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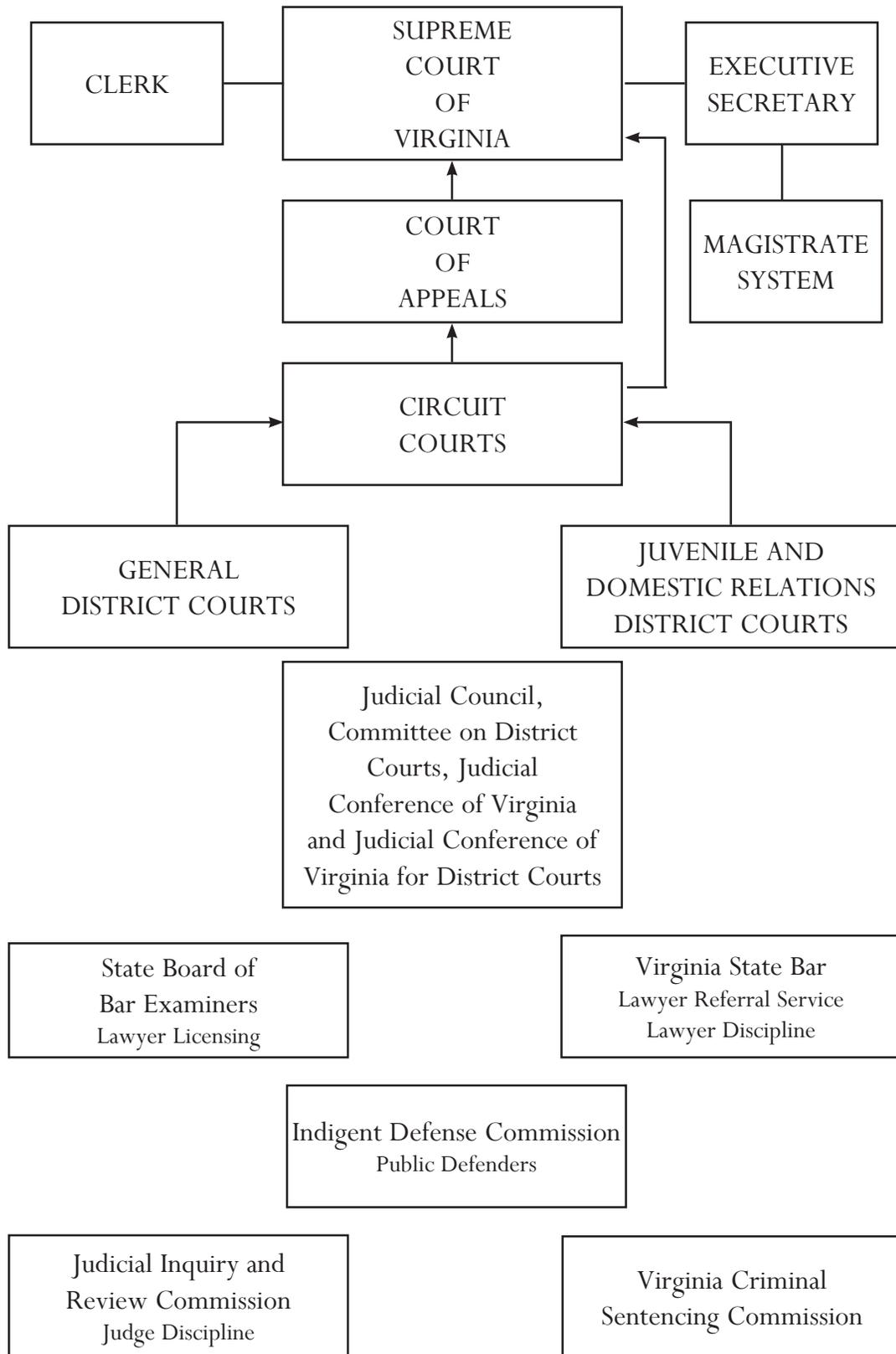
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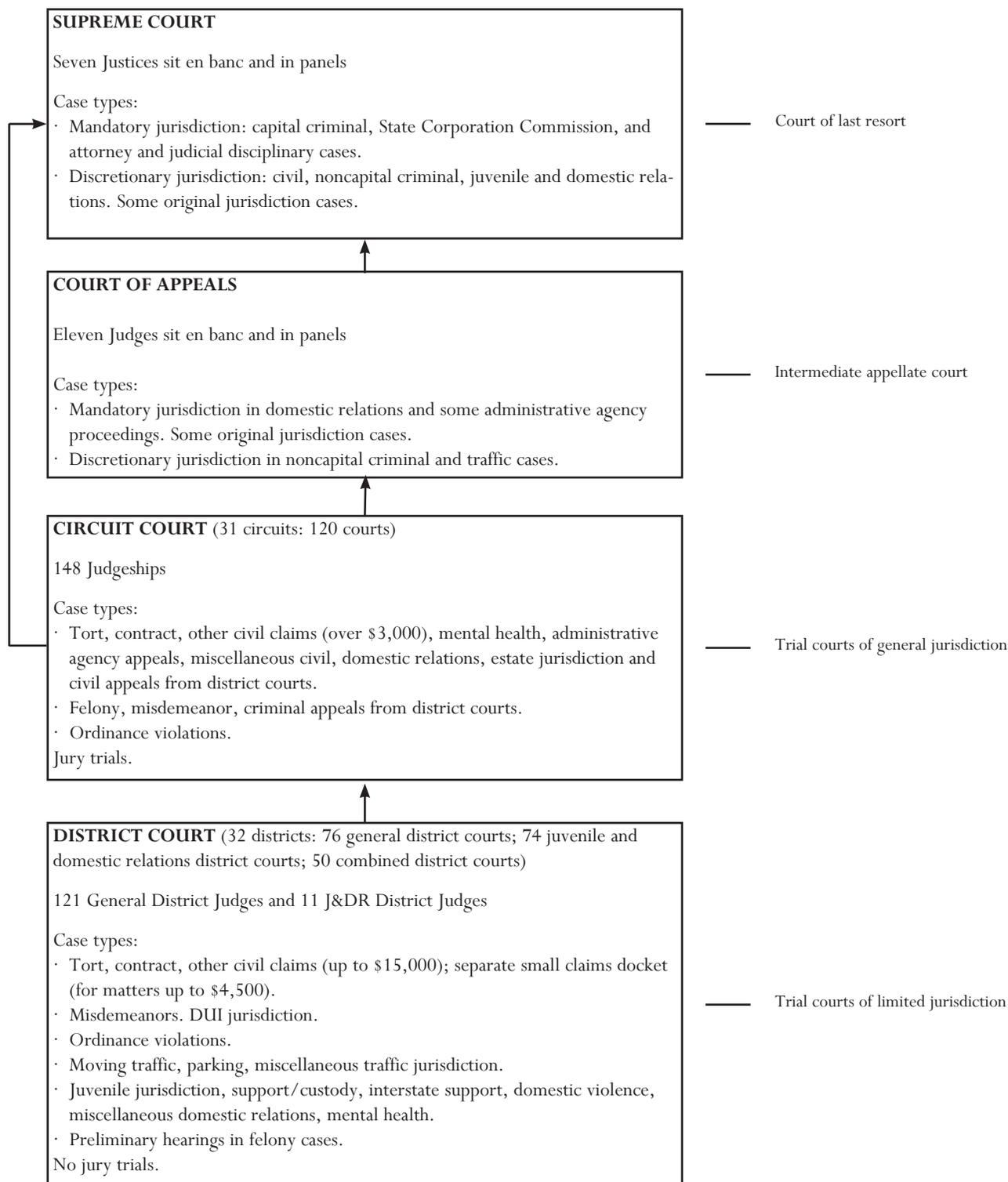
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2010 State of the Judiciary Message

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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 2009 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.

We have continued to make significant strides in the 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-

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taxpayer sources.

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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The Supreme Court, in conjunction with the Virginia State Bar, sponsors an indigent defense training 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

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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

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special reason.

I was born in Norfolk, at Norfolk Community 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 Norfolknians 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

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that the Chief Justice would only serve two terms, and hence, I approach the conclusion of my second term, and I will 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

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.

member to me in many, many ways, we were able to reform Virginia's magistrate system.

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 court-appointed 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

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.

our God for His support, for His encouragement, and for His abundance of blessings.

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.



2010 The Judiciary's Year in Review

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Supreme Court of Virginia

SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA

Jurisdiction and Structure

The Supreme Court of Virginia, which sits in Richmond and is composed of seven Justices, concluded its two hundred and thirty-first year of operation in 2010. 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 2010 Caseload Activity

In 2010, the number of filings in the Supreme Court of Virginia totaled 2,485, which was 154 cases less than recorded in 2009. In 2010, criminal cases decreased by 40 petitions or 2.9%. Civil filings decreased by 21 or 3.3%. See Table 1-Part Two. There were 26 petitions withdrawn before being acted

upon in 2010. A total of 436 petitions for rehearing were filed with the Court during the year, down from 440 the previous year. A total of 449 of such petitions were decided: 427 refused, 0 withdrawn, and 22 granted. The Court qualified 1,410 local attorneys and 113 corporate attorneys and licensed and qualified 61 foreign attorneys in 2010. In addition, 29 attorneys were appointed to represent indigents, and 144 orders were entered by the Court to show cause or respond. See Table 1 - Part One.

During the year, 221 petitions for appeal were granted, the majority of which (152 or 68.7%) were civil in nature: 142 civil petitions and 10 civil petitions granted from the Court of Appeals (CAV). Also among those petitions granted were 49 criminal petitions from the CAV and 1 case certified from the CAV. The Court refused 1,919 petitions for appeal in 2010, including 1,249 criminal petitions refused from the Court of Appeals (65.1% of the total refused) and 311 civil petitions (16.2% of the total refused). There were 244 petitions refused for procedural reasons compared to 249 in 2009. The total number of appeals granted and/or refused increased 4.0% in 2010 to 2,140 an increase of 91 cases from 2009. See Table 2.

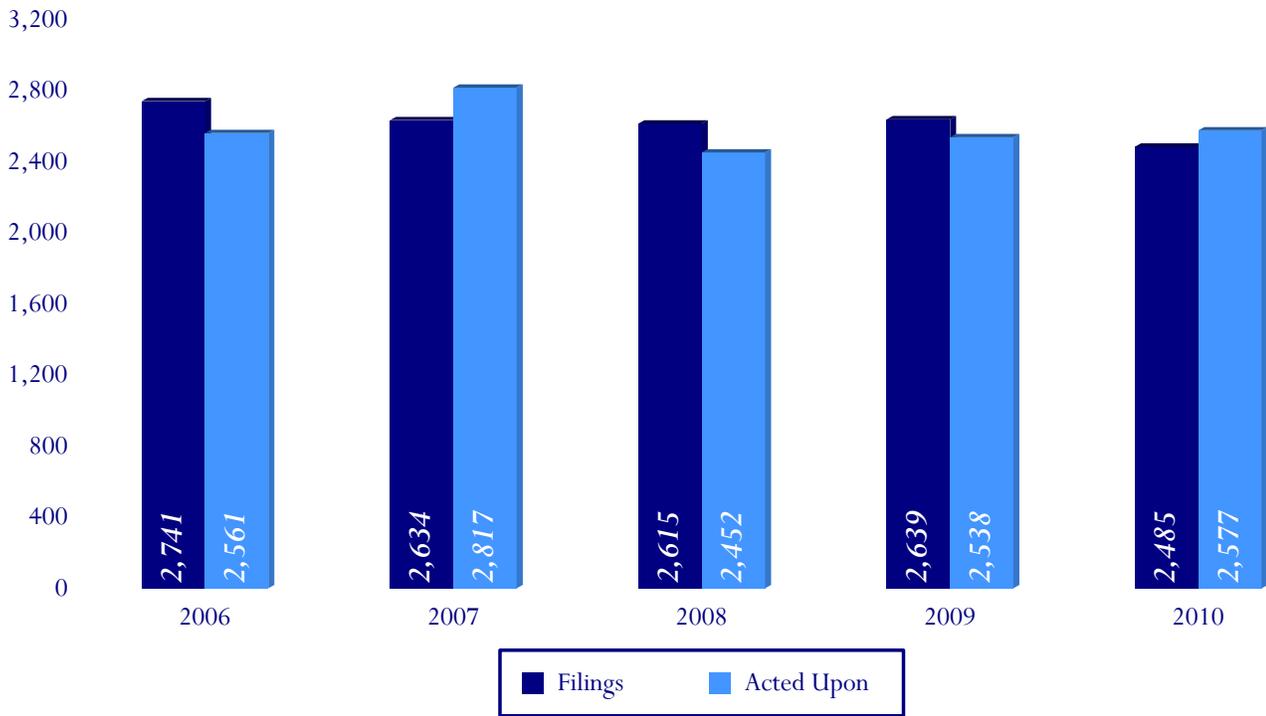
Of the original jurisdiction petitions, the Court awarded 35 in 2010, up from 25 the year before. The Court refused 401 original jurisdiction petitions during the year, 316 or 78.8% of which were matters involving habeas corpus. There were also 81 writs of mandamus refused. The total number of original jurisdiction petitions docketed, awarded, and refused was 437, a decline of 11.0% from 489 in 2009. The total number of cases acted on increased in 2010, from 2,538 to 2,577. See Table 2.

There were 117 cases decided by opinion in 2010 while another 59 cases were decided by orders. In 65 or 55.6% 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 2010 totaled 50 or 42.7% of the cases decided by opinion.

The number of cases waiting to be argued before the Supreme Court stood at 127 at the end of the year, up 38 cases from 2009's year-end total of 89. 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.

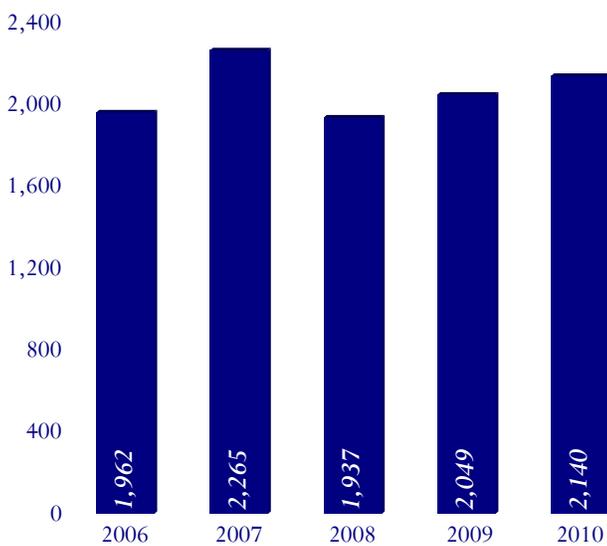
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Supreme Court of Virginia
2006-2010 Petitions Filed and Acted Upon



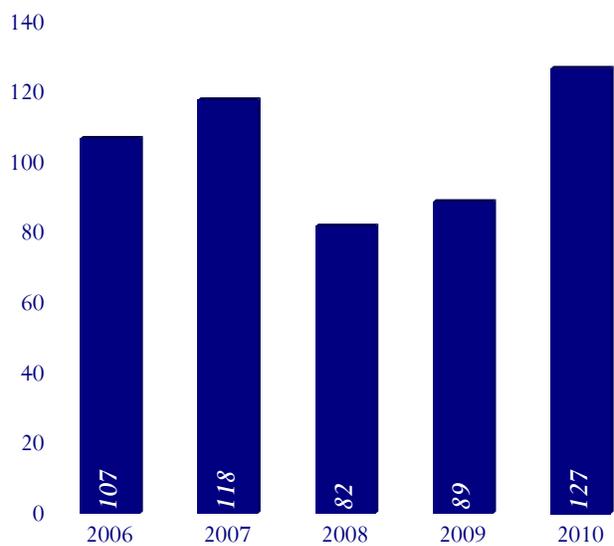
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Supreme Court of Virginia
2006-2010 Appeals Granted and Refused



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Supreme Court of Virginia
2006-2010 Cases Waiting to be Heard



S U P R E M E C O U R T O F V I R G I N I A

Table 1 - Part One
Supreme Court of Virginia
2006-2010 Annual Statistics

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Petitions withdrawn before being acted upon	24	28	23	24	26
Petitions for appeal rejected for no filing fee or for late filing fee	3	0	0	0	0
Petitions for appeal rejected for other than no filing fee or late filing fee	18	9	14	7	5
Injunction Petitions (8.01-626) Refused	4	7	6	2	5
Injunction Petitions (8.01-626) Granted	1	5	2	2	4
Injunction Petitions (8.01-626) dismissed procedural	0	0	1	1	1
Cases transferred to the Court of Appeals	3	1	3	1	3
Cases decided by opinions	116	130	124	114	117
Number of opinions in which judgments were affirmed	46	59	54	50	65
Number of opinions in which judgments were reversed	67	66	70	51	50
Number of appeals dismissed	1	1	0	2	1
Number of memorandum opinions	0	0	0	1	0
Number of opinions in original jurisdiction cases	1	4	0	3	1
Certified Questions of Law (Total)	1	0	0	0	0
Answered in the Negative	0	0	0	0	0
Answered in the Affirmative	1	0	0	0	0
Number of cases decided by orders*	59	69	81	64	59
Rehearings filed	373	390	364	440	436
Rehearings decided	383	358	367	439	449
Rehearings granted	17	13	23	12	22
Rehearings refused	364	343	344	423	427
Rehearings withdrawn	2	1	0	4	0
Local attorneys qualified	1,279	1,351	384	1,299	1,410
Foreign attorneys licensed and qualified	88	78	49	60	61
Patent attorneys	0	0	0	0	0
Corporate attorneys qualified	124	129	163	129	113
Attorneys appointed by this Court to represent indigents	30	20	19	29	29
Military	-	-	-	-	2
Rule to show cause (appeals)	-	-	-	-	91
Orders entered to show cause or respond	250	223	247	199	144
Granted cases placed in suspense	0	0	0	0	1
Review of Virginia Board of Bar Examiners Decisions	2	5	2	1	1
Granted	0	0	0	0	1
Refused	2	5	2	1	0
Delayed Appeals permitted	93	113	87	73	83
Extensions of time acted on	256	232	232	228	258
Orders ruling on motions/requests other than extensions of time	406	402	411	392	441
Orders establishing due date in transfer cases	59	61	69	76	66
Records returned to trial courts (no petition filed)	217	246	263	232	227

*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

	2009	2010	Change	Percent Change
State Corporation Commission	9	9	0	0.0%
Civil	645	624	-21	-3.3%
Workers Compensation	13	9	-4	-30.8%
Certified Questions of Law	-	-	0	-
Criminal	1,358	1,318	-40	-2.9%
Disciplinary Board	3	2	-1	-33.3%
Disciplinary Court	5	5	0	0.0%
Death Penalty	1	1	0	0.0%
Habeas Corpus	113	113	0	0.0%
Writ of Habeas Corpus	381	308	-73	-19.2%
Writ of Mandamus	87	72	-15	-17.2%
Writ of Prohibition	8	1	-7	-87.5%
Commonwealth Appeals	4	4	0	0.0%
Actual Innocence	5	5	0	0.0%
Interlocutory Appeals	1	3	2	200.0%
Injunctions	5	11	6	120.0%
Other	1	-	-1	-100.0%
Totals	2,639	2,485	-154	-5.8%

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F V I R G I N I A

Table 2

Supreme Court of Virginia

Petitions for Appeal and Original Jurisdiction Petitions

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Appeal Petitions					
GRANTED					
Appeals of Right	10	9	8	14	14
Civil Granted	135	128	100	108	142
Civil Granted from CAV	7	5	8	4	10
Criminal Granted	0	0	1	0	0
Criminal Granted from CAV	43	61	49	56	49
Habeas Appeals Granted	2	4	2	4	2
Cases Certified from CAV	1	1	1	1	1
Certified Questions of Law Accepted	0	0	0	0	0
Remanded from U.S. Supreme Court	0	0	1	0	3
Total	198	208	170	187	221
REFUSED					
Civil Refused	309	340	308	304	311
Civil Dismissed (Procedural)	69	108	102	117	138
Civil Refused from CAV	43	29	35	35	38
Civil Dismissed from CAV (Procedural)	29	14	15	22	21
Criminal Refused	1	0	0	0	0
Criminal Refused from CAV	1,023	1,382	1,150	1,207	1,249
Criminal Dismissed (Procedural)	0	1	0	1	0
Criminal Dismissed from CAV (Procedural)	83	91	62	69	62
Habeas Appeals Refused	142	58	65	67	76
Habeas Appeals Dismissed (Procedural)	64	34	29	40	23
Habeas Appeals Refused from CAV	1	0	0	0	1
Certified Questions of Law Rejected	0	0	1	0	0
Total	1,764	2,057	1,767	1,862	1,919
Total Appeals Granted and Refused	1,962	2,265	1,937	2,049	2,140
Original Jurisdiction Petitions					
DOCKETED	2	0	0	4	1
AWARDED					
Writ of Habeas Corpus	42	37	29	24	35
Writ of Mandamus	2	0	0	0	0
Writ of Prohibition	0	0	0	0	0
Writ of Actual Innocence	0	0	0	1	0
Total	44	37	29	25	35
REFUSED					
Writ of Habeas Corpus	299	278	281	245	225
Writ of Habeas Corpus (Procedural)	82	93	89	109	91
Writ of Mandamus	156	132	98	95	81
Writ of Prohibition	14	10	16	10	1
Writ of Actual Innocence	2	2	2	1	3
Total	553	515	486	460	401
Total Original Jurisdiction Docketed, Awarded and Refused	599	552	515	489	437
SUMMARY					
Grand Total of Cases Acted On	2,561	2,817	1,937	2,538	2,577
Total Petitions Filed Annually	2,741	2,634	2,615	2,639	2,485

Table 3

Supreme Court of Virginia

Total Granted Cases Left to be Argued at End of Sessions

Session	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
January	76	90	91	80	80
March	66	96	91	71	96
April	63	99	83	86	109
June	86	96	84	111	133
September	100	97	81	93	127
November	107	118	82	89	127

Accumulated Monthly Totals of Cases Filed

Session	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
January	249	263	262	241	227
February	430	432	445	416	402
March	661	674	632	653	646
April	866	915	846	902	855
May	1,112	1,193	1,064	1,128	1,052
June	1,367	1,411	1,266	1,339	1,297
July	1,576	1,628	1,508	1,596	1,515
August	1,823	1,831	1,749	1,807	1,695
September	2,001	1,998	1,948	2,020	1,884
October	2,222	2,255	2,158	2,216	2,101
November	2,493	2,463	2,342	2,427	2,278
December	2,737	2,634	2,613	2,639	2,485

Table 4

JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA

As of December 31, 2010

	Date Commenced	Present Term
Leroy Rountree Hassell Sr., Chief Justice	12/28/1989	2/1/2002-1/31/2014
Lawrence L. Koontz, Jr.	8/16/1995	8/16/2007-8/15/2019
Cynthia D. Kinser	7/1/1997	2/1/2010-1/31/2022
Donald W. Lemons	3/16/2000	3/16/2000-3/15/2012
S. Bernard Goodwyn	10/10/2007	2/1/2008-1/31/2020
LeRoy F. Millette, Jr.	8/18/2008	2/1/2009-1/31/2021
William C. Mims	4/1/2010	4/1/2010-3/31/2022

SENIOR JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA

As of December 31, 2010

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

CLERK OF THE SUPREME COURT OF VIRGINIA

Patricia L. Harrington

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Karl R. Hade





2010 The Judiciary's Year in Review

Virginia
Court of Appeals

COURT OF APPEALS

Jurisdiction of the Court

The Court of Appeals of Virginia was established in 1985 and 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.

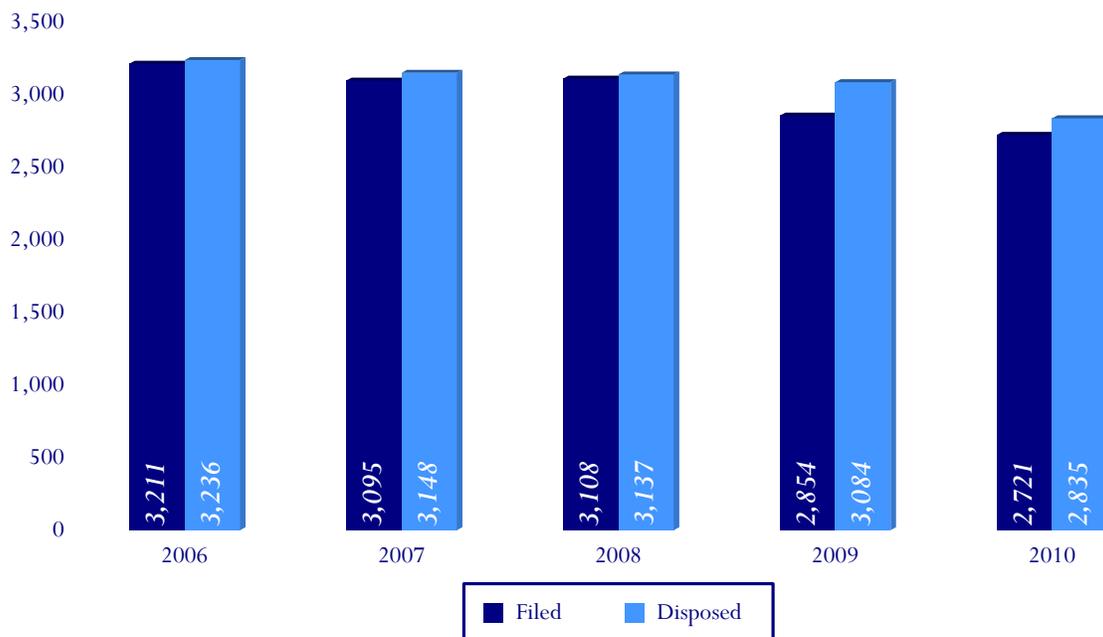
The Court of Appeals hears appeals from circuit courts in all criminal matters except death penalty cases and in all domestic relations matters. In addition, appeals from decisions of the Virginia Workers’ Compensation Commission and from most administrative agencies are taken to the Court. The Court 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.

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.

Display 4
Court of Appeals of Virginia
2006-2010 Cases Filed and Disposed



Review of 2010 Caseload Activity

In 2010, the Court of Appeals recorded 2,721 case filings, 133 less than the 2,854 in 2009. This decrease in filings was due to a decrease in criminal petitions by 6.0% and a decrease in appeals of right by 1.6%. See Table 5 and 6.

The majority of filings in 2010 (76.1%) consisted of 2,071 criminal petitions (not including contempt). This was 122 less than the number reported the previous year. The number of petitions involving the Workers' Compensation Commission totaled 172, and there were 229 domestic relations petitions filed during the year. This number of domestic relations appeals was 24 (or 9.5%) less than in 2009.

Final dispositions totaled 2,835 in 2010, 249 less than the year before. This decrease in dispositions was due to a decrease of 42 in non-criminal dispositions and a decrease of 207 in criminal dispositions compared to the decrease in criminal dispositions in 2009 of 28. Criminal dispositions totaled 2,230, and non-criminal dispositions stood at 605. Of the total dispositions in 2010, 78.7% were criminal in nature.

In disposing of the appeals coming before it, the Court in 2010 issued 96 published opinions and 405 unpublished opinions. There were 338 appeals disposed of through orders. The number of published opinions represented a decrease of 27.1% from what was reported the previous year, while the number of unpublished opinions represented a decrease of 38 or 8.6%.

During the year, there were 1,389 cases appealed to the Supreme Court of Virginia from the Court of Appeals, 42 less than in 2009. See Table 5.

Of the 2,300 criminal petitions disposed, 214 or 9.3% were granted. This compares with 12.2% of criminal petitions granted in 2009. See Tables 6 and 7. There were 25 pre-trial petitions filed by the Commonwealth and 52 original jurisdiction petitions filed during the year. The original jurisdiction petitions filed consisted of 13 habeas corpus petitions, 17 writs of mandamus or prohibition, and 22 writs of actual innocence. There were 54 original jurisdiction petitions disposed of in 2010.

Appeals of right totaled 570 for the year and

included, as mentioned above, 172 appeals from the Workers' Compensation Commission and 229 domestic relations appeals. There were also 33 administrative agency appeals, as well as 129 appeals over which the Court did not have jurisdiction and were candidates for transfer to the Supreme Court. In addition, there were 7 appeals filed during the year regarding concealed weapon permit applications or civil contempt. See Table 6.

Of the 501 appeals decided by opinion, 414 (82.6%) were affirmed, 70 (14.0%) were reversed, 9 (1.8%) were affirmed in part, reversed in part, and 8 (1.6%) were dismissed. There were 335 appeals decided by order in 2010 compared to 346 the previous year. Of these, 128 (38.2%) were dismissed, 62 (18.5%) were withdrawn or settled, 8 (2.4%) were reversed, and 42 (12.5%) cases were affirmed. In addition, 95 (28.4%) were modified, transferred, voided, or certified by the court. See Table 7.

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Court of Appeals of Virginia

2006-2010 Criminal Petitions

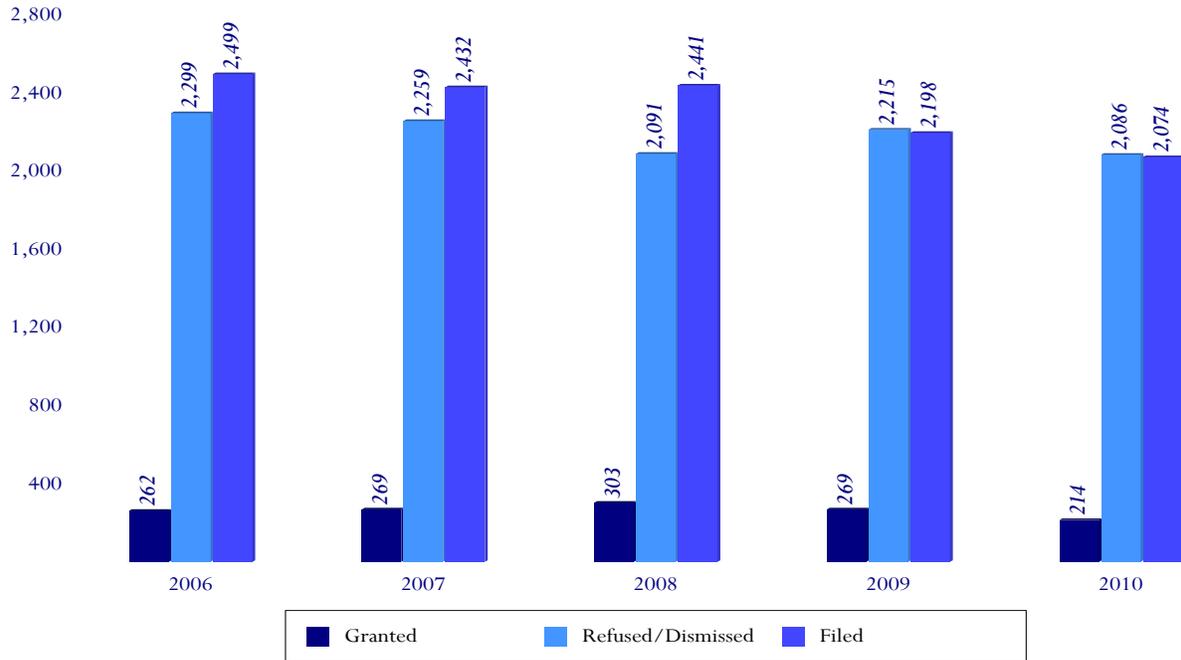


Table 5

Court of Appeals of Virginia

2006-2010 Annual Statistics - Part 1

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Cases Filed					
Criminal Petitions*	2,493	2,428	2,437	2,193	2,071
Domestic Relations	295	275	256	253	229
Workers' Compensation Commission	212	164	183	155	172
Administrative Agency	25	38	32	39	33
Original Jurisdiction	48	36	27	50	52
No Jurisdiction**	103	91	137	123	129
Other***	35	63	36	41	35
Total	3,211	3,095	3,108	2,854	2,721
Final Dispositions					
Non-Criminal	661	660	672	647	605
Criminal	2,575	2,488	2,465	2,437	2,230
Total	3,236	3,148	3,137	3,084	2,835
Disposition of Appeals					
Published Opinions	91	106	118	122	96
Unpublished Opinions	409	383	442	443	405
Orders	365	387	386	346	338
Total	865	876	946	911	839
Cases Appealed to the Supreme Court of Virginia	1,395	1,419	1,430	1,431	1,389

*Does not include contempt.

**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
 2006-2010 Annual Statistics - Part 2

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Criminal Petitions					
Filed	2,499	2,432	2,441	2,198	2,074
Granted	262	269	303	269	214
Refused/Dismissed/Other	2,299	2,259	2,091	2,215	2,086
% Granted	10.2	10.6	12.7	10.8	9.3
Pre-Trial Petitions Filed by Commonwealth					
Filed	22	40	22	27	25
Granted	9	23	12	11	11
Refused/Dismissed/Other	13	17	15	14	14
Original Jurisdiction					
Filed					
Habeas Corpus	4	2	2	6	13
Mandamus/Prohibition	6	8	10	18	17
Actual Innocence*	38	26	15	26	22
Total	48	36	27	50	52
Disposed					
Habeas Corpus	3	3	4	3	15
Mandamus/Prohibition	7	8	8	17	17
Actual Innocence*	38	29	17	23	22
Total	48	40	29	43	54
Appeals of Right					
Filed					
Domestic Relations	295	275	256	253	229
Workers' Compensation Commission	212	164	183	155	172
Administrative Agency	25	38	32	39	33
No Jurisdiction**	103	91	137	123	129
Other***	7	17	10	9	7
Total	642	585	618	579	570
Total Cases Filed	3,211	3,095	3,108	2,854	2,721
Total Petitions Refused and Cases Disposed	3,236	3,148	3,137	3,084	2,835

*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.

C O U R T O F A P P E A L S O F V I R G I N I A

Table 7

Court of Appeals of Virginia
2006-2010 Petitions and Cases Disposed

	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Criminal Petitions					
Granted	262	269	303	269	214
Refused/Dismissed	2,059	2,066	1,864	2,035	1,914
Withdrawn, Dismissed on Appellant's Motion	240	193	227	180	172
Pre-Trial Petitions Filed					
by Commonwealth					
Granted	9	23	12	11	11
Refused/Dismissed/Other	10	12	13	12	9
Withdrawn	1	5	2	2	5
Original Jurisdiction					
Actual Innocence					
Granted	0	0	1	0	0
Refused/Dismissed	38	29	17	23	22
Habeas Corpus					
Granted	0	0	0	0	0
Refused/Dismissed	3	3	4	3	15
Mandamus					
Granted	0	0	0	1	0
Refused/Dismissed	7	6	6	12	16
Prohibition					
Granted	0	0	0	2	0
Refused/Dismissed	0	2	2	2	1
Appeals of Right and Granted Petitions					
Decided by Opinion					
Affirmed	412	384	465	462	414
Reversed	55	71	72	78	70
Dismissed	10	13	3	9	8
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	21	20	20	14	9
Other*	2	1	0	2	0
Decided by Order					
Affirmed	1	0	65	90	42
Reversed	14	18	13	11	8
Dismissed	163	214	150	74	128
Affirmed in Part, Reversed in Part	0	0	0	0	0
Withdrawn, Settled	95	65	70	66	62
Other*	77	90	88	105	95
Concealed Weapon Permit Applications					
Granted	0	0	0	0	0
Refused/Dismissed	2	5	4	3	3
Withdrawn	0	0	0	0	0

*Includes modified, transferred, voided, and certified.

Table 8

JUDGES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS OF VIRGINIA

As of December 31, 2010

	Present Term
Walter S. Felton Jr., Chief Judge	9/1/2010-8/31/2018
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, 2010

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



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Virginia
Circuit Courts

CIRCUIT COURT

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. 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 2010, there were three courts, Virginia Beach

(2nd), Alexandria (18th) and Fairfax (19th), that did not use the Courts Automated Information System - Case Management System (CAIS-CMS). Virginia Beach started using their own case management system on July 1, 2010. These courts transmitted their own manually- or electronically-tabulated data. Statistical information has been italicized for these courts in the tables in this section.

Statistical Summary

The circuit court case filing information for the last two years is summarized in Table 9. The detailed information for the year is included in this section.

Table 9
Circuit Courts
2001-2010 Historical Summary

Year	Cases Commenced	% Change	Cases Concluded	% Change	Cases Pending	% Change
2001	269,238	1.8%	260,089	1.4%	238,204	-.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	.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	-.7%
2008	291,733	-1.8%	289,095	1.5%	264,624	.7%
2009	288,407	-1.1%	285,172	-1.4%	258,831	-2.2%
2010	289,378	0.3%	279,363	-2.0%	269,394	4.0%

Year	Judges	% Change	Cases Commenced Per Judge	% Change	Cases Concluded Per Judge	% Change
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%
2010	154*	-1.9%	1,879	2.3%	1,814	-0.1%

*Funded positions as of July 1, 2011.

Year	Criminal Cases				Civil Cases			
	Cases Commenced	% Change	Cases Concluded	% Change	Cases Commenced	% Change	Cases Concluded	% Change
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%
2010	180,825	0.3%	178,191	-3.0%	108,553	0.3%	101,172	-0.4%

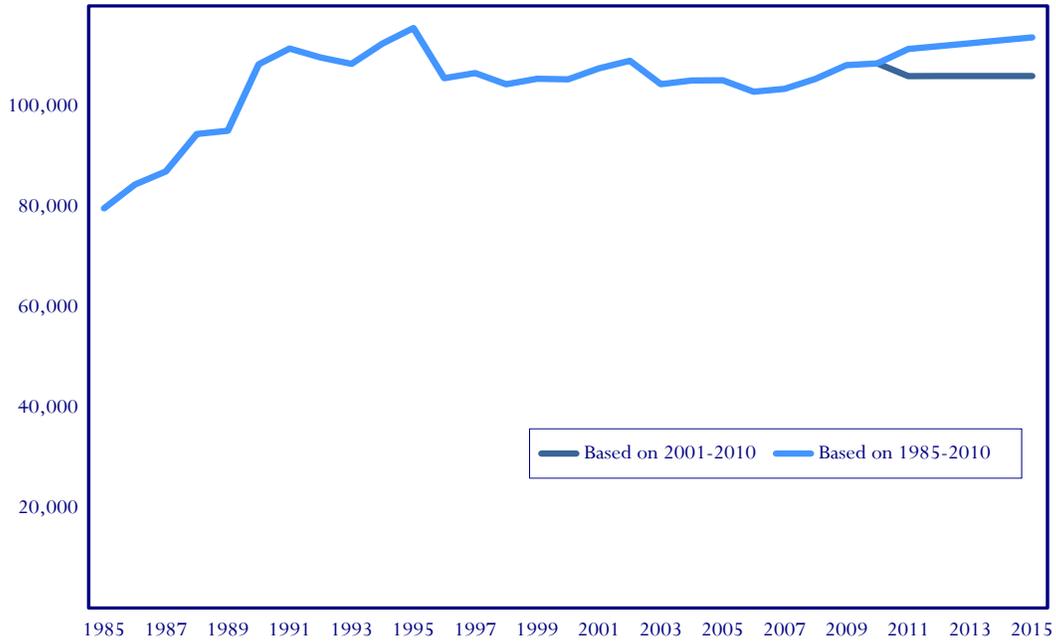
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Circuit Courts
 2009-2010 Percent Changes in Commenced Cases

Circuit	Criminal Cases			Civil Cases			Total Cases		
	2009	2010	% Change	2009	2010	% Change	2009	2010	% Change
1	6,038	6,248	3.5%	3,150	2,538	-19.4%	9,188	8,786	-4.4%
2	11,395	9,927	-12.9%	7,242	6,759	-6.7%	18,637	16,686	-10.5%
3	4,239	4,460	5.2%	3,810	2,917	-23.4%	8,049	7,377	-8.3%
4	8,484	9,140	7.7%	6,346	6,948	9.5%	14,830	16,088	8.5%
5	4,401	3,841	-12.7%	1,702	1,752	2.9%	6,103	5,593	-8.4%
6	3,073	3,197	4.0%	1,260	1,378	9.4%	4,333	4,575	5.6%
7	5,220	5,220	0.0%	2,383	2,626	10.2%	7,603	7,846	3.2%
8	3,089	2,918	-5.5%	2,063	1,850	-10.3%	5,152	4,768	-7.5%
9	4,417	4,657	5.4%	2,799	2,886	3.1%	7,216	7,543	4.5%
10	4,947	4,918	-0.6%	1,763	1,815	2.9%	6,710	6,733	0.3%
11	2,967	3,574	20.5%	1,413	1,500	6.2%	4,380	5,074	15.8%
12	6,534	6,491	-0.7%	3,574	3,699	3.5%	10,108	10,190	0.8%
13	8,230	8,584	4.3%	5,157	5,015	-2.8%	13,387	13,599	1.6%
14	6,882	6,990	1.6%	3,088	3,201	3.7%	9,970	10,191	2.2%
15	13,927	13,953	0.2%	5,803	6,058	4.4%	19,730	20,011	1.4%
16	5,681	5,515	-2.9%	3,508	3,608	2.9%	9,189	9,123	-0.7%
17	2,597	2,981	14.8%	1,539	1,650	7.2%	4,136	4,631	12.0%
18	1,712	1,510	-11.8%	4,245	4,656	9.7%	5,957	6,166	3.5%
19	7,993	7,126	-10.8%	13,964	14,398	3.1%	21,957	21,524	-2.0%
20	3,086	3,000	-2.8%	5,035	5,064	0.6%	8,121	8,064	-0.7%
21	3,749	3,685	-1.7%	898	896	-0.2%	4,647	4,581	-1.4%
22	6,338	6,127	-3.3%	2,065	1,854	-10.2%	8,403	7,981	-5.0%
23	5,378	5,091	-5.3%	3,236	3,049	-5.8%	8,614	8,140	-5.5%
24	5,061	5,302	4.8%	3,062	3,120	1.9%	8,123	8,422	3.7%
25	5,862	5,830	-0.5%	2,816	2,881	2.3%	8,678	8,711	0.4%
26	8,984	8,474	-5.7%	3,987	3,871	-2.9%	12,971	12,345	-4.8%
27	8,627	8,837	2.4%	3,113	3,242	4.1%	11,740	12,079	2.9%
28	4,005	4,581	14.4%	1,435	1,400	-2.4%	5,440	5,981	9.9%
29	6,443	7,827	21.5%	1,617	1,642	1.5%	8,060	9,469	17.5%
30	5,556	6,303	13.4%	1,508	1,547	2.6%	7,064	7,850	11.1%
31	5,283	4,518	-14.5%	4,628	4,733	2.3%	9,911	9,251	-6.7%
Totals	180,198	180,825	0.3%	108,209	108,553	0.3%	288,407	289,378	0.3%
Urban	83,074	81,204	-2.3%	64,425	64,039	-0.6%	147,499	145,243	-1.5%
Rural	97,124	99,621	2.6%	43,784	44,514	1.7%	140,908	144,135	2.3%

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Trends in Commenced Civil Cases



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Trends in Commenced Criminal Cases
(Cases in thousands)

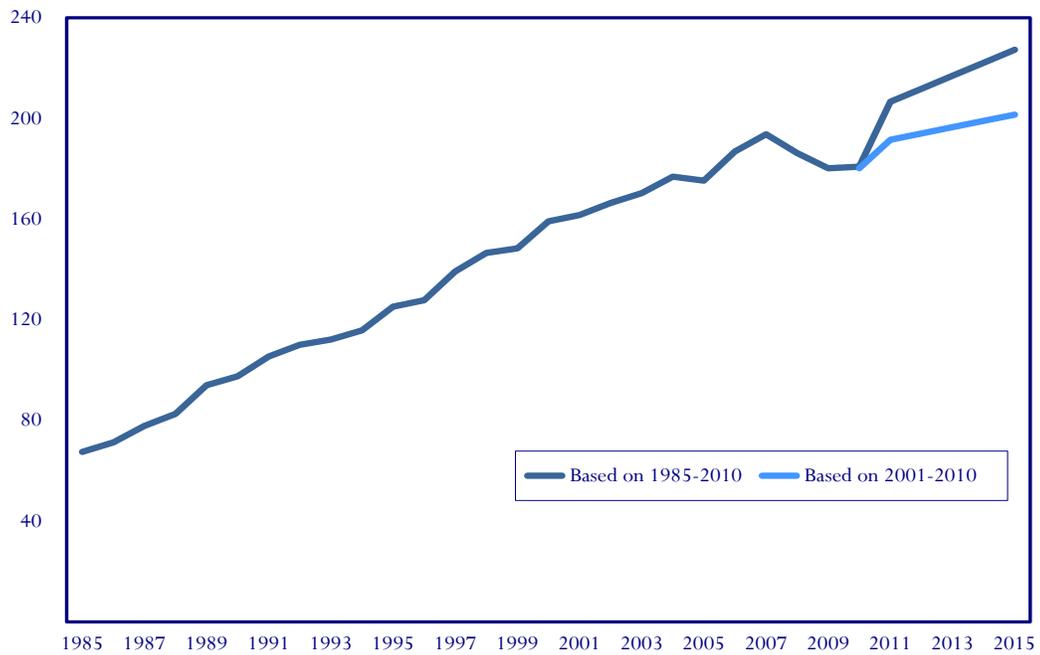


Table 11

Circuit Courts

Trial Rates 2001 - 2010

Year	Civil Cases Commenced	Civil Cases Concluded	Cases Concluded by Judge Trial	Cases Concluded by Jury Trial	Total Cases Concluded by Trial
2001	107,578	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
2010	108,533	101,172	23,678	576	24,254

Year	Percent of Cases Concluded by Judge Trial	Percent of Cases Concluded by Jury Trial	Percent of Cases Concluded by Trial	Juries Impaneled Law	Juries Impaneled Equity	Total Civil Juries
2001	18.5%	1.1%	19.60%	1,615	16	1,631
2002	19.5%	1.1%	20.59%	1,352	17	1,369
2003	20.1%	0.9%	21.08%	1,189	7	1,196
2004	20.4%	0.8%	21.26%	1,061	10	1,071
2005	20.6%	0.7%	21.30%	980	10	990
2006	22.3%	0.7%	23.00%	873	5	878
2007	22.8%	0.7%	23.53%	766	9	775
2008	22.8%	0.6%	23.44%	799	-	799
2009	22.5%	0.6%	23.09%	812	-	812
2010	23.4%	0.6%	23.97%	805	-	805

Year	Criminal Cases Commenced	Criminal Cases Concluded	Cases Concluded by Judge Trial	Cases Concluded by Jury Trial	Total Cases Concluded by Trial
2001	161,648	160,299	55,709	2,555	58,264
2002	166,389	164,846	55,342	2,482	57,824
2003	170,299	165,301	54,571	2,156	56,727
2004	176,873	172,090	54,180	2,173	56,353
2005	175,264	170,701	51,581	2,297	53,878
2006	186,892	182,416	54,378	2,502	56,880
2007	193,705	188,332	56,049	2,926	58,975
2008	186,261	188,824	57,760	2,688	60,448
2009	180,198	183,630	54,398	2,948	57,346
2010	180,825	178,191	52,238	2,882	55,120

Year	Percent of Cases Concluded by Judge Trial	Percent of Cases Concluded by Jury Trial	Percent of Cases Concluded by Trial	Juries Impaneled Felony	Juries Impaneled Misdemeanor	Total Criminal Juries
2001	34.8%	1.6%	36.35%	1,202	200	1,402
2002	33.6%	1.5%	35.08%	1,139	195	1,334
2003	33.0%	1.3%	34.32%	1,023	170	1,193
2004	31.5%	1.3%	32.75%	994	203	1,197
2005	30.2%	1.3%	31.56%	982	190	1,172
2006	29.8%	1.4%	31.18%	1,019	204	1,223
2007	29.8%	1.6%	31.31%	850	171	1,021
2008	30.6%	1.4%	32.01%	1,061	208	1,269
2009	29.6%	1.6%	31.23%	1,085	180	1,265
2010	29.3%	1.6%	30.93%	985	218	1,203

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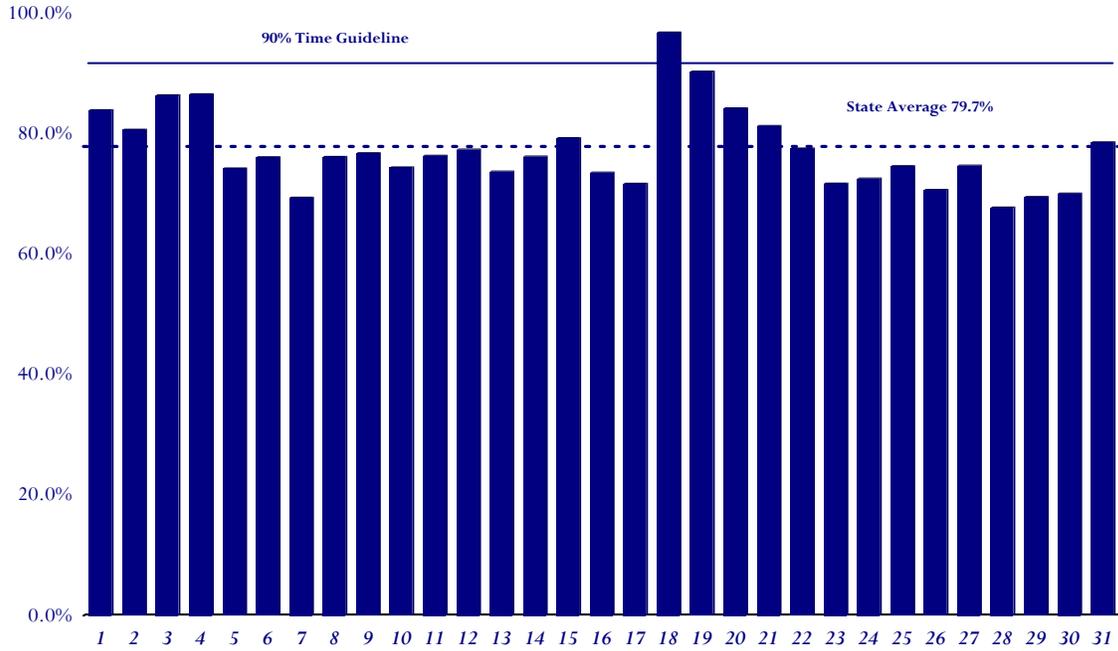
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Circuit Courts
2010 Age of Concluded Cases

Circuit	CIVIL CASES				CRIMINAL CASES			
	% Concluded Within 12 Months of Filing				% Tried/Adjudicated Within Time Frame Specified			
	Excluding Purged and Divorce Cases	Rank	All Civil Cases	Rank	FELONIES Tried/Adjudicated Within 120 Days of Arrest	Rank	MISDEMEANORS Tried/Adjudicated Within 60 Days of Arrest	Rank
1	83.9%	6	73.8%	19	56.8%	4	59.2%	6
2	80.7%	8	74.8%	12	35.2%	27	50.6%	14
3	86.4%	4	85.8%	4	55.6%	5	60.4%	5
4	86.6%	3	86.5%	3	54.1%	6	32.3%	31
5	74.2%	21	74.6%	13	48.6%	12	45.4%	17
6	76.1%	17	69.3%	27	43.4%	20	35.5%	28
7	69.4%	30	74.6%	14	26.6%	30	44.3%	19
8	76.1%	16	78.6%	7	45.6%	16	57.3%	9
9	76.8%	13	71.3%	23	44.2%	17	39.8%	24
10	74.4%	20	73.9%	16	43.0%	21	36.7%	26
11	76.3%	14	64.9%	31	47.9%	13	58.7%	8
12	77.4%	12	76.5%	8	44.0%	18	54.1%	12
13	73.7%	22	68.9%	28	46.7%	15	61.3%	3
14	76.2%	15	73.2%	21	48.8%	11	51.3%	13
15	79.3%	9	73.8%	18	36.5%	26	36.5%	27
16	73.5%	23	73.9%	17	35.2%	28	33.7%	29
17	71.7%	26	71.5%	22	49.1%	10	33.2%	30
18	96.8%	1	99.1%	1	96.0%	1	73.2%	2
19	90.3%	2	89.5%	2	70.5%	3	76.4%	1
20	84.2%	5	80.2%	5	43.5%	19	44.6%	18
21	81.3%	7	76.0%	10	49.5%	9	43.6%	20
22	77.5%	11	80.2%	6	72.3%	2	60.8%	4
23	71.7%	25	68.4%	30	52.2%	7	59.0%	7
24	72.6%	24	74.9%	11	41.0%	23	47.5%	15
25	74.6%	19	74.3%	15	39.0%	24	42.9%	21
26	70.7%	27	76.3%	9	36.6%	25	41.8%	22
27	74.7%	18	68.5%	29	32.3%	29	39.2%	25
28	67.7%	31	69.5%	26	47.9%	14	47.0%	16
29	69.5%	29	73.6%	20	49.8%	8	56.0%	11
30	70.1%	28	69.7%	25	42.6%	22	40.5%	23
31	78.6%	10	70.5%	24	19.7%	31	56.5%	10
State	79.6%		77.9%		45.2%		48.6%	
Urban	82.3%		80.6%		48.2%		53.8%	
Rural	75.9%		73.9%		43.0%		43.1%	

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Circuit Courts

2010 Percent of Civil Cases* Concluded Within 12 Months of Filing
 (In Circuit Order)



*Excludes Divorce and Purged Cases

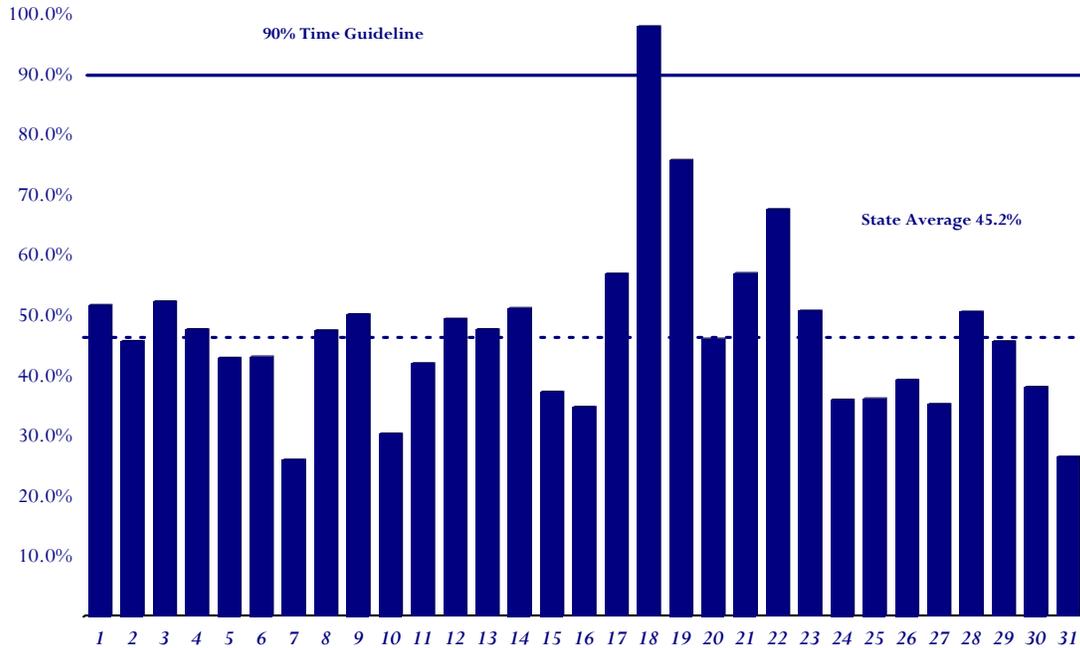
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Circuit Courts

2010 Percent of Felony Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within 120 Days of Arrest*

(In Circuit Order)

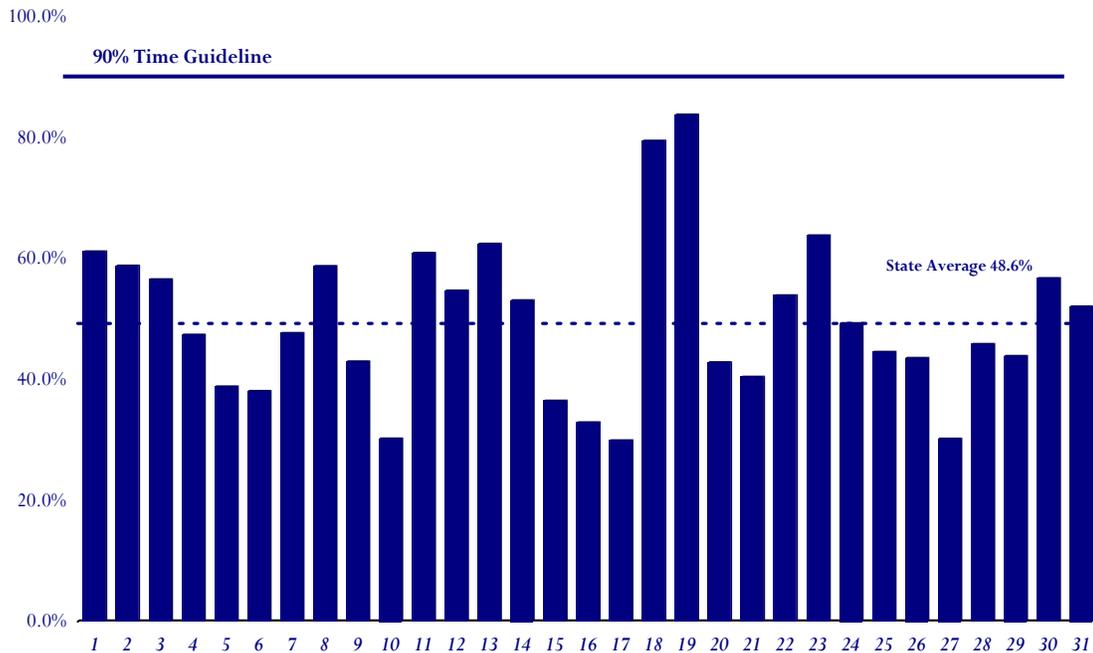


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Circuit Courts

2010 Percent of Misdemeanor Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within 60 Days of Arrest/Filing*

(In Circuit Order)



*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
 2001-2010 Age of Concluded Civil Cases

Civil Cases (Excludes Divorce Cases Only)

Percent of Cases Concluded Within Specified Time Frames

Time Interval	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
00-03 Months	35.1%	36.0%	36.9%	36.9%	37.5%	38.5%	38.9%	38.5%	39.4%	37.9%
04-06 Months	14.1%	13.7%	14.3%	14.3%	14.7%	14.9%	14.7%	14.4%	16.2%	18.6%
07-12 Months	18.0%	17.9%	17.4%	17.5%	17.5%	17.6%	17.4%	16.7%	17.0%	18.5%
13-18 Months	9.1%	8.9%	8.8%	8.8%	8.9%	9.0%	9.0%	8.8%	7.7%	8.4%
19-24 Months	5.3%	4.6%	4.7%	4.7%	4.6%	4.6%	4.4%	4.3%	4.0%	4.2%
25-36 Months	5.9%	5.6%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.6%	5.4%	5.2%	4.7%	4.1%
37-48 Months	4.7%	5.6%	6.7%	6.5%	6.1%	5.5%	5.2%	5.4%	4.1%	4.2%
49-60 Months	2.6%	3.1%	2.6%	2.5%	2.5%	1.9%	2.0%	2.7%	2.2%	1.8%
60+ Months	5.3%	4.7%	3.6%	3.5%	3.0%	2.5%	2.9%	4.0%	4.6%	2.4%
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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
State	67.2%	67.6%	68.5%	68.7%	69.7%	71.0%	71.0%	69.5%	72.6%	74.9%

Civil Cases (Includes All Civil Cases)

Percent of Cases Concluded Within Specified Time Frames

Time Interval	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
00-03 Months	38.3%	39.0%	39.0%	39.0%	39.9%	41.3%	42.0%	41.5%	43.0%	42.9%
04-06 Months	16.1%	15.6%	15.8%	15.9%	16.3%	16.3%	16.1%	15.5%	16.7%	18.3%
07-12 Months	16.4%	16.3%	16.4%	16.4%	16.2%	16.3%	16.1%	15.6%	15.7%	16.6%
13-18 Months	8.3%	8.2%	8.5%	8.3%	8.3%	8.3%	8.3%	8.3%	7.3%	7.6%
19-24 Months	4.8%	4.2%	4.3%	4.2%	4.2%	4.0%	4.0%	3.9%	3.7%	3.7%
25-36 Months	5.2%	5.2%	4.8%	4.8%	4.8%	5.2%	4.8%	4.6%	4.3%	3.6%
37-48 Months	4.2%	5.1%	5.1%	5.9%	5.5%	4.9%	4.6%	4.8%	3.8%	3.6%
49-60 Months	2.2%	2.5%	2.2%	2.3%	2.3%	1.7%	1.7%	2.3%	1.9%	1.6%
60+ Months	4.4%	4.0%	3.9%	3.3%	2.7%	2.1%	2.4%	3.4%	3.8%	2.0%
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	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
State	70.9%	70.9%	71.3%	71.2%	72.4%	73.8%	74.3%	72.7%	75.3%	77.9%

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.

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Table 14
Circuit Courts
2001-2010 Age of Concluded Criminal Cases

<i>Felony Cases</i>										
<i>Percent of Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within Specified Time Frames</i>										
Time Interval	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
00-60 Days	24.0%	24.7%	25.4%	23.6%	22.7%	21.9%	22.6%	22.0%	22.2%	21.7%
61-90 Days	11.2%	12.3%	12.7%	12.2%	12.0%	11.3%	11.4%	11.9%	11.2%	11.3%
91-120 Days	12.6%	13.1%	13.4%	13.4%	12.4%	12.0%	12.0%	12.5%	12.0%	12.1%
121-150 Days	10.4%	10.6%	10.9%	11.1%	10.4%	10.4%	10.7%	10.6%	10.5%	10.7%
151-180 Days	8.5%	8.4%	8.8%	8.6%	8.5%	8.8%	8.7%	9.0%	8.8%	8.7%
181-270 Days	16.6%	15.3%	14.5%	15.5%	16.4%	17.0%	16.1%	15.5%	15.9%	16.5%
271-365 Days	6.8%	6.5%	5.7%	6.3%	7.4%	7.4%	8.2%	7.3%	7.3%	7.8%
365+ Days	9.9%	9.1%	8.6%	9.3%	10.1%	11.2%	10.3%	11.2%	12.2%	11.2%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
<i>Percent of Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within 120 Days of Arrest</i>										
Time Interval	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
State	47.8%	50.1%	51.5%	49.3%	47.1%	45.2%	46.0%	46.4%	45.3%	45.2%
<i>Percent of Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within 180 Days of Arrest</i>										
Time Interval	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2009	2010
State	66.7%	69.1%	71.2%	69.0%	66.1%	64.4%	65.4%	66.0%	64.6%	64.6%
<i>Misdemeanor Cases</i>										
<i>Percent of Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within Specified Time Frames</i>										
Time Interval	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
00-60 Days	52.9%	53.0%	53.2%	51.4%	48.0%	48.4%	48.3%	49.3%	50.7%	48.6%
61-90 Days	16.9%	17.5%	17.7%	18.0%	17.5%	17.4%	17.5%	16.2%	16.3%	17.1%
91-120 Days	9.5%	9.2%	9.5%	9.5%	10.0%	9.9%	10.3%	10.2%	10.0%	10.6%
121-150 Days	5.7%	5.7%	5.7%	5.2%	5.9%	5.8%	6.2%	6.6%	5.8%	6.3%
151-180 Days	3.2%	3.2%	3.0%	3.1%	3.9%	3.8%	3.9%	4.0%	3.6%	3.7%
181-270 Days	4.8%	5.1%	5.0%	5.8%	6.5%	6.4%	6.5%	5.9%	6.0%	6.4%
271-365 Days	2.2%	2.0%	1.8%	2.3%	2.5%	2.5%	2.6%	2.8%	2.7%	2.7%
365+ Days	4.8%	4.4%	4.0%	4.7%	5.7%	5.7%	4.8%	5.1%	4.8%	4.6%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
<i>Percent of Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within 60 Days of Arrest</i>										
Time Interval	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
State	52.9%	53.0%	53.2%	51.4%	48.0%	48.4%	48.3%	49.3%	50.7%	48.6%
<i>Percent of Cases Tried/Adjudicated Within 90 Days of Arrest</i>										
Time Interval	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
State	69.8%	70.5%	71.0%	69.4%	65.5%	65.8%	65.8%	65.5%	67.0%	65.7%

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.

Table 15

Circuit Courts

2010 Commenced Caseload by Circuit with State Rankings

Circuit	Judges	Civil Total	State Rank	Civil Cases/ Judge	State Rank	Criminal Total	State Rank	Criminal Cases/ Judge	State Rank	Total Cases Commenced	
										Cases/ Judge	State Rank
1	5.00	2,538	20	508	25	6,248	12	1,250	15	1,757	22
2	10.00	6,759	3	676	14	9,927	2	993	24	1,669	25
3	5.00	2,917	16	583	21	4,460	23	892	26	1,475	28
4	9.00	6,948	2	772	6	9,140	3	1,016	22	1,788	21
5	3.00	1,752	24	584	20	3,841	24	1,280	14	1,864	18
6	2.00	1,378	30	689	13	3,197	27	1,599	7	2,288	6
7	4.00	2,626	19	657	15	5,220	17	1,305	12	1,962	15
8	4.00	1,850	22	463	29	2,918	30	730	29	1,192	31
9	4.00	2,886	17	722	10	4,657	20	1,164	19	1,886	17
10	3.00	1,815	23	605	19	4,918	19	1,639	6	2,244	7
11	3.00	1,500	28	500	26	3,574	26	1,191	18	1,691	23
12	5.00	3,699	10	740	8	6,491	10	1,298	13	2,038	11
13	7.00	5,015	6	716	12	8,584	5	1,226	17	1,943	16
14	5.00	3,201	13	640	17	6,990	9	1,398	11	2,038	10
15	8.00	6,058	4	757	7	13,953	1	1,744	4	2,501	2
16	5.00	3,608	11	722	9	5,515	15	1,103	20	1,825	20
17	3.00	1,650	25	550	22	2,981	29	994	23	1,544	26
18	3.00	4,656	8	1,552	1	1,510	31	503	30	2,055	9
19	15.00	14,398	1	960	3	7,126	8	475	31	1,435	29
20	4.00	5,064	5	1,266	2	3,000	28	750	28	2,016	12
21	3.00	896	31	299	31	3,685	25	1,228	16	1,527	27
22	4.00	1,854	21	464	28	6,127	13	1,532	8	1,995	13
23	6.00	3,049	15	508	24	5,091	18	849	27	1,357	30
24	5.00	3,120	14	624	18	5,302	16	1,060	21	1,684	24
25	4.00	2,881	18	720	11	5,830	14	1,458	10	2,178	8
26	5.00	3,871	9	774	5	8,474	6	1,695	5	2,469	3
27	5.00	3,242	12	648	16	8,837	4	1,767	3	2,416	4
28	3.00	1,400	29	467	27	4,581	21	1,527	9	1,994	14
29	4.00	1,642	26	411	30	7,827	7	1,957	2	2,367	5
30	3.00	1,547	27	516	23	6,303	11	2,101	1	2,617	1
31	5.00	4,733	7	947	4	4,518	22	904	25	1,850	19
Total	154.00	108,553		705		180,825		1,174		1,879	

Table 16
Circuit Courts
*2010 Cases Commenced Per Judge**

Circuit	Judges	1 & 2 Felony	Other Felony	Misde- meanor	Criminal Total*	Civil Total*	Grand Total*
1	5.00	7	820	422	1,250	508	1,757
2	10.00	5	519	468	993	676	1,669
3	5.00	4	562	326	892	583	1,475
4	9.00	0	637	379	1,016	772	1,788
5	3.00	12	992	277	1,280	584	1,864
6	2.00	9	1,097	494	1,599	689	2,288
7	4.00	0	697	608	1,305	657	1,962
8	4.00	4	458	268	730	463	1,192
9	4.00	6	714	444	1,164	722	1,886
10	3.00	7	1,286	346	1,639	605	2,244
11	3.00	14	846	331	1,191	500	1,691
12	5.00	4	807	487	1,298	740	2,038
13	7.00	27	842	358	1,226	716	1,943
14	5.00	0	867	531	1,398	640	2,038
15	8.00	15	1,117	613	1,744	757	2,501
16	5.00	4	777	322	1,103	722	1,825
17	3.00	2	799	193	994	550	1,544
18	3.00	22	326	155	503	1,552	2,055
19	15.00	5	268	202	475	960	1,435
20	4.00	7	507	236	750	1,266	2,016
21	3.00	7	802	420	1,228	299	1,527
22	4.00	36	1,019	477	1,532	464	1,995
23	6.00	4	580	265	849	508	1,357
24	5.00	4	759	298	1,060	624	1,684
25	4.00	60	1,064	333	1,458	720	2,178
26	5.00	6	1,231	458	1,695	774	2,469
27	5.00	3	1,382	382	1,767	648	2,416
28	3.00	4	1,290	232	1,527	467	1,994
29	4.00	3	1,559	395	1,957	411	2,367
30	3.00	6	1,290	805	2,101	516	2,617
31	5.00	11	539	353	904	947	1,850
State Average	154.00	9	787	379	1,174	705	1,879
Urban Average					944	745	1,689
Rural Average					1,465	655	2,120

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

*Figures may not sum to total due to rounding

Table 17

Circuit Courts

*2010 Cases Concluded Per Judge**

Circuit	Judges	1 & 2 Felony	Other Felony	Misde- meanor	Criminal Total*	Civil Total*	Grand Total*
1	5.00	5	723	382	1,111	581	1,692
2	10.00	6	544	500	1,051	611	1,661
3	5.00	5	555	311	871	496	1,367
4	9.00	0	592	353	946	746	1,692
5	3.00	18	1,064	278	1,359	564	1,924
6	2.00	10	1,121	446	1,347	514	1,861
7	4.00	40	727	579	1,077	361	1,438
8	4.00	7	458	214	678	355	1,033
9	4.00	6	696	414	1,115	661	1,776
10	3.00	7	1,200	335	1,543	553	2,096
11	3.00	9	867	329	1,358	608	1,965
12	5.00	6	875	491	1,372	721	2,093
13	7.00	18	825	366	1,058	624	1,682
14	5.00	1	882	522	1,405	628	2,032
15	8.00	12	1,150	570	1,732	697	2,430
16	5.00	5	800	344	1,149	628	1,778
17	3.00	3	674	187	648	355	1,003
18	3.00	22	349	158	529	1,450	1,979
19	15.00	3	285	173	461	932	1,393
20	4.00	10	535	215	761	1,081	1,842
21	3.00	4	826	433	1,262	321	1,584
22	4.00	28	1,031	452	1,510	465	1,975
23	6.00	3	622	263	888	502	1,390
24	5.00	4	728	282	1,014	580	1,594
25	4.00	41	1,044	298	1,383	642	2,026
26	5.00	8	1,271	451	1,731	747	2,478
27	5.00	6	1,406	381	1,794	637	2,431
28	3.00	4	1,224	230	1,458	481	1,938
29	4.00	7	1,474	396	1,877	337	2,214
30	3.00	4	1,083	731	1,818	459	2,278
31	5.00	13	583	289	885	800	1,685
State Average	154.00	9	785	363	1,135	644	1,779
Urban Average							1,582
Rural Average							2,048

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Table 18
Circuit Courts
*2010 Pending Cases Per Judge**

Circuit	Judge	Civil	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	State Rank
1	5.00	842	590	309	1,741	15
2	10.00	800	341	104	1,245	26
3	5.00	2,288	350	140	2,779	2
4	9.00	377	534	192	1,103	29
5	3.00	434	783	197	1,415	19
6	2.00	1,147	783	256	2,185	9
7	4.00	3,239	554	359	4,151	1
8	4.00	1,062	348	195	1,605	17
9	4.00	983	382	212	1,576	18
10	3.00	1036	1,112	274	2,422	6
11	3.00	720	401	117	1,238	27
12	5.00	574	407	169	1,150	28
13	7.00	827	488	93	1,408	20
14	5.00	726	366	215	1,306	24
15	8.00	1,119	736	357	2,213	8
16	5.00	1,530	674	224	2,427	5
17	3.00	715	813	168	1,696	16
18	3.00	274	62	67	403	31
19	15.00	1,395	179	234	1,808	13
20	4.00	1,234	435	132	1,801	14
21	3.00	200	359	208	767	30
22	4.00	437	592	294	1,323	22
23	6.00	848	355	107	1,309	23
24	5.00	657	436	156	1,248	25
25	4.00	1,272	837	258	2,367	7
26	5.00	692	881	247	1,821	12
27	5.00	923	896	244	2,062	10
28	3.00	542	706	88	1,336	21
29	4.00	796	907	162	1,865	11
30	3.00	674	1,172	607	2,453	4
31	5.00	1,572	618	403	2,593	3
State Average	154.00	996	535	215	1,746	
Urban Average					1,679	
Rural Average					1,831	

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Table 19
Circuit Courts
2010 Juries Impaneled and Jury Days Per Judge

Circuit	Judges	JURIES IMPANELED				JURY DAYS			
		Civil	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*	Civil	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
1	5.00	4	4	1	9	7	10	1	18
2	10.00	3	4	0	7	6	10	0	17
3	5.00	5	9	3	16	13	11	3	27
4	9.00	7	6	1	14	12	14	1	27
5	3.00	6	10	0	16	7	16	0	22
6	2.00	2	9	0	12	4	14	0	18
7	4.00	3	5	0	8	8	6	0	15
8	4.00	2	8	1	10	4	11	1	16
9	4.00	4	5	1	10	6	6	1	13
10	3.00	2	6	1	8	2	10	2	14
11	3.00	6	12	2	20	10	15	2	27
12	5.00	11	3	1	15	15	6	1	22
13	7.00	8	6	1	15	10	7	2	18
14	5.00	8	5	1	15	10	8	1	19
15	8.00	4	13	3	21	6	15	4	25
16	5.00	7	9	3	18	10	13	3	25
17	3.00	4	7	5	16	9	16	5	31
18	3.00	6	5	2	13	11	10	2	22
19	15.00	8	7	2	17	18	18	2	39
20	4.00	8	13	4	25	16	21	5	41
21	3.00	1	5	0	6	1	6	0	7
22	4.00	7	8	1	16	10	11	1	22
23	6.00	5	2	1	8	7	4	1	12
24	5.00	5	6	1	11	6	10	1	17
25	4.00	3	4	2	8	3	4	2	8
26	5.00	7	4	3	14	12	6	3	21
27	5.00	2	4	1	6	3	6	1	10
28	3.00	1	7	0	8	1	8	0	10
29	4.00	0	6	1	7	0	9	1	10
30	3.00	1	3	2	5	1	4	2	7
31	5.00	9	5	2	16	19	10	2	32
State Average		5	6	1	13	9	10	2	21
Urban Average					13				
Rural Average					12				

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Table 20
Circuit Court
Judges
 As of December 31, 2010

Circuit	Judge	Term
1	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	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	10/1/2010 - 9/30/2018
	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	James A. Cales Jr.	2/1/2005 - 1/31/2013
	James C. Hawks	7/1/2006 - 6/30/2014
	Kenneth R. Melvin	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2018
	Johnny E. Morrison	2/1/2007 - 1/31/2015
	Dean W. Sword Jr.	7/1/2007 - 6/30/2015
4	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	6/1/2010 - 5/31/2018
	Louis Allen Sherman	2/1/2009 - 1/31/2017
Norman A. Thomas	5/1/2004 - 4/30/2012	
5	Rodham T. Delk Jr.	3/16/2009 - 3/15/2017
	Carl Edward Eason Jr.	2/1/2003 - 1/31/2011
6	Samuel E. Campbell	6/1/2003 - 5/31/2011
	W. Allan Sharrett	7/1/2004 - 6/30/2012
7	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 20 (continued)

Circuit	Judge	Term
8	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	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	Richard S. Blanton	4/1/2003 - 3/31/2011
	Joel C. Cunningham	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2018
	Leslie M. Osborn	4/1/2008 - 3/31/2016
11	Pamela S. Baskervill	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2017
	James F. D'Alton Jr.	7/1/2008 - 6/30/2016
12	Michael C. Allen	4/1/2008 - 3/31/2016
	Harold W. Burgess Jr.	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2018
	Herbert Cogbill Gill Jr.	9/1/2003 - 8/31/2011
	Timothy J. Hauler	7/1/2009 - 6/30/2017
	Frederick G. Rockwell III	5/1/2010 - 4/30/2018
13	Bradley B. Cavado	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
	Beverly W. Snukals	4/1/2010 - 3/31/2016
	Margaret P. Spencer	8/1/2006 - 7/31/2014
	Walter W. Stout III	8/1/2010 - 7/13/2018
	Richard D. Taylor Jr.	2/1/2003 - 1/31/2011
14	Daniel T. Balfour	4/1/2004 - 3/31/2012
	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	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
	Charles S. Sharp	2/1/2009 - 1/31/2017
	Harry T. Taliaferro III	5/1/2009 - 4/30/2017
	Gordon F. Willis	4/1/2007 - 3/31/2015
16	John G. Berry	8/1/2008 - 7/31/2016
	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

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Table 20 (continued)

Circuit	Judge	Term
17	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	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	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
	Michael F. Devine	4/1/2010 - 3/31/2018
	Brett A. Kassabian	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2018
	Charles James Maxfield	2/1/2007 - 1/31/2015
	R. Terrence Ney	2/1/2007 - 1/31/2015
	Lorraine Nordlund	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2018
	Jane Marum Roush	7/1/2009 - 6/30/2017
	David Stanford Schell	2/1/2009 - 1/31/2017
	Dennis J. Smith	6/1/2003 - 5/31/2011
	Robert J. Smith	2/1/2008 - 1/31/2016
	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	
20	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	Martin F. Clark Jr.	5/1/2003 - 4/30/2011
	G. Carter Greer	3/1/2005 - 2/28/2013
	David V. Williams	3/1/2006 - 2/28/2014
22	William N. Alexander II	3/16/2010 - 3/15/2018
	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	Jonathan M. Apgar	4/1/2005 - 3/31/2013
	William D. Broadhurst	11/1/2010 - 10/31/2018
	Robert P. Doherty Jr.	3/1/2003 - 2/28/2011
	Charles N. Dorsey	7/1/2010 - 6/30/2018
	James R. Swanson	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2017
	Clifford R. Weckstein	2/1/2003 - 1/31/2011
24	John T. Cook	6/1/2008 - 5/31/2016
	J. Michael Gamble	3/1/2007 - 2/28/2015
	Mosby Garland Perrow III	7/1/2005 - 6/30/2013
	James W. Updike Jr.	4/1/2006 - 3/31/2014

Table 20 (continued)

Circuit	Judge	Term
25	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	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	Brett L. Geisler	4/1/2003 - 3/31/2011
	Colin R. Gibb	7/1/2010 - 6/30/2018
	Josiah T. Showalter Jr.	4/1/2006 - 3/31/2014
	Robert M. D. Turk	7/1/2008 - 6/30/2016
28	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	Teresa M. Chafin	3/1/2005 - 2/28/2013
	Patrick R. Johnson	5/1/2008 - 4/30/2016
	Michael Lee Moore	4/1/2010 - 3/31/2018
	Henry A. Vanover	4/1/2010 - 3/31/2018
30	John C. Kilgore	7/1/2003 - 6/30/2011
	Tammy S. McElyea	4/1/2005 - 3/31/2013
31	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	
JUDGES	148

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Table 20 (continued)

Circuit Court Judges Leaving the Bench in 2010

	Circuit	
Honorable Westbrook J. Parker	5	Retired June 30, 2010
Honorable Thomas V. Warren	11	Retired January 31, 2010
Honorable Horace A. Revercomb III	15	Retired February 28, 2010
Honorable Stanley P. Klein	19	Retired March 31, 2010
Honorable J. Leyburn Mosby Jr.	24	Retired January 31, 2010
Honorable Ray Wilson Grubbs	27	Retired February 28, 2010
Honorable Joseph R. Carico	30	Resigned September 16, 2010

Circuit Court Judges Taking the Bench in 2010

	Circuit	
Honorable Michael F. Devine	19	Effective April 1, 2010
Honorable Brett A. Kassabian	19	Effective February 1, 2010
Honorable Lorraine Nordlund	19	Effective February 1, 2010

*Chief Judges of the Commonwealth of Virginia
As of December 31, 2010*

Circuit		Circuit	
1	V. Thomas Forehand Jr.	17	William T. Newman Jr.
2	Frederick B. Lowe	18	Donald M. Haddock
3	James C. Hawks	19	Dennis J. Smith
4	Everett A. Martin Jr.	20	Thomas D. Horne
5	Rodham T. Delk Jr.	21	David V. Williams
6	W. Allan Sharrett	22	Joseph W. Milam Jr.
7	H. Vincent Conway Jr.	23	William D. Broadhurst
8	Wilford Taylor Jr.	24	Mosby Garland Perrow III
9	Thomas B. Hoover	25	Humes J. Franklin Jr.
10	Richard S. Blanton	26	James V. Lane
11	James F. D'Alton Jr.	27	Colin R. Gibb
12	Harold W. Burgess Jr.	28	C. Randall Lowe
13	Richard D. Taylor Jr.	29	Patrick R. Johnson
14	Catherine C. Hammond	30	Tammy S. McElyea
15	Gordon F. Willis	31	Lon Edward Farris
16	Cheryl V. Higgins		





2010 The Judiciary's Year in Review

Virginia

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.

Statistical Summary

The court case filing information for the last two years is summarized in Table 21. The detailed information for the year is included in this section.

Table 21
General District Courts
2009-2010 Percent Change in Caseloads

District	New Cases			Hearings		
	2009	2010	Percent Change	2009	2010	Percent Change
1	89,367	88,837	-0.6%	106,093	105,367	-0.7%
2	204,289	194,372	-4.9%	203,461	191,290	-6.0%
2A	29,340	30,470	3.9%	27,673	27,566	-0.4%
3	45,373	47,446	4.6%	59,750	63,281	5.9%
4	151,288	134,256	-11.3%	161,039	163,274	1.4%
5	63,577	62,683	-1.4%	79,893	75,316	-5.7%
6	117,151	124,573	6.3%	112,433	117,210	4.2%
7	93,160	95,023	2.0%	114,088	115,245	1.0%
8	79,511	73,890	-7.1%	102,775	94,149	-8.4%
9	89,816	85,303	-5.0%	94,382	94,265	-0.1%
10	69,818	68,385	-2.1%	80,348	76,505	-4.8%
11	74,422	70,739	-4.9%	85,309	82,042	-3.8%
12	124,473	131,250	5.4%	147,735	157,278	6.5%
13	193,192	175,013	-9.4%	218,374	213,404	-2.3%
14	124,617	132,397	6.2%	137,294	144,615	5.3%
15	223,868	201,654	-9.9%	244,815	222,537	-9.1%
16	130,901	121,191	-7.4%	127,333	115,339	-9.4%
17	75,811	79,075	4.3%	76,270	79,304	4.0%
18	36,588	36,275	-0.9%	45,837	42,561	-7.1%
19	374,288	331,962	-11.3%	347,241	311,580	-10.3%
20	119,123	107,834	-9.5%	102,335	93,336	-8.8%
21	27,888	25,188	-9.7%	28,375	27,486	-3.1%
22	53,308	49,921	-6.4%	64,260	60,063	-6.5%
23	113,621	106,565	-6.2%	140,932	120,927	-14.2%
24	91,486	86,400	-5.6%	102,894	98,654	-4.1%
25	97,114	94,227	-3.0%	105,447	95,969	-9.0%
26	133,239	131,603	-1.2%	140,785	139,849	-0.7%
27	129,774	127,427	-1.8%	137,545	132,161	-3.9%
28	57,471	59,170	3.0%	59,611	59,834	0.4%
29	39,917	37,396	-6.3%	69,190	64,861	-6.3%
30	31,111	29,023	-6.7%	41,699	41,187	-1.2%
31	135,069	126,444	-6.4%	156,079	148,112	-5.1%
Total	3,419,971	3,265,992	-4.5%	3,721,295	3,574,567	-3.9%
Urban	1,840,647	1,752,805	-4.8%	2,016,968	1,950,387	-3.3%
Rural	1,579,324	1,513,187	-4.3%	1,704,327	1,624,180	-4.7%

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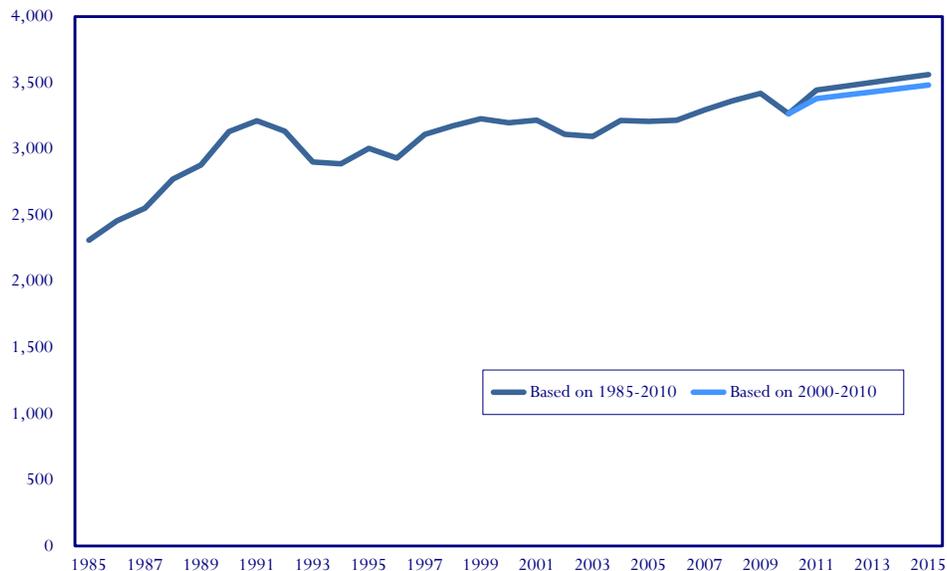
Table 22
General District Courts
 2001-2010 Historical Summary

Year	Judges	Percent Change	New Cases	Percent Change	Hearings	Percent Change	Cases Concluded	Percent Change
2001	123	1.7%	3,217,050	0.6%	3,324,782	-2.6%	3,266,051	0.3%
2002	123	0.0%	3,110,484	-3.3%	3,280,663	-1.3%	3,157,329	-3.3%
2003	123	0.0%	3,094,199	-0.5%	3,350,029	2.1%	3,152,011	-0.2%
2004	123	0.0%	3,215,144	3.9%	3,480,930	3.9%	3,253,176	3.2%
2005	124	0.8%	3,208,161	-0.2%	3,497,664	0.5%	3,240,659	-0.4%
2006	127	2.4%	3,216,627	0.3%	3,568,761	2.0%	3,235,054	-.2%
2007	127	0.0%	3,294,759	2.4%	3,621,217	1.5%	3,314,096	2.4%
2008	127	0.0%	3,363,593	2.1%	3,667,553	1.3%	3,385,946	2.2%
2009	127	0.0%	3,419,971	1.7%	3,721,295	1.5%	3,437,902	1.5%
2010	120*	-5.5%	3,265,992	-4.5%	3,574,567	-3.9%	3,289,278	-4.3%

*Funded positions as of July 1, 2011.

Year	Criminal Cases		Traffic Cases		Civil Cases	
	Cases Commenced	Percent Change	Cases Commenced	Percent Change	Cases Commenced	Percent Change
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%
2010	385,633	0.0%	2,046,254	-3.2%	834,105	-9.3%

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General District Courts
 Trends in New Cases
 (Cases in Thousands)



GENERAL DISTRICT COURTS

Table 23
General District Courts
2010 Caseload Statistics

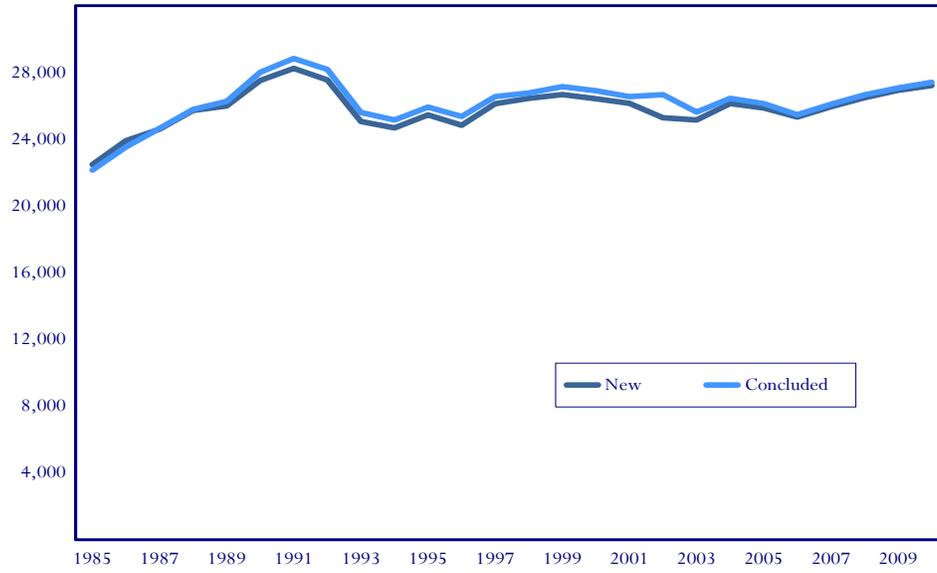
District	Judges	New Cases				Total Hearings	Percent Change	Cases**/ Judge	Hearings/ Judge
		Criminal	Traffic**	Civil	Total**				
2A	1.00	2,257	13,929	5,668	21,854	27,566	-0.4%	21,854	27,566
5	3.00	6,146	26,938	15,607	48,691	75,316	-5.7%	16,230	25,105
6	3.00	5,618	66,678	9,585	81,881	117,210	4.2%	27,294	29,303
9	3.00	10,118	36,312	19,825	66,255	94,265	-0.1%	22,085	31,422
10	3.00	8,021	31,043	13,006	52,070	76,505	-4.8%	17,357	25,502
11	2.00	7,824	34,176	12,856	54,856	82,042	-3.8%	27,428	41,021
15	6.00	24,254	76,944	51,668	152,866	222,537	-9.1%	25,478	37,090
16	4.00	12,949	41,362	33,138	87,449	115,339	-9.4%	21,862	28,835
20	4.00	9,082	41,506	17,720	68,308	93,336	-8.8%	17,077	23,334
21	2.00	3,455	8,964	8,300	20,719	27,486	-3.1%	10,360	13,743
22	2.00	11,000	18,094	12,192	41,286	60,063	-6.5%	20,643	30,032
24	4.00	13,268	31,094	22,630	66,992	98,654	-4.1%	16,748	24,664
25	4.00	10,020	39,660	16,634	66,314	95,969	-9.0%	16,579	20,419
26	4.00	17,652	48,647	32,747	99,046	139,849	-0.7%	24,762	32,523
27	4.00	16,413	55,197	16,088	87,698	132,161	-3.9%	21,925	26,432
28	2.00	7,263	26,557	6,451	40,271	59,834	0.4%	20,136	29,917
29	2.00	8,530	16,965	7,201	32,696	64,861	-6.3%	16,348	32,431
30	2.00	6,286	12,731	3,984	23,001	41,187	-1.2%	11,501	20,594
Rural	55.00	180,156	626,797	305,300	1,112,253	1,624,180	-4.7%	20,223	29,531
1	4.00	10,963	31,379	30,673	73,015	105,367	-0.7%	18,254	26,342
2	6.00	21,386	61,556	79,086	162,028	191,290	-6.0%	27,005	27,327
3	3.00	8,464	14,876	18,611	41,951	63,281	5.9%	13,984	21,094
4	6.00	20,429	44,345	54,237	119,011	163,274	1.4%	19,835	27,212
7	4.00	15,271	29,495	39,658	84,424	115,245	1.0%	21,106	28,811
8	3.00	9,923	28,184	24,263	62,370	94,149	-8.4%	20,790	31,383
12	4.00	14,499	58,633	33,170	106,302	157,278	6.5%	26,576	39,320
13	7.00	21,831	57,253	82,344	161,428	213,404	-2.3%	23,061	26,676
14	4.00	12,159	56,781	40,767	109,707	144,615	5.3%	27,427	36,154
17	3.00	5,874	38,040	8,841	52,755	79,304	4.0%	17,585	19,826
18	2.00	5,206	12,301	9,962	27,469	42,561	-7.1%	13,735	21,281
19	10.00	26,217	144,512	46,905	217,634	311,580	-10.3%	21,763	28,325
23	5.00	17,522	42,327	27,441	87,290	120,927	-14.2%	17,458	24,185
31	4.00	15,733	49,985	32,847	98,565	148,112	-5.1%	24,641	37,028
Urban	65.00	205,477	669,667	528,805	1,403,949	1,950,387	-3.3%	21,599	30,006
Total	120.00	385,633	1,296,464	834,105	2,516,202	3,574,567	-3.9%	20,968	29,788

** Caseloads have been adjusted and do not include Prepaid Traffic Infractions.

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General District Courts

1985-2010 New and Concluded Cases Per Judge



GENERAL DISTRICT COURTS

Table 24

General District Courts

2010 New Caseload by District with State Rankings

District	Judges	Total Cases**	State Rank	Total Hearings	State Rank	Cases**/ Judge	State Rank
1	4.00	73,015	15	105,367	15	18,254	20
2	6.00	162,028	2	191,290	4	27,005	4
2A	1.00	21,854	31	27,566	31	21,854	13
3	3.00	41,951	25	63,281	26	13,984	29
4	6.00	119,011	5	163,274	5	19,835	19
5	3.00	48,691	24	75,316	24	16,230	28
6	3.00	81,881	14	117,210	12	27,294	3
7	4.00	84,424	13	115,245	14	21,106	15
8	3.00	62,370	20	94,149	19	20,790	16
9	3.00	66,255	19	94,265	18	22,085	10
10	3.00	52,070	23	76,505	23	17,357	23
11	2.00	54,856	21	82,042	21	27,428	1
12	4.00	106,302	7	157,278	6	26,576	5
13	7.00	161,428	3	213,404	3	23,061	9
14	4.00	109,707	6	144,615	8	27,427	2
15	6.00	152,866	4	222,537	2	25,478	6
16	4.00	87,449	11	115,339	13	21,862	12
17	3.00	52,755	22	79,304	22	17,585	21
18	2.00	27,469	29	42,561	29	13,735	30
19	10.00	217,634	1	311,580	1	21,763	14
20	4.00	68,308	16	93,336	20	17,077	24
21	2.00	20,719	32	27,486	32	10,360	32
22	2.00	41,286	26	60,063	27	20,643	17
23	5.00	87,290	12	120,927	11	17,458	22
24	4.00	66,992	17	98,654	16	16,748	25
25	4.00	66,314	18	95,969	17	16,579	26
26	4.00	99,046	8	139,849	9	24,762	7
27	4.00	87,698	10	132,161	10	21,925	11
28	2.00	40,271	27	59,834	28	20,136	18
29	2.00	32,696	28	64,861	25	16,348	27
30	2.00	23,001	30	41,187	30	11,501	31
31	4.00	98,565	9	148,112	7	24,641	8
Total	120.00	2,516,202		3,574,567		20,968	
State Average						20,968	
Urban Average						21,599	
Rural Average						20,223	

** Caseloads have been adjusted and do not include Prepaid Traffic Infractions.

Table 25

General District Courts

2010 New Criminal Caseload by District with State Rankings

District	New Criminal Cases	State Rank	Criminal Hearings Held	State Rank	Criminal Cases Per Judge	State Rank	Criminal Hearings Per Judge	State Rank
1	10,963	16	29,244	14	2,741	21	7,311	17
2	21,386	4	41,026	5	3,055	18	5,861	24
2A	2,257	32	4,549	32	2,257	27	4,549	29
3	8,464	22	19,985	23	2,821	20	6,662	21
4	20,429	5	48,356	4	3,405	11	8,059	11
5	6,146	27	15,732	28	2,049	29	5,244	27
6	5,618	29	16,155	26	1,405	32	4,039	30
7	15,271	10	38,729	7	3,818	7	9,682	5
8	9,923	19	28,784	15	3,308	14	9,595	6
9	10,118	17	22,923	18	3,373	12	7,641	13
10	8,021	23	17,471	24	2,674	23	5,824	25
11	7,824	24	21,802	21	3,912	6	10,901	2
12	14,499	11	35,920	10	3,625	9	8,980	7
13	21,831	3	59,650	2	2,729	22	7,456	14
14	12,159	14	28,557	16	3,040	19	7,139	19
15	24,254	2	52,435	3	4,042	4	8,739	8
16	12,949	13	29,398	13	3,237	16	7,350	16
17	5,874	28	15,378	29	1,469	31	3,845	31
18	5,206	30	12,041	30	2,603	24	6,021	23
19	26,217	1	67,008	1	2,383	25	6,092	22
20	9,082	20	21,965	20	2,271	26	5,491	26
21	3,455	31	6,815	31	1,728	30	3,408	32
22	11,000	15	21,617	22	5,500	1	10,809	3
23	17,522	7	33,582	11	3,504	10	6,716	20
24	13,268	12	29,477	12	3,317	13	7,369	15
25	10,020	18	22,386	19	2,132	28	4,763	28
26	17,652	6	37,135	8	4,105	3	8,636	9
27	16,413	8	35,929	9	3,283	15	7,186	18
28	7,263	25	16,790	25	3,632	8	8,395	10
29	8,530	21	25,349	17	4,265	2	12,675	1
30	6,286	26	16,049	27	3,143	17	8,025	12
31	15,733	9	39,997	6	3,933	5	9,999	4
Total	385,633		912,234					
State Average					3,036		7,183	

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Table 26

General District Courts

*2010 New Traffic Caseload** by District with State Rankings*

District	New Traffic Cases**	State Rank	Traffic Hearings Held	State Rank	Traffic Cases Per Judge	State Rank	Traffic Hearings Per Judge**	State Rank
1	31,379	21	52,216	18	7,845	25	13,054	23
2	61,556	5	95,147	4	10,259	17	13,592	21
2A	13,929	27	19,153	31	13,929	6	19,153	8
3	14,876	30	31,302	27	4,959	31	10,434	31
4	44,345	16	73,806	11	7,391	27	12,301	27
5	26,938	23	48,396	24	8,979	21	16,132	16
6	66,678	3	94,434	5	22,226	1	23,609	3
7	29,495	24	51,914	19	7,374	28	12,979	24
8	28,184	25	48,716	23	9,395	19	16,239	15
9	36,312	17	60,349	15	12,104	13	20,116	7
10	31,043	20	49,987	22	10,348	15	16,662	13
11	34,176	19	51,233	21	17,088	2	25,617	1
12	58,633	6	98,007	3	14,658	3	24,502	2
13	57,253	12	91,385	6	8,179	24	11,423	28
14	56,781	9	89,004	7	14,195	5	22,251	4
15	76,944	2	132,062	2	12,824	9	22,010	5
16	41,362	11	63,961	13	10,341	16	15,990	17
17	38,040	14	57,170	17	12,680	10	14,293	20
18	12,301	29	22,604	29	6,151	30	11,302	29
19	144,512	1	207,951	1	14,451	4	18,905	10
20	41,506	8	57,218	16	10,377	14	14,305	19
21	8,964	32	15,154	32	4,482	32	7,577	32
22	18,094	26	30,426	28	9,047	20	15,213	18
23	42,327	15	66,049	12	8,465	23	13,210	22
24	31,094	18	51,245	20	7,774	26	12,811	26
25	39,660	13	60,933	14	9,915	18	12,964	25
26	48,647	7	76,378	10	12,162	12	17,762	11
27	55,197	4	84,292	8	13,799	7	16,858	12
28	26,557	22	38,287	25	13,279	8	19,144	9
29	16,965	28	32,933	26	8,483	22	16,467	14
30	12,731	31	21,637	30	6,366	29	10,819	30
31	49,985	10	81,844	9	12,496	11	20,461	6
Total	1,296,464		2,055,193					
State Average					16,112		16,183	

** Caseloads have been adjusted and do not include Prepaid Traffic Infractions.

Table 27

General District Courts

2010 New Civil Caseload by District with State Rankings

District	New Civil Cases	State Rank	Civil Hearings Held	State Rank	Civil Cases Per Judge	State Rank	Civil Hearings Per Judge	State Rank
1	30,673	12	23,907	10	7,668	11	5,977	9
2	79,086	2	55,117	2	11,298	1	7,874	1
2A	5,668	31	3,864	31	5,668	17	3,864	19
3	18,611	17	11,994	18	6,204	15	3,998	17
4	54,237	3	41,112	3	9,040	5	6,852	3
5	15,607	21	11,188	20	5,202	20	3,729	20
6	9,585	26	6,621	27	2,396	30	1,655	32
7	39,658	7	24,602	9	9,915	4	6,151	7
8	24,263	14	16,649	15	8,088	10	5,550	11
9	19,825	16	10,993	21	6,608	13	3,664	21
10	13,006	22	9,047	22	4,335	23	3,016	25
11	12,856	23	9,007	23	6,428	14	4,504	13
12	33,170	8	23,351	11	8,293	7	5,838	10
13	82,344	1	62,369	1	10,293	2	7,796	2
14	40,767	6	27,054	6	10,192	3	6,764	4
15	51,668	4	38,040	4	8,611	6	6,340	6
16	33,138	9	21,980	12	8,285	8	5,495	12
17	8,841	27	6,756	26	2,210	31	1,689	31
18	9,962	25	7,916	25	4,981	21	3,958	18
19	46,905	5	36,621	5	4,264	24	3,329	23
20	17,720	18	14,153	16	4,430	22	3,538	22
21	8,300	28	5,517	29	4,150	25	2,759	26
22	12,192	24	8,020	24	6,096	16	4,010	16
23	27,441	13	21,296	13	5,488	19	4,259	15
24	22,630	15	17,932	14	5,658	18	4,483	14
25	16,634	19	12,650	17	3,539	27	2,691	27
26	32,747	11	26,336	7	7,616	12	6,125	8
27	16,088	20	11,940	19	3,218	29	2,388	28
28	6,451	30	4,757	30	3,226	28	2,379	29
29	7,201	29	6,579	28	3,601	26	3,290	24
30	3,984	32	3,501	32	1,992	32	1,751	30
31	32,847	10	26,271	8	8,212	9	6,568	5
Total	834,105		607,140					
State Average					6,568		4,781	

Table 28
General District Courts
Judges
As of December 31, 2010

District	Judge	Term
1	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
2	Calvin R. Depew Jr.	7/1/2005 - 6/30/2011
	Steven C. Frucci	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2015
	Teresa N. Hammons	4/1/2010 - 3/31/2016
	Pamela E. Hutchens	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2015
	Robert L. Simpson Jr.	3/1/2009 - 2/28/2015
	Gene A. Woolard	6/1/2010 - 5/31/2016
3	Roxie O. Holder	10/1/2006 - 9/30/2012
	Douglas B. Ottinger	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2016
	Morton V. Whitlow	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2016
4	S. Clark Daugherty	5/1/2006 - 4/30/2012
	Ray W. Dezern Jr.	1/1/2008 - 12/31/2013
	Gwendolyn J. Jackson	3/1/2009 - 2/28/2015
	James S. Mathews	5/1/2010 - 4/30/2016
	Joseph A. Migliozi	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2016
	Bruce A. Wilcox	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2015
5	W. Parker Council	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	Stephen D. Bloom	2/1/2008 - 1/31/2014
	Theodore J. Burr Jr.	7/1/2007 - 6/30/2013
	J. Larry Palmer	4/1/2006 - 3/31/2012
7	Richard C. Kerns	7/1/2006 - 6/30/2012
	Alfred O. Masters Jr.	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2015
	Gary A. Mills	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2015
	Bryant L. Sugg	7/1/2009 - 6/30/2015
8	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	Colleen K. Killilea	11/1/2009 - 10/31/2015
	Michael E. McGinty	7/1/2007 - 6/30/2013
	Jeffrey W. Shaw	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2016
10	Charles H. Warren	4/16/2010 - 4/15/2016
	J. William Watson Jr.	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2016
	Robert G. Woodson Jr.	6/1/2007 - 5/31/2013
11	Lucretia A. Carrico	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2016
	Paul W. Cella	8/1/2007 - 7/31/2013

Table 28 (continued)

District	Judge	Term
12	Philip V. Daffron	4/1/2006 - 3/31/2012
	Thomas L. Murphey	7/1/2006 - 6/30/2012
	Pamela O'Berry	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2015
	Thomas L. Vaughn	7/1/2006 - 6/30/2012
13	David Eugene Cheek Sr.	7/1/2010 - 6/30/2016
	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
	Robert A. Pustilnik	5/1/2008 - 4/30/2014
	Gregory L. Rupe	2/1/2009 - 1/31/2015
Joi Jeter Taylor	4/16/2010 - 4/15/2016	
14	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	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. Tribble	7/1/2005 - 6/30/2011
	Gordon A. Wilkins	4/1/2005 - 3/31/2011
16	William G. Barkley	5/1/2008 - 4/30/2014
	Edward K. Carpenter	6/1/2010 - 5/31/2016
	Robert H. Downer Jr.	6/1/2007 - 5/31/2013
	Roger L. Morton	2/1/2005 - 1/31/2011
17	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	Donald M. Haddock Jr.	5/1/2008 - 4/30/2014
	Becky J. Moore	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2016
19	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	4/1/2010 - 3/31/2016
	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	5/1/2010 - 4/30/2016
	Ian M. O'Flaherty	7/1/2008 - 6/30/2014
	Mark C. Simmons	4/1/2006 - 3/31/2012
20	J. Frank BATTERY Jr.	7/1/2006 - 6/30/2012
	Julia Taylor Cannon	4/1/2010 - 3/31/2016
	Dean S. Worcester	3/1/2008 - 2/28/2014
21	R. Morgan Armstrong	7/1/2007 - 6/30/2013
	Edwin A. Gendron Jr.	3/1/2005 - 2/28/2011

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Table 28 (continued)

District	Judge	Term
22	George A. Jones Jr.	4/1/2006 - 3/31/2012
	M. Lee Stilwell Jr.	3/1/2010 - 2/28/2016
23	Francis W. Burkart III	11/1/2008 - 10/31/2014
	J. Christopher Clemens	2/1/2009 - 1/31/2015
	M. Frederick King	4/1/2005 - 3/31/2011
	Vincent A. Lilley	7/1/2006 - 6/30/2012
	Jacqueline F. Ward Talevi	2/1/2009 - 1/31/2015
24	Harold A. Black	4/1/2010 - 3/31/2016
	R. Edwin Burnette Jr.	8/1/2007 - 7/31/2013
	Joseph M. Serkes	2/1/2006 - 1/31/2012
	F. Patrick Yeatts	4/1/2007 - 3/31/2013
25	Louis K. Campbell	7/1/2006 - 6/30/2012
	William D. Heatwole	7/1/2005 - 6/30/2011
	John Gregory Mooney	2/16/2007 - 2/15/2013
	Gordon F. Saunders	7/1/2010 - 6/30/2016
26	Richard A. Claybrook Jr.	3/1/2009 - 2/28/2015
	W. Dale Houff	4/16/2006 - 4/15/2012
	Amy B. Tisinger	7/1/2009 - 6/30/2015
	David Shaw Whitacre	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2015
27	J. D. Bolt	7/1/2006 - 6/30/2012
	Randal J. Duncan	5/1/2010 - 4/30/2016
	R. Glennwood Lookabill	4/1/2006 - 3/31/2012
	Edward M. Turner III	3/1/2010 - 2/28/2016
	Gino W. Williams	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2015
28	Sage B. Johnson	2/1/2006 - 1/31/2012
	Joseph S. Tate	9/1/2010 - 8/31/2016
29	Jack S. Hurley Jr.	7/1/2005 - 6/30/2011
	Richard C. Patterson	4/1/2009 - 3/31/2015
30	Chadwick S. Dotson	2/1/2007 - 1/31/2013
	R. Larry Lewis	3/1/2009 - 2/28/2015
31	Charles F. Sievers	7/1/2005 - 6/30/2011
	Steven S. Smith	2/1/2010 - 1/31/2016
	Peter W. Steketee	7/1/2005 - 6/30/2011
	Wenda K. Travers	10/1/2008 - 9/30/2014
32	Gordon S. Vincent	7/1/2006 - 6/30/2012

**TOTAL
JUDGES** **121**

Table 28 (continued)

General District Court Judges Leaving the Bench in 2010

	District	
Honorable Kenneth Wilson Nye	6	Retired January 31, 2010
Honorable Lorraine Nordlund	19	Elected to Circuit Court February 1, 2010
Honorable Charles B. Foley	20	Retired February 28, 2010

*Chief Judges of the Commonwealth of Virginia
As of December 31, 2010*

District		District	
1	Colon H. Whitehurst	17	Richard J. McCue
2	Gene A. Woolard	18	Becky J. Moore
3	Roxie O. Holder	19	Donald P. McDonough
4	Bruce A. Wilcox	20	Dean S. Worcester
5	James A. Moore	21	R. Morgan Armstrong
6	J. Larry Palmer	22	George A. Jones Jr.
7	Richard C. Kerns	23	Jacqueline F. Ward Talevi
8	M. Woodrow Griffin Jr.	24	Joseph M. Serkes
9	Michael E. McGinty	25	Richard A. Claybrook, Jr.
10	Robert G. Woodson Jr.	26	W. Dale Houff
11	Paul W. Cella	27	Gino W. Williams
12	Thomas L. Murphey	28	Joseph S. Tate
13	Robert A. Pustilnik	29	Jack S. Hurley Jr.
14	Archer L. Yeatts	30	Chadwick S. Dotson
15	Frank L. Benser	31	Charles F. Sievers
16	Robert H. Downer Jr.	32	Gordon S. Vincent



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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

Statistical Summary

The court case filing information for the last two years is summarized in Table 29. The detailed information for the year is included in this section.

Table 29

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts 2009-2010 Percent Change in Caseloads

District	New Cases			Hearings		
	2009	2010	Percent Change	2009	2010	Percent Change
1	14,320	14,167	-1.1%	34,928	34,702	-0.6%
2	29,918	29,052	-2.9%	68,730	64,600	-6.0%
2A	3,775	3,097	-18.0%	7,541	6,213	-17.6%
3	11,891	12,181	2.4%	26,551	26,959	1.5%
4	21,705	23,060	6.2%	53,641	55,965	4.3%
5	8,840	9,211	4.2%	21,417	21,561	0.7%
6	8,644	8,590	-0.6%	21,804	21,986	0.8%
7	14,388	14,110	-1.9%	37,848	36,375	-3.9%
8	11,303	12,936	14.4%	28,640	30,523	6.6%
9	14,745	14,396	-2.4%	32,751	33,318	1.7%
10	13,499	12,818	-5.0%	30,646	30,078	-1.9%
11	10,935	9,689	-11.4%	26,205	24,538	-6.4%
12	24,215	23,790	-1.8%	52,388	51,576	-1.5%
13	16,635	16,662	0.2%	41,541	41,115	-1.0%
14	22,478	21,557	-4.1%	55,383	52,309	-5.6%
15	38,518	36,279	-5.8%	83,416	79,454	-4.7%
16	21,327	20,292	-4.9%	53,518	52,651	-1.6%
17	4,907	4,871	-0.7%	12,735	13,191	3.6%
18	5,639	5,275	-6.5%	12,189	12,619	3.5%
19	28,537	26,662	-6.6%	58,246	57,127	-1.9%
20	12,455	12,112	-2.8%	29,865	28,533	-4.5%
21	8,703	8,535	-1.9%	18,659	19,019	1.9%
22	14,295	13,888	-2.8%	32,088	31,305	-2.4%
23	18,786	18,022	-4.1%	45,926	43,427	-5.4%
24	22,100	21,469	-2.9%	48,583	48,122	-0.9%
25	18,007	17,992	-0.1%	38,594	39,094	1.3%
26	25,148	24,712	-1.7%	51,869	52,180	0.6%
27	19,439	18,962	-2.5%	41,849	42,253	1.0%
28	10,469	9,957	-4.9%	23,823	22,272	-6.5%
29	10,293	9,939	-3.4%	25,979	24,944	-4.0%
30	7,766	7,839	0.9%	20,895	20,967	0.3%
31	19,311	20,169	4.4%	47,449	49,071	3.4%
Total	512,991	502,291	-2.1%	1,185,697	1,168,047	-1.5%
Urban	244,033	242,514	-0.6%	576,195	566,161	-1.7%
Rural	268,958	259,777	-3.4%	609,502	601,886	-1.2%

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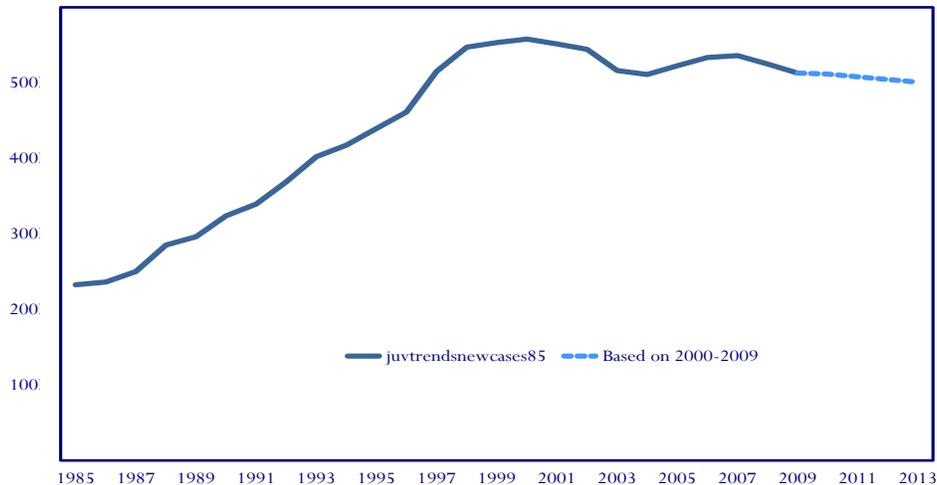
Table 30
Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
 2001-2010 Historical Summary

Year	Judges	Percent Change	New Cases	Percent Change	Hearings	Percent Change	Cases Concluded	Percent Change
2001	110	1.9%	551,510	-1.2%	1,211,734	-1.4%	570,989	0.4%
2002	110	0.0%	544,376	-1.3%	1,206,353	-0.4%	575,084	0.7%
2003	110	0.0%	516,309	-5.2%	1,169,081	-3.1%	543,931	-5.4%
2004	110	0.0%	511,078	-1.0%	1,154,381	-1.3%	524,124	-3.6%
2005	113	2.7%	522,621	2.3%	1,186,473	2.8%	539,837	3.0%
2006	117	3.5%	533,546	2.1%	1,217,689	2.6%	540,421	0.1%
2007	117	0.0%	536,114	0.5%	1,233,961	1.3%	540,234	0.0%
2008	117	0.0%	525,029	-2.1%	1,217,147	-1.4%	534,434	-1.1%
2009	117	0.0%	512,991	-2.3%	1,185,697	-2.6%	519,514	-2.8%
2010	116	-0.9%	502,291	-2.1%	1,168,047	-1.5%	509,720	-1.9%

*Funded positions as of July 1, 2011.

Year	Juvenile Cases		Domestic Relations Cases	
	Cases Commenced	Percent Change	Cases Commenced	Percent Change
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	.3%
2006	284,048	2.6%	249,498	1.5%
2007	282,585	-.5%	253,529	1.6%
2008	281,438	-.4%	243,591	-3.9%
2009	269,727	-4.2%	243,264	-.1%
2010	256,290	-5.0%	246,001	1.1%

Display 13
Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
 Trends in New Cases
 (Cases in Thousands)



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Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
1985-2010 New and Concluded Cases Per Judge

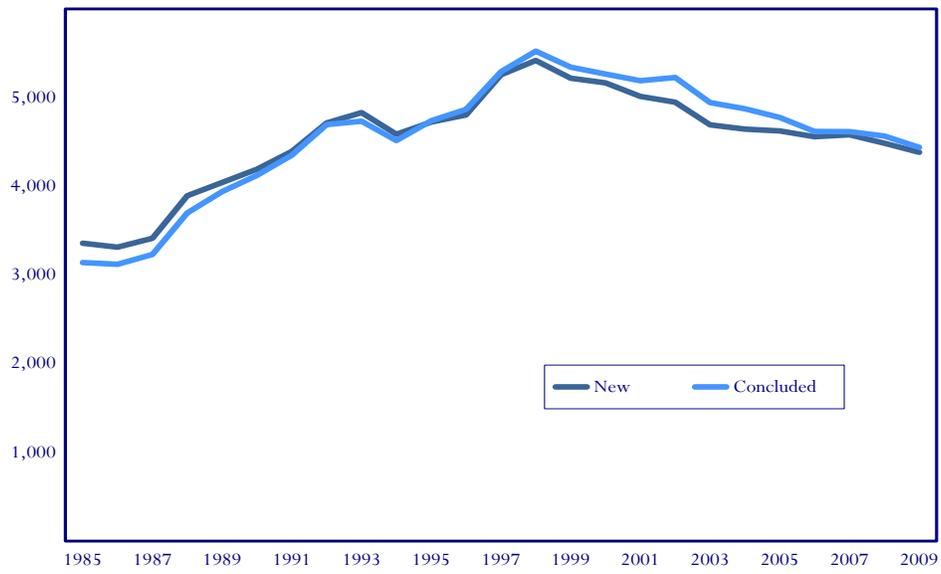


Table 31

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts

2010 Caseload Statistics

New Cases

District	Judges	Juvenile	Domestic Relations	Total	Percent Change	Total Hearings	Percent Change	Cases/Judge	Hearings/Judge
2A	1.00	1,534	1,563	3,097	-18.0%	6,213	-17.6%	3,097	6,213
5	2.00	4,090	5,121	9,211	4.2%	21,561	0.7%	4,606	10,781
6	2.00	4,168	4,422	8,590	-0.6%	21,986	0.8%	4,295	10,993
9	3.00	8,205	6,191	14,396	-2.4%	33,318	1.7%	4,799	11,106
10	3.00	5,770	7,048	12,818	-5.0%	30,078	-1.9%	4,273	10,026
11	2.00	4,487	5,202	9,689	-11.4%	24,538	-6.4%	4,845	12,269
15	7.00	20,456	15,823	36,279	-5.8%	79,454	-4.7%	5,183	11,351
16	4.00	10,126	10,166	20,292	-4.9%	52,651	-1.6%	5,073	13,163
20	3.00	6,627	5,485	12,112	-2.8%	28,533	-4.5%	4,037	9,511
21	2.00	3,349	5,186	8,535	-1.9%	19,019	1.9%	4,268	9,510
22	3.00	6,125	7,763	13,888	-2.8%	31,305	-2.4%	4,629	10,435
24	5.00	10,797	10,672	21,469	-2.9%	48,122	-0.9%	4,294	9,624
25	4.00	9,399	8,593	17,992	-0.1%	39,094	1.3%	4,498	9,774
26	5.00	13,482	11,230	24,712	-1.7%	52,180	0.6%	4,942	10,436
27	4.00	10,011	8,951	18,962	-2.5%	42,253	1.0%	4,741	10,563
28	2.00	5,757	4,200	9,957	-4.9%	22,272	-6.5%	4,979	11,136
29	2.00	5,291	4,648	9,939	-3.4%	24,944	-4.0%	4,970	12,472
30	2.00	4,201	3,638	7,839	0.9%	20,967	0.3%	3,920	10,484
Rural	56.00	133,875	125,902	259,777	-3.4%	598,488	-1.8%	4,639	10,687
1	3.00	7,236	6,931	14,167	-1.1%	34,702	-0.6%	4,722	11,567
2	7.00	14,914	14,138	29,052	-2.9%	64,600	-6.0%	4,150	9,229
3	3.00	5,535	6,646	12,181	2.4%	26,959	1.5%	4,060	8,986
4	5.00	9,268	13,792	23,060	6.2%	55,965	4.3%	4,612	11,193
7	4.00	6,661	7,449	14,110	-1.9%	36,375	-3.9%	3,528	9,094
8	3.00	6,274	6,662	12,936	14.4%	30,523	6.6%	4,312	10,174
12	5.00	12,927	10,863	23,790	-1.8%	51,576	-1.5%	4,758	10,315
13	5.00	7,869	8,793	16,662	0.2%	41,115	-1.0%	3,332	8,223
14	4.00	10,922	10,635	21,557	-4.1%	52,309	-5.6%	5,389	13,077
17	2.00	3,281	1,590	4,871	-0.7%	13,191	3.6%	2,436	6,596
18	2.00	3,311	1,964	5,275	-6.5%	12,619	3.5%	2,638	6,310
19	8.00	15,194	11,468	26,662	-6.6%	57,127	-1.9%	3,333	7,141
23	4.00	8,205	9,817	18,022	-4.1%	43,427	-5.4%	4,506	10,857
31	5.00	10,818	9,351	20,169	4.4%	49,071	3.4%	4,034	9,814
Urban	60.00	122,415	120,099	242,514	-0.6%	569,559	-1.2%	4,042	9,493
Total	116.00	256,290	246,001	502,291	-2.1%	1,168,047	-1.5%	4,330	10,069

Table 32

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts

2010 New Caseload by District with State Rankings

District	Judges	Total Cases	State Rank	Total Hearings	State Rank	Cases/Judge	State Rank
1	3	14,167	16	34,702	16	4,722	11
2	7	29,052	2	64,600	2	4,150	22
2A	1	3,097	32	6,213	32	3,097	30
3	3	12,181	21	26,959	22	4,060	23
4	5	23,060	6	55,965	4	4,612	13
5		9,211	26	21,561	27	4,606	14
6	2	8,590	27	21,986	26	4,295	18
7	4	14,110	17	36,375	15	3,528	27
8	3	12,936	19	30,523	19	4,312	17
9	3	14,396	15	33,318	17	4,799	8
10	3	12,818	20	30,078	20	4,273	20
11	2	9,689	25	24,538	24	4,845	7
12	5	23,790	5	51,576	8	4,758	9
13	5	16,662	14	41,115	13	3,332	29
14	4	21,557	7	52,309	6	5,389	1
15	7	36,279	1	79,454	1	5,183	2
16	4	20,292	9	52,651	5	5,073	3
17	2	4,871	31	13,191	30	2,436	32
18	2	5,275	30	12,619	31	2,638	31
19	8	26,662	3	57,127	3	3,333	28
20	3	12,112	22	28,533	21	4,037	24
21	2	8,535	28	19,019	29	4,268	21
22	3	13,888	18	31,305	18	4,629	12
23	4	18,022	12	43,427	11	4,506	15
24	5	21,469	8	48,122	10	4,294	19
25	4	17,992	13	39,094	14	4,498	16
26	5	24,712	4	52,180	7	4,942	6
27	4	18,962	11	42,253	12	4,741	10
28	2	9,957	23	22,272	25	4,979	4
29	2	9,939	24	24,944	23	4,970	5
30	2	7,839	29	20,967	28	3,920	26
31	5	20,169	10	49,071	9	4,034	25
Total	116.00	502,291		1,168,047			
State Average						4,330	
Urban Average						4,042	
Rural Average						4,639	

Table 33

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
2010 New Juvenile Caseload by District with State Rankings

District	New Juvenile Cases	State Rank	Juvenile Hearings Held	State Rank	Juvenile Cases Per Judge	State Rank	Juvenile Hearings Per Judge	Juvenile Hearings Per Case
1	7,236	16	17,425	17	2,412	10	5,808	2.41
2	14,914	3	32,751	2	2,131	16	4,679	2.20
2A	1,534	32	2,829	32	1,534	32	2,829	1.84
3	5,535	23	11,437	24	1,845	26	3,812	2.07
4	9,268	12	21,069	11	1,854	25	4,214	2.27
5	4,090	28	9,350	28	2,045	21	4,675	2.29
6	4,168	27	10,568	27	2,084	19	5,284	2.54
7	6,661	17	17,963	16	1,665	28	4,491	2.70
8	6,274	19	13,525	20	2,091	18	4,508	2.16
9	8,205	13	18,888	13	2,735	3	6,296	2.30
10	5,770	21	13,463	21	1,923	23	4,488	2.33
11	4,487	25	10,758	26	2,244	12	5,379	2.40
12	12,927	5	28,370	5	2,585	7	5,674	2.19
13	7,869	15	18,010	15	1,574	31	3,602	2.29
14	10,922	6	25,488	8	2,731	4	6,372	2.33
15	20,456	1	43,760	1	2,922	1	6,251	2.14
16	10,126	9	25,795	7	2,532	8	6,449	2.55
17	3,281	31	8,742	29	1,641	30	4,371	2.66
18	3,311	30	7,979	30	1,656	29	3,990	2.41
19	15,194	2	31,824	3	1,899	24	3,978	2.09
20	6,627	18	15,348	18	2,209	13	5,116	2.32
21	3,349	29	6,428	31	1,675	27	3,214	1.92
22	6,125	20	14,611	19	2,042	22	4,870	2.39
23	8,205	14	18,791	14	2,051	20	4,698	2.29
24	10,797	8	22,136	9	2,159	15	4,427	2.05
25	9,399	11	19,653	12	2,350	11	4,913	2.09
26	13,482	4	28,430	4	2,696	5	5,686	2.11
27	10,011	10	21,288	10	2,503	9	5,322	2.13
28	5,757	22	12,016	23	2,879	2	6,008	2.09
29	5,291	24	12,582	22	2,646	6	6,291	2.38
30	4,201	26	10,925	25	2,101	17	5,463	2.60
31	10,818	7	26,468	6	2,164	14	5,294	2.45
Total	256,290		578,670					
State Average					2,209		4,989	

Table 34

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
 2010 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	6,931	18	17,277	16	2,310	11	5,759	2.49
2	14,138	2	31,849	3	2,020	23	4,550	2.25
2A	1,563	32	3,384	32	1,563	29	3,384	2.17
3	6,646	20	15,522	20	2,215	16	5,174	2.34
4	13,792	3	34,896	2	2,758	1	6,979	2.53
5	5,121	25	12,211	26	2,561	6	6,106	2.38
6	4,422	27	11,418	27	2,211	17	5,709	2.58
7	7,449	16	18,412	15	1,862	25	4,603	2.47
8	6,662	19	16,998	17	2,221	15	5,666	2.55
9	6,191	21	14,430	21	2,064	22	4,810	2.33
10	7,048	17	16,615	19	2,349	9	5,538	2.36
11	5,202	23	13,780	22	2,601	3	6,890	2.65
12	10,863	6	23,206	10	2,173	18	4,641	2.14
13	8,793	13	23,105	11	1,759	28	4,621	2.63
14	10,635	8	26,821	5	2,659	2	6,705	2.52
15	15,823	1	35,694	1	2,260	12	5,099	2.26
16	10,166	9	26,856	4	2,542	7	6,714	2.64
17	1,590	31	4,449	31	795	32	2,225	2.80
18	1,964	30	4,640	30	982	31	2,320	2.36
19	11,468	4	25,303	7	1,434	30	3,163	2.21
20	5,485	22	13,185	23	1,828	26	4,395	2.40
21	5,186	24	12,591	24	2,593	4	6,296	2.43
22	7,763	15	16,694	18	2,588	5	5,565	2.15
23	9,817	10	24,636	8	2,454	8	6,159	2.51
24	10,672	7	25,986	6	2,134	20	5,197	2.43
25	8,593	14	19,441	14	2,148	19	4,860	2.26
26	11,230	5	23,750	9	2,246	13	4,750	2.11
27	8,951	12	20,965	13	2,238	14	5,241	2.34
28	4,200	28	10,256	28	2,100	21	5,128	2.44
29	4,648	26	12,362	25	2,324	10	6,181	2.66
30	3,638	29	10,042	29	1,819	27	5,021	2.76
31	9,351	11	22,603	12	1,870	24	4,521	2.42
Total	246,001		589,377					
State Average					2,121		5,081	

Table 35

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
2010 Caseload Statistics by Detailed Case Type*

Juvenile Cases

	Hearing Results				Transactions	Hearings Held	Cases Concluded
	New Cases	Final Judgement	Waived/ CV/ Removed	Continued			
Abuse and Neglect	4,575	4,759	0	11,939	16,698	16,698	4,759
Capias	942	1,059	0	1,678	2,737	2,737	1,059
Child at Risk	952	1,021	0	2,052	3,073	3,073	1,021
Custody/Visitation	129,278	127,414	0	132,943	260,357	260,357	127,414
Delinquency Felony	13,342	14,469	7	45,215	59,691	59,684	14,476
Delinquency Misdemeanor	40,589	41,567	168	90,290	132,025	131,857	41,735
Emancipation	101	101	0	45	146	146	101
Entrustment Agreement	333	329	0	149	478	478	329
Foster Care Review	5,642	5,632	0	1,198	6,830	6,830	5,632
Initial FC Review	2,002	2,044	0	461	2,505	2,505	2,044
Judicial Bypass	54	54	0	3	57	57	54
Judicial Support	69	67	0	88	155	155	67
Paternity	3,121	3,084	0	3,058	6,142	6,142	3,084
Permanency Planning	2,817	2,869	0	844	3,713	3,713	2,869
Relief of Custody	260	248	0	174	422	422	248
Remand Custody	6,850	6,854	0	62	6,916	6,916	6,854
Remand Visitation	5,653	5,655	0	1	5,656	5,656	5,655
Show Cause	4,734	4,765	1	7,003	11,769	11,768	4,766
Status	11,987	11,826	95	17,434	29,355	29,260	11,921
Termination Parental Rights	1,625	1,623	0	1,878	3,501	3,501	1,623
Traffic	23,407	20,122	3,977	16,964	41,063	37,086	24,099
Total Juvenile	258,333	255,562	4,248	333,479	593,289	589,041	259,810

Domestic Relations Cases

	Hearing Results				Transactions	Hearings Held	Cases Concluded
	New Cases	Final Judgement	Waived/ CV/ Removed	Continued			
Capias	16,158	19,207	2	30,141	49,350	49,348	19,209
Civil Support	72,601	72,552	0	58,846	131,398	131,398	72,552
Criminal Support	267	217	0	180	397	397	217
Felonies	15,495	15,253	262	30,754	46,269	46,007	15,515
Misdemeanors	55,393	54,026	2	104,866	158,894	158,892	54,028
Other	2,506	2,484	0	1,419	3,903	3,903	2,484
Remand Support	4,617	4,618	0	11	4,629	4,629	4,618
Show Cause	60,427	62,338	0	100,282	162,620	162,620	62,338
Spousal Abuse	18,473	18,431	0	14,800	33,231	33,231	18,431
Total Domestic Relations	245,937	249,126	266	341,299	590,691	590,425	249,392
Total J&DR District	504,270	504,688	4,514	674,778	1,183,980	1,179,466	509,202

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Table 36

Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
2010 Age of Concluded Cases*

Juvenile Cases

	Days from Offense/File Date to Disposition Date							Total	%	Avg. Days
	0-30	31-60	61-90	91-180	181-365	365+				
Abuse and Neglect	1,130	651	1,459	684	610	252	4,786	1.8%	57	
Capias	276	180	118	150	154	139	1,017	0.4%	103	
Child at Risk	293	136	148	155	182	108	1,022	0.4%	89	
Custody/Visitation	22,904	26,126	21,242	33,784	18,357	5,062	127,475	49.1%	55	
Delinquency Felony	1,883	2,309	1,705	2,695	1,809	4,045	14,446	5.6%	178	
Delinquency Misdemeanor	5,697	6,852	5,741	7,689	7,524	8,226	41,729	16.1%	139	
Emancipation	45	34	9	12	1	0	101	0.0%	19	
Entrustment Agreement	161	86	43	24	12	8	334	0.1%	32	
Foster Care Review	3,150	1,846	113	215	223	104	5,651	2.2%	29	
Initial FC Review	1,506	290	59	84	87	17	2,043	0.8%	24	
<i>Judicial Bypass</i>	54	0	0	0	0	0	54	0.0%	15	
Judicial Support	5	8	8	25	17	3	66	0.0%	70	
Paternity	523	367	545	1,157	443	50	3,085	1.2%	46	
Permanency Planning	1,433	933	117	230	108	54	2,875	1.1%	30	
Relief of Custody	98	62	28	40	10	10	248	0.1%	44	
Remand Custody	5,004	709	577	317	123	158	6,888	2.7%	30	
Remand Visitation	4,021	626	537	273	97	127	5,681	2.2%	29	
Show Cause	1,169	1,178	720	857	509	301	4,734	1.8%	62	
Status	3,981	2,056	1,231	2,203	1,485	942	11,898	4.6%	72	
Termination Parental Rights	290	317	270	529	160	62	1,628	0.6%	52	
Traffic	4,560	6,343	2,976	4,937	4,232	1,041	24,089	9.3%	57	
Total Juvenile	58,183	51,109	37,646	56,060	36,143	20,709	259,850	100.0%	74	
Column %	22.4%	19.7%	14.5%	21.6%	13.9%	8.0%	100.0%			
Cumulative %	22.4%	42.1%	56.5%	78.1%	92.0%	100.0%				

Domestic Relations Cases

	Days from Offense/File Date to Disposition Date							Total	%	Avg. Days
	0-30	31-60	61-90	91-180	181-365	365+				
Bond Forfeiture	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0%	15	
Capias	4,171	2,390	2,131	3,685	2,597	3,267	18,241	7.4%	127	
Civil Support	9,890	12,409	12,073	21,030	11,353	5,548	72,303	29.3%	76	
Criminal Support	10	16	45	90	34	10	205	0.1%	66	
Felonies	3,455	4,750	3,224	2,816	690	502	15,437	6.3%	41	
Misdemeanors	7,901	14,788	9,762	8,430	4,213	8,564	53,658	21.8%	110	
Other	1,706	288	156	196	91	52	2,489	1.0%	31	
Remand Support	2,742	551	471	346	178	394	4,682	1.9%	65	
Show Cause	5,361	9,203	9,079	16,699	12,254	8,388	60,984	24.7%	111	
Spousal Abuse	15,672	1,427	557	439	244	93	18,432	7.5%	19	
Total Juvenile	50,909	45,822	37,498	53,731	31,654	26,818	246,432	100.0%	89	
Column %	20.7%	18.6%	15.2%	21.8%	12.8%	10.9%	100.0%			
Cumulative %	20.7%	39.3%	54.5%	76.3%	89.1%	100.0%				

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Table 37
Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Courts
Judges
As of December 31, 2010

District	Judge	Term
1	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	Gerrit W. Benson	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
	Randall M. Blow	4/1/2007-3/31/2013
	Deborah V. Bryan	5/1/2010-4/30/2016
	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	Joel P. Crowe	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
	William S. Moore Jr.	2/1/2010-1/31/2016
	Alotha C. Willis	2/16/2007-2/15/2013
4	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	2/1/2010-1/31/2016
	William P. Williams	6/1/2006-5/31/2012
5	Robert S. Brewbaker Jr.	5/1/2006-4/30/2012
	Alfreda Talton-Harris	4/16/2010-4/15/2016
6	Carson E. Saunders Jr.	6/1/2007-5/31/2013
	Jacqueline R. Waymack	6/1/2009-5/31/2015
7	Ronald Everett Bensten	2/1/2010-1/31/2016
	Thomas W. Carpenter	2/1/2005-1/31/2011
	Judith Anne Kline	4/1/2010-3/31/2015
	Barry G. Logsdon	7/1/2006-6/30/2012
8	Jay Edward Dugger	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
	Deborah S. Roe	5/1/2010-4/30/2015
	Robert B. Wilson V	4/1/2007-3/31/2013
9	Isabel Hall AtLee	2/1/2009-1/31/2015
	Richard Y. AtLee Jr.	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
	George C. Fairbanks IV	2/1/2010-1/31/2016
10	Marvin H. Dunkum	4/1/2010-3/31/2016
	S. Anderson Nelson	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
	Michael M. Rand	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
11	Valentine W. Southall Jr.	10/1/2006-9/30/2012
12	Lynn S. Brice	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
	D. Gregory Carr	8/17/2010-2/12/2016
	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

Table 37 (continued)

District	Judge	Term
13	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	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
	Stuart L. Williams Jr.	5/1/2004-4/30/2010
15	Gerald F. Daltan	5/1/2005-4/30/2011
	Phillip U. Fines	7/1/2007-6/30/2013
	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	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	George D. Varoutsos	3/16/2010-3/15/2016
	Esther Wiggins	2/1/2005-1/31/2011
18	Uley Norris Damiani	2/1/2009-2/1/2015
	Constance H. Frogale	4/1/2005-3/31/2011
19	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	4/16/2010-4/15/2016
	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	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	Susan N. Deatherage	5/1/2007-4/30/2013
	Junius P. Warren	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
22	Stacey W. Moreau	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
	Sarah A. Rice	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
	Dale M. Wiley	7/1/2010-6/30/2016
23	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

Table 37 (continued)

District	Judge	Term
24	Kenneth W. Farrar	7/1/2005-6/30/2011
	Michael T. Garrett	3/1/2005-2/28/2011
	Robert Louis Harrison Jr.	7/1/2010-2/12/2016
	William R. Light	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
	A. Ellen White	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
25	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	Elizabeth Kellas Burton	5/1/2010-4/30/2016
	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	H. Lee Chitwood	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
	Marcus H. Long Jr.	4/1/2005-3/31/2011
	Robert C. Viar Jr.	5/1/2009-4/30/2017
28	Charles F. Lincoln	2/1/2006-1/31/2012
	Florence A. Powell	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
29	Henry A. Barringer	4/1/2005-3/31/2011
	Michael J. Bush	4/1/2009-3/31/2015
30	Jeffrey Hamilton	2/1/2008-1/31/2014
	Elizabeth S. Wills	2/1/2007-1/31/2013
31	D. Scott Bailey	7/1/2010-2/12/2016
	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	Croxton Gordon	2/1/2008-1/31/2014

**TOTAL
JUDGES**

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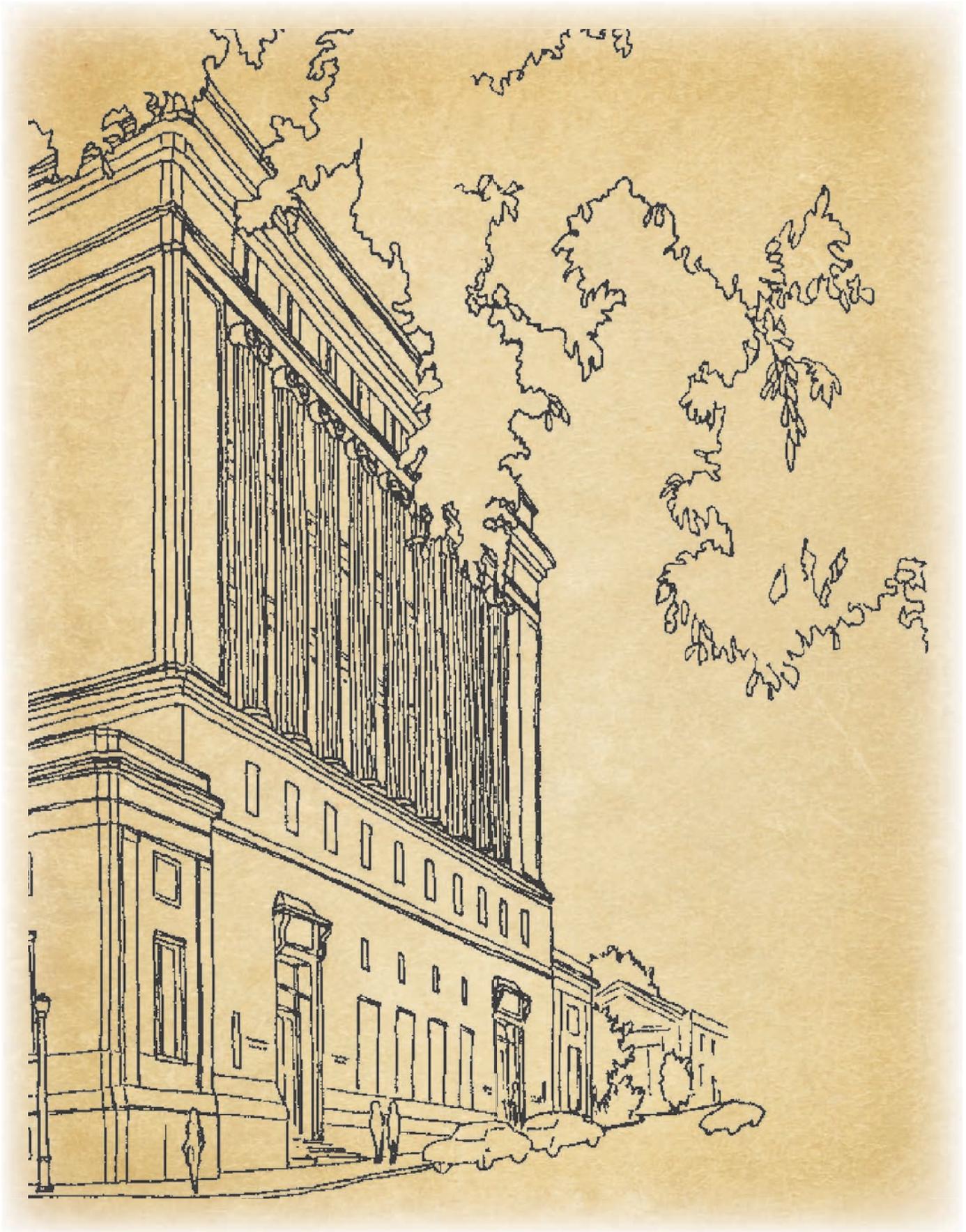
Table 37 (continued)

J&DR District Court Judges Leaving the Bench in 2010

	District	
Honorable Sharon B. Will	14	Retired April 16, 2010
Honorable Larry E. Gilman	15	Retired March 31, 2010
Honorable Harriet D. Dorsey	27	Not Re-Elected February 11, 2010

*Chief Judges of the Commonwealth of Virginia
As of December 31, 2010*

District		District	
1	Rufus A. Banks, Jr.	17	George D. Varoutsos
2	Randall M. Blow	18	Constance H. Frogale
3	William S. Moore, Jr.	19	Thomas P. Mann
4	Lauri D. Hogge	20	Avelina S. Jacob
5	Robert S. Brewbaker, Jr.	21	Susan N. Deatherage
6	Carson E. Saunders Jr.	22	Sarah A. Rice
7	Ronald Everett Bensten	23	Joseph M. Clarke II
8	Robert B. Wilson, V	24	Michael T. Garrett
9	Richard Y. AtLee, Jr.	25	Paul A. Tucker
10	Michael M. Rand	26	William H. Logan Jr.
11	Valentine W. Southall Jr.	27	H. Lee Chitwood
12	Bonnie C. Davis	28	Florence A. Powell
13	Ashley K. Tunner	29	Henry A. Barringer
14	Margaret W. Deglau	30	Elizabeth S. Wills
15	Gerald F. Daltan	31	Paul F. Gluchowski
16	Susan L. Whitlock	32	Croxtton Gordon





2010 The Judiciary's Year in Review

Virginia
Magistrates

MAGISTRATE SYSTEM

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 video-conferencing 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
2010 Distribution of Processes

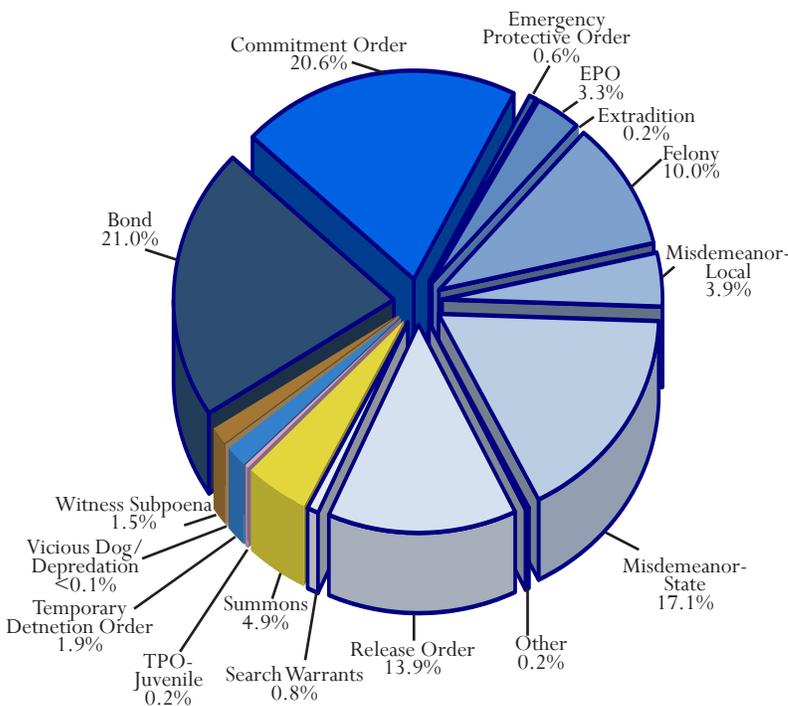


Table 38
Magistrate System
2010 Total Processes

Bond	230,452
Commitment Order	225,980
Emergency Protective Order	6,334
EPO	35,700
Extradition	2,352
Felony	109,562
Misdemeanor-Local	43,108
Misdemeanor-State	186,993
Other	2,049
Release Order	152,673
Search Warrants	8,764
Summons	53,214
ADO-Juvenile	1,934
Temporary Detention Order	20,541
Vicious Dog/Depredation	522
Witness Subpoena	16,373
Grand Total	1,096,551

Table 39
Magistrate System
 2010 Processes Issued by District

District	Probable Cause: Arrest Warrants, Summonses and Search Warrants	Bonds	Other Processes	Total Processes Issued
1	11,029	6,457	14,283	31,769
2	22,644	13,701	27,882	64,227
3	7,502	4,234	8,668	20,404
4	19,599	11,198	19,558	50,355
5	7,907	4,392	9,700	21,999
6	5,316	4,624	9,426	19,366
7	13,411	6,473	14,672	34,556
8	7,534	4,221	9,627	21,382
9	10,562	5,354	11,341	27,257
10	7,661	4,719	8,693	21,073
11	9,620	3,936	7,291	20,847
12	16,778	6,573	13,328	36,679
13	20,223	9,875	24,817	54,915
14	16,197	9,650	18,028	43,875
15	25,836	12,725	26,940	65,501
16	13,435	8,352	13,854	35,641
17	5,737	3,514	7,303	16,554
18	4,310	2,779	5,425	12,514
19	29,852	23,802	45,452	99,106
20	10,708	6,151	11,841	28,700
21	4,136	3,067	6,340	13,543
22	9,773	6,189	12,217	28,179
23	17,428	11,576	23,338	52,342
24	13,804	7,822	16,954	38,580
25	12,211	6,885	13,284	32,380
26	17,650	8,954	17,882	44,486
27	17,650	10,656	21,333	49,639
28	15,289	7,114	15,937	38,340
30	9,994	5,565	9,424	24,983
31	15,610	9,203	17,984	42,797
32	1,647	691	2,224	4,562
Total	401,053	230,452	465,046	1,096,551

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Magistrate System

2010 Processes Issued by District in Rank Order

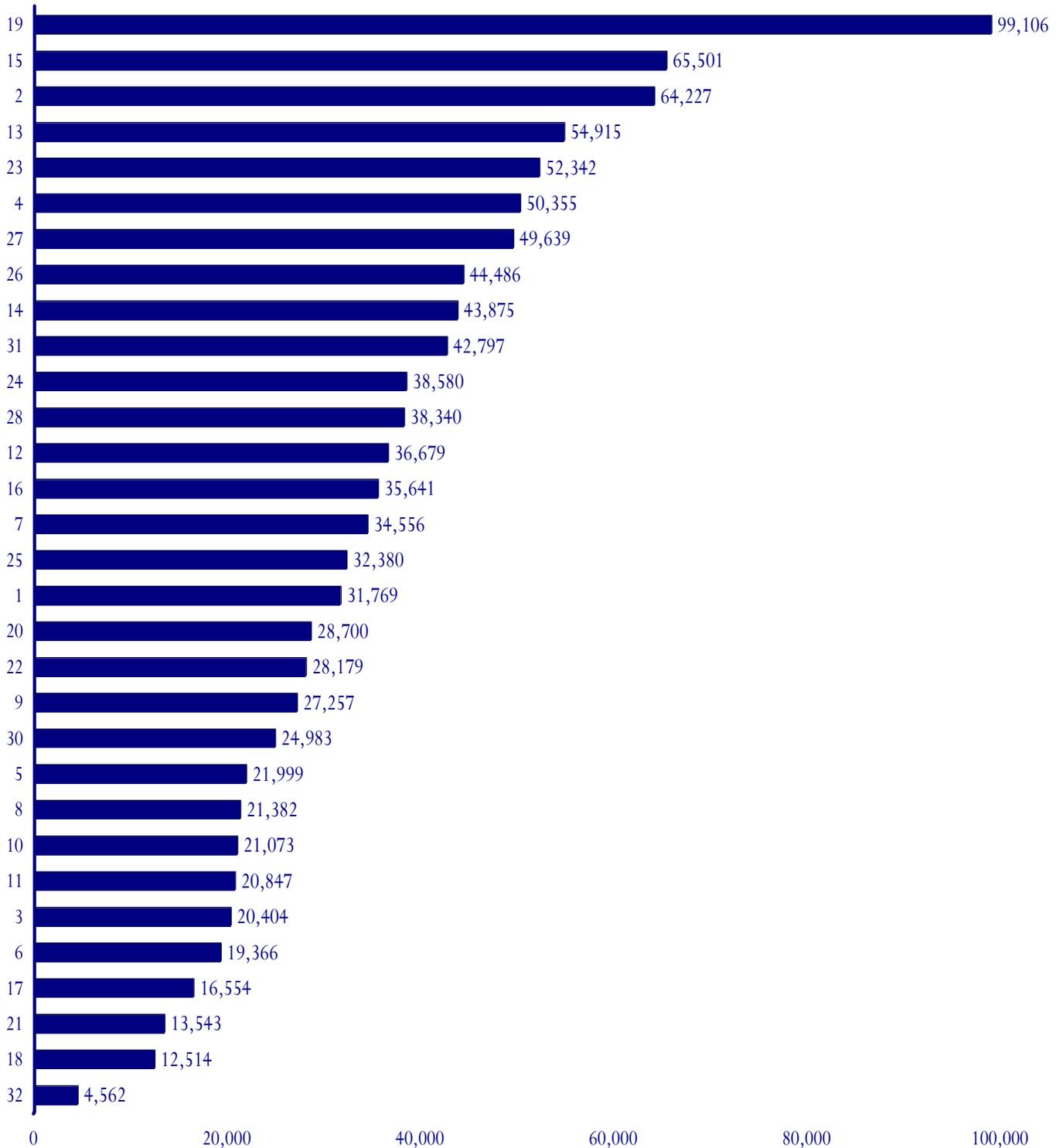


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2010 Detailed Process Data by District

First Judicial District

Bond	6,457
Commitment Order	6,504
Emergency Protective Order	118
EPO	477
Extradition	52
Felony	3,222
Misdemeanor-Local	2,170
Misdemeanor-State	3,764
Other	28
Release Order	4,540
Search Warrants	16
Summons	1,971
TDO-Juvenile	39
Temporary Detention Order	718
Vicious Dog/Depredation	10
Witness Subpoena	1,683
Total	31,769

Fourth Judicial District

Bond	11,198
Commitment Order	12,377
Emergency Protective Order	58
EPO	2,431
Extradition	67
Felony	4,669
Misdemeanor-Local	3,467
Misdemeanor-State	8,463
Other	42
Release Order	2,892
Search Warrants	659
Summons	2,493
TDO-Juvenile	55
Temporary Detention Order	778
Vicious Dog/Depredation	2
Witness Subpoena	704
Total	50,355

Second Judicial District

Bond	13,701
Commitment Order	13,470
Emergency Protective Order	205
EPO	2,157
Extradition	78
Felony	5,206
Misdemeanor-Local	5,203
Misdemeanor-State	8,472
Other	129
Release Order	10,391
Search Warrants	414
Summons	3,388
TDO-Juvenile	98
Temporary Detention Order	1,066
Vicious Dog/Depredation	21
Witness Subpoena	228
Total	64,227

Fifth Judicial District

Bond	4,392
Commitment Order	4,626
Emergency Protective Order	302
EPO	586
Extradition	37
Felony	2,277
Misdemeanor-Local	817
Misdemeanor-State	3,474
Other	59
Release Order	3,531
Search Warrants	267
Summons	1,080
TDO-Juvenile	57
Temporary Detention Order	489
Vicious Dog/Depredation	3
Witness Subpoena	2
Total	21,999

Third Judicial District

Bond	4,234
Commitment Order	4,943
Emergency Protective Order	17
EPO	357
Extradition	37
Felony	2,147
Misdemeanor-Local	343
Misdemeanor-State	4,021
Other	16
Release Order	2,766
Search Warrants	92
Summons	907
TDO-Juvenile	6
Temporary Detention Order	407
Vicious Dog/Depredation	7
Witness Subpoena	104
Total	20,404

Sixth Judicial District

Bond	4,624
Commitment Order	4,162
Emergency Protective Order	68
EPO	528
Extradition	63
Felony	1,458
Misdemeanor-Local	231
Misdemeanor-State	2,942
Other	28
Release Order	3,861
Search Warrants	57
Summons	628
TDO-Juvenile	47
Temporary Detention Order	254
Vicious Dog/Depredation	19
Witness Subpoena	396
Total	19,366

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Table 41 (continued)

Seventh Judicial District

Bond	6,473
Commitment Order	7,458
Emergency Protective Order	164
EPO	1,483
Extradition	58
Felony	4,865
Misdemeanor-Local	2,919
Misdemeanor-State	4,171
Other	15
Release Order	4,933
Search Warrants	136
Summons	1,339
TDO-Juvenile	22
Temporary Detention Order	465
Vicious Dog/Depredation	7
Witness Subpoena	48
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<i>Total</i>	<i>34,556</i>

Eighth Judicial District

Bond	4,221
Commitment Order	4,514
Emergency Protective Order	65
EPO	849
Extradition	25
Felony	2,627
Misdemeanor-Local	1,757
Misdemeanor-State	1,454
Other	17
Release Order	3,211
Search Warrants	3
Summons	1,696
TDO-Juvenile	21
Temporary Detention Order	578
Vicious Dog/Depredation	13
Witness Subpoena	331
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<i>Total</i>	<i>21,382</i>

Ninth Judicial District

Bond	5,354
Commitment Order	5,158
Emergency Protective Order	119
EPO	910
Extradition	52
Felony	2,970
Misdemeanor-Local	167
Misdemeanor-State	5,157
Other	23
Release Order	4,243
Search Warrants	175
Summons	2,103
TDO-Juvenile	48
Temporary Detention Order	425
Vicious Dog/Depredation	21
Witness Subpoena	332
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<i>Total</i>	<i>27,257</i>

Tenth Judicial District

Bond	4,719
Commitment Order	3,319
Emergency Protective Order	225
EPO	742
Extradition	46
Felony	1,970
Misdemeanor-Local	19
Misdemeanor-State	4,432
Other	34
Release Order	2,519
Search Warrants	275
Summons	968
TDO-Juvenile	47
Temporary Detention Order	500
Vicious Dog/Depredation	22
Witness Subpoena	1,236
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<i>Total</i>	<i>21,073</i>

Eleventh Judicial District

Bond	3,936
Commitment Order	3,979
Emergency Protective Order	143
EPO	717
Extradition	35
Felony	3,438
Misdemeanor-Local	798
Misdemeanor-State	4,359
Other	83
Release Order	1,366
Search Warrants	275
Summons	751
TDO-Juvenile	120
Temporary Detention Order	554
Vicious Dog/Depredation	3
Witness Subpoena	290
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<i>Total</i>	<i>20,847</i>

Twelfth Judicial District

Bond	6,573
Commitment Order	6,462
Emergency Protective Order	116
EPO	1,106
Extradition	51
Felony	4,222
Misdemeanor-Local	526
Misdemeanor-State	7,158
Other	168
Release Order	4,381
Search Warrants	262
Summons	4,692
TDO-Juvenile	68
Temporary Detention Order	336
Vicious Dog/Depredation	14
Witness Subpoena	544
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<i>Total</i>	<i>36,679</i>

Table 41 (continued)

Thirteenth Judicial District

Bond	9,875
Commitment Order	14,236
Emergency Protective Order	349
EPO	2,081
Extradition	60
Felony	6,638
Misdemeanor-Local	142
Misdemeanor-State	11,824
Other	43
Release Order	5,940
Search Warrants	838
Summons	781
TDO-Juvenile	174
Temporary Detention Order	1,805
Vicious Dog/Depredation	8
Witness Subpoena	121
<i>Total</i>	<i>54,915</i>

Fourteenth Judicial District

Bond	9,650
Commitment Order	8,674
Emergency Protective Order	32
EPO	1,351
Extradition	67
Felony	5,156
Misdemeanor-Local	2,060
Misdemeanor-State	7,127
Other	17
Release Order	6,771
Search Warrants	428
Summons	1,430
TDO-Juvenile	103
Temporary Detention Order	751
Vicious Dog/Depredation	8
Witness Subpoena	250
<i>Total</i>	<i>43,875</i>

Fifteenth Judicial District

Bond	12,725
Commitment Order	13,208
Emergency Protective Order	299
EPO	2,175
Extradition	181
Felony	8,047
Misdemeanor-Local	3,213
Misdemeanor-State	10,761
Other	94
Release Order	9,245
Search Warrants	438
Summons	3,382
TDO-Juvenile	97
Temporary Detention Order	1,002
Vicious Dog/Depredation	42
Witness Subpoena	592
<i>Total</i>	<i>65,501</i>

Sixteenth Judicial District

Bond	8,352
Commitment Order	6,332
Emergency Protective Order	272
EPO	1,490
Extradition	61
Felony	3,209
Misdemeanor-Local	13
Misdemeanor-State	8,204
Other	80
Release Order	4,780
Search Warrants	418
Summons	1,595
TDO-Juvenile	77
Temporary Detention Order	476
Vicious Dog/Depredation	56
Witness Subpoena	226
<i>Total</i>	<i>35,641</i>

Seventeenth Judicial District

Bond	3,514
Commitment Order	3,676
Emergency Protective Order	71
EPO	322
Extradition	89
Felony	1,604
Misdemeanor-Local	740
Misdemeanor-State	2,802
Other	11
Release Order	2,740
Search Warrants	1
Summons	591
TDO-Juvenile	9
Temporary Detention Order	309
Vicious Dog/Depredation	6
Witness Subpoena	69
<i>Total</i>	<i>16,554</i>

Eighteenth Judicial District

Bond	2,779
Commitment Order	2,870
Emergency Protective Order	59
EPO	365
Extradition	50
Felony	1,394
Misdemeanor-Local	559
Misdemeanor-State	2,002
Other	45
Release Order	1,812
Search Warrants	1
Summons	354
TDO-Juvenile	4
Temporary Detention Order	220
<i>Total</i>	<i>12,514</i>

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Table 41 (continued)

Nineteenth Judicial District

Bond	23,802
Commitment Order	25,264
Emergency Protective Order	54
EPO	2,117
Extradition	238
Felony	8,229
Misdemeanor-Local	9,584
Misdemeanor-State	9,333
Other	14
Release Order	16,765
Search Warrants	717
Summons	2,022
TDO-Juvenile	63
Temporary Detention Order	782
Vicious Dog/Depredation	28
Witness Subpoena	94
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<i>Total</i>	<i>99,106</i>

Twentieth Judicial District

Bond	6,151
Commitment Order	5,770
Emergency Protective Order	84
EPO	904
Extradition	120
Felony	2,513
Misdemeanor-Local	1,731
Misdemeanor-State	4,196
Other	38
Release Order	4,511
Search Warrants	637
Summons	1,631
TDO-Juvenile	34
Temporary Detention Order	319
Vicious Dog/Depredation	52
Witness Subpoena	9
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<i>Total</i>	<i>28,700</i>

Twenty-first Judicial District

Bond	3,067
Commitment Order	2,986
Emergency Protective Order	160
EPO	530
Extradition	32
Felony	867
Misdemeanor-Local	657
Misdemeanor-State	2,211
Other	27
Release Order	2,084
Search Warrants	116
Summons	285
TDO-Juvenile	20
Temporary Detention Order	251
Vicious Dog/Depredation	3
Witness Subpoena	247
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<i>Total</i>	<i>13,543</i>

Twenty-second Judicial District

Bond	6,189
Commitment Order	5,859
Emergency Protective Order	515
EPO	813
Extradition	44
Felony	2,064
Misdemeanor-Local	876
Misdemeanor-State	5,510
Other	61
Release Order	4,030
Search Warrants	233
Summons	1,090
TDO-Juvenile	45
Temporary Detention Order	832
Vicious Dog/Depredation	14
Witness Subpoena	4
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<i>Total</i>	<i>28,179</i>

Twenty-third Judicial District

Bond	11,576
Commitment Order	10,104
Emergency Protective Order	402
EPO	1,886
Extradition	76
Felony	4,150
Misdemeanor-Local	233
Misdemeanor-State	10,163
Other	65
Release Order	7,385
Search Warrants	95
Summons	2,843
TDO-Juvenile	65
Temporary Detention Order	1,236
Vicious Dog/Depredation	36
Witness Subpoena	2,027
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<i>Total</i>	<i>52,342</i>

Twenty-fourth Judicial District

Bond	7,822
Commitment Order	6,479
Emergency Protective Order	519
EPO	1,673
Extradition	52
Felony	3,694
Misdemeanor-Local	860
Misdemeanor-State	7,282
Other	170
Release Order	4,763
Search Warrants	374
Summons	1,602
TDO-Juvenile	144
Temporary Detention Order	1,119
Vicious Dog/Depredation	12
Witness Subpoena	2,015
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<i>Total</i>	<i>38,580</i>

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Twenty-fifth Judicial District

Bond	6,885
Commitment Order	5,874
Emergency Protective Order	293
EPO	1,276
Extradition	62
Felony	2,712
Misdemeanor-Local	175
Misdemeanor-State	7,440
Other	96
Release Order	4,490
Search Warrants	348
Summons	1,543
TDO-Juvenile	68
Temporary Detention Order	581
Vicious Dog/Depredation	40
Witness Subpoena	497
<i>Total</i>	<i>32,380</i>

Twenty-sixth Judicial District

Bond	8,954
Commitment Order	8,454
Emergency Protective Order	205
EPO	1,469
Extradition	160
Felony	4,034
Misdemeanor-Local	2,136
Misdemeanor-State	7,328
Other	256
Release Order	6,462
Search Warrants	521
Summons	3,644
TDO-Juvenile	57
Temporary Detention Order	573
Vicious Dog/Depredation	27
Witness Subpoena	206
<i>Total</i>	<i>44,486</i>

Twenty-seventh Judicial District

Bond	10,656
Commitment Order	9,301
Emergency Protective Order	388
EPO	1,386
Extradition	101
Felony	3,786
Misdemeanor-Local	116
Misdemeanor-State	9,533
Other	205
Release Order	7,940
Search Warrants	433
Summons	3,782
TDO-Juvenile	196
Temporary Detention Order	1,600
Vicious Dog/Depredation	9
Witness Subpoena	207
<i>Total</i>	<i>49,639</i>

Twenty-eighth Judicial District

Bond	7,114
Commitment Order	6,727
Emergency Protective Order	421
EPO	1,326
Extradition	162
Felony	4,665
Misdemeanor-Local	286
Misdemeanor-State	8,361
Other	49
Release Order	4,539
Search Warrants	322
Summons	1,659
TDO-Juvenile	55
Temporary Detention Order	995
Vicious Dog/Depredation	11
Witness Subpoena	1,648
<i>Total</i>	<i>38,340</i>

Thirtieth Judicial District

Bond	5,565
Commitment Order	4,420
Emergency Protective Order	275
EPO	697
Extradition	75
Felony	2,813
Misdemeanor-Local	117
Misdemeanor-State	5,636
Other	19
Release Order	3,165
Search Warrants	157
Summons	1,271
TDO-Juvenile	17
Temporary Detention Order	488
Vicious Dog/Depredation	6
Witness Subpoena	262
<i>Total</i>	<i>24,983</i>

Thirty-first Judicial District

Bond	9,203
Commitment Order	8,065
Emergency Protective Order	278
EPO	1,299
Extradition	100
Felony	4,471
Misdemeanor-Local	1,182
Misdemeanor-State	8,496
Other	106
Release Order	6,153
Search Warrants	12
Summons	1,458
TDO-Juvenile	74
Temporary Detention Order	578
Vicious Dog/Depredation	20
Witness Subpoena	1,302
<i>Total</i>	<i>42,797</i>

Table 41 (continued)

Judicial District Two-A

Bond	691
Commitment Order	709
Emergency Protective Order	58
EPO	197
Extradition	21
Felony	445
Misdemeanor-Local	11
Misdemeanor-State	917
Other	11
Release Order	464
Search Warrants	44
Summons	235
TDO-Juvenile	4
Temporary Detention Order	54
Vicious Dog/Depredation	2
Witness Subpoena	699
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,562</i>

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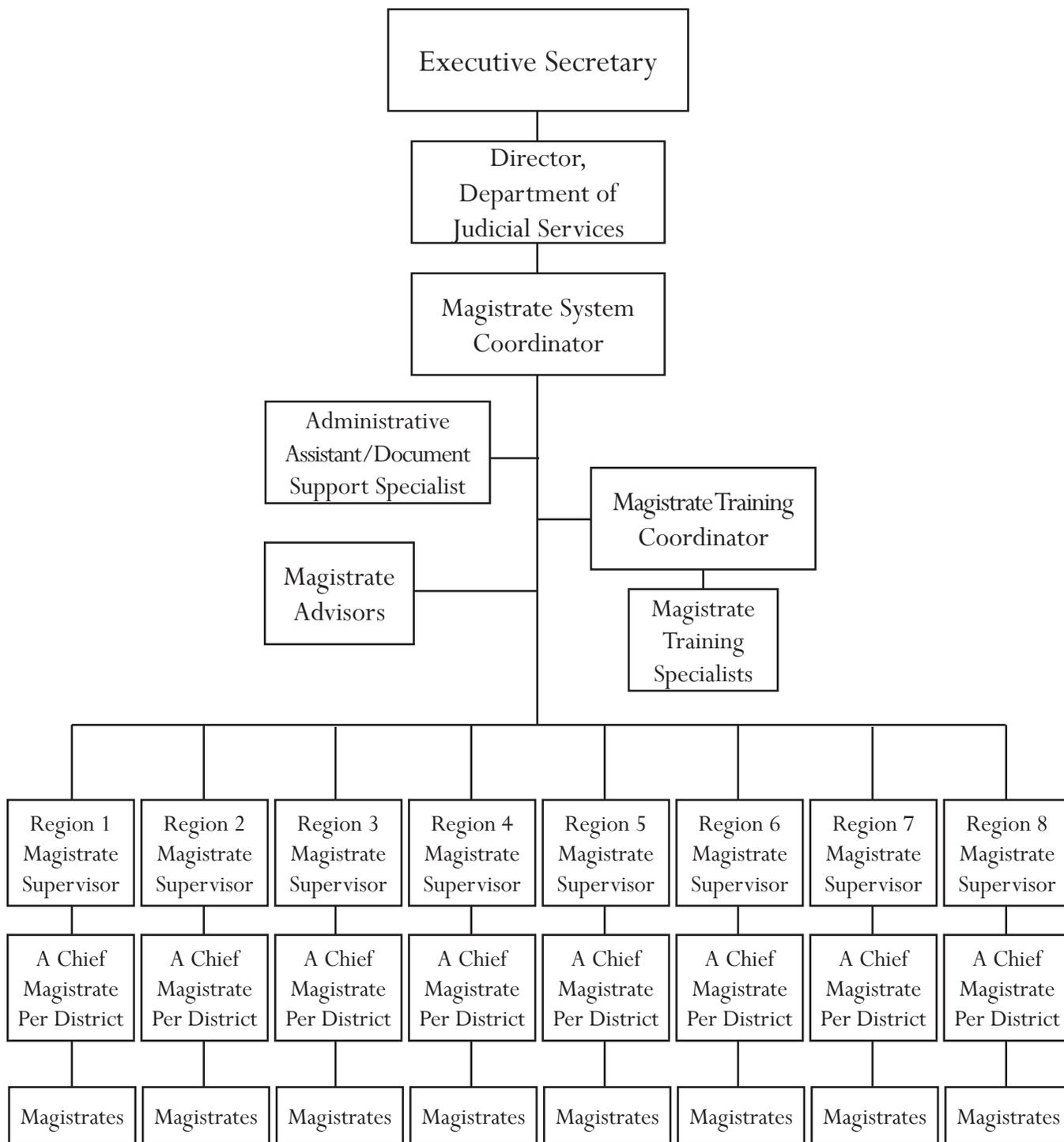
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Commitment Order	225,980
Emergency Protective Order	6,334
EPO	35,700
Extradition	2,352
Felony	109,562
Misdemeanor-Local	43,108
Misdemeanor-State	186,993
Other	2,049
Release Order	152,673
Search Warrants	8,764
Summons	53,214
TDO-Juvenile	1,934
Temporary Detention Order	20,541
Vicious Dog/Depredation	522
Witness Subpoena	16,373
<i>Grand Total</i>	<i>1,096,551</i>

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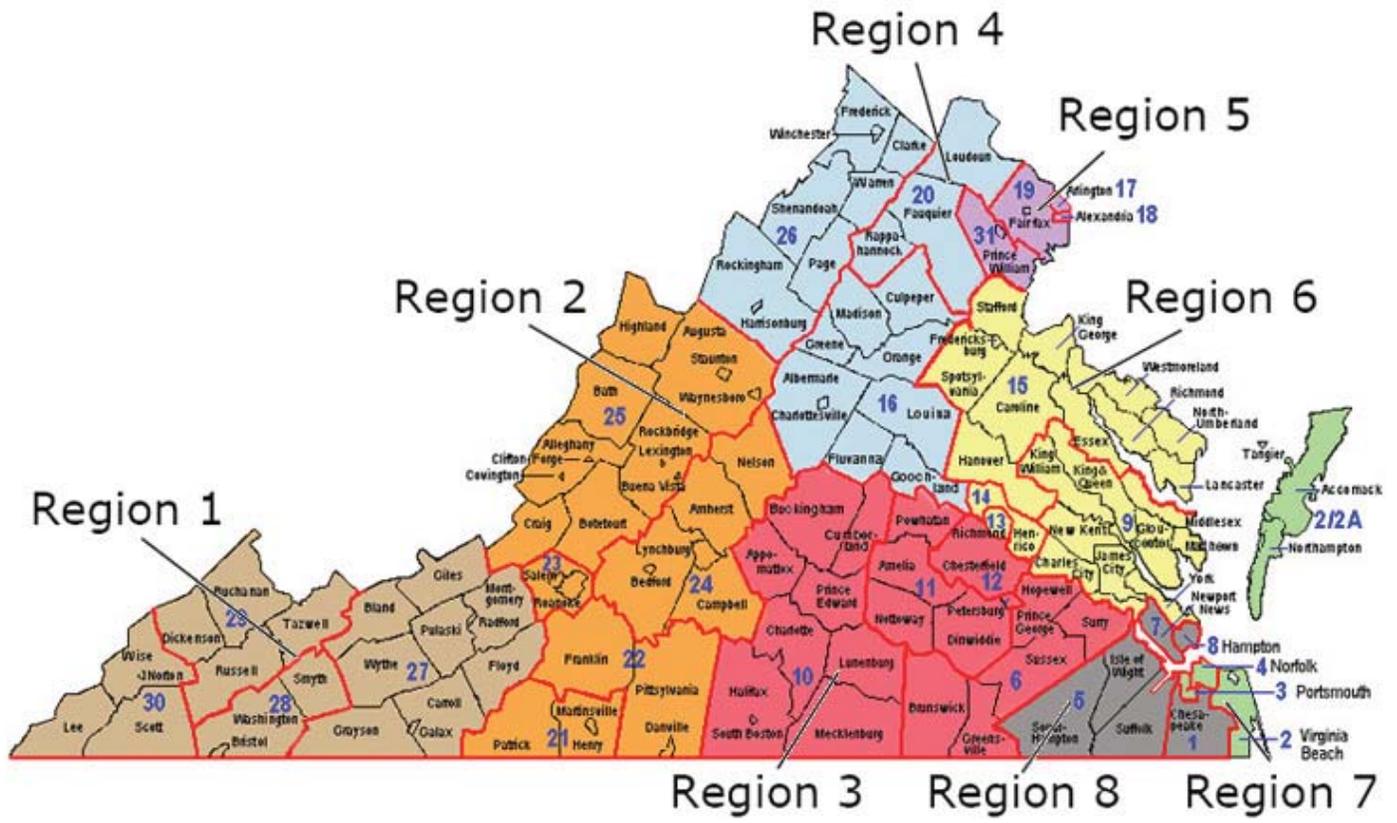
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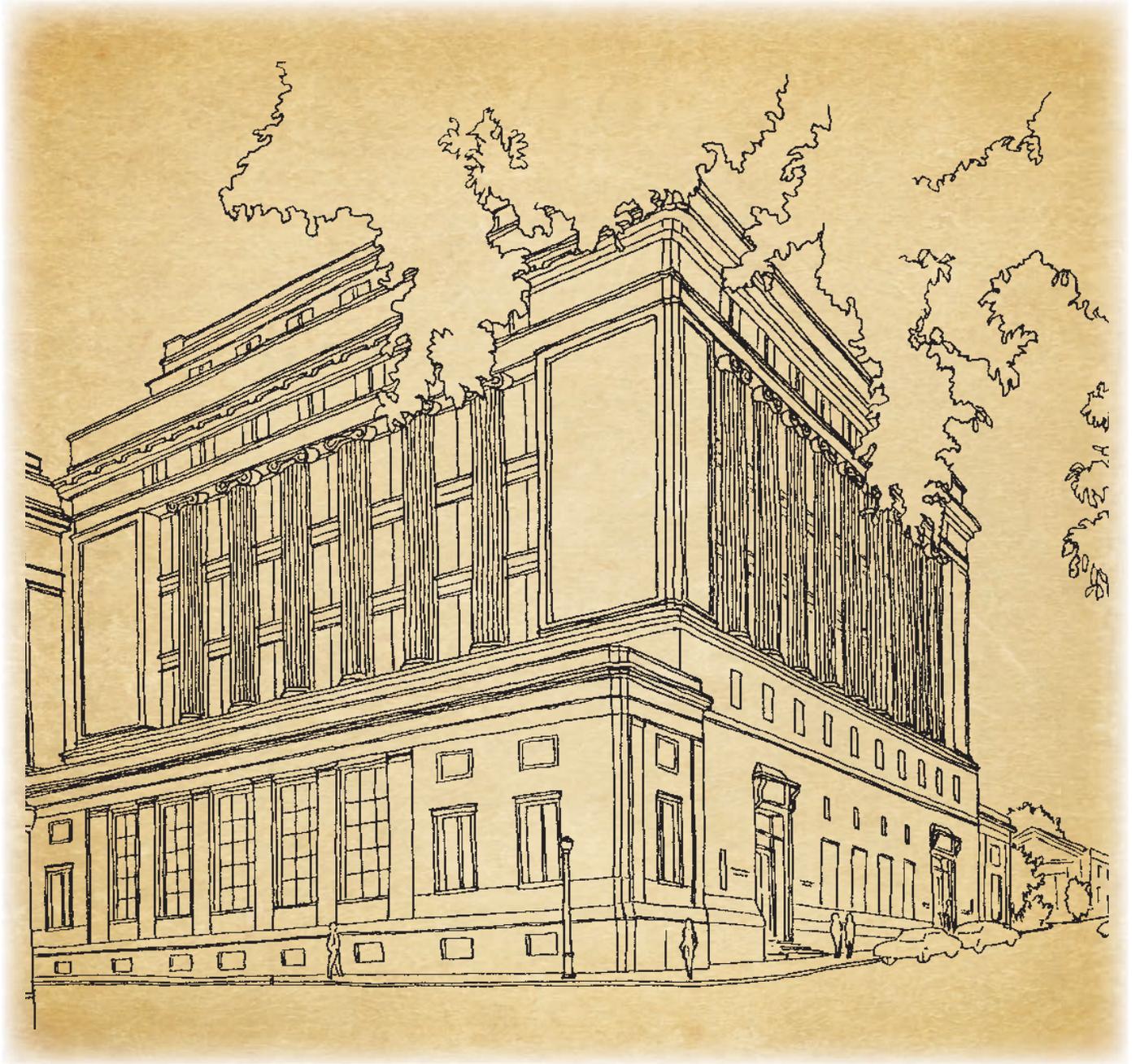
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Virginia

*Judicial Administration in Virginia's Courts
Policy Making Bodies*



Judicial Policy-Making Bodies, Commissions, and Study Groups

- Judicial Council of Virginia
- Committees of the Judicial Council of Virginia
- Committees of the Judicial Conference of Virginia
- Committee on District Courts
- 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
- Statewide Drug Treatment Court Advisory Committee
- Commission on Mental Health Law Reform
- Pandemic Flu Preparedness Commission

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 and magistrates.

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, two general district court judges and two juvenile and domestic relations district court judges. 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 nine 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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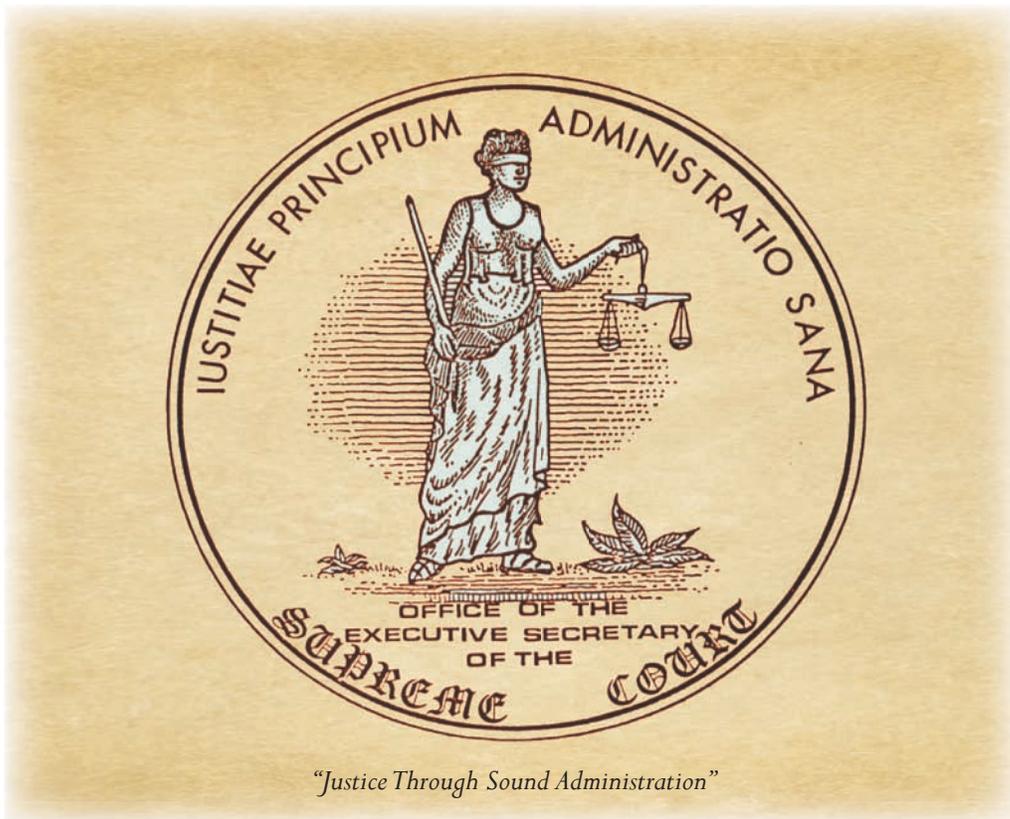
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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

The **Office of the Executive Secretary (OES)** 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:

1. 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 systems' 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 in preparation, evaluation and defense of budget submissions.

**ASSISTANT
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The **Assistant Executive Secretary & Counsel** and his staff support the Executive Secretary, particularly with legal matters involving OES or the judicial branch.

Major activities include:

1. Reviewing and providing advice on proposed policies, proposed contracts and various legal issues that come before the Executive Secretary and OES.
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. Assisting the OES Legislative and Public Relations Department as requested.

Responsibilities:

- Serving as the Executive Secretary’s designee on certain Committees and Boards.
- Providing legal counsel to the Executive Secretary and the Office of the Executive Secretary.
- Assisting the Director of Legislative & Public Relations and Executive Secretary with the legislative package.
- Assisting the Chief Justice in arranging designations and drafting appropriate orders for the recall or designation of judges, including judges for multi-jurisdictional grand juries and three-judge panels.
- Maintaining liaison with certain agencies of state government as requested by the Executive Secretary.
- Maintaining an updated list of attorneys qualified to act as Administrative Hearing Officers in proceedings for the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation, the Department of Health Regulatory Boards, the Department of Employee Dispute Resolution, and in Special Education Appeals cases.
- Appointing Hearing Officers when requested in other cases arising under the Administrative Process Act.
- Coordinating the assignment of Medical Malpractice Review Panels.
- Working together with others at OES to respond to

issues related to the compensation of retired judges sitting pursuant to recall or designation and the role of substitute judges.

- Maintaining an updated list, approved by the Chief Justice, of retired judges who have complied with the Court’s continuing education requirements and are qualified to sit by designation or recall.
- Attending judicial conferences and providing administrative assistance and continuing educational services as needed.

During 2010, the Assistant Executive Secretary and Counsel:

- Managed 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, and processed 302 requests for designation of judges to preside in circuit court cases in which one or more judges had disqualified themselves. There were 160 such requests from general district courts and 227 such requests from juvenile and domestic relations district courts.
- Managed the Administrative Hearing Officer program administered by the Supreme Court (including working with the OES Education Department on scheduling and planning for the annual training conference) and processed 211

requests from agencies for assignment of hearing officers from the list maintained by OES in accordance with Virginia Code § 2.2-4024.

- Maintained records relating to special justices appointed to conduct civil commitment hearings for juveniles and adults, coordinated annual training with other OES departments, and processed 102 requests for special justices in adult and 39 requests for special justices in juvenile civil commitment hearings.

- Provided professional and administrative support for the Pandemic Flu Preparedness Commission, which was created in 2009 by the Chief Justice and consists of 48 members, and is charged with ensuring, in the event of a pandemic, that the Judicial Branch is able to fulfill its mission.

Note: The Pandemic Influenza Bench Book for Virginia's Court System, created by the Commission, was approved by the Judicial Council and the Supreme Court of Virginia in 2010. It contains reference materials and planning templates that each court can utilize in creating its own unique continuity of operations plan, and is posted on the Judicial Branch Website.

COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

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.

Major activities include:

1. 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*.

Responsibilities:

- Support all levels of courts in complying with state and federal laws and policies governing permanency planning for dependent children and their families who are before the courts.
- Create a clear statutory framework for the effective resolution of child abuse, neglect, and foster care cases that promotes permanency planning for these children.
- Identify and implement procedures and forms within juvenile courts to govern and guide the processing and disposition of child abuse, neglect, foster care, and termination of parental rights cases.
- Train court and social services personnel and members of the Bar on the law, procedures, court management, and philosophy governing such cases.
- Improve the availability and competency of legal representation for children, parents, and local departments of social services who are before the courts in child abuse, neglect, and foster care cases.
- Improve the court's management information systems to track more effectively child abuse, neglect, and foster care cases.
- Evaluate the progress sought by the Court Improvement Program in the handling of child maltreatment cases.
- Undertake such other special projects as promote the improvement of this litigation in the juvenile and domestic relations district courts and circuit courts of the Commonwealth.
- Maintain lists of qualified guardians *ad litem* for children appointed in juvenile courts and circuit courts and provide monthly updates for posting on the court's Internet and Intranet websites.
- Provide training for guardians *ad litem* for children for initial qualification and for compliance with ongoing continuing education requirements.
- Maintain lists of qualified guardians *ad litem* for incapacitated

adults appointed in circuit courts and provide monthly updates for posting on the court's Internet and Intranet website.

- Respond to legislative studies directed to the court system on children and family issues.
- Represent the court system on executive branch collaborative groups focused upon the delivery and improvement of services to at-risk families and children.
- Support special activities of juvenile and domestic relations district courts that require central staff support.

During 2010, the Court Improvement Program:

- Focused on facilitating judicial leadership, local collaboration, and compliance with federal and state law and recommended best practices. Efforts continued to enhance court technology that supports judges and court personnel in managing and processing child dependency cases in accord with best practice. 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.
- Continued its efforts through the Basic Grant to improve Virginia's foster care and adoption laws, as well as the judicial process used to implement these laws. In doing so, CIP collaborated with the 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 to improve how child dependency cases are processed, adjudicated and resolved. As part of these efforts, CIP also sponsored or participated in a number of training events in 2010. These trainings are separate from those supported by the Training Grant as they include 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. Further, CIP collaborated with the educational arm of the Virginia State Bar, Virginia CLE, to develop and/or approve programs that meet the continuing legal education requirements of attorneys who are qualified as Guardians *ad litem* for children in Virginia.

TRAINING INITIATIVES

- Partnered with Court Appoint Special Advocates (CASA) for a daylong training event for CASA directors and paid staff in June 2010 as a result of increased courtroom contact and increased service provided to Virginia children and families. Twenty-five of the twenty-seven Virginia CASA programs were represented at the training, which had a total of 90 attendees. The program was entitled "Building Connections for Children: CASA and the Courts." In order to develop an agenda that would meet the needs of Virginia's CASA programs, a workgroup made up of CASA employees from across the state was established. The workgroup discussed relevant topics and suggested the appropriate format for the event. The focus of the training was on the child dependency system and legal issues relevant to the CASA program.
- Sponsored a training program for full-time and contract legal counsel representing local departments of social services in September. The program, "Building Connections for Children: DSS Counsel and the Courts," was attended by nearly 100 attorneys representing more than 70 local DSS agencies from across the state. Training topics covered a range of subjects including Terminations of Parental Rights, the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC), Legal Practice Tips and the First Lady of Virginia's "For Keeps" initiative.
- Each year the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (NCJFCJ) sponsors the Child Abuse and Neglect Institute in Reno, Nevada. In 2010, Virginia was given the opportunity to send five J&DR District Court judges. Best Practice Court Judges were given the first opportunity to go, and positions filled up in less than a week. 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

- Efforts to enhance court practice in child dependency litigation through innovations in technology continued during 2010. As part of the Data Collection and Analysis Grant, CIP, with help from the Department of Judicial Information Technology and the Department of Judicial Services, continued the development of a Management Information System within 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 system 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. In an effort to bring awareness to developments in the CAIS system, J&DR Judges and their in-court clerks were invited to participate in hands-on training that showcased the updated features and afforded them the opportunity to become more comfortable with using automated forms in the courtroom.

SPECIAL INITIATIVES

- Best Practice Courts:
 - Support for the Best Practice Courts initiative begun in 2002 continued in 2010. 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.
 - As part of the Training Grant, CIP awarded Virginia's 26 Best Practice Courts mini-grants to support their efforts to develop local training programs. Courts were encouraged to sponsor a multi-disciplinary event focused on current issues that impact the local J&DR District Court. Topics for the programs varied based on the particular needs of each community. In addition to financial assistance, CIP provided staff support, as needed, to each of the local teams. The results of this initiative

were far-reaching as local teams sponsored 19 mini-grant events in 2010, reaching well over 1,000 local stakeholders. Speakers for the programs came from many different professional backgrounds and included representatives from the legal, medical, law enforcement, child welfare and counseling fields. The majority of speakers were from within the community; however, some jurisdictions elected to use their funds to engage national speakers. Permanency for teens in foster care, substance abuse, practice pointers for local stakeholders, case processing in child dependency cases and future team initiatives were all topics that appeared on many agendas.

- Child Dependency Mediation Program:
 - Building on past efforts to develop alternatives to the adversarial system for child abuse, neglect, foster care and termination of parental rights cases, the Court Improvement Program partnered with the Department of Dispute Resolution Services toward the end of 2005 to design a Virginia specific training program for child dependency mediators held in March 2009. These efforts continued in 2010. Qualified Child Dependency Mediators were invited to attend a daylong session in March 2010 to discuss successes and challenges encountered while starting a Child Dependency Mediation program in their community. CIP continues to support Child Dependency Mediators by offering technical assistance as needed. This program will continue to be tracked during the next calendar year.
- 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:
- State Child Welfare Advisory Committee:
 - Regular attendance at meetings of the State

Child Welfare Advisory Committee, along with two juvenile and domestic relations district court judges from the Best Practice Courts. This interdisciplinary Committee advises the Virginia Department of Social Services, especially on implementation of the CFSR Program Improvement Plan and Title IV-E compliance.

- State Executive Council for the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Youth and Families:
 - Regular attendance 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 \$273 million for children in foster care and special education, for children and families served through the juvenile court and 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.
- Legislative Study on Expediting Adoptions:
 - The Appropriations Act of the 2009 Session of the Virginia General Assembly directed the Commissioner of Social Services to “continue reviewing the Commonwealth’s current policies on adoption and foster care and recommend mechanisms to expedite the adoption of children from foster care as well as children not in the state’s care.” At the invitation of the Commissioner, CIP participated in this study, prepared materials and made presentations about court processes impacting adoption for the consideration of the study group. The report of this study was filed by the Virginia Department of Social Services with the General Assembly June 30, 2010.
- DJJ and DCSE Liaison Committees:
 - Regular attendance as the representative of the

Office of the Executive Secretary, Supreme Court Virginia, on Liaison Committees for the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ) and the Division of Child Support Enforcement (DCSE). Membership on each of these committees includes juvenile and domestic relations district court judges, agency heads and other local stakeholders. Both committees meet biannually.

- Title IV-E Eligibility Review:
 - The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) conducted an audit in Virginia of the Title IV-E program the week of March 19, 2010. Staff from the Children’s Bureau Central and Regional Offices (CB) and the Virginia Department of Social Services worked together to undertake this secondary eligibility review. As a result of a noncompliant 2005 audit, this audit sample size increased to 150 cases, plus an over sample of 30 additional cases.
 - The Virginia Department of Social Services and the Court Improvement Program joined staff and resources in preparation for this activity. During the weeks before the review, as VDSS began its organization of the selected case files, CIP staff was available to advise on court documentation and assist the process as needed. During the week of the review, CIP staff participated in the entrance and exits conferences and responded to questions regarding court orders or court procedures. CIP staff researched legal issues and contacted juvenile and domestic relations district court clerk’s offices to complete case files with legally sufficient court orders and chronicle the timelines of court hearings, where necessary.
 - This review found Virginia to be in substantial compliance with federal rules and regulations. Reviews of court records found that required judicial determinations for placement of children in foster care were made on a timely basis for all cases. Newer court orders were determined to be clear, child-specific and documented specific reasons for the child’s removal. Judicial determinations on the child’s permanency plan, particularly for the period under review, were issued timely and more frequently than is required under Title IV-E regulations. The next review will be held in 2010.

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:

1. Developing, organizing, conducting and participating in the over 30 conferences, orientation programs, magistrate certification programs, and other special in-state educational programs held annually.
2. Seeking grant funding and scholarship opportunities for judicial system employees' educational needs.
3. Developing 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.

Responsibilities:

- Develop and provide "distance learning" opportunities for court system personnel.
- Develop short- and long-term curricula and identify educational needs of court system personnel.
- Coordinate annual conferences for judges, clerks, magistrates, and hearing officers through development of a comprehensive continuing education program: plan the contents of each conference; coordinate all arrangements for location, meals, travel, etc.; and complete follow-up activities after the conferences, such as reviewing attendee evaluations and sending follow-up materials to those participants who were unable to attend the event.
- Coordinate the three-week Pre-Bench Orientation for newly-elected judges.
- Monitor newly hired district court employees' completion of basic training as required for progression out of non-probationary status.
- Coordinate new judge's attendance to out-of-state educational conferences and training programs.
- Monitor the Clerk/Magistrate Continuing Legal Education (CLE) programs.
- Update the Photo Directory for circuit court judges and district court judges.
- Administer and develop regional training for substitute judges and monitor their compliance with continuing education policy requirements and "Conflict of Interest Act" requirements.
- Track judges and substitute judges compliance with the "Conflict of Interest Act."
- Provide training for special justices.
- Provide conference materials and videotaped training to retired judges and monitor compliance with continuing education policy requirements.
- Administer the Command Spanish Program for district court employees.
- Plan and complete special and ad hoc projects at the direction of the Executive Secretary.

During 2010, Educational Services:

- Coordinated 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 a second week 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 fifth 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 80 judges enrolled in the computer classes held at the judicial conferences in 2010. This is a decrease from 2009 due to budget cuts that forced the cancellation of two voluntary judicial conferences.

- Held an add-on workshop at the Judicial Conference of Virginia in May 2010, in collaboration with the Central Virginia Training Alliance to Stop Elder Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation through funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Violence Against Women. Fifteen circuit court judges attended a 6-hour session on May 12-13 entitled “Enhancing Judicial Skills in Elder Abuse Cases.”
- Held statewide conferences for special justices (June) and Hearing Officers (November). In September, 13 circuit court judges attended the sixth annual Managing the Capital Case Workshop in Virginia; this course is required of all circuit court judges.
- Held the first statewide Conference for Substitute Judges in Richmond December 6-7 through a grant award from the Edward Byrne/ Justice Assistance Grant Program provided by the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Criminal Justice Services. Over 200 substitute judges participated in plenary and breakout sessions on topics such as the following: criminal/traffic case law updates, improving courtroom demeanor and communication, bail presumptions, child dependency cases, purchased debt cases, landlord tenant law, and court orders that protect parents and children from domestic violence. This statewide conference was held in lieu of the six, 3-hour regional conferences that are annually held for substitute judges throughout the state.
- While conferences and other training events are the primary method for delivering continuing education to Virginia judicial 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 2010, 146 participants enrolled in the program and completed 354 online courses.
- The Clerk Certification Program (CCP) continued in 2010, through a fifth and final 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-six district court clerks and deputy clerks are enrolled in the full scholarship program, while 24 others benefit from partial scholarships. Of these, 4 have completed the CCP and 26 are eligible to complete their capstone project, which is the last step in completing the program. A total of 82 courses were completed in 2010, equaling 553 contact hours. A spring workshop (March 29-31, 2010) was held in Charlottesville, Virginia. A total of 28 CCP participants attended one to three days of the workshop. The courses offered were: Education, Training and Development; Visioning and Strategic Planning; and Human Resources Management.
- 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.
- For the third year, on-site occupational Spanish language classes were offered to district court employees, using the 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

2010, Command Spanish® classes were held in Fairfax County, Petersburg, and Roanoke/Salem. While clerks and deputy clerks are the primary participants, magistrates are also invited, as space allows. The Department of Educational Services also assisted the District

Court Clerks Association in coordinating a Command Spanish session for their September 2010 conference. Additional classes are planned for 2011, once the judicial system Command Spanish curriculum and student manual have been updated.

The **Department of Fiscal Services** is the court system's 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 court-ordered services.
6. Performing grant services.

Responsibilities:

Budget:

- Develop and prepare the judicial system's Biennium Budget which includes the baseline budget and all budget amendments.
- Execute required budget transactions, monitor judicial system annual appropriations, analyze expenditures, and prepare monthly management summary reports.
- Prepare legislative financial impact statements during General Assembly Sessions.

Accounting:

- Reconcile courts' detailed financial records to the state's accounting system and maintain the integrity of the system.
- Maintain court/state-owned equipment, building inventories and insurance records.
- Prepare annual court system financial statements and issue other official reports such as for the Criminal Fund, Involuntary Mental Commitments, Education, Local and Commonwealth Revenue.
- Deposit all funds received.
- Process and maintain court facility leases.

Payroll:

- Prepare semi-monthly payrolls for the judicial system including salary and wage employees and substitute and retired/recalled judges.
- Reconcile and process health care and other miscellaneous employee deductions to appropriate agencies.
- Reconcile Virginia Retirement System and other employer contributions.
- Reconcile detailed payroll records to quarterly and annual tax information and issue required reports.

Purchasing:

- Issue purchase requisitions and orders covering the purchase of forms, equipment, supplies, etc., for the judicial system.
- Develop and prepare contract specifications, process bid requests to appropriate vendors, and review bids upon receipt.
- Order, receive, stock, and distribute court forms.

Accounts Payable:

- Audit and process for payment all vendor payment requests.
- Audit and process for payment all travel reimbursement and other types of requests.

- Submit payment requests to the Department of Accounts for payment.
- Prepare and mail IRS Form 1099 covering annual payments to vendors as required.
- *Grants*
- Coordinate grant activities to ensure compliance with federal regulations and guidelines.
- Prepare required grant activity financial reports.

Programming/Computer Support:

- Develop and maintain effective fiscal-related operational programs.
- Coordinate with the Department of Judicial Information Technology to develop, maintain and update computer applications, systems and databases to service fiscal operations.

During 2010, the Fiscal Services Department:

- Processed an average of 2,904 payroll checks each pay period in 2010 (over 69,650 paychecks).
- Processed over 310,000 reimbursement request / invoices in 2010.
- Processed over 3,500 orders and shipped 8.7 million forms to the courts throughout the Commonwealth.
- Developed, updated and maintained the Judicial System’s annual budget (\$361 million in 2009-2010).
- 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 2009-2010).

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.

Responsibilities:

- Identify courts and magistrates’ offices where additional positions will be established and update the classification structure in those offices.
- Attract and retain qualified employees using HR management flexibilities, pay practices and benefits.
- Ensure that individuals who are hired, appointed or elected to positions within the courts, magistrate offices and Supreme Court administrative offices are established

as Judicial Branch officials or employees, and maintain individual records for each employee.

- Make recommendations as to the appropriate salary levels for positions through comparison with other positions having similar levels of responsibilities.
- Respond to questions and resolve problems relating to benefits.
- Respond to questions and resolve problems pertaining to leave.

- Recommend policies and management practices to the appropriate bodies for the various levels of the Judicial Branch pursuant to research conducted regarding policies that other leading employers have developed, as well as federal or state statutory requirements.
- Implement effective workforce plans utilizing accurate and timely workforce data.
- Develop and encourage awards and recognition programs that will reward employees for excellent performance, innovative ideas, and commitment to the Judicial System.
- Educate the workforce and management on equal employment opportunity and anti-discrimination policies and ensure that management policies and practices are applied fairly and consistently.
- Support the training and development of employee skills to meet current and future needs of the organization

During 2010, Human Resources accomplished:

- Judicial Branch Recruitment Register (JBRR)/ Recruitment Management System (RMS) - In July 2010, Sara Bochman, HR Analyst, tested the “online only” application process with a pilot group of courts and magistrates. Effective October 2010, HR mandated the “online only” process for everyone in the Judicial system and no longer accepted paper, email or faxed applications for vacancies in the Judicial system. This is a more efficient process for the applicants and hiring managers/HR and is better for the environment (saves printing out all applications since they can be viewed online). By using the state’s RMS, it has helped HR achieve one of our goals of reaching a broader, more qualified applicant pool while reducing expenditures for print media. At the end of 2010, HR decided not to renew its contract with HotJobs/Monster or advertise on Craigslist (minimal cost depending on the geographical area) as the majority of applicants were learning about the job vacancies on RMS or JBRR. By using the online application system, we have realized a cost savings of more than \$25,000 annually. The HR Director assists the judges and clerks with the screening process to help ensure that this is completed in a timely manner, especially when the numbers of applicants is overwhelmingly

large.

- I-9 process - 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. In order to ensure that the I-9 forms (forms used to verify employment eligibility) are completed accurately, HR conducted an annual audit of the I-9 forms. Effective 2010, all original I-9 forms are sent to the HR Department. In 2011, there will be quarterly audits conducted on the I-9 forms.
- Background Checks - no longer conducted after offers were made. Effective September 2010, background checks are now conducted before a verbal offer to a selected candidate is made in case there is a problem with the individual’s background. We also have a turnaround time of 24 hours to receive the results from VA State Police vs. several days or weeks via US mail so the process is much more efficient than in the past.
- New Hire Offer Letters - HR developed a template for new hire offer letters to be used throughout the system to ensure that all new hires received the same information in the letters.
- Knowledge Center (KC) - In collaboration with DJIT and Educational Services, the Judicial system now has its own Knowledge Center portal (as a part of the state’s Knowledge Center) to ensure that employees have access to a variety of mandatory and elective courses online. Employees can still earn their CLEs without incurring travel, hotel and meal costs. The Knowledge Center was rolled out to all employees in March 2011 although some employees began using it in 2010. The Knowledge Center will greatly augment efforts to retain a high performance workforce because the administration of training will be accomplished faster and more efficiently. There will still be some classroom courses conducted, but the Knowledge Center will ensure that courses are

available to more employees in a timely manner, especially supervisory and management courses. The KC is managed by Educational Services and HR.

- eLeave System - This is a collaborative effort with DJIT. HR tested the system at various stages of completion and assisted in the development of the online presentations to explain the new system to employees and supervisors. The eLeave system became effective January 2011 and is a much more user-friendly system. This system is managed by HR.
- Training and Development - The HR Director, along with other HR or OES staff, developed and conducted customized workshops for several courts on a variety of supervisory and management topics. The following topics were presented: Performance Management, Coaching and Counseling and Conflict Management/Resolution. In the spring of 2010, the HR Director developed and conducted a six-hour HR Management workshop for the clerks enrolled in the Michigan State University's 2010 Clerk Certification Program. All HR staff completed several HR-related courses in the Knowledge Center to ensure that all HR employees have the same base of HR knowledge.
- The New Clerks' orientation was revised and shortened so that it was easier to understand and more interactive. All HR staff participated in this annual training. In addition, all HR staff attended the clerks' fall regional sessions in order to respond to various HR-related questions. Members of the HR staff conducted a benefits-related training to all new magistrates during their certification classes several times during the year. Susan Rudolph and the HR Director attend all of the mandatory judges' conferences to ensure that we answer their HR-related questions in addition to responding to their requests for retirement estimates. Various HR staff continued to be involved in annual pre-bench training by discussing benefits, the role of the chief judge and various management issues.
- Separation Survey/Exit Interview - The survey was revised and put online via Survey Monkey in January 2010. The survey link is sent to all employees who voluntarily separate from the Judicial system. Based on the responses from these surveys, HR reviews trends quarterly to find out what changes may need to be made statewide or in individual courts to make the Judicial system more of an "Employer of Choice." HR had a much higher response rate with the electronic survey than with the paper survey that has been used in the past.
- CVC campaign - HR managed the 2010 campaign.
- In 2010 we had the following stats: 243 new hires, 26 rehires, 73 retirements, 220 separations and six deaths.

The **Department of Judicial Information Technology (DJIT)** develops, implements, maintains, and administers standardized uniform automated systems and all computer applications in support of the Virginia Judicial System.

JUDICIAL INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Major activities include:

1. 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, laptop 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.

Major information applications include:

1. The Courts Automated Information Systems (CAIS), an online, integrated, standardized system that provides Case Management Systems (CMS) for circuit, general district, and juvenile & domestic relations district courts. This improves the courts' ability to manage basic operating functions such as indexing and docketing.
2. The CAIS also provides a complete Financial Management System (FMS) including a general ledger, accounts receivable, and statistical reporting systems. FMS also provides extensive reporting on collection of fines and costs, in support of both the Department of Taxation Debt Set-off program and the Collection Agency program.
3. Interfaces have been developed for internal systems as well as to other state agencies, such as DMV, Taxation, Department of Juvenile Justice, Department of Social Services, Division of Child Support Enforcement, and the Virginia State Police. The CAIS is installed in nearly all courts of the Commonwealth and supports circuit, general district, and J&DR district courts.
4. The Records Indexing System (RIS), which meets all statutory index requirements of the Code of Virginia, allows indexing in the circuit courts of all land records and other permanent record items such as marriage licenses, wills, and financing statements. This indexing system is also interfaced with the Financial Management System (FMS) of the CAIS. A RIS compatible imaging capability (Records Management System-RMS) has also been developed to scan, store, and provide access to these records.
5. The Department developed and implemented case tracking systems for the Supreme Court (Supreme Court On-Line Administration and Reports-SCOLAR) and the Court of Appeals (Statistical Tracking and Reporting System-STARS).
6. A system for producing master jury lists for use by circuit courts and Jury Commissioners was created by merging the DMV drivers' license list and the Board of Elections voter registration list to increase the number of possible jurors for a locality. This jury questionnaire support system is installed in a number of courts.
7. eMagistrate, a system that automates magistrate procedures across the Commonwealth and assists in criminal forms preparation was developed and installed statewide in 128 magistrate locations.
8. Developed by DJIT, the OES maintains a homepage site at www.courts.state.va.us. Opinions of the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals are available as well as links to each of the Commonwealth's courts, court publications, courts and mediation information, and other judicial programs. Information on all general district and

many circuit cases is also available on-line. (The abstracts may also be obtained via the dial-up Law Office and Public Access System (LOPAS)).

9. The OES maintains an Intranet site at OESINET that was developed by DJIT. This internal site provides an efficient and powerful mechanism for communicating with all members of the Judiciary. News of interest to court employees is posted daily. In addition, a wide variety of useful information is maintained on this site. Such resources available include manuals, Judges Bench Book, resource directories, court related legislation, court forms, access to court case information and a variety of helpful links.

Responsibilities:

- Provide day-to-day support to all system users.
- Develop information system test plans and test criteria.

- Procure, install, and maintain telecommunications networks and WAN/LAN environments.
- Develop, implement, and maintain all systems software.
- Safeguard tape and disc libraries.
- Procure, install, and support personal computer (PC) hardware, software, and peripherals.
- Procure, install, and support all server hardware, software, and peripherals including the Judicial Internet and Intranet.
- Implement, support, and maintain Human Resource applications.
- Provide support and assistance on systems and automated applications-related projects to the OES and the Judiciary.

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.

JUDICIAL PLANNING

Major activities include:

1. Maintaining a comprehensive strategic planning process for the judicial system.
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.

Responsibilities:

- Direct the design and administration of a comprehensive planning process for the judiciary through which the future direction of the courts is established.
- Coordinate the internal management planning process of the OES through the development and execution of the planning cycle.
- Synchronize the planning efforts of the judiciary with those of court-related agencies at the federal, state, and local levels.
- Study issues related to judicial workload and prepare workload analysis reports and packages for certification of judicial vacancies and consideration of additional judgeship positions.
- Compile and analyze caseload and other data to provide effective court and docket management information and reports to Virginia's courts.
- Compile data and write issue papers on various issues relating to the implementation of new recommendations for the judiciary.

- Publish various newsletters to support the administrative, strategic planning, and management information activities of the OES.
- Represent the OES on inter-agency project teams related to planning initiatives and caseload statistical research such as the Department of Correction's Prisoner Population Forecasting Committee.
- Provide grants writing support to various OES departments and the courts on issues of interest to the judicial system and local communities.

During 2010, the Judicial Planning Department accomplished in the following areas:

Strategic and Operational Planning

- Completed staff efforts in support of the Pandemic Flu Preparedness Commission, for which Judicial Planning staff drafted much of what became the second part of the Pandemic Influenza Bench Book for Virginia's Court System.
- Provided staff support to the Drug Court 2020 planning initiative.

- Developed the initial version of a Local Planning Guide for Virginia’s trial courts.

Management Information / Caseload Statistics

- Researched, defined, and analyzed data related to juvenile transfers in the Juvenile and Domestic Relations (J&DR) District Courts on behalf of the Virginia Crime Commission.
- Developed monthly online statistical reports for the J&DR District Court clerks to help them with caseload projections.
- Analyzed and formatted data for and assisted in writing the first annual OES-generated Drug Court Report to the General Assembly.

Domestic Violence Program

- Staffed the Advisory Committee on Domestic Violence Issues in Virginia’s Courts.
- Developed a protective order data warehouse to

better respond to requests for protective order data and analyze trends in protective orders throughout Virginia.

- Completed a comprehensive design and content review of I-CAN!, Virginia’s online forms completion program for family abuse protective orders, and made substantial progress on its re-design.
- Posted the Family Violence Reference Manual for Judges online for access by all Virginia J&DR District judges.

Grants

- Secured grant awards supporting several pilot programs to establish problem-solving trial court dockets, including a domestic violence docket in Pulaski J&DR District Court; a reentry docket in Norfolk Circuit Court; and a mental health docket in Petersburg General District Court.

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

Responsibilities:

- Circuit Court Services
Provides financial management, case management and procedural support for circuit courts judges and clerks through training and technical assistance
- General District Court Services
Provides guidance and assistance to general district court judges and clerks on caseload management, case processing, public relations, and internal financial controls
- Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Services
Provides guidance and assistance to juvenile and domestic relations district court judges and clerks on

caseload management, case processing, public relations, and internal financial controls

- Magistrate Services
Provides magistrate services through personnel performing limited judicial duties and personnel providing supervision, training and support
- Foreign Language Services
Provides assistance to the judiciary so as to assure non-English-speakers equal access to the judicial process through certification, training and support
- Dispute Resolution Services
Provides mediation and other dispute resolution alternatives through certification, training and technical assistance

- Drug Treatment Court Services

Provides administrative oversight of the four models of drug treatment courts in Virginia including technical assistance, budget management, monitoring and evaluation

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The courts, magistrates, mediators, and drug treatment courts look to the Department of Judicial Services for guidance, instruction and procedural development to assist them complete the myriad number of job responsibilities. The Department is committed to excellence in this area of service. This department conducts the vast majority of training for Virginia's court personnel. Existing training programs include:

- Basic Courses
- Magistrate Certification (4 weeks)
- Mediator Certification
- Clerk/Magistrate Orientation
- New Deputy Training
- Clerks' Certification
- Clerks' Conferences
- Magistrates' Conference
- CAIS Case Management System (CMS)
- CAIS Financial Management System (FMS)
- Legislative Reviews (procedural development)
- Scheduling
- Jury Management
- Probate
- Regionals (CLE) – Spring and Fall

MANUALS

The following manuals are produced within the Department of Judicial Services:

- Circuit Court:

- CAIS Case Management System (CMS) User Guide
- CAIS Financial Management System (FMS) User Guide
- Circuit Court Clerk's Manual – Civil
- Circuit Court Clerk's Manual – Criminal
- Probate and Estate Administration Manual
- Miscellaneous Procedures Manual
- Deed Book Manual

- Courthouse Design

- Virginia Courthouse Facilities and Guidelines

- Court Appointed Counsel

- Court-Appointed Counsel Public Defender Procedures & Guidelines Manual
- Eligibility for Court Appointed Counsel

- Drug Treatment Court

- MIS Manual

- Foreign Language Services

- Guidelines for Policy and Best Practice

- General District Court

- General District Court Manual
- CAIS General District Case Management System User's Guide

- Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court

- Juvenile & Domestic Relations Court's Management System (CMS) Manual
- Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court Manual

- Magistrates

- Virginia Magistrates Manual

- Mediation

- Dispute Resolution Procedures Manual

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.
5. 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.

Responsibilities:

- Perform legal research projects requested by the Executive Secretary, other staff members and judges.
 - Primary categories of research include:
 - conducting legislative research to determine the effect on the judicial system of bills before the General Assembly,
 - drafting legislative proposals or amendments for the Executive Secretary and
 - upon request of a judge, researching points of law arising in cases in circuit and district courts.
- Serve as a direct resource for OES staff.
 - Prepare and update various court operational manuals and advise regarding the update of similar office manuals.
 - Develop and update district and circuit court forms.
 - Legal Assistant provides organizational support for department and manages distribution of district and circuit court forms, various court operational manuals and similar office manuals.

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:

1. 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.
2. 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.

Responsibilities:

- Coordinate the development of legislative proposals recommended by the Judicial Conferences of Virginia.
- Compile and maintain the contents of the court-related legislation page on the court's intranet website.
- Facilitate the development of positions on court-related legislation taken by the Judicial Conferences of Virginia.
- Provide information to legislators about the impact of legislative proposals on Virginia's Judicial System.
- Prepare and disseminate annual summary of court-related legislation.
- Compose press releases for the court system.
- Prepare responses to requests for records and information.
- Serve as a liaison between the judiciary and other branches of government.
- Supervise the maintenance and updating of existing content and approve the posting of new content for Virginia's Judicial System website.
- Review and update informational pamphlets about Virginia's Judicial System.
- Perform special projects at the direction of the Executive Secretary and the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.



2010 The Judiciary's Year in Review

Virginia

*Judicial Administration in Virginia's Courts
Miscellaneous Activities*



Miscellaneous Activities

- Fiscal Review of the Judiciary
- Substitute and Retired Recalled Judges
- Indigent Defense Services
- Criminal Fund Activities
- Involuntary Mental Commitments
- Medical Malpractice Review Panel
- Supreme Court Designations
- Awards Recognition Program

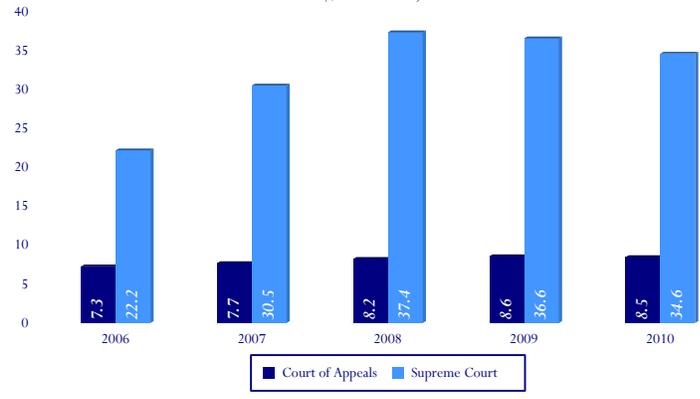
Fiscal Review of the Judiciary

The General Assembly appropriated \$367.6 million for the judicial system for fiscal year 2009-2010. This constituted a decrease of 2.0% from the \$374.9 million that was budgeted in fiscal year 2009-2010. These funds comprised just over one percent of the total state biennium budget.

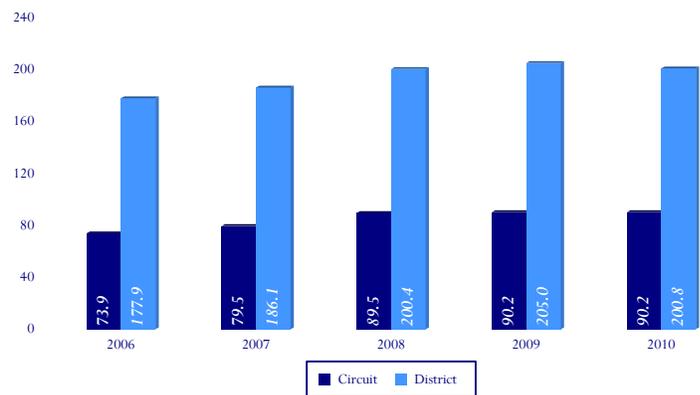
Total judicial system expenditures in FY 2010 totaled \$349.3 million. Of the total judicial system expenditures, 67.3% or \$241.3 million was for operational costs: personal services (salaries, wage and fringe benefits) totaled \$210.2 million (or 87.1% of operational costs) and automation needs, services, supplies, and equipment totaled \$31.1 (or 12.9% of operational costs). Grant funds, Criminal Fund costs, and costs related to the involuntary mental commitment (IMC) process constituted the remainder (\$117.1 million) of total court system expenditures in fiscal year 2010.

Grant activity in FY 2010 totaled \$4.4 million. The largest single expenditure of funds on grant activities (\$3,210,722) 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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Supreme Court and Court of Appeals
Expenditures for Fiscal Years 2006-2010
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Circuit and District Courts
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Magistrates
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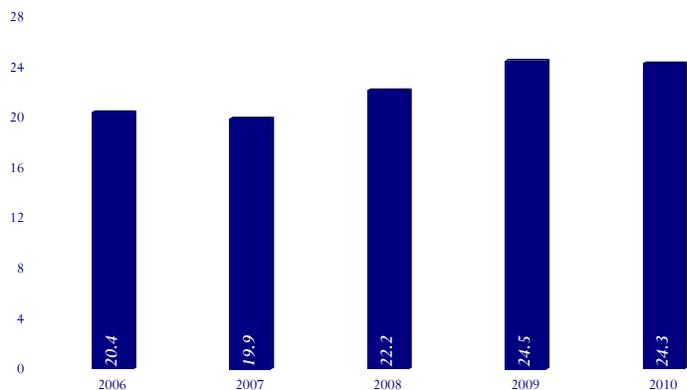
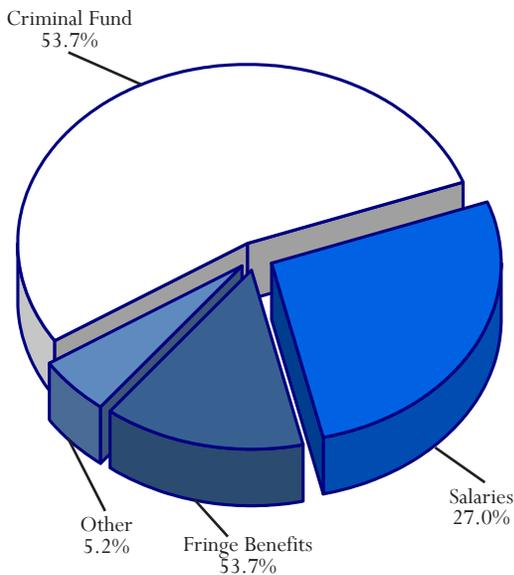


Table 41
Pre-Trial, Trial and Appellate Processes
Fiscal Year 2010 Expenditures

	Supreme Court	Court of Appeals	Circuit Courts*	District Courts	Magistrate System	Court System Total	% of Total
Personal Service Costs							
Salaries/Justices-Judges	1,464,645	2,063,423	23,622,808	33,988,607	0	61,139,483	29.08%
Salaries/Other Employees	10,657,248	3,495,718	679,231	53,572,281	17,180,175	85,584,653	40.71%
Wage	357,865	28,416	0	938,233	4,326	1,328,840	0.63%
Substitute/Retired Judges	0	3,000	939,300	1,440,900	0	2,383,200	1.13%
Fringe Benefits	3,771,933	1,857,111	12,775,235	35,866,494	5,508,288	59,779,061	28.44%
Total Personal Services	16,251,691	7,447,668	38,016,574	125,806,515	22,692,789	210,215,237	87.11%
CAIS/Equipment Costs							
CAIS/MIS	8,679,561	3,000	2,647,128	5,812,833	637,481	17,780,003	57.14%
Services	2,402,020	301,088	882,593	2,529,067	741,028	6,855,796	22.03%
Supplies/Equipment	508,842	49,208	174,579	1,735,614	210,152	2,678,395	8.61%
Insurance/Rentals	2,348,696	662,033	50,769	683,363	55,881	3,800,742	12.22%
Total CAIS/Equipment	13,939,119	1,015,329	3,755,069	10,760,877	1,644,542	31,114,936	12.89%
Total Operations	30,190,810	8,462,997	41,771,643	136,567,392	24,337,331	241,330,173	100.00%
Other Costs							
Grant Activity	4,420,865	0	0	0	0	4,420,865	3.78%
Criminal Fund	6,448	16	48,402,258	57,790,809	0	106,199,531	90.69%
Invol. Mental Commit. Fund	0	0	0	6,484,160	0	6,484,160	5.54%
Total Other	4,427,313	16	48,402,258	64,274,969	0	117,104,556	100.00%
GRAND TOTAL	34,618,123	8,463,013	90,173,901	200,842,361	24,337,331	358,434,729	
Positions	144.63	69.13	164.00	1816.75	446.20	2640.71	

*These figures do not include the \$50 million in 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

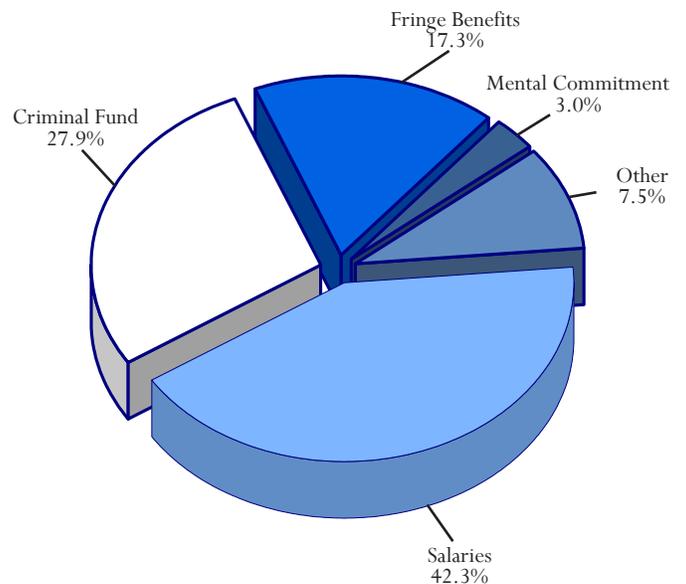


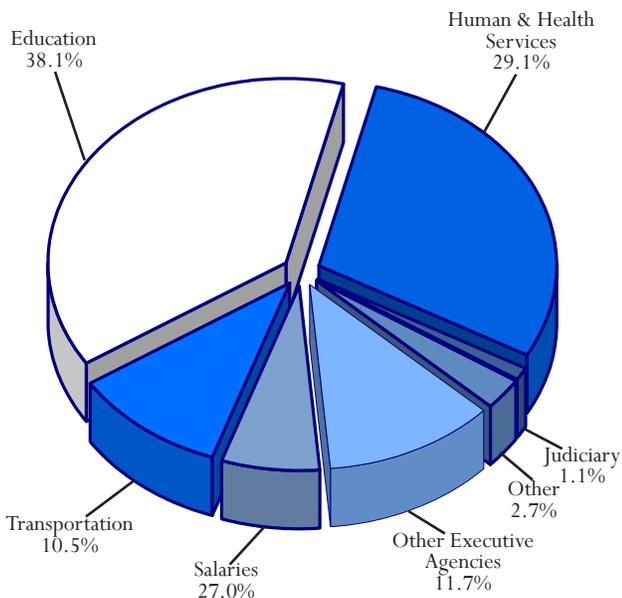
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Judicial System Appropriations

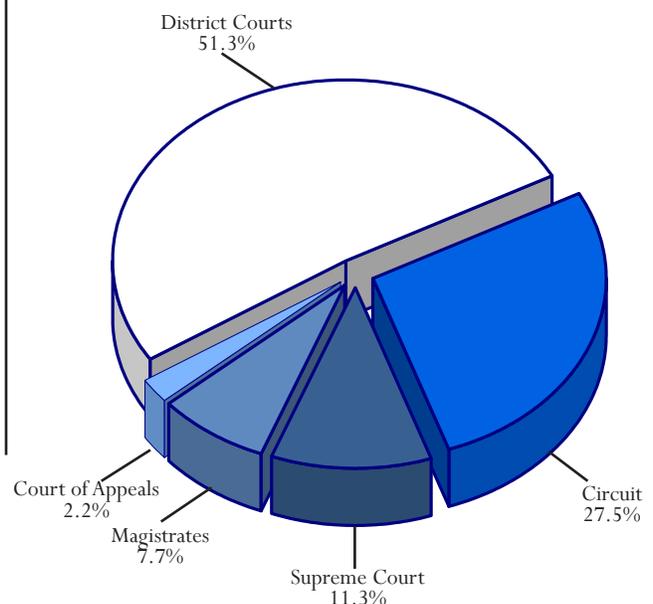
Agency/Program	Expended FY 09-10	Budgeted* FY 10-11
Supreme Court		
Appellate Review	7,794,423	11,690,742
Law Library Services	1,008,874	943,029
General Management and Direction	24,983,012	27,833,906
Judicial Training	826,328	899,140
Adjudicatory Coordination	5,306	25,000
Physician Regulation (Medical Malpractice)	0	25,000
Supreme Court Total	34,617,943	41,416,817
Court of Appeals		
Appellate Review	8,463,013	8,244,148
Circuit Courts		
Trial Process	88,127,210	101,270,698
District Courts		
General		
Trial Process	92,614,164	91,374,301
Juvenile & Domestic Relations		
Trial Process	80,429,216	75,236,236
Combined		
Trial Process	27,798,981	21,878,843
District Courts Total	193,566,367	188,489,380
Magistrate System		
Pre-Trial Assistance	24,548,038	28,209,548
GRAND TOTAL	349,322,571	367,630,591

* 2009-10 Appropriations Act - Chapter 781.

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*Judiciary's Share of 2009-2010
Appropriations*



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*Judiciary's Distribution of 2009-2010
Appropriations*



Grant Activity During Fiscal Year 2010

Grant Number	Title	Duration	Awarded	Expended thru FY2010
U. S. Dept of Health and Human Services (Federal)				
0701VASCIP	State Court Improvement Program	10/01/07-09/30/09	\$311,954	\$311,954
0701VASCIT	State Court Improvement Program	10/01/07-09/30/09	\$235,342	\$235,342
0701VASCID	State Court Improvement Program	10/01/07-09/30/09	\$235,166	\$235,166
0801VASCIP	State Court Improvement Program	10/01/07-09/30/10	\$277,022	\$205,730
0801VASCIT	State Court Improvement Program	10/01/07-09/30/10	\$221,238	\$188,873
0801VASCID	State Court Improvement Program	10/01/07-09/30/10	\$226,098	\$110,593
Dept of Criminal Justice Services(Federal)				
(Va General Fund)	Virginia Drug Court Treatment Project.	07/01/09-06/30/10	\$4,314,485	\$3,210,722
09-G4161VA08	I-CAN Judicial Education	01/01/09-12/31/09	\$36,999	\$36,999
10-H4161VA09	I-CAN	01/01/10-12/30/10	\$39,285	\$29,255
08-B5116OT05	Grant to encourage arrest (GEAP)	07/01/07-09/30/10	\$225,870	\$191,747
10-C5223AD09	District Court Clerk Certification	07/01/09-06/30/10	\$43,931	\$43,931
10-A5355AD09	Dom. Violence Advisory Comm	01/01/10-12/31/10	\$3,456	\$3,456
10-A6099VS09	I-CAN ARRA	07/01/09-12/31/10	\$44,406	\$26,128
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles (Federal)				
154AL-2009-59314-3617	Reduce Driving Related Crashes	10/01/08-09/30/09	\$96,600	\$73,800
TR-2009-50314-3618	traffic records	10/01/08-09/30/09	\$77,600	\$77,600
TR2010-50356	Reduce Driving Related Crashes	10/01/09-09/30/10	\$96,000	\$73,850
154AL-2010	Traffic records	10/01/09-09/30/10	\$67,600	-0-
State Police (Federal)				
VSP – 2009 NCHIP Award		10/01/09-09/30/11	\$65,000	-0-
Division of Child Support Enforcement				
MOU agreement with DCSE	Mediation Access and Visitation Program #CSE09-035	02/23/09-09/30/09	\$145,000	\$145,000
MOU continued		10/01/09-09/30/10	\$145,000	\$135,286

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 2010, the total cost of the utilization of substitute and retired recalled judges in the district courts totaled \$1.5 million for a total of 7,261 days (29.0 full-time equivalency positions). In 2009, judges used 7,552.5 substitute and retired recalled judge days. The 7,261 days reported in 2010 equates to an average of 28.8 day per district court judge compared to 30.3 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 58.

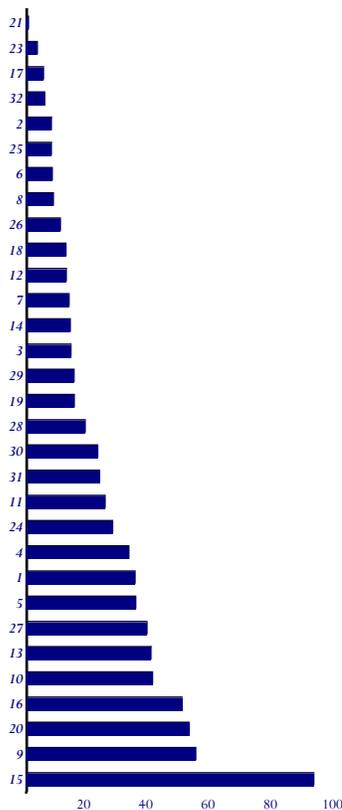
Judges in the general district courts utilized a total of 3,088.5 days or 42.5% of the total while judges in the J&DR district courts reported a total of 3,395 substitute days or 46.8%. The remaining days were utilized by judges in courts with “combined” clerks offices (777 days or 10.7% of the total).

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 2010 utilized retired judges for 3,748 days, an increase of 100 days or 2.7% from the number of utilized in 2009. This represented 15 full-time equivalent positions and an average of 23.87 days per circuit court judge. See Table 59.

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Substitute and Retired Recalled Judges
2010 Per Diem Expenditures by District
(\$ in Thousands)



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Substitute and Retired Recalled Judges
2010 Assistance Days Per FTE Judge by District

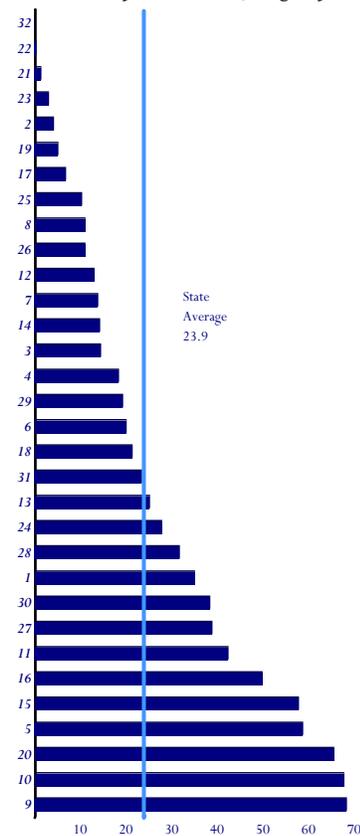


Table 43

*Utilization of Substitute and Retired Recalled Judges**

January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010

Dist	General District Courts			J&DR District Courts			Comb. District Courts			District Court Totals				
	RR Days	Sub Days	Total Cost (\$)	RR Days	Sub Days	Total Cost(\$)	RR Days	Sub Days	Total Cost(\$)	Total Days	Total Cost(\$)	Util FTE	Curr FTE	Days/Judge
1	61.0	21.0	16,400	50.0	49.5	19,900	0.0	0.0	0	181.5	36,300	0.7	7.0	25.9
2	164.0	64.0	45,600	76.0	80.0	31,200	0.0	0.0	0	384.0	76,800	1.5	14.0	27.4
3	3.0	64.0	13,400	4.0	64.5	13,700	0.0	0.0	0	135.5	27,100	0.5	6.0	22.6
4	198.0	87.0	57,000	101.0	106.0	41,400	0.0	0.0	0	492.0	98,400	2.0	11.0	44.7
5	13.0	32.5	9,100	25.0	16.5	8,300	6.0	1.0	1,400	94.0	18,800	0.4	5.0	18.8
6	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	140.0	97.5	47,500	237.5	47,500	1.0	6.0	39.6
7	63.0	38.0	20,200	48.0	33.5	16,300	0.0	0.0	0	182.5	36,500	0.7	8.0	22.8
8	49.0	43.5	18,500	22.0	28.0	10,000	0.0	0.0	0	142.5	28,500	0.6	6.0	23.8
9	40.0	30.0	14,000	30.0	59.5	17,900	6.0	2.0	1,600	167.5	33,500	0.7	6.0	27.9
10	3.0	16.0	3,800	39.0	7.0	9,200	14.0	14.5	5,700	93.5	18,700	0.4	6.0	15.6
11	47.0	22.0	13,800	118.0	80.0	39,600	15.0	26.0	8,200	308.0	61,600	1.2	4.0	77.0
12	15.0	67.0	16,400	207.0	79.0	57,000	29.0	20.0	9,800	417.0	83,200	1.7	9.0	46.3
13	143.0	86.0	45,800	17.0	122.0	27,800	0.0	0.0	0	368.0	73,600	1.5	13.0	28.3
14	44.0	30.0	14,800	28.0	188.0	43,200	0.0	0.0	0	290.0	58,000	1.2	9.0	32.2
15	67.0	83.0	30,000	64.0	323.0	77,400	15.0	14.5	5,900	566.5	113,300	2.3	13.0	43.6
16	37.0	16.0	10,600	6.0	48.5	10,900	17.0	28.5	9,100	153.0	30,600	0.6	8.0	19.1
17	0.0	108.0	21,600	0.0	38.0	7,600	0.0	1.0	200	147.0	29,400	0.6	6.0	24.5
18	24.0	20.0	8,800	13.0	41.0	10,800	0.0	0.0	0	98.0	19,600	0.4	4.0	24.5
19	183.0	120.0	60,600	41.0	174.5	43,100	0.0	0.0	0	518.5	103,700	2.1	19.0	27.3
20	82.0	149.0	46,200	19.0	46.5	13,100	21.0	13.0	6,800	330.5	66,100	1.3	7.0	47.2
21	29.0	5.0	6,800	34.0	7.5	8,300	0.0	0.0	0	75.5	15,100	0.3	4.0	18.9
22	42.0	11.0	10,600	64.0	28.0	18,400	0.0	0.0	0	145.0	29,000	0.6	5.0	29.0
23	84.0	22.5	21,300	5.0	54.0	11,800	26.0	13.0	7,600	204.5	40,700	0.8	9.0	22.7
24	58.0	20.0	15,600	51.0	42.0	18,600	0.0	0.0	0	171.0	34,200	0.7	9.0	19.0
25	142.0	45.5	37,500	15.0	65.0	16,000	37.0	55.5	18,500	360.0	72,000	1.4	9.0	40.0
26	4.0	52.5	11,300	27.0	83.5	22,100	0.0	0.0	0	167.0	33,400	0.7	9.0	18.6
27	39.0	29.5	13,700	26.0	144.0	34,000	20.0	95.0	23,000	353.5	70,700	1.4	9.0	39.3
28	28.0	19.0	9,400	39.0	11.5	10,100	0.0	0.0	0	97.5	19,500	0.4	4.0	24.4
29	1.0	5.0	1,200	12.0	6.0	3,600	14.0	17.0	6,200	55.0	11,000	0.2	5.0	11.0
30	10.0	1.0	2,200	14.0	20.5	6,900	15.0	4.0	3,800	64.5	12,900	0.3	4.0	16.1
31	7.0	83.0	18,000	29.0	104.5	26,700	0.0	0.0	0	223.5	44,700	0.9	9.0	24.8
32(2A)	16.0	1.5	3,500	7.0	12.5	3,900	0.0	0.0	0	37.0	7,400	0.1	2.0	18.5
Total	1,696.0	1,392.5	617,700	1,231.0	2,164.0	678,800	375.0	402.5	155,300	7,261.0	1,451,800	29.0	245.0	28.8

*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.

Table 44

Utilization of Retired Recalled Circuit Judges*

Days Utilized and Expenditures

January 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010

Circuit	Total Days	Total Cost	Current FTE	Utilized FTE	Days/Judge
1	175	\$35,000	5	0.7	35.00
2	41	\$8,200	10	0.16	4.10
3	72	\$14,400	5	0.29	14.40
4	165	\$33,000	9	0.66	18.33
5	176	\$35,200	3	0.7	58.67
6	40	\$8,400	2	0.16	20.00
7	69	\$13,800	5	0.28	13.80
8	44	\$8,800	4	0.18	11.00
9	273	\$54,500	4	1.09	68.25
10	203	\$40,600	3	0.81	67.67
11	127	\$25,400	3	0.51	42.33
12	65	\$13,000	5	0.26	13.00
13	201	\$40,200	8	0.8	25.13
14	71	\$14,200	5	0.28	14.20
15	462	\$92,400	8	1.85	57.75
16	249	\$50,100	5	1	49.80
17	27	\$5,600	4	0.11	6.75
18	64	\$12,800	3	0.26	21.33
19	76	\$15,500	15	0.3	5.07
20	262	\$52,400	4	1.05	65.50
21	4	\$800	3	0.02	1.33
22	1	\$200	4	0	0.25
23	18	\$3,600	6	0.07	3.00
24	139	\$27,800	5	0.56	27.80
25	41	\$8,200	4	0.16	10.25
26	55	\$11,000	5	0.22	11.00
27	194	\$38,800	5	0.78	38.80
28	95	\$19,000	3	0.38	31.67
29	77	\$15,400	4	0.31	19.25
30	115	\$23,000	3	0.46	38.33
31	117	\$23,600	5	0.47	23.40
32 (2A)	30	\$6,000	0	0.12	0.00
Total	3,748	\$750,900	157	15.00	23.87

*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.

Indigent Defense Services

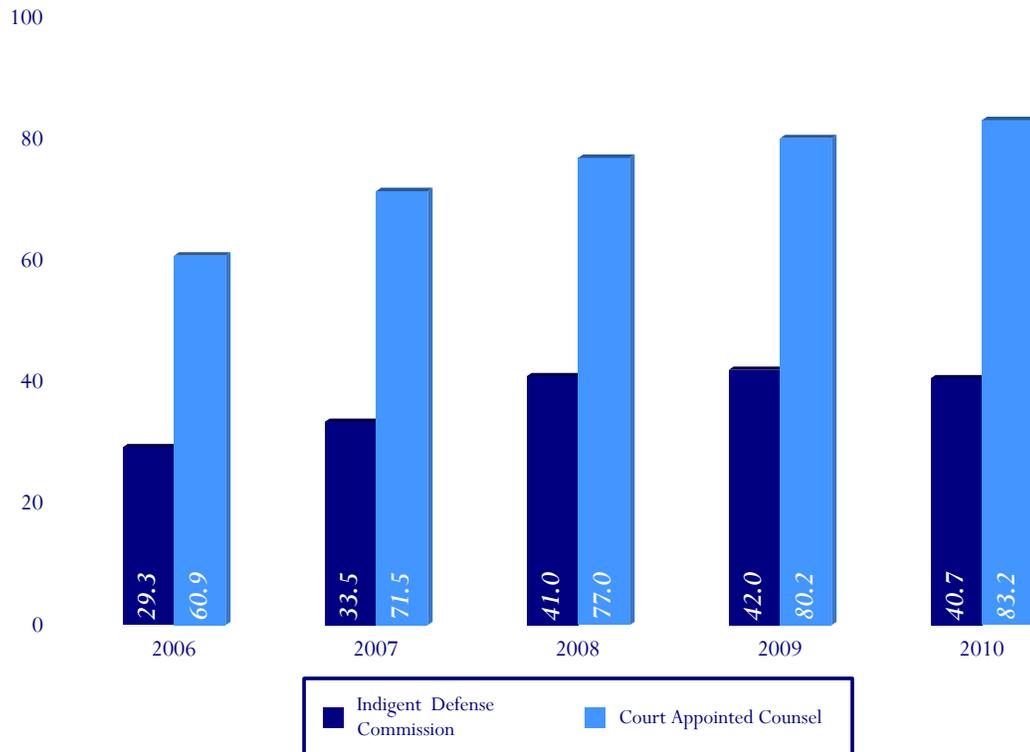
The Commonwealth paid \$123.9 million for the representation of indigent defendants during fiscal year 2010. These expenditures were made to court-appointed attorneys from the Criminal Fund administered by the Supreme Court and to public defender personnel from funds administered by the Public Defender Commission. See Table 60. Total Criminal Fund expenditures increased from \$104.0 million in fiscal year 2009 to \$105.8 million in fiscal year 2010, an increase of 1.8%. Payments from the Criminal Fund to court appointed counsel increased from \$78.6 million to \$80.8 million, an increase of 2.9% during the year. Court appointed attorney costs constituted 76.4% of total Criminal Fund expenditures in fiscal year 2010.

The number of defendants receiving court appointed counsel services paid for from the Criminal Fund fell in FY 2010 from 248,033 to 247,575, a decrease of 0.2% from the number represented the previous year. The average

fee paid to attorneys for representing indigent defendants decreased from \$317 per charge in FY 2009 to \$326 per charge in FY 2010. The district courts recouped \$7.1 million in Commonwealth revenues and the circuit courts also collected \$6.7 million in FY 2010 from indigents convicted of crimes; together, these revenues represent 18.9% 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 increased 8.8% in criminal cases and increased 3.6% in civil cases. There was an increase of 0.1% in the costs of extradition allowances, and jurors per diem expenditures fell 5.5%. An increase was reported in the costs associated with expert witness fees (up 6.7%), while there was a decrease in the costs of providing witnesses for the Commonwealth (down 12.2%). See Table 62.

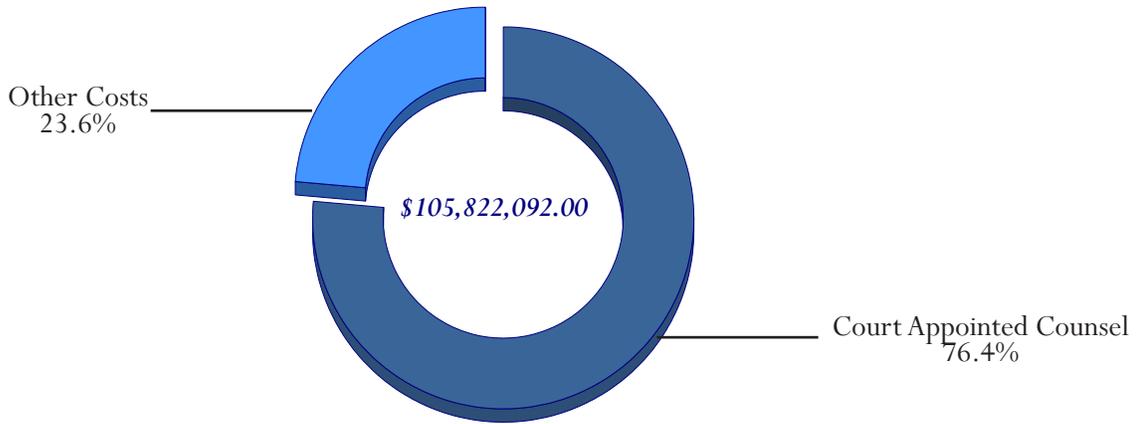
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 Fiscal Years 2006-2010
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Criminal Fund Activities

Fiscal Year 2010 Distribution of Expenditures



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Criminal Fund and Involuntary Mental Commitments

Fiscal Years 2006-2010 Expenditures

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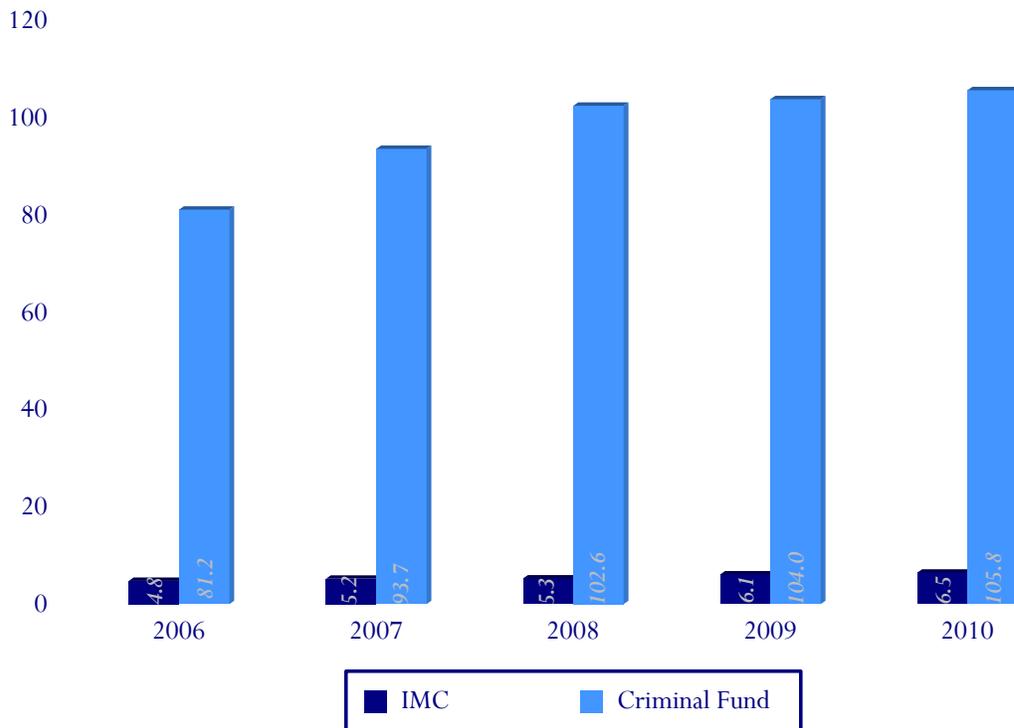


Table 45

Indigent Defense Costs

July 2009 - June 2010

Circuit/ District	Court- Appointed Counsel Fees & Expenses*	Public Defender Expenditures	Total Indigent Defense Costs
1	1,762,086	1,511,312	3,273,398
2	2,032,809	2,557,086	4,589,895
3	1,302,527	1,802,076	3,104,603
4	3,810,285	2,516,908	6,327,193
5	1,036,006	1,624,701	2,660,707
6	1,898,884		1,898,884
7	1,458,980	1,830,876	3,289,856
8	1,239,995	1,647,041	2,887,036
9	2,849,679		2,849,679
10	2,282,298	866,412	3,148,710
11	1,828,825	927,167	2,755,992
12	4,415,303		4,415,303
13	3,550,930	3,439,635	6,990,565
14	4,286,140		4,286,140
15	5,023,101	1,885,517	6,908,618
16	4,020,239	961,096	4,981,335
17	1,390,655	1,457,270	2,847,925
18	1,239,986	1,410,979	2,650,965
19	4,607,895	2,538,571	7,146,466
20	1,019,375	1,840,662	2,860,037
21	539,766	712,998	1,252,764
22	2,027,775	665,951	2,693,726
23	2,713,853	1,335,288	4,049,141
24	2,696,555	1,541,615	4,238,170
25	1,877,636	1,048,721	2,926,357
26	3,418,824	1,146,955	4,565,779
27	4,555,309	732,790	5,288,099
28	2,270,541		2,270,541
29	3,592,586		3,592,586
30	2,942,535		2,942,535
31	4,679,155		4,679,155
32 (2A)	841,303		841,303
Other**		4,651,047	4,651,047
Total	\$83,211,836	\$40,652,675	\$123,864,511

* Circuit and district courts only.

**Indigent Defense Commission administrative, commission, capital cases and other misc. start-up expenditures.

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

Table 46

Criminal Fund Annual Statistics*
Selected Activities for Fiscal Years 2009 and 2010

Activity	FY 2009 Individuals Served	FY 2010 Individuals Served	Percent Change	FY 2009 Cost	FY 2010 Cost	Percent Change
Court Appointed Counsel	248,033	247,575	-0.2%	\$78,560,005	\$80,802,986	2.9%
Habeas Corpus	15	16	6.7%	65,436	69,547	6.3%
Court Reporters/Felony Cases	147,485	135,543	-8.1%	7,836,439	7,580,942	-3.3%
Extradition Allowance	1,987	1,988	0.1%	2,559,459	1,999,889	-21.9%
Interpreters for Deaf/Criminal Cases	672	731	8.8%	169,706	167,763	-1.1%
Interpreters for Deaf/Civil Cases	338	350	3.6%	80,971	87,473	8.0%
Interpreters for Non-English Speaking	62,837	60,312	-4.0%	3,153,852	3,329,436	5.6%
Medical Fees - Gathering Evidence	873	464	-46.8%	1,081,034	639,072	-40.9%
Psychiatric Exam - Sexual Abnormality	274	258	-5.8%	163,032	153,240	-6.0%
Blood Withdrawal/Analysis - Alcohol	1,056	1,090	3.2%	27,187	27,649	1.7%
Blood Withdrawal/Analysis - Drugs	46	57	23.9%	1,150	1,425	23.9%
Blood Tests for Paternity/HLA	3,031	3,377	11.4%	212,304	236,119	11.2%
Jurors Per Diem			-	2,301,708	2,174,985	-5.5%
Expert Witness			-	377,656	402,980	6.7%
Witness for Commonwealth			-	621,102	545,495	-12.2%
Other Criminal Fund			-	6,752,842	7,603,092	12.6%
Total Criminal Fund				\$103,963,883	\$105,822,092	1.8%

* All trial and appellate courts.

Table 47
Criminal Fund Expenditures by Activity
 July 2009 - June 2010
 (Circuit and District Court)

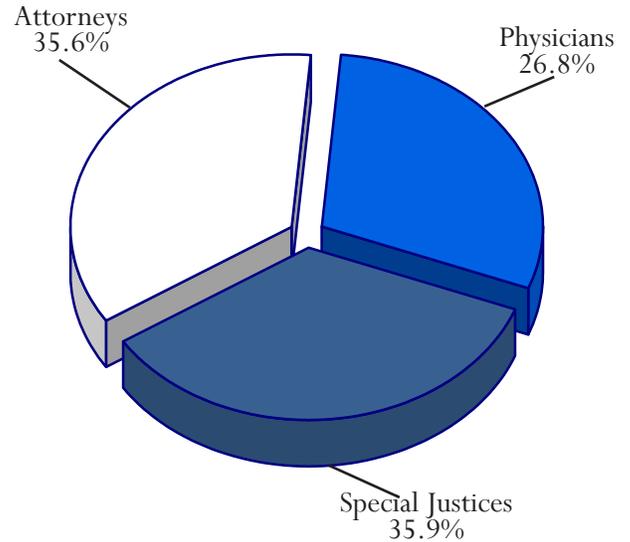
Activity	Circuit Courts	Gen. Dist. Courts	J&DR Dist. Courts	Comb. Dist. Courts	Total
ADMINISTRATIVE IMPOUNDMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES	2,619	30,999	0	2,140	35,758
AGREEMENT ON DETAINERS - OUT-OF-STATE	49,942	4,660	64	0	54,666
ATTORNEY IN CRIMINAL COMMITMENT	886	75	420	18	1,399
BLOOD TESTS FOR PATERNITY - HLA	2,734	0	198,491	34,895	236,120
BLOOD WITHDRAWAL/ANALYSIS - ALCOHOL	25	21,759	1,265	4,600	27,649
BLOOD WITHDRAWAL/ANALYSIS - DRUGS	0	1,425	0	0	1,425
COMMIT OF CONVICTED PERSON FOR TREAT FOR DRUG/ALCO	16,485	300	0	180	16,965
COMPENSATION OF EXPERTS	467,643	524,010	181,037	99,221	1,271,911
COMPENSATION OF EXPERTS J&DR	400	0	60,736	3,500	64,636
COSTS OF SPECIAL GRAND JURY	61,765	0	0	0	61,765
COUNSEL FOR SPECIAL GRAND JURORS	4,241	0	0	0	4,241
COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY	29,460,395	16,031,594	9,531,830	4,961,784	59,985,603
COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY DIST CT CAPITAL MURDER	0	57,687	0	0	57,687
COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY - J&DR COURT	0	0	17,664,709	3,044,221	20,708,930
COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY J&DR CT CAPITAL MURDER	0	0	36,102	0	36,102
COURT APPOINTED ATTORNEY-DNA SCIENTIFIC ANALYSIS	2,362	0	0	0	2,362
COURT APPOINTED ATTY - INDIGENT CONVICT	738,439	0	0	0	738,439
COURT REPORTERS - FELONY ONLY	7,090,172	285,609	127,030	78,131	7,580,942
DETERMINATION OF INSANITY PRIOR SENTENCE	10,350	0	0	0	10,350
EXPERT WITNESS	350,227	2,692	18,202	4,671	375,792
EXTRADITION ALLOWANCE	1,999,889	0	0	0	1,999,889
GUARDIAN AD LITEM - PROTECTIVE SERVICES	589	0	0	0	589
GUARDIANS AND CONSERVATORS	479,095	0	0	0	479,095
HABEAS CORPUS	69,547	0	0	0	69,547
HABITUAL OFFENDER ADJUDICATION	58,345	195	0	410	58,950
INDIGENT APPEALS ATTORNEY	1,685,075	0	0	0	1,685,075
INSTALLATION OF PEN REGISTER	135,947	0	0	0	135,947
INTERPRETERS FOR DEAF - CRIMINAL	28,823	72,091	54,373	12,477	167,764
INTERPRETERS FOR DEAF IN CIVIL CASES	16,336	16,623	49,322	5,192	87,473
INTERPRETERS FOR NON-ENGLISH SPEAKERS	737,308	1,716,568	598,012	189,978	3,241,866
INTERPRETERS NON ENGLISH CIVIL 8.01-384.1:1	45,553	136,233	287,136	10,094	479,016
JURORS	2,174,985	0	0	0	2,174,985
MEDIATION	2,700	100	1,073,800	107,100	1,183,700
MEDICAL COSTS FOR GATHERING EVIDENCE	408,360	3,028	0	0	411,388
MEDICAL COSTS FOR GATHERING EVIDENCE - JUVENILE	0	0	226,255	1,429	227,684
MISCELLANEOUS-NOT OTHERWISE COMPENSABLE	127,676	1,458	5,931	6,827	141,892
OUT-OF-STATE WITNESS	40,468	7,845	4,478	684	53,475
OUT-OF-STATE WITNESS (CRIMINAL)	68,334	9,805	11,634	2,862	92,635
PROCESSING OF CONVICTS AS WITNESSES	300	0	0	0	300
PSYCHIATRIC EXAM - SEXUAL ABNORMALITY	153,240	0	0	0	153,240
REVOCAION OF PAROLE	1,493	0	0	0	1,493
SALE OF FORFEITED PROPERTY	9,869	0	0	0	9,869
SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATORS	965,193	0	0	0	965,193
TESTING OF CERTAIN PERSONS FOR HIV	0	428	356	0	784
TESTING OF PROSTITUTES FOR HIV	0	1,949	0	0	1,949
UNATTENDED OR IMMOBILE VEHICLES	144,955	43,744	330	0	189,029
WITNESS FOR COMMONWEALTH	412,010	64,475	45,292	8,214	529,991
TOTAL	48,024,775	19,035,351	30,176,804	8,578,629	105,815,559

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 64 below, payments totaling nearly \$6.5 million were made in fiscal year 2010 to the several types of service providers (special justices, attorneys, physicians and others) involved in IMC hearings. This represented an increase of 6.1% from the total expended during the previous fiscal year. The expenditures for commitment hearings totaled almost \$5.6 million. Payment for commitment hearings constituted the major portion of total expenditures, approximately 86.2%. There were a total of 81,467 services of various types (commitment, recommitment, etc.) provided by special justices, attorneys, physicians, and others during the year, an increase of 2.0% from the 79,884 provided in 2010. Of these services, 28,560 (35.1%) were provided by special justices, 28,993 (35.6%) by attorneys, and 23,787 (29.2%) by physicians. The remaining services were provided by interpreters and witnesses. See Table 31.

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Fiscal Year 2010 Services by Provider



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Involuntary Mental Commitments
Fiscal Year 2010 Services by Activity

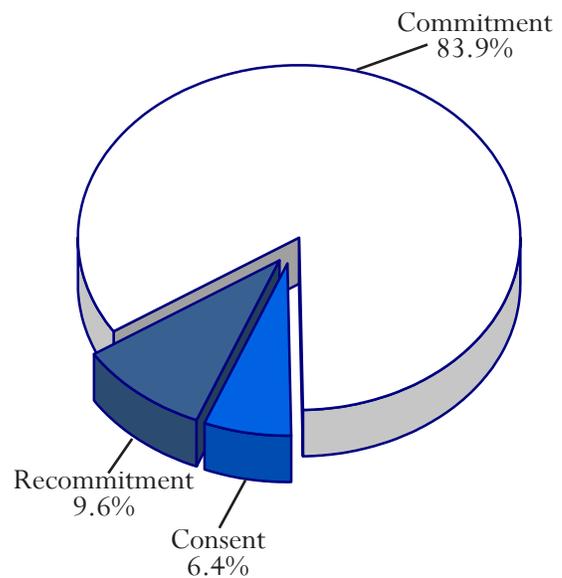


Table 48

Circuit and District Courts

Criminal Fund and Involuntary Mental Commitment Expenditures

July 2009 - June 2010

Circuit/ District	Circuit Court Criminal Fund	District Court Criminal Fund	Total Criminal Fund	District Court Involuntary Mental Commitments
1	1,405,647	1,143,395	2,549,042	160,963
2	1,602,357	1,788,536	3,390,893	344,571
3	919,468	956,237	1,875,705	208,764
4	2,702,507	2,533,191	5,235,698	98,122
5	811,274	612,735	1,424,009	57,245
6	1,058,976	1,182,867	2,241,844	127,411
7	1,159,814	1,103,496	2,263,310	3,782
8	972,401	814,831	1,787,232	359,545
9	1,333,353	2,047,825	3,381,178	111,006
10	1,431,636	1,350,076	2,781,711	87,408
11	866,061	1,305,791	2,171,852	545,845
12	1,880,971	3,171,456	5,052,427	295
13	1,966,930	2,547,338	4,514,268	674,573
14	1,832,354	3,171,803	5,004,157	87,429
15	3,967,572	3,477,750	7,445,322	245,827
16	1,863,241	2,937,945	4,801,186	124,024
17	930,294	1,162,518	2,092,812	81,743
18	427,482	1,134,695	1,562,176	58,257
19	2,487,067	4,315,866	6,802,932	265,248
20	738,331	1,022,566	1,760,896	70,718
21	498,109	238,733	736,843	43,523
22	1,318,310	1,218,216	2,536,526	193,002
23	1,353,812	1,832,445	3,186,257	677,960
24	1,237,567	2,004,352	3,241,919	231,163
25	983,603	1,224,636	2,208,239	333,993
26	2,024,641	2,202,627	4,227,268	169,918
27	2,560,733	2,597,786	5,158,519	378,053
28	1,098,583	1,435,943	2,534,525	523,995
29	2,074,682	1,943,822	4,018,504	58,216
30	1,885,307	1,406,702	3,292,009	6,669
31	2,253,510	3,305,458	5,558,969	154,161
32	378,181	599,148	977,330	731
Total	48,024,775	57,790,784	105,815,559	6,484,160

Table 49

Involuntary Mental Commitment Annual Statistics

Fiscal Years 2009 and 2010

Summary	FY 2009 Services Provided	FY 2010 Services Provided	Percent Change
Type of Service Provider			
Special Justice Services	28,714	28,560	-0.5%
Attorney Services	29,592	28,993	-2.0%
Physician Services	21,445	23,787	10.9%
Interpreter Services	123	127	3.3%
Witness Services	10	-	-100.0%
Total	79,884	81,467	2.0%

Activity	General District Courts	J&DR District Courts	Combined District Courts	Total
Commitment or Certification Hearings				
-- Special Justice	19,006	1,065	2,440	22,511
-- Attorney	18,578	1,776	2,635	22,989
-- Physician	18,359	1,042	2,216	21,617
-- Interpreter	83	7	0	90
-- Witness	0	0	0	0
Total Commitment Hearings	56,026	3,890	7,291	67,207
Recommitment Hearings				
-- Special Justice	2,359	8	567	2,934
-- Attorney	2,270	21	516	2,807
-- Physician	1,842	5	78	1,925
-- Interpreter	30	0	0	30
-- Witness	0	0	0	1
Total Recommitment Hearings	6,501	34	1,161	7,696
Appeal Hearings				
-- Attorney	134	0	10	144
-- Physician	7	0	0	7
-- Witness	0		0	
Total Appeal Hearings	141	0	10	151
Authorization for Medical Treatment-				
-- Special Justice	2,013	4	440	2,457
-- Attorney	2,268	2	435	2,705
Total Consent for Medical Treatment	4,281	6	875	5,162
Other	654	510	87	1,251
Grand Total	67,603	4,440	9,424	81,467

Table 50

Involuntary Mental Commitment Expenditures

Fiscal Years 2009 and 2010

	FY 2009	FY 2010	Percent Change
General District Court			
Special Justices	1,924,205	1,998,686	3.9%
Attorneys	1,668,894	1,692,841	1.4%
Physicians/Psychiatrists	1,387,826	1,589,476	14.5%
Interpreters/Witness/Other	18,325	19,489	6.3%
Totals	4,999,251	5,300,493	6.0%
J&DR District Court			
Special Justices	83,598	94,149	12.6%
Attorneys	180,393	263,896	46.3%
Physicians/Psychiatrists	102,907	81,141	-21.2%
Interpreter/Witness/Other	1,335	700	-47.6%
Totals	368,233	439,886	19.5%
Combined District Court			
Special Justices	296,100	285,037	-3.7%
Attorneys	280,582	275,792	-1.7%
Physicians/Psychiatrists	167,792	182,952	9.0%
Interpreters/Witness/Other	0	0	0.0%
Totals	744,474	743,781	-0.1%
District Court Grand Totals			
Special Justices	2,303,903	2,377,873	3.2%
Attorneys	2,129,869	2,232,528	4.8%
Physicians/Psychiatrists	1,658,526	1,853,570	11.8%
Interpreters/Witness/Other	19,660	20,189	2.7%
Totals	6,111,958	6,484,160	6.1%

Table 51

Involuntary Mental Commitment Expenditures by Activity

July 2009 - June 2010

Summary		FY2009 Total Expenditures	FY2010 Total Expenditures	Percent Change
Activity				
Commitment Hearings		3,432,983	5,592,167	62.9%
Commitment/Recommitment Hearings		1,807,256	-	
Certification Hearings		416	-	-100.0%
Consent Hearings		237,186	225,433	-5.0%
Recommitment Hearings		551,660	615,508	11.6%
Appeal Hearings		7,510	10,533	40.3%
Other Activity		74,947	40,519	-45.9%
TOTAL		6,111,958	6,484,160	6.1%
Activity	General District Courts	J&DR District Courts	Combined District Courts	Total
Commitment Hearings				
-- Special Justice	1,674,860	92,866	215,864	1,983,590
-- Attorney	1,424,614	262,206	217,293	1,904,114
-- Physician	1,430,113	80,378	177,096	1,687,588
-- Interpreter	16,144	700	0	16,844
-- Witness	32	0	0	32
Total Commitment Hearings	4,545,764	436,151	610,253	5,592,167
Recommitment Hearings				
-- Special Justice	204,694	690	49,100	254,484
-- Attorney	171,174	1,603	38,775	211,552
-- Physician	140,415	413	5,856	146,684
-- Interpreter	2,788	0	0	2,788
Total Recommitment Hearings	519,070	2,706	93,731	615,508
Appeal Hearings				
-- Attorney	9,199	0	772	9,972
-- Physician	561	0	0	561
Total Appeal Hearings	9,761	0	772	10,533
Authorization for Medical Treatment-				
-- Attorney	87,853	87	18,951	106,891
-- Special Justice	99,247	173	19,122	118,542
Total Consent for Medical Treatment	187,100	260	38,073	225,433
Other	38,797	770	952	40,519
Grand Total	5,300,493	439,886	743,781	6,484,160

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 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 2010, four panels were designated.

Supreme Court Designations

During 2010, the Supreme Court of Virginia issued a total of 2,692 designation orders. This is an increase of 449 over the total issued in 2009.

Of the 2,692 designations issued in 2010, approximately sixty-five percent (1,745) were for circuit court assignments. District court designations numbered 947, or 35 % 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 2010 (1,400 versus 1,235 in 2009) as well as an increase in the general district courts (556 in 2010 versus 396 in 2009). Disqualifications in circuit courts increased in 2010 (from 279 in 2009 to 302 in 2010). The number of disqualifications in district courts increased at a greater rate, up from 279 in 2009 to 387 in 2010.

There was one annexation case in 2010. There were 12 disbarment panels appointed, seven less than the previous year. There was one election vote recount panel in 2010, a decrease of four from the previous year, and Multi-Jurisdiction Grand Jury designations numbered 26, an increase of eight from 2009. There were two certificate of public need cases in 2010. 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 1,956 requests for general assistance designations made in 2010, as compared to 1,631 issued in 2009.

During 2010, 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 52
2010 Designations

Activity	Number Issued
Circuit Courts	
Assistance	1,400
Disqualification	302
Annexation	1
Disbarment	12
Compensation Board	0
Election/Vote Recount	1
Multi-Jurisdiction Grand Jury	26
Boundary	0
Certificate of Need	2
Recision	0
Courthouse Repair	1
Other	0
Circuit Courts Total	1,745
District Courts	
Assistance	556
Disqualification	387
Recision	4
District Courts Total	947
Grand Total	2,692

Awards Recognition Program

During 2010, 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 2010 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
- Honorable H. Lee Chitwood, Judge
Pulaski Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court
- 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 2010 were:

- 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 with 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.

AWARDS RECOGNITION PROGRAM District Court System

Outstanding Career Service Award:

Sue B. Flanagan

Bristol/Washington Juvenile & Domestic Relations District Court

The Honorable Charles F. Lincoln and the Honorable Florence A. Powell, Judges of the Twenty-eighth Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court, nominated Ms. Flanagan for the Outstanding Career Service Award. Ms. Flanagan began working at the age of 16 as a Deputy Clerk for the City of Bristol Juvenile Court on June 1, 1961 and at the age of 18 became Clerk of Court in Bristol; 2011 marks her 50th year of service in the court system.

Ms. Flanagan has assisted the clerks in the Wythe, Pulaski and Buchanan Counties with separating the Juvenile Clerks' offices from the Combined District Court Offices to establish their own systems and procedures. Throughout the years she served on numerous interview panels to hire Clerks and deputies for juvenile and general district courts. She has shared her vast knowledge of the juvenile system through her training of clerks, law enforcement officers, social workers and magistrates. She has participated in Best Practice court training and in Foster Parent training.

Ms. Flanagan was presented her award at a surprise celebration and she also appeared before the Justices of the Supreme Court of Virginia to receive her 50-year service award. Congratulations Ms. Flanagan!

Outstanding Career Service Certificate:

Barbara P. Mayer

Newport News General District Court, Traffic Division

Ms. Mayer has been faithfully employed for over 36 years in the traffic division of the Newport News General District Court. She always performs her duties with a mindset toward the betterment of the court. Her knowledge of the court system is indispensable. Her knowledge of the various code sections assures the correct information is recorded during all stages of a cases life. She was nominated by Chief Judge Richard C. Kearns. Congratulations Ms. Mayer!

Distinguished Service Certificate:

Susan O. Powers

Prince William County General District Court

First Sergeant J. Hollabaugh of the Prince William County Sheriff's office nominated Ms. Powers for her quick thinking and her ability to stay calm when a white powdery substance, coming from an opened envelope,

was discovered. She remained very calm, contacted the Sheriff's office, and directed other staff members until the Fire Department and the hazardous materials personnel responded. Had this powdery substance been contaminated, her actions throughout this very difficult situation were exemplary of a supervisor taking decisive action, supporting and keeping her staff safe. Congratulations Ms. Powers!

Distinguished Service Certificate:

Janita J. Watson

Newport News General District, Civil Division

The judges of the Civil Division of the Newport News General District Court nominated Ms. Watson noting that she voluntarily assumed the role of back-up bookkeeper upon the retirement of the Clerk of Court of 37 years and does her job with excellence. Ms. Watson has bookkeeping responsibilities in addition to her regular duties that includes working the counter, answering phones and issuing garnishments. She has a very positive attitude, is always professional and is willing to help others. Congratulations Ms. Watson.

Customer Service Certificates:

Staff of the Portsmouth General District Court:

Mary Lou McAlpine, Kelly Boyd, Elizabeth Copenhaver, Carla Dildy, Angela Felton, Theresa Furman, Stephanie Hill, Renay Johnson, Lillie Joynes, Martha Kurtz, Lisa Musacchio, Kathy Partain, Nathaniel Roberts, Oneka Thorne, Tana Yung, Judy Wilson and Sheila Wilson

The Portsmouth General District Court is physically divided into three separate divisions and located on two separate floors of the courthouse building. This is truly a handicap when several employees are out due to illness or annual leave, not to mention retirements and resignations, all of which have been the circumstances of this past year. The deputy clerks continued to perform under a great deal of stress with limited employees while continuously providing professional and courteous customer service.

The deputy clerks have attended several courses to stay well informed of changes in procedures and forms. Several deputy clerks have become VCIN certified which permits them to request criminal and DMV records and this helps to expedite bond hearings and sentencing.

Ms. L. Jody Davis nominated the staff because of the numerous notes, letters and phone calls received from the public, attorneys, judges and outside agencies informing the clerk of how consistently professional the deputies performed their job. Congratulations Portsmouth General District Court Employees!

**AWARDS RECOGNITION PROGRAM
Magistrate System**

Outstanding Career Service Award:

William I. Oakes, Jr.

Magistrate Regional Supervisor, Region 3

The magisterial career of William I. Oakes, Jr. is a testament to the values of hard work, fairness and ethical behavior and the role these values play in success. During his ascension from magistrate to chief magistrate to magistrate regional supervisor, Mr. Oakes has conducted himself with honor and distinction. At the same time, he has remained both humble and approachable, viewing each promotion as an increased opportunity to serve others. He continues to be admired and respected by present and former colleagues.

Mr. Oakes labored tirelessly to implement the changes that came to the magistrate system and worked hard to assist his staff in making the change from "on-call" status to shift assignments. He keeps staff informed on new requirements and programs and maps out a strategy for meeting goals and objectives. Although his schedule is full, Mr. Oakes is always available to assist chief magistrates in handling challenges. His efforts have made him a positive ambassador for the Magistrate System and have laid the foundation on which solid relationships may be built. For these reasons he was nominated by Chief Magistrates David Tillar, Shawn Barnes, Jonathan Green and Paul Gregory. Congratulations!

Outstanding Career Service Certificate:

James R. Rigney

Prince George, District 6, Region 3

Magistrate Rigney served as a magistrate in the 6th Judicial District from September 1993 until August 2010 when he retired due to his health. He was instrumental in setting up the Riverside Regional Magistrate Office in the 1990s. He was the on-the-job trainer for magistrates in Riverside as well as other offices in the district. His dedication to his job, the citizens and law enforcement agencies in the area was unsurpassed and made him one of the most highly regarded magistrates in the judicial system. Mr. David Tillar, Chief Magistrate, nominated Mr. Rigney. Congratulations Mr. Rigney!

Distinguished Service Certificate:

Ronnie N. Keen

Prince George, District 6, Region 3

Magistrate Heather Page nominated Mr. Keen for the Distinguished Service Award. Mr. Keen took over the daunting task as the primary trainer for the

Riverside Regional Jail Magistrate Office and was tasked with training five new magistrates who had attended certification school and all passed. Mr. Keen's extensive knowledge of the Magistrate Manual along with his willingness and positive attitude created an environment that fostered development and excitement about a new job. He teaches not only code sections, but also ways to talk to citizens, colleagues and law enforcement officers with respect. He constantly strives to be the best magistrate he can be. Congratulations Mr. Keen!

Customer Service Certificate:

Bettie J. Faulk

Suffolk, District 5, Region 8

Magistrate Christie Trumble nominated Ms. Faulk due to her great influence in the Fifth Judicial Magistrate's Office. Ms. Faulk consciously acts to make certain that everyone is appreciated. She is known for her patience, kindness and willingness to listen. She is skilled at diffusing emotional situations and brings a sense of tranquility and order. Watching Ms. Faulk in action has helped the entire staff improve their attitude in difficult circumstances. The staff sees how well respected she is and how others go out of their way to interact with her. The whole office has benefited greatly by her good humor and encouragement. Congratulations Ms. Faulk!

Customer Service Certificate:

Edward J. Sasser

Richmond, District 13, Region 6

Chief Magistrate Deborah Meade-Jackson recommended Magistrate Sasser because of his valuable contributions to the Richmond Magistrate's Office. He exercises tremendous patience when dealing with the citizens of Richmond in a professional manner. His approach for addressing complex issues with sensitivity ensures the best resolution for everyone concerned. Magistrate Sasser is reliable, honest, organized, fair, prompt and always ready to fulfill his duties. He is also diligent when it comes to performing tasks that are not related to his everyday magisterial duties such as training police dispatchers on the roles and duties of a magistrate. Congratulations Magistrate Sasser.

Personal Achievement Certificate:

Monica Martin

District 26, Region 4

Chief Magistrate Monica Martin attended Blue Ridge Community College and graduated in May, 2009, receiving an Associate's Degree in General Studies. Chief Magistrate Martin completed this program in preparation

for transferring to a four-year university in order to obtain a Bachelor's Degree in Criminology and/or Business. She completed the Associate's Degree program while continuing to fulfill her duties as Chief Magistrate in exemplary fashion. She is always available to her magistrates and routinely provided coverage in her district. Ms. Martin now serves as an instructor at both the Criminal Justice Academy at Weyers Cave and the Northwestern Community Services Board division of the Crisis Intervention Training Academy, teaching classes on Adult Arrest procedures and ECO/TSOs. Ms. Martin was nominated by her Regional Supervisor, Cheryl Thompson. Congratulations!

Personal Achievement Award:

James A. Kobish

Harrisonburg, District 26, Region 4

Magistrate Kobish attended Eastern Mennonite University in Harrisonburg and completed his Bachelor of Science Degree in Adult Education on June 12, 2009. Magistrate Kobish completed an Associate's Degree prior to becoming a magistrate. He was appointed as a part-time magistrate in May 1992 and was promoted to a full-time magistrate in 2002. He completed his Bachelor's Degree in sixteen months while working full-time on a rotating schedule. Mr. Kobish was nominated by his Regional Supervisor, Cheryl Thompson. Congratulations!

Personal Achievement Award:

Aimee R. Cook

Frederick, District 26, Region 4

Magistrate Aimee Cook obtained her Master's Degree in Criminal Justice in June 2010. She received this degree through on-line enrollment with Troy University. Magistrate Cook accomplished this task while working full-time on a rotating schedule. Since completing the Master's program, she demonstrates a much higher level of confidence in her performance as a magistrate. She has used her skills she acquired in the classroom to improve upon her research skills. Ms. Cook was nominated by her Regional Supervisor, Cheryl Thompson. Congratulations!

Personal Achievement Award:

Meredith C. Brooks

Virginia Beach, District 2, Region 7

Magistrate Meredith Brooks was nominated by Chief Magistrate Thomas Cahill for displaying exceptional dedication and commitment in the pursuit of off-duty education. She successfully completed the requirement for a Master's Degree in Criminal Justice from Virginia

Commonwealth University while also maintaining full-time employment in the Virginia Beach Magistrate Office. She routinely traveled between Virginia Beach and Richmond to attend classes during her off-duty hours and achieved a 3.8 grade point average. During this period, she also achieved one of the highest productivity levels in the Virginia Beach magistrate's Office, completing over 6,000 total processes between July 1, 2008 and June 20, 2009. Congratulations!

Personal Achievement Award:

Garland Wayne Frye

Pulaski, District 27, Region 7

Magistrate Garland Frye joined the Magistrate System in April 2007. While working full-time, he attended night classes at Radford University and obtained his Master's Degree in Criminal Justice in May 2010. Chief Magistrate Jill Long nominated Magistrate Frye for his accomplishment. Congratulations!

AWARDS RECOGNITION PROGRAM

Circuit Court System

Outstanding Career Service Award:

Linda Batchelor Smith

Hampton Circuit Court

Ms. Smith's career began 28 years ago and has included positions as front counter clerk, law clerk, chancery clerk, judgment clerk, probate clerk, and chief deputy. She became Clerk of Court in 2004 with a philosophy that the public depends on the clerk's office and that each employee must be knowledgeable, patient, and consistent. She trains her staff to assess and respond to constituents' needs so that they are able to obtain an answer or resolve a problem in a positive manner before the customer leaves the office or ends a telephone conversation.

During her tenure, she has reorganized the civil, criminal and probate division and updated procedures to insure effective and efficient operations. She also implemented a compensatory time system to reduce workload pressures and backlogs in light of staff shortages and used technology to streamline workload. In addition, she allows flexible scheduling for staff that permits them to meet family needs.

Ms. Smith also instituted an incentive and rewards program for employees that have been instrumental in increasing and keeping employee morale at an all-time high even with staff reductions and budget cuts. Elizabeth Wickline and Sarah Bowe felt she was worthy of this award. Congratulations Ms. Smith!

Outstanding Career Service Award:

William L. Loy

Loudoun County Circuit Court

Mr. Loy was nominated by Michele Timmons, Lori Gordon and Gary Clemmons noting his thirty-seven loyal years of invaluable service to the citizens of Loudoun County. His extensive knowledge, leadership, dependability and willingness to help others makes him an integral and invaluable part of the Loudoun County Circuit Court Clerk's Office.

Some of Mr. Loy's greatest accomplishments include creating a Probate Website (2005) and creating computerized forms needed for probate processing improving the operations and services by reducing costs, reducing phone calls and providing the public with a wealth of information about probate procedures online. Despite the growing needs of the county, the increased workload and the continuous training of new employees, he has played a vital role in every aspect of the court's changing environment, while always maintaining a friendly, professional and efficient conduct for the customers and employees of the court system.

Mr. Loy's knowledge and experience with all aspects of the court make him the "go-to" person for anyone who has a question. Unselfishly, he takes the time to answer questions from co-workers, citizens, his superiors and also assists other jurisdictions when unusual probate matters erupt. A leader in his community, Mr. Loy also reaches out to funeral homes and assisted living agencies providing fliers and helpful information about probate procedures. He has hosted several training and information sessions for deputy clerks from other counties, local attorneys, the Commissioner of Accounts' office staff and bonding agents. His willingness to make improvements to the probate services is never ending. The Loudoun County Circuit Court is extremely fortunate to have Mr. Loy as a longtime member of its team. Congratulations Mr. Loy!

Constituency Services and Relations Award:

J. Jack Kennedy

Wise County and City of Norton Circuit Court

J. Jack Kennedy, Jr., has consistently brought innovative technologies to the clerk's office and the courtroom. Ms. Melanie B. Salyer nominated Mr. Kennedy for making a superior advancement to the judicial system in 2010 by revolutionizing the way judicial business is done in Wise County through the implementation of eLegal CasePro. Mr. Kennedy worked diligently to bring electronic filing and electronic access of court records to Wise County reducing the inflow and dependency of paper. This system created a seamless integration of various private and public offices that exist within the judicial system.

eLegal CasePro is designed to allow subscribed bar members and court officials to electronically file new court cases and to file documents to existing court cases. It also allows subscribers to remotely access court cases 24 hours a day without calling or visiting the clerk's office. At times, more than one official may need to view the same file at the same time, which is impossible with traditional paper files. There is no need to pull the paper files to bring to court, which saves the deputy clerk valuable time pulling files and filing them back. Thanks to electronic case files the courtroom runs more efficiently because case files are instantly accessible.

Mr. Kennedy has been and continues to work with deputy clerks, judges, bar members and others to assist in this change. Mr. Kennedy's works with the Virginia State Bar to provide continuing legal education classes to attorneys so that they can become familiar with the program. While electronic filing is not mandatory, Mr. Kennedy consistently emphasizes the importance and benefits of electronic filling and continues to provide training for new technologies to those who desire it. Mr. Kennedy's commitment makes him a prime candidate for this award. Congratulations Mr. Kennedy.

The entire court system extends its congratulations and 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.