circuit	Authorized Judgeships	1 & 2 Felony	Other Felony	Misde- meanor	Criminal Total*	Civil Total*	Grand Total*
1	5.00	10	937	411	1,358	555	1,913
2	10.00	6	592	547	1,145	659	1,804
3	5.00	4	572	284	861	696	1,557
4	9.00	0	723	336	1,059	697	1,756
5	3.00	16	261	299	1,576	541	2,117
6	2.34	4	957	361	1,322	463	1,785
7	5.00	58	577	434	1,069	367	1,436
8	4.00	6	484	265	755	870	1,625
9	4.00	6	749	411	1,166	659	1,824
10	3.00	13	505	371	1,889	393	2,282
11	2.66	19	952	342	1,313	615	1,927
12	5.00	6	825	435	1,266	679	1,945
13	8.00	17	721	265	1,002	596	1,598
14	5.00	2	935	476	1,413	521	1,934
15	8.00	12	211	576	1,799	671	2,470
16	5.00	7	804	342	1,153	576	1,729
17	4.00	2	515	119	635	442	1,077
18	3.00	20	388	174	582	1317	1,899
19	15.00	3	289	175	467	882	1,349
20	4.00	17	525	247	789	1078	1,867
21	3.00	4	771	425	1,201	309	1,510
22	4.00	16	49	562	1,627	481	2,107
23	6.00	4	680	255	938	533	1,471
24	5.00	7	765	296	1,068	604	1,673
25	4.00	53	76	294	1,423	648	2,071
26	5.00	7	256	417	1,680	747	2,427
27	5.00	9	398	416	1,823	569	2,391
28	3.00	4	149	158	1,311	521	1,832
29	4.00	8	449	361	1,818	404	2,222
30	3.00	2	35	819	1,856	545	2,401
31	5.00	45	597	253	895	726	1,621
State Average	157.00	12	803	355	1,170	647	1,816
Urban Average							1,620
Rural Average							2,073

^{*}Figures may not sum to total due to rounding

Table 21

Circuit Courts

2009 Pending Cases Per Judge*

	Authorized					State	
Circuit	Judgeships	Civil	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Rank	
1	5.00	916	491	268	1,675	18	
2	10.00	735	367	136	1,238	8	
3	5.00	2,201	345	125	2,670	30	
4	9.00	351	490	166	1,007	3	
5	3.00	414	861	199	1,474	16	
6	2.34	905	691	178	1,774	21	
7	5.00	2,427	499	264	3,190	31	
8	4.00	955	350	141	1,446	13	
9	4.00	922	364	181	1,467	15	
10	3.00	984	1,026	264	2,274	27	
11	2.66	856	469	129	1,454	14	
12	5.00	555	477	174	1,206	6	
13	8.00	721	405	89	1,214	7	
14	5.00	713	381	206	1,301	10	
15	8.00	1,059	767	315	2,141	25	
16	5.00	1,436	698	246	2,380	28	
17	4.00	479	517	121	1,117	4	
18	3.00	172	85	70	327	1	
19	15.00	1,367	193	206	1,766	20	
20	4.00	1,049	467	111	1,627	17	
21	3.00	223	380	221	823	2	
22	4.00	439	597	268	1,303	11	
23	6.00	841	396	105	1,342	12	
24	5.00	613	405	140	1,158	5	
25	4.00	1,194	797	223	2,214	26	
26	5.00	665	924	241	1,830	22	
27	5.00	912	923	243	2,078	23	
28	3.00	556	639	86	1,281	9	
29	4.00	723	826	163	1,712	19	
30	3.00	618	963	533	2,114	24	
31	5.00	1,426	664	339	2,428	29	
State Average	157.00	930	523	196	1,649		
Urban Average					1,565		
Rural Average					1,758		
Rural Average					1,758		

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Table 22

Circuit Courts

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2009 Juries Impaneled and Jury Days Per Judge

		JURIES IMPANELED			JURY DAYS				
Circuit	Authorized Judgeships	Civil	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*	Civil	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
1	5.00	6	8	1	14	9	18	1	28
2	10.00	3	3	0	7	7	7	1	14
3	5.00	3	9	2	14	5	13	2	21
4	9.00	5	8	0	13	9	17	0	26
5	3.00	7	5	0	12	10	10	1	20
6	2.34	2	7	0	9	3	10	0	13
7	5.00	4	4	0	8	7	6	0	13
8	4.00	1	9	1	11	1	13	2	16
9	4.00	4	7	1	12	7	8	1	16
10	3.00	5	5	1	11	8	7	1	16
11	2.66	1	9	1	21	11	10	1	21
12	5.00	8	6	0	14	10	11	0	21
13	8.00	9	9	1	18	13	11	1	25
14	5.00	6	5	2	13	8	7	2	17
15	8.00	5	15	2	22	8	20	2	31
16	5.00	0	9	2	21	17	13	2	32
17	4.00	3	4	2	9	13	10	3	25
18	3.00	5	6	4	15	10	9	4	23
19	15.00	7	8	2	17	17	16	2	35
20	4.00	7	17	3	27	12	24	3	39
21	3.00	3	4	1	8	4	5	1	9
22	4.00	5	7	1	13	6	10	1	17
23	6.00	5	4	1	10	10	6	1	18
24	5.00	4	6	1	12	5	8	1	15
25	4.00	4	5	1	10	6	6	2	13
26	5.00	5	5	3	13	8	7	3	18
27	5.00	5	5	1	11	6	8	1	15
28	3.00	1	2	1	4	1	3	1	5
29	4.00	1	4	0	5	1	7	0	8
30	3.00	1	6	2	9	1	8	2	11
31	5.00	8	5	1	14	14	9	1	25
State Average		5	7	1	13	9	11	1	21
Urban Average					13				
Rural Average					14				

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Table 23

Circuit Court

Judges As of December 31, 2009

	Authorized		
Circuit	Judgeships	Judge	Term
1	5	Marjorie T. Arrington	5/1/2008-4/30/2016
		John W. Brown	5/1/2008-4/30/2016
		V. Thomas Forehand Jr.	7/1/2003-6/30/2011
		Bruce H. Kushner	5/1/2007-4/30/2015
		Randall D. Smith	3/1/2005-2/28/2013
2	10	A. Joseph Canada Jr.	4/16/2008-4/15/2016
		Edward W. Hanson Jr.	2/16/2009-2/15/2017
		Leslie L. Lilley	3/1/2009-2/28/2017
		Frederick B. Lowe	2/1/2007-1/31/2015
		Stephen C. Mahan	10/1/2002-9/30/2010
		William R. O'Brien	2/1/2005-1/31/2013
		H. Thomas Padrick Jr.	2/13/2006-2/12/2014
		A. Bonwill Shockley	3/16/2008-3/15/2016
		Glen A. Tyler	4/1/2008-3/31/2016
		Patricia L. West	7/1/2008-6/30/2016
3	5	James A. Cales Jr.	2/1/2005-1/31/2013
		James C. Hawks	7/1/2006-6/30/2014
		Kenneth R. Melvin	5/1/2009-2/12/2010
		Johnny E. Morrison	2/1/2007-1/31/2015
		Dean W. Sword Jr.	7/1/2007-6/30/2015
4	9	Karen J. Burrell	7/1/2007-6/30/2015
		John R. Doyle III	2/1/2009-1/31/2017
		Junius P. Fulton III	2/1/2005-1/31/2013
		Mary Jane Hall	3/1/2009-2/28/2017
		Jerrauld C. Jones	2/1/2009-1/31/2017
		Everett A. Martin Jr.	3/16/2003-3/15/2011
		Charles E. Poston	6/1/2002-5/31/2010
		Louis Allen Sherman	2/1/2009-1/31/2017
		Norman A. Thomas	5/1/2004-4/30/2012
5	3	Rodham T. Delk Jr.	3/16/2009-3/15/2017
		Carl Edward Eason Jr.	2/1/2003-1/31/2011
		Westbrook J. Parker	7/1/2002-6/30/2010
6	2	Samuel E. Campbell	6/1/2003-5/31/2011
		W. Allan Sharrett	7/1/2004-6/30/2012
7	5	H. Vincent Conway Jr.	2/1/2008-1/31/2016
		Timothy S. Fisher	2/1/2006-1/31/2014
		Aundria Deloris Foster	7/1/2004-6/30/2012
		David F. Pugh	4/1/2003-3/31/2011
		C. Peter Tench	4/1/2003-3/31/2011

Table 23 (continued)

Circuit	Authorized	Judge	Term
8	Judgeships 4	Christopher W. Hutton	9/1/2003-8/31/2011
· ·	·	Bonnie L. Jones	3/1/2009-2/28/2017
		Louis R. Lerner	4/1/2009-3/31/2017
		Wilford Taylor Jr.	7/1/2003-6/30/2011
9	4	Thomas B. Hoover	2/1/2006-1/31/2014
		R. Bruce Long	5/1/2009-4/30/2017
		Samuel T. Powell III	7/1/2009-6/30/2017
10	3	Richard S. Blanton	4/1/2003-3/31/2011
		Joel C. Cunningham	6/15/2009-2/12/2010
		Leslie M. Osborn	4/1/2008-3/31/2016
11	3	Pamela S. Baskervill	4/1/2009-3/31/2017
		James F. D'Alton Jr.	7/1/2008-6/30/2016
		Thomas V. Warren	2/1/2002-1/31/2010
12	5	Michael C. Allen	4/1/2008-3/31/2016
		Harold W. Burgess Jr.	6/15/2009-2/12/2010
		Herbert Cogbill Gill Jr.	9/1/2003-8/31/2011
		Timothy J. Hauler	7/1/2009-6/30/2017
		Frederick G. Rockwell III	5/1/2002-4/30/2010
13	8	Bradley B. Cavedo	2/1/2003-1/31/2011
		Melvin R. Hughes Jr.	2/1/2009-1/31/2017
		C. N. Jenkins Jr.	10/1/2006-9/30/2014
		Theodore J. Markow	2/1/2003-1/31/2011
		Beverly W. Snukals	4/1/2002-3/31/2010
		Margaret P. Spencer Walter W. Stout III	8/1/2006-7/31/2014 8/1/2002-7/31/2010
		Richard D. Taylor Jr.	2/1/2003-1/31/2011
14	5	Daniel T. Balfour	4/1/2004-3/31/2012
	, and the second	Catherine C. Hammond	2/1/2008-1/31/2016
		Lee A. Harris Jr.	8/1/2006-7/31/2014
		Gary A. Hicks	2/1/2008-1/31/2016
		Burnett Miller III	3/1/2005-2/28/2013
15	8	J. Martin Bass	5/1/2005-4/30/2013
		David H. Beck	7/1/2007-6/30/2015
		Joseph J. Ellis	5/1/2008-4/30/2016
		J. Overton Harris	5/1/2008-4/30/2016
		Horace A. Revercomb III	7/1/2007-6/30/2015
		Charles S. Sharp Harry T. Taliaferro III	2/1/2009-1/31/2017 5/1/2009-4/30/2017
		Gordon F. Willis	4/1/2007-3/31/2015
16	5	John G. Berry	8/1/2008-7/31/2016
10	,	Daniel R. Bouton	4/1/2008-3/31/2016
		Cheryl V. Higgins	4/1/2007-3/31/2015
		Edward L. Hogshire	5/1/2006-4/30/2014
		Timothy K. Sanner	4/1/2003-3/31/2011

Table 23 (continued)

	Authorized		
Circuit	Judgeships	Judge	Term
17	4	James F. Almand	2/1/2004-1/31/2012
		Joanne F. Alper	6/1/2006-5/31/2014
		Benjamin N. A. Kendrick	2/16/2009-2/15/2017
		William T. Newman Jr.	3/1/2009-2/28/2017
18	3	Nolan B. Dawkins	5/1/2008-4/30/2016
		Donald M. Haddock	2/1/2009-1/31/2017
		Lisa Bondareff Kemler	3/1/2005-2/28/2013
19	15	Leslie M. Alden	8/1/2004-7/31/2012
		Randy I. Bellows	2/1/2003-1/31/2011
		Jan L. Brodie	2/1/2009-1/30/2017
		Gaylord L. Finch Jr.	7/1/2009-6/30/2017
		Stanley P. Klein	7/1/2008-6/30/2016
		Charles James Maxfield	2/1/2007-1/31/2015
		Michael P. McWeeny	3/1/2004-2/29/2012
		R. Terrence Ney	2/1/2007-1/31/2015
		Jane Marum Roush	7/1/2009-6/30/2017
		David Stanford Schell	2/1/2009-1/31/2017
		Robert J. Smith	2/1/2008-1/31/2016
		Dennis J. Smith	6/1/2003-5/31/2011
		Jonathan C. Thacher	5/1/2006-4/30/2014
		Bruce D. White	1/16/2008-1/15/2016
		Marcus D. Williams	2/1/2007-1/31/2015
		Marcus D. Wilhams	27 17 2007 17 317 2013
20	4	James H. Chamblin	3/1/2003-2/28/2011
		Thomas D. Horne	7/1/2006-6/30/2014
		Burke F. McCahill	7/1/2008-6/30/2016
		Jeffrey W. Parker	5/1/2009-4/30/2017
21	3	Martin F. Clark Jr.	5/1/2003-4/30/2011
21	3	G. Carter Greer	3/1/2005-2/28/2013
		David V. Williams	3/1/2006-2/28/2014
		David V. Williams	3/1/2000-2/20/2014
22	4	William N. Alexander II	3/16/2002-3/15/2010
		David A. Melesco	3/1/2005-2/28/2013
		Joseph W. Milam Jr.	2/1/2009-1/31/2017
		Charles J. Strauss	3/16/2006-3/15/2014
23	6	Jonathan M. Apgar	4/1/2005-3/31/2013
23	V	William D. Broadhurst	11/1/2002-10/31/2010
		Robert P. Doherty Jr.	3/1/2003-2/28/2011
		Charles N. Dorsey	7/1/2002-6/30/2010
		James R. Swanson	4/1/2009-3/31/2017
		Clifford R. Weckstein	2/1/2003-1/31/2011
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24	5	John T. Cook	6/1/2008-5/31/2016
		J. Michael Gamble	3/1/2007-2/28/2015
		J. Leyburn Mosby Jr.	4/1/2009-3/31/2017
		Mosby Garland Perrow III	7/1/2005-6/30/2013
		James W. Updike Jr.	4/1/2006-3/31/2014

Table 23 (continued)

	Authorized		
Circuit	Judgeships	Judge	Term
25	4	Humes J. Franklin Jr.	2/13/2006-2/12/2014
		Michael S. Irvine	7/1/2004-6/30/2012
		Victor V. Ludwig	5/1/2008-4/30/2016
		Malfourd W. Bo Trumbo	2/1/2004-1/31/2012
26	5	Dennis Lee Hupp	8/1/2008-7/31/2016
		James V. Lane	3/1/2009-2/28/2017
		John R. Prosser	2/13/2006-2/12/2014
		John E. Wetsel Jr.	7/1/2007-6/30/2015
		Thomas J. Wilson IV	5/1/2008-4/30/2016
27	5	Brett L. Geisler	4/1/2003-3/31/2011
		Colin R. Gibb	7/1/2002-6/30/2010
		Ray Wilson Grubbs	3/1/2002-2/28/2010
		Josiah T. Showalter Jr.	4/1/2006-3/31/2014
		Robert M. D. Turk	7/1/2008-6/30/2016
28	3	Isaac St. C. Freeman	7/1/2005-6/30/2013
		Larry B. Kirksey	4/1/2004-3/31/2012
		C. Randall Lowe	2/1/2009-1/31/2017
29	4	Teresa M. Chafin	3/1/2005-2/28/2013
		Patrick Reynolds Johnson	5/1/2008-4/30/2016
		Michael Lee Moore	4/1/2002-3/31/2010
		Henry A. Vanover	4/1/2002-3/31/2010
30	3	Joseph R. Carico	2/1/2007-1/31/2015
		John C. Kilgore	7/1/2003-6/30/2011
		Tammy S. McElyea	4/1/2005-3/31/2013
31	5	Lon Edward Farris	7/1/2004-6/30/2012
		William D. Hamblen	7/1/2006-6/30/2014
		Craig D. Johnston	3/1/2009-2/28/2017
		Mary Grace O'Brien	5/1/2008-4/30/2016
		Richard Bowen Potter	6/1/2007-5/31/2015
TOTAL			
AUTHORIZED		TOTAL	-
JUDGESHIPS	157	JUDGES 156	

Supreme Court of Virginia

Table 23 (continued)

Circuit Court Judges Leaving the Bench in 2009

	Circuit	
Honorable John C. Morrison Jr.	4	Retired January 31, 2009
Honorable William H. Shaw III	9	Retired April 30, 2009
Honorable Rossie D. Alston Jr.	31	Elected to Court of Appeals March 1, 2009

Circuit Court Judges Taking the Bench in 2009

	Circuit	
Honorable Leslie L. Lilley	2	Effective March 1, 2009
Honorable Kenneth R. Melvin	3	Effective May 1, 2009
Honorable Mary Jane Hall	4	Effective March 1, 2009
Honorable Bonnie L. Jones	8	Effective March 1, 2009
Honorable R. Bruce Long	9	Effective May 1, 2009
Honorable Joel C. Cunningham	10	Effective June 15, 2009
Honorable Harold W. Burgess Jr.	12	Effective June 15, 2009
Honorable Craig D. Johnston	31	Effective March 1, 2009

Chief Judges of the Commonwealth of Virginia As of December 31, 2009

Circuit		Circuit	
1	V. Thomas Forehand Jr.	16	Cheryl V. Higgins
2	Frederick B. Lowe	17	William T. Newman Jr.
3	Johnny E. Morrison	18	Donald M. Haddock
4	Everett A. Martin Jr.	19	Dennis J. Smith
5	Westbrook J. Parker	20	Jeffrey W. Parker
6	W. Allan Sharrett	21	David V. Williams
7	Aundria Deloris Foster	22	Joseph W. Milam Jr.
8	Wilford Taylor Jr.	23	Charles N. Dorsey
9	Thomas B. Hoover	24	James W. Updike Jr.
10	Richard S. Blanton	25	Humes J. Franklin Jr.
11	Thomas V. Warren	26	John R. Prosser
12	Michael C. Allen	27	Colin R. Gibb
13	Beverly W. Snukals	28	C. Randall Lowe
14	Daniel T. Balfour	29	Teresa M. Chafin
15	J. Martin Bass	30	Tammy S. McElyea
		31	Lon Edward Farris



General District
Courts

GENERAL DISTRICT COURTS

GENERAL DISTRICT COURT

Jurisdiction and Structure

In Virginia, the district court system, operational since 1973, is comprised of two distinct courts. A variety of criminal, traffic, and civil cases are heard by the general district courts. In criminal matters, the general district courts hear misdemeanor cases and hold preliminary hearings for felony cases. In civil cases, the general district court has exclusive jurisdiction in suits involving amounts of \$4,500 or less and concurrent jurisdiction with the circuit courts in suits involving amounts up to \$15,000.

Table 24

General District Courts

2008-2009 Percent Change in Caseloads

		New Cases			Hearings	
District	2008	2009	Percent Change	2008	2009	Percent Change
1	97,367	89,367	-8.2%	110,270	106,093	-3.8%
2	217,912	204,289	-6.3%	213,697	203,461	-4.8%
2A	29,060	29,340	1.0%	28,030	27,673	-1.3%
3	44,549	45,373	1.8%	60,357	59,750	-1.0%
4	151,192	151,288	0.1%	161,434	161,039	-0.2%
5	64,685	63,577	-1.7%	79,844	79,893	0.1%
6	109,994	117,151	6.5%	110,081	112,433	2.1%
7	94,321	93,160	-1.2%	113,998	114,088	0.1%
8	80,472	79,511	-1.2%	102,535	102,775	0.2%
9	88,132	89,816	1.9%	90,815	94,382	3.9%
10	74,699	69,818	-6.5%	84,238	80,348	-4.6%
11	69,438	74,422	7.2%	78,226	85,309	9.1%
12	113,895	124,473	9.3%	138,042	147,735	7.0%
13	194,852	193,192	-0.9%	216,313	218,374	1.0%
14	117,740	124,617	5.8%	127,882	137,294	7.4%
15	209,656	223,868	6.8%	227,167	244,815	7.8%
16	122,061	130,901	7.2%	126,018	127,333	1.0%
17	71,661	75,811	5.8%	71,073	76,270	7.3%
18	37,564	36,588	-2.6%	47,706	45,837	-3.9%
19	339,961	374,288	10.1%	314,409	347,241	10.4%
20	110,977	119,123	7.3%	97,406	102,335	5.1%
21	28,223	27,888	-1.2%	28,924	28,375	-1.9%
22	55,986	53,308	-4.8%	65,730	64,260	-2.2%
23	119,489	113,621	-4.9%	142,539	140,932	-1.1%
24	86,124	91,486	6.2%	99,947	102,894	2.9%
25	105,417	97,114	-7.9%	114,250	105,447	-7.7%
26	133,911	133,239	-0.5%	140,365	140,785	0.3%
27	134,789	129,774	-3.7%	149,279	137,545	-7.9%
28	53,643	57,471	7.1%	56,382	59,611	5.7%
29	41,272	39,917	-3.3%	69,376	69,190	-0.3%
30	34,373	31,111	-9.5%	45,251	41,699	-7.8%
31	130,178	135,069	3.8%	155,969	156,079	0.1%
Total	3,363,593	3,419,971	1.7%	3,667,553	3,721,295	1.5%
Urban	1,811,153	1,840,647	1.6%	1,976,224	2,016,968	2.1%
Rural	1,552,440	1,579,324	1.7%	1,691,329	1,704,327	0.8%

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Table 25

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2000-2009 Historical Summary

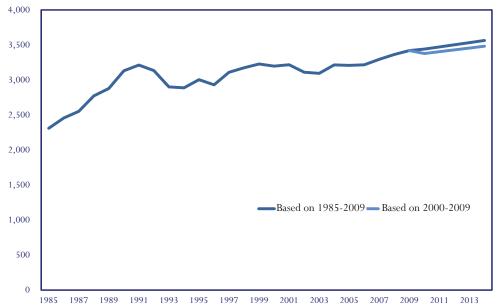
**	Authorized	Percent	New	Percent	** .	Percent	Cases	Percent
Year	Judgeships	Change	Cases	Change	Hearings	Change	Concluded	Change
2000	121.00	.0%	3,197,633	-0.9%	3,414,355	-0.1%	3,255,905	-0.9%
2001	123.00	1.7%	3,217,050	0.6%	3,324,782	-2.6%	3,266,051	0.3%
2002	123.00	0.0%	3,110,484	-3.3%	3,280,663	-1.3%	3,157,329	-3.3%
2003	123.00	0.0%	3,094,199	-0.5%	3,350,029	2.1%	3,152,011	-0.2%
2004	123.00	0.0%	3,215,144	3.9%	3,480,930	3.9%	3,253,176	3.2%
2005	124.00	0.8%	3,208,161	-0.2%	3,497,664	0.5%	3,240,659	-0.4%
2006	127.00	2.4%	3,216,627	0.3%	3,568,761	2.0%	3,235,054	-0.2%
2007	127.00	0.0%	3,294,759	2.4%	3,621,217	1.5%	3,314,096	2.4%
2008	127.00	0.0%	3,363,593	2.1%	3,667,553	1.3%	3,385,946	2.2%
2009	127.00	0.0%	3,419,971	1.7%	3,721,295	1.5%	3,437,902	1.5%

	Criminal	Cases	Traffic (Cases	Civil C	lases
Year	Cases Commenced	Percent Change	Cases Commenced	Percent Change	Cases Commenced	Percent Change
2000	393,339	-3.7%	1,892,929	-0.8%	911,365	0.0%
2001	394,408	0.3%	1,878,359	-0.8%	944,283	3.6%
2002	384,259	-2.6%	1,780,222	-5.2%	946,003	0.2%
2003	376,664	-2.0%	1,768,333	-0.7%	949,202	0.3%
2004	387,912	3.0%	1,900,759	7.5%	926,473	-2.4%
2005	386,206	-0.4%	1,933,015	1.7%	888,940	-4.1%
2006	393,330	1.8%	1,936,328	0.2%	886,969	-0.2%
2007	395,515	0.6%	1,985,315	2.5%	913,929	3.0%
2008	398,402	0.7%	2,019,786	1.7%	945,405	3.4%
2009	385,488	-3.2%	2,114,404	4.7%	920,079	-2.7%

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Trends in New Cases (Cases in Thousands)



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Table 26

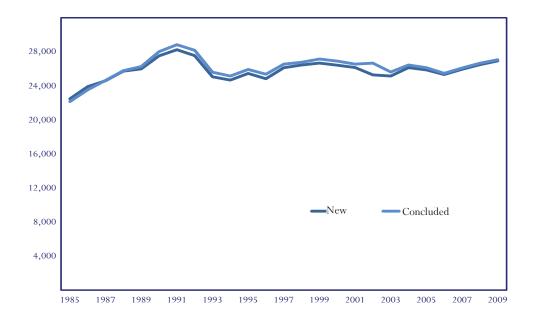
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2009 Caseload Statistics

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New	Cases

				new	Cases					
District	Authorized Judgeships	Crimina	l Traffic	Civil	Total	Percent Change	Total Hearings	Percent Change	Cases/ Judge	Hearings/ Judge
2A	1.00	2,462	20,841	6,037	29,340	1.0%	27,673	-1.3%	29,340	27,673
5	3.00	6,547	40,113	16,917	63,577	-1.7%	79,893	0.1%	21,192	26,631
6	4.00	4,986	101,914	10,251	117,151	6.5%	112,433	2.1%	29,288	28,108
9	3.00	9,567	60,797	19,452	89,816	1.9%	94,382	3.9%	29,939	31,461
10	3.00	7,587	48,158	14,073	69,818	-6.5%	80,348	-4.6%	23,273	26,783
11	2.00	7,891	52,577	13,954	74,422	7.2%	85,309	9.1%	37,211	42,655
15	6.00	24,149	144,562	55,157	223,868	6.8%	244,815	7.8%	37,311	40,803
16	4.00	13,536	80,983	36,382	130,901	7.2%	127,333	1.0%	32,725	31,833
20	4.00	8,610	91,873	18,640	119,123	7.3%	102,335	5.1%	29,781	25,584
21	2.00	3,187	14,702	9,999	27,888	-1.2%	28,375	-1.9%	13,944	14,188
22	2.00	10,490	28,305	14,513	53,308	-4.8%	64,260	-2.2%	26,654	32,130
24	4.00	12,373	53,738	25,375	91,486	6.2%	102,894	2.9%	22,872	25,724
25	4.70	10,538	68,269	18,307	97,114	-7.9%	105,447	-7.7%	20,663	22,436
26	4.30	15,398	84,638	33,203	133,239	-0.5%	140,785	0.3%	30,986	32,741
27	5.00	15,944	96,568	17,262	129,774	-3.7%	137,545	-7.9%	25,955	27,509
28	2.00	8,147	41,685	7,639	57,471	7.1%	59,611	5.7%	28,736	29,806
29	2.00	9,747	22,341	7,829	39,917	-3.3%	69,190	-0.3%	19,959	34,595
30	2.00	6,242	20,865	4,004	31,111	-9.5%	41,699	-7.8%	15,556	20,850
Rural	58.00	177,401	1,072,929	328,994	1,579,324	1.7%	1,704,327	0.8%	27,230	29,385
1	4.00	11,001	42,933	35,433	89,367	-8.2%	106,093	-3.8%	22,342	26,523
2	7.00	21,574	102,760	79,955	204,289	-6.3%	203,461	-4.8%	29,184	29,066
3	3.00	7,632	18,058	19,683	45,373	1.8%	59,750	-1.0%	15,124	19,917
4	6.00	21,530	51,588	78,170	151,288	0.1%	161,039	-0.2%	25,215	26,840
7	4.00	14,763	40,258	38,139	93,160	-1.2%	114,088	0.1%	23,290	28,522
8	3.00	10,045	45,922	23,544	79,511	-1.2%	102,775	0.2%	26,504	34,258
12	4.00	13,640	76,095	34,738	124,473	9.3%	147,735	7.0%	31,118	36,934
13	8.00	22,278	61,766	109,148	193,192	-0.9%	218,374	1.0%	24,149	27,297
14	4.00	10,445	71,841	42,331	124,617	5.8%	137,294	7.4%	31,154	34,324
17	4.00	6,005	59,787	10,019	75,811	5.8%	76,270	7.3%	18,953	19,068
18	2.00	6,360	20,112	10,116	36,588	-2.6%	45,837	-3.9%	18,294	22,919
19	11.00	29,836	296,663	47,789	374,288	10.1%	347,241	10.4%	34,026	31,567
23	5.00	20,421	64,145	29,055	113,621	-4.9%	140,932	-1.1%	22,724	28,186
31	4.00	12,557	89,547	32,965	135,069	3.8%	156,079	0.1%	33,767	39,020
Urban	69.00	208,087	1,041,475	591,085	1,840,647	1.6%	2,016,968	2.1%	26,676	29,231
Total	127.00	385,488	2,114,404	920,079	3,419,971	1.7%	3,721,295	1.5%	26,929	29,302

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Table 27

General District Courts

2009 New Caseload by District with State Rankings

		Total	State	Total	State	Cases/	State
District	Judgeships	Cases	Rank	Hearings	Rank	Judge	Rank
1	4.00	89,367	19	106,093	15	22,342	24
2	7.00	204,289	3	203,461	4	29,184	13
2A	1.00	29,340	31	27,673	32	29,340	11
3	3.00	45,373	27	59,750	27	15,124	31
4	6.00	151,288	5	161,039	5	25,215	18
5	3.00	63,577	24	79,893	23	21,192	25
6	4.00	117,151	13	112,433	14	29,288	12
7	4.00	93,160	16	114,088	13	23,290	20
8	3.00	79,511	20	102,775	18	26,504	16
9	3.00	89,816	18	94,382	20	29,939	9
10	3.00	69,818	23	80,348	22	23,273	21
11	2.00	74,422	22	85,309	21	37,211	2
12	4.00	124,473	11	147,735	7	31,118	7
13	8.00	193,192	4	218,374	3	24,149	19
14	4.00	124,617	10	137,294	11	31,154	6
15	6.00	223,868	2	244,815	2	37,311	1
16	4.00	130,901	8	127,333	12	32,725	5
17	4.00	75,811	21	76,270	24	18,953	28
18	2.00	36,588	29	45,837	29	18,294	29
19	11.00	374,288	1	347,241	1	34,026	3
20	4.00	119,123	12	102,335	19	29,781	10
21	2.00	27,888	32	28,375	31	13,944	32
22	2.00	53,308	26	64,260	26	26,654	15
23	5.00	113,621	14	140,932	8	22,724	23
24	4.00	91,486	17	102,894	17	22,872	22
25	4.70	97,114	15	105,447	16	20,663	26
26	4.30	133,239	7	140,785	9	30,986	8
27	5.00	129,774	9	137,545	10	25,955	17
28	2.00	57,471	25	59,611	28	28,736	14
29	2.00	39,917	28	69,190	25	19,959	27
30	2.00	31,111	30	41,699	30	15,556	30
31	4.00	135,069	6	156,079	6	33,767	4
Total	127.00	3,419,971		3,721,295		26,929	
C4-4- A						26,020	
State Average						26,929	
Urban Averag	_					26,676	
Rural Averag	e					27,230	

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Table 28 **General District Courts**

2009 New Criminal Caseload by District with State Rankings

	New		Criminal		Criminal		Criminal	
	Criminal	State	Hearings	State	Cases	State	Hearings	State
District	Cases	Rank	Held	Rank	Per Judge	Rank	Per Judge	Rank
1	11,001	14	28,575	14	2,750	21	7,144	18
2	21,574	4	41,511	6	3,082	19	5,930	25
2A	2,462	32	5,005	32	2,462	26	5,005	29
3	7,632	24	19,065	23	2,544	24	6,355	22
4	21,530	5	48,871	4	3,588	8	8,145	10
5	6,547	26	18,020	25	2,182	28	6,007	24
6	4,986	30	14,450	30	1,247	32	3,613	31
7	14,763	9	39,118	7	3,691	7	9,780	4
8	10,045	18	29,015	13	3,348	12	9,672	5
9	9,567	20	21,586	19	3,189	13	7,195	16
10	7,587	25	17,303	26	2,529	25	5,768	26
11	7,891	23	21,415	20	3,946	6	10,708	3
12	13,640	10	33,674	9	3,410	10	8,419	8
13	22,278	3	54,339	2	2,785	20	6,792	20
14	10,445	17	24,825	17	2,611	23	6,206	23
15	24,149	2	52,285	3	4,025	5	8,714	7
16	13,536	11	30,273	12	3,384	11	7,568	14
17	6,005	29	15,690	28	1,501	31	3,923	30
18	6,360	27	14,499	29	3,180	15	7,250	15
19	29,836	1	73,888	1	2,712	22	6,717	21
20	8,610	21	21,293	22	2,153	29	5,323	27
21	3,187	31	6,259	31	1,594	30	3,130	32
22	10,490	16	21,415	21	5,245	1	10,708	2
23	20,421	6	41,760	5	4,084	3	8,352	9
24	12,373	13	27,926	16	3,093	18	6,982	19
25	10,538	15	23,674	18	2,242	27	5,037	28
26	15,398	8	33,120	10	3,581	9	7,702	13
27	15,944	7	35,783	8	3,189	14	7,157	17
28	8,147	22	18,114	24	4,074	4	9,057	6
29	9,747	19	28,431	15	4,874	2	14,216	1
30	6,242	28	15,929	27	3,121	17	7,965	11
31	12,557	12	30,925	11	3,139	16	7,731	12
Total	385,488		908,036					
					2.025		7.150	
State Avera	ige				3,035		7,150	

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Table 29

General District Courts

2009 New Traffic Caseload by District with State Rankings

	New		Traffic		Traffic		Traffic	
	Traffic	State	Hearings	State	Cases	State	Hearings	State
District	Cases	Rank	Held	Rank	Per Judge	Rank	Per Judge	Rank
1	42,933	22	50,723	23	10,733	25	12,681	26
2	102,760	3	104,883	3	14,680	18	14,983	21
2A	20,841	29	18,463	31	20,841	8	18,463	11
3	18,058	31	27,538	28	6,019	32	9,179	31
4	51,588	19	65,933	15	8,598	29	10,989	29
5	40,113	25	48,936	24	13,371	22	16,312	19
6	101,914	4	90,913	5	25,479	3	22,728	4
7	40,258	24	52,481	22	10,065	27	13,120	25
8	45,922	21	58,030	17	15,307	16	19,343	9
9	60,797	15	61,591	16	20,266	9	20,530	7
10	48,158	20	52,872	20	16,053	15	17,624	15
11	52,577	18	54,419	19	26,289	2	27,210	1
12	76,095	10	89,417	6	19,024	13	22,354	5
13	61,766	14	82,256	8	7,721	30	10,282	30
14	71,841	11	81,838	9	17,960	14	20,460	8
15	144,562	2	151,222	2	24,094	4	25,204	2
16	80,983	9	72,546	12	20,246	10	18,137	12
17	59,787	16	52,699	21	14,947	17	13,175	24
18	20,112	30	23,634	29	10,056	28	11,817	27
19	296,663	1	235,226	1	26,969	1	21,384	6
20	91,873	6	66,374	14	22,968	5	16,594	18
21	14,702	32	15,764	32	7,351	31	7,882	32
22	28,305	26	33,427	27	14,153	20	16,714	17
23	64,145	13	76,823	11	12,829	23	15,365	20
24	53,738	17	56,109	18	13,435	21	14,027	23
25	68,269	12	67,262	13	14,525	19	14,311	22
26	84,638	8	80,716	10	19,683	11	18,771	10
27	96,568	5	88,775	7	19,314	12	17,755	14
28	41,685	23	35,599	25	20,843	7	17,800	13
29	22,341	27	33,657	26	11,171	24	16,829	16
30	20,865	28	22,394	30	10,433	26	11,197	28
31	89,547	7	99,248	4	22,387	6	24,812	3
Total	2,114,404		2,151,768					
					16 640		16 042	

State Average 16,649 16,943

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Table 30 **General District Courts**

2009 New Civil Caseload by District with State Rankings

	New		Civil		Civil		Civil	
	Civil	State	Hearings	State	Cases	State	Hearings	State
District	Cases	Rank	Held	Rank	Per Judge	Rank	Per Judge	Rank
1	35,433	9	26,795	8	8,858	8	6,699	6
2	79,955	2	57,067	2	11,422	3	8,152	2
2A	6,037	31	4,205	31	6,037	18	4,205	19
3	19,683	16	13,147	18	6,561	15	4,382	17
4	78,170	3	46,235	3	13,028	2	7,706	3
5	16,917	21	12,937	20	5,639	20	4,312	18
6	10,251	25	7,070	28	2,563	30	1,768	31
7	38,139	7	22,489	12	9,535	5	5,622	11
8	23,544	15	15,730	15	7,848	11	5,243	12
9	19,452	17	11,205	21	6,484	16	3,735	21
10	14,073	23	10,173	22	4,691	23	3,391	25
11	13,954	24	9,475	23	6,977	14	4,738	13
12	34,738	10	24,644	10	8,685	9	6,161	9
13	9,148	1	81,779	1	13,644	1	10,222	1
14	42,331	6	30,631	6	10,583	4	7,658	4
15	55,157	4	41,308	4	9,193	6	6,885	5
16	36,382	8	24,514	11	9,096	7	6,129	10
17	10,019	27	7,881	25	2,505	31	1,970	30
18	10,116	26	7,704	26	5,058	21	3,852	20
19	47,789	5	38,127	5	4,344	25	3,466	24
20	18,640	18	14,668	16	4,660	24	3,667	22
21	9,999	28	6,352	29	5,000	22	3,176	26
22	14,513	22	9,418	24	7,257	13	4,709	15
23	29,055	13	22,349	13	5,811	19	4,470	16
24	25,375	14	18,859	14	6,344	17	4,715	14
25	18,307	19	14,511	17	3,895	27	3,087	27
26	33,203	11	26,949	7	7,722	12	6,267	8
27	17,262	20	12,987	19	3,452	29	2,597	29
28	7,639	30	5,898	30	3,820	28	2,949	28
29	7,829	29	7,102	27	3,915	26	3,551	23
30	4,004	32	3,376	32	2,002	32	1,688	32
31	32,965	12	25,906	9	8,241	10	6,477	7
Total	920,079		661,491					
State Avera					7,245		5,209	

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Table 31

General District Courts

Judges
As of December 31, 2009

	Authorized		
District	Judgeships	Judge	Term
1	4	Philip J. Infantino III	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Colon H. Whitehurst	8/1/2008-7/31/2014
		David L. Williams	7/1/2009-6/30/2015
		Timothy S. Wright	7/1/2009-6/30/2015
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2	7	Calvin R. Depew Jr.	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		Steven C. Frucci	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Pamela E. Hutchens	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Teresa N. McCrimmon	4/1/2004-3/31/2010
		Robert L. Simpson Jr.	3/1/2009-2/28/2015
		Gene A. Woolard	6/1/2004-5/31/2010
3	3	Roxie O. Holder	10/1/2006-9/30/2012
		Douglas B. Ottinger	6/1/2009-2/12/2010
		Morton V. Whitlow	2/1/2004-1/31/2010
4	6	S. Clark Daugherty	E /1 /2006 4 /20 /2012
ı	Ü	Ray W. Dezern Jr.	5/1/2006-4/30/2012 1/1/2008-12/31/2013
		Gwendolyn J. Jackson	3/1/2009-2/28/2015
		James S. Mathews	
		Joseph A. Migliozzi	5/1/2004-4/30/2010
		Bruce A. Wilcox	4/20/2009-2/12/2010 4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Bruce A. Wilcox	4/1/2009-3/31/2013
5	3	W. Parker Councill	5/1/2008-4/30/2014
		James A. Moore	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
		William R Savage III	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
6	4	Stephen D. Bloom	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
		Theodore J. Burr Jr.	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
		Kenneth Wilson Nye	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
		J. Larry Palmer	4/1/2006-3/31/2012
7	4	Richard C. Kerns	7/1/2006 6/20/2012
7	т	Alfred O. Masters Jr.	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
			4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Gary A. Mills Bryant L. Sugg	4/1/2009-3/31/2015 7/1/2009-6/30/2015
		Bryant E. Sugg	// 1/ 2009-0/ 30/ 2013
8	3	M. Woodrow Griffin Jr.	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Tonya Henderson-Stith	5/1/2009-4/30/2015
		Albert W. Patrick III	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
9	3	Colleen K. Killilea	11/1/2009-10/31/2015
		Michael E. McGinty	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
		Jeffrey W. Shaw	6/1/2009-2/12/2010
10	3	Charles H. Warren	4/16/2004-4/15/2010
10	3	J. William Watson Jr.	7/30/2009-2/12/2010
		Robert G. Woodson Jr.	6/1/2007-5/31/2013
		Robert G. Woodson Jr.	6/1/200/-5/31/2013
11	2	Lucretia A. Carrico	2/1/2004-1/31/2010
		Paul W. Cella	8/1/2007-7/31/2013

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Table 31 (continued)

	Authorized		
District	Judgeships	Judge	Term
12	4	Philip V. Daffron	4/1/2006-3/31/2012
		Pamela O'Berry	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Thomas L. Murphey	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
		Thomas L. Vaughn	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
13	8	David Eugene Cheek Sr.	7/1/2004-6/30/2010
		Barbara J. Gaden	4/16/2007-4/15/2013
		Phillip L. Hairston	2/1/2005-1/31/2011
		Birdie Hairston Jamison	12/1/2009-11/30/2015
		Thomas O. Jones	2/1/2004-1/31/2010
		Robert A. Pustilnik	5/1/2008-4/30/2014
		Gregory L. Rupe	2/1/2009-1/31/2015
		Joi Jeter Taylor	4/16/2004-4/15/2010
14	4	John Marshall	4/1/2005-3/31/2011
		L. Neil Steverson	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
		Archer L. Yeatts III	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
		James Stephen Yoffy	4/1/2005-3/31/2011
15	6	Frank L. Benser	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		Sarah L. Deneke	4/1/2007-3/31/2013
		Michael E. Levy	2/1/2009-1/31/2015
		John R. Stevens	4/1/2006-3/31/2012
		Peter L. Trible	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		Gordon A. Wilkins	4/1/2005-3/31/2011
16	4	William G. Barkley	5/1/2008-4/30/2014
		Edward K. Carpenter	6/1/2004-5/31/2010
		Robert H. Downer Jr.	6/1/2007-5/31/2013
		Roger L. Morton	2/1/2005-1/31/2011
17	4	Dorothy H. Clarke	3/1/2009-2/28/2015
		Karen A. Henenberg	3/1/2007-2/28/2013
		Thomas J. Kelley Jr.	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
		Richard J. McCue	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
18	2	Donald M. Haddock Jr.	5/1/2008-4/30/2014
		Becky J. Moore	2/1/2004-1/31/2010
19	11	Penney S. Azcarate	5/1/2008-4/30/2014
		Michael Joseph Cassidy	2/1/2005-1/31/2011
		Stewart P. Davis	3/15/2006-3/14/2012
		Thomas E. Gallahue	4/1/2004-3/31/2010
		Lisa A. Mayne	10/1/2006-9/30/2012
		Donald P. McDonough	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
		William J. Minor Jr.	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Mitchell I. Mutnick Lorraine Nordlund	5/1/2004-4/30/2010 8/1/2008-7/31/2014
		Ian M. O'Flaherty	7/1/2008-6/30/2014
		Mark C. Simmons	4/1/2006-3/31/2012
20	4	J. Frank Buttery Jr.	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
		Julia Taylor Cannon	4/1/2004-3/31/2010
		Charles B. Foley	3/16/2004-3/15/2010
		Dean S. Worcester	3/1/2008-2/28/2014

GENERAL DISTRICT COURTS

Table 31 (Continued)

District	Authorized Judgeships	Judge	Term
21	2	R. Morgan Armstrong Edwin A. Gendron Jr.	7/1/2007-6/30/2013 3/1/2005-2/28/2011
22	2	George A. Jones Jr. M. Lee Stilwell Jr.	4/1/2006-3/31/2012 3/1/2004-2/28/2010
23	5	Francis W. Burkart III J. Christopher Clemens M. Frederick King Vincent A. Lilley Jacqueline F. Ward Talevi	11/1/2008-10/31/2014 2/1/2009-1/31/2015 4/1/2005-3/31/2011 7/1/2006-6/30/2012 2/1/2009-1/31/2015
24	4	Harold A. Black R. Edwin Burnette Jr. Joseph M. Serkes F. Patrick Yeatts	4/1/2004-3/31/2010 8/1/2007-7/31/2013 2/1/2006-1/31/2012 4/1/2007-3/31/2013
25	5	Louis K. Campbell William D. Heatwole John Gregory Mooney Gordon F. Saunders	7/1/2006-6/30/2012 7/1/2005-6/30/2011 2/16/2007-2/15/2013 7/1/2004-6/30/2010
26	4	Richard A. Claybrook Jr. W. Dale Houff Amy B. Tisinger David Shaw Whitacre	3/1/2009-2/28/2015 4/16/2006-4/15/2012 7/1/2009-6/30/2015 4/1/2009-3/31/2015
27	5	J. D. Bolt Randal J. Duncan R. Glennwood Lookabill Edward M. Turner III Gino W. Williams	7/1/2006-6/30/2012 5/1/2004-4/30/2010 4/1/2006-3/31/2012 3/1/2004-2/28/2010 4/1/2009-3/31/2015
28	2	Sage B. Johnson Joseph S. Tate	2/1/2006-1/31/2012 9/1/2004-8/31/2010
29	3	Jack S. Hurley Jr. Richard C. Patterson	7/1/2005-6/30/2011 4/1/2009-3/31/2015
30	2	Chadwick S. Dotson R. Larry Lewis	2/1/2007-1/31/2013 3/1/2009-2/28/2015
31	4	Charles F. Sievers Steven S. Smith Peter W. Steketee Wenda K. Travers	7/1/2005-6/30/2011 5/1/2009-2/12/2010 7/1/2005-6/30/2011 10/1/2008-9/30/2014
32	1	Gordon S. Vincent	7/1/2006-6/30/2012

TOTAL
AUTHORIZED
JUDGESHIPS 127

TOTAL JUDGES

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Table 31 (Continued)

General District Court Judges Leaving the Bench in 2009

	District	
Honorable Robert R. Carter	1	Retired February 28, 2009
Honorable Virginia L. Cochran	2	Retired November 30, 2009
Honorable W. Edward Hudgins Jr.	2	Retired January 31, 2009
Honorable S. Lee Morris	3	Retired January 31, 2009
Honorable Bonnie L. Jones	8	Elected to Circuit Court March 1, 2009
Honorable R. Bruce Long	9	Elected to Circuit Court May 1, 2009
Honorable Joel C. Cunningham	10	Elected to Circuit Court June 15, 2009
Honorable Robert D. Laney	12	Retired January 31, 2009
Honorable Norman deV. Morrison	26	Retired June 30, 2009
Honorable John A. Paul	26	Retired January 31, 2009
Honorable Craig D. Johnston	31	Elected to Circuit Court March 1, 2009

General District Court Judges Taking the Bench in 2009

	District	
Honorable Philip J. Infantino III	1	Effective April 1, 2009
Honorable Steven C. Frucci	2	Effective April 1, 2009
Honorable Douglas B. Ottinger	3	Effective June 1, 2009
Honorable Joseph A. Migliozzi	4	Effective April 20, 2009
Honorable M. Woodrow Griffin Jr.	8	Effective April 1, 2009
Honorable Tonya Henderson-Stith	8	Effective May 1, 2009
Honorable Jeffrey W. Shaw	9	Effective June 1, 2009
Honorable J. William Watson Jr.	10	Effective July 30, 2009
Honorable Pamela O'Berry	12	Effective April 1, 2009
Honorable Richard A. Claybrook Jr.	26	Effective March 1, 2009
Honorable Richard C. Patterson	29	Effective April 1, 2009
Honorable Steven S. Smith	31	Effective May 1, 2009

Chief Judges of the Commonwealth of Virginia As of December 31, 2009

District		District	
1	Colon H. Whitehurst	17	Dorothy H. Clarke
2	Gene A. Woolard	18	Becky J. Moore
3	Morton V. Whitlow	19	Donald P. McDonough
4	Bruce A. Wilcox	20	Julia Taylor Cannon
5	James A. Moore	21	R. Morgan Armstrong
6	J. Larry Palmer	22	George A. Jones Jr.
7	Bryant L. Sugg	23	Jacqueline F. Ward Talevi
8	Albert W. Patrick III	24	Joseph M. Serkes
9	Colleen K. Killilea	25	John Gregory Mooney
10	Robert G. Woodson Jr.	26	W. Dale Houff
11	Paul W. Cella	27	Gino W. Williams
12	Philip V. Daffron	28	Sage B. Johnson
13	Barbara J. Gaden	29	Jack S. Hurley Jr.
14	James Stephen Yoffy	30	Chadwick S. Dotson
15	Gordon A. Wilkins	31	Peter W. Steketee
16	Robert H. Downer Jr.	32	Gordon S. Vincent
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The Judiciary's Year in Review



Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts

JUVENILE & DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURTS

JUVENILE & DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURTS

Jurisdiction and Structure

Juvenile and domestic relations district courts have jurisdiction over all proceedings involving the custody, visitation, support, control or disposition of a child who is abused, neglected, in need of services, abandoned, truant, a runaway, a delinquent, violates traffic laws, requires commitment for mental illness or consent to medical treatment. These courts also have jurisdiction over the parents, guardians and legal custodians of such children and over other adults involved in foster care proceedings, paternity determinations, domestic violence, offenses against family or household members, and spousal support matters.

Table 32

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
2008-2009 Percent Change in Caseloads

		New Cases			Hearings				
_			Percent			Percent			
District	2008	2009	Change	2008	2009	Change			
1	15,111	14,320	-5.2%	36,055	34,928	-3.1%			
2	31,419	29,918	-4.8%	71,666	68,730	-4.1%			
2A	3,740	3,775	0.9%	7,273	7,541	3.7%			
3	11,267	11,891	5.5%	26,514	26,551	0.1%			
4	21,626	21,705	0.4%	53,672	53,641	-0.1%			
5	9,448	8,840	-6.4%	23,807	21,417	-10.0%			
6	8,937	8,644	-3.3%	21,832	21,804	-0.1%			
7	16,339	14,388	-11.9%	42,349	37,848	-10.6%			
8	11,735	11,303	-3.7%	30,665	28,640	-6.6%			
9	14,817	14,745	-0.5%	33,183	32,751	-1.3%			
10	13,044	13,499	3.5%	30,268	30,646	1.2%			
11	10,949	10,935	-0.1%	27,014	26,205	-3.0%			
12	24,770	24,215	-2.2%	52,005	52,388	0.7%			
13	17,881	16,635	-7.0%	48,498	41,541	-14.3%			
14	22,873	22,478	-1.7%	56,530	55,383	-2.0%			
15	37,940	38,518	1.5%	83,738	83,416	-0.4%			
16	21,874	21,327	-2.5%	53,636	53,518	-0.2%			
17	4,839	4,907	1.4%	12,025	12,735	5.9%			
18	5,217	5,639	8.1%	11,271	12,189	8.1%			
19	30,671	28,537	-7.0%	59,585	58,246	-2.2%			
20	12,616	12,455	-1.3%	30,490	29,865	-2.0%			
21	8,891	8,703	-2.1%	19,456	18,659	-4.1%			
22	15,037	14,295	-4.9%	32,769	32,088	-2.1%			
23	20,193	18,786	-7.0%	49,356	45,926	-6.9%			
24	21,996	22,100	0.5%	49,233	48,583	-1.3%			
25	18,311	18,007	-1.7%	39,659	38,594	-2.7%			
26	25,198	25,148	-0.2%	51,227	51,869	1.3%			
27	19,259	19,439	0.9%	43,293	41,849	-3.3%			
28	11,136	10,469	-6.0%	24,387	23,823	-2.3%			
29	10,469	10,293	-1.7%	26,494	25,979	-1.9%			
30	8,570	7,766	-9.4%	22,260	20,895	-6.1%			
31	18,856	19,311	2.4%	46,937	47,449	1.1%			
Total	525,029	512,991	-2.3%	1,217,147	1,185,697	-2.6%			
Urban	252,797	244,033	-3.5%	597,128	576,195	-3.5%			
Rural	272,232	268,958	-1.2%	620,019	609,502	-1.7%			

Urban districts are 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 23, 31

Table 33

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
2000-2009 Historical Summary

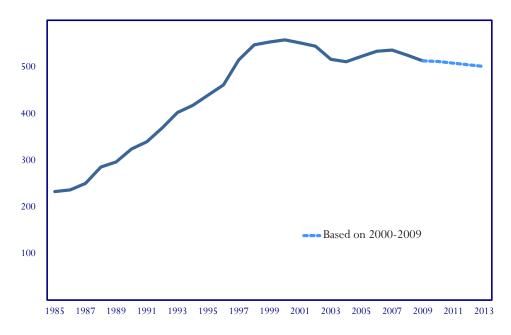
Year	Authorized Judgeships	Percent Change	New Cases	Percent Change	Hearings	Percent Change	Cases Concluded	Percent Change
2000	108.00	1.9%	558,050	0.9%	1,228,628	1.5%	568,811	0.4%
2001	110.00	1.9%	551,510	-1.2%	1,211,734	-1.4%	570,989	0.4%
2002	110.00	0.0%	544,376	-1.3%	1,206,353	-0.4%	575,084	0.7%
2003	110.00	0.0%	516,309	-5.2%	1,169,081	-3.1%	543,931	-5.4%
2004	110.00	0.0%	511,078	-1.0%	1,154,381	-1.3%	524,124	-3.6%
2005	113.00	2.7%	522,621	2.3%	1,186,473	2.8%	539,837	3.0%
2006	117.00	3.5%	533,546	2.1%	1,217,689	2.6%	540,421	0.1%
2007	117.00	0.0%	536,114	0.5%	1,233,961	1.3%	540,234	0.0%
2008	117.00	0.0%	525,029	-2.1%	1,217,147	-1.4%	534,434	-1.1%
2009	117.00	0.0%	512,991	-2.3%	1,185,697	-2.6%	519,514	-2.8%

	Juvenile Cases		Domestic Rela	ations Cases
Year	Cases Commenced	Percent Change	Cases Commenced	Percent Change
2000	313,142	0.3%	244,908	1.5%
2001	304,216	-2.9%	247,294	1.0%
2002	300,705	-1.2%	243,671	-1.5%
2003	275,191	-8.5%	241,118	-1.0%
2004	265,958	-3.4%	245,120	1.7%
2005	276,803	4.1%	245,818	0.3%
2006	284,048	2.6%	249,498	1.5%
2007	282,585	-0.5%	253,529	1.6%
2008	281,438	-0.4%	243,591	-3.9%
2009	269,727	-4.2%	243,264	-0.1%

Display 13

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts

Trends in New Cases
(Cases in Thousands)



JUVENILE & DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURTS

Display 14 Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts 1985-2009 New and Concluded Cases Per Judge

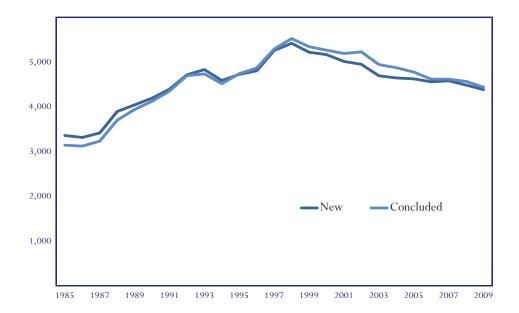


Table 34

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts

2009 Caseload Statistics

New Cases

	Authorized		Domestic	Cases	Percent	— Total	Percent	Cases/	Hearings/
District	Judgeships	Juvenile	Relations	Total	Change	Hearings	Change	Judge	Judge
	- 0 1					8			
2A	1.00	1,797	1,978	3,775	0.9%	7,541	3.7%	3,775	7,541
5	2.00	4,071	4,769	8,840	-6.4%	21,417	-10.0%	4,420	10,709
6	2.00	4,330	4,314	8,644	-3.3%	21,804	-0.1%	4,322	10,902
9	3.00	8,789	5,956	14,745	-0.5%	32,751	-1.3%	4,915	10,917
10	3.00	6,226	7,273	13,499	3.5%	30,646	1.2%	4,500	10,215
11	2.00	5,262	5,673	10,935	-0.1%	26,205	-3.0%	5,468	13,103
15	7.00	22,474	16,044	38,518	1.5%	83,416	-0.4%	5,503	11,917
16	4.00	10,888	10,439	21,327	-2.5%	53,518	-0.2%	5,332	13,380
20	3.00	6,858	5,597	12,455	-1.3%	29,865	-2.0%	4,152	9,955
21	2.00	3,788	4,915	8,703	-2.1%	18,659	-4.1%	4,352	9,330
22	3.00	6,816	7,479	14,295	-4.9%	32,088	-2.1%	4,765	10,696
24	5.00	10,947	11,153	22,100	0.5%	48,583	-1.3%	4,420	9,717
25	4.00	9,558	8,449	18,007	-1.7%	38,594	-2.7%	4,502	9,649
26	5.00	13,349	11,799	25,148	-0.2%	51,869	1.3%	5,030	10,374
27	4.00	10,048	9,391	19,439	0.9%	41,849	-3.3%	4,860	10,462
28	2.00	6,168	4,301	10,469	-6.0%	23,823	-2.3%	5,235	11,912
29	2.00	5,400	4,893	10,293	-1.7%	25,979	-1.9%	5,147	12,990
30	2.00	4,554	3,212	7,766	-9.4%	20,895	-6.1%	3,883	10,448
Rural	56.00	141,323	127,635	268,958	-1.2%	609,502	-1.8%	4,803	10,884
1	2.00	7 790	C F21	14 220	F 20/	24.020	2 10/	4 772	11 (42
1	3.00	7,789	6,531	14,320	-5.2%	34,928	-3.1%	4,773	11,643
2	7.00	16,015	13,903	29,918	-4.8%	68,730	-4.1%	4,274	9,819
3	3.00	5,383	6,508	11,891	5.5%	26,551	0.1%	3,964	8,850
4	5.00	8,892	12,813	21,705	0.4%	53,641	-0.1%	4,341	10,728
7	4.00	7,118	7,270	14,388	-11.9%	37,848	-10.6%	3,597	9,462
8	3.00	6,359	4,944	11,303	-3.7%	28,640	-6.6%	3,768	9,547
12	5.00	13,164	11,051	24,215	-2.2%	52,388	0.7%	4,843	10,478
13	5.00	8,258	8,377	16,635	-7.0%	41,541	-14.3%	3,327	8,308
14	5.00	11,560	10,918	22,478	-1.7%	55,383	-2.0%	4,496	11,077
17	2.00	3,203	1,704	4,907	1.4%	12,735	5.9%	2,454	6,368
18	2.00	3,512	2,127	5,639	8.1%	12,189	8.1%	2,820	6,095
19	8.00	17,201	11,336	28,537	-7.0%	58,246	-2.2%	3,567	7,281
23	4.00	8,837	9,949	18,786	-7.0%	45,926	-6.9%	4,697	11,482
31	5.00	11,113	8,198	19,311	2.4%	47,449	1.1%	3,862	9,490
Urban	61.00	128,404	115,629	244,033	-3.5%	576,195	-3.4%	4,001	9,446
Total	117.00	269,727	243,264	512,991	-2.3%	1,185,697	-2.6%	4,385	10,134

JUVENILE & DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURTS

Table 35

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
2009 New Caseload by District with State Rankings

		Total	State	Total	State	Cases/	State
District	Judgeships	Cases	Rank	Hearings	Rank	Judge	Rank
1	3.00	14,320	17	34,928	16	4,773	10
2	7.00	29,918	2	68,730	2	4,274	21
2A	1.00	3,775	32	7,541	32	3,775	26
3	3.00	11,891	21	26,551	22	3,964	23
4	5.00	21,705	8	53,641	5	4,341	19
5	2.00	8,840	26	21,417	27	4,420	17
6	2.00	8,644	28	21,804	26	4,322	20
7	4.00	14,388	16	37,848	15	3,597	28
8	3.00	11,303	22	28,640	21	3,768	27
9	3.00	14,745	15	32,751	17	4,915	7
10	3.00	13,499	19	30,646	19	4,500	14
11	2.00	10,935	23	26,205	23	5,468	2
12	5.00	24,215	5	52,388	7	4,843	9
13	5.00	16,635	14	41,541	13	3,327	30
14	5.00	22,478	6	55,383	4	4,496	15
15	7.00	38,518	1	83,416	1	5,503	1
16	4.00	21,327	9	53,518	6	5,332	3
17	2.00	4,907	31	12,735	30	2,454	32
18	2.00	5,639	30	12,189	31	2,820	31
19	8.00	28,537	3	58,246	3	3,567	29
20	3.00	12,455	20	29,865	20	4,152	22
21	2.00	8,703	27	18,659	29	4,352	18
22	3.00	14,295	18	32,088	18	4,765	11
23	4.00	18,786	12	45,926	11	4,697	12
24	5.00	22,100	7	48,583	9	4,420	16
25	4.00	18,007	13	38,594	14	4,502	13
26	5.00	25,148	4	51,869	8	5,030	6
27	4.00	19,439	10	41,849	12	4,860	8
28	2.00	10,469	24	23,823	25	5,235	4
29	2.00	10,293	25	25,979	24	5,147	5
30	2.00	7,766	29	20,895	28	3,883	24
31	5.00	19,311	11	47,449	10	3,862	25
Total	117.00	512,991		1,185,697			
State Average						4,385	
Urban Average						4,001	
Rural Average						4,803	

Table 36

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
2009 New Juvenile Caseload by District with State Rankings

	New		Juvenile		Juvenile		Juvenile	Juvenile
	Juvenile	State	Hearings	State	Cases	State	Hearings	Hearings
District	Cases	Rank	Held	Rank	Per Judge	Rank	Per Judge	Per Case
1	7,789	16	18,236	17	2,596	9	6,079	2.34
2	16,015	3	35,550	2	2,288	13	5,079	2.22
2A	1,797	32	3,619	32	1,797	26	3,619	2.01
3	5,383	24	11,525	26	1,794	27	3,842	2.14
4	8,892	12	21,380	10	1,778	29	4,276	2.40
5	4,071	28	9,548	28	2,036	24	4,774	2.35
6	4,330	27	11,097	27	2,165	20	5,549	2.56
7	7,118	17	19,430	15	1,780	28	4,858	2.73
8	6,359	20	14,588	20	2,120	22	4,863	2.29
9	8,789	14	19,204	16	2,930	3	6,401	2.19
10	6,226	21	14,189	21	2,075	23	4,730	2.28
11	5,262	25	12,016	24	2,631	8	6,008	2.28
12	13,164	5	28,151	4	2,633	7	5,630	2.14
13	8,258	15	19,540	14	1,652	31	3,908	2.37
14	11,560	6	27,218	8	2,312	12	5,444	2.35
15	22,474	1	48,149	1	3,211	1	6,878	2.14
16	10,888	9	27,340	6	2,722	4	6,835	2.51
17	3,203	31	8,388	29	1,602	32	4,194	2.62
18	3,512	30	7,757	30	1,756	30	3,879	2.21
19	17,201	2	33,939	3	2,150	21	4,242	1.97
20	6,858	18	16,404	18	2,286	14	5,468	2.39
21	3,788	29	7,267	31	1,894	25	3,634	1.92
22	6,816	19	15,681	19	2,272	16	5,227	2.30
23	8,837	13	20,680	12	2,209	18	5,170	2.34
24	10,947	8	21,769	9	2,189	19	4,354	1.99
25	9,558	11	19,586	13	2,390	11	4,897	2.05
26	13,349	4	27,838	5	2,670	6	5,568	2.09
27	10,048	10	20,905	11	2,512	10	5,226	2.08
28	6,168	22	13,101	22	3,084	2	6,551	2.12
29	5,400	23	13,070	23	2,700	5	6,535	2.42
30	4,554	26	11,712	25	2,277	15	5,856	2.57
31	11,113	7	27,271	7	2,223	17	5,454	2.45
Total	269,727		606,148				,	
tate Avera					2,305		5,181	

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Table 37

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts

2009 New Domestic Relations Caseload by District with State Rankings

District	New Domestic Relations Cases	State Rank	Domestic Relations Hearings Held	State Rank	Domestic Relations Cases Per Judge	State Rank	Domestic Relations Hearings Per Judge	Domestic Relations Hearings Per Case
1	6,531	18	16,692	16	2,177	16	5,564	2.56
2	13,903	2	33,180	2	1,986	21	4,740	2.39
2A	1,978	31	3,922	32	1,978	23	3,922	1.98
3	6,508	19	15,026	19	2,169	17	5,009	2.31
4	12,813	3	32,261	3	2,563	3	6,452	2.52
5	4,769	26	11,869	25	2,385	9	5,935	2.49
6	4,314	27	10,707	28	2,157	18	5,354	2.48
7	7,270	17	18,418	15	1,818	25	4,605	2.53
8	4,944	23	14,052	21	1,648	27	4,684	2.84
9	5,956	20	13,547	22	1,985	22	4,516	2.27
10	7,273	16	16,457	17	2,424	8	5,486	2.26
11	5,673	21	14,189	20	2,837	1	7,095	2.50
12	11,051	7	24,237	9	2,210	14	4,847	2.19
13	8,377	13	22,001	11	1,675	26	4,400	2.63
14	10,918	8	28,165	4	2,184	15	5,633	2.58
15	16,044	1	35,267	1	2,292	12	5,038	2.20
16	10,439	9	26,178	6	2,610	2	6,545	2.51
17	1,704	32	4,347	31	852	32	2,174	2.55
18	2,127	30	4,432	30	1,064	31	2,216	2.08
19	11,336	5	24,307	8	1,417	30	3,038	2.14
20	5,597	22	13,461	23	1,866	24	4,487	2.41
21	4,915	24	11,392	26	2,458	6	5,696	2.32
22	7,479	15	16,407	18	2,493	4	5,469	2.19
23	9,949	10	25,246	7	2,487	5	6,312	2.54
24	11,153	6	26,814	5	2,231	13	5,363	2.40
25	8,449	12	19,008	14	2,112	20	4,752	2.25
26	11,799	4	24,031	10	2,360	10	4,806	2.04
27	9,391	11	20,944	12	2,348	11	5,236	2.23
28	4,301	28	10,722	27	2,151	19	5,361	2.49
29	4,893	25	12,909	24	2,447	7	6,455	2.64
30	3,212	29	9,183	29	1,606	29	4,592	2.86
31	8,198	14	20,178	13	1,640	28	4,036	2.46
Total	243,264		579,549		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
State Avera					2,079		4,953	

Table 38

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts

2009 Caseload Statistics by Detailed Case Type*

Juvenile Cases

		F	Iearing Resu	ılts			
			Waived/				Cases
	New	Final	CV/		Trans-	Hearings	Con-
	Cases	Judgement	Removed	Continued	actions	Held	cluded
Abuse and Neglect	4,402	4,239	0	11,643	15,882	15,882	4,239
Capias	1,116	1,232	0	2,029	3,261	3,261	1,232
Child at Risk	1,118	1,121	0	2,518	3,639	3,639	1,121
Custody/Visitation	128,073	126,828	0	126,647	253,475	253,475	126,828
Delinquency Felony	15,847	16,648	5	51,061	67,714	67,709	16,653
Delinquency Misdemeanor	45,577	46,667	259	98,002	144,928	144,669	46,926
Emancipation	83	87	0	34	121	121	87
Entrustment Agreement	305	289	0	123	412	412	289
Foster Care Review	6,270	6,315	0	1,405	7,720	7,720	6,315
Initial FC Review	1,919	1,919	0	600	2,519	2,519	1,919
Judicial Bypass	76	76	0	30	79	79	76
Judicial Support	63	59	0	72	131	131	59
Paternity	3,122	3,122	0	2,998	6,120	6,120	3,122
Permanency Planning	3,228	3,199	0	1,324	4,523	4,523	3,199
Relief of Custody	237	229	0	155	384	384	229
Remand Custody	6,584	6,582	0	86	6,668	6,668	6,582
Remand Visitation	5500	5497	0	4	5501	5501	5497
Show Cause	5,291	5,297	0	7,593	12,890	12,890	5,297
Status	12,271	12,588	134	18,015	30,737	30,603	12,722
Termination Parental Rights	1,763	1,773	0	2,056	3,829	3,829	1,773
Traffic	28,680	24,217	4,859	20,835	49,911	45,052	29,076
Total Juvenile	271,525	267,984	5,257	347,230	620,444	615,187	273,241

Domestic Relations Cases

			Hearing Resu	ılts	_		
Capias	15,637	18,519	0	29,778	48,297	48,297	18,519
Civil Support	70,469	69,495	0	57,017	126,512	126,512	69,495
Criminal Support	32	42	0	42	84	84	42
Felonies	15,860	15,453	275	32,311	48,039	47,764	15,728
Misdemeanors	56,233	55,665	6	105,238	160,909	160,903	55,671
Other	2,360	2,303	0	1,045	3,348	3,348	2,303
Remand Support	4,568	4,569	0	7	4,576	4,576	4,569
Show Cause	57,919	58,386	2	95,884	154,272	154,270	58,388
Spousal Abuse	20,231	20,270	0	14,788	35,058	35,058	20,270
Total Domestic Relations	243,309	244,702	283	336,110	581,095	580,812	244,985
Total J&DR District	514,834	512,686	5,540	683,340	1,201,539	1,195,999	518,226

^{*} Due to timing, varying reporting and data processing procedures, figures in this table may not be identical to those found in other J&DR tables.

JUVENILE & DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURTS

Table 39

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts

2009 Age of Concluded Cases*

Juvenile Cases

			Days from	Offense/Fil	le Date to D	isposition	Date		
	0-30	31-60	61-90	91-180	181-365	365+	Total	%	Avg. Days
Abuse and Neglect	984	536	1,198	585	634	299	4,236	1.5%	68
Capias	402	183	137	222	131	169	1,244	0.5%	100
Child at Risk	313	110	193	193	243	68	1,120	0.4%	69
Custody/Visitation	23,710	27,729	22,070	30,799	17,363	5,116	126,787	46.4%	54
Delinquency Felony	2,295	2,480	2,478	3,059	2,057	4,329	16,698	6.1%	167
Delinquency Misdemeanor	7,036	8,018	6,379	8,573	8,247	8,814	47,067	17.2%	133
Emancipation	32	17	19	13	2	1	84	0.0%	27
Entrustment Agreement	139	87	25	20	9	8	288	0.1%	34
Foster Care Review	3,372	2,041	165	253	272	177	6,280	2.3%	34
Initial FC Review	1,337	281	43	114	108	24	1,907	0.7%	28
Judicial Bypass	75	0	0	0	0	1	76	0.0%	22
Judicial Support	3	8	9	23	9	4	56	0.0%	77
Paternity	539	480	502	1,151	373	79	3,124	1.1%	48
Permanency Planning	1,528	1,083	102	227	172	82	3,194	1.2%	35
Relief of Custody	105	53	17	37	11	6	229	0.1%	37
Remand Custody	4,666	904	322	245	235	226	6,598	2.4%	37
Remand Visitation	3,935	802	252	159	164	203	5,515	2.0%	38
Show Cause	1,370	1,331	811	941	568	289	5,310	1.9%	57
Status	4,076	2,183	1,251	2,375	1,803	1,057	12,745	4.7%	75
Termination Parental Rights	360	330	310	477	216	78	1,771	0.6%	55
Traffic	5,954	7,820	3,461	5,703	5,136	1,085	29,159	10.7%	54
Total Juvenile	62,231	56,476	39,744	55,169	37,753	22,115	273,488	100.0%	74
Column %	22.8%	20.7%	14.5%	20.2%	13.8%	8.1%	100.0%		
Cumulative %	22.8%	43.4%	57.9%	78.1%	91.9%	100.0%			

Domestic Relations Cases

	Days from Offense/File Date to Disposition Date									
	0-30	31-60	61-90	91-180	181-365	365+	Total	%	Avg. Days	
Capias	5,387	2,419	2,066	3,456	2,663	1,821	17,812	7.3%	86	
Civil Support	10,645	13,493	12,125	18,565	9,679	5,004	69,511	28.4%	72	
Criminal Support	10	3	5	13	5	9	45	0.0%	138	
Felonies	3,592	4,518	3,430	2,862	830	516	15,748	6.4%	42	
Misdemeanors	7,965	14,839	10,784	9,189	4,406	8,598	55,781	22.8%	107	
Other	1,683	252	118	148	70	31	2,302	0.9%	26	
Remand Support	2,617	772	274	252	216	441	4,572	1.9%	71	
Show Cause	5,773	9,749	9,077	15,283	10,790	7,906	58,578	23.9%	108	
Spousal Abuse	17,508	1,396	536	495	229	115	20,279	8.3%	20	
Total Juvenile	55,180	47,441	38,415	50,263	28,888	24,441	244,628	100.0%	83	
Column %	22.6%	19.4%	15.7%	20.5%	11.8%	10.0%	100.0%			
Cumulative %	22.6%	41.9%	57.7%	78.2%	90.0%	100.0%				

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Table 40

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts

Judges

As of December 31, 2009

	Authorized		
District	Judgeships	Judge	Term
1	3	Rufus A. Banks Jr.	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		Eileen Anita Olds	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
		Larry D. Willis Sr.	5/1/2005-4/30/2011
2	7	Gerrit W. Benson	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		Randall M. Blow	4/1/2007-3/31/2013
		Deborah V. Bryan	5/1/2004-4/30/2010
		Deborah M. Paxson	4/1/2006-3/31/2012
		Deborah L. Rawls	3/1/2009-2/28/2015
		Ramona D. Taylor	4/16/2006-4/15/2012
		Winship C. Tower	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
3	3	Joel P. Crowe	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
		William S. Moore Jr.	2/1/2004-1/31/2010
		Alotha C. Willis	2/16/2007-2/15/2013
4	5	Michelle J. Atkins	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		M. Randolph Carlson II	1/1/2006-12/31/2011
		Lauri D. Hogge	4/1/2007-3/31/2013
		Joseph P. Massey	2/1/2004-1/31/2010
		William P. Williams	6/1/2006-5/31/2012
5	2	Robert S. Brewbaker Jr.	5/1/2006-4/30/2012
		Alfreda Talton-Harris	4/16/2004-4/15/2010
6	2	Carson E. Saunders Jr.	6/1/2007-5/31/2013
		Jacqueline R. Waymack	6/1/2009-5/31/2015
7	4	Ronald Everett Bensten	2/1/2004-1/31/2010
		Thomas W. Carpenter	2/1/2005-1/31/2011
		Judith Anne Kline	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Barry G. Logsdon	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
8	3	Jay Edward Dugger	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
		Deborah S. Roe	5/1/2009-4/30/2015
		Robert B. Wilson V	4/1/2007-3/31/2013
9	3	Isabel Hall AtLee	2/1/2009-1/31/2015
		Richard Y. AtLee Jr.	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
		George C. Fairbanks IV	2/1/2004-1/31/2010
10	3	Marvin H. Dunkum	4/1/2004-3/31/2010
		S. Anderson Nelson	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Michael M. Rand	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
11	2	James E. Hume	5/1/2009-4/30/2017
		Valentine W. Southall Jr.	10/1/2006-9/30/2012

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Table 40 (Continued)

	Authorized		
District	Judgeships	Judge	Term
12	5	Lynn S. Brice	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
		D. Gregory Carr	8/17/2009-2/12/2010
		Bonnie C. Davis	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		Jerry Hendrick Jr.	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
		Edward A. Robbins Jr.	2/1/2009-1/31/2015
13	5	J. Stephen Buis	9/1/2007-8/31/2013
		Richard B. Campbell	4/1/2007-3/31/2013
		Marilynn C. Goss	5/1/2008-4/30/2014
		Angela Edwards Roberts	3/1/2008-2/28/2014
		Ashley K. Tunner	5/16/2006-5/15/2012
14	5	Margaret W. Deglau	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
		Denis F. Soden	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
		Richard S. Wallerstein Jr.	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
		Sharon B. Will	4/16/2004-4/15/2010
		Stuart L. Williams Jr.	5/1/2004-4/30/2010
15	7	Gerald F. Daltan	5/1/2005-4/30/2011
		Phillip U. Fines	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
		Larry E. Gilman	4/1/2004-3/31/2010
		Julian W. Johnson	4/1/2005-3/31/2011
		Patricia Kelly	5/1/2008-4/30/2014
		R. Michael McKenney	5/1/2009-4/30/2015
		David F. Peterson	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
16	4	Edward DeJ. Berry	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
		Dwight D. Johnson	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
		Frank W. Somerville	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
		Susan L. Whitlock	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
17	2	Esther Wiggins Lyles	2/1/2005-1/31/2011
		George D. Varoutsos	3/16/2004-3/15/2010
18	2	Uley Norris Damiani	2/1/2009-2/1/2015
		Constance H. Frogale	4/1/2005-3/31/2011
19	8	Gayl Branum Carr	8/1/2006-7/31/2012
		Glenn L. Clayton II	10/1/2006-9/30/2012
		Kimberly J. Daniel	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
		Teena D. Grodner	4/16/2004-4/15/2010
		Helen Leiner	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
		Thomas P. Mann	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
		Janine M. Saxe	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
		Thomas P. Sotelo	2/1/2009-1/31/2015
20	3	J. Gregory Ashwell	5/1/2007-4/30/2013
		Pamela L. Brooks	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		Avelina S. Jacob	2/10/2007-2/9/2013
21	2	Susan N. Deatherage	5/1/2007-4/30/2013
		Junius P. Warren	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
22	3	Stacey W. Moreau	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		Sarah A. Rice	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
		Dale M. Wiley	7/1/2004-6/30/2010
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Table 40 (Continued)

	Authorized		
District	Judgeships	Judge	Term
23	4	Joseph P. Bounds	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
		Joseph M. Clarke II	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
		John B. Ferguson	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
		Philip Trompeter	4/16/2009-4/15/2015
24	5	Kenneth W. Farrar	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		Michael T. Garrett	3/1/2005-2/28/2011
		Robert Louis Harrison Jr.	7/1/2009-2/12/2010
		William R. Light	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		A. Ellen White	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
25	4	Laura L. Dascher	5/1/2008-4/30/2014
		Anita D. Filson	4/1/2007-3/31/2013
		Charles L. Ricketts III	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
		Paul A. Tucker	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
26	5	Elizabeth Kellas Burton	5/1/2004-4/30/2010
		William H. Logan Jr.	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		Ronald Lewis Napier	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
		Hugh David O'Donnell	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
		William W. Sharp	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
27	4	H. Lee Chitwood	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
		Harriet D. Dorsey	6/1/2009-2/12/2010
		Marcus H. Long Jr.	4/1/2005-3/31/2011
		Robert C. Viar Jr.	5/1/2009-4/30/2017
28	2	Charles F. Lincoln	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
		Florence A. Powell	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
29	2	Henry A. Barringer	4/1/2005-3/31/2011
		Michael J. Bush	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
30	2	Jeffrey Hamilton	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
		Elizabeth S. Wills	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
31	5	D. Scott Bailey	7/1/2009-2/12/2010
		William Alan Becker	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		George M. DePolo	5/1/2008-4/30/2014
		Paul F. Gluchowski	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
		Janice Justina Wellington	7/1/2008-6/30/2014
32	1	Croxton Gordon	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
TOTAL			
AUTHORIZED		TOTAL	
JUDGESHIPS	117	JUDGES 115	

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Table 40 (Continued)

J&DR District Court Judges Leaving the Bench in 2009

	District	
Honorable Harold W. Burgess Jr.	12	Elected to Circuit Court June 15, 2009
Honorable Philip Arthur Wallace	24	Retired June 30, 2009
Honorable Marvin C. Hillsman Jr.	26	Retired January 31, 2009
Honorable James Bailey Robeson	31	Retired June 30, 2009

J&DR District Court Judges Taking the Bench in 2009

	District	
Honorable Michelle J. Atkins	4	Effective April 1, 2009
Honorable Deborah S. Roe	8	Effective May 1, 2009
Honorable D. Gregory Carr	12	Effective August 17, 2009
Honorable R. Michael McKenney	15	Effective May 1, 2009
Honorable Robert Louis Harrison Jr.	24	Effective July 1, 2009
Honorable Hugh David O'Donnell	26	Effective April 1, 2009
Honorable Harriet D. Dorsey	27	Effective June 1, 2009
Honorable Michael J. Bush	29	Effective April 1, 2009
Honorable D. Scott Bailey	31	Effective July 1, 2009

Chief Judges of the Commonwealth of Virginia As of December 31, 2009

District		District	
1	Larry D. Willis Sr.	17	Esther L. Wiggins
2	Winship C. Tower	18	Constance H. Frogale
3	Alotha C. Willis	19	Kimberly J. Daniel
4	Lauri D. Hogge	20	Avelina S. Jacob
5	Alfreda Talton-Harris	21	Susan N. Deatherage
6	Carson E. Saunders Jr.	22	Sarah A. Rice
7	Barry G. Logsdon	23	Joseph M. Clarke II
8	Jay Edward Dugger	24	William R. Light
9	Isabel Hall AtLee	25	Paul A. Tucker
10	Michael M. Rand	26	William H. Logan Jr.
11	Valentine W. Southall Jr.	27	H. Lee Chitwood
12	Edward A. Robbins Jr.	28	Charles F. Lincoln
13	Angela Edwards Roberts	29	Henry A. Barringer
14	Stuart L. Williams Jr.	30	Elizabeth S. Wills
15	David F. Peterson	31	Janice Justina Wellington
16	Susan L. Whitlock	32	Croxton Gordon





Magistrates

MAGISTRATE SYSTEM

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Function and Structure

In many instances, a citizen's first contact with Virginia's Judicial System comes through the office of the Magistrate. A principal function of the magistrate is to provide an independent, unbiased review of complaints of criminal conduct brought to the office by law enforcement or the general public. Magistrate duties include issuing various types of processes such as arrest warrants, summonses, bonds, search warrants, subpoenas, and certain civil warrants. Magistrates also conduct bail hearings in instances in which an individual is arrested on a warrant charging him or her with a criminal offense. Magistrates provide services on an around-the-clock basis, conducting hearings in person or through the use of videoconferencing systems.

The magistrate system for the Commonwealth is divided into eight regions, and each magistrate is authorized to exercise his or her powers throughout the magisterial region for which he or she is appointed. Each region is comprised of between three and five judicial districts. There are magistrate offices located throughout Virginia, including at least one in each of Virginia's 32 judicial districts.

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Magistrate System
2009 Distribution of Processes

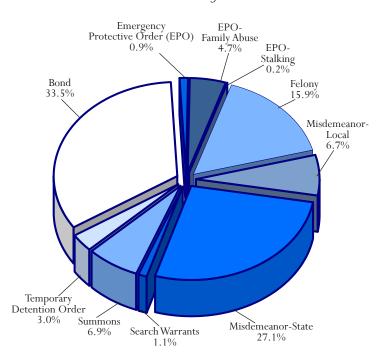


Table 41 Magistrate System

2009 Total Processes

Felony	115,122
Misdemeanor-State	196,923
Misdemeanor-Local	48,842
Summons	50,049
Bond	242,824
Search Warrants	7,962
Commitment Order	239,643
Release Order	155,477
EPO-Stalking	1,160
Emergency Protective Order	6,786
Temporary Detention Order	22,027
EPO- Family Abuse	33,807

Grand Total 1,120,622

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2009 Processes Issued by District

Probable Cause: Arrest Warrants,

	Summonses and				
District	Search Warrants	Bonds	Other Processes	Total Processes	
1	11,575	6,673	12,506	29,580	
2	25,665	16,023	31,914	67,364	
3	7,000	4,347	7,436	18,465	
4	19,442	9,780	18,839	50,518	
5	8,060	3,691	7,942	18,493	
6	6,403	5,819	10,631	20,764	
7	14,429	7,383	17,230	36,070	
8	9,914	4,825	11,872	24,021	
9	10,895	4,879	11,733	28,536	
10	9,154	5,227	8,184	20,840	
11	8,473	3,485	6,516	18,560	
12	16,082	7,222	13,790	38,915	
13	19,732	8,789	18,927	43,722	
14	14,134	8,656	16,493	40,118	
15	26,014	14,073	27,620	72,584	
16	16,072	10,220	17,135	40,843	
17	5,737	3,798	7,653	16,740	
18	5,105	3,831	7,108	14,370	
19	32,814	27,989	50,571	109,909	
20	10,906	6,058	11,582	31,162	
21	4,597	3,323	6,660	12,814	
22	10,524	6,302	11,715	28,794	
23	17,510	13,337	23,420	54,057	
24	14,196	7,446	13,901	33,936	
25	12,798	7,488	12,813	32,005	
26	19,796	10,105	19,463	49,673	
27	20,833	11,029	21,142	51,939	
28	8,880	3,847	9,278	21,656	
29	10,409	4,474	6,810	20,085	
30	7,294	4,651	7,645	18,093	
31	19,728	11,076	20,609	50,733	
32	2,551	950	2,352	5,263	
Total	418,898	242,824	458,900	1,120,622	

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2009 Processes Issued by District in Rank Order

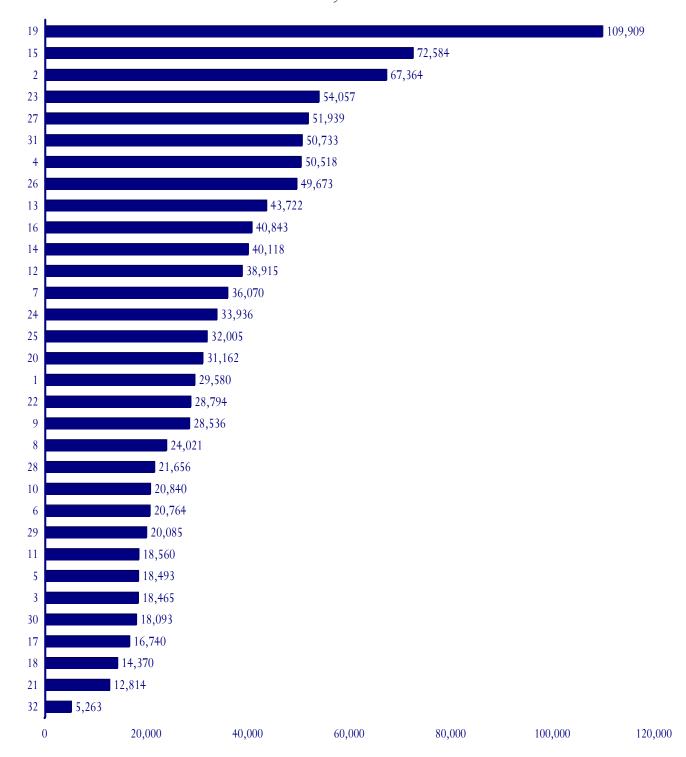


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2009 Detailed Process Data by District

EPO-Stalking Emergency Custody Order		9	Emergency Custody Order		119
EPO-Stalking					110
		14	EPO-Stalking		11
Release Order		2,205	Release Order		4,595
Commitment Order		4,672	Commitment Order		4,347
Search Warrants		68	Search Warrants		107
Bond		4,121	Bond		5,456
Summons		646	Summons		487
Misdemeanor-Local		316	Misdemeanor-Local		177
Misdemeanor-State		3,730	Misdemeanor-State		3,097
Felony		2,146	Felony		1,511
Third Judicial District			Sixth Judicial District		
	Total	67,364		Total	18,493
EPO- Family Abuse		2,213	EPO- Family Abuse		507
Temporary Detention Order		1,007	Temporary Detention Order		445
Emergency Custody Order		259	Emergency Custody Order		305
EPO-Stalking		37	EPO-Stalking		21
Release Order		11,039	Release Order		2,589
Commitment Order		14,626	Commitment Order		4,028
Search Warrants		366	Search Warrants		268
Bond		14,740	Bond		3,507
Summons		3,116	Summons		728
Misdemeanor-Local		5,869	Misdemeanor-Local		353
Misdemeanor-State		8,518	Misdemeanor-State		3,695
Felony		5,574	Felony		2,047
Second Judicial District		,,,,,,	Fifth Judicial District	Total	11,1
Er O- Fainity Abuse	Total	29,580	Er O- Fainily Abuse	Total	50,518
Temporary Detention Order EPO- Family Abuse		664 458	Temporary Detention Order EPO- Family Abuse		769 1,855
Emergency Custody Order		113	Emergency Custody Order		45
EPO-Stalking		29	EPO-Stalking		109
Release Order		4,547	Release Order		2,846
Commitment Order		6,288	Commitment Order		13,403
Search Warrants		9	Search Warrants		410
Bond		6,448	Bond		10,955
Summons		1,897	Summons		2,553
Misdemeanor-Local		2,503	Misdemeanor-Local		4,801
Misdemeanor-State		3,654	Misdemeanor-State		7,967
Felony		2,970	Felony		4,805
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Table 43 (Continued)

Seventh Judicial District		Tenth Judicial District	
Felony	4,792	Felony	1,949
Misdemeanor-State	4,471	Misdemeanor-State	4,956
Misdemeanor-Local	3,223	Misdemeanor-Local	9
Summons	886	Summons	1,092
Bond	7,039	Bond	4,971
Search Warrants	60	Search Warrants	246
Commitment Order	8,113	Commitment Order	3,435
Release Order	5,405	Release Order	2,588
EPO-Stalking	19	EPO-Stalking	18
Emergency Custody Order	150	Emergency Custody Order	250
Temporary Detention Order	477	Temporary Detention Order	515
EPO- Family Abuse	1,435	EPO- Family Abuse	811
Total	36,070	Total	20,840
Eighth Judicial District		Eleventh Judicial District	
Felony	2,997	Felony	2,876
Misdemeanor-State	2,281	Misdemeanor-State	4,196
Misdemeanor-Local	2,329	Misdemeanor-Local	469
Summons	1,644	Summons	546
Bond	4,309	Bond	3,842
Search Warrants	4	Search Warrants	153
Commitment Order	5,209	Commitment Order	3,534
Release Order	3,578	Release Order	1,491
EPO-Stalking	5	EPO-Stalking	12
Emergency Custody Order	109	Emergency Custody Order	176
Temporary Detention Order	641	Temporary Detention Order	677
EPO- Family Abuse	915	EPO- Family Abuse	588
Total	24,021	Total	18,560
Ninth Judicial District		Twelfth Judicial District	
Felony	3,014	Felony	5,344
Misdemeanor-State	5,712	Misdemeanor-State	7,550
Misdemeanor-Local	262	Misdemeanor-Local	1,368
Summons	1,900	Summons	3,393
Bond	5,520	Bond	7,352
Search Warrants	119	Search Warrants	278
Commitment Order	5,893	Commitment Order	7,478
Release Order	4,721	Release Order	4,464
EPO-Stalking	50	EPO-Stalking	68
Emergency Custody Order	125	Emergency Custody Order	127
Temporary Detention Order	435	Temporary Detention Order	431
EPO- Family Abuse	785	EPO- Family Abuse	1,062
Total	28,536	 Total	38,915

Table 43 (Continued)

Thirteenth Judicial District		Sixteenth Judicial District	
Felony	6,335	Felony	3,771
Misdemeanor-State	10,593	Misdemeanor-State	9,579
Misdemeanor-Local	52	Misdemeanor-Local	12
Summons	424	Summons	1,913
Bond	8,484	Bond	9,612
Search Warrants	724	Search Warrants	363
Commitment Order	13,260	Commitment Order	7,452
Release Order	7	Release Order	5,651
EPO-Stalking	35	EPO-Stalking	68
Emergency Custody Order	389	Emergency Custody Order	295
Temporary Detention Order	1,787	Temporary Detention Order	590
EPO- Family Abuse	1,632	EPO- Family Abuse	1,537
Total	43,722	Total	40,843
Fourteenth Judicial District		Seventeenth Judicial District	
Felony	4,688	Felony	1,553
Misdemeanor-State	7,154	Misdemeanor-State	2,648
Misdemeanor-Local	1,509	Misdemeanor-Local	827
Summons	1,148	Summons	549
Bond	8,839	Bond	3,593
Search Warrants	255	Commitment Order	3,998
Commitment Order	8,435	Release Order	2,953
Release Order	6,000	EPO-Stalking	10
EPO-Stalking	74	Emergency Custody Order	54
Emergency Custody Order	2	Temporary Detention Order	330
Temporary Detention Order	735	EPO- Family Abuse	225
EPO- Family Abuse	1,279	 Total	16,740
Total	40,118		,
rio al I l'abrada		Eighteenth Judicial District	
<u>Fifteenth Judicial District</u>		Felony	1,585
Felony	8,459	Misdemeanor-State	2,265
Misdemeanor-State	11,924	Misdemeanor-Local	727
Misdemeanor-Local	4,007	Summons	326
Summons	3,049	Bond	3,347
Bond	15,361	Commitment Order	3,262
Search Warrants	336	Release Order	2,190
Commitment Order	14,801	EPO-Stalking	13
Release Order	10,947	Emergency Custody Order	83
EPO-Stalking	77	Temporary Detention Order	236
Emergency Custody Order	337	EPO- Family Abuse	336
Temporary Detention Order	963	Total	14,370
EPO- Family Abuse	2,323	1000	•
Total	72,584		

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Nineteenth Judicial District		Twenty-second Judicial Distri	<u>ct</u>
Felony	9,583	Felony	2,262
Misdemeanor-State	10,323	Misdemeanor-State	6,102
Misdemeanor-Local	10,413	Misdemeanor-Local	717
Summons	2,092	Summons	1,194
Bond	26,601	Bond	6,258
Search Warrants	753	Search Warrants	213
Commitment Order	28,608	Commitment Order	5,951
Release Order	18,660	Release Order	3,924
EPO-Stalking	57	EPO-Stalking	18
Emergency Custody Order	39	Emergency Custody Order	525
Temporary Detention Order	819	Temporary Detention Order	890
EPO- Family Abuse	1,961	EPO- Family Abuse	740
Total	109,909	Total	28,794
Twentieth Judicial District		Twenty-third Judicial District	
Felony	2,925	Felony	4,093
Misdemeanor-State	5,053	Misdemeanor-State	10,524
Misdemeanor-Local	1,681	Misdemeanor-Local	40
Summons	1,692	Summons	2,694
Bond	6,506	Bond	13,137
Search Warrants	854	Search Warrants	91
Commitment Order	6,215	Commitment Order	10,878
Release Order	4,813	Release Order	8,340
EPO-Stalking	24	EPO-Stalking	69
Emergency Custody Order	82	Emergency Custody Order	456
Temporary Detention Order	365	Temporary Detention Order	1,994
EPO- Family Abuse	952	EPO- Family Abuse	1,741
Total	31,162	Total	54,057
Twenty-first Judicial District		Twenty-fourth Judicial Distric	e <u>t</u>
Felony	798	Felony	3,599
Misdemeanor-State	2,137	Misdemeanor-State	7,324
Misdemeanor-Local	763	Misdemeanor-Local	866
Summons	242	Summons	1,251
Bond	2,812	Bond	7,170
Search Warrants	70	Search Warrants	414
Commitment Order	2,963	Commitment Order	5,983
Release Order	2,108	Release Order	4,060
EPO-Stalking	7	EPO-Stalking	61
Emergency Custody Order	186	Emergency Custody Order	483
Temporary Detention Order	258	Temporary Detention Order	1,109
EPO- Family Abuse	470	EPO- Family Abuse	1,616
Total	12,814	Total	33,936

Table 43 (Continued)

Twenty-fifth Judicial District		Twenty-eighth Judicial Dis	<u>trict</u>
Felony	2,786	Felony	2,380
Misdemeanor-State	7,924	Misdemeanor-State	4,448
Misdemeanor-Local	170	Misdemeanor-Local	105
Summons	1,173	Summons	1,235
Bond	7,150	Bond	4,175
Search Warrants	319	Search Warrants	117
Commitment Order	5,982	Commitment Order	4,060
Release Order	4,618	Release Order	3,508
EPO-Stalking	13	EPO-Stalking	15
Emergency Custody Order	241	Emergency Custody Order	271
Temporary Detention Order	479	Temporary Detention Order	636
EPO- Family Abuse	1,150	EPO- Family Abuse	706
Total	32,005	Tot	eal 21,650
Twenty-sixth Judicial District		Twenty-ninth Judicial Dist	<u>rict</u>
Felony	4,727	Felony	2,742
Misdemeanor-State	7,857	Misdemeanor-State	5,510
Misdemeanor-Local	2,822	Misdemeanor-Local	500
Summons	4,068	Summons	70-
Bond	10,097	Bond	4,124
Search Warrants	590	Search Warrants	126
Commitment Order	9,673	Commitment Order	3,026
Release Order	7,336	Release Order	2,002
EPO-Stalking	33	EPO-Stalking	37
Emergency Custody Order	205	Emergency Custody Order	230
Temporary Detention Order	711	Temporary Detention Order	302
EPO- Family Abuse	1,554	EPO- Family Abuse	782
Total	49,673	Tot	eal 20,085
Twenty-seventh Judicial District	<u>t</u>	Thirtieth Judicial District	
Felony	4,655	Felony	1,746
Misdemeanor-State	10,534	Misdemeanor-State	3,850
Misdemeanor-Local	117	Misdemeanor-Local	95
Summons	4,396	Summons	980
Bond	10,756	Bond	4,315
Search Warrants	486	Search Warrants	119
Commitment Order	9,549	Commitment Order	3,342
Release Order	7,515	Release Order	2,576
EPO-Stalking	63	EPO-Stalking	49
Emergency Custody Order	475	Emergency Custody Order	220
Temporary Detention Order	1,963	Temporary Detention Order	428
EPO- Family Abuse	1,430	EPO- Family Abuse	373
Total	51,939	Tot	al 18,093

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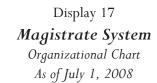
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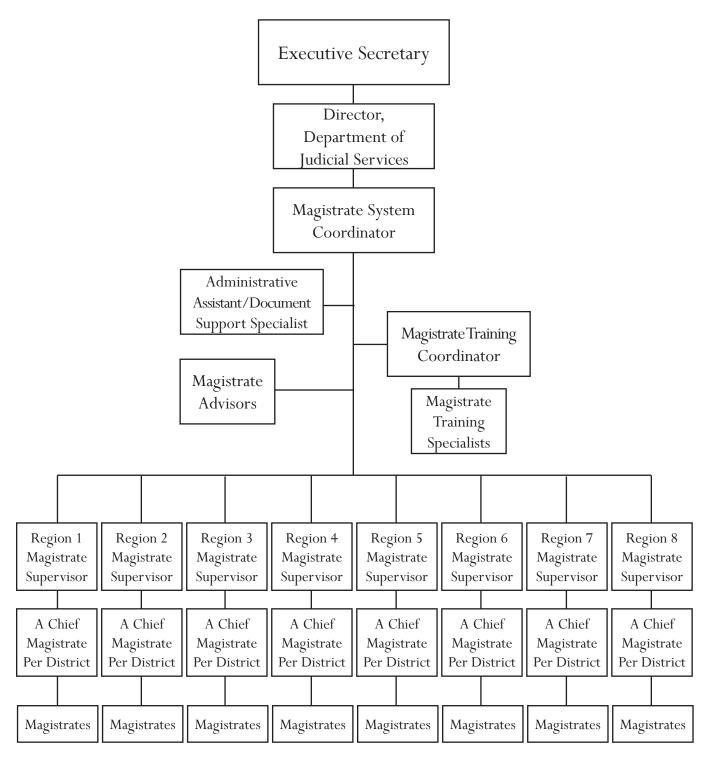
Thirty-first Judicial District	
Felony	5,814
Misdemeanor-State	10,072
Misdemeanor-Local	1,731
Summons	1,804
Bond	11,310
Search Warrants	16
Commitment Order	10,073
Release Order	7,548
EPO-Stalking	34
Emergency Custody Order	348
Temporary Detention Order	684
EPO- Family Abuse	1,299
Total	50,733
Judicial District Two-A	
Felony	596
Misdemeanor-State	1,275
Misdemeanor-Local	9
Summons	227
Bond	917
Search Warrants	28
Commitment Order	1,106
Release Order	653
EPO-Stalking	10
Emergency Custody Order	78
Temporary Detention Order	89
EPO- Family Abuse	275
Total	5,263
State Totals	
Felony	115,122
Misdemeanor-State	196,923
Misdemeanor-Local	48,842
Summons	50,049
Bond	242,824
Search Warrants	7,962
Commitment Order	239,643
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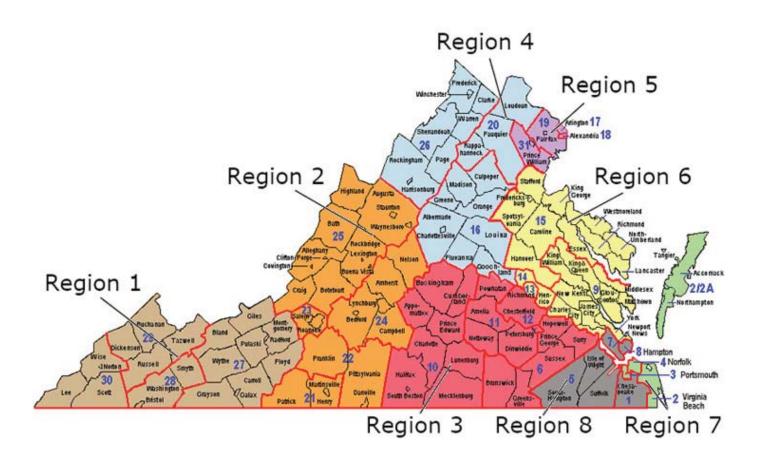


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Map of Magistrate Regions



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Judicial Policy-Making Bodies, Commissions, and Study Groups



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- Advisory Committees of the Committee on District Courts
- Committees of the Judicial Conference of Virginia for District Courts
- Advisory Committee on Domestic Violence Issues in Virginia's Courts
- Advisory Committee on Services for Non-English Speakers in Virginia's Courts
- Commission on Mental Health Law Reform
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INFORMATION ABOUT VIRGINIA JUDICIAL POLICY MAKING BODIES

The **Judicial Council of Virginia** is charged with the responsibility for making a continuous study of the organization, rules and methods of procedure and practice of the judicial system of the Commonwealth. It is also responsible for examining the work accomplished and results produced by the system and its individual offices and courts. A report of the proceedings and recommendations of the Council is made to the General Assembly and to the Supreme Court on an annual basis.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court is presiding officer for the Council whose membership includes one Court of Appeals judge, six circuit court judges, one general district court judge, one juvenile and domestic relations district court judge, two attorneys qualified to practice in the Supreme Court and the Chairmen of the Committees for Courts of Justice in the Virginia Senate and House of Delegates. Council members are appointed by the Chief Justice and serve for four years or at the pleasure of the Chief Justice.

The **Committee on District Courts** was created to assist the Chief Justice in the administrative supervision of Virginia's unified court system. Among the statutorily mandated responsibilities of the CDC are recommending new judgeships and certifying the need to fill district court vacancies, authorizing the number of clerks, magistrates and personnel in each district, establishing guidelines and policies for court system personnel and fixing salary classification schedules for district court personnel.

Membership of the Committee includes the Chairmen of the Committees for Courts of Justice in the Senate and House of Delegates, two members of each of the Courts of Justice Committees appointed by the respective Chairmen, the Speaker of the House of Delegates, the Majority Leader of the Senate of Virginia, one circuit court judge, one general district court judge and two juvenile and domestic relations district court judge. These judicial members are appointed by the Chief Justice and serve at his pleasure.

The **Judicial Conference of Virginia** was organized to discuss and to consider means and methods of improving the administration of justice in the Commonwealth. Active members include the Chief Justice and Justices of the Supreme Court, all judges of the Court of Appeals and the circuit courts and all retired Justices and judges of these courts. The Chief Justice serves as President of the Conference. Six circuit court judges, one Court of Appeals judge and one retired judge are elected to serve on the Conference's Executive Committee. The Conference conducts its business through seven standing committees.

The **Judicial Conference of Virginia for District Courts** is similar to the Judicial Conference for circuit courts in its mission and responsibilities. Membership includes the Chief Justice, who serves as President and all active judges of the general district and juvenile and domestic relations district courts. Seven district court judges are elected to serve on the Executive Committee of the Conference. The Conference has a committee structure similar to the Judicial Conference of Virginia.

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

The Office of the Executive Secretary (OES) of the Supreme Court of Virginia provides administrative assistance and direction to the courts of the Commonwealth and to Virginia's magistrates through its eleven departments and various related programs. The OES includes the office of the Assistant Executive Secretary and Counsel, the Court Improvement Program, Educational Services, Fiscal Services, Historical Commission, Human Resources, Judicial Information Technology, Judicial Planning, Judicial Programs, Judicial Services, Legal Research, and Legislative & Public Relations.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Major activities include:

- Maintaining liaison with, and providing support to, the legislative and executive branches on matters affecting the courts, as well as serving as liaison to the Bar and to the public.
- 2. Providing appropriate coordination, supervision and administrative support for operations and systems within the court and magistrate systems.
- 3. Managing the day-to-day staff operations of the OES.

Responsibilities

- Serve as the State Court Administrator and administer the Virginia court system at the direction of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia.
- Provide the Chief Justice with current information on all issues and operations.
- Serve as Secretariat and provide staff support for the Judicial Council of Virginia, the Committee on District Courts, and all Judicial Conferences.
- Serve on the Indigent Defense Commission and the Forensic Science Board.
- Maintain liaison with all agencies of state government, the general public, and the Bar.
- Direct analysis, investigations, and evaluations to respond to requests from, and to develop and to make recommendations to, the General Assembly.
- Specify objectives and develop broad content for the courts' and magistrate system's regular educational programs.
- Provide direction in the preparation of the Comprehensive Judicial Plan and its implementation.
- Provide direction and final approval on project development within the OES and review and monitor the project management system.
- Provide financial management direction, particularly in the areas of securing grant funding and preparing, evaluating and defending budget submissions.

The **Assistant Executive Secretary & Counsel** supports the Executive Secretary, particularly with legal matters involving OES or the Judicial Branch.

ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY & COUNSEL

Major activities include:

- Reviewing and providing advice on legal issues affecting the Executive Secretary, OES and the Judicial Branch.
- 2. Overseeing the implementation of the Supreme Court's Judicial Disqualification Policy, including the designation of active judges and the designation and recall of retired judges throughout the state.
- 3. Overseeing the Administrative Hearing Officer program administered by the Supreme Court.
- 4. Maintaining records relating to special justices appointed to conduct civil commitment hearings for juveniles and adults.
- 5. Providing professional and administrative assistance for special projects, including the Pandemic Flu Preparedness Commission of the Supreme Court of Virginia.
- 6. Assisting with continuing education and legislative and public relations issues as needed.

The Assistant Executive Secretary & Counsel provides legal advice and support to the Executive Secretary on a wide variety of matters involving OES and the administration of the Judicial Branch, focusing primarily on issues related to compliance, implementation of existing policies and development of new policies.

Working with the Executive Secretary and the Chief Justice, the Assistant Executive Secretary & Counsel also oversees the implementation of the Supreme Court's Judicial Disqualification Policy, including the designation of active judges and the designation and recall of retired judges throughout the Commonwealth. During 2009, OES processed 279 requests for designation of judges to preside in circuit court cases in which one or more judges had disqualified themselves. There were 127 such requests from general district courts and 152 such requests from juvenile and domestic relations district courts.

The Assistant Executive Secretary & Counsel is also responsible for the Administrative Hearing Officer program administered by the Supreme Court, including working with the OES Education Department on scheduling and planning for the annual educational conference. In 2009 OES received 185 contacts from agencies requesting assignment of hearing officers from the list maintained by OES in accordance with Virginia Code § 2.2-4024.

The Assistant Executive Secretary & Counsel maintains records relating to special justices appointed to conduct civil commitment hearings for juveniles and adults, and coordinates annual training with other OES departments. In 2009 there were 102 special justices for adult and 36 special justices for juvenile civil commitment hearings.

PANDEMIC FLU PREPAREDNESS COMMISSION

In 2009 the Chief Justice created the Pandemic Flu Preparedness Commission and appointed its 48 members. The Pandemic Flu Preparedness Commission was charged with ensuring, in the event of a pandemic, that the Judicial Branch is able to fulfill its mission:

to provide an independent, accessible, responsive forum for the just resolution of disputes in order to preserve the rule of law and to protect all rights and liberties guaranteed by the United States and Virginia constitutions.

The Assistant Executive Secretary & Counsel provided professional and administrative support for the Commission during 2009. More detailed information about the Commission is found elsewhere in this Report.

JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PROGRAM

Operation of the Judicial Performance Evaluation Program was suspended July 1, 2009, due to elimination of Program funding. Before its suspension, during 2009 the Program completed reports on 69 judges. Of this number, 23 reports were for judges whose terms ended in 2010. The Program sent those evaluation reports to the General Assembly in August 2009. The Assistant Executive Secretary & Counsel had administrative responsibility for the Program.

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The office of the **Court Improvement Program** is responsible for court activities relating to children and families and for the qualification of lawyers as guardians ad litem for children and for incapacitated adults.

COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Major activities include:

- Developing, conducting and supporting special projects that address issues of concern to children and families involved with the court system.
- 2. Implementing standards promulgated by the Judicial Council of Virginia governing lawyers who serve as guardians ad litem.

Activities of the Court Improvement Program (CIP) in 2009 continued to focus on facilitating judicial leadership, local collaboration, and compliance with federal and state law and recommended best practices. Supporting the enhancement of court technology for judges and court personnel responsible for managing and processing child dependency cases in accord with best practice has also continued as a high priority. CIP's activities are made possible through funds allocated by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in three grant awards: the CIP Basic Grant, the Data Collection and Analysis Grant, and the Training Grant.

During 2009, CIP continued to sponsor or participate in a number of training events separate from routine training efforts offered by the Office of the Executive Secretary's Department of Educational Services for judges, substitute judges, and court clerks and their staffs, which CIP also supports. For example, collaboration continued with the educational arm of the Virginia State Bar, Virginia CLE, to meet the continuing legal education requirements of attorneys qualified as guardians ad litem for children. CIP also sponsored, in conjunction with local courts, programs to provide interdisciplinary training and dialogue with the professionals in their communities who handle child dependency cases.

TRAINING INITIATIVES

Continuing Legal Education for Attorneys who Represent Local Departments of Social Services in Child Dependency Cases

In September 2009, the Court Improvement Program sponsored its third biennial training for attorneys representing local departments of social services. Over 100 attorneys representing more than 70 local agencies attended. The program was designed to provide information on such issues as the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA), the Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008, and legislation enacted during the 2009 Virginia General Assembly related to juvenile and domestic relations district courts.

5th Statewide Best Practice Courts Conference

The Fifth Statewide Best Practice Courts Conference was held in November 2009. Nearly 215 participants, representing 31 local best practice court teams were in attendance. The format for this conference closely resembled past conferences, but the content of the sessions offered much new information and exciting plans for the future.

National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judge (NCJFCJ) Child Abuse and Neglect Institute

Each year the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ) sponsors the Child Abuse and Neglect Institute in Reno, Nevada. In 2009, Virginia was given the opportunity to send five juvenile and domestic relations district court judges. The training sessions at this event discuss the role of the judge on and off the bench in child abuse and neglect cases and emphasize the implementation of the Resource Guidelines and Adoption and Permanency Guidelines.

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT THROUGH TECHNOLOGY INNOVATIONS

As part of the Data Collection and Analysis Grant, CIP, in partnership with the Department of Judicial Information Technology (DJIT) and the Department of Judicial Services (DJS), continued efforts to develop a Management Information System within the Courts Automated Information System (CAIS) that will facilitate the substantive and comprehensive tracking of cases related to child abuse and neglect, foster care and adoption of children in foster care in Virginia courts. The enhanced CAIS will integrate functions associated with basic case processing, produce reports for purposes of case and court management, support the generation of state and local statistical reports, and facilitate automated data exchanges between the courts and other agencies involved with the court processing of these cases. Due to changes in project development, piloting of the enhanced CAIS, which was scheduled to begin in early 2010, is now scheduled to begin in the fall of 2010.

Also in 2009, CIP, with support from DJS, developed a child dependency case e-learning course for juvenile and domestic relations district court judges. The course content covers the timeliness of hearings, the appropriate use of court forms, and the role of the judge, attorneys, and guardian ad litem in the child dependency case process. The information provided includes an overview of the statutory requirements regarding court procedures and a review of the timeline of abuse, neglect, and foster care cases. The use of court forms, to include proper completion, is discussed in accordance with the individual stages of child dependency case processing provided in the timeline. This e-learning course will be available via the Court's Intranet in March 2010. Additional e-learning courses are being developed for juvenile and domestic relations district court clerks.

SPECIAL INITIATIVES

Best Practice Courts

The Best Practice Courts initiative, which began in 2002, continued in 2009. This program builds on the efforts of many Virginia Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Courts to follow the *Resource Guidelines: Improving Court Practice in Child Abuse and Neglect Cases* published by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges in 1995. Participating courts commit to a series of local activities and receive specialized training and technical support from Virginia's Court Improvement Program and the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges' Permanency Planning for Children Department.

Based on the previous success of local events sponsored by the Best Practice Courts, CIP renewed its mini-grant program for these court teams in January 2009. Thirty of the 32 Best Practice Courts developed a total of 28 events or local initiatives between January 2009 and September 2009. The remaining two court teams held a retreat or community meetings to prepare for full engagement in the Best Practice Court program. Over 2,600 people participated in the initiatives funded by the minigrant program.

Child Dependency Mediation Program

The Court Improvement Program continued its partnership with the Department of Dispute Resolution Services in the Office of the Executive Secretary to offer alternatives to the adversarial system for child abuse, neglect, foster care and termination of parental rights cases. CIP supports Child Dependency Mediators by offering technical assistance as needed and funding child dependency mediations in local courts. Concerns about the diminished use of child dependency mediation remain. CIP will work to generate support for this alternative with local departments of social services and their legal counsel, as well as to encourage courts to refer cases to this important dispute resolution alternative.

Child Safety: A Guide for Judges and Attorneys

In 2009, in an effort to provide information to judges and attorneys about child safety decision-making, CIP purchased 250 copies of the ABA Center on Children and the Law's newest publication, *Child Safety: A Guide for Judges and Attorneys*. The publication was provided to all juvenile and domestic relations district court judges, as well as attendees of CIP's 2009 training for attorneys representing local departments of social services.

Family Drug Treatment Courts

These drug courts combine intensive judicial supervision, mandatory drug testing, graduated sanctions, and treatment to

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help substance-abusing parents break the cycle of addiction, abuse, and neglect. Success is measured by achieving the goal of reunification of children removed from the parent or by a determination that termination of parental rights is the more appropriate outcome. The Family Drug Treatment Courts continue to be the first initiators and innovators when treating substance abusing parents and finding lasting permanency for their children. In 2009, Virginia had three family drug treatment courts located in Alexandria, Charlottesville and Newport News.

CIP works collaboratively with the Drug Treatment Court Coordinator, Department of Judicial Services (DJS), to assure that the interests of the family drug treatment courts are considered in the development of state policies, funding, and evaluation efforts underway through the Statewide Advisory Committee for Drug Courts.

National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ) National Conference

CIP encourages Virginia juvenile and domestic relations district court judges to become involved in the NCJFCJ. Since 2007, CIP has provided funding to allow juvenile and domestic relations district court judges to attend the annual National Conference of this organization to take advantage of the child dependency track curriculum. In 2009, CIP covered all or a portion of the expenses for 20 Virginia judges to enable them to participate in this major training event.

Interagency Collaboration

Collaboration with the Virginia Department of Social Services and its local agencies, the bar, Court Appointed Special Advocates and other stakeholder community programs and advocates for children and families is integral to efforts by the Court Improvement Program and court system to improve the adjudication and resolution of child dependency cases in Virginia. During the past year, CIP staff has embraced collaboration through the following activities:

Virginia's Children's Services System Transformation

The Court Improvement Program has been involved in and supportive of efforts undertaken by the Executive Branch of Virginia State Government to transform Virginia's system of services for children and families. During 2009, training events involving juvenile court judges, clerk personnel, and the bar were sponsored around the Commonwealth through the Best Practice Court mini-grants, which support this Executive Branch initiative.

Translating Outcomes for Practice (TOP) Workgroup

CIP staff regularly attends meetings of this workgroup, which was formed by the Virginia Department of Social Services in May 2009. The group is charged with addressing the use of data to inform management, practice, and policy decisions, as such relate to the Department of Social Services' Virginia Children's Services Practice Model.

State Child Welfare Advisory Committee/ Child and Family Services Review

CIP staff regularly attends meetings of the State Child Welfare Advisory Committee, along with representative juvenile and domestic relations district court judges. This interdisciplinary committee advises the Virginia Department of Social Services, especially on implementation of the CFSR Program Improvement Plan and Title IV-E compliance.

In July 2009, the Child Family Services Review, a federal audit of the child welfare system, took place in Virginia. CIP was actively involved in the planning and preparation for this event. Virginia's Title IV-E Review is scheduled for August 2010. CIP staff will again support review efforts. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) last conducted an audit in Virginia of the Title IV-E program the week of March 19, 2007, and found Virginia to be in substantial compliance.

State Executive Council for the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Youth and Families

The CIP Director serves as the representative of the Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia on the State Executive Council for the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Youth and Families. This Council, chaired by the State Secretary of Health and Human Services, meets quarterly and oversees state and local expenditures in excess of \$365 million for children in foster care and special education, for children and families served through the juvenile court, and for children with serious emotional and behavior problems. The Act is intended to increase agency collaboration, allow greater flexibility

in developing services for at-risk children, and help control costs. Among the members of this Council is the Commissioner of Social Services. Virginia Code §2.2-2648 outlines the membership of the State Executive Council for Comprehensive Services for At-Risk Youth and Families.

DJJ, DCSE, and DoE Liaison Committees

The CIP Director serves as the representative of the Office of the Executive Secretary, Supreme Court Virginia, on Liaison Committees for the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), Division of Child Support Enforcement (DCSE), and Department of Education with local school superintendents. Membership on each of these committees includes juvenile and domestic relations district court judges, agency heads, and other local stakeholders. These committees generally meet biannually.

The **Educational Services Department** provides information and continuing education opportunities for judges, clerks, magistrates, substitute judges, special justices, and administrative hearing officers.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

Major activities include:

- Developing, organizing, conducting and participating in the over 30 conferences, orientation programs, magistrate certification programs, and other special in-state educational programs held annually.
- Seeking grant funding and scholarship opportunities for judicial system employees' educational needs.
- 3. Developing the education budget and tracking costs.
- 4. Administering the tuition reimbursement program for court system employees.
- 5. Administering the Clerk Certification Program (CCP) and monitoring the progress of those enrolled.

The primary focus of the Educational Services Department involved the coordination of several annual conferences and training events for judicial system employees. The first week of the Pre-Bench Orientation Program for new judges occurred in April, with two subsequent weeks of training held in June. In terms of continuing education for active and retired judges, an annual mandatory judicial conference was held for Supreme Court Justices, Court of Appeals judges, and circuit court judges in May. A mandatory judicial conference for district court judges was held in August. For a fourth year, optional hands-on computer classes were offered to the judges in pre- and post-conference workshops. Classes included Basic and Advanced Email, Using Electronic Resources, Legal Research I and II, Basic Case Management System (CMS) and Visual Basic, Effective Use of the Internet and the Court's Intranet Site, and Case Imaging Software. Approximately 100 judges enrolled in the computer classes held at the judicial conferences in 2009. This is a decrease from 2008 due to budget cuts that forced the cancellation of two voluntary judicial conferences.

In addition to the judicial conferences, statewide conferences were also held for special justices (May), circuit court clerks (June), and magistrates (September). Six regional mandatory conferences were held for Virginia's substitute judges in the fall in Abingdon, Richmond, Suffolk, Roanoke, Weyers Cave, and Arlington. In October, 20 circuit court judges attended the fifth annual "Managing the Capital Case Workshop" in Virginia; this course is required of all circuit court judges. Finally, a statewide conference for Virginia hearing officers took place in Richmond in December.

Using grant funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance, the Supreme Court partnered with the National Judicial College to develop the curriculum and hold the "Best Practices in Death Penalty Cases: A Workshop for Judges and Attorneys" in Richmond, February 2-3, 2009. This unique workshop afforded both judges and attorneys the opportunity to explore capital case issues that affect all parties with the goal to improve knowledge, skills, and practices in capital cases. Forty-one judges and attorneys participated in the workshop.

While conferences and other training events are the primary method for delivering continuing education to Virginia judi-

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cial system employees, there is also an opportunity to participate in the Supreme Court of Virginia Online Learning Program. Otherwise known as Skillsoft, this program has been available since 2003. It is free to interested judicial system employees, and courses are available online 24 hours per day. In 2009, 279 participants enrolled in the program and completed 287 online courses.

The Clerk Certification Program (CCP) continued in 2009 through a fourth cycle of Byrne Justice Assistance grant funding, provided by the Department of Criminal Justice Services. The program is based on the Michigan State University Judicial Administrative Program, and required courses include the following: case flow management; human resources management; information technology management; leadership; purposes and responsibilities of courts; and resources, budget, and finance. Thirty-five district court clerks and deputy clerks are enrolled in the full scholarship program, while 26 others benefit from partial scholarships. A total of 75 courses were completed in 2009, equaling 443 contact hours.

Recent statistics confirm that in many areas throughout the state, front desk clerks, judges, and other district court employees face Spanish-speaking customers and litigants on a daily basis. Providing district court employees with basic Spanish language skills and information on Spanish-speaking cultures enables them to provide better customer service. Ultimately, this will provide greater access to justice for the Spanish-speaking public residing in Virginia and conducting business in Virginia courts.

2009 marked the second year that on-site occupational Spanish language classes were offered to district court employees using the new curriculum, Survival Spanish for Virginia Judicial System Personnel. This curriculum was developed by Command Spanish® and tailored specifically to Virginia judicial system employees, based on feedback from pilot programs that occurred in 2007. In 2009, Command Spanish® classes were held in Alexandria, Henrico County, Newport News, Chesapeake and Fairfax County. While clerks and deputy clerks are the primary participants, magistrates are also invited, as space allows. Additional Spanish classes are planned for 2010.

The **Department of Fiscal Services** is the financial management center for the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, circuit court judges, general district and J&DR district courts, magistrates, the Judicial Inquiry and Review Commission, and the Virginia Criminal Sentencing Commission.

FISCAL SERVICES

Major activities include:

- 1. Providing centralized budgeting
- 2. Conducting accounting services
- 3. Preparing payrolls
- 4. Maintaining the purchasing and supply function
- 5. Providing the accounts payable function for the Criminal Fund and other courtordered services
- 6. Performing grant services

During 2009, the Fiscal Services Department:

- Processed an average of 2,961 payroll checks each pay period (over 71,000 paychecks)
- Processed 308,353 reimbursement request/invoices
- · Processed 3,240 orders and shipped over 9.6 million forms to the courts throughout the Commonwealth
- Developed, updated, and maintained the Judicial System's annual budget (\$371 million in 2008-09)
- Expanded the information collected to monitor and report on the additional funds allocated for waivers of statutory fees for court-appointed counsel (\$4.2 million in 2008-09)
- Expanded the information collected from the Involuntary Mental Commitment reimbursement requests

The **Historical Commission** oversees the preservation of the history of Virginia's judicial system and the Journey Through Justice project.

HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Major activities include:

- 1. Preserving the oral histories of members of the bench, bar, and court administration
- 2. Maintaining the archives of Virginia's Judicial System in conjunction with the Law Library
- 3. Planning special projects, such as exhibitions, symposia, and publications, on Virginia's role in the development of law and jurisprudence in America
- 4. Developing records management guidelines for OES
- 5. Overseeing the writing of the history of Virginia's Judicial System
- 6. Maintaining the Journey Through Justice program to educate students and the public about Virginia's Judicial System

During 2009, the Department continued work on several projects and began a couple of new projects. The records management project began with the development of a Records Survey to identify the range of documents produced by OES. The portraits project began with the photography of the portraits of Supreme Court justices and Court of Appeals judges. The archives project moved ahead with the donation of materials and papers. The Journey Through Justice program progressed in 2009 with the continued development of an educational website.

The **Human Resources Department** provides centralized human resource management services for approximately 2,700 employees.

Human Resources

Major activities include:

- 1. Developing recommendations concerning human resource administration on:
 - Authorized staffing levels
 - Position classifications, except for judges
 - Salary scales, except for judges
 - · Benefits packages
 - Salary and wage budgets
 - Policies and procedures
- 2. Administering the personnel management system including:
 - Maintaining personnel records and leave accounting systems
 - Communicating with all employees about benefit changes and recruiting procedures
 - Administering personnel and benefits policies
 - Providing advice and guidance to management on the application of policies and procedures to individual circumstances

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The mission of the Department of Human Resources (DHR) is to address the diverse human resources needs of the customers in the Judicial Branch through guidance, consultation, and training. The HR staff wants to provide HR leadership that is responsive to the goals and needs of the judicial workforce statewide.

According to the Society of Human Resource Management (SHRM), "Human Resource Management can be defined as the processes and activities used to formulate objectives, practices, and policies to meet short and long range organizational needs and opportunities, to guide and lead the change process and to evaluate Human Resources contributions to organizational effectiveness." SHRM views the following areas of responsibility specific to Human Resources: Employee relations, compensation and benefits, human resource development, strategic management, workforce planning, employment, and occupational health and safety.

DHR has been tremendously busy in all of the aforementioned facets of HR. The HR staff is dedicated to maintaining the integrity of the Judicial Branch's mission while providing quality customer service through personal attention to individual needs.

In 2009, DHR continued to evolve to more efficiently perform its mission for the Judicial Branch. The first notable change came in June when a new HR Director was hired after almost a year without a director. A great deal of time during the year was spent in examining core HR processes for continuous improvement. As a part of that examination, DHR realized that it is seen as a department that processes employee transactions, whereas, they want to become seen as a department that is more strategically involved with all departments and their processes as they affect the workforce.

DHR's first focus was on recruitment and how to broaden the pool of qualified applicants for vacancies. In terms of attempting to attract and recruit more qualified applicants, DHR successfully revised the Judicial Branch Recruitment Register (JBRR) to make it more customer-friendly and easier to access job vacancies. In addition to revising the look of the JBRR, DHR added a standard vacancy format that captures the same information on each job that is advertised. This format includes the following (in addition to Job Title, location, etc.): a brief Job Summary, Essential Duties and Responsibilities, Minimum Qualifications/Experience, Additional Information and How to Apply. Prior to the summer of 2009, jobs were posted and removed from the JBRR on a daily basis and DJIT had to perform this function. With the new format, managers and supervisors submit a job vacancy form to DHR with the information discussed above by a deadline date and all jobs are posted at the same time on Friday afternoons. DHR now has the capability of posting/removing the positions as well as making any changes needed to the advertisements, and DJIT does not need to be involved. This is a more efficient process for the HR staff as well as JBRR customers.

DHR successfully demonstrated the benefits and cost savings of using the website known as HotJobs as an additional recruiting resource and in 2009 secured another annual contract at the same price as previous years. In addition to HotJobs, DHR also posts all of its jobs on the state's Recruitment Management System (RMS), an online recruitment system. Posting jobs on RMS is the first phase of using RMS for the Judicial Branch. The second phase will be to have job applicants apply online only instead of mailing/faxing paper state applications to DHR or the hiring manager. By the end of 2010, the online application process will be in place for the Judicial Branch through the RMS, which is more efficient for the applicants and the hiring mangers/HR and is better for the environment (saves paper). As applicants apply online, managers will be able to view the applications on a screen as they apply for the jobs. In addition, applicants will automatically be notified when their application was received, if they are being selected for an interview and when the job is filled, among other notifications. Partnering with HotJobs and RMS has helped DHR achieve its goal of reaching a broader applicant pool while reducing expenditures for print media. When jobs post on HotJobs, they automatically post online in that city/county's newspaper. DHR also posts all jobs on CraigsList statewide.

During part of 2009, there was a 90-day hiring freeze for positions statewide. Effective October 2009, there was a 12-month hiring freeze for positions. These hiring freezes were instituted by the Chief Justice and Executive Secretary to retain current employees and avoid layoffs. Due to these hiring freezes, courts sometimes used wage employees to assist them in filling in vacant positions until they were approved to hire for those positions. In addition, many courts are cross-training their employees to ensure that there are few gaps in service when employees leave, are on short-term disability, etc. DHR assists the courts and magistrates with these processes so that they can keep their operations running as smoothly as possible.

Another focus for DHR was training and development. In collaboration with DJIT, the Judicial Branch now has a Knowledge Center portal (as a part of the state's Knowledge Center) to ensure that employees have access to a variety of mandatory and other courses online. In terms of budget restraints, online courses through the Knowledge Center can take the place of classroom courses for employees, and they can still earn their CLEs without having travel, hotel, and meal costs. In 2010, the Knowledge

Center will be introduced to employees statewide as another method of completing court-related courses as well as a host of management and supervisory skills courses. This Knowledge Center will greatly augment efforts to employ and retain a high performance workforce because the administration of training will be accomplished faster and more efficiently.

The Knowledge Center has a host of management and supervisory courses that will be offered to managers and supervisors within the Judicial Branch. Through the Knowledge Center, managers will be able to track and manage the training needs and accomplishments of their staff.

During 2009, DHR also supported courts as they divided combined clerks' offices into separate general district court and juvenile and domestic relations district court clerk's offices. This involved providing assistance with employee transfers, caseload studies, and updates to PeopleSoft and leave accounting systems. DHR continued to support the judges, clerks, magistrates and other employees of the judicial system. The HR Director was a member of the Committee Staff of the Pandemic Flu Preparedness Commission and assisted in developing the chapter on Staffing, Human Resources and Employment Law. The HR Director also conducted workshops for several OES Departments on Performance Management in order to introduce more consistent methods in the way Directors assess their staff on performance appraisals. During 2010, there will be a performance management task force established statewide to review the current performance appraisal tool used in the courts as well as the entire performance management process.

DHR continued to play a major role in annual pre-bench training by making presentations about benefits, the role of the chief judge, and various management issues. All of the DHR staff participated in the annual two-day training and presentation for new clerks. The presentation was revised so that the flow was easier for new clerks to understand. The HR staff also participated in all of the Clerks' fall regional sessions. The HR presentation was designed to provide important tools and information regarding relevant human resources processes, legal requirements and leadership skills necessary with the I-9 process and Workplace Harassment, especially Sexual Harassment. At least one DHR staff member assisted the HR Director with these presentations. This helped the DHR staff to communicate with the field face-to-face instead of via phone or email.

The 1986 Immigration Reform and Control Act ("IRCA") sought to control illegal migration by eliminating employment opportunity as a key incentive for unauthorized persons to come to the U.S. IRCA makes all U.S. employers responsible for verifying, through a specific process, the identity and work authorization or eligibility of all individuals, whether U.S. citizens or not, hired after November 6, 1986. To implement this, employers are required to complete Employment Eligibility Verification Forms I-9 for all employees. An employer's obligation to review documents is not triggered until a person has been hired, whereupon the new employee is entitled to submit a document or combination of documents of his choice to verify his identity and work eligibility. These forms were not always being completed correctly in the field; therefore, DHR developed and conducted the I-9 training to educate the clerks on the necessity of having the forms filled out accurately and completely. The PowerPoint presentation was also sent to all magistrates so that they could have the benefit of the I-9 information. In addition, one HR staff member is now assigned to process all new hire paperwork; thereby, DHR is able to provide more consistency in processing new hires once the forms reach the OES HR office. In 2010, we will begin using the E-verify system, an automated system that allows us to verify the information on the I-9 forms with the Department of Homeland Security.

At the mandatory judges' conferences, the department staffed an information table and presented information to judges on a variety of HR-related information. In addition, at the judges' conference in August, HR facilitated a panel on retirement issues during the luncheon. There were representatives from the Virginia Retirement System and retired judges as well as HR staff on the panel.

Workforce planning is an integral part of any organization's management of its human resources. Workforce planning is an effort to coordinate human resource management programs so that they support the strategic goals of the organization. The focus of workforce planning is on current staffing issues as well as anticipated future staffing needs. The process involves assessing the current workforce in terms of whether or not its size is adequate, whether it is deployed effectively, and whether employees' competencies support high performance. The organization should identify employees or occupations with skill gaps or other performance problems and develop action plans to address them. Plans for closing or avoiding skill gaps may include recruitment strategies; use of compensation tools; succession planning; and identifying learning resources and opportunities for retraining or cross training. One workforce-planning tool that was revised for the Judicial Branch was the separation survey/exit interview form. DHR developed an electronic separation survey that became effective January 2010. The survey link is sent to all employees

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who voluntarily separate from the system; it is a part of their separation packet. With the results of this survey, DHR will review trends quarterly to find out what changes may need to be made statewide or in individual courts to make the Judicial Branch more of an "Employer of Choice". DHR anticipates having a larger response rate with the electronic survey than with the paper survey that was used in the past.

During 2009, DHR collaborated with DJIT to revise the HR Intranet page. DHR wants to make the page more user-friendly and efficient. This should help to reduce the number of forms and packets DHR has to produce and mail; employees can just print information they need directly from the Intranet. This Intranet page should be completely revised by fall 2010. The HR Policy Manual is also in the process of being revised. There will be a separate policy section in addition to procedures, guidelines and forms needed for the policies. Instead of being on the Intranet as an entire manual (not customer-friendly or efficient), the HR Policy Manual it will be divided into chapters so that employees can access information more quickly.

Various HR staff members attended HR-related conferences and workshops throughout the year in order to ensure that they were knowledgeable in employment law and benefit changes that occur during the year. Several HR staff members attended Conflict Management workshops held by the Department of Employment Dispute Resolution to assist with a larger volume of employee relations' issues.

In addition to the aforementioned activities, etc., the department continued to fulfill its day-to-day responsibilities – including processing various changes to employees' records as well as counseling employees, managers, and judges on employee relations' issues. DHR once again managed the Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign (a program to facilitate employee's charitable giving) for the Judicial Branch. In 2009 within the Judicial Branch there were 250 new hires, 19 rehires, 154 employees who used short-term disability, 182 separations, 92 retirements, and 6 deaths.

As DHR continues to implement innovative programs for 2010, there are several workforce-planning issues that need to be considered:

- Many employees did not retire when they became eligible as a result of factors such as the cost of health insurance and
 medical care, low returns on investments, and the job market during an economic downturn; this situation affects the age
 of the workforce and may affect its morale, productivity, and healthiness;
- As a result of budget cuts, training efforts have been cut, thereby increasing the need for more online training and technology;
- Having overextended employees can limit time spent on such activities as innovation, knowledge transfer, and strategic planning;
- While staffing levels in many of the courts have been reduced or remained the same, the number and complexity of the
 court programs continue to increase. Increasing mandates without staff increases results in increased stress on staff and
 may have a negative effect on morale, employees' health, and productivity; and,
- Employees' salaries are not keeping pace with compensation paid by other employers, resulting in a competitive disadvantage for courts and magistrates and additional stress on the current workforce as the Judicial Branch tries to attract, recruit, and retain high-quality employees.

The Department of Judicial Information Technology (DJIT) is responsible for maintaining and strategically growing the portfolio of major information systems that support all courts throughout Virginia. These information systems include Case Management Systems (CMS), which significantly improve the ability for the courts to manage basic operations, and a complete Financial Management System (FMS), which provides general ledger, accounts receivable, and statistical reporting functions. Both the CMS and FMS systems have automated interfaces to other state agencies such as the Department of Motor Vehicles, Department of Taxation, Virginia State Police, Department of Child Support Enforcement, Department of Juvenile Justice, and the Auditor of Public Accounts. The automation of these interfaces improves the efficiency of information processing as well as data accuracy. DJIT also manages both Case Imaging and Records Management Systems, which enable courts to scan paper files and index them, moving toward a paper on demand environment. DJIT maintains several other applications including the Supreme Court On-line Administration and Reports (SCOLAR), the Court of Appeals Statistical Tracking and Reporting System (STARS), eMagistrate, VaJury, Video Docket Display, and the Judicial System internet site and internal intranet website. STARS and SCOLAR provide case tracking services. The eMagistrate system automates magistrate procedures across the Commonwealth and assists in criminal forms preparation. The internet site (www.courts.state.va.us) provides public access to opinions of the Supreme Court of Virginia and Court of Appeals of Virginia as well as various case and court specific information. DJIT also maintains the internal intranet site, which provides an efficient and powerful mechanism for communicating with all members of the Judiciary.

JUDICIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Major activities include:

- Development, deployment, and maintenance of applications that support critical judicial functions
- 2. Development, maintenance, and support of multiple local area networks and the judicial network
- 3. Management and operation of the judicial data center located in Richmond
- 4. Administration and support of mainframe processors, servers, desk-top computers, lap top computers, and all associated software, databases, operating systems, and peripherals
- 5. Statewide installation, training, and support of video-conferencing equipment
- 6. Maintenance and support of Virginia's Judicial System internet and intranet
- 7. Development of information security policies and procedures

In 2008, DJIT developed and adopted a new IT Strategic Plan. The following update of 2009 accomplishments is organized around the Strategic Plan's four initiatives of:

- 1. Adoption of a Service Oriented Architecture (SOA)
- 2. Modernization of Existing IT systems
- 3. Information Security
- 4. Paper on Demand

ADOPTION OF A SERVICE ORIENTED ARCHITECTURE

SOA is a proven, modular, open architecture that delivers best practice standards and consistent methodologies and implementations. It promotes effective project management and efficient delivery of application systems. Service Oriented Architecture improves the visibility and adaptability of business processes, and it provides the agility to respond to ever-changing business requirements. To this end, one of our most significant undertakings is the implementation of formal program and project management throughout the organization. The goal is to improve upon DJIT operations including improved coordination with DJS and providing a business focused foundation for moving into a SOA based environment.

Specifically, we have put a Program Management Office (PMO) in place and have instituted a series of processes and standards. Under the guidance of the new Program Management Office (PMO), key representatives from both DJIT and DJS meet weekly to review current and upcoming projects, coordinate schedules, and share information. We leverage a formal approach to prioritizing, managing, and documenting our projects, which are numerous and often cut across multiple divisions.

Present day technology capabilities exceed what was considered state of the art ten years ago. The Judiciary and the public

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at large expect to have the latest automation tools available to them to conduct business efficiently and effectively. To provide and maintain a high standard of service, the implementation and utilization of the latest automation tools to manage, share, and access information are essential to both the courts' organizations and the interaction with the public. To this end, a second major initiative is our continued transformation of all COBOL-based systems into new Java-based systems. A key part of this transformation is the creation of common software components, which can be leveraged across applications - a core component of SOA.

MODERNIZATION OF EXISTING IT SYSTEMS

Modernization encompasses all aspects of how IT supports the courts' business. Modernization will enable DJIT to meet the demand for improved functionality, secure access, data integrity, and data availability. Modernization of existing systems encompasses both hardware and software. During 2009, DJIT's Field Services Division replaced over 1,100 personal computers and related peripherals.

As stated earlier, work continues on the rewrite of case management and financial management systems. The Java version of the Circuit Court Case Management System has been successfully deployed in Tazewell and Norfolk Circuit Courts and will be rolled out to the rest of the circuit courts using our case management system starting in 2010. The Juvenile & Domestic Relations (J&DR) District Case Management System transformation into Java is nearing completion as well and will be rolled out to J&DR District Courts in the fall of 2010.

The Judicial Internet site was redesigned in 2009. Along with this redesign, a number of additions to the site were completed. The Judicial Branch Recruitment Register (JBRR) was redesigned to make it easier to maintain and use. Online payments were expanded to include post-court payments in general district (GD) courts. This new functionality now accounts for almost half of the 32,000 transactions and \$4.2 million processed online each month. An online civil fee calculator was also deployed during this redesign.

INFORMATION SECURITY

Information Security is critical to the business of the courts. DJIT is charged with "balancing the public's right of access to public records...while maintaining the security of internal court systems..." Information Security is an iterative process that is controlled, planned, implemented, evaluated, and maintained on a continuous basis. The Service Oriented Architecture protocol will address many aspects of information security: assigned roles and role-based privileges; access control lists; change management processes; and systems development lifecycle, to name a few. Confidentiality, integrity, and availability of data are key components to the organization's overall security philosophy. DJIT must balance internal and external data access rights with safeguards that ensure the privacy and integrity of the data and the systems. Clear policies and education efforts are needed to foster an atmosphere that values information security throughout the organization.

To this end, our information security officer is heading up a series of projects to ensure compliance with all applicable standards/requirements and to ensure we are not vulnerable to either external or internal security breaches. Part of this effort has been the development of policies regarding data security, IT resources security (roles), and application security. We are in the process of implementing the initial wave of updated security policies in conjunction with formal security roles for information/data owners and system (application) owners.

Risk assessments on a number of applications have been completed or are in progress. These assessments identify risks associated with each system and make recommendations on mitigating the risks.

Other security projects are aimed at addressing the findings identified in IBM's IT Risk Assessment and Business Impact Analysis. These security specific projects are targeted toward mitigating both physical security risks and logical / information system specific security risks. As part of the focus on information specific security, we are leveraging automated tools to scan web-based applications for security vulnerabilities. Once findings are developed, feedback is being provided to the application development teams to ensure these vulnerabilities are addressed.

PAPER ON DEMAND

DJIT will provide the technology and processes necessary to move the courts from paper-based to electronic-based transaction processing through the Paper on Demand initiative. Paper on Demand will affect every part of the organization and will span across a multitude of projects, applications, departments, and objectives. Paper on Demand is a means to respond to the

demand for electronic access to information from the courts and the public. A robust document management system is the foundation of a Paper on Demand environment. It provides the Judiciary the capability to scan, store, retrieve, and manage electronic documents. DJIT's Records Management (RMS) and Case Imaging Systems (CIS) are providing these functions today in many circuit courts. In 2009, the total number of courts using CIS grew to 44, and the number of courts using RMS stands at 74. The same technology used for CIS in Circuit Courts was leveraged to develop similar functionality for District Courts and is currently being piloted in Virginia Beach and Williamsburg General District Courts.

Electronic filing is another key Paper on Demand project. The Electronic Filing Study Group met on May 29, 2009, to review and approve the subcommittee recommendations developed since the prior meeting in August of 2008. The Group also reviewed and provided feedback on the E-Filing system screen mock-ups developed from the input of the User Interface subcommittee.

Several new issues requiring further study were identified in the May 2009 meeting, most of which were assigned to existing subcommittees. One new Statute Identification subcommittee was formed to make recommendations for statute changes to facilitate the implementation of electronic filing of civil cases in circuit courts. During the summer and early fall a thorough search of the Code of Virginia was conducted by this subcommittee, in order to identify those statues that may need to be amended. The Electronic Filing Study Group met again on September 15, 2009, to review and approve the recommendations of the Statute Identification subcommittee. The statute change recommendations were submitted to the General Assembly during the 2010 session and adopted with minor modifications.

Also during the summer and fall of 2009, the DJIT development team completed the design of the E-Filing working prototype. The E-Filing screens were designed and built with the guidance of selected Electronic Filing Study Group members and were completed in February of 2010.

The E-Filing working prototype is scheduled to be completed in late May of 2010, after which it will be reviewed by the full Electronic Filing Study Group then by the Bar Association Focus Group formed by the Chief Justice and Executive Secretary. Any significant feedback received from these reviews will be incorporated in the first version of the E-Filing system, which is scheduled for a pilot release in Norfolk circuit court in late 2010.

DJIT made significant progress on the Electronic Filing Project over the last year. The Electronic Filing Study Group met on May 29, 2009, to review and approve the subcommittee recommendations developed since the prior meeting in August of 2008. The Group also reviewed and provided feedback on the E-Filing system screen mock-ups developed from the input of the User Interface subcommittee.

In December of 2009, the Fredericksburg Police Department became the first law enforcement agency in the state to submit electronic summons transactions generated by electronic citation software. We now have two additional law enforcement agencies, the Augusta Police Department and the James City County Police Department submitting their summons electronically with several more across the state preparing to go live in 2010 including the Smyth County Police Department, the Bedford County Sheriff's office, and the Falls Church Police Department.

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The Department of Judicial Planning develops and maintains an effective planning capability within Virginia's judicial system. Working with judicial policy-making bodies (such as the Judicial Council of Virginia and the Committee on District Courts), the Department assists the Executive Secretary, Chief Justice, and Supreme Court of Virginia in identifying present and future needs and developing and implementing innovative programs and solutions that address those needs. The Department is structurally divided between planning function staff and staff dedicated to specific programmatic or special projects.

UDICIAL PLANNING

Major activities include:

- 1. Maintaining a comprehensive strategic planning process for the judicial
- 2. Maintaining a futures research unit within the judiciary.
- 3. Carrying out consumer research and product development for the courts.
- 4. Conducting studies of substantive issues facing the courts as mandated for the office through the strategic planning process, by the Chief Justice, Executive Secretary, or by the General Assembly of Virginia.
- 5. Publishing statistical analyses and topical reports, such as the annual State of the Judiciary Report and Report of the Judicial Council, that serve to inform both governmental agencies and the public about the activities of the judiciary.
- 6. Developing special activities and projects on issues of statewide concern to the courts such as calendar management and delay reduction programs, domestic violence programs, and grants research and development.

During 2009, the Department of Judicial Planning released the new Strategic Plan: Virginia's Courts in the 21st Century To Benefit All, To Exclude None after its adoption by the Supreme Court of Virginia. The 50-page full-color printed version was distributed to Circuit and District court judges, Circuit and District court clerks, chief magistrates, magistrate supervisors, retired judges, and substitute judges. The Strategic Plan is also available on the Virginia Judicial System's website at http://www. courts.state.va.us/coutadmin/aoc/judpln/reports/2009_strat_plan.pdf. A Local Planning Guide was in the development phase during the latter part of the year and will be completed in 2010. The 2009 Strategic Plan features the Judicial System's mission—unchanged from prior plans—plus seven new visions and a range of strategies that are seen as necessary to fulfilling the mission and realizing the visions.

The Mission of the Judicial Branch

To provide an independent, accessible, responsive forum for the just resolution of disputes in order to preserve the rule of law and to protect all rights and liberties guaranteed by the United States and Virginia constitutions.

The Visions of the Judicial Branch

VISION 1

Virginia's courts will be distinctive and independent—as a branch of government and in judicial decision making.

Virginia's courts will ensure due process through the equal application of law and procedure to all cases

Virginia's courts will maintain human dignity and provide effective access to Justice for all persons.

Virginia's courts will be responsive to the changing needs of society—in the development and operation of the law, in the functions of the judicial process, and in the delivery of public services.

Virginia's courts will be expeditious, economical, and fair in the resolution of disputes.

Virginia's courts will demonstrate accountability to the public through effective management practices, including the use of the most appropriate processes and technologies for court operations.

VISION 7

Virginia's courts will operate in a manner that fosters public trust and courts and for legal authority.

The OES maintains an Operational Plan that identifies the task responsibilities of its various departments. The tasks listed in the Operational Plan include both ongoing activities and finite projects whose completion is important to the implementation of the Strategic Plan. In 2009, Judicial Planning unveiled an Electronic Task Management System (eTMS) that was completed with the assistance of DJIT. The eTMS is a searchable database that records the current tasks of the Operational Plan and allows for easy updates to the status of tasks. As a tracking and reporting tool, the eTMS is valuable for improving administrative accountability and achieving long-term success in implementing the visions of the Strategic Plan.

Along with a number of other OES and Supreme Court staff, members of the Department of Judicial Planning played an active role in supporting the Chief Justice's Pandemic Flu Preparedness Commission during 2009, particularly its task group handling communication and training issues. The department's staff were notably involved in helping to identify and adapting materials from other states, the federal government, and the National Center for State Courts for what became the latter half of the Benchbook that the Commission prepared. Following the Benchbook's delivery to and adoption by the Supreme Court, the department will be supporting OES's local implementation efforts related to the Benchbook and all hazards continuity of cooperation planning (COOP) in 2010.

The District Court Staffing Model continues to evolve thanks to the work of the Judicial Planning and other OES departments. Several new case types were added in response to legislative changes. In 2010, case weights will be reassessed and the Staffing Model will be amended to reflect the new measures.

Due to data extracts programmed by DJIT in CAIS-CMS in concert with input from Planning, there were improvements in the acquisition of data during the year. As a result, Planning was able to decrease the information request turn around time as well as upload reports to the Internet in a timelier manner. Planning is looking forward to more improvements in data inquiry capabilities in 2010.

As a part of its ongoing duties, information on the operation of Virginia's courts was provided to judicial policy makers, the public, and Virginia's legislators during 2009. Judicial Planning along with faculty, judges and clerks representing circuit, general district, and J&DR courts presented a calendar management session at Pre-Bench II to support Education's judge education efforts. Caseload and docketing reports were distributed and staff was present at all sessions.

In 2009, the domestic violence activities of the department included: 1) the work of the Advisory Committee on Domestic Violence Issues in Virginia's Courts; 2) domestic violence court data improvement efforts; 3) domestic violence education and training for judges and magistrates; 4) improving the accessibility and usability of I-CAN!; and 5) supporting domestic violence programs through grant funding.

The primary accomplishments of the Committee for 2009 included: finalizing recommendations for the improved handling of cross warrants for domestic violence cases; finalizing an information sheet for judges on 'Judicial Considerations for Supervised Visitation'; developing a 'court-track' at the multi-disciplinary statewide domestic violence GEAP (Grant to Encourage Arrest and Enforcement of Protective Orders) conference; and conducting a comprehensive review of the usability and functionality of I-CAN!, Virginia's online protective order forms completion program. The Advisory Committee was funded in part through a Byrne Discretionary grant.

In 2009, Judicial Planning staff conducted several "domestic violence data" meetings with both internal and external stake-holders. These meetings resulted in the identification of several data themes for domestic violence data that included distinguishing the three types of protective order data in the courts' Case Management System (CMS), improving the capacity of CMS to collect more specific case dispositional data, and improving the capacity of CMS to transmit protective order relationship data directly into the Virginia Criminal Information Network (VCIN). The work completed in 2009 has enabled OES to move forward on changes to CMS that will enable the courts to provide more accurate and detailed domestic violence court data to Virginia's Courts and its key stakeholders. Data improvement efforts were funded in part through the Virginia GEAP grant.

Efforts to train judges and magistrates in 2009 in issues related to domestic violence included: a 3-hour Pre-bench training for new Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Judges; an elective domestic violence workshop for judges at the District Court Judges Conference; and revisions to the "Virginia Magistrates Family Abuse Case Management Course" and reference manual. These domestic violence educational efforts were funded through a V-STOP grant.

In 2009, OES continued to improve the usability and accessibility of I-CAN! through a re-design of the I-CAN! homepage,

including the addition of frequently asked questions and a brochure; the addition of I-CAN! court-specific domestic violence filing information for four Virginia localities; and beginning efforts to re-design and re-program I-CAN! into a more user-friendly and accessible online forms completion program. I-CAN! efforts were funded in part through V-STOP and GEAP funding.

Beyond the work to maintain the major grants that fund domestic violence activities of OES, the department secured other grants in 2009 for specialized projects both interdepartmental and intradepartmental. Seven major proposals were submitted, of which by the end of 2009, four were funded, two were pending and one was denied.

The department provided information on domestic violence and grants to the Virginia Sheriff's Association during the year and assistance was given to several sheriffs around the state submitting grant applications to secure additional funding for courthouse security improvements. The planning department continued to cooperate with various government agencies in the area of grants as the sponsor of the Capital Region Grant Collaboration Group.

The **Department of Judicial Services** serves the courts and magistrates of the Commonwealth and provides the following general functions:

JUDICIAL SERVICES

- Magistrate Division
- Foreign Language Services Division
- Circuit Court Division
- General District Court Division
- Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Division
- Dispute Resolution Services Division
- Drug Treatment Court Division

MAGISTRATE SERVICES DIVISION

The reformation of Virginia's magistrate system that began on July 1, 2008, continued into 2009. The first four-week magistrate certification course was held during January and February 2009. In 1980, the Office of Executive Secretary began a certification program for magistrates. From 1980 through the end of 2008, the magistrate certification course consisted of one week of instruction. Beginning in January 2009, the certification program expanded to four weeks of instruction culminating in a written examination and graded mock hearings. Because of statutory changes in 2008, those magistrates appointed prior to 1980 who had never been certified and all new magistrates appointed after July 1, 2008, were required to undergo the expanded certification program. The first class consisted of sixteen veteran magistrates, two magistrate regional supervisors, and three magistrates appointed during the second half of 2008. Three other certification courses were held during 2009. Forty-eight additional magistrates attended the remaining certification courses. Of the fifty-one new magistrates who attended the certification program during 2009, forty-seven successfully certified.

To ensure a uniform competency level throughout Virginia, the Department of Judicial Services developed a magistrate recertification program during 2009. This program consisted of regional and statewide training sessions in all areas of the law over which magistrates have authority. As part of the recertification process, Judicial Services administered a series of three examinations. Three hundred and eight magistrates underwent the recertification testing. The Department of Judicial Services provided additional training to those magistrates who initially failed the first series of exams. By the end of December, three hundred individuals had successfully recertified.

During 2009, the magistrate system completed the process of converting from a mostly on-call workforce to a system in which all magistrates report to a magistrate's office for their entire shift. The expanded use of the magistrate video-conference system allowed this transition to be possible. Also, by utilizing the video-conference system, magistrates began delivering services throughout the magistrate regions. Magistrates in all eight magisterial regions utilize the video-conference system to some

degree to conduct hearings. Prior to the 2008 legislative changes, a magistrate's authority was restricted to a particular judicial district. Beginning in July 2008, statutory changes expanded the magistrate's authority to specific regions. By the end of 2009, magistrates in several magisterial regions routinely conduct hearings involving cases from multiple judicial districts. The expanded use of video-conference technology has made this possible.

The Department of Judicial Services, cognizant of the current financial crisis facing state government and the judiciary, made a conscious effort to reexamine all of its operations to see where changes could be made to improve the efficiency of the magistrate system without reducing the confidence in the magistrate's ability to perform essential functions and provide quality public service. DJS has been realigning personnel and shifting FTE's based upon a staffing analysis for better distribution of workload. Finally, a reliance on technological advances and support has allowed us to use the intranet and eMagistrate system to eliminate the need to order and stock warehouse forms while reliance on videoconferencing technology has assisted in our stretching resources for better shift and office coverage.

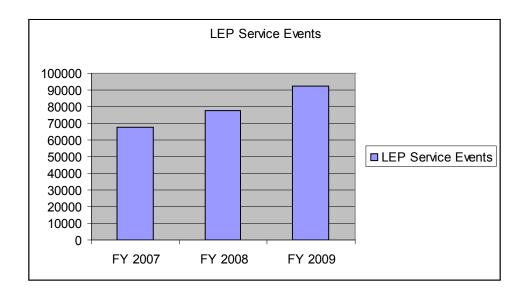
FOREIGN LANGUAGE SERVICES DIVISION

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 19.2-164 and § 8.01-384.1: 1, foreign language interpreters provided language assistance at 92,563 service events in FY 2009.

The number of service events for those possessing limited English proficiency is continuing to grow. As illustrated below, the number of instances of use in FY 2008 was up by 15.2% from 2007. The jump in the number of service events from FY 2008 to FY 2009 was 18.9%. Moreover, service events where language issues pose a challenge are becoming increasingly complex — partly resulting from disproportionately larger growth in services to the juvenile and domestic relations district court and the circuit court.

In response to this pressure and as a result of General Assembly support, the Supreme Court of Virginia began a staff interpreter program in FY2008. In selected courts, full-time salaried staff interpreters provide direct interpretation and also coordinate Spanish foreign language services. This has served to increase oversight of billing, to reduce the burden of scheduling on local staff, to provide a constantly-available Office of the Executive Secretary staff person to address service needs, and to help standardize service across courts.

The OES staff interpreter program operated in the following localities during FY 2009: Alexandria (GD and J&DR), Arlington (Circ., GD and J&DR), Chesterfield (GD and J&DR), Fairfax (GD and J&DR), Harrisonburg/Rockingham (GD and J&DR), Prince William (Circ., GD and J&DR). Loudoun (Circ., GDC and J&DR), and satellite coordination of Winchester/Frederick (GDC and J&DR).



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The staff foreign language interpreter program continues to make strides toward increased efficiency and quality of services. In FY 2009, contracted interpreters cost \$57 per instance of use. By comparison, staff interpreters cost approximately \$38 per event. Moreover, dedicated staff interpreters are continuously available, thus reducing interruptions in the court's docket and improving service to court users.

Staff interpreters ensure a fair and professional environment for contract interpreters through the implementation of consistent payment and professional standard guidelines—to include the use of a contractor's entire two-hour minimum. More than that, Department of Judicial Services staff are now available to courts in order to ensure that the highest quality interpretation is being provided. Toward that end, the foreign language interpreter program is implementing evaluations of contracted interpreters.

Utilizing staff interpreters to coordinate and manage the scheduling of contract interpreters has served to reduce the perservice event cost for contract interpreters. In FY2008, contract interpreter services statewide averaged \$67 per service event, and by FY2009 the average statewide cost had been reduced to \$57 per service event. In those localities with staff interpreter oversight, the average per-service event cost for contract interpreters was less than \$47. However, even with this improved efficiency, staff interpreters have proven to be a much more cost-effective alternative.

Training

The foreign language services program provides in-house expertise to support judges, clerks, and court personnel in their essential duties. This division has provided training on providing access to those with limited English proficiency, training for mediators in the use of interpreters, cultural training for those offering services in domestic violence situations, training on the use of the telephonic interpretation service, pre-bench training, and even partnering on an annual basis with the Arlington J&DR court so as to help provide training to families of at-risk youth. Through these trainings, court staff are provided with tools so as to be in a better position to serve the public regardless of the level of language proficiency.

While the certification requirements remain the same, staff interpreters have begun offering an expanded and modified curriculum for foreign language interpreter certification. This two-day course is offered as the first step of the certification process and taught by staff in a variety of locations around the state with the assistance of local courts that host the program. In this way, there is no restriction from any interpreter's being presented with training on ethics and basic interpreting protocols. One of the primary emphases of this curriculum is a focus on mentoring candidates. This has served to increase the pool of interpreters throughout the state and the qualifications of interpreters in all languages.

Technology

The program has focused on retooling existing technologies so as to improve efficiency. In particular, database technology has been applied to the certification and scheduling of interpreters, thus reducing the administrative burden on staff and increasing the ability of Judicial Services to serve as a resource for our courts. Additionally, the foreign language services program has developed a state-specific glossary of court terms for interpreters to be better prepared to serve in Virginia courts. This directly supports the work-product of the interpreter in the courtroom.

Innovative use of existing video conferencing functions has improved sound quality for users of telephonic interpretation services in Virginia courts. This functionality has also been applied to the provision of interpreters for the deaf in remote locations. This results in approximately one-third reduction of cost when compared with an interpreter for the deaf physically being present in a court at a distance from Richmond.

CIRCUIT COURT DIVISION

In 2009, the Department of Judicial Services (DJS) Circuit Team focused extensively on the creation of a new web-based case management system (CMS JAVA) for the circuit courts in Virginia. On January 25, 2010, CMS JAVA was successfully installed in Tazewell Circuit Court. This effort was the culmination of over two years of work involving the identification of user needs, the creation of use case and business rule documents, system design, testing of all divisions and interfaces, training and ultimately implementation. On March 22, 2010, this same system was successfully installed in the Norfolk Circuit Court. It will be installed in two other pilot circuit courts, Augusta and Williamsburg/James City County, by the end of June, with a full statewide rollout scheduled to begin mid-July. The plan is to have all circuit courts utilizing the current case management system (CMS LEGACY) operational on CMS JAVA by the end of 2010.

During the design and testing of CMS JAVA, both DJS and the Department of Judicial Information Technology (DJIT) worked diligently to convert Prince William Circuit Court from a stand-alone, local-based system, to our existing case management system (CMS LEGACY). Over 159,000 records were converted, and all staff members were trained on using CMS LEGACY within an aggressive time period that began in March 2009 and ended on July 13, 2009. In addition, during this same timeframe, over 333,000 images were scanned into the Records Management System (RMS). This court will be among those converted to CMS JAVA by the end of 2010.

Future plans for CMS JAVA include the addition of several other programs, including the Financial Management System (FMS) used for bookkeeping and recording financial transactions, Case Imaging (CIS) for scanning pleadings and orders, CAISFORM for generating forms, the Probate Delivery System (PDS) for probating wills and qualifying personal representatives, and VA JURY for selecting jurors in civil and criminal trials.

In 2009 the Circuit Team also provided financial management, reconciliation, and account analysis to 120 courts for safe-guarding over \$800 million in collections and \$160 million in funds held or invested. The team has annually offered for the last several years the "How to Manage Your Office" series of Financial Management System courses to address critical training needs in bookkeeping, trust fund administration, audit preparation, cost assessment, and DMV/CCRE interfaces.

The team worked with DJIT to create and implement the Circuit Court Civil Filing Fee Calculation website for the courts and public. Following easy, step-by-step procedures with pop-up help screens, users can correctly calculate the filing cost of more than 200 different types of civil actions and either view or print the calculation details. Each of the 120 circuit courts may view or print its own Civil Filing Fee Schedule that provides cost details on every civil filing type for the court. This effort has had a very positive public impact, providing a significant benefit to the legal community and civil filers.

The team continued to serve the field through training, offering the following courses in 2009:

- Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced Probate
- DMV Interface
- Basic Criminal and Civil case processing
- Basic Case Management
- VA Jury Management
- Deed processing
- Financial Management "How to Manage Your Office"

The team conducted several on-site court visits at the request of judges and clerks. These visits focused on office efficiency and staff development. The team also participated in the 2009 Clerks' Conference at which new legislation was shared along with the resulting impacts on clerks' offices. Email and phone support was provided daily to clerks and deputy clerks resulting in prompt and consistent guidance on procedures.

The Circuit team partnered with members of the Virginia Court Clerks' Association's (VCCA) Education Committee to create, maintain, update, and publish five procedural manuals: Probate and Estate Administration, Deed Manual, Criminal Manual, Civil Manual, and Miscellaneous Manual. The manuals were posted on-line and are being updated after legislatively-mandated changes and at other times throughout the year, as needed.

Team members participated in 2009 in the electronic filing initiative. This included offering feedback for the design and functionality of a prototype for filing civil cases that will soon be operational. Feedback was also offered for the creation of a component for filing criminal cases.

Other team efforts in 2009 included:

- The addition of criminal court orders, i.e. guilty plea, adjudication and sentencing orders, to CAISFORM
- Utilization of other training techniques to reach the clerks, i.e., an E-course on the topic of appointing guard-

ians and conservators for incapacitated adults was created and offered to the field

- Participation in training at the Judges' Pre-Bench sessions and meeting with judges to review caseload statistics
- Coordination of an effort for mailing jury questionnaires to citizens for 90 circuit courts

Projects for 2010 include:

- Rollout CMS JAVA
- Test and monitor the installation of a new FMS database (DB2) system in 120 circuit courts
- Test, activate, and support the accounts receivable entry/update (FINANCE) component of the new FMS JAVA (web browser) system in all circuit courts
- Develop, test, and perform pilot installations of the cash receipting component of the new FMS JAVA system
 in all courts
- Develop and implement an enhanced Circuit Court Deed Calculation website for the courts and the public to calculate, view and print recording costs on over 100 instrument types
- Encourage clerks' offices to make direct deposits (electronic fund transfer EFT) of state collections to
 the Department of Treasury for reducing current deposit processing time and increasing earned interest by the
 Commonwealth
- · Implement a Juvenile DMV Interface for electronically transmitting juvenile criminal records to DMV
- Electronically send support orders to the Division of Child Support Enforcement (DCSE)
- Allow defendants to pay fines and costs online
- · Create an interface with State Police for the electronic transmission of concealed handgun permits

GENERAL DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

In 2009, the Department of Judicial Services General District Team continuously supported the general district courts by providing a variety of services. The team conducted on-site courts visits. These visits focused on court administration, staff development, customer service, financial management, court security and automation. The team provided daily e-mail and telephone support to all general district and combined courts.

The team offered various training opportunities in 2009. This training was offered in different formats including classroom, on-line, and recorded classes. The recorded classes were posted on the Virginia Courts Intranet for easy access and to permit the courts to train their staff at their convenience.

The team's court analysts worked closely with the Department of Judicial Information Technology (DJIT) to test, develop and implement case management and financial management system software enhancements for the general district courts. Many of these enhancements included recommendations provided by the clerks of the district courts. The team worked diligently to test and release updates of various visual basic programs utilized by the courts such as Case Forms, Addendum Dockets and Report Tran.

The team also worked in partnership with DJIT on the implementation and development of several E-projects. One such E-project was the development and enhancement of the current E-commerce program. The current E-commerce program was enhanced to accept post-court payments in addition to pre-payments. This enhancement increased public access and convenience, is environmentally friendly, and enhanced electronic revenue collection on an average of \$1.3 million monthly, bringing total online receipts to over 4.0 million a month. The team also worked to develop and implement E-citation procedures for the general district courts. E-citation benefits the courts by allowing an electronic transfer of data related to traffic offenses into the court's case management system. This automation reduces the amount of data entry to be performed by the court and eliminates possible data entry errors.

The team collaborated with the Records Management Systems Group in the training and development of a document imag-

ing system for general district courts. Modules for the traffic and criminal division of the general district courts have been completed. Development continues on the civil division module. Images of documents in the general district courts provide many benefits to the court, such as electronic retrieval of information versus retrieval of the physical case papers.

The General Team will be involved in many projects in 2010 which should result in major improvements in the courts. The team will be testing and assisting with the conversion of the financial management system to DB2 and with the development of FMS into a web-based program (JAVA). The team will craft and implement changes to both case and financial management systems that will assist the courts with internal controls. The team, in conjunction with DJIT, will design and develop the case management system into a web-based program (JAVA).

JUVENILE AND DOMESTIC RELATIONS DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

The Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Team supports the juvenile and domestic relations district courts by providing guidance and assistance on caseflow management, case processing, public relations, and internal financial controls. Analysts serving on the team are charged with providing training for the juvenile and domestic relations district courts in several areas of processing and management. This training is provided in a number of ways, both in the classroom and on-line. Training sessions that are recorded are posted on the Judicial System's internal website for easy access.

The Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Team works closely with the Department of Judicial Information Technology to design, test and implement case management and financial management system software enhancements for the courts. Many of these enhancements include suggestions provided by the clerks of the juvenile and domestic relations district courts. This year's team projects include the development of a new, web-based case management system that is scheduled to be implemented in the fall of 2010. Some of the enhancements provided by this conversion include:

- Navigational edits, which engage upon entry of a case type, to guide the user toward accurate case entry
- Coding guides to provide appropriate case type and hearing codes, as well as descriptions
- Attorney search function to identify cases assigned to a specific attorney or, in reverse, identify the attorney assigned to an individual case
- Forms program converted to JAVA
- Improved scheduling/docket management program.

The Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Team works with the Court Improvement Program at OES on several projects. J&DR Courts can currently produce reports locally that measure performance in abuse, neglect and foster care case processing. Areas measured include the timeliness of court hearings and findings. The Team works with the Court Improvement program to analyze these reports and provide technical support and training to juvenile court clerks on properly processing court forms and coding cases in CMS. Contact is made with the court for which the analysis is prepared and a visit is scheduled to discuss the data and recommendations with the presiding judge and clerk of court.

Every year, the Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Team joins with the Court Improvement Program to provide training throughout the Commonwealth to courts on the handling of abuse, neglect and foster care cases. This year both departments worked to build this training on line. Separate trainings were built for the judges and clerks, and the information covered includes an overview of the process and statutory timeline, a review of the court community members who are involved in the process, and a review of the district court forms used to ensure the correct findings are made by the court.

DISPUTE RESOLUTION SERVICES DIVISION

The role of the division of Dispute Resolution Services (DRS) is to promote access for litigants to alternative methods of resolving disputes and at the same time relieve some of the pressure exerted on the courts by increasing caseloads. DRS promotes and oversees the provision of professional Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) services by qualified providers to help litigants better understand and effectively resolve their own disputes.

Major activities of DRS include administering mediator certification, training, and recertification; overseeing the Judicial Settlement Conference program; providing training to bench, bar, mediators, and court personnel; maintaining statistical infor-

mation; managing statewide contracts to provide mediation services to the courts; managing the qualification of mandatory parent education providers; providing ADR-related technical advice to courts, local programs, and providers; and providing advice on legislative matters affecting ADR services.

In 2009, to promote ADR services to court personnel, DRS staff met with J&DR and GD court judges; trained at the District Court Clerks' Regional training in March; trained new district court clerks in February and September; and trained Circuit Court Clerks at their June conference. DRS created written materials for the Pre-Bench judge training manual, including a sample "speech" GD judges can use to announce the availability of mediation to parties in their courtrooms. Through a Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) Access and Visitation grant, DRS provided mediation posters to J&DR courts around the state to promote litigant interest in mediating cases.

DRS activities aimed at increasing the level of professionalism of mediators serving the courts included holding seven mediator ethics trainings around the state in March, September, and October and a day-long training in April attended by 150 mediators. DRS streamlined the mediator recertification process, published an excellent quarterly newsletter, and administered seven formal complaints against certified mediators by parties. DRS and its Ethics Committee, composed of prominent members of the Virginia mediation community, continued to work in 2009 on changes to the mediator governing documents and sought feedback from the mediation community on the proposed changes.

In 2009, Virginia certified mediators mediated over 11,000 J&DR court cases and over 2,000 GD court cases through Virginia court mediation programs. Exit surveys indicate that 73.9% of parties view the mediation process as very helpful and 94.7% of parties would use the process again. Eighty-three point nine percent of the court cases referred to mediation end in agreement on all or some of the issues. Truancy mediation is available in some J&DR courts. Child dependency mediation, funded by grants obtained by the OES Court Improvement Program, is available in numerous localities.

DRS contracts with certified mediators to provide GD court mediation services and to provide mediation coordination services between GD and J&DR courts and mediators. Mediation coordinators provide case screening and other services to assist judges and clerks' offices in identifying cases appropriate for mediation, facilitating the referral of cases to mediators, and providing case management of matters referred to mediation. In FY2009, DRS was awarded a grant from VDSS, the bulk of which was used to fund J&DR mediation coordination services.

In FY2009 the same VDSS grant funded a part-time DRS Parent Education Coordinator, who provided guidance and support to providers of the mandatory parent education seminars. By statute, parties to a contested custody, visitation, or support case must attend an educational seminar that is both approved by the court and conducted by a qualified person or organization. In 2009, approximately 10,000 parties (including mothers, fathers, grandparents, and guardians) took the parent education seminar from 45 providers around the state. The Parent Education Coordinator reviews all training material and instructor qualifications before OES adds an instructor's name to the list of providers maintained on the Supreme Court website. Also with VDSS grant funding in 2009, DRS offered a full day of free training for new instructors and hosted the sixth annual Parent Education Symposium, both held at the Supreme Court.

In 2009, the number of Judicial Settlement Conferences conducted continued to grow. The Judicial Settlement Conference is a confidential process in which the parties meet with a neutral third party (a retired circuit court judge) to explore options for settling their dispute. The conference is generally informal. Frequently, facilitation and case evaluation techniques are used. The judge takes an active role in guiding the parties to a mutually satisfactory resolution. The ultimate decision making regarding settlement, however, is left to the parties. Settlement conference may be used in any civil case filed in circuit court. The program has grown in popularity since its inception in 2003, from 37 conferences in 2003-04 to 825 conferences in 2008-09; with 1,146 conferences projected for 2009-10.

Sixty-four percent of cases referred to the Judicial Settlement Conference program reach an agreement either during or soon after the conference. Ninety-nine percent of clients view the conference as appropriate for their case; 97% of clients view the conference as very or somewhat helpful. The average length of a conference is 2.9 hours. Trial courts see the conferences as an excellent opportunity to reduce docket congestion while ensuring a quality outcome. Attorneys often want an ADR neutral who is competent, credible, and has both legal and subject matter expertise. In addition, attorneys frequently want an ADR neutral who will evaluate the strengths and weaknesses of the case.

Other court-related ADR programs exist around the state. For example, the Fairfax County Motions Conciliation Program, in which volunteer attorneys trained in conciliation help parties settle issues that would otherwise be litigated. In 2009, 13 attorneys conciliated 153 J&DR cases with an 84% agreement rate, and in circuit court, 78 attorneys conciliated 261 family cases with an agreement rate of 77% and 226 civil cases with an agreement rate of 83%. The Family Legal Assistance Project (FLAP) of the Fairfax Bar Pro Bono Program initiated a mediation project in 2006 that seeks to aid low-income, pro se litigants with custody disputes in the Fairfax J&DR and Circuit Courts. The Fauquier Neutral Case Evaluation Program (NCE) is a circuit court-based program that was established in 1999. In the NCE program, experienced, senior attorneys serve pro bono as evaluators in settlement conferences for personal injury, contract, tort, and domestic relations cases.

DRUG TREATMENT COURT DIVISION

The statewide Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee has adopted Drug Treatment Court Standards for each drug court model - Adult, Juvenile, DUI, and Family. Practice 10.4 in each model's standards is the practice to use and maintain current data in an information technology system as prescribed by the Office of the Executive Secretary. The data is used to conduct ongoing evaluations of the effectiveness and efficiency of drug treatment courts to the General Assembly. The 2009 Drug Court Evaluation Report concluded a 15-17% re-arrest rate (recidivism) of drug treatment court participants who successfully completed the program compared to 21-32% re-arrest rate (recidivism) of non-participants.

A Data Security Policy was created for the drug court database users to ensure appropriate procedures are followed for protected information. The revised database user's guide includes Data Definitions, a Uniform Statute Table, and a Data Security Policy. Database trainings are provided to the field three times each year at the Office of the Executive Secretary or on-site, as requested. The field is encouraged to provide feedback and suggestions for enhancements and modifications to the database. Recent enhancements include data entry validation tools for the local program to use to audit data entry, a data errors notification on each case, and enhanced data reporting. Regular data entry checks are performed by the DJS Drug Treatment Court Division to improve the completeness and accuracy of data entry per case.

In 2009, the DJS Drug Treatment Court Division received a Highway Safety Grant from the Department of Motor Vehicles to provide training to the drug treatment court program teams as part of the effort to reduce impaired driving-related crashes, injuries, and fatalities. With these funds, a two-day training event for drug court staff and staff planning drug treatment court programs in the Commonwealth of Virginia was conducted.

Also during calendar year 2009, the DJS staff trained over 230 drug treatment court staff from 33 different localities as well as several local Alcohol Safety Action Program (ASAP) staff and other special guests in a two-day training event. Training participants included judges, drug court coordinators, case managers, drug court probation officers/ law enforcement, drug court attorneys, and members and staff of the SJ318 joint subcommittee that is studying strategies and models for substance abuse prevention and treatment that effectively reduce the costly service demands created by substance abuse. The training agenda included topics such as supervision guidelines, drug court sanctions and incentives, current drug trends, and alcohol and drug education and treatment. A similar training event is scheduled for 2010.

The **Legal Research Department** provides legal research service, staff support, and direct assistance to the Office of the Executive Secretary and the trial judges of Virginia.

LEGAL RESEARCH

Major activities include:

- 1. Serving as a "law clerk pool" by performing legal research for trial court judges
- 2. Performing legal research projects at the direction of the Executive Secretary; for example, during the past year, the Department prepared the Rules of the Supreme Court for posting and continuous updating on the Virginia court system's web site
- 3. Performing special projects and providing other staff members with direct assistance; for example, the attorneys in the Department participate in judicial conferences and educational sessions
- 4. Preparing and updating various court operational manuals and providing advice regarding the updates to similar office manuals
- Developing, updating, and managing distribution of district and circuit court forms
- 6. Reviewing proposed legislation for any potential effect on the Virginia court system and apprising judges and OES staff who work with clerks of such legislation

The **Department of Legislative & Public Relations** represents the Judiciary before the General Assembly and responds to the media and the public. Working with the Chief Justice, the Executive Secretary, the Judicial Council, the Committee on District Courts, and the Judicial Conferences of Virginia, the Department develops the legislative package of the Judiciary. The Department serves as the liaison on legislative matters to the General Assembly and state agencies.

LEGISLATIVE & PUBLIC RELATIONS

Major activities include:

- Developing the legislative package of the Judiciary by working with the Chief Justice, the Executive Secretary, the Judicial Council, the Committee on District Courts, and the Judicial Conferences of Virginia
- Representing Virginia's Judicial System on legislative matters before the General Assembly
- 3. Responding to inquiries from the press and general public
- 4. Coordinating the content of Virginia's Judicial System website to best meet the needs of the public and the courts

During 2009, the Department assisted in ushering to passage court-initiated legislation that specifies that any person, agency, or institution that may inspect juvenile case files is also authorized to have copies made of such records, subject to any restrictions, conditions, or prohibitions that the court may impose. Additional successful court initiated legislation in 2009 included revisions to the statute on deferred disposition in cases of assault and battery against a family or household member, including amendments related to services for the defendant, removal of the indigency exception, and use of a sliding-scale fee structure, requirements for good behavior following a deferral of proceedings, and technical changes intended to provide clarity.

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Judicial Administration in Virginia's Courts

Miscellaneous Activities

Miscellaneous Activities



- Fiscal Review of the Judiciary
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- Awards Recognition Program

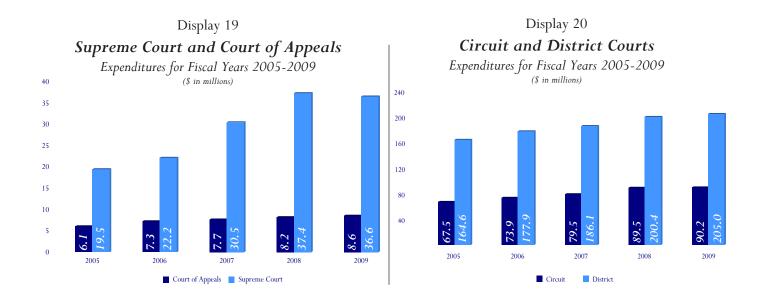
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Fiscal Review of the Judiciary

The General Assembly appropriated \$374.9 million for the judicial system for fiscal year 2008-2009. This constituted an increase of 1.6% from the \$368.9 million that was budgeted in fiscal year 2007-2008. These funds comprised just over one percent of the total state biennium budget.

Total judicial system expenditures in FY 2009 totaled \$364.9 million. Of the total judicial system expenditures, 68.5% or \$250.0 million was for operational costs: personal services (salaries, wage and fringe benefits) totaled \$215.2 million (or 86.1% of operational costs) and automation needs, services, supplies, and equipment totaled \$34.8 (or 13.9% of operational costs). Grant funds, Criminal Fund costs, and costs related to the involuntary mental commitment (IMC) process constituted the remainder (\$114.8 million) of total court system expenditures in fiscal year 2009.

Grant activity in FY 2009 totaled \$4.8 million. The largest single expenditure of funds on grant activities (\$2,328,515) occurred with the Department of Criminal Justice Services for the Drug Court Treatment Programs. Details of all grant activity are found later in this section of the report while a more detailed summary of activities under the Criminal Fund and IMC Fund can be found in this section.



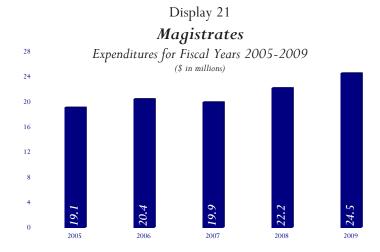


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Pre-Trial, Trial and Appellate Processes

Fiscal Year 2009 Expenditures

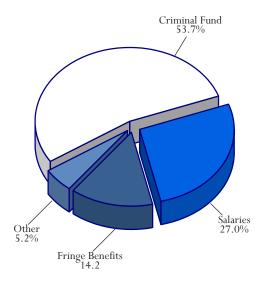
						Court	
	Supreme	Court of	Circuit	District	Magistrate	System	% of
	Court	Appeals	Courts*	Courts	System	Total	Total
Personal Service Costs							
Salaries/Justices-Judges	1,440,648	1,979,917	23,622,808	33,288,246	0	60,331,619	28.03%
Salaries/Other Employees	10,594,174	3,459,027	679,231	54,140,017	16,599,618	85,472,067	39.72%
Wage	314,479	25,972	0	915,894	0	1,256,345	0.58%
Substitute/Retired Judges	0	13,400	939,300	1,637,100	0	2,589,800	1.20%
Fringe Benefits	4,227,594	2,089,934	12,775,235	40,547,925	5,920,498	65,561,186	30.46%
Total Personal Services	16,576,895	7,568,250	38,016,574	130,529,182	22,520,116	215,211,017	86.07%
CAIS/IT	8,909,746	12,868	2,647,128	7,817,288	1,200,529	20,587,559	59.10%
Services	3,819,933	340,264	882,593	2,657,857	578,908	8,279,555	23.77%
Supplies/Equipment	709,949	69,252	174,579	1,892,249	222,253	3,068,282	8.81%
Insurance/Rentals	1,808,380	589,338	50,769	427,740	26,232	2,902,459	8.33%
Total CAIS/Equipment	15,248,008	1,011,722	3,755,069	12,795,134	2,027,922	34,837,855	13.93%
Total Operations	31,824,903	8,579,972	41,771,643	143,324,316	24,548,038	250,048,872	100.00%
Grant Activity	4,752,389	0	0	0	0	4,752,389	5.41%
Criminal Fund	1,846	12	48,402,258	55,561,625	0	103,965,741	89.03%
Invol. Mental Commit. Fund	0	0	0	6,111,958	0	6,111,958	5.56%
Total Other	4,754,235	12	48,402,258	61,673,583	0	114,830,088	100.00%
GRAND TOTAL	36,579,138	8,579,984	90,173,901	204,997,899	24,548,038	364,878,960	
Positions	144.63	69.13	164.00	1,816.75	446.20	2,640.71	

^{*}These figures do not include the state funds expended in support of the circuit court clerks' offices and their staff members. It also does not include locally funded positions.

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Circuit Court Expenditures

Pre-trial, Trial, and Appellate Processes



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District Court Expenditures

Pre-trial, Trial, and Appellate Processes

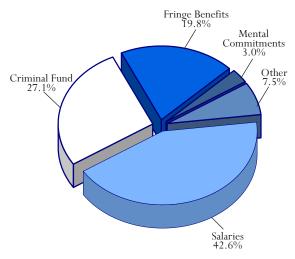


Table 45 **Judicial System Appropriations**

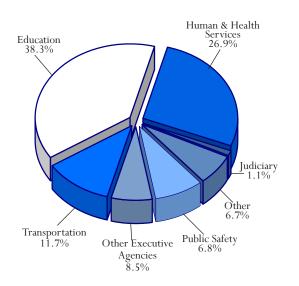
	Expended	Budgeted*
Agency/Program	FY 08-09	FY 09-10
Supreme Court		
Appellate Review	8,259,300	11,650,723
Law Library Services	1,050,409	943,029
General Management and Direction	26,038,013	29,441,846
Judicial Training	1,226,288	899,140
Adjudicatory Coordination	5,128	25,000
Physician Regulation	0	25,000
(Medical Malpractice)		
Supreme Court Total	36,579,138	42,984,738
Court of Appeals		
Appellate Review	8,579,984	8,332,856
Circuit Courts		
Trial Process	90,173,901	101,863,870
District Courts		
General		
Trial Process	94,717,283	95,617,498
Juvenile & Domestic Relations		
Trial Process	79,987,073	75,852,401
Combined		
Trial Process	30,293,543	22,096,468
District Courts Total	204,997,899	193,566,367
Magistrate System		
Pre-Trial Assistance	24,548,038	28,185,653
GRAND TOTAL	364,878,960	374,933,484

^{* 2008-10} Appropriations Act - Chapter 781.

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Judiciary's Share of 2008-2009

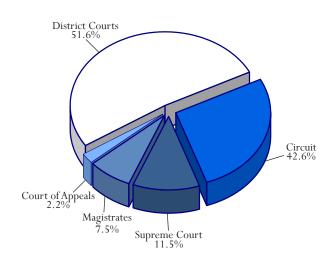
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Judiciary's Distribution of 2008-2009

Appropriations



Grant Activity During Fiscal Year 2009

Grant Number	Title	Duration	Awarded	Expended thru FY2010
U. S. Dept of Health and	l Human Services (Federal)			
0601VASCIP	State Court Improvement Program	10/01/06-09/30/08	\$298,091	\$298,291
0701VASCIP	State Court Improvement Program	10/01/07-09/30/09	\$311,954	\$103,063
0701VASCIT	State Court Improvement Program	10/01/07-09/30/09	\$235,342	\$145,752
0701VASCID	State Court Improvement Program	10/01/07-09/30/09	\$235,166	\$162,093
Dept of Criminal Justice	e Services(Federal)			
Va General Fund Virginia	Drug Court Treatment Project	07/01/08-06/30/09	\$3,434,000	\$2,328,515
MOU CSP	Charge Standardization Project	12/06/06-12/15/08	\$702,700	\$702,700
08-F4161VA07	I-CAN Judicial Education	01/01/08-12/31/08	\$ 35,237	\$ 35,237
09-G4161VA08	I-CAN Judicial Education	01/01/09-12/31/09	\$36,999	\$19,293
08-B5116OT05	Grant to encourage arrest (GEAP)	07/01/07-06/30/09	\$196,210	\$121,167
09-C5223AD07	District Court Clerk Certification	07/01/08-06/30/09	\$ 43,931	\$17,886
08-B5355AD06	Dom. Violence Advisory Comm.	01/01/08-12/31/08	\$ 3,456	\$ 3,456
09-B5355AD08	Dom. Violence Advisory Comm.	01/01/09-12/31/09	\$1,728	\$1,728
Virginia Department of	Emergency Management (Federal) Dept. of Homeland Security			
	FY2005 State Homeland Security	09/01/08-06/30/09	\$187,000	\$187,000
Virginia Department of	Motor Vehicles (Federal)			
154AL-2008-58099-3040	Traffic Records Improvement Proj.	10/01/07-09/30/08	\$100,000	\$38,227
154AL-2009-59314-3617	Reduce Driving Related Crashes	10/01/08-09/30/09	\$96,600	\$63,705
TR-2008-58232-3169	Traffic Record Improvement Proj.	10/01/07-09/30/08	\$90,000	\$43,008
TR-2009-50314-3618	Reduce Driving Related Crashes	10/01/08-09/30/09	\$77,600	none
State Police (Federal) (None in FY2009)				
Division of Child Suppo				
MOU agreement with DCSE	Mediation Access and Visitation Program #CSE07-027	10/01/07-09/30/08	\$145,000	\$145,000
MOU agreement with DCSE	Mediation Access and Visitation Program #CSE09-035	02/01/09-09/30/09	\$145,000	\$65,544

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Utilization of Substitute and Retired Recalled Judges in the District Courts

In order to meet demands placed upon the courts when a vacancy exists on the bench, when a sitting judge is asked to fulfill certain administrative duties, or when a sitting judge must disqualify or recuse himself or herself in conflict cases, the district courts must call upon substitute judges and recall retired judges to assist in the processing of cases. During 2009, the total cost of the utilization of substitute and retired recalled judges in the district courts totaled \$1.5 million for a total of 7,552.5 days (30.2 full-time equivalency positions). In 2008, judges used 8,047 substitute and retired recalled judge days. The 7,552.5 days reported in 2009 equates to an average of 30.3 days per district court judge compared to 33.8 days per judge the year before. Between 2001 and 2004, there was a steady decline in the number of total substitute judge days utilized in the district courts. Since 2006, the number of total substitute judge days has been on the rise, with this year making a slight decline. See Table 46.

Judges in the general district courts utilized a total of 3,478.5 days or 46.1% of the total while judges in the J&DR district courts reported a total of 3,300.5 substitute days or 43.7%. The remaining days were utilized by judges in courts with "combined" clerks offices (773.5 days or 10.2% of the total).

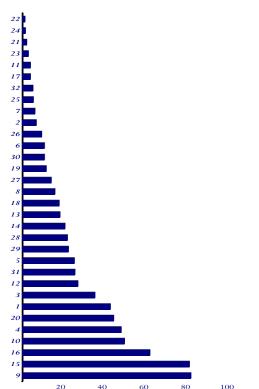
Utilization of Retired Recalled Judges in the Circuit Courts

The circuit courts also face the need to recall retired judges from time to time to assist with the caseloads of the courts and provide adequate resources when temporary judicial vacancies exist. In order to meet these demands placed upon the courts, the circuit courts during 2009 utilized retired judges for 3,648 days, a decrease of 461 days or 11.2% from the number utilized in 2009. This represented 14.6 full-time equivalent positions and an average of 23.24 days per circuit court judge. See Table 47.

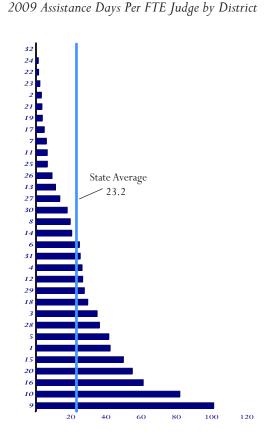
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Substitute and Retired Recalled Judges

2009 Per Diem Expenditures by District (\$ in Thousands)



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Substitute and Retired Recalled Judges



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Table 46

Utilization of Substitute and Retired Recalled Judges*

January 1, 2009 - December 31, 2009

_	General District Courts J&I		J&D	R District	t Courts Comb. District Courts		ct Courts	District Court Totals						
_	RR	Sub	Total	RR	Sub	Total	RR	Sub	Total	Total	Total	Util	Curr	Days/
Dist	Days	Days	Cost (\$)	Days	Days	Cost(\$)	Days	Days	Cost(\$)	Days	Cost(\$)	FTE	FTE	Judge
1	50.0	77.0	25,400	35.0	58.0	18,600	0.0	0.0	0	220.0	44,000	0.9	7.0	31.4
2	222.0	107.0	65,800	92.0	80.5	34,500	0.0	0.0	0	501.5	100,300	2.0	14.0	35.8
3	35.0	121.5	31,300	6.0	72.5	15,700	0.0	0.0	0	235.0	47,000	0.9	6.0	39.2
4	181.0	111.5	58,500	171.0	150.0	64,200	0.0	0.0	0	613.5	122,700	2.5	11.0	55.8
5	9.0	43.5	10,500	19.0	17.5	7,300	5.0	4.0	1,800	98.0	19,600	0.4	5.0	19.6
6	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	52.0	100.0	30,400	152.0	30,400	0.6	6.0	25.3
7	37.0	44.0	16,200	56.0	35.0	18,200	0.0	0.0	0	172.0	34,400	0.7	8.0	21.5
8	62.0	103.0	33,000	93.0	11.0	20,800	0.0	0.0	0	269.0	53,800	1.1	6.0	44.8
9	35.0	49.0	16,800	44.0	68.5	22,500	2.0	2.5	900	201.0	40,200	0.8	6.0	33.5
10	22.0	46.0	13,600	45.0	5.5	10,100	22.0	6.0	5,600	146.5	29,300	0.6	6.0	24.4
11	60.0	25.0	17,000	90.0	14.0	20,800	16.0	22.5	7,700	227.5	45,500	0.9	4.0	56.9
12	51.0	77.5	25,600	29.0	145.5	34,900	19.0	20.5	7,900	342.5	68,400	1.4	9.0	38.1
13	27.0	100.0	25,400	8.0	111.0	23,800	0.0	0.0	0	246.0	49,200	1.0	13.0	18.9
14	50.0	48.0	19,500	18.0	82.5	20,100	0.0	0.0	0	198.5	39,600	0.8	9.0	22.1
15	64.0	71.5	27,100	40.0	302.5	68,500	14.0	37.5	10,300	529.5	105,900	2.1	13.0	40.7
16	31.0	3.5	6,700	11.0	16.5	5,500	50.0	47.0	19,400	159.0	31,600	0.6	8.0	19.9
17	1.0	107.5	21,700	10.0	45.5	11,100	0.0	2.5	500	166.5	33,300	0.7	6.0	27.8
18	1.0	26.5	5,500	9.0	38.0	9,400	0.0	0.0	0	74.5	14,900	0.3	4.0	18.6
19	181.0	83.0	52,800	10.0	177.0	37,200	0.0	0.0	0	451.0	90,000	1.8	19.0	23.7
20	11.0	114.0	25,000	16.0	74.0	17,800	3.0	4.0	1,400	222.0	44,200	0.9	7.0	31.7
21	43.0	3.0	9,200	36.0	16.0	10,400	0.0	0.0	0	98.0	19,600	0.4	4.0	24.5
22	66.0	11.5	15,500	48.0	35.0	16,600	0.0	0.0	0	160.5	32,100	0.6	5.0	32.1
23	93.0	23.0	22,900	8.0	69.0	15,400	22.0	16.5	7,600	231.5	45,900	0.9	9.0	25.7
24	74.0	10.0	16,800	58.0	63.5	24,300	0.0	0.0	0	205.5	41,100	0.8	9.0	22.8
25	194.0	60.5	50,900	9.0	61.0	14,000	33.0	44.5	15,500	402.0	80,400	1.6	9.0	44.7
26	3.0	82.5	17,100	33.0	142.5	35,100	0.0	0.0	0	261.0	52,200	1.0	9.0	29.0
27	40.0	34.0	14,800	4.0	102.0	21,200	36.0	74.0	22,000	290.0	58,000	1.2	9.0	32.2
28	37.0	28.5	13,100	30.0	14.5	8,900	0.0	0.0	0	110.0	22,000	0.4	4.0	27.5
29	3.0	10.5	2,700	10.0	17.0	5,400	28.0	69.0	19,400	137.5	27,500	0.6	5.0	27.5
30	6.0	8.5	2,900	8.0	22.0	6,000	8.0	13.0	4,200	65.5	13,100	0.3	4.0	16.4
31	78.0	67.0	29,000	29.0	149.5	35,700	0.0	0.0	0	323.5	64,700	1.3	9.0	35.9
32 (2A)	13.0	0.5	2,700	14.0	14.5	5,700	0.0	0.0	0	42.0	8,400	0.2	2.0	21.0
Total	1,780.0	1,698.5	695,000	1,089.0	2,211.5	659,700	310.0	463.5	154,600	7,552.5	1,509,300	30.2	245.0	30.3

^{*}Note: Substitute/retired recalled judge days include days when a substitute judge was called upon to sit because of an existing vacancy on the bench.

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Table 47

Utilization of Retired Recalled Circuit Judges* Days Utilized and Expenditures

January 1, 2009 - December 31, 2009

	Total	Total	Current	Utilized	Days/
Circuit	Days	Cost	FTE	FTE	Judge
1	212	\$42,400	5	0.85	42.40
2	34	\$6,800	10	0.14	3.40
3	175	\$35,000	5	0.7	35.00
4	238	\$47,600	9	0.95	26.44
5	125	\$25,100	3	0.5	41.67
6	50	\$10,800	2	0.2	25.00
7	31	\$6,200	5	0.12	6.20
8	79	\$15,800	4	0.32	19.75
9	405	\$81,100	4	1.62	101.25
10	246	\$49,200	3	0.98	82.00
11	20	\$4,000	3	0.08	6.67
12	134	\$26,800	5	0.54	26.80
13	91	\$18,200	8	0.36	11.38
14	103	\$20,600	5	0.41	20.60
15	400	\$80,400	8	1.6	50.00
16	306	\$61,400	5	1.22	61.20
17	20	\$4,000	4	0.08	5.00
18	89	\$17,800	3	0.36	29.67
19	58	\$11,600	15	0.23	3.87
20	220	\$44,000	4	0.88	55.00
21	11	\$2,200	3	0.04	3.67
22	7	\$1,400	4	0.03	1.75
23	15	\$3,000	6	0.06	2.50
24	8	\$1,600	5	0.03	1.60
25	27	\$5,400	4	0.11	6.75
26	47	\$9,400	5	0.19	9.40
27	69	\$14,000	5	0.28	13.80
28	109	\$21,800	3	0.44	36.33
29	111	\$22,300	4	0.44	27.75
30	54	\$10,800	3	0.22	18.00
31	127	\$25,400	5	0.51	25.40
32 (2A)	27	\$5,200	0	0.11	0.00
Total	3,648	731,300	157.00	14.60	23.24

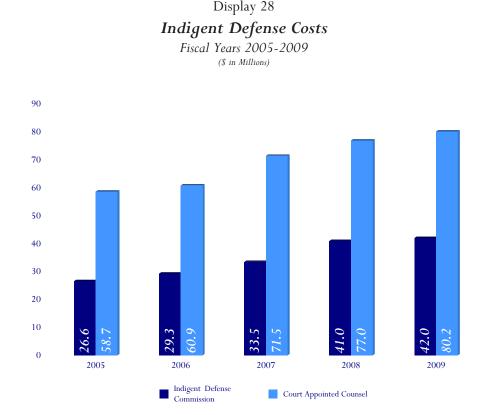
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Indigent Defense Services

The Commonwealth paid \$122.0 million for the representation of indigent defendants during fiscal year 2009. These expenditures were made to court-appointed attorneys from the Criminal Fund administered by the Supreme Court and to public defender personnel from funds administered by the Public Defender Commission. See Table 48. Total Criminal Fund expenditures increased from \$102.6 million in fiscal year 2008 to \$104.0 million in fiscal year 2009, an increase of 1.3%. Payments from the Criminal Fund to court appointed counsel increased from \$77.0 million to \$78.6 million, an increase of 4.2% during the year. Court appointed attorney costs constituted 75.6% of total Criminal Fund expenditures in fiscal year 2009.

The number of defendants receiving court appointed counsel services paid for from the Criminal Fund fell in FY 2009 from 248,452 to 248,033, a decrease of 0.2% from the number represented the previous year. The average fee paid to attorneys for representing indigent defendants increased from \$312 per charge in FY 2008 to \$317 per charge in FY 2009. The district courts recouped \$7.0 million in Commonwealth revenues, and the circuit courts also collected \$7.2 million in FY 2009 from indigents convicted of crimes; together, these revenues represent 18.0% of the amount spent on court appointed counsel fees.

Within the Criminal Fund, the number of hearing-impaired defendants for whom interpreter services were provided decreased 8.3% in criminal cases and decreased 24.6% in civil cases. There was a decrease of 9.8% in the costs of extradition allowances, and jurors' per diem expenditures fell 1.3%. A decrease was reported in the costs associated with expert witness fees (down 25.5%). There was also a decrease in the costs of providing witnesses for the Commonwealth (down 10.2%), which had been consistently on the rise since 2005. See Table 49.

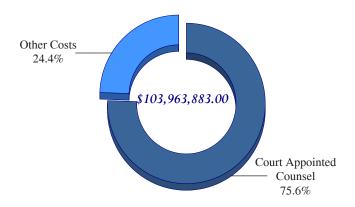


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Criminal Fund Activities

Fiscal Year 2009 Distribution of Expenditures



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Criminal Fund and Involuntary Mental Commitments

Fiscal Years 2005-2009 Expenditures

ears 2005-2009 Expenditures (\$ in Millions)

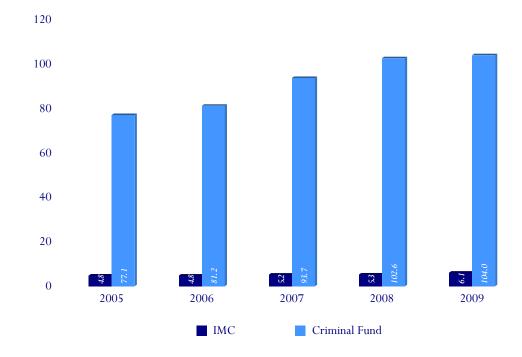


Table 48

Indigent Defense Costs

July 2008 - June 2009

Circuit/	Court Appointed Counsel	Public Defender	Total Indigent
District	Fees & Expenses*	Expenditures	Defense Costs
1	1,582,937	1,571,109	3,154,046
2	2,025,574	2,556,264	4,581,838
3	1,481,737	1,855,594	3,337,331
4	3,634,524	2,557,554	6,192,078
5	1,120,992	1,634,343	2,755,335
6	1,984,379		1,984,379
7	1,731,677	1,930,162	3,661,839
8	1,145,381	1,650,544	2,795,925
9	2,490,356	, ,	2,490,356
10	2,033,823	849,193	2,883,016
11	1,758,644	943,079	2,701,723
12	4,263,447	,	4,263,447
13	3,774,695	2,939,521	6,714,216
14	3,886,334	, ,	3,886,334
15	5,048,815	1,900,930	6,949,745
16	3,802,156	973,526	4,775,682
17	1,357,565	1,799,010	3,156,575
18	1,047,577	1,465,608	2,513,185
19	4,132,762	2,639,196	6,771,958
20	746,415	1,878,444	2,624,859
21	594,158	729,406	1,323,564
22	2,005,724	640,829	2,646,553
23	2,874,945	1,342,287	4,217,232
24	2,719,721	1,524,983	4,244,704
25	1,884,358	1,059,788	2,944,146
26	2,970,136	1,212,651	4,182,787
27	4,824,863	732,072	5,556,935
28	2,202,542	- ,-	2,202,542
29	3,182,783		3,182,783
30	2,886,696		2,886,696
31	4,203,089		4,203,089
32 (2A)	821,640		821,640
Other**	240	5,653,354	5,653,594
Total	\$80,220,685	\$42,039,447	\$122,260,132

^{*} Includes GAL expenditures in the amount of \$17,440,821.

Public Defender Lists with locations and contact information are available at http://www.indigentdefense.virginia.gov.

 $^{**} Indigent \ Defense \ Commission \ administrative, \ commission, \ capital \ cases \ and \ other \ misc. \ start-up \ expenditures.$

Table 49

Criminal Fund Annual Statistics*

Selected Activities for Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009

	FY 2008	FY 2009				
	Individuals	Individuals	Percent	FY 2008	FY 2009	Percent
Activity	Served	Served	Change	Cost	Cost	Change
Court-Appointed Counsel	248,452	248,033	-0.2%	\$77,393,793	\$78,560,005	1.5%
Habeas Corpus	21	15	-28.6%	106,411	65,436	-38.5%
Court Reporters/Felony Cases	151,940	147,485	-2.9%	7,707,063	7,836,439	1.7%
Extradition Allowance	2,204	1,987	-9.8%	2,803,940	2,559,459	-8.7%
Interpreters for Deaf/Criminal Cases	733	672	-8.3%	197,848	169,706	-14.2%
Interpreters for Deaf/Civil Cases	448	338	-24.6%	97,733	80,971	-17.2%
Interpreters for Non-English						
Speaking/Criminal Cases	57,371	62,837	9.5%	3,757,114	3,153,852	-87.9%
					456,113	
Medical Fees - Gathering Evidence	2,457	873	-64.5%	2,418,455	1,081,034	-55.3%
Psychiatric Exam - Sexual Abnormality	280	274	-2.1%	162,204	163,032	0.5%
Blood Withdrawal/Analysis - Alcohol	1,102	1,056	-4.2%	30,561	27,187	-11.0%
Blood Withdrawal/Analysis - Drugs	15	46	206.7%	375	1,150	206.7%
Blood Tests for Paternity/HLA	3,425	3,031	-11.5%	241,373	212,304	-12.0%
DNA Analysis/Blood Withdrawal	1	0	-100.0%	1,200	0	-100.0%
Jurors Per Diem			-	2,331,833	2,301,708	-1.3%
Expert Witness			-	506,886	377,656	-25.5%
Witness for Commonwealth			-	691,862	621,102	-10.2%
Other Criminal Fund			-	4,160,833	6,752,842	51.3%
Total Criminal Fund				\$102,609,485	\$103,963,883	1.3%

^{*} All trial and appellate courts.

Table 50

Criminal Fund Expenditures by Activity

July 2008 - June 2009 (Circuit and District Court)

Activity	Circuit Courts	Gen. Dist. Courts	J&DR Dist. Courts	Comb. Dist. Courts	Total
Administrative Impoundment Of Motor Vehicles	2,685	16,971	0	2,070	21,726
Agreement On Detainers - Out-Of-State	32,875	1,982	23	722	35,602
Attorney In Criminal Commitment	1,824	25	400	3,850	6,099
Blood Tests For Paternity - HLA	420	0	180,050	31,834	212,304
Blood Withdrawal/Analysis - Alcohol	0	18,735	2,645	5,808	27,187
Blood Withdrawal/Analysis - Drugs	0	1,100	0	50	1,150
Commit Of Convicted Person For Treat For Drug/Alcohol	12,600	0	0	0	12,600
Compensation Of Experts	523,333	511,459	201,868	87,263	1,323,923
Compensation Of Experts J&DR	400	0	79,874	4,200	84,474
Costs Of Special Grand Jury	119,794	0	0	0	119,794
Counsel For Isolation Hearing	941	0	0	0	941
Court Appointed Attorney	28,866,375	14,923,754	8,858,939	5,552,931	58,201,999
Court Appointed Attorney District Court Capital Murder	0	32,637	0	0	32,637
Court Appointed Attorney - J&DR Court	0	0	16,671,181	2,899,185	19,570,365
Court Appointed Attorney J&DR Court Capital Murder	0	0	18,120	0	18,120
Court Appointed Attorney-DNA Scientific Analysis	3,497	0	0	0	3,497
Court Appointed Attorney - Indigent Convict	733,387	0	0	0	733,387
Court Reporters - Felony Only	7,314,161	284,383	144,760	93,135	7,836,439
Determination Of Insanity Prior Sentence	14,690	1,200	400	400	16,690
Expert Witness	347,155	4,116	22,735	3,650	377,656
Extradition Allowance	2,559,459	0	0	0	2,559,459
Guardian Ad Litem - Protective Services	483,499	0	0	0	483,499
Guardians And Conservators	65,436	0	0	0	65,436
Habeas Corpus	48,102	150	0	765	49,017
Habitual Offender Adjudication	1,664,178	0	0	0	1,664,178
Indigent Appeals Attorney	79,992	0	0	0	79,992
Installation Of Pen Register	26,902	69,504	50,753	22,547	169,706
Interpreters For Deaf - Criminal	15,559	18,930	40,172	6,310	80,971
Interpreters For Deaf In Civil Cases	682,907	1,656,265	620,764	193,916	3,153,852
Interpreters For Non-English Speakers	39,103	112,469	292,669	11,871	456,113
Interpreters Non English Civil 8.01-384.1:1	2,301,708	0	0	0	2,301,708
Jurors	3,000	0	1,009,900	111,100	1,124,000
Mediation	649,696	0	0	0	649,696
Medical Costs For Gathering Evidence	0	0	390,907	40,431	431,338
Medical Costs For Gathering Evidence - Juvenile	168,264	1,740	10,577	9,304	189,885
Miscellaneous-Not Otherwise Compensable	69,871	16,850	8,384	1	95,105
Out-Of-State Witness	71,332	12,570	16,786	2,380	103,069
Out-Of-State Witness (Criminal)	163,032	0	0	0	163,032
Psychiatric Exam - Sexual Abnormality	1,163	0	0	0	1,163
Sale Of Forfeited Property	3,634	0	0	0	3,634
Sexually Violent Predators	733,379	0	0	0	733,379
Testing Of Certain Persons For HIV	880	635	0	121	1,637
Unattended Or Immobile Vehicles	106,515	39,376	275	160	146,325
Witness For Commonwealth	490,513	76,652	48,131	5,806	621,102
Total	48,402,258	17,801,501	28,670,313	9,089,811	103,963,883

Involuntary Mental Commitments

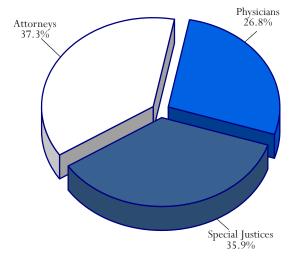
The Supreme Court of Virginia administers the payment of expenditures pursuant to the conduct of various types of hearings in the involuntary mental commitment (IMC) process. (Payments for hospital and detention costs in IMC are administered by the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS)).

As can be seen in Table 51, payments totaling over \$6.1 million were made in fiscal year 2009 to the several types of service providers (special justices, attorneys, physicians and others) involved in IMC hearings. This represented an increase of 15.3% from the total expended during the previous fiscal year. The amounts expended for commitment hearings increased by 8.2% but the amounts for certification hearings decreased 93.0%. The expenditures for commitment hearings totaled over \$3.4 million. Payment for commitment hearings constituted the major portion of total expenditures, approximately 56.2%, while commitment/recommitment hearings were 29.6% of the total expenditures. Altogether, commitment and commitment/recommitment hearings constituted 85.7% of the total IMC expenditures for fiscal year 2009. There were a total of 79,884 services of various types (commitment, recommitment, etc.) provided by special justices, attorneys, physicians, and others during the year, an increase of 13.0% from the 70,712 provided in 2008. Of these services, 28,714 (35.9%) were provided by special justices, 29,592 (37.0%) by attorneys, and 21,445 (26.8%) by physicians. The remaining services were provided by interpreters and witnesses. See Table 52.

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Involuntary Mental Commitments

Fiscal Year 2009 Services by Provider



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Fiscal Year 2009 Services by Activity

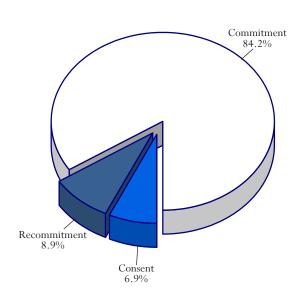


Table 51

Circuit and District Courts

Criminal Fund and Involuntary Mental Commitment Expenditures

July 2008 - June 2009

Circuit/ District	Circuit Court Criminal Fund	District Court Criminal Fund	Total Criminal Fund	District Court Involuntary Mental Commitments
1	1,442,612	1,037,306	2,479,918	122,142
2	1,970,260	1,687,391	3,657,651	304,998
3	1,064,944	1,052,080	2,117,023	166,949
4	2,672,439	2,419,759	5,092,198	97,313
5	832,400	700,307	1,532,707	42,185
6	1,119,893	1,254,687	2,374,579	106,602
7	1,336,419	1,205,987	2,542,406	2,949
8	990,499	719,205	1,709,704	292,493
9	1,291,806	1,788,264	3,080,070	137,316
10	1,201,492	1,315,330	2,516,823	69,194
11	906,413	1,217,220	2,123,634	488,136
12	1,868,747	2,958,152	4,826,899	340
13	2,208,978	2,570,290	4,779,268	616,668
14	1,843,256	2,829,925	4,673,180	61,465
15	3,930,895	3,404,645	7,335,540	225,094
16	1,788,379	2,844,341	4,632,720	121,528
17	951,992	1,075,555	2,027,547	73,808
18	514,721	939,883	1,454,604	47,453
19	2,256,937	4,133,880	6,390,817	230,539
20	672,014	791,054	1,463,068	61,718
21	598,395	264,175	862,570	34,166
22	1,175,152	1,310,464	2,485,616	218,485
23	1,611,039	1,782,540	3,393,579	706,125
24	1,425,166	1,982,210	3,407,375	212,018
25	1,066,828	1,243,395	2,310,224	286,076
26	1,889,800	2,022,416	3,912,216	148,996
27	2,480,812	2,995,043	5,475,855	595,282
28	1,121,434	1,319,273	2,440,707	436,734
29	1,965,143	1,704,252	3,669,396	56,374
30	1,893,840	1,353,362	3,247,202	4,651
31	1,864,014	3,077,544	4,941,557	136,841
32	445,537	561,438	1,006,975	7,322
Total	48,402,258	55,561,372	103,963,630	6,111,958

Table 52

Involuntary Mental Commitment Annual Statistics

Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009

*Totals in the summary include
other activities conducted by the
service providers not itemized
below.

Summary

	FY 2008	FY 2009	_
	Services	Services	Percent
Type of Service Provider	Provided	Provided	Change
Special Justice Services	24,687	28,714	16.3%
Attorney Services	24,728	29,592	19.7%
Physician Services	20,871	21,445	2.8%
Interpreter Services	136	123	-9.6%
Witness Services	290	10	-96.6%
Total	70,712	79,884	13.0%

Total		70,712	72,00+	13.070
Activity	General District Courts	J&DR District Courts	Combined District Courts	Total
Commitment Hearings				
Special Justice	19,094	963	2,698	22,755
Attorney	18,992	1,842	2,790	23,624
Physician	16,875	878	2,018	19,771
Interpreter	96	8	0	104
Witness	5	2	0	7
Total Commitment Hearings	55,062	3,693	7,506	66,261
Certification Hearings				
Special Justice	8	0	0	8
Attorney	1	0	0	1
Physician	0	0	0	0
Interpreter	0	0	0	0
Total Certification Hearings	9	0	0	9
Recommitment Hearings				
Special Justice	2,262	6	515	2,783
Attorney	2,189	8	548	2,745
Physician	1,449	5	20	1,474
Interpreter	19	0	0	19
Witness	1	0	0	1
Total Recommitment Hearings	5,920	19	1,083	7,022
Appeal Hearings				
Attorney	89	8	11	108
Physician	4	0	0	4
Witness	0	0	0	0
Total Appeal Hearings	93	8	11	112
Consent for Medical Treatment				
Attorney	2,046	9	448	2,503
Special Justice	2,473	2	436	2,911
Total Consent for Medical Treatment	4,519	11	884	5,414
Other*	526	416	124	1,066
Grand Total	66,129	4,147	9,608	79,884

Table 53

Involuntary Mental Commitment Expenditures
Fiscal Years 2008 and 2009

			Percent
	FY 2008	FY 2009	Change
General District Court			
Special Justices	1,639,101	1,924,205	17.4%
Attorneys	1,498,338	1,668,894	11.4%
Physicians/Psychiatrists	1,346,347	1,387,826	3.1%
Interpreters/Witness/Other	34,863	18,325	125.3%
Totals	4,518,649	4,999,251	10.6%
J&DR District Court			
Special Justices	57,278	83,598	46.0%
Attorneys	81,508	180,393	121.3%
Physicians/Psychiatrists	32,017	102,907	221.4%
Interpreters/Witness/Other	11,220	1,335	-88.1%
Totals	182,023	368,233	102.3%
Combined District Court			
Special Justices	249,909	296,100	18.5%
Attorneys	205,415	280,582	36.6%
Physicians/Psychiatrists	146,705	167,792	14.4%
Interpreters/Witness/Othe	0	0	0.0%
Totals	602,029	744,474	23.7%
District Court Grand Totals			
Special Justices	1,946,287	2,303,903	18.4%
Attorneys	1,785,262	2,129,869	19.3%
Physicians/Psychiatrists	1,525,069	1,658,526	8.8%
Interpreters/Witness/Other	46,083	19,660	-57.3%
Totals	5,302,701	6,111,958	15.3%

Table 54

Involuntary Mental Commitment Expenditures by Activity

July 2008 - June 2009

Summary		FY2008	FY2009	
•		Total	Total	Percent
	Activity	Expenditures	Expenditures	Change
	Commitment Hearings	3,173,300	3,432,983	8.2%
	Commitment/Recommitments Hearings	97	1,807,256	-
	Certification Hearings	5,971	416	-93.0%
	Consent Hearings	203,425	237,186	16.6%
	Recommitment Hearings	372,073	551,660	48.3%
	Appeal Hearings	5,808	7,510	29.3%
	Other Activity	1,542,026	74,947	-95.1%
	Total	5,302,701	6,111,958	15.3%
	General District	J&DR District	Combined District	
Activity	Courts	Courts	Courts	Total
Commitment Hearings				
Special Justice	1,613,927	82,981	231,993	1,928,901
Physician	1,262,642	67,210	156,416	1,486,268
Interpreter	16,104	1,185	0	17,289
Witness	375	150	0	525
Total Commitment Hearings	2,893,048	151,526	388,409	3,432,983
Certification Hearings	240	0	0	240
Special Justice	349	0	0	349
Attorney	66	0	0	66
Total Certification Hearings	416	0	0	416
Recommitment Hearings				
Special Justice	191,343	521	44,701	236,565
Attorney	163,199	672	41,552	205,422
Physician	105,945	393	1,510	107,848
Interpreter	1,750	0	0	1,750
Witness	75	0	0	75
Total Recommitment Hearings	462,312	1,586	87,762	551,660
Appeal Hearings				
Attorney	5,799	600	785	7,184
Physician	305	0	0	305
Witness	21	0	0	21
Total Appeal Hearings	6,125	600	785	7,510
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Consent for Medical Treatment				
Attorney	89,724	433	19,784	109,941
Special Justice	108,003	96	19,146	127,245
Total Consent for Medical Treatme	nt 197,727	529	38,930	237,186
Other	1,439,622	213,993	228,588	1,882,203
Count Total	4 000 251	269 222	744 474	(111 050
Grand Total	4,999,251	368,233	744,474	6,111,958

Medical Malpractice Review Panels

A system of medical malpractice review panels was instituted by the General Assembly in 1976. Under the provisions of Virginia Code § 8.01-581.2, any party to a medical malpractice case may request the appointment of a panel after the case is filed. The panel, appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia, consists of two attorneys, two health care professionals, and a judge. After reviewing evidence submitted by the parties, the panel members render one or more opinions, which are admissible in the malpractice action in accordance with Virginia Code § 8.01-581.8. During calendar year 2009, one panel was requested and designated.

Supreme Court Designations

During 2009, the Supreme Court of Virginia issued a total of 2,243 designation orders. This is an increase of 142 over the total issued in 2008. Beginning in 2008, the Supreme Court no longer issues designation orders for settlement conferences.

Of the 2,243 designations issued in 2009, approximately seventy percent (1,567) were for circuit court assignments. District court designations numbered 676, or 30% of the total. Designations for general assistance, as distinguished from those resulting from a disqualification, constituted the largest percentage of the overall total in both circuit and general district courts. There was an increase in general assistance designations in circuit courts in 2009 (1,235 versus 1,187 in 2008) as well as a similar increase in the general district courts (396 in 2009 versus 338 in 2008). Disqualifications in circuit courts increased in 2009 (from 254 in 2008 to 279 in 2009). The number of disqualifications in district courts increased slightly as well, up from 275 in 2008 to 279 in 2009.

There were two annexation cases in 2009. There were 19 disbarment panels appointed, three more than the previous year. There were five election vote recount panels in 2009, an increase of one from the previous year, and Multi-Jurisdiction Grand Jury designations numbered 18, a decrease of three from 2008. There were four certificate of public need cases in 2009. There were no designation assignments last year for cases involving boundary line disputes.

In both circuit and district courts, the largest category of designation assignment orders continues to be for general assistance pursuant to Virginia Code § 17.1-106 (courts of record) and § 16.1-69.35 (courts not of record). There were 1,631 requests for general assistance designations made in 2009, as compared to 1,525 issued in 2008.

During 2009, both active and retired judges accepted designation assignments in the Commonwealth's 31 judicial circuits and the 32 judicial districts. Their assistance remains a key factor in managing heavy caseloads.

Table 55

2009 Designations

	Number
Activity	Issued
Circuit Courts	
Assistance	1,235
Disqualification	279
Annexation	2
Disbarment	19
Compensation Board	0
Election/Vote Recount	5
Multi-Jurisdiction Grand Jury	18
Boundary	0
Certificate of Need	4
Recision	4
Courthouse Repair	1
Other	0
Circuit Courts Total	1,567
District Courts	
Assistance	396
Disqualification	279
Recision	1
District Courts Total	676
Grand Total	2,243

Supreme Court of Virginia

The Honorable Harry L. Carrico Outstanding Career Service Award

The 2010 recipient of the Harry L. Carrico Outstanding Career Service Award was the Honorable Barbara Milano Keenan. Justice Keenan served on the Supreme Court of Virginia from 1991 until March 2010 when she received her commission to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. Justice Keenan was honored for exhibiting the traits of integrity, courtesy, impartiality, wisdom, and humility. This award is presented annually to a person who demonstrates exceptional leadership in the administration of the courts over an extended career.

Justice Keenan's career began in Fairfax County as an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney from 1974 to 1976. After several years in private practice, she was made a judge of the General District court of Fairfax County. In 1982, she became the first woman to be elected to a Circuit Court judgeship by the Virginia General Assembly. Another first in career was right around the corner in 1985 when she was made the first woman to serve as a state appellate court judge in Virginia after being elected to the Court of Appeals. The firsts do not end there. Justice Keenan is currently the first woman on the Fourth Circuit from Virginia.

Awards Recognition Program

During 2009, the District Courts, Magistrate System, and Circuit Court Clerks' Offices selected recipients for the annual Awards Recognition Program. There are six award categories: Outstanding Career Service, Distinguished Service, Innovative Advances, Constituency Services and Relations, Customer Service, and Personal Achievement. All awards, with the exception of Outstanding Career Service, are intended to provide recognition and appreciation for contributions during the calendar year. The Outstanding Career Service award recognizes an individual for accomplishments during his or her entire career with the Court System.

The District Court and Magistrate System Committee members during 2009 were:

Mr. Lawrence D. Black, Chief Magistrate Seventeenth Judicial District

Ms. Susan S. Hutchison, Clerk Alleghany Combined Court

Ms. Bonnie L. Simmons, Clerk Rockingham/Harrisonburg General District Court

The Honorable H. Lee Chitwood, Judge Pulaski Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court

The Honorable F. Patrick Yeatts, Judge Campbell General District Court

Ms. Lorraine C. Throckmorton, Clerk Chesapeake Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court The Circuit Court System Committee members during 2009 were:

The Honorable Samuel H. Cooper, Jr., Clerk Accomack Circuit Court

Ms. Melinda Rhodes, Deputy Clerk Arlington Circuit Court

Ms. Jan Major, Chief Deputy Clerk Hanover Circuit Court

Presentation of Awards

Unless other arrangements are preferred, the awards are usually presented at the District Court Clerks', Magistrates', and Circuit Court Clerks' Statewide Conferences or Regional Conferences.

These awards are particularly significant because they reflect the appreciation of individuals with whom the recipients work on a daily basis. Their associates recognize and thank these recipients for their resourcefulness, dedication, and persistence in tirelessly delivering high quality services and for continuously searching for ways to improve the system.

District Court System

<u>Distinguished Service Award:</u> Carol B. Kennedy

Richmond General District Court, Criminal Division

Ms. Kennedy served many years as a deputy clerk and was promoted to the Clerk of Court after the retirement of the clerk who served 33 years. She consistently maintained professional standards throughout her years with the court system and, when she became clerk, she established new rules for the office which included weekly staff meetings and cross training for her staff. She not only took on the new responsibilities as the clerk of court, but did so while also overseeing the duties associated with building and opening a new courthouse and organizing a Dedication Ceremony for the new building. Ms. Jeanette Mullins nominated Ms. Kennedy, noting that throughout this process she maintained a professional, ethical, and high-standard work environment. Her staff considers her a valuable asset to the office. Congratulations Ms. Kennedy.

<u>Distinguished Service Certificate:</u> Angela W. Felton

Portsmouth General District Court

Ms. Felton was promoted to the Court Accounting Clerk and exemplified the professional standards of the Court System in her daily work. Judge Whitlow nominated her because her performance consistently fosters a high level of productivity, motivation, enthusiasm, open and constructive communication, and morale. Due to the extreme illness of the supervising deputy clerk, she would supervise the staff

on a regular basis including performing routine clerk work, answering phones, and waiting on the counter as needed. Ms. Felton accomplished all of this with no ill effect on her responsibilities. She is a definite asset to the court. Thank you Ms. Felton for being an essential member of the staff and the Court System! Congratulations Ms. Felton.

<u>Innovative Advances Award:</u> Stephanie Crisman

Fairfax County General District Court

As the Court Processing Supervisor of the Traffic Division in Fairfax County General District Court, Ms. Crisman was nominated by Cindy Sanzotta due to her timely and accurate workflow management and her systematic reorganization of her section's critical responsibilities. As a result, this created a highly efficient Court Processing Team, increased its ability to process Traffic Cases quickly and effectively, and bolstered the section's overall customer service. Ms. Crisman realized the need for cross training her staff and, with the move to the new courthouse, she optimized the utilization of the new office space to reflect the overall design of her staff organization. As a result of the workflow development and staff reorganization, all 18 CP clerks can function in any role of the section. The section no longer encounters a backlog. A job well done! Congratulations Ms. Crisman.

Innovative Advances Award:

Nancy L. Lake

Fairfax County General District Court

Judge Cassidy nominated Ms. Lake for both the Innovative Advances and Customer Service awards, noting her vision and effort to establish and continue in the development of the Court Scheduling System (CSS) for the Fairfax County General District Court. The purpose of the program is to smooth out the variations dockets. This system is set up to use a "bottom-up" decision process in which the individual police officers (court users) choose their court date accessing a county computer server to give their own preference for days of their scheduled court appearances. Ms. Lake was the driving force in developing this elegant solution to a situation that caused problems for police supervisors and court officials on an annual basis. This program has improved the consistency of case counts on court dockets and user satisfaction with court dates leaving flexibility in changing dates on a limited basis. Congratulations Ms. Lake.

Constituency Services and Relations Award: Brenda Cockrell

Fairfax County General District Court

Ms. Cockrell sought and won approval of additional Time to Pay guidelines for the general public customers as well as increased the effectiveness of the court's usage of the Department of Taxation Collection Services. Her action increased the effectiveness of the court's receipting of court fines and costs due and helped the customer base to remain

licensed drivers as they completed payment plans with the court. With great concern for the customer, she single- handedly improved the rate of collections at a time when our economy threatened to increase defaults in suspension due to failure to pay. Ms. Cindy Sanzotta nominated Ms. Cockrell because she made the payment process consumer friendly, thereby increasing the overall effectiveness of the Payments Team of the court. Congratulations Ms. Cockrell!

<u>Customer Service Award:</u> Fairfax County General District Court, Traffic Division Staff

Ms. Cindy Sanzotta nominated the Traffic Division noting the accomplishments of the Payments Team and the Court Processing Team. Both teams individually banded together and rallied to accomplish the standard workload and much more. Each member of each team worked tirelessly to compensate for staff shortages. They handled customers professionally and with great efficiency. The staff spent hours retraining on all aspects of court processing in order to accomplish the workflow management vision and staff restructuring.

Ms. Alexis Brach, Litigation Specialist of TransCore, noted the Traffic Division's outstanding ability to remain flexible while maintaining a positive "can-do" attitude, creating an excellent professional environment for everyone who walks through their doors. Regardless of whose job it is, each individual treats every challenge as his/her responsibility and follows through until it is resolved, maintaining a phenomenal work ethic.

The Traffic Division's accomplishment is a testament not only to their individual characters and caring for each other, but also to their commitment to the court, its mission, and customer service. Customer service means more than just treating customers nicely. It means knowing your job, understanding complicated procedures, and being able to explain them, as well as doing your job efficiently and effectively. Congratulations to the Traffic Division of Fairfax County General District Court.

Magistrate System

<u>Distinguished Service Award:</u> Valla V. Olliver, II, Chief Magistrate District 7, Region 8

Ms. Barbara Mahady nominated Mr. Olliver on behalf of the Newport New Magistrate's Office because of Mr. Olliver's efforts in supporting his staff during the Magistrate re-certification process, providing encouragement and motivation. He provided work-study guides, study sessions, and pep talks. Mr. Olliver also implemented an improved security system for the Magistrate Office by providing secured doors, cameras, and electronic voice communication to citizens and law enforcement personnel. He separated the waiting area between private citizens and those under arrest. The staff feels honored to have him lead their team. Congratulations Mr. Olliver!

<u>Distinguished Service Award:</u> Harvey Bruce Heath, Magistrate

District 9, Region 6

Although the new chief magistrate was sworn in at the end of January 2009, Magistrate Heath was de facto chief until September and was instrumental in keeping the District running smoothly during the transition and training for the new chief magistrate. Mr. Heath kept the schedules running and stepped in wherever an extra hand was needed. He worked extra shifts; he worked off duty without complaint, and he did so with a smile and a pleasant, courteous demeanor towards all who dealt with him. Ms. M. Virginia Muñoz nominated him because of his wiliness to provide services and to ensure that the District did not suffer during this transition period. Magistrate Heath's knowledge of the law and procedures, as well as his adherence to the ethics and standards of the judicial system, are legendary in the Ninth District. Congratulations Mr. Heath.

Circuit Court System

Outstanding Career Service Award: The Honorable Larry Palmer, Clerk

Lynchburg Circuit Court

Mr. Palmer was nominated by Judge Mosby, Ron Neely, and Norma Gates. They noted his service to the Court System for over 40 years in various capacities. Larry served as a Deputy Clerk with the Lynchburg Circuit Court; he was then appointed as the first Chief Magistrate of the 24th Judicial Circuit in July 1974, where he selected, trained and supervised magistrates. In January 1979 he served as the first Magistrate Technical Assistant of the Supreme Court, during which time he supervised, trained, and coordinated the Magistrate System throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. He also established a Regional Technical Assistant Office in the City of Lynchburg. Larry was appointed as Clerk of the Lynchburg Circuit Court in October 1991 and served in that position until his retirement in January 2010.

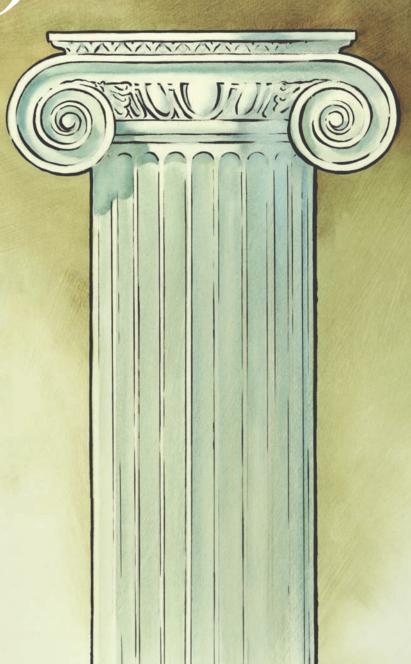
During his career, Larry provided invaluable services to the Court System. Larry wrote procedural manuals, taught in certification schools, regional seminars, and statewide conferences. He conducted numerous field assessments, provided technical assistance, and participated in studies to improve the Virginia Magistrate System. Larry was also involved in the implementation of the first video-conferencing systems. During his tenure as Clerk, Larry worked diligently to meet the challenging demands of an increased workload and a high-paced environment in an economy that saw ups and downs and times that led to budget cuts and staffing issues.

Mr. Palmer served as a past President of the Virginia Court Clerk's Association and was a member of the Virginia Court Clerk's Education Committee. He was instrumental in assisting the Office of the Executive Secretary with producing five manuals for the circuit court clerks. These manuals resulted in more streamlined procedures in the clerks' offices around the Commonwealth. Congratulations Mr. Palmer!

The entire court system extends its congratulations and its thanks to all nominees and the award winners. Efforts such as those outlined above not only enhance the reputation of the court in the community but also provide leadership and instill values in the men and women who labor daily to provide a judicial system of which we can all be proud.

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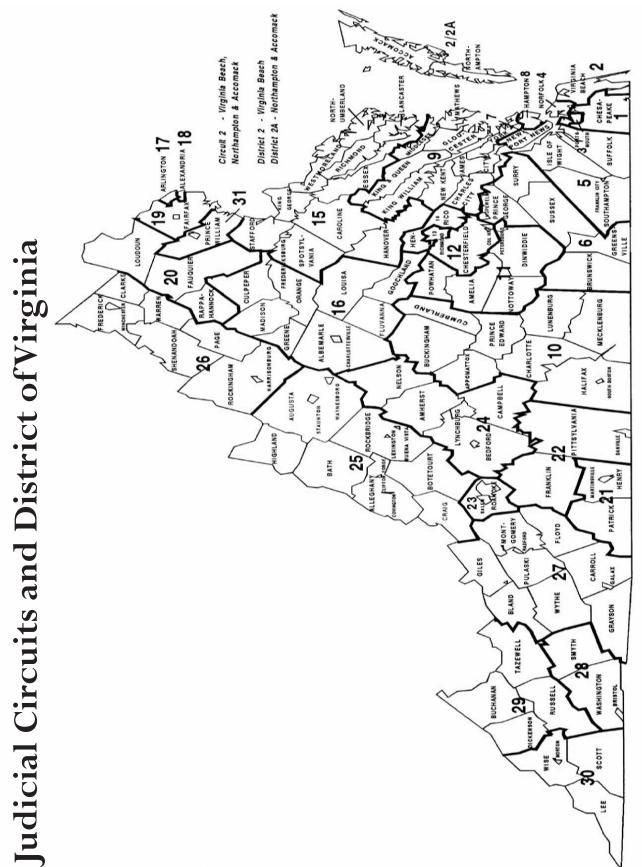
Section B

CASELOAD SUMMARIES 2009



Caseload Summaries 2009 presents a review of annual caseload activity in each of the judicial circuits and districts in the Commonwealth. A state synopsis is included at the end of this section.

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Virginia Localities and Their Judicial Circuits and Districts

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Accomack	2/2A	Giles	27	Powhatan	11
Albemarle	16	Gloucester	9	Prince Edward	10
Alexandria	18	Goochland	16	Prince George	6
Alleghany	25	Grayson	27	Prince William	31
Amelia	11	Greene	16	Pulaski	27
Amherst	24	Greensville	6	Radford	27
Appomattox	10	Halifax	10	Rappahannock	20
Arlington	17	Hampton	8	Richmond County	15
Augusta	25	Hanover	15	Richmond City	13
Bath	25	Harrisonburg	26	Roanoke County	23
Bedford County	24	Henrico	14	Roanoke City	23
Bland	27	Henry	21	Rockbridge	25
Botetourt	25	Highland	25	Rockingham	26
Bristol	28	Hopewell	6	Russell	29
Brunswick	6	Isle of Wight	5	Salem	23
Buchanan	29	James City	9	Scott	30
Buckingham	10	King and Queen	9	Shenandoah	26
Buena Vista	25	King George	15	Smyth	28
Campbell	24	King William	9	Southampton	5
Caroline	15	Lancaster	15	South Boston	10
Carroll	27	Lee	30	Spotsylvania	15
Charles City	9	Lexington	25	Stafford	15
Charlotte	10	Loudoun	20	Staunton	25
Charlottesville	16	Louisa	16	Suffolk	5
Chesapeake	1	Lunenburg	10	Surry	6
Chesterfield	12	Lynchburg	24	Sussex	6
Clarke	26	Madison	16	Tazewell	29
Colonial Heights	12	Manassas	31	Virginia Beach	2
Covington	25	Manassas Park	31	Warren	26
Craig	25	Martinsville	21	Washington	28
Culpeper	16	Mathews	9	Waynesboro	25
Cumberland	10	Mecklenburg	10	Westmoreland	15
Danville	22	Middlesex	9	Williamsburg	9
Dickenson	29	Montgomery	27	Winchester	26
Dinwiddie	11	Nelson	24	Wise	30
Emporia	6	New Kent	9	Wythe	27
Essex	15	Newport News	7	York	9
Fairfax County	19	Norfolk	4		
Fairfax City	19	Northampton	2/2A		
Falls Church	17	Northumberland	15	N	ote
Fauquier	20	Norton	30	Cinquit 2	Vincinia Daral
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Virginia Judicial Circuits and Districts Localities Served with Population in 2000 and 2009

Circuit/	Localities	— Popul		Percent	Circuit/	Localities	— Popul		Percent
District	Served	2000	2009*	Change	District	Served	2000	2009*	Change
1	Chesapeake	199,184	219,960	10.4%	10	Appomattox	13,705	14,649	6.9%
						Buckingham	15,623	16,814	7.6%
2	Virginia Beach	425,257	434,412	2.2%		Charlotte	12,471	12,672	1.6%
						Cumberland	9,017	9,995	10.8%
2A	Accomack	38,305	39,579	3.3%		Halifax	37,350	36,082	-3.4%
	Northampton	13,093	13,380	2.2%		Lunenburg	13,146	13,268	0.9%
	Total	51,398	52,960	3.0%		Mecklenburg	32,380	32,304	-0.2%
						Prince Edward	19,720	21,504	9.0%
3	Portsmouth	100,565	98,124	-2.4%		Total	153,412	157,288	2.5%
4	Norfolk	234,403	237,764	1.4%	11	Amelia	11,400	13,147	15.3%
						Dinwiddie	24,533	27,209	10.9%
5	Franklin City	8,346	8,362	0.2%		Nottoway	15,725	15,893	1.1%
	Isle of Wight	29,728	34,977	17.7%		Petersburg	33,740	30,513	-9.6%
	Southampton	17,482	18,620	6.5%		Powhatan	22,377	28,106	25.6%
	Suffolk	63,677	83,006	30.4%		Total	107,775	114,869	6.6%
	Total	119,233	144,965	21.6%					
					12	Chesterfield	259,903	307,594	18.3%
6	Brunswick	18,419	18,505	0.5%		Colonial Heights	16,897	17,638	4.4%
	Emporia	5,665	5,861	3.5%		Total	276,800	325,232	17.5%
	Greensville	11,560	12,450	7.7%					
	Hopewell	22,277	23,326	4.7%	13	Richmond	197,790	198,102	0.2%
	Prince George	33,124	38,393	15.9%					
	Surry	6,829	7,164	4.9%	14	Henrico	262,300	296,490	13.0%
	Sussex	12,504	12,215	-2.3%					
	Total	110,378	117,914	6.8%	15	Caroline	22,121	28,245	27.7%
						Essex	9,989	11,003	10.1%
7	Newport News	180,697	182,591	1.0%		Fredericksburg	19,279	22,902	18.8%
						Hanover	86,320	98,624	14.3%
8	Hampton	146,437	144,749	-1.2%		King George	16,803	23,891	42.2%
	-					Lancaster	11,567	11,790	1.9%
9	Charles City	6,926	6,992	1.0%		Northumberland	12,259	13,401	9.3%
	Gloucester	34,780	36,647	5.4%		Richmond	8,809	9,797	11.2%
	James City	48,102	63,696	32.4%		Spotsylvania	90,395	121,809	34.8%
	King & Queen	6,630	6,675	0.7%		Stafford	92,446	125,892	36.2%
	King William	13,146	16,184	23.1%		Westmoreland	16,718	17,515	4.8%
	Mathews	9,207	9,501	3.2%		Total	386,706	484,870	25.4%
	Middlesex	9,932	10,412	4.8%					
	New Kent	13,462	17,857	32.6%	16	Albemarle	84,186	95,247	13.1%
	Poquoson	11,566	11,881	2.7%		Charlottesville	40,099	40,317	0.5%
	Williamsburg	11,998	13,572	13.1%		Culpeper	34,262	47,938	39.9%
	York	56,297	65,964	17.2%		Fluvanna	20,047	26,652	32.9%
	Total	222,046	259,381	16.8%		Goochland	16,863	21,441	27.1%
		,	,			Greene	15,244	18,112	18.8%
						Louisa	25,627	32,926	28.5%
						Madison	12,520	13,950	11.4%
						Orange	25,881	33,885	30.9%
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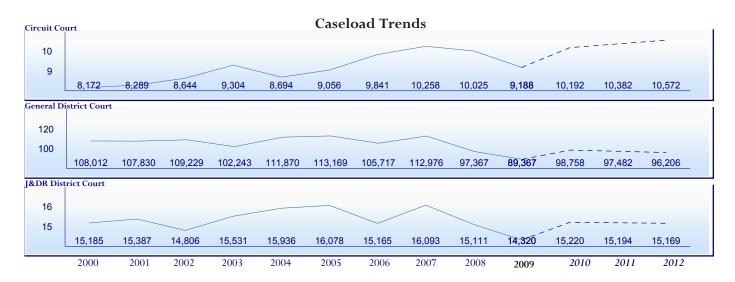
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Circuit/ District	Localities Served	—— Рори 2000	ılation —— 2009*	Percent Change	Circuit/ District	Localities Served	—— Рорі 2000	ılation —— 2009*	Percent Change
17	Arlington	189,453	212,038	11.9%	26	Clarke	12,652	14,471	14.4%
17	Falls Church	10,377	11,711	12.9%	20	Frederick	59,209	75,341	27.2%
	Total	199,830	223,749	12.0%		Harrisonburg	40,453	46,896	15.9%
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18	Alexandria	128,283	141,738	10.5%		Rockingham	67,714	75,962	12.2%
		,	,			Shenandoah	35,075	41,535	18.4%
19	Fairfax City	21,498	24,702	14.9%		Warren	31,584	36,472	15.5%
	Fairfax County	969,749	1,036,473	6.9%		Winchester	23,585	26,383	11.9%
	Total	991,247	1,061,174	7.1%		Total	293,449	341,236	16.3%
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20	Fauquier	55,139	67,702	22.8%	27	Bland	6,871	7,121	3.6%
	Loudoun	169,599	298,113	75.8%		Carroll	29,245	30,300	3.6%
	Rappahannock	6,983	7,066	1.2%		Floyd Galax	13,874 6,837	15,418 6,798	11.1% -0.6%
	Total	231,721	372,882	60.9%		Galax Giles	16,657		-0.6%
21	Цопи	57,930	53,795	-7.1%		Grayson	16,881	16,648 16,243	-3.8%
21	Henry Martinsville	15,416	14,841	-7.170		Montgomery	83,629	91,395	9.3%
	Patrick	19,407	19,469	0.3%		Pulaski	35,127	34,167	-2.7%
	Total	92,753	88,106	-5.0%		Radford	15,859	15,142	-4.5%
	Total	72,733	00,100	-3.070		Wythe	27,599	28,029	1.6%
22	Danville	48,411	45,232	-6.6%		Total	252,579	261,262	3.4%
22	Franklin County	47,286	53,450	13.0%		Total	232,379	201,202	3.170
	Pittsylvania	61,745	62,713	1.6%	28	Bristol	17,367	17,794	2.5%
	Total	157,442	161,396	2.5%	20	Smyth	33,081	32,091	-3.0%
	10001	107,112	101,000	2.370		Washington	51,103	54,443	6.5%
23	Roanoke City	94,911	93,304	-1.7%		Total	101,551	104,328	2.7%
	Roanoke County	85,778	92,991	8.4%		10001	101,331	10.,020	
	Salem	24,747	25,163	1.7%	29	Buchanan	26,978	24,592	-8.8%
	Total	205,436	211,458	2.9%		Dickenson	16,395	16,479	0.5%
		,	,			Russell	29,258	29,442	0.6%
24	Amherst	31,894	32,839	3.0%		Tazewell	44,598	44,538	-0.1%
	Bedford City	6,299	6,083	-3.4%		Total	117,229	115,051	-1.9%
	Bedford County	60,371	66,856	10.7%					
	Campbell	51,078	53,237	4.2%	30	Lee	23,589	25,595	8.5%
	Lynchburg	65,269	72,371	10.9%		Norton	3,904	4,054	3.8%
	Nelson	14,445	15,519	7.4%		Scott	23,403	24,298	3.8%
	Total	229,356	246,905	7.7%		Wise	42,209	41,638	-1.4%
						Total	93,105	95,585	2.7%
25	Alleghany	12,926	16,885	-1.9%					
	Augusta	65,615	72,114	9.9%	31	Manassas	35,135	36,213	3.1%
	Bath	5,048	4,745	-6.0%		Manassas Park	10,290	14,026	36.3%
	Botetourt	30,496	33,299	9.2%		Prince William	280,813	386,934	37.8%
	Buena Vista	6,349	6,553	3.2%		Total	326,238	437,174	34.0%
	Covington	6,303	5,957	-5.5%					
	Craig	5,091	5,211	2.3%	State		7,079,030	7,882,590	11.4%
	Highland	2,536	2,273	-10.4%					
	Lexington	6,867	7,282	6.0%					
	Rockbridge	20,808	21,905	5.3%	*	Estimate, Source: W	eldon Cooper (Center, Universi	ity of Virginia
	Staunton	23,853	23,473	-1.6%		, ~ ~ ~	- sacka,	,	, - 8
	Waynesboro	19,520	20,712	6.1%					
	Total	209,701	220,409	5.1%					

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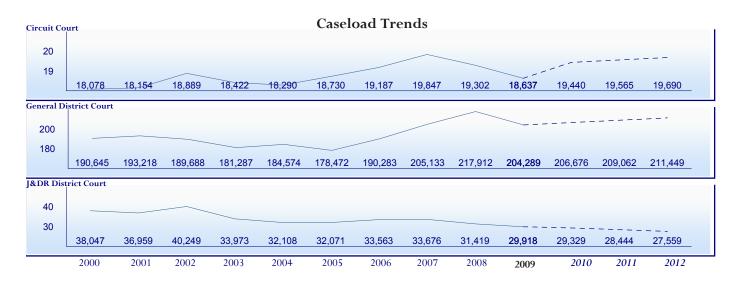
FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

9				2009		2009 Statewide	2009 Urban
				Average	Rank		
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (5 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	10,025	9,188	-8.3	1,838	17	1,837	1,657
Civil	3,094	3,150	1.8	630	15	689	724
Criminal	6,931	6,038	-12.9	1,208	15	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	9,994	9,565	-4.3	1,913	13	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	9,011	8,377	-7.0	1,675	18	1,649	1,592
Juries Impaneled	72	72	0.0	14	8	13	13
General District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	97,367	89,367	-8.2	22,342	24	26,929	26,676
Criminal	11,673	11,001	-5.8	2,750	21	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	8,267	7,849	-5.1	1,962	19	1,973	1,973
Felonies	2,858	2,520	-11.8	630	26	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	548	632	15.3	158	28	309	281
Traffic	56,503	42,933	-24.0	10,733	25	16,649	15,094
Infractions	45,441	32,689	-28.1	8,172	25	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	9,798	9,032	-7.8	2,258	26	3,353	3,023
Felonies	246	209	-15.0	52	20	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	1,018	1,003	-1.5	251	22	376	298
Civil	29,191	35,433	21.4	8,858	8	7,245	8,566
Hearings	110,270	106,093	-3.8	26,523	24	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	15,111	14,320	-5.2	4,773	10	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	8,209	7,789	-5.1	2,596	9	2,305	2,105
Traffic	1,113	708	-36.4	236	17	245	223
Delinquency	2,305	2,266	-1.7	755	4	581	598
Custody/Visitation	4,270	4,350	1.9	1,450	11	1,346	1,148
Status	521	465	-10.7	155	9	133	137
Domestic Relations	6,902	6,531	-5.4	2,177	16	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	1,499	1,455	-2.9	485	16	481	483
Felonies	370	309	-16.5	103	23	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	2,063	1,906	-7.6	635	19	654	603
Civil Support	2,961	2,856	-3.5	952	8	809	694
Criminal Support	9	5	-44.4	2	1	0	0
Hearings	36,055	34,928	-3.1	11,643	6	10,134	9,446



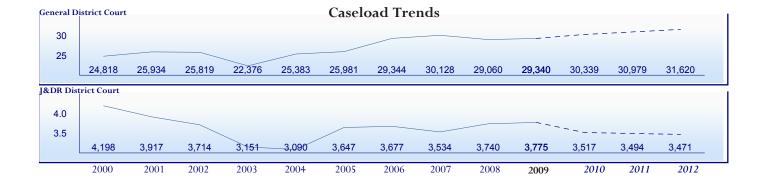
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

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				Average	Rank	Statewide	Urban
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (10 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	19,302	18,637	-3.4	1,864	15	1,837	1,657
Civil	6,552	7,242	10.5	724	8	689	724
Criminal	12,750	11,395	-10.6	1,140	16	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	18,909	18,044	-4.6	1,804	18	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	14,995	12,375	-17.5	1,238	8	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	75	70	-6.7	7	29	13	13
General District (7 Judges)							
New Cases	217,912	204,289	-6.3	29,184	13	26,929	26,676
Criminal	24,089	21,574	-10.4	3,082	19	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	17,033	14,947	-12.2	2,135	12	1,973	1,973
Felonies	5,539	5,176	-6.6	739	15	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	1,517	1,451	-4.4	207	25	309	281
Traffic	111,993	102,760	-8.2	14,680	18	16,649	15,094
Infractions	86,428	78,645	-9.0	11,235	19	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	22,502	22,059	-2.0	3,151	17	3,353	3,023
Felonies	1	0	-100.0	0	31	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	3,062	2,056	-32.9	294	20	376	298
Civil	81,830	79,955	-2.3	11,422	3	7,245	8,566
Hearings	213,697	203,461	-4.8	29,066	14	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (7 Judges)							
New Cases	31,419	29,918	-4.8	4,274	21	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	17,288	16,015	-7.4	2,288	13	2,305	2,105
Traffic	2,363	1,861	-21.2	266	15	245	223
Delinquency	4,560	3,441	-24.5	492	22	581	598
Custody/Visitation	8,929	9,670	8.3	1,381	14	1,346	1,148
Status	1,436	1,043	-27.4	149	10	133	137
Domestic Relations	14,131	13,903	-1.6	1,986	21	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	3,543	3,453	-2.5	493	13	481	483
Felonies	520	451	-13.3	64	29	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	4,244	4,209	-0.8	601	21	654	603
Civil Support	5,824	5,790	-0.6	827	20	809	694
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	11	0	0
Hearings	71,666	68,730	-4.1	9,819	20	10,134	9,446



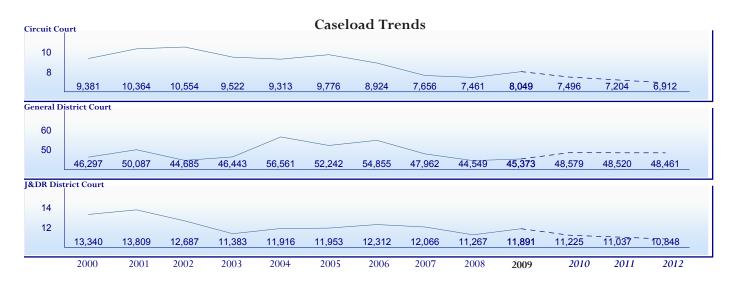
TWO-A JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

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				Average	Rank	Statewide	Rural
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	O9 Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
General District (1 Judge)							
New Cases	29,060	29,340	1.0	29,340	11	26,929	27,230
Criminal	2,773	2,462	-11.2	2,462	26	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	1,788	1,504	-15.9	1,504	27	1,973	1,974
Felonies	663	677	2.1	677	20	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	322	281	-12.7	281	16	309	343
Traffic	20,990	20,841	-0.7	20,841	8	16,649	18,499
Infractions	15,229	15,612	2.5	15,612	10	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	5,466	4,894	-10.5	4,894	5	3,353	3,745
Felonies	28	33	17.9	33	27	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	267	302	13.1	302	19	376	469
Civil	5,297	6,037	14.0	6,037	18	7,245	5,672
Hearings	28,030	27,673	-1.3	27,673	18	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (1 Judge)							
New Cases	3,740	3,775	0.9	3,775	26	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	1,720	1,797	4.5	1,797	26	2,305	2,524
Traffic	166	151	-9.0	151	26	245	270
Delinquency	499	551	10.4	551	15	581	562
Custody/Visitation	1,013	1,013	0.0	1,013	28	1,346	1,562
Status	42	82	95.2	82	26	133	129
Domestic Relations	2,020	1,978	-2.1	1,978	23	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	326	321	-1.5	321	30	481	479
Felonies	52	64	23.1	64	30	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	886	781	-11.9	781	11	654	709
Civil Support	755	812	7.5	812	21	809	934
Criminal Support	1	0	-100.0	0	32	0	0
Hearings	7,273	7,541	3.7	7,541	29	10,134	10,884



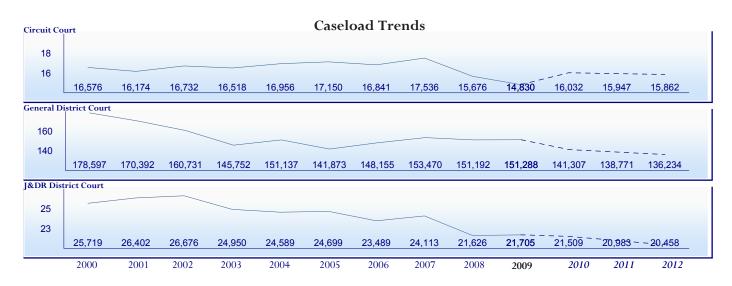
THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

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				Average	Rank	Statewide Average Per Judge	Urban Average Per Judge
			%	Caseload	in		
	2008	2009	009 Change	Per Judge	State		
Circuit (5 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	7,461	8,049	7.9	1,610	25	1,837	1,657
Civil	2,786	3,810	36.8	762	6	689	724
Criminal	4,675	4,239	-9.3	848	26	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	7,682	7,783	1.3	1,557	26	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	13,032	13,350	2.4	2,670	30	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	77	72	-6.5	14	9	13	13
General District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	44,549	45,373	1.8	15,124	31	26,929	26,676
Criminal	7,599	7,632	0.4	2,544	24	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	4,644	4,701	1.2	1,567	24	1,973	1,973
Felonies	1,879	1,892	0.7	631	24	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	1,076	1,039	-3.4	346	12	309	281
Traffic	16,678	18,058	8.3	6,019	32	16,649	15,094
Infractions	11,609	13,099	12.8	4,366	32	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	3,909	3,968	1.5	1,323	32	3,353	3,023
Felonies	3	0	-100.0	0	32	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	1,157	991	-14.3	330	16	376	298
Civil	20,272	19,683	-2.9	6,561	15	7,245	8,566
Hearings	60,357	59,750	-1.0	19,917	30	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	11,267	11,891	5.5	3,964	23	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	5,248	5,383	2.6	1,794	27	2,305	2,105
Traffic	173	188	8.7	63	30	245	223
Delinquency	1,291	1,328	2.9	443	26	581	598
Custody/Visitation	3,571	3,451	-3.4	1,150	25	1,346	1,148
Status	213	416	95.3	139	12	133	137
Domestic Relations	6,019	6,508	8.1	2,169	17	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	1,339	1,280	-4.4	427	20	481	483
Felonies	290	262	-9.7	87	25	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	2,619	3,164	20.8	1,055	1	654	603
Civil Support	1,770	1,800	1.7	600	26	809	694
Criminal Support	1	2	100.0	1	3	0	0
Hearings	26,514	26,551	0.1	8,850	27	10,134	9,446



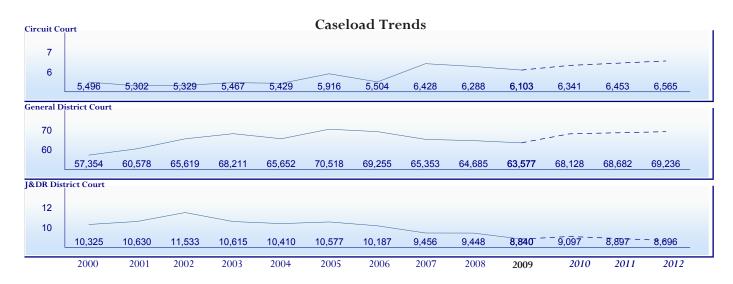
FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

				2009		2009	2009 Urban Average Per Judge
				Average	Rank	Statewide	
			%	% Caseload	in	Average Per Judge	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State		
Circuit (9 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	15,676	14,830	-5.4	1,648	22	1,837	1,657
Civil	6,106	6,346	3.9	705	10	689	724
Criminal	9,570	8,484	-11.3	943	24	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	16,205	15,806	-2.5	1,756	20	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	10,089	9,063	-10.2	1,007	3	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	145	119	-17.9	13	12	13	13
General District (6 Judges)							
New Cases	151,192	151,288	0.1	25,215	18	26,929	26,676
Criminal	21,215	21,530	1.5	3,588	8	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	15,250	15,746	3.3	2,624	5	1,973	1,973
Felonies	4,557	4,358	-4.4	726	17	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	1,408	1,426	1.3	238	20	309	281
Traffic	50,806	51,588	1.5	8,598	29	16,649	15,094
Infractions	36,132	37,313	3.3	6,219	29	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	13,631	13,113	-3.8	2,186	27	3,353	3,023
Felonies	388	381	-1.8	64	16	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	655	781	19.2	130	30	376	298
Civil	79,171	78,170	-1.3	13,028	2	7,245	8,566
Hearings	161,434	161,039	-0.2	26,840	21	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (5 Judges)							
New Cases	21,626	21,705	0.4	4,341	19	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	10,048	8,892	-11.5	1,778	29	2,305	2,105
Traffic	467	474	1.5	95	29	245	223
Delinquency	2,178	1,825	-16.2	365	31	581	598
Custody/Visitation	6,748	6,033	-10.6	1,207	22	1,346	1,148
Status	655	560	-14.5	112	16	133	137
Domestic Relations	11,578	12,813	10.7	2,563	3	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	2,782	3,078	10.6	616	2	481	483
Felonies	498	417	-16.3	83	27	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	3,810	4,587	20.4	917	4	654	603
Civil Support	4,487	4,731	5.4	946	10	809	694
Criminal Support	1	0	-100.0	0	12	0	0
Hearings	53,672	53,641	-0.1	10,728	11	10,134	9,446



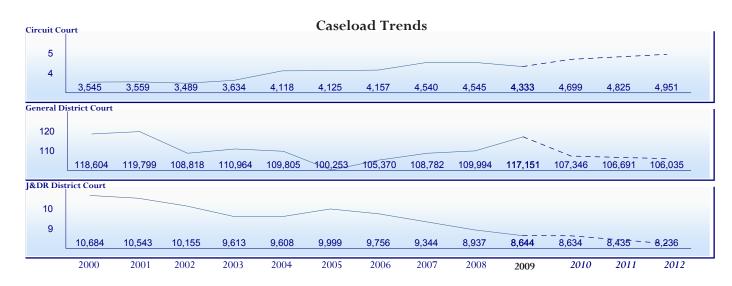
FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

3				2009		2009 Statewide	2009 Rural
				Average	Rank		
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (3 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	6,288	6,103	-2.9	2,034	8	1,837	2,072
Civil	1,660	1,702	2.5	567	20	689	644
Criminal	4,628	4,401	-4.9	1,467	8	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	6,295	6,351	0.9	2,117	7	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	4,654	4,422	-5.0	1,474	16	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	28	36	28.6	12	16	13	14
General District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	64,685	63,577	-1.7	21,192	25	26,929	27,230
Criminal	7,682	6,547	-14.8	2,182	28	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	5,050	4,098	-18.9	1,366	28	1,973	1,974
Felonies	2,121	1,762	-16.9	587	27	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	511	687	34.4	229	23	309	343
Traffic	38,636	40,113	3.8	13,371	22	16,649	18,499
Infractions	31,481	32,304	2.6	10,768	20	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	6,726	6,805	1.2	2,268	25	3,353	3,745
Felonies	39	40	2.6	13	30	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	390	964	147.2	321	18	376	469
Civil	18,367	16,917	-7.9	5,639	20	7,245	5,672
Hearings	79,844	79,893	0.1	26,631	23	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	9,448	8,840	-6.4	4,420	16	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	4,800	4,071	-15.2	2,036	24	2,305	2,524
Traffic	606	535	-11.7	268	14	245	270
Delinquency	1,405	1,052	-25.1	526	20	581	562
Custody/Visitation	2,541	2,335	-8.1	1,168	23	1,346	1,562
Status	248	149	-39.9	75	28	133	129
Domestic Relations	4,648	4,769	2.6	2,385	9	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	1,059	1,069	0.9	535	8	481	479
Felonies	539	460	-14.7	230	2	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	1,245	1,391	11.7	696	15	654	709
Civil Support	1,783	1,846	3.5	923	12	809	934
Criminal Support	22	3	-86.4	2	2	0	0
Hearings	23,807	21,417	-10.0	10,709	12	10,134	10,884



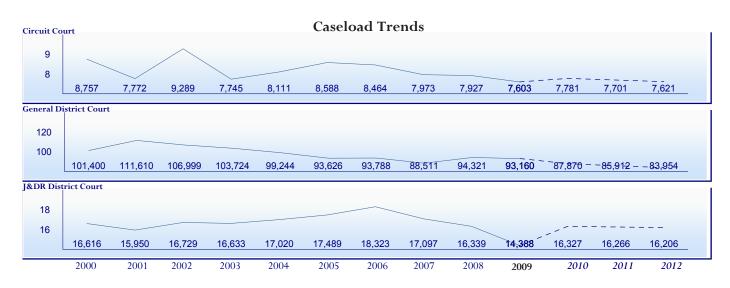
SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

3				2009		2009	2009
				Average	Rank	Statewide	Rural
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (2.34 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	4,545	4,333	-4.7	1,852	16	1,837	2,072
Civil	1,352	1,260	-6.8	538	22	689	644
Criminal	3,193	3,073	-3.8	1,313	12	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	4,566	4,177	-8.5	1,785	19	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	3,983	4,150	4.2	1,774	21	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	12	21	75.0	9	24	13	14
General District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	109,994	117,151	6.5	29,288	12	26,929	27,230
Criminal	5,614	4,986	-11.2	1,247	32	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	3,333	3,022	-9.3	756	32	1,973	1,974
Felonies	1,444	1,318	-8.7	330	32	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	837	646	-22.8	162	27	309	343
Traffic	93,184	101,914	9.4	25,479	3	16,649	18,499
Infractions	67,926	76,140	12.1	19,035	2	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	24,053	24,741	2.9	6,185	2	3,353	3,745
Felonies	176	113	-35.8	28	29	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	1,029	920	-10.6	230	24	376	469
Civil	11,196	10,251	-8.4	2,563	30	7,245	5,672
Hearings	110,081	112,433	2.1	28,108	17	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	8,937	8,644	-3.3	4,322	20	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	4,591	4,330	-5.7	2,165	20	2,305	2,524
Traffic	395	476	20.5	238	16	245	270
Delinquency	1,449	1,229	-15.2	615	12	581	562
Custody/Visitation	2,553	2,458	-3.7	1,229	21	1,346	1,562
Status	194	167	-13.9	84	25	133	129
Domestic Relations	4,346	4,314	-0.7	2,157	18	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	697	730	4.7	365	27	481	479
Felonies	205	170	-17.1	85	26	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	1,524	1,564	2.6	782	10	654	709
Civil Support	1,920	1,850	-3.6	925	11	809	934
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	13	0	0
Hearings	21,832	21,804	-0.1	10,902	10	10,134	10,884



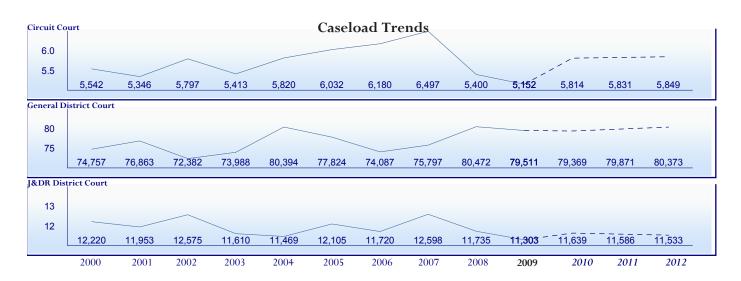
SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

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				Average	Rank	Statewide	Urban
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (5 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	7,927	7,603	-4.1	1,521	27	1,837	1,657
Civil	2,386	2,383	-0.1	477	28	689	724
Criminal	5,541	5,220	-5.8	1,044	21	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	8,548	7,181	-16.0	1,436	29	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	15,567	15,950	2.5	3,190	31	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	54	39	-27.8	8	27	13	13
General District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	94,321	93,160	-1.2	23,290	20	26,929	26,676
Criminal	16,824	14,763	-12.3	3,691	7	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	8,599	8,244	-4.1	2,061	14	1,973	1,973
Felonies	4,784	3,731	-22.0	933	8	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	3,441	2,788	-19.0	697	2	309	281
Traffic	37,752	40,258	6.6	10,065	27	16,649	15,094
Infractions	25,956	28,027	8.0	7,007	27	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	10,105	11,171	10.5	2,793	19	3,353	3,023
Felonies	256	285	11.3	71	11	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	1,435	775	-46.0	194	26	376	298
Civil	39,745	38,139	-4.0	9,535	5	7,245	8,566
Hearings	113,998	114,088	0.1	28,522	15	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	16,339	14,388	-11.9	3,597	28	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	7,980	7,118	-10.8	1,780	28	2,305	2,105
Traffic	679	517	-23.9	129	27	245	223
Delinquency	2,505	2,210	-11.8	553	14	581	598
Custody/Visitation	4,096	3,884	-5.2	971	30	1,346	1,148
Status	700	507	-27.6	127	14	133	137
Domestic Relations	8,359	7,270	-13.0	1,818	25	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	1,972	2,100	6.5	525	9	481	483
Felonies	646	738	14.2	185	8	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	2,403	2,126	-11.5	532	26	654	603
Civil Support	3,338	2,306	-30.9	577	28	809	694
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	14	0	0
Hearings	42,349	37,848	-10.6	9,462	25	10,134	9,446



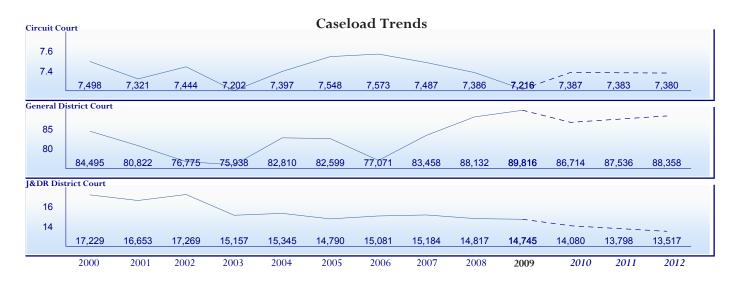
EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

	•			2009	Rank	2009 Statewide	2009 Urban
				Average			
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (4 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	5,400	5,152	-4.6	1,288	30	1,837	1,657
Civil	2,262	2,063	-8.8	516	24	689	724
Criminal	3,138	3,089	-1.6	772	27	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	5,477	6,500	18.7	1,625	23	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	8,530	5,784	-32.2	1,446	13	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	16	42	162.5	11	19	13	13
General District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	80,472	79,511	-1.2	26,504	16	26,929	26,676
Criminal	10,172	10,045	-1.2	3,348	12	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	6,416	6,606	3.0	2,202	11	1,973	1,973
Felonies	2,706	2,498	-7.7	833	11	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	1,050	941	-10.4	314	14	309	281
Traffic	46,366	45,922	-1.0	15,307	16	16,649	15,094
Infractions	35,815	35,068	-2.1	11,689	16	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	10,148	10,425	2.7	3,475	15	3,353	3,023
Felonies	177	153	-13.6	51	21	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	226	276	22.1	92	31	376	298
Civil	23,934	23,544	-1.6	7,848	11	7,245	8,566
Hearings	102,535	102,775	0.2	34,258	7	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	11,735	11,303	-3.7	3,768	27	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	7,019	6,359	-9.4	2,120	22	2,305	2,105
Traffic	516	514	-0.4	171	25	245	223
Delinquency	2,047	1,700	-17.0	567	13	581	598
Custody/Visitation	4,229	3,944	-6.7	1,315	17	1,346	1,148
Status	227	201	-11.5	67	29	133	137
Domestic Relations	4,716	4,944	4.8	1,648	27	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	1,118	1,119	0.1	373	26	481	483
Felonies	352	314	-10.8	105	22	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	1,563	1,746	11.7	582	23	654	603
Civil Support	1,683	1,763	4.8	588	27	809	694
Criminal Support	0	2	0.0	1	4	0	0
Hearings	30,665	28,640	-6.6	9,547	23	10,134	9,446



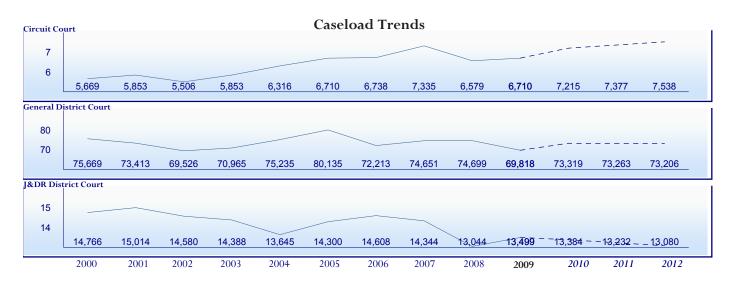
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

•				2009		2009	2009
				Average	Rank	Statewide	Rural
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (4 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	7,386	7,216	-2.3	1,804	20	1,837	2,072
Civil	2,767	2,799	1.2	700	13	689	644
Criminal	4,619	4,417	-4.4	1,104	19	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	7,127	7,296	2.4	1,824	17	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	5,945	5,867	-1.3	1,467	15	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	77	49	-36.4	12	17	13	14
General District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	88,132	89,816	1.9	29,939	9	26,929	27,230
Criminal	9,929	9,567	-3.6	3,189	13	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	6,171	6,061	-1.8	2,020	16	1,973	1,974
Felonies	2,535	2,291	-9.6	764	14	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	1,223	1,215	-0.7	405	8	309	343
Traffic	59,663	60,797	1.9	20,266	9	16,649	18,499
Infractions	46,986	47,423	0.9	15,808	9	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	10,522	11,109	5.6	3,703	13	3,353	3,745
Felonies	299	333	11.4	111	4	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	1,856	1,932	4.1	644	3	376	469
Civil	18,540	19,452	4.9	6,484	16	7,245	5,672
Hearings	90,815	94,382	3.9	31,461	12	28,514	29,385
J&DR District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	14,817	14,745	-0.5	4,915	7	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	8,797	8,789	-0.1	2,930	3	2,305	2,524
Traffic	1,164	1,050	-9.8	350	4	245	270
Delinquency	2,135	1,970	-7.7	657	10	581	562
Custody/Visitation	5,096	5,437	6.7	1,812	4	1,346	1,562
Status	402	332	-17.4	111	17	133	129
Domestic Relations	6,020	5,956	-1.1	1,985	22	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	1,410	1,441	2.2	480	17	481	479
Felonies	582	629	8.1	210	5	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	1,712	1,636	-4.4	545	25	654	709
Civil Support	2,314	2,250	-2.8	750	23	809	934
Criminal Support	2	0	-100.0	0	15	0	0
Hearings	33,183	32,751	-1.3	10,917	9	10,134	10,884



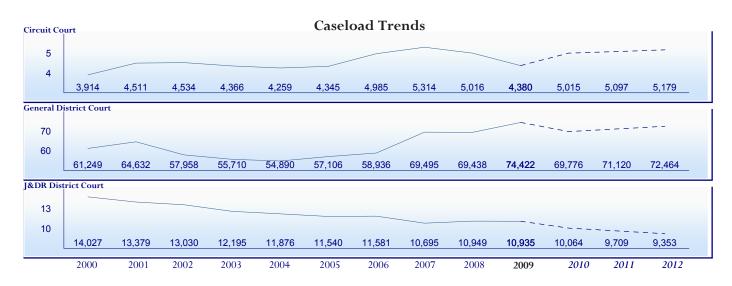
TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

• •				2009		2009	2009
				Average	Rank	Statewide	Rural
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (3 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	6,579	6,710	2.0	2,237	5	1,837	2,072
Civil	1,737	1,763	1.5	588	19	689	644
Criminal	4,842	4,947	2.2	1,649	5	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	6,472	6,846	5.8	2,282	5	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	6,874	6,822	-0.8	2,274	27	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	33	33	0.0	11	20	13	14
General District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	74,699	69,818	-6.5	23,273	21	26,929	27,230
Criminal	7,804	7,587	-2.8	2,529	25	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	5,309	5,187	-2.3	1,729	22	1,973	1,974
Felonies	1,743	1,664	-4.5	555	28	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	752	736	-2.1	245	18	309	343
Traffic	49,283	48,158	-2.3	16,053	15	16,649	18,499
Infractions	35,433	34,951	-1.4	11,650	17	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	12,423	11,718	-5.7	3,906	11	3,353	3,745
Felonies	145	143	-1.4	48	23	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	1,282	1,346	5.0	449	11	376	469
Civil	17,612	14,073	-20.1	4,691	23	7,245	5,672
Hearings	84,238	80,348	-4.6	26,783	22	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	13,044	13,499	3.5	4,500	14	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	6,507	6,226	-4.3	2,075	23	2,305	2,524
Traffic	589	566	-3.9	189	21	245	270
Delinquency	1,678	1,478	-11.9	493	21	581	562
Custody/Visitation	3,688	3,710	0.6	1,237	19	1,346	1,562
Status	552	472	-14.5	157	8	133	129
Domestic Relations	6,537	7,273	11.3	2,424	8	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	1,161	1,281	10.3	427	21	481	479
Felonies	332	393	18.4	131	15	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	2,125	2,429	14.3	810	7	654	709
Civil Support	2,918	3,170	8.6	1,057	2	809	934
Criminal Support	1	0	-100.0	0	16	0	0
Hearings	30,268	30,646	1.2	10,215	18	10,134	10,884



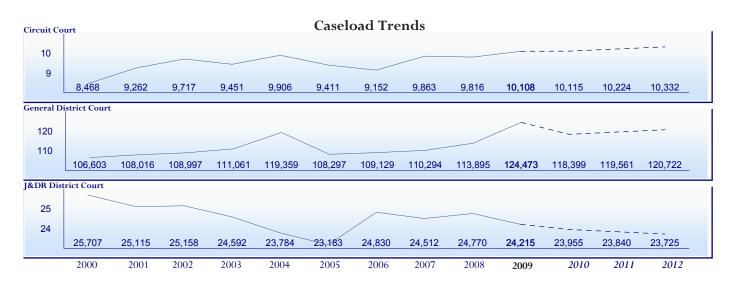
ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

•				2009		2009	2009
				Average	Rank	Statewide	Rural
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (2.66 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	5,016	4,380	-12.7	1,647	23	1,837	2,072
Civil	1,465	1,413	-3.5	531	23	689	644
Criminal	3,551	2,967	-16.4	1,115	18	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	4,881	5,127	5.0	1,927	12	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	4,752	3,867	-18.6	1,454	14	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	17	55	223.5	21	3	13	14
General District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	69,438	74,422	7.2	37,211	2	26,929	27,230
Criminal	7,679	7,891	2.8	3,946	6	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	4,248	4,726	11.3	2,363	7	1,973	1,974
Felonies	2,748	2,514	-8.5	1,257	1	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	683	651	-4.7	326	13	309	343
Traffic	46,874	52,577	12.2	26,289	2	16,649	18,499
Infractions	35,184	37,929	7.8	18,965	4	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	10,564	13,544	28.2	6,772	1	3,353	3,745
Felonies	143	141	-1.4	71	12	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	983	963	-2.0	482	9	376	469
Civil	14,885	13,954	-6.3	6,977	14	7,245	5,672
Hearings	78,226	85,309	9.1	42,655	1	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	10,949	10,935	-0.1	5,468	2	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	5,419	5,262	-2.9	2,631	8	2,305	2,524
Traffic	510	655	28.4	328	5	245	270
Delinquency	1,965	1,660	-15.5	830	2	581	562
Custody/Visitation	2,744	2,748	0.1	1,374	15	1,346	1,562
Status	200	199	-0.5	100	22	133	129
Domestic Relations	5,530	5,673	2.6	2,837	1	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	1,085	1,196	10.2	598	4	481	479
Felonies	554	464	-16.2	232	1	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	1,959	2,019	3.1	1,010	3	654	709
Civil Support	1,932	1,994	3.2	997	6	809	934
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	17	0	0
Hearings	27,014	26,205	-3.0	13,103	2	10,134	10,884



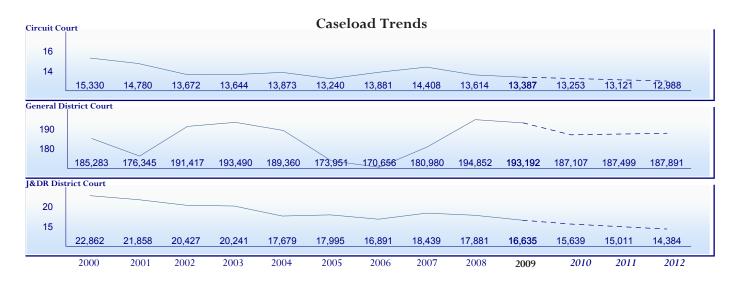
TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

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				Average	Rank	Statewide	
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (5 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	9,816	10,108	3.0	2,022	10	1,837	1,657
Civil	3,432	3,574	4.1	715	9	689	724
Criminal	6,384	6,534	2.3	1,307	13	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	9,934	9,723	-2.1	1,945	10	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	5,880	6,028	2.5	1,206	6	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	54	72	33.3	14	10	13	13
General District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	113,895	124,473	9.3	31,118	7	26,929	26,676
Criminal	13,058	13,640	4.5	3,410	10	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	7,866	7,911	0.6	1,978	18	1,973	1,973
Felonies	4,145	4,685	13.0	1,171	2	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	1,047	1,044	-0.3	261	17	309	281
Traffic	68,025	76,095	11.9	19,024	13	16,649	15,094
Infractions	49,959	56,743	13.6	14,186	13	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	16,237	17,438	7.4	4,360	6	3,353	3,023
Felonies	347	329	-5.2	82	8	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	1,482	1,585	7.0	396	14	376	298
Civil	32,812	34,738	5.9	8,685	9	7,245	8,566
Hearings	138,042	147,735	7.0	36,934	4	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (5 Judges)							
New Cases	24,770	24,215	-2.2	4,843	9	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	13,273	13,164	-0.8	2,633	7	2,305	2,105
Traffic	2,021	1,781	-11.9	356	3	245	223
Delinquency	2,955	3,421	15.8	684	9	581	598
Custody/Visitation	7,270	7,037	-3.2	1,407	13	1,346	1,148
Status	1,027	925	-9.9	185	4	133	137
Domestic Relations	11,497	11,051	-3.9	2,210	14	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	1,959	2,079	6.1	416	22	481	483
Felonies	586	539	-8.0	108	20	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	4,092	3,696	-9.7	739	12	654	603
Civil Support	4,859	4,737	-2.5	947	9	809	694
Criminal Support	1	0	-100.0	0	18	0	0
Hearings	52,005	52,388	0.7	10,478	14	10,134	9,446



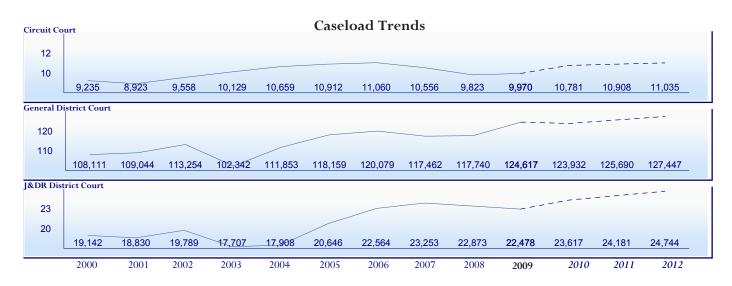
THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

9				2009		2009 Statewide Average Per Judge	2009 Urban Average Per Judge
				Average	Rank		
			%	Caseload	in State		
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge			
Circuit (8 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	13,614	13,387	-1.7	1,673	21	1,837	1,657
Civil	5,015	5,157	2.8	645	14	689	724
Criminal	8,599	8,230	-4.3	1,029	22	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	14,461	12,787	-11.6	1,598	25	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	9,363	9,715	3.8	1,214	7	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	145	147	1.4	18	5	13	13
General District (8 Judges)							
New Cases	194,852	193,192	-0.9	24,149	19	26,929	26,676
Criminal	25,175	22,278	-11.5	2,785	20	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	13,615	12,754	-6.3	1,594	23	1,973	1,973
Felonies	6,409	5,488	-14.4	686	19	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	5,151	4,036	-21.6	505	4	309	281
Traffic	59,368	61,766	4.0	7,721	30	16,649	15,094
Infractions	38,450	41,582	8.1	5,198	30	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	15,808	15,551	-1.6	1,944	30	3,353	3,023
Felonies	476	355	-25.4	44	25	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	4,634	4,278	-7.7	535	7	376	298
Civil	110,309	109,148	-1.1	13,644	1	7,245	8,566
Hearings	216,313	218,374	1.0	27,297	20	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (5 Judges)							
New Cases	17,881	16,635	-7.0	3,327	30	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	8,701	8,258	-5.1	1,652	31	2,305	2,105
Traffic	343	312	-9.0	62	31	245	223
Delinquency	2,604	2,036	-21.8	407	30	581	598
Custody/Visitation	4,883	5,440	11.4	1,088	26	1,346	1,148
Status	871	470	-46.0	94	24	133	137
Domestic Relations	9,180	8,377	-8.7	1,675	26	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	2,269	2,208	-2.7	442	19	481	483
Felonies	689	755	9.6	151	11	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	3,363	3,073	-8.6	615	20	654	603
Civil Support	2,859	2,341	-18.1	468	29	809	694
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	19	0	0
Hearings	48,498	41,541	-14.3	8,308	28	10,134	9,446



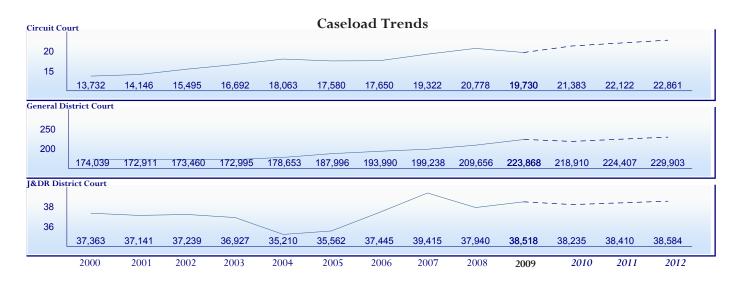
FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

	3			2009	THE S	2009	2009 Urban
				Average	Rank	Statewide	
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (5 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	9,823	9,970	1.5	1,994	12	1,837	1,657
Civil	2,852	3,088	8.3	618	17	689	724
Criminal	6,971	6,882	-1.3	1,376	10	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	10,024	9,668	-3.6	1,934	11	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	6,142	6,503	5.9	1,301	10	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	73	67	-8.2	13	13	13	13
General District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	117,740	124,617	5.8	31,154	6	26,929	26,676
Criminal	10,437	10,445	0.1	2,611	23	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	6,049	6,090	0.7	1,523	26	1,973	1,973
Felonies	3,700	3,764	1.7	941	7	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	688	591	-14.1	148	29	309	281
Traffic	63,108	71,841	13.8	17,960	14	16,649	15,094
Infractions	47,090	55,403	17.7	13,851	14	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	15,166	15,873	4.7	3,968	10	3,353	3,023
Felonies	294	279	-5.1	70	13	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	558	286	-48.7	72	32	376	298
Civil	44,195	42,331	-4.2	10,583	4	7,245	8,566
Hearings	127,882	137,294	7.4	34,324	6	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (5 Judges)							
New Cases	22,873	22,478	-1.7	4,496	15	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	11,699	11,560	-1.2	2,312	12	2,305	2,105
Traffic	1,335	1,094	-18.1	219	19	245	223
Delinquency	3,753	3,877	3.3	775	3	581	598
Custody/Visitation	5,978	6,182	3.4	1,236	20	1,346	1,148
Status	633	407	-35.7	81	27	133	137
Domestic Relations	11,174	10,918	-2.3	2,184	15	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	2,237	2,239	0.1	448	18	481	483
Felonies	619	745	20.4	149	12	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	4,472	4,019	-10.1	804	8	654	603
Civil Support	3,846	3,915	1.8	783	22	809	694
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	20	0	0
Hearings	56,530	55,383	-2.0	11,077	8	10,134	9,446



FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

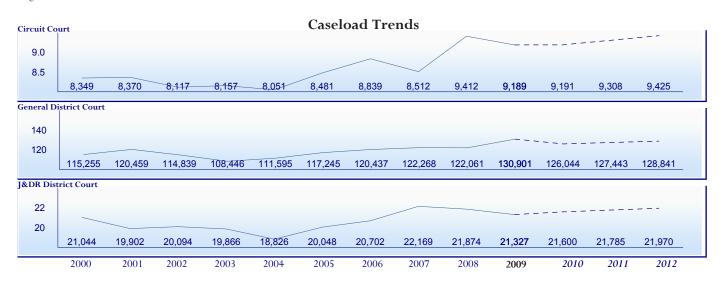
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				Average	Rank	Statewide	Rural
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (8 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	20,778	19,730	-5.0	2,466	2	1,837	2,072
Civil	5,676	5,803	2.2	725	7	689	644
Criminal	15,102	13,927	-7.8	1,741	3	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	20,703	19,759	-4.6	2,470	1	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	16,995	17,126	0.8	2,141	25	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	136	173	27.2	22	2	13	14
General District (6 Judges)							
New Cases	209,656	223,868	6.8	37,311	1	26,929	27,230
Criminal	23,558	24,149	2.5	4,025	5	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	13,295	14,050	5.7	2,342	8	1,973	1,974
Felonies	6,598	6,636	0.6	1,106	5	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	3,665	3,463	-5.5	577	3	309	343
Traffic	130,441	144,562	10.8	24,094	4	16,649	18,499
Infractions	96,844	108,372	11.9	18,062	5	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	29,263	31,593	8.0	5,266	3	3,353	3,745
Felonies	830	700	-15.7	117	3	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	3,504	3,897	11.2	650	2	376	469
Civil	55,657	55,157	-0.9	9,193	6	7,245	5,672
Hearings	227,167	244,815	7.8	40,803	2	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (7 Judges)							
New Cases	37,940	38,518	1.5	5,503	1	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	22,886	22,474	-1.8	3,211	1	2,305	2,524
Traffic	2,319	2,274	-1.9	325	6	245	270
Delinquency	5,859	5,004	-14.6	715	7	581	562
Custody/Visitation	13,359	14,058	5.2	2,008	1	1,346	1,562
Status	1,349	1,138	-15.6	163	6	133	129
Domestic Relations	15,054	16,044	6.6	2,292	12	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	3,120	3,425	9.8	489	14	481	479
Felonies	1487	1,481	-0.4	212	4	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	3,754	4,098	9.2	585	22	654	709
Civil Support	6,661	7,035	5.6	1,005	3	809	934
Criminal Support	32	5	-84.4	1	5	0	0
Hearings	83,738	83,416	-0.4	11,917	4	10,134	10,884



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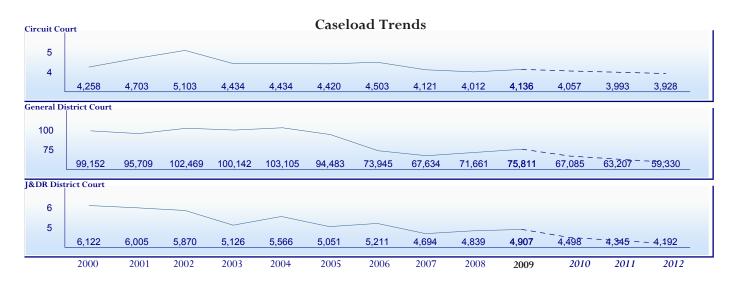
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			Average	Rank	Statewide	Rural	
			%	Caseload Per Judge	in State	Average Per Judge	Average Per Judge
	2008	2009	Change				
Circuit (5 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	9,412	9,189	-2.4	1,838	18	1,837	2,072
Civil	3,315	3,508	5.8	702	12	689	644
Criminal	6,097	5,681	-6.8	1,136	17	1,148	1428
Concluded Cases	8,401	8,644	2.9	1,729	21	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	11,409	11,901	4.3	2,380	28	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	116	105	-9.5	21	4	13	14
General District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	122,061	130,901	7.2	32,725	5	26,929	27,230
Criminal	13,885	13,536	-2.5	3,384	11	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	8,899	9,012	1.3	2,253	9	1,973	1,974
Felonies	3,387	3,124	-7.8	781	12	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	1,599	1,400	-12.4	350	11	309	343
Traffic	71,878	80,983	12.7	20,246	10	16,649	18,499
Infractions	57,798	66,975	15.9	16,744	6	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	11,294	11,548	2.2	2,887	18	3,353	3,745
Felonies	328	269	-18.0	67	14	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	2,458	2,191	-10.9	548	6	376	469
Civil	36,298	36,382	0.2	9,096	7	7,245	5,672
Hearings	126,018	127,333	1.0	31,833	10	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	21,874	21,327	-2.5	5,332	3	4,385	4,803
Iuvenile	11,416	10,888	-4.6	2,722	4	2,305	2,524
Traffic	1,192	1,141	-4.3	285	10	245	270
Delinquency	2,316	2,158	-6.8	540	17	581	562
Custody/Visitation	7,174	7,042	-1.8	1,761	5	1,346	1,562
Status	734	547	-25.5	137	13	133	129
Domestic Relations	10,458	10,439	-0.2	2,610	2	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	2,251	2,030	-9.8	508	11	481	479
Felonies	721	737	2.2	184	9	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	4,079	4,098	0.5	1025	2	654	709
Civil Support	3,406	3,573	4.9	893	16	809	934
Criminal Support	1	3,373	0.0	0	21	0	0
Hearings	53,636	53,518	-0.2	13,380	1	10,134	10,884

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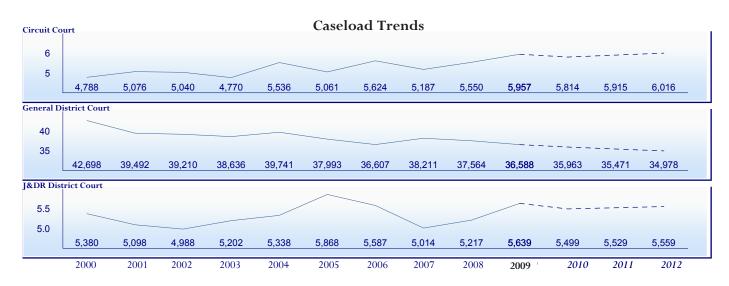
SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

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				Average	Rank	Statewide	
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (4 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	4,012	4,136	3.1	1,034	31	1,837	1,657
Civil	1,526	1,539	0.9	385	30	689	724
Criminal	2,486	2,597	4.5	649	29	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	3,889	4,309	10.8	1,077	31	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	5,099	4,469	-12.4	1,117	4	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	43	34	-20.9	9	25	13	13
General District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	71,661	75,811	5.8	18,953	28	26,929	26,676
Criminal	6,031	6,005	-0.4	1,501	31	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	4,034	3,992	-1.0	998	31	1,973	1,973
Felonies	1,449	1,461	0.8	365	31	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	548	552	0.7	138	30	309	281
Traffic	57,827	59,787	3.4	14,947	17	16,649	15,094
Infractions	48,375	49,903	3.2	12,476	15	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	8,747	9,181	5.0	2,295	24	3,353	3,023
Felonies	123	114	-7.3	29	28	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	582	589	1.2	147	29	376	298
Civil	7,803	10,019	28.4	2,505	31	7,245	8,566
Hearings	71,073	76,270	7.3	19,068	31	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	4,839	4,907	1.4	2,454	32	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	3,144	3,203	1.9	1,602	32	2,305	2,105
Traffic	246	229	-6.9	115	28	245	223
Delinquency	1,645	1,901	15.6	951	1	581	598
Custody/Visitation	1,107	948	-14.4	474	32	1,346	1,148
Status	146	125	-14.4	63	31	133	137
Domestic Relations	1,695	1,704	0.5	852	32	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	390	388	-0.5	194	32	481	483
Felonies	79	83	5.1	42	32	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	490	455	-7.1	228	32	654	603
Civil Support	736	778	5.7	389	32	809	694
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	22	0	0
Hearings	12,025	12,735	5.9	6,368	31	10,134	9,446



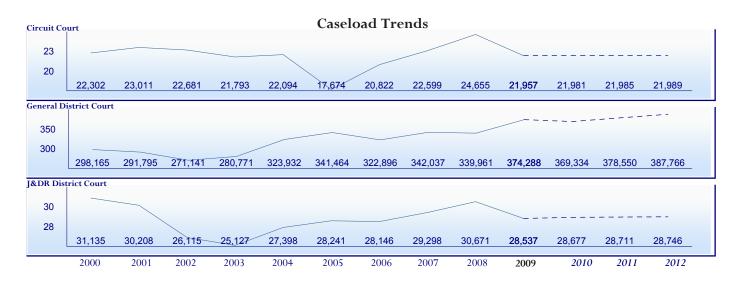
EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

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				Average	Rank	Statewide	Urban
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (3 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	5,550	5,957	7.3	1,986	13	1,837	1,657
Civil	3,875	4,245	9.5	1,415	1	689	724
Criminal	1,675	1,712	2.2	571	30	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	5,416	5,697	5.2	1,899	14	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	1,893	981	-48.2	327	1	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	52	46	-11.5	15	7	13	13
General District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	37,564	36,588	-2.6	18,294	29	26,929	26,676
Criminal	6,698	6,360	-5.0	3,180	15	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	4,465	4,256	-4.7	2,128	13	1,973	1,973
Felonies	1,296	1,385	6.9	693	18	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	937	719	-23.3	360	10	309	281
Traffic	21,470	20,112	-6.3	10,056	28	16,649	15,094
Infractions	17,699	16,584	-6.3	8,292	24	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	3,113	3,083	-1.0	1,542	31	3,353	3,023
Felonies	70	85	21.4	43	26	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	588	360	-38.8	180	27	376	298
Civil	9,396	10,116	7.7	5,058	21	7,245	8,566
Hearings	47,706	45,837	-3.9	22,919	27	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	5,217	5,639	8.1	2,820	31	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	3,343	3,512	5.1	1,756	30	2,305	2,105
Traffic	130	88	-32.3	44	32	245	223
Delinquency	711	825	16.0	413	28	581	598
Custody/Visitation	1,918	1,984	3.4	992	29	1,346	1,148
Status	584	615	5.3	308	2	133	137
Domestic Relations	1,874	2,127	13.5	1,064	31	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	565	485	-14.2	243	31	481	483
Felonies	117	124	6.0	62	31	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	530	676	27.5	338	30	654	603
Civil Support	662	842	27.2	421	31	809	694
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	23	0	0
Hearings	11,271	12,189	8.1	6,095	32	10,134	9,446



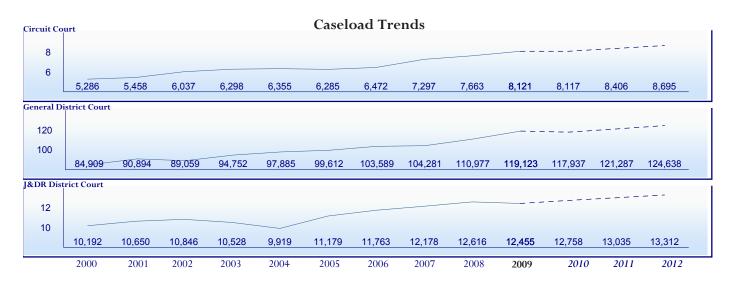
NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

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				Average	Rank	Statewide	
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (15 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	24,655	21,957	-10.9	1,464	28	1,837	1,657
Civil	15,690	13,964	-11.0	931	3	689	724
Criminal	8,965	7,993	-10.8	533	31	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	18,970	20,230	6.6	1,349	30	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	27,195	26,486	-2.6	1,766	20	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	302	248	-17.9	17	6	13	13
General District (11 Judges)							
New Cases	339,961	374,288	10.1	34,026	3	26,929	26,676
Criminal	29,657	29,836	0.6	2,712	22	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	19,837	20,007	0.9	1,819	21	1,973	1,973
Felonies	8,266	8,497	2.8	772	13	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	1,554	1,332	-14.3	121	32	309	281
Traffic	265,147	296,663	11.9	26,969	1	16,649	15,094
Infractions	217,479	249,440	14.7	22,676	1	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	43,698	43,707	0.0	3,973	9	3,353	3,023
Felonies	597	588	-1.5	53	19	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	3,373	2,928	-13.2	266	21	376	298
Civil	45,157	47,789	5.8	4,344	25	7,245	8,566
Hearings	314,409	347,241	10.4	31,567	11	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (8 Judges)							
New Cases	30,671	28,537	-7.0	3,567	29	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	18,960	17,201	-9.3	2,150	21	2,305	2,105
Traffic	3,254	3,191	-1.9	399	2	245	223
Delinquency	6,793	5,747	-15.4	718	6	581	598
Custody/Visitation	6,962	6,604	-5.1	826	31	1,346	1,148
Status	1,951	1,659	-15.0	207	3	133	137
Domestic Relations	11,711	11,336	-3.2	1,417	30	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	5,132	4,599	-10.4	575	5	481	483
Felonies	751	919	22.4	115	17	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	2,003	2,092	4.4	262	31	654	603
Civil Support	3,825	3,724	-2.6	466	30	809	694
Criminal Support	0	2	0.0	0	24	0	0
Hearings	59,585	58,246	-2.2	7,281	30	10,134	9,446



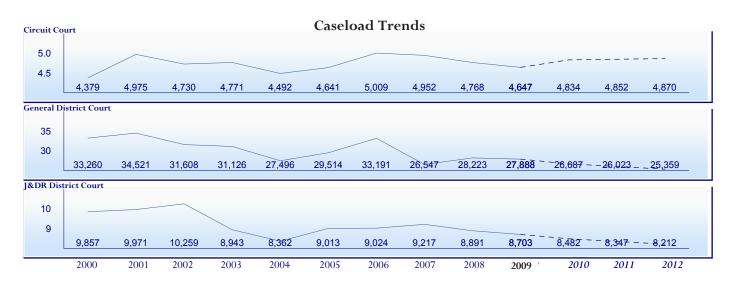
TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

	•			2009		2009	2009 Rural
				Average	Rank	Statewide	
			%	Caseload	in	Average	Average
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (4 Judges)	7,663	8,121	6.0	2,030	9	1,837	2,072
Commenced Cases	4,527	5,035	11.2	1,259	2	689	644
Civil	3,136	3,086	-1.6	772	28	1,148	1,428
Criminal	7,453	7,467	0.2	1,867	15	1,816	2,073
Concluded Cases	5,837	6,506	11.5	1,627	17	1,649	1,758
Pending Cases	102	106	3.9	27	1	13	14
Juries Impaneled							
General District (4 Judges)	110,977	119,123	7.3	29,781	10	26,929	27,230
New Cases	8,450	8,610	1.9	2,153	29	3,035	3,059
Criminal	5,134	5,257	2.4	1,314	29	1,973	1,974
Misdemeanors	2,429	2,540	4.6	635	23	753	742
Felonies	887	813	-8.3	203	26	309	343
Capias/Show Cause	84,984	91,873	8.1	22,968	5	16,649	18,499
Traffic	69,487	75,954	9.3	18,989	3	12,849	14,204
Infractions	13,874	14,366	3.5	3,592	14	3,353	3,745
Misdemeanors	257	253	-1.6	63	17	71	81
Felonies	1,366	1,300	-4.8	325	17	376	469
Capias/Show Cause	17,543	18,640	6.3	4,660	24	7,245	5,672
Civil	97,406	102,335	5.1	25,584	26	29,302	29,385
Hearings							
J&DR District (3 Judges)	12,616	12,455	-1.3	4,152	22	4,385	4,803
New Cases	6,981	6,858	-1.8	2,286	14	2,305	2,524
Juvenile	1,230	1,263	2.7	421	1	245	270
Traffic	2,075	1,950	-6.0	650	11	581	562
Delinquency	3,404	3,457	1.6	1,152	24	1,346	1,562
Custody/Visitation	272	188	-30.9	63	32	133	129
Status	5,635	5,597	-0.7	1,866	24	2,079	2,279
Domestic Relations	1,111	1,171	5.4	390	25	481	479
Misdemeanors	324	294	-9.3	98	24	136	157
Felonies	1,220	1,139	-6.6	380	29	654	709
Capias/Show Cause	2,979	2,993	0.5	998	5	809	934
Civil Support	1	0	-100.0	0	25	0	0
Criminal Support	30,490	29,865	-2.0	9,955	19	10,134	10,884
Hearings							



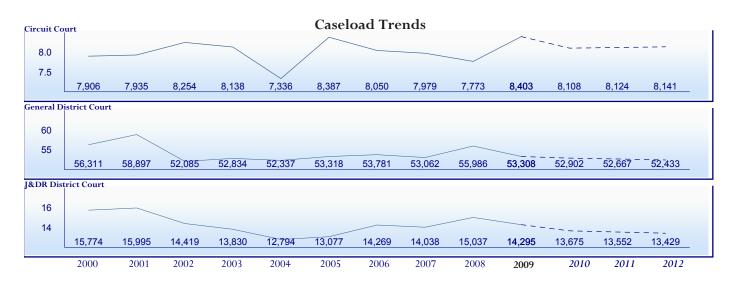
TWENTY-FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

	,			2009		2009 Statewide Average Per Judge	2009 Rural Average
				Average Caseload Per Judge	Rank in State		
			%				
	2008	2009	Change				Per Judge
Circuit (3 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	4,768	4,647	-2.5	1,549	26	1,837	2,072
Civil	866	898	3.7	299	31	689	644
Criminal	3,902	3,749	-3.9	1,250	14	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	5,128	4,530	-11.7	1,510	27	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	2,355	2,470	4.9	823	2	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	34	23	-32.4	8	28	13	14
General District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	28,223	27,888	-1.2	13,944	32	26,929	27,230
Criminal	3,193	3,187	-0.2	1,594	30	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	2,118	2,182	3.0	1,091	30	1,973	1,974
Felonies	800	746	-6.8	373	30	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	275	259	-5.8	130	31	309	343
Traffic	12,379	14,702	18.8	7,351	31	16,649	18,499
Infractions	8,318	10,235	23.0	5,118	31	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	3,478	3,926	12.9	1,963	29	3,353	3,745
Felonies	99	92	-7.1	46	24	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	484	449	-7.2	225	25	376	469
Civil	12,651	9,999	-21.0	5,000	22	7,245	5,672
Hearings	28,924	28,375	-1.9	14,188	32	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	8,891	8,703	-2.1	4,352	18	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	3,788	3,788	0.0	1,894	25	2,305	2,524
Traffic	405	358	-11.6	179	24	245	270
Delinquency	634	541	-14.7	271	32	581	562
Custody/Visitation	2,555	2,694	5.4	1,347	16	1,346	1,562
Status	194	195	0.5	98	23	133	129
Domestic Relations	5,103	4,915	-3.7	2,458	6	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	792	644	-18.7	322	29	481	479
Felonies	182	148	-18.7	74	28	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	1,643	1,718	4.6	859	6	654	709
Civil Support	2,486	2,404	-3.3	1,202	1	809	934
Criminal Support	0	1	0.0	1	6	0	0
Hearings	19,456	18,659	-4.1	9,330	26	10,134	10,884



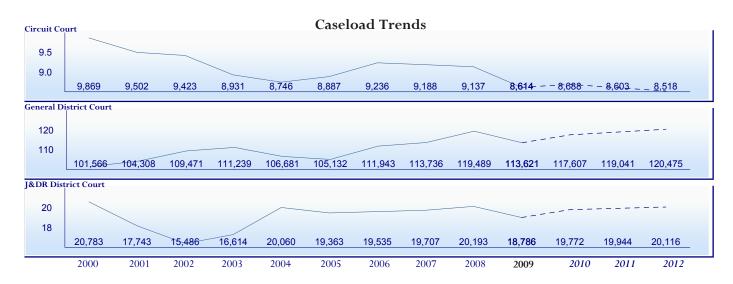
TWENTY-SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

	•			2009 Average		2009 Statewide	2009 Rural Average Per Judge
					Rank		
			%	Caseload	in	Average	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	
Circuit (4 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	7,773	8,403	8.1	2,101	7	1,837	2,072
Civil	2,005	2,065	3.0	516	25	689	644
Criminal	5,768	6,338	9.9	1,585	7	1,148	1428
Concluded Cases	7,617	8,428	10.6	2,107	8	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	5,123	5,213	1.8	1,303	11	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	46	50	8.7	13	14	13	14
General District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	55,986	53,308	-4.8	26,654	15	26,929	27,230
Criminal	10,290	10,490	1.9	5,245	1	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	7,497	7,748	3.3	3,874	1	1,973	1,974
Felonies	1,792	1,759	-1.8	880	9	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	1,001	983	-1.8	492	5	309	343
Traffic	27,674	28,305	2.3	14,153	20	16,649	18,499
Infractions	20,056	20,572	2.6	10,286	22	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	6,184	6,371	3.0	3,186	16	3,353	3,745
Felonies	210	190	-9.5	95	5	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	1,224	1,172	-4.2	586	5	376	469
Civil	18,022	14,513	-19.5	7,257	13	7,245	5,672
Hearings	65,730	64,260	-2.2	32,130	9	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (3 Judges)							
New Cases	15,037	14,295	-4.9	4,765	11	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	7,163	6,816	-4.8	2,272	16	2,305	2,524
Traffic	511	545	6.7	182	22	245	270
Delinquency	1,473	1,370	-7.0	457	25	581	562
Custody/Visitation	4,693	4,575	-2.5	1,525	9	1,346	1,562
Status	486	326	-32.9	109	18	133	129
Domestic Relations	7,874	7,479	-5.0	2,493	4	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	1,870	1,554	-16.9	518	10	481	479
Felonies	247	324	31.2	108	21	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	2,639	2,596	-1.6	865	5	654	709
Civil Support	3,118	3,005	-3.6	1002	4	809	934
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	26	0	0
Hearings	32,769	32,088	-2.1	10,696	13	10,134	10,884



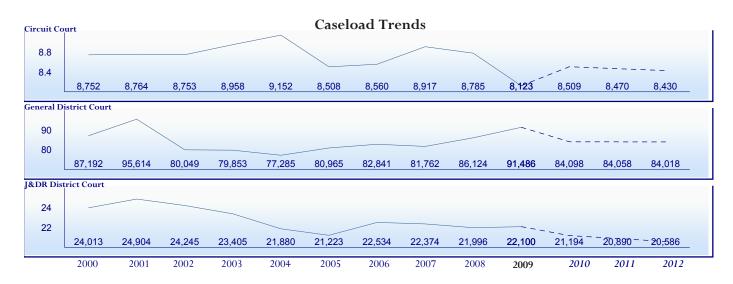
TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

	3			2009		2009 Statewide	2009 Urban Average Per Judge
				Average	Rank		
			%	Caseload	in	Average	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	
Circuit (6 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	9,137	8,614	-5.7	1,436	29	1,837	1,657
Civil	3,285	3,236	-1.5	539	21	689	724
Criminal	5,852	5,378	-8.1	896	25	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	9,613	8,825	-8.2	1,471	28	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	8,296	8,049	-3.0	1,342	12	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	45	57	26.7	10	22	13	13
General District (5 Judges)							
New Cases	119,489	113,621	-4.9	22,724	23	26,929	26,676
Criminal	20,568	20,421	-0.7	4,084	3	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	14,989	15,253	1.8	3,051	2	1,973	1,973
Felonies	3,421	3,250	-5.0	650	22	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	2,158	1,918	-11.1	384	9	309	281
Traffic	59,929	64,145	7.0	12,829	23	16,649	15,094
Infractions	43,661	47,665	9.2	9,533	23	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	12,267	13,124	7.0	2,625	20	3,353	3,023
Felonies	397	308	-22.4	62	18	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	3,604	3,048	-15.4	610	4	376	298
Civil	38,992	29,055	-25.5	5,811	19	7,245	8,566
Hearings	142,539	140,932	-1.1	28,186	16	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	20,193	18,786	-7.0	4,697	12	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	9,918	8,837	-10.9	2,209	18	2,305	2,105
Traffic	1,385	1,281	-7.5	320	7	245	223
Delinquency	2,567	2,106	-18.0	527	19	581	598
Custody/Visitation	5,683	5,186	-8.7	1,297	18	1,346	1,148
Status	283	264	-6.7	66	30	133	137
Domestic Relations	10,275	9,949	-3.2	2,487	5	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	2,851	2,941	3.2	735	1	481	483
Felonies	681	644	-5.4	161	10	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	3,096	2,749	-11.2	687	16	654	603
Civil Support	3,646	3,615	-0.9	904	13	809	694
Criminal Support	1	0	-100.0	0	27	0	0
Hearings	49,356	45,926	-6.9	11,482	7	10,134	9,446



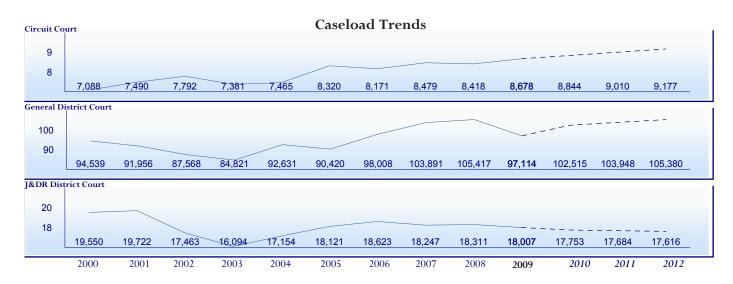
TWENTY-FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

TVENTIO	,			2009		2009	2009 Rural Average Per Judge
				Average	Rank	Statewide	
			%	Caseload	in	Average	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	
Circuit (5 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	8,785	8,123	-7.5	1,625	24	1,837	2,072
Civil	3,218	3,062	-4.8	612	18	689	644
Criminal	5,567	5,061	-9.1	1,012	23	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	8,787	8,363	-4.8	1,673	22	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	6,234	5,788	-7.2	1,158	5	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	55	58	5.5	12	18	13	14
General District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	86,124	91,486	6.2	22,872	22	26,929	27,230
Criminal	13,158	12,373	-6.0	3,093	18	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	8,624	8,125	-5.8	2,031	15	1,973	1,974
Felonies	2,773	2,522	-9.1	631	25	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	1,761	1,726	-2.0	432	7	309	343
Traffic	45,808	53,738	17.3	13,435	21	16,649	18,499
Infractions	35,203	41,849	18.9	10,462	21	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	8,739	9,774	11.8	2,444	22	3,353	3,745
Felonies	337	287	-14.8	72	10	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	1,529	1,828	19.6	457	10	376	469
Civil	27,158	25,375	-6.6	6,344	17	7,245	5,672
Hearings	99,947	102,894	2.9	25,724	25	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (5 Judges)							
New Cases	21,996	22,100	0.5	4,420	17	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	10,642	10,947	2.9	2,189	19	2,305	2,524
Traffic	956	898	-6.1	180	23	245	270
Delinquency	2,322	2,342	0.9	468	23	581	562
Custody/Visitation	6,776	7,189	6.1	1,438	12	1,346	1,562
Status	588	518	-11.9	104	21	133	129
Domestic Relations	11,354	11,153	-1.8	2,231	13	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	2,397	2,432	1.5	486	15	481	479
Felonies	631	625	-1.0	125	16	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	3,367	3,256	-3.3	651	18	654	709
Civil Support	4,959	4,837	-2.5	967	7	809	934
Criminal Support	0	3	0.0	1	7	0	0
Hearings	49,233	48,583	-1.3	9,717	21	10,134	10,884



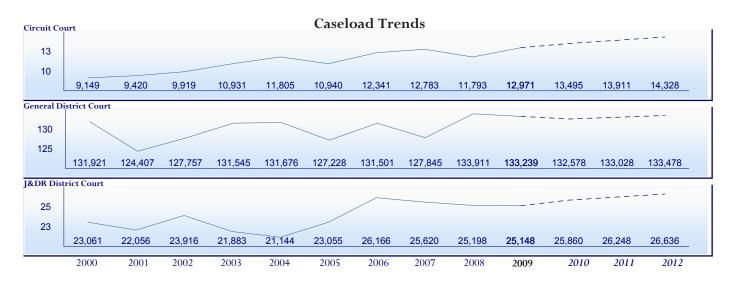
TWENTY-FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

`	jubienie			2009		2009	2009 Rural Average Per Judge
				Average	Rank	Statewide	
			%	Caseload	in	Average	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	
Circuit (4 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	8,418	8,678	3.1	2,170	6	1,837	2,072
Civil	2,726	2,816	3.3	704	11	689	644
Criminal	5,692	5,862	3.0	1,466	9	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	8,164	8,283	1.5	2,071	9	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	8,486	8,857	4.4	2,214	26	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	44	40	-9.1	10	23	13	14
General District (4.7 Judges)							
New Cases	105,417	97,114	-7.9	20,663	26	26,929	27,230
Criminal	11,115	10,538	-5.2	2,242	27	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	7,531	7,321	-2.8	1,558	25	1,973	1,974
Felonies	2,520	2,162	-14.2	460	29	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	1,064	1,055	-0.8	224	24	309	343
Traffic	75,323	68,269	-9.4	14,525	19	16,649	18,499
Infractions	60,608	54,172	-10.6	11,526	18	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	12,463	12,212	-2.0	2,598	21	3,353	3,745
Felonies	276	309	12.0	66	15	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	1,976	1,576	-20.2	335	15	376	469
Civil	18,979	18,307	-3.5	3,895	27	7,245	5,672
Hearings	114,250	105,447	-7.7	22,436	28	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	18,311	18,007	-1.7	4,502	13	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	9,946	9,558	-3.9	2,390	11	2,305	2,524
Traffic	1,282	1,120	-12.6	280	12	245	270
Delinquency	1,846	1,678	-9.1	420	27	581	562
Custody/Visitation	6,355	6,329	-0.4	1,582	6	1,346	1,562
Status	463	431	-6.9	108	19	133	129
Domestic Relations	8,365	8,449	1.0	2,112	20	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	1,598	1,657	3.7	414	23	481	479
Felonies	523	445	-14.9	111	19	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	2,880	2,827	-1.8	707	14	654	709
Civil Support	3,364	3,520	4.6	880	18	809	934
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	28	0	0
Hearings	39,659	38,594	-2.7	9,649	22	10,134	10,884



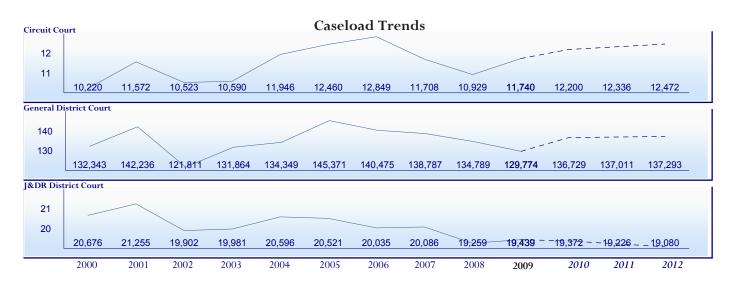
TWENTY-SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

	•			2009 Average	Rank in	2009 Statewide	2009 Rural Average
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	2009	2000	% Cl	Caseload		Average	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	Per Judge
Circuit (5 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	11,793	12,971	10.0	2,594	1	1,837	2,072
Civil	3,655	3,987	9.1	797	5	689	644
Criminal	8,138	8,984	10.4	1,797	2	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	12,326	12,135	-1.5	2,427	2	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	8,238	9,149	11.1	1,830	22	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	79	63	-20.3	13	15	13	14
General District (4.3 Judges)							
New Cases	133,911	133,239	-0.5	30,986	8	26,929	27,230
Criminal	14,253	15,398	8.0	3,581	9	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	9,763	10,435	6.9	2,427	6	1,973	1,974
Felonies	3,363	3,723	10.7	866	10	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	1,127	1,240	10.0	288	15	309	343
Traffic	84,186	84,638	0.5	19,683	11	16,649	18,499
Infractions	62,518	62,833	0.5	14,612	12	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	18,316	18,694	2.1	4,347	7	3,353	3,745
Felonies	1,053	864	-17.9	201	2	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	2,299	2,247	-2.3	523	8	376	469
Civil	35,472	33,203	-6.4	7,722	12	7,245	5,672
Hearings	140,365	140,785	0.3	32,741	8	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (5 Judges)							
New Cases	25,198	25,148	-0.2	5,030	6	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	14,127	13,349	-5.5	2,670	6	2,305	2,524
Traffic	1,551	1,427	-8.0	285	11	245	270
Delinquency	3,898	3,507	-10.0	701	8	581	562
Custody/Visitation	7,734	7,582	-2.0	1,516	10	1,346	1,562
Status	944	833	-11.8	167	5	133	129
Domestic Relations	11,071	11,799	6.6	2,360	10	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	2,637	2,689	2.0	538	7	481	479
Felonies	689	698	1.3	140	14	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	3,702	4,011	8.3	802	9	654	709
Civil Support	4,042	4,398	8.8	880	19	809	934
Criminal Support	1	3	200.0	1	8	0	0
Hearings	51,227	51,869	1.3	10,374	17	10,134	10,884



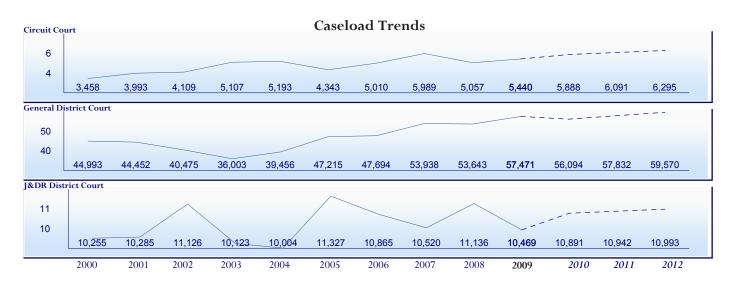
TWENTY-SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

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				Average	Rank	Statewide	
			%	Caseload	in	Average	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	
Circuit (5 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	10,929	11,740	7.4	2,348	4	1,837	2,072
Civil	2,881	3,113	8.1	623	16	689	644
Criminal	8,048	8,627	7.2	1,725	4	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	12,565	11,956	-4.8	2,391	4	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	10,392	10,389	0.0	2,078	23	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	34	54	58.8	11	21	13	14
General District (5 Judges)							
New Cases	134,789	129,774	-3.7	25,955	17	26,929	27,230
Criminal	17,959	15,944	-11.2	3,189	14	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	12,821	11,084	-13.5	2,217	10	1,973	1,974
Felonies	3,754	3,673	-2.2	735	16	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	1,384	1,187	-14.2	237	22	309	343
Traffic	94,564	96,568	2.1	19,314	12	16,649	18,499
Infractions	74,353	76,040	2.3	15,208	11	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	18,472	18,910	2.4	3,782	12	3,353	3,745
Felonies	412	458	11.2	92	7	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	1,327	1,160	-12.6	232	23	376	469
Civil	22,266	17,262	-22.5	3,452	29	7,245	5,672
Hearings	149,279	137,545	-7.9	27,509	19	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	19,259	19,439	0.9	4,860	8	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	9,939	10,048	1.1	2,512	10	2,305	2,524
Traffic	1,293	1,183	-8.5	296	9	245	270
Delinquency	2,349	2,140	-8.9	535	18	581	562
Custody/Visitation	5,853	6,292	7.5	1,573	7	1,346	1,562
Status	444	433	-2.5	108	20	133	129
Domestic Relations	9,320	9,391	0.8	2,348	11	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	2,294	2,253	-1.8	563	6	481	479
Felonies	851	792	-6.9	198	7	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	2,616	2,729	4.3	682	17	654	709
Civil Support	3,558	3,616	1.6	904	14	809	934
Criminal Support	1	1	0.0	0	29	0	0
Hearings	43,293	41,849	-3.3	10,462	15	10,134	10,884



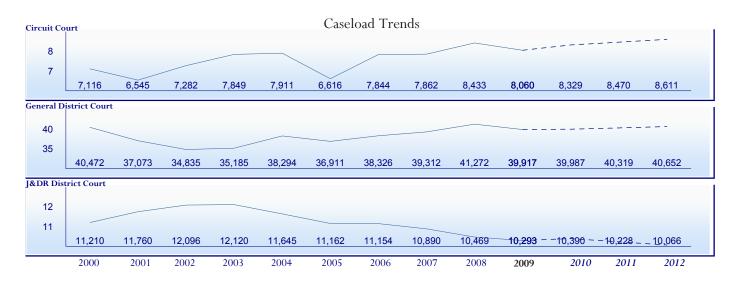
TWENTY-EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

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				Average	Rank	Statewide	
			%	Caseload	in	Average	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	
Circuit (3 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	5,057	5,440	7.6	1,813	19	1,837	2,072
Civil	1,333	1,435	7.7	478	27	689	644
Criminal	3,724	4,005	7.5	1,335	11	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	5,464	5,496	0.6	1,832	16	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	4,313	3,842	-10.9	1,281	9	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	11	12	9.1	4	31	13	14
General District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	53,643	57,471	7.1	28,736	14	26,929	27,230
Criminal	7,913	8,147	3.0	4,074	4	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	5,215	5,372	3.0	2,686	3	1,973	1,974
Felonies	2,119	2,287	7.9	1,144	4	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	579	488	-15.7	244	19	309	343
Traffic	37,991	41,685	9.7	20,843	7	16,649	18,499
Infractions	30,263	33,064	9.3	16,532	7	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	7,237	8,137	12.4	4,069	8	3,353	3,745
Felonies	197	157	-20.3	79	9	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	294	327	11.2	164	28	376	469
Civil	7,739	7,639	-1.3	3,820	28	7,245	5,672
Hearings	56,382	59,611	5.7	29,806	13	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	11,136	10,469	-6.0	5,235	4	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	6,159	6,168	0.1	3,084	2	2,305	2,524
Traffic	666	593	-11.0	297	8	245	270
Delinquency	1,150	1,090	-5.2	545	16	581	562
Custody/Visitation	3,674	3,810	3.7	1,905	2	1,346	1,562
Status	669	675	0.9	338	1	133	129
Domestic Relations	4,977	4,301	-13.6	2,151	19	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	1,098	994	-9.5	497	12	481	479
Felonies	530	413	-22.1	207	6	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	1,194	1,102	-7.7	551	24	654	709
Civil Support	2,153	1,791	-16.8	896	15	809	934
Criminal Support	2	1	-50.0	1	9	0	0
Hearings	24,387	23,823	-2.3	11,912	5	10,134	10,884



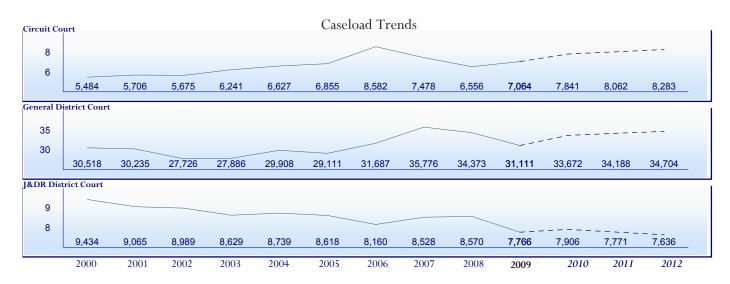
TWENTY-NINE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

,	Jabrenie C			2009		2009	2009
				Average	Rank	Statewide	Rural Average Per Judge
			%	Caseload	in	Average	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	
Circuit (4 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	8,433	8,060	-4.4	2,015	11	1,837	2,072
Civil	1,635	1,617	-1.1	404	29	689	644
Criminal	6,798	6,443	-5.2	1,611	6	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	8,569	8,889	3.7	2,222	6	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	7,681	6,847	11	1,712	19	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	18	20	11.1	5	30	13	14
General District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	41,272	39,917	-3.3	19,959	27	26,929	27,230
Criminal	9,741	9,747	0.1	4,874	2	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	5,374	5,336	-0.7	2,668	4	1,973	1,974
Felonies	2,362	2,305	-2.4	1,153	3	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	2,005	2,106	5.0	1,053	1	309	343
Traffic	22,842	22,341	-2.2	11,171	24	16,649	18,499
Infractions	14,422	13,648	-5.4	6,824	28	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	4,615	4,680	1.4	2,340	23	3,353	3,745
Felonies	258	189	-26.7	95	6	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	3,547	3,824	7.8	1912	1	376	469
Civil	8,689	7,829	-9.9	3,915	26	7,245	5,672
Hearings	69,376	69,190	-0.3	34,595	5	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	10,469	10,293	-1.7	5,147	5	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	5,610	5,400	-3.7	2,700	5	2,305	2,524
Traffic	455	463	1.8	232	18	245	270
Delinquency	895	923	3.1	462	24	581	562
Custody/Visitation	3,894	3,693	-5.2	1,847	3	1,346	1,562
Status	366	321	-12.3	161	7	133	129
Domestic Relations	4,859	4,893	0.7	2,447	7	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	1,181	1,204	1.9	602	3	481	479
Felonies	445	457	2.7	229	3	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	1,463	1,461	-0.1	731	13	654	709
Civil Support	1,769	1,770	0.1	885	17	809	934
Criminal Support	1	1	0.0	1	10	0	0
Hearings	26,494	25,979	-1.9	12,990	3	10,134	10,884



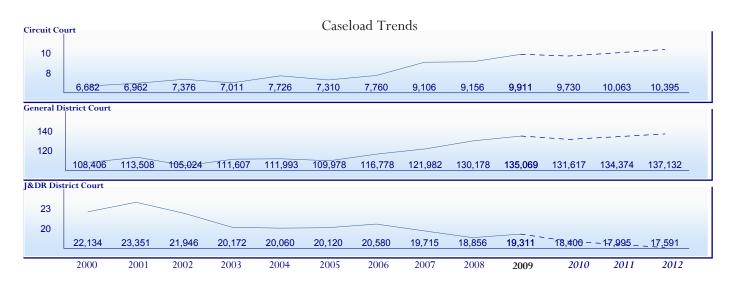
THIRTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

	i jubienie			2009		2009	2009
				Average	Rank	Statewide	Rural Average Per Judge
			%	Caseload	in	Average	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	
Circuit (3 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	6,556	7,064	7.7	2,355	3	1,837	2,072
Civil	1,510	1,508	-0.1	503	26	689	644
Criminal	5,046	5,556	10.1	1,852	1	1,148	1,428
Concluded Cases	6,937	7,203	3.8	2,401	3	1,816	2,073
Pending Cases	6,451	6,343	-1.7	2,114	24	1,649	1,758
Juries Impaneled	14	27	92.9	9	26	13	14
General District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	34,373	31,111	-9.5	15,556	30	26,929	27,230
Criminal	6,653	6,242	-6.2	3,121	17	3,035	3,059
Misdemeanors	4,442	3,975	-10.5	1,988	17	1,973	1,974
Felonies	1,179	1,330	12.8	665	21	753	742
Capias/Show Cause	1,032	937	-9.2	469	6	309	343
Traffic	22,971	20,865	-9.2	10,433	26	16,649	18,499
Infractions	18,062	15,778	-12.6	7,889	26	12,849	14,204
Misdemeanors	3,881	4,178	7.7	2,089	28	3,353	3,745
Felonies	103	99	-3.9	50	22	71	81
Capias/Show Cause	925	810	-12.4	405	12	376	469
Civil	4,749	4,004	-15.7	2,002	32	7,245	5,672
Hearings	45,251	41,699	-7.8	20,850	29	29,302	29,385
J&DR District (2 Judges)							
New Cases	8,570	7,766	-9.4	3,883	24	4,385	4,803
Juvenile	4,859	4,554	-6.3	2,277	15	2,305	2,524
Traffic	461	419	-9.1	210	20	245	270
Delinquency	813	826	1.6	413	29	581	562
Custody/Visitation	3,378	3,065	-9.3	1,533	8	1,346	1,562
Status	207	244	17.9	122	15	133	129
Domestic Relations	3,711	3,212	-13.4	1,606	29	2,079	2,279
Misdemeanors	799	705	-11.8	353	28	481	479
Felonies	204	224	9.8	112	18	136	157
Capias/Show Cause	1,022	868	-15.1	434	28	654	709
Civil Support	1,686	1,415	-16.1	708	24	809	934
Criminal Support	0	0	0.0	0	30	0	0
Hearings	22,260	20,895	-6.1	10,448	16	10,134	10,884



THIRTY-FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

	,			2009		2009 Statewide	2009 Urban Average Per Judge
				Average	Rank		
			%	Caseload	in	Average	
	2008	2009	Change	Per Judge	State	Per Judge	
Circuit (5 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	9,156	9,911	8.2	1,982	14	1,837	1,657
Civil	4,283	4,628	8.1	926	4	689	724
Criminal	4,873	5,283	8.4	1,057	20	1,148	933
Concluded Cases	8,518	8,104	-4.9	1,621	24	1,816	1,620
Pending Cases	9,810	12,142	23.8	2,428	29	1,649	1,565
Juries Impaneled	62	68	9.7	14	11	13	13
General District (4 Judges)							
New Cases	130,178	135,069	3.8	33,767	4	26,929	26,676
Criminal	13,557	12,557	-7.4	3,139	16	3,035	3,016
Misdemeanors	8,512	7,753	-8.9	1,938	20	1,973	1,973
Felonies	4,066	3,853	-5.2	963	6	753	762
Capias/Show Cause	979	951	-2.9	238	21	309	281
Traffic	85,143	89,547	5.2	22,387	6	16,649	15,094
Infractions	60,220	65,750	9.2	16,438	8	12,849	11,709
Misdemeanors	21,885	20,895	-4.5	5,224	4	3,353	3,023
Felonies	1301	1285	-1.2	321	1	71	63
Capias/Show Cause	1,737	1,617	-6.9	404	13	376	298
Civil	31,478	32,965	4.7	8,241	10	7,245	8,566
Hearings	155,969	156,079	0.1	39,020	3	29,302	29,231
J&DR District (5 Judges)							
New Cases	118,856	19,311	2.4	3,862	25	4,385	4,001
Juvenile	11,258	11,113	-1.3	2,223	17	2,305	2,105
Traffic	1,334	1,350	1.2	270	13	245	223
Delinquency	3,960	3,774	-4.7	755	5	581	598
Custody/Visitation	5,192	5,287	1.8	1,057	27	1,346	1,148
Status	772	702	-9.1	140	11	133	137
Domestic Relations	7,598	8,198	7.9	1,640	28	2,079	1,896
Misdemeanors	1,848	2,054	11.1	411	24	481	483
Felonies	547	742	35.6	148	13	136	115
Capias/Show Cause	2,136	2,271	6.3	454	27	654	603
Civil Support	3,067	3,130	2.1	626	25	809	694
Criminal Support	0	1	0.0	0	31	0	0
Hearings	46,937	47,449	1.1	9,490	24	10,134	9,446



STATE COURT TOTALS - CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY

CIRCUIT COURT

There are 121 locally-elected clerks serve in the circuit courts. The estimated 2009 population of Virginia according to the Weldon Cooper Center was 7,882,590, an increase of 11.4% from the 2000 population.

Review of 2009 Caseload

Caseload data for 2009 show that 288,407 cases were commenced in the circuit courts during the year, a decrease of 1.1% or 7,368 cases from 2008 levels. This overall decrease in new cases in the circuit courts was due to a decrease of 3.3% in criminal cases. There was an increase of 2.6% in civil cases.

The total number of cases concluded decreased 1.4% during the year, from 289,095 in 2008 to 285,172 in 2009. The number of juries impaneled rose slightly 0.3% The circuit court judges averaged 21 jury trial days each during the year while the number of criminal defendants decreased by 3,186 (or 4.0%) from 79,166 to 75,980.

The judges of the circuit courts averaged 1,837 commenced cases each in 2009. In urban circuits judges averaged 1,657 cases each while in rural circuits the average was 2,072 cases per judge. The circuit courts averaged 1,816 concluded cases per judge (1,620 in urban circuits and 2,073 in rural circuits).

At the end of 2009, pending cases in the circuit courts totaled 258,831, a decrease of 2.2% below 2008 levels. The number of pending cases per judge stood at 1,649.

Civil Cases

In 2009, the number of commenced civil cases increased 2.6% to total 108,209. Of these cases, 2.1% were general district appeals, 60.7% other law, 31.7% divorce, 2.4% other equity and 3.1% appeals from the J&DR district courts. Of the 101,542 civil cases concluded in 2009, 30.7% were concluded prior to trial by settlement or voluntary dismissal. Bench trials accounted for 22.5% of concluded civil cases while 0.6% were concluded by a jury trial.

Approximately 75.3% of civil cases concluded reached termination within 12 months of filing. About 86.3% reached conclusion within two years while 3.8% actually took five years or longer. The Judicial Council's voluntary case processing time guidelines establish a goal of concluding 90% of civil cases within one year and 100% within two years.

Circuit court judges averaged 689 civil cases each in 2009; the average for judges in urban circuits was 724 civil cases per judge and in rural circuits 644 cases per judge.

Criminal Cases

The number of criminal cases filed in the circuit courts decreased 3.3% in 2009 from 186,261 cases to 180,198. Of these cases, 68.4% were felonies. Of the 183,630 criminal cases concluded, 29.6% were disposed of by a judge trial while 1.6% reached conclusion by a trial by jury.

Approximately 45.3% of felony cases concluded in the circuit courts in 2009 reached termination within 120 days of initiation while 64.7% were disposed of within 180 days. In 2008, the circuit courts disposed of 46.4% and 66.0% of cases within these time frames, respectively. Among misdemeanor cases, the circuit courts disposed of 50.7% within 60 days and 67.0% within 90 days. For criminal cases, the Judicial Council's guidelines call for 90% of all felonies to be concluded within 120 days of arrest, 98% within 180 days, and 100% within one year. For misdemeanor cases, the goal is to conclude 90% within 60 days and 100% within 90 days from the date of arrest.

The judges of the circuit courts averaged 1,148 criminal cases each in 2009 compared to the average for judges in urban circuits of 933 and the average for rural circuits of 1,428 cases per judge.

GENERAL DISTRICT COURT

Review of 2009 Caseload

Data for the general district courts of Virginia show that 3,419,971 new cases were filed in 2009, up 1.7% from the number reported

Case Filin	gs in the State		
	Circuit	General	J&DR
1999	253,871	3,227,660	553,345
2000	264,479	3,197,633	558,050
2001	269,238	3,217,050	551,510
2002	275,457	3,110,484	544,376
2003	274,722	3,094,199	516,309
2004	282,073	3,215,144	511,078
2005	278,307	3,208,873	522,621
2006	289,809	3,216,627	533,546
2007	297,177	3,294,759	536,114
2008	291,733	3,363,593	525,029
2009	288,407	3,419,971	512,991

the previous year. The number of new criminal cases decreased 3.2% to total 385,488 with the number of new traffic cases rising 4.7% to total 2,114,404. Civil cases decreased 2.7% and totaled 920,079. The total number of hearings held in the general district courts rose 1.5% to total 3,721,295.

Among new criminal cases, misdemeanors decreased by 2.2% or 5,584 and totaled 250,604 cases; felony cases declined by 3.8% to 95,591. Among traffic cases, the number of infractions rose by 5.7% or 87,277 cases to 1,637,762. Traffic misdemeanors rose by 2.7% and totaled 425,820 while the number of capias/show causes issued in traffic matters decreased by 6.0% to 47,781. On the civil docket, civil actions (including warrants, detinues, and unlawful detainers) totaled 920,079. Total caseload in the general district courts was composed of 11.3% criminal, 61.8% traffic, and 26.9% civil cases.

In 2009, the 127 judges serving in Virginia's general district courts averaged 26,929 new cases and 29,302 hearings per judge. The average number of new cases per judge in urban districts was 26,676 compared to 27,230 in rural districts. Judges held 29,302 hearings each; with urban districts reporting an average of 29,231 and rural districts 29,385 hearings per judge. The general district judges averaged 3,035 criminal cases, 16,649 traffic, and 7,245 civil cases in 2009.

J&DR DISTRICT COURT

Review of 2009 Caseload

Data for the juvenile and domestic relations

STATE COURT TOTALS - CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT ANNUAL SUMMARY DATA

	2008	2009	% Change	2009 Statewide Average Per Judge	2009 Urban Average Per Judge	2009 Rural Average Per Judge	
Circuit (157 Judges)							
Commenced Cases	291,733	288,407	-1.1	1,837	1,657	2,072	
Civil	105,472	108,209	2.6	689	724	644	
Criminal	186,261	180,198	-3.3	1,148	933	1,428	
Concluded Cases	289,095	285,172	-1.4	1,816	1,620	2,073	
Pending Cases	264,624	258,831	-2.2	1,649	1,592	1,758	
Juries Impaneled	2,071	2,078	0.3	13	13	14	
General District (127 Judges)							
New Cases	3,363,593	3,419,971	1.7	26,929	26,676	27,230	
Criminal	398,402	385,488	-3.2	3,035	3,016	3,059	
Misdemeanors	256,188	250,604	-2.2	1,973	1,973	1,974	
Felonies	99,405	95,591	-3.8	753	762	742	
Capias/Show Cause	42,809	39,293	-8.2	309	281	343	
Traffic	2,019,786	2,114,404	4.7	16,649	15,094	18,499	
Infractions	1,544,485	1,631,762	5.7	12,849	11,709	14,204	
Misdemeanors	414,584	425,820	2.7	3,353	3,023	3,745	
Felonies	9866.00	9041.00	-8.4	71	63	81	
Capias/Show Cause	50,851	47,781	-6.0	376	298	469	
Civil	945,405	920,079	-2.7	7,245	8,566	5,672	
Hearings	3,667,553	3,721,295	1.5	29,302	29,231	29,385	
J&DR District (117 Judges)							
New Cases	525,029	512,991	-2.3	4,385	4,001	4,803	
Juvenile	281,438	269,727	-4.2	2,305	2,105	2,524	
Traffic	31,110	28,705	-7.7	245	223	270	
Delinquency	74,635	67,926	-9.0	581	598	562	
Custody/Visitation	157,320	157,487	0.1	1,346	1,148	1,562	
Status	18,373	15,609	-15.0	133	137	129	
Domestic Relations	243,591	243,264	-0.1	2,079	1,896	2,279	
Misdemeanors	56,390	56,274	-0.2	481	483	479	
Felonies	15,843	15,860	0.1	136	115	157	
Capias/Show Cause	75,914	76,492	0.8	654	603	709	
Civil Support	95,366	94,607	-0.8	809	694	934	
Criminal Support	78	31	-60.3	0	0	0	
Hearings	1,217,147	1,185,697	-2.6	10,134	9,446	10,884	

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(J&DR) district courts show 512,991 new cases were filed in 2009, down 2.3% from the number reported the previous year. The number of new juvenile cases decreased 4.2% to total 269,727 with the number of new domestic relations cases falling 0.1% to total 243,264. The total number of hearings held fell 2.6% to total 1,185,697.

Among juvenile cases in 2009, traffic cases fell by 7.7% or 2,405 cases to 28,705; delinquencies decreased by 9.0% or 6,709 to 67,926; and status offenses decreased 15.0% to reach 15,609. Custody/visitation matters increased by 0.1% or 167 and totaled 157,487. Among domestic relations or adult cases, misdemeanors decreased 0.2% cases to 56,274 and felonies increased by 0.1% to total 15,860 cases. The number of spousal abuse petitions declined by 10.1%, from 22,498 to 20,231.

Across the state, juvenile cases constituted 52.6% of the total caseload while adult cases constituted 47.4% of total filings. Custody/visitation matters represented 58.4% of juvenile cases. Among adult cases, 38.9% were civil support cases; adult felony cases comprised 6.5% of total new cases in the J&DR district courts in 2009.

In 2009, the 117 judges serving in the J&DR district courts averaged 4,385 new cases and 10,134 hearings per judge. The average for urban districts was 4,001 cases per judge and in rural districts the judges averaged 4,803 cases each. Judges overall in the J&DR courts held 10,134 hearings each compared to the average for urban districts of 9,446 and for rural districts of 10,884. The judges each averaged 2,305 juvenile cases and 2,079 domestic relations cases in 2009.

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^{*}NOTE: Substitute/retired recalled judge days include days where a substitute judge was called upon to sit because of an existing vacancy on the bench.