

THE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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HON. DONNA JO McDANIEL PRESIDENT JUDGE



RAYMOND L. BILLOTTE DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATOR

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT JUDGE AND DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATOR

In 2010 the Fifth Judicial District continued to improve operations and deliver efficient services to the public, despite growing budgetary challenges. In the current economic environment, delivering essential justice system functions requires a renewed focus on maximizing resources, re-engineering business practices, engaging in creative planning, and effectuating systematic collaborative solutions. Despite the current economic duress, we cannot lose sight of the vital role the judicial branch of government serves in protecting constitutional rights and delivering critical services to the public.

The Fifth Judicial District expanded collaborative relationships by partnering with other county agencies and community organizations. In 2010, a criminal case review process was initiated to identify and address specific factors leading to delays and inefficiencies in criminal justice case processing. The case review process was an outgrowth of the Justice Reinvestment at the Local Level Initiative, an improvement project undertaken in partnership with the Urban Institute and Allegheny County's criminal justice system stakeholders. Through the cooperative efforts of public and private agencies, the Allegheny County Residential Mortgage Foreclosure program continued to utilize alternative dispute resolution to resolve foreclosures and keep homeowners in their homes. Family Division-Children's Court section partnered with the Allegheny County Department of Human Services to develop the Intensive Mental Health/Drug and Alcohol Program for Assessment, Coordinated Services and Treatment (IMPACT) program. Through this program, consumers in the Children's Court may be referred for behavioral health and substance abuse evaluations, and an on-site resource specialist provides information to consumers on community social services.

Allegheny County's problem-solving collaborative court programs continue to deliver cost-savings in the form of reduced incarceration expenses while addressing the underlying causes of offender behavior. In addition to saving money, these programs work to resolve the issues that bring offenders into the criminal justice system, improving the lives of the offenders while increasing public safety.

Other innovative efforts include the expansion of evidence-based practices, the expedited disposition of numerous criminal cases through the Phoenix Docket program, the creation of a DUI Alternative to Jail program, and the implementation of a Unified Family Court concept resulting in one judge hearing all Family Division matters for one family. With the assistance of grant funding, a second Day Reporting Center was opened in Allegheny County, providing a "one-stop" location where probationers and persons on pre-trial release can access educational and employment services, drug testing and treatment referrals, and community service coordination.

In response to budget constraints, the Pennsylvania Supreme Court requested all judicial districts in the state review magisterial district court operations and provide recommendations regarding consolidation. After thorough review and consultation with the magisterial district judges, the Fifth Judicial District has prepared a formal request for submission to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court Chief Justice to close two magisterial district courts. Cases from those districts will be distributed among various existing courts.

Although declining economic trends are stretching governmental resources thin, the Fifth Judicial District is committed to reassessing operations and implementing new practices to ensure that the citizens of Allegheny County receive crucial justice services in a cost-effective and efficient manner.

Donna Jo McDaniel

Raymond L. Billotte

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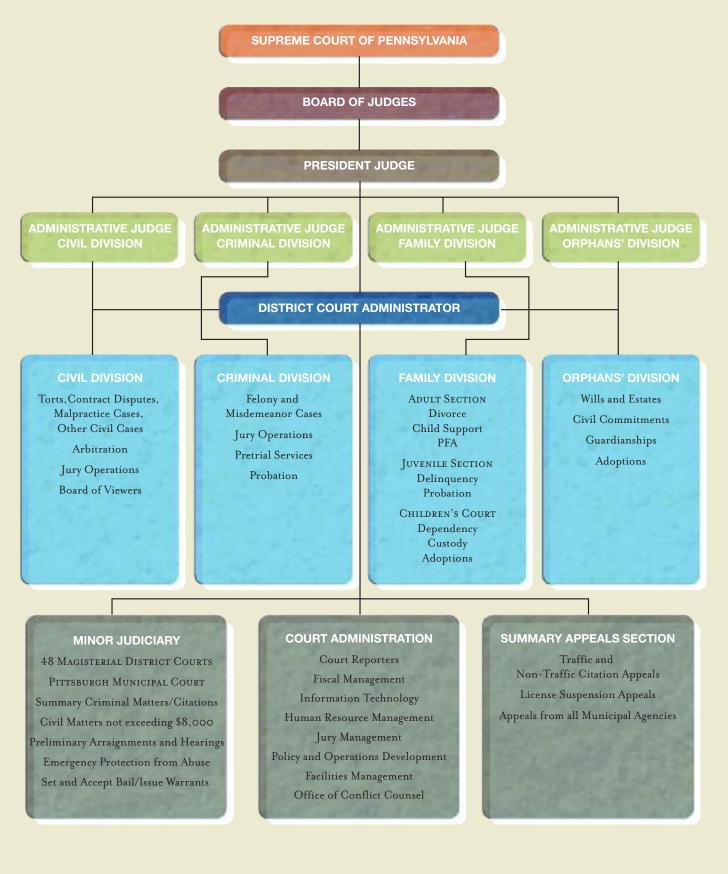


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FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

TABLE OF ORGANIZATION



HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS



L-R: DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATOR RAYMOND BILLOTTE, PRESIDENT JUDGE DONNA JO McDANIEL, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DEPUTY DIRECTOR ERIN DALTON, CRIMINAL DIVISION JUDGE ANTHONY M. MARIANI.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY UNDERTAKES CRIMINAL CASE REVIEWS

In collaboration with Allegheny County criminal justice agencies, the Fifth Judicial District conducted comprehensive reviews of randomly selected criminal cases in 2010. This process grew out of the Justice Reinvestment Initiative, which is a partnership between Allegheny County criminal justice agencies and the Urban Institute. The goals of the review process included identifying ways to better manage criminal justice system costs through improved practices and system efficiencies, improving public safety, and enhancing communication of justice system stakeholders. Only cases that reached final disposition were reviewed. First-hand accounts of case processes were gathered from the judge, prosecutor, defense attorney, pretrial services, probation officers, police officers, treatment providers, and clerks who processed case paperwork. Information reviewed in this process included detailed reports of case events, case processing times, time spent in jail, bond history, and failure to appear information. Participants gave a brief overview of their involvement with each case. Systemic issues were discussed and proposed changes were identified to improve case processing. President Judge Donna Jo McDaniel appointed a standing committee comprised of the highest-level criminal justice system decision-makers to facilitate identified changes.

PENNSYLVANIA SUPREME COURT HOSTS TEACHERS INSTITUTE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Commission on Judicial Independence, and the Pennsylvania Coalition for Representative Democracy presented a Teachers Institute on the Judiciary on March 29, 2010, hosted by Duquesne Law School. Teachers from approximately 30 schools attended an intensive and interactive day of learning and discussion about the state and federal courts and constitutions. The conference included a mock supreme court argument with teachers sitting in the role of justices and a roundtable discussion. Also participating in the conference's events were several Pennsylvania Supreme Court justices and other state and local judges. The goal of the conference was to promote and encourage greater emphasis on civics education in the classroom and to foster a better understanding of the role of the courts and the judiciary in a democratic society.



VARIOUS STATE AND LOCAL JUDGES PARTICIPATE IN A PANEL DISCUSSION AT THE TEACHERS INSTITUTE ON THE JUDICIARY. L-R: ALLEGHENY COUNTY MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE DENNIS P. JOYCE, ALLEGHENY COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT JUDGE KIM BERKELEY CLARK, COMMONWEALTH COURT OF PA PRESIDENT JUDGE BONNIE BRIGANCE LEADBETTER, PA SUPREME COURT CHIEF JUSTICE EMERITUS JOHN P. FLAHERTY.

HIGHLIGHTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS continued



JUDGE LESTER G. NAUHAUS ACCEPTS THE TREE OF LIFE AWARD PRESENTED BY THE MESSAGE CARRIERS OF PENNSYLVANIA IN RECOGNITION OF THE JUDGE'S PROMOTION OF RECOVERY IN THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY DRUG COURT PROGRAM.

JUDGE NAUHAUS RECEIVES THE "TREE OF LIFE" AWARD

The Honorable Lester G. Nauhaus was honored in November 2010 by Message Carriers (MC) of Pennsylvania with its 8th Annual Tree of Life Award in recognition of the impact the Judge has had in promoting recovery through Drug Court among drug abusers whose addiction has embroiled them in the criminal justice system. Because of Judge Nauhaus's Drug Court management, MC has noted reduced recidivism and increased long-term recovery. MC also acknowledged Judge Nauhaus for his 2008 contribution to the Department of Human Services' website that offers Drug Court information to the public under Justice Related Services. An award ceremony was held in the late morning of November 30th at the Allegheny County Courthouse's gallery section, followed by an evening dinner fundraiser at the Churchill Valley Country Club. MC, a charitable, non-profit organization, supports Act 106 and education on the benefits of recovery.

Currently serving in the Orphans' Court Division, Judge Nauhaus continues to preside over Drug Court. Since its inception in 1998, Drug Court has offered an intensive treatment plan that includes strict court supervision to eligible, non-violent, drugdependent defendants with the goal of promoting recovery, reducing recidivism, and increasing public safety.



L-R: RAYMOND L. BILLOTTE, HON. JOSEPH M. JAMES, HON. KATE FORD ELLIOTT, AND WENDELL FREELAND, ESQUIRE, FOLLOWING THE PRESENTATION OF AMEN CORNER AWARDS IN APRIL 2010.

JUDGES RECEIVE 2010 ROBERT E. DAUER AWARD FOR JUDICIAL LEADERSHIP AND EXCELLENCE

Amen Corner, an Allegheny County civic organization dating back to 1870, presented the 2010 Robert E. Dauer Award for Judicial Leadership and Excellence to the Honorable Joseph M. James (former Fifth Judicial District President Judge) and Pennsylvania Superior Court President Judge Kate Ford Elliott for the outstanding judicial distinction exhibited by both judges. The awards were presented at the Amen Corner's 50th annual Judicial Reception in Pittsburgh. District Court Administrator Raymond L. Billotte was also presented with a Special Recognition Award for his exemplary work with the court. Prominent attorney and community leader Wendell Freeland received a Professional Achievement Award.

DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATOR ELECTED TO NACM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Raymond L. Billotte, District Court Administrator for the Fifth Judicial District, was elected to the Board of Directors of the National Association for Court Management (NACM) at the 25th annual conference in New Orleans, Louisiana in July 2010. Mr. Billotte will serve a three-year term as Urban Court Director.

NACM, the largest organization of court management professionals in the world, provides its members the opportunity to increase proficiency while working with colleagues to improve the administration of justice. NACM encourages and promotes education and training to court managers and judges and works to improve public access to the courts at federal, state, and local levels.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY VETERANS COURT CELEBRATES FIRST ANNIVERSARY

The first anniversary of Allegheny County's Veterans Court was celebrated on November 10, 2010 with the graduation of several of the court's first participants. Review hearings were also held that day for a number of other participants who were in the process of completing various stages of the program. Presiding Judge John A. Zottola's courtroom was full with veterans, members of the community, and other court personnel who observed the graduation and operation of Veterans Court.

Veterans Court directs qualifying veterans to treatment programs that prove to be more beneficial than incarceration. Programs can include mental health counseling and substance abuse recovery. A mentor program assigns fellow veteran volunteers to act as guides to the veteran participants. Veteran participants can relate to fellow veteran mentors, who often experienced similar challenges and hardships.

A growing number of veterans have been returning from service with post-traumatic stress disorder and other psychological wounds, some of whom self-medicate with drugs or alcohol, who find themselves unable to adjust to civilian life. These veterans sometimes end up involved in the criminal justice system as a result of domestic violence, DUI, and various other offenses. As noted by Judge Zottola, "if you put someone in jail, you limit their access to opportunities that could help them address the problem that got them to this point in their life." Veterans Court is not a free pass for veterans, but instead is an opportunity to receive needed treatment to return to being productive members of society.

Veterans Court is the result of the collaborative efforts of many individuals and organizations, including the Veterans Leadership Program of Western Pennsylvania, the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Allegheny County District Attorney's Office, and others.





GRADUATES OF VETERANS COURT WERE AWARDED A MEDAL IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THE PROGRAM.

ADMINISTRATION

The Office of Court Administration provides professional, comprehensive support services to the judiciary and other court-related entities to ensure meaningful access to the courts by adherence to the rule of law, use of timely information management, and expenditure of resources in an effective and efficient manner, in furtherance of the enhancement of public confidence in the judicial branch of government.



CLAIRE C. CAPRISTO, ESQ. CHIEF DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR



RUSSELL CARLINO ADMINISTRATOR, JUVENILE PROBATION



SEAN F. COLLINS DIRECTOR, INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



GERALYN DUGAN MANAGER, JURY OPERATIONS



NANCY GALVACH DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURTS



ANGHARAD GRIMES STOCK, ESQ. ADMINISTRATOR, PITTSBURGH MUNICIPAL COURT



LISA HERBERT, ESQ. DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR



CHARLES KENNEDY MANAGER, COURT HUMAN RESOURCES



MICHELLE H. LALLY, ESQ. CHAIR, BOARD OF VIEWERS



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DANIEL REILLY MANAGER, FACILITIES



JO LYNNE ROSS MANAGER, OFFICE OF COURT REPORTERS



PAUL W. STEFANO, ESQ. ADMINISTRATOR, ORPHANS' COURT DIVISION



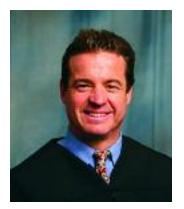
CYNTHIA K. STOLTZ, ESQ. ADMINISTRATOR, CHILDREN'S COURT



GERARD TYSKIEWICZ MANAGER, FISCAL AFFAIRS

FAMILY DIVISION

To provide the most efficient and cost-effective processes for the establishment, modification, and enforcement of support obligations; to provide accurate, timely, and efficient processes for distributing and accounting for support payments; and to process other family-related case matters in an expeditious manner.



HON. DAVID N. WECHT ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE



HON. KELLY EILEEN BIGLEY



HON. CATHLEEN BUBASH



HON. KIM BERKELEY CLARK



HON. GUIDO A. DeANGELIS



HON. SUSAN EVASHAVIK DILUCENTE



HON. KIM D. EATON



HON. KATHRYN M. HENS-GRECO





HON. PHILIP A. IGNELZI



HON. ARNOLD I. KLEIN



HON. MICHAEL F. MARMO



HON. JOHN T. McVAY, JR.



HON. KATHLEEN R. MULLIGAN



HON. DONALD R. WALKO, JR.



HON. DWAYNE D. WOODRUFF

FAMILY DIVISION ADULT

In 2010, under the leadership of the Honorable David N. Wecht, Administrative Judge, the Adult Section of the Family Division introduced new initiatives while continuing and improving upon those implemented in prior years. Family Adult continues to reassess efficiencies of current policies and procedures with an eye toward improving and enhancing processes to better facilitate support, divorce, and protection from abuse matters. The Division's successful programs and initiatives are often studied and emulated throughout the country.

In 2010, Family Adult continued to utilize and implement innovative methods to compel delinquent obligors to pay outstanding and regularly ordered support. Employment search programs initiated in 2009 were improved upon by reallocating personnel and resources to aid delinquent obligors in finding and maintaining steady employment in order to meet family support obligations. The program included implementation of an indirect criminal contempt process to address those individuals who refuse to cooperate with employment search directives. Collaborative partnerships with Western Pennsylvania Goodwill, Educational Data System, Inc., Urban League, Pennsylvania CareerLink Pittsburgh/ Allegheny County, Hill House, and Springboard Kitchens provide obligors with employment search resources as well as other social and parenting services. The direct result is a continuation of support payments for Allegheny County families at little cost to taxpayers.

In addition, Family Adult attempted to contact non-custodial parents who had discontinued paying support via U.S. mail, informing them of employment search services available through Pennsylvania CareerLink. The court further informed individuals who were unable to pay support obligations to appear in court to file a modification petition, enabling them to avoid penalties associated with failure to pay.

In an attempt to respond to individuals unable to pay support due to drug and/or alcohol dependency, court personnel met with administrators of the Renewal Program's drug and alcohol treatment facility and Allegheny County Jail treatment program staff. Judges may now consider specific reasons for an individual's inability to pay support and make a referral to the Renewal Center's drug and alcohol treatment program, a residential alternative to jail, or to the Allegheny County Jail treatment program.

In 2010, the court began the process of denying hunting and fishing licenses to delinquent obligors as mandated by law. The process has proven successful in garnering the attention of individuals resulting in lump sum payments as well as resuming regular payment schedules to stay current on their support obligations. Phone Power, an ongoing project through which delinquent obligors are contacted during evening hours, collected nearly \$20,000 in additional support monies and implemented a number of new wage attachments to ensure ongoing regular collection of support directly from employers. Additionally, "early intervention" calls are made to defendants shortly after their court appearances, reminding them to make the first payment towards newly entered support obligations in order to avoid automated enforcement remedies, such as drivers' license suspension, credit bureau reporting, seizure of bank accounts, and tax return intercept, among others. A new automated phone system is being used to contact parties to remind them of upcoming support conferences or hearings.

Family Adult continued its practice of remaining open during Wednesday evening hours to provide employed parents access to the court for support issues. In 2010, 1,436 people were served.

During 2010, 4,726 active bench warrants were cleared, thus substantially reducing the number of outstanding non-support warrants, while collecting support arrears much needed by custodial parents. The court continued the use of video and audio conferences and hearings with Allegheny County Jail inmates at all levels of the contempt proceedings thereby reducing transportation costs for the Allegheny County Sheriff and decreasing the processing time of jail personnel for inmates who had child support cases and warrants.



FAMILY DIVISION-ADULT, BENCH WARRANT UNIT. L-R: JIM DABIERO (SUPERVISOR), JENNIFER VACCARO, JUANITA HUGHLEY, SHAWN COOPER, DON ROSS, BEVERLY BROUGHTON.

DISPOSITION OF SUPPORT CASES

	2009	2010
Total Cases Listed for Disposition	34,731	31,938
Cases Scheduled for Conference before Domestic Relations Officers	34,731	31,938
Cases Resulting in a Court Order after a Domestic Relations Officer Conference	28,994	26,297
Cases Referred to Hearing Officer after a Domestic Relations Officer Conference	5,737	*5,641
Cases Resulting in a Final Court Order after a Hearing Officer's Recommendation	5,428	5,289
Cases in which Exceptions are Filed before a Judge after a Hearing Officer's Recommendation	309	352
*The hearing officers also scheduled and heard 3,824 direct hearings in 2010.		

CASES RESOLVED AT EACH LEVEL OF THE EXPEDITED HEARING PROCESS

	2009	2010
Domestic Relations Officers	28,994	26,297
Hearing Officers	5,428	5,289
Judges	309	352
Total	34,731	31,938
JUDICIAL ACTIVITY		
New Family Cases Assigned for Judicial Conciliation	2009	2010
Equitable Distribution/Alimony	407	499
Custody	252	338
Paternity	8	15
Divorce (3301-D, Contested)	4	8
Other	126	55
Cases Listed for Judicial Hearing		
Equitable Distribution/Alimony (Judge)	242	295
Equitable Distribution/Alimony (Permanent Master)	III	94
Complex Support (Permanent Master)	242	283
Full Custody	212	266
Partial Custody	IOI	102
Paternity	13	35
Divorce	4	3
Other Hearings/Orders	6,300	7,212
Support (Contempt)	2,207	1,158
Protection from Abuse (Final)	4,121	4,268
Protection from Abuse (Contempt)	1,256	1,313
Miscellaneous		
Support Exceptions	309	352
Post-Trial Motions	32	50
Motions	12,722	8,819
Support Orders Reviewed and Entered	22,182	20,994

COLLECTIONS AND EXPENDITURES

YEAR	COLLECTIONS	DOLLAR INCREASE OVER PRIOR YEAR	INCREASE/ DECREASE	EXPENDITURES	COLLECTIONS PER \$1.00 EXPENDED
2005	\$159,325,239	\$1,620,967	1.0%	\$14,340,264	II.II
2006	\$162,421,344	\$3,096,105	1.9%	\$14,066,714	11.55
2007	\$167,229,139	\$4,807,794	3.0%	\$14,494,060	11.54
2008	\$178,886,036	\$11,656,898	7.0%	\$15,355,723	11.65
2009	\$171,640,562	(\$7,245,474)	-4.1%	\$15,992,505	10.73
2010	\$165,101,848	(\$6,538,714)	-3.8%	\$15,800,723	10.45

At the close of 2010, Family Adult established the Case Resolution Unit (CRU) to review and work with the most chronic underpaying obligors by employing intensive locate and enforcement techniques. Early returns on the unit have proven the concept to be successful.

Family Adult continues collaborations with the Pennsylvania Child Support Enforcement Training Institute (PACSETI), an outreach service of Pennsylvania State University, to provide training to employees at no cost to the county. In 2010, 210 employees attended 32 classes totaling 220 training hours conducted at PACSETI's South Side facility. Supervisors and managers partnered with PACSETI instructors to create select class curriculums. In addition, the third annual inhouse training was conducted where 207 staff members received training in nine workshops.

Family Adult continues to be actively involved with many organizations that provide training and support for the federal and state child support programs, including the National Child Support Enforcement Association, the Eastern Regional Interstate Child Support Association, and the Domestic Relations Association of Pennsylvania. By providing educational opportunities to staff members, the section is better prepared to serve the varied litigants and maintain its status as a successful and innovative leader in child support collections.



FAMILY DIVISION-ADULT, CASE REVIEW UNIT. L-R: CATHY ANGELO, PAUL DEMPSEY, DEE DYGAN, TRACY THOMAS, PATTI MONTGOMERY, JOE ZALER (SUPERVISOR), LYNN SIEFERT.

As a result of the aforementioned programs and newly implemented protocols, Family Adult, once again in 2010, was very significant in contributing to Pennsylvania finishing first among the 56 states and territories in the five federal performance measurements of the child support enforcement program (see charts). Most distinctive is that Family Adult reduced the aggregate support arrears by over \$25 million during 2010.

Implementation of the Unified Family Court was begun in January. Judges, administrators, and managers, along with colleagues from the Juvenile and Children's Court sections worked throughout 2010 to apply the Unified Family Court and one judge/one family concepts. This approach utilizes all 15 Family Division judges to adjudicate matters within the three sections to improve the administration of justice. Under this program, the same judge adjudicates all matters for a single family involved in the Family Division.

Family Adult continues to be an active member of the Allegheny County PFA Task Force. The task force's purpose is to foster cooperation among the various entities addressing and combating domestic violence in an effort to create a unified community response to domestic violence and to create legal procedures and protocols to implement solutions.

In 2010 there were 2,921 divorce cases filed, which represents 220 more filings than in 2009. Two thousand four hundred eighty-seven (2,487) pending divorce cases were disposed of with the entry of a divorce decree. Judges also conciliated 499 equitable distribution matters, an increase of 92 over 2009, and conducted equitable distribution hearings in 295 cases. In addition, two equitable distribution masters conducted 377 equitable distribution and complex support hearings during 2010.

INCENTIVE MEASURE DASHBOARD ALLEGHENY COUNTY CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR – 2010

Open IV-D Cases	41,970
IV-D Cases with Support Order Establish	ed 38,764
Support Order Ratio	92.36%
Children Born Out of Wedlock	29,351
Children with Paternity Established	33,065
Paternity Ratio	112.65%
Current Support Owed	\$ 124,709,090
Current Support Disbursed	\$ 103,320,688
Current Support Ratio	82.85%
Cases with Arrears Owed	33,523
Cases with Disbursements toward Arrears	26,878
Arrears Ratio	80.18%
Count of Arrears-Only Cases with Orders Established	7,527
Count of IV-D Cases with Medical Support Ordered	28,671
Count of IV-D Cases with Medical Support Ordered and Provid	ded 24,862
Medical Support Establishment Ratio	91.79%
Medical Support Enforcement Ratio	86.71%

CASE ACTIVITY REPORT

Complaints Pending	2,915
Modifications Pending	2,708
Complaints Added	8,801
Modifications Added	12,203
Complaints Processed	10,041
Modifications Processed	12,111
Conferences Conducted	19,729
Court Hearings Conducted	6,284
De Novo Withdrawals Processed	90
Contempt Hearings Conducted	19,778
Paternity Filings	1,420
Paternity Acknowledged	1,797
Paternity Excluded	344

DIVORCE DECREES GRANTED

Fault Uncontested	7
No-Fault Uncontested	2,480
Total Divorce Decrees Granted	2,487

FAMILY COURT REPORT

	Filed	Disposed	Pending
Support	20,994	22,152	5,623
Divorce	2,921	2,719	4,964
Total	23,915	24,871	10,587

OPEN CASES	Child Support	Non IV-D Alimony	Total
Disability/SSI	I	0	I
Federal Foster Care	754	I	755
General Assistance	31	79	110
Medical Need Only	5	0	5
Non-Fed. Foster Care	547	0	547
Non TANF*	34,689	2,333	37,022
TANF*	4,949	17	4,966
Total	40,976	2,430	43,406

*Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Performance Measure	Paternity Establishment	Support Order	Current Payment	Arrearage Payment
Oct. 2009	93.72%	91.05%	79.61%	45.84%
Nov. 2009	96.29%	91.44%	80.36%	53.86%
Dec. 2009	97.84%	91.57%	81.60%	62.09%
Jan. 2010	99.50%	91.88%	81.19%	65.45%
Feb. 2010	100.95%	92.08%	81.26%	67.90%
Mar. 2010	102.50%	92.12%	82.32%	72.42%
Apr. 2010	103.73%	91.99%	82.36%	75.23%
May 2010	105.32%	92.29%	82.40%	76.22%
June 2010	107.37%	92.38%	82.66%	77.69%
July 2010	109.02%	92.46%	82.65%	78.80%
Aug. 2010	110.88%	92.24%	82.84%	79.83%
Sept. 2010	112.65%	92.36%	82.85%	80.18%

PROTECTION FROM ABUSE TOTAL DISPOSITIONS

Preliminary PFA Hearings (Total Applicants)	3,847
Final PFA Hearings (Conciliations)	4,268
Indirect Criminal Contempt Hearings	
(Conciliations)	1,313
Direct Hearings Scheduled Before Judges	
Final PFA Hearings	164
Indirect Criminal Contempt	87
Total Case Dispositions	9,679

FAMILY DIVISION

To reduce and prevent juvenile crime; promote and maintain safe communities; and improve the welfare of youth and families who are served by the court.

The Juvenile Probation Department remains committed to attaining the goals of Balanced and Restorative Justice– protecting the community, restoring victims and communities, and developing youth competencies. The department is fully engaged in a statewide "system enhancement" effort designed to improve outcomes for each of these goals. This comprehensive initiative is fundamentally transforming all aspects of Juvenile Probation, from intake decision through case closing. Today more than ever, Juvenile Probation relies on the latest research of "what works" with juvenile offenders.

Probation officers are identifying and managing risk in their efforts to protect the community. In addition to reviewing the current charge and offense history, probation officers are conducting assessments to determine the juvenile's needsthose factors and circumstances that most relate to the juvenile's offending behavior. The probation officer's task is to target these high priority needs with specific programming. Interventions that develop pro-social skills and improve moral reasoning can significantly reduce recidivism, thereby enhancing community protection.

Juvenile Probation continued to improve and refine the Comprehensive Plan, a document that outlines exactly what is expected of a juvenile while under court supervision. The Plan includes all judicial directives, restitution obligations, community service requirements, as well as the specific programming or interventions identified to move juveniles toward law-abiding and productive citizenship. It serves as the court's blueprint for the juvenile, parents, and any community or residential provider involved with the juvenile's rehabilitation.

In 2010, Juvenile Probation expanded the use of Aggression Replacement Training (ART), a research-based intervention designed to alter the behavior of chronically aggressive juvenile offenders. The goal of ART is to improve social skill competence, anger control, and moral reasoning, which are key factors related to offending. A 10-week, 30-hour intervention administered to groups of 8 to 12 juvenile offenders, the program relies on repetitive learning techniques. Guided group discussion is used to correct antisocial thinking. Nearly 200 juveniles have completed the ART curriculum.

REFERRALS TO JUVENILE COURT

	2009	2010	%Change
Aggravated Assault	287	244	-15%
Aggravated Assault on Teacher	186	188	1%
Arson	51	12	-77%
Auto Theft Related	173	128	-26%
Burglary	283	215	-24%
Carjacking	8	3	-63%
Criminal Mischief/ Institutional Vandalism	89	63	-29%
Criminal/Defiant Trespass	79	69	-13%
Disorderly Conduct	53	65	23%
Drug Charges (Including Crack)	540	516	-4%
Driving Under the Influence	38	14	-63%
Escape	13	8	-39%
Ethnic Intimidation	2	0	-100%
Failure To Adjust	328	350	7%
Firearm Unlicensed or Possession	156	97	-38%
Harassment	20	21	5%
Nonpayment of Fines	978	1,424	46%
Receiving Stolen Property	181	139	-23%
Retail Theft	87	70	-20%
Robbery & Related	201	182	-10%
Sex Offenses	96	93	-3%
Simple Assault	534	569	7%
Terroristic Threats	121	139	15%
Theft & Related (Conspiracy/Attempt)	175	171	-2%
Transferred from			
Other County	51	61	20%
Violation of Probation	445	384	-14%
Weapons on School Property	128	102	-20%
Subtotal	5,303	5,327	0.5%
All Other Charges	305	220	-28%
Total	5,608	5,547	-1%



ADMINISTRATOR RUSSELL CARLINO (CENTER) PICTURED WITH BERTRAND HATHAWAY (41 YEARS OF SERVICE), AND JOSEPH CACOLICE (45 YEARS OF SERVICE) WHO RECEIVED SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS.

Now in its third year of existence, the Pennsylvania Career and Technical Training (PACTT) continues to forge new competency development opportunities for juveniles in the system. A joint effort between the Juvenile Probation Departments in Allegheny County and Philadelphia, PACTT is aimed at improving academic and job development opportunities for juveniles in residential placement and on aftercare. In 2010, PACTT secured federal funds for Allegheny County juveniles in residential placement at Abraxas and The Summit to participate in the "Learn to Earn Program." A 12week paid work experience offers selected juveniles specialized training in culinary arts or indoor/outdoor maintenance in two parts-six weeks in residential placement followed by six weeks on aftercare as they transition back to the community. The Probation Department has partnered with Goodwill Industries to provide job placement and case management to program participants.

In 2010, Juvenile Probation implemented a protocol to assist juveniles in expunging their records under certain circumstances. With agreement from the District Attorney's Office, Juvenile Probation has begun automatically initiating expungement proceedings for juveniles whose charges have been informally handled by the department and who have successfully completed a court ordered consent decree, or whose charges were dismissed or withdrawn in court. Expungement proceedings are not initiated for those who have subsequently been convicted or have pending criminal charges. This policy helps juveniles avoid issues with their records when their charges are disposed of without a formal adjudication. Approximately 500 cases were expunged in the first five months of implementation.

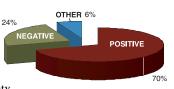
In 2010, the Fifth Judicial District's Family Division, having expanded from 13 to 15 judges, launched a Unified Family Court. All 15 judges began hearing all types of Family Division matters. A major goal of the restructuring was to advance the "one judge, one family" practice of the Family Division. Judges were divided into three categories–Juvenile, Adult, or a combination of both, known as 50/50. Staff were trained in the "steps to judicial assignment," a process requiring a thorough review of new and existing cases to ensure appropriate judicial assignment.

The Department of Court Records developed an online search function to facilitate searching the history of juvenile and family matters using one program. Prior to its development, staff members were required to search both the Department of Court Records online docket as well as the Electronic Records and Information Management System (ERIMS) online docket.

The use of videoconferencing equipment was expanded in 2010. Portable videoconferencing carts were made available in delinquency courtrooms. Judges now have the option of conducting commitment reviews via videoconferencing, rather than by teleconference. Videoconferencing equipment was also installed in each community-based probation office, enabling probation officers and their families to connect with juveniles who are in residential placements.

In 2010 Juvenile Probation sponsored several events illustrating commitment to Balanced and Restorative Justice. A dinner was held in May 2010 to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Community Intensive Supervision Program (CISP), a community-based alternative to residential placement. The CISP program includes five integral neighborhood centers that provide intensive supervision, structure, and support for

delinquent juveniles residing in those neighborhoods. 249 Throughout its 20-year history, CISP has been successful in engaging the local community to enhance public safety, hold juveniles accountable, and move them toward productive and law-abiding citizenship.



CISP DISCHARGES

In the summer of 2010, Juvenile Probation Officers and staff participated in the Annual Allegheny County Music Festival. Juvenile Probation staff have volunteered for this event since its inception in 1999. The Allegheny County Music Festival Fund supports both delinquent and dependent youth served by Juvenile Court, providing funds for them to participate in life enriching opportunities.

The first week of October 2010 was declared Juvenile Justice Week in Pennsylvania. Numerous events were held throughout the week to highlight the efforts of Juvenile Probation. On October 4, 2010, Juvenile Probation celebrated with a Veteran Recognition Ceremony. Thirteen Juvenile Court employees, with a combined total of 429 years of Juvenile Court experience, were recognized for their dedicated service. Special recognition was given to Probation Officer Bertrand Hathaway (41 years) and Probation Officer Joseph Cacolice (45 years) for their impressive years of service. On October 6, 2010, an open house was held. High school students participated in juvenile justice workshops. Juvenile Probation ended the Juvenile Justice Week activities with a luncheon and mystery theater, titled, "Judge Woodruff's Super Bowl Ring is Missing." All proceeds of the luncheon were donated to a fund for victims of juvenile crime.



JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICERS ACTED AS GUIDES TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO ATTENDED VARIOUS WORKSHOPS DURING THE JUVENILE JUSTICE WEEK OPEN HOUSE IN OCTOBER 2010.



Russell Carlino originally began work with the court in 1989 when he was hired as a Juvenile Court Probation Officer. Throughout his career with Juvenile Probation, Mr. Carlino held the positions of Supervisor, Assistant Administrator and Deputy Director. Most recently, Mr. Carlino was appointed to Deputy Court Administrator, effective January 2010.

CASE CLOSING INFORMATION

Number of Cases Closed	1,755
Average Length of Supervision	18.5 months
Average Length of Supervision	
Consent Decree	7.8 months

COMMUNITY PROTECTION

Violation of Probation	243	13.85%
New Adjudication	253	14.41%

ACCOUNTABILITY FACTORS

Completed the	mpleted the Victim		1,048 Required	
Awareness Cur	riculum	1,009	Completed	96%
	Youth	Amount Ordered	Amount Paid/ Completed	Paid in Full
Community Service Hours	1,277	68,536	68,912	95%
Restitution	609	\$395,489	\$244,853	79%

COMPETENCY DEVELOPMENT

Attending School, Vocational		
Program, or GED Training or		
Employed at Time of Case Closing	1,295	74%

ELECTRONIC MONITORING DISCHARGES

Electronic Home Monitoring 491					
Home Detention 355					
Sanctions				209	
Total				1,055	
CISP CENTER	Comm	nitments	Disc	harges	
Garfield	44	24%	39	21%	
Hill District	31	17%	31	17%	
Homewood	42	23%	40	21%	
McKeesport	26	14%	22	12%	
Wilkinsburg	41	22%	55	29%	
Total	184	100%	187	100%	

FAMILY DIVISION CHILDREN'S COURT

Children's Court provides a forum for fair, prompt, and coordinated resolution of legal matters affecting children and families, and strives to promote the best interests of children including each child's right to a safe, permanent, and loving home, and to strengthen and preserve families.

In January, Children's Court partnered with other Family Division departments to launch a major initiative, the creation of a Unified Family Court. This innovative model promotes the ideal of "one judge, one family" wherein each Family Division judge maintains supervision of a particular family's cases throughout all Family Division-related proceedings involving that family, including but not limited to dependency, child support, or protection from abuse. This model promotes cross-training and cross-competencies for judges and is recognized nationally as a best practice for families.

Two new workgroups were formed in the Family Division in May, co-chaired by the Honorable Dwayne D. Woodruff and Children's Court Administrator Cynthia K. Stoltz, Esquire. The Allegheny County Children's Roundtable Truancy Project is comprised of local stakeholders including magisterial district judges, school administrators, and social services agencies. Its mission is to create a cultural climate that promotes



children, prioritizes regular school attendance, and improves educational outcomes. The Allegheny County Interbranch Commission Taskforce is an outgrowth of the Pennsylvania General

Assembly's Interbranch Commission on Juvenile Justice of which Judge Woodruff was a member. The commission investigated the failures

in the Luzerne County juvenile justice system that resulted in a corruption scandal involving two former Luzerne County judges. The local taskforce is charged with assessing practices in Allegheny County.

The summer brought a much-anticipated resource to the desks of dependency judges throughout the Commonwealth with publication of the "Pennsylvania Dependency Benchbook" in July. The Honorable Kim Berkeley Clark was one of the judges who worked for 18 months to write this comprehensive reference guide.



CHILDREN'S COURT EMPLOYEES L-R: ELIZABETH BROKAW, DIONDRA SPELLS, GERALD QUATTRO, TRACI GERLACH AND SHIYA YOUNG.

Children's Court and the Department of Human Services (DHS) continue to partner to assist families in need of social services. In July, a protocol for the provision of Family Group Decision Making services in dependency cases was finalized under the leadership of the Honorable John T. McVay, Jr. Family Group Decision Making, a collaborative dispute resolution process that encourages conciliation of conflicts prior to court intervention, is one of the Permanency Practice Initiatives mandated by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court.

Referrals continue to be made to two other on-site programs sponsored by DHS to assist families involved in Children's Court. Intensive Mental Health/Drug and Alcohol Program for Assessment, Coordinated Services and Treatment Referral (IMPACT) offers both substance abuse and behavioral health evaluations with treatment recommendations made available to the court. Additionally, an on-site resource specialist for families not presently involved in dependency cases provides information about social services providers with expertise in areas including co-parenting, family counseling, reunification, substance abuse counseling, and mental health treatment.



In August 2010, the statewide Common Pleas Case Management System (CPCMS) was implemented to track dependency cases. The system tracks essential dependency performance measures and will provide the Pennsylvania Supreme Court with valuable information about dependency practice throughout the Commonwealth, which will be used to further best practice initiatives. Additionally, video conferencing more than doubled from 2009 and was conducted in 62 dependency cases. Children's Court video conferencing capabilities provide links to 12 locations including Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh, the Allegheny County Jail, and certain state correctional institutions.

National Adoption Month festivities took place in November, culminating with the adoption of 50 children during a special Saturday celebration. Children, ages 10 months to 16 years, celebrated their move from foster care to loving, permanent homes with over 400 attendees at the Family Law Center. Additionally, Children's Court hosted "Perspectives on Adoption," a community education forum featuring the Honorable Kathleen R. Mulligan, Department of Public Welfare Deputy Secretary Richard J. Gold, and Sandy Moore of the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Court's Office of Children and Families in the Courts.

CUSTODY STATISTICS

	Number	
Proceeding	of Cases	Result
Partial Custody Hearings		
before a Hearing Officer	434	52% consent orders
Custody Conciliations	887	43% consent or
		interim orders
Mediations	953	49% resolved
		some or all issues

DEPENDENCY HEARING OFFICER STATISTICS

	2009	2010
Reviews Conducted	7,243	4,879
Cases Closed	644	596
Case Closure Result		
Reunification with Parent	206	196
Subsidized Permanent		
Legal Custodianship	69	89
Adoption	198	149
Over 18 No Longer Eligible for Serv	vices 171	162
Emergency Shelter Hearings	1,272	1,222

TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS AND ADOPTIONS

	2009	2010
New Cases	251	302
Terminations	155	247
Withdrawals	15	38
Adoptions	241	236

EMERGENCY CUSTODY AUTHORIZATIONS

	Court Non-Court		
	Hours	Hours	Total
Requests	725	349	1,074
Issued	706	347	1,053
Denied	19	2	21
Restraining Orders	50	IO	60
Order Attendance at Shelters	16	0	16

PRIVATE PETITIONS

New Petitions	378
Continued	115
Mediated	36
Withdrawn	49
Dismissed	138

CIVIL DIVISION

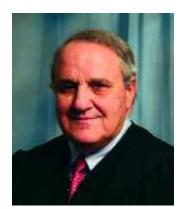
To serve citizens through the prompt, courteous, and impartial dispensation of justice by adjudicating cases in a timely manner using efficient case management techniques, adhering to high standards, and being responsible stewards of public funds.



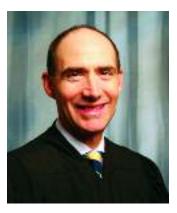
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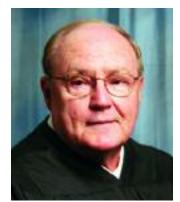
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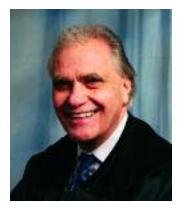
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HON. LEE J. MAZUR SENIOR JUDGE



HON. TIMOTHY PATRICK O'REILLY SENIOR JUDGE



HON. R. STANTON WETTICK, JR. SENIOR JUDGE



With 32 years' experience as an Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas judge, the **Honorable Gene Strassburger** has been appointed to serve as a senior judge to the Pennsylvania Superior Court effective January 3, 2011.

After graduating from Harvard Law School, Judge Strassburger was the law clerk for Pennsylvania Supreme Court Justice Henry X. O'Brien for several years. He was also employed in the City of Pittsburgh's solicitor's office prior to becoming a judge. Appointed to the bench in June 1978, Judge Strassburger won election in 1979 and three subsequent 10-year retentions. Working in the Civil Division for 17 years, he has been both administrative judge and calendar control judge. Prior to that, Judge Strassburger was instrumental in the reformation of Pennsylvania's family law working as a judge in the Family Division. He supported organizing the Allegheny County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) and sat on CASA's state board of directors. Judge Strassburger was the Family Division administrative judge for four years.

Judge Strassburger received both the Susan B. Anthony Award and the Carol Los Mansmann Helping Hand Award in 2005 for his advocacy of fairness and equity for women. An active member of numerous professional and civic organizations, the Judge has been involved in the Allegheny County Bar Association's Women in the Law division throughout his career and has been a committed member of the Pennsylvania Bar Association and Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges Joint Task Force to Ensure Gender Fairness in the Courts.

CIVIL DIVISION

On January 1, 2010, the Civil Division welcomed Senior Judges Lee J. Mazur and Gerard M. Bigley to hear non-jury cases and pre-trial conciliations. Senior Judge Timothy Patrick O'Reilly continues to hear jury and non-jury trials. Westmoreland County Senior Judge Charles H. Loughran assisted the Civil Division in concluding 2010 with a current trial calendar.

The Fifth Judicial District's Expedited and General Asbestos Dockets continue to operate effectively and efficiently. The matters subject to these dockets are highly complex serious bodily injury and death cases involving over 20 parties and multiple theories of liability and defense. Notwithstanding the level of sophistication and detail, these cases are moved through the entire litigation process from being placed at issue to trial within seven to nine months. Previously backlogged cases were resolved by the Honorable Michael A. Della Vecchia, with over 16,000 orders issued in the process of adjudicating 1,800 cases.

In 2010, the Honorable Robert J. Colville resolved 1,695 motions for summary judgment, 222 discovery motions, 180 miscellaneous and administrative orders, and 96 general motions. Approximately 90 separate cases (involving thousands of claims) were listed for trial and disposed of during the five trial terms of 2010.

In an effort to reduce the number of owner-occupied residential premises facing foreclosure actions, former President Judge Joseph M. James began the Allegheny County Residential Mortgage Foreclosure Diversion Program in January 2009. Under the program supervision of the Honorable Michael E. McCarthy, homeowners have successfully modified mortgages to retain possession of their homes. Judge James, Judge McCarthy and Senior Judge Timothy Patrick O'Reilly conciliated over 1,200 cases during 2010. For further details regarding the program, please visit

http://www.alleghenycourts.us/civil/foreclosure.aspx

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE DIVERSION PROGRAM

- 1,803 cases entered into the program since inception
- I,075 active cases
 - 350 successfully settled cases
 - 378 cases removed from program (noncompliance with procedures)

CASES FILED AND DISPOSED

TRESPASS-GENERAL	Filed	Disposed
Asbestos Silicas	81	125
Asbestos/FELA	39	5
Medical/Hospital Liability	320	267
Product Liability	48	35
Toxic Substances	4	3
Subtotal	492	435

OTHER TRESPASS-GENERAL

Against Property Owner	342	269
Assault & Battery	II	7
Defamation	17	IO
FELA	16	7
Other Tort	762	523
Other Traffic Accident	12	8
Subtotal	1,160	824
Total Trespass	1,652	1,259

OTHERS

Amicable Ejectment	II	2
Contract	413	986
Declaration of Taking	108	4
Declaratory Judgment	77	56
Ejectment	451	377
Equity	120	70
Equity-Lis Pendens	57	46
Equity-Partition	I	2
Mandamus	IO	4
Mechanic's Lien	132	34
Mortgage Foreclosure	1,110	1,452
Motor Vehicle Accident	880	705
Multiple Civil Action	118	419
Pre-Computer Case	0	5
Quiet Tax Title & Real Estate	159	13
Quiet Title	55	40
Replevin	41	27
Sci Fa sur Municipal Lien	28	22
Sci Fa sur Tax Lien	2,724	2,421
Total Others	6,495	6,685
Grand Totals	8,147	7,944

After more than 40 years of being housed in the Allegheny County Courthouse, the Compulsory Arbitration Section of the Civil Division relocated to the 7th floor of the City-County Building in August 2010. The move successfully locates Arbitration with the rest of Civil Division, while creating more space for the Criminal Division in the courthouse.

Arbitration's proximity with the Civil Division judges has simplified access to daily court operations. Additionally, there has been a positive response by attorneys and litigants regarding direct access to files maintained by the Department of Court Records located on the 1st floor of the City-County Building. Pleadings may be filed, processed, and accessed without leaving the building. The relocation of the Compulsory Arbitration Section to the City-County Building has been nearly seamless and contributes to the Arbitration program being an efficient component of the Civil Division.

					Average Age
					by Month
					from Case
			Number	Percent	Filing to
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CASES DISPOSED BY TYPE

Type of Disposition	of Cases	of Total	Disposition
Settled	7,688	96.78%	15.96
Non-Jury	138	1.74%	21.23
Jury	82	1.03%	28.76
Stricken	I	0.01%	11.37
Others	35	0.44%	11.94
Total	7,944	100%	16.16

These averages are separately calculated and are not merely the average of the individual figures above. Included in these figures are trial-ready cases and those cases disposed before being certified ready for trial.

ARBITRATION

	2008	2009	2010
Pending on January 1	7,878	5,909	3,686
New Cases Filed	18,592	15,733	13,193
Transferred from			
Civil Division	209	164	198
Cases Disposed	17,358	16,381	14,514
Awards by Boards	3,376	2,908	2,594
Settlements,			
Non-Pros., Etc.	12,794	12,287	10,839
Trial List Cases			
Disposed by Judge	1,188	1,186	1,081
Pending as of 12/31			
(Awaiting Trial)	9,321	5,425	2,563
Appeals Filed	773	845	694
Rate of Appeals	22.90%	29.05%	26.75%
Number of Arbitration	ı		
Boards Served	802	699	618
Number of Arbitrators	2,406	2,097	1,854
Arbitrator's Fee Per Da	y \$150	\$150	\$150
Total Arbitrators' Fees	\$360,900	\$314,550	\$278,100
Less Non-Recoverable			
Appeals Fees	\$75,990	\$89,670	\$80,515
Total Costs	\$284,910	\$224,880	\$197,585
Average Arbitrator's			
Cost per Case	\$118.42	\$107.24	\$106.57
Cases with Current			
Hearing Date	5,831	3,612	3,398
General Docket Cases	with		
Current Hearing Date	78	74	68
Total Cases Pending	5,909	3,686	3,466

CIVIL DIVISION BOARD OF VIEWERS



In 2010, the Board of Viewers, through panels comprised of lay masters and attorney special masters, processed a total of II3 eminent domain matters including partial and total takes, and sewer and water line benefit and damages cases. As in 2009, the board continued to work with municipalities, authorities, and property owners in Allegheny County communities where municipal water and sewer projects are under development.

In 2010, the complexity of the eminent domain cases adjudicated by the board was evident in the Private Roads Act case presented and in the numerous Displaced Persons claims arising out of some important highway renovation projects, which took multi-tenant commercial properties. The unique damage claims involved multi-day hearings complete with expert testimony from real estate appraisers, personal property evaluators, and other relevant experts.

In addition to eminent domain, the Board of Viewers continued to dispose of pending commercial and residential real estate property tax appeals and made a concerted effort to address pending cases in anticipation of the 2012 courtmandated, county-wide real estate reassessment. Through effective use of conciliation, the board adjudicated 5,276 property tax assessment appeals in 2010. At the conciliations, residential and commercial property owners and taxing bodies were given the opportunity to present supporting documents that would become evidence in a hearing, and through negotiation between the parties supervised by the special and lay masters, the appeals were resolved. In instances where dispute resolution through conciliation was unsuccessful, hearings ensued and a masters' report was written with recommendations to the court. The rate of objections to masters' reports filed with the Court of Common Pleas in 2010 continued to be less than one percent.

Updates and improvements to the Board of Viewers section of the Fifth Judicial District's website are underway to provide the most accurate information available heading into the 2012 revaluation.

http://www.alleghenycourts.us/civil/bov/default.aspx

BOARD OF VIEWERS

Condemnations	
(New Petitions/Views/Hearings)	113
Tax Appeals (Conciliations/Hearings/	
Settlements/Masters Reports)	5,276
Total	5,389

ORPHANS' COURT DIVISION

To provide accessible, courteous, prompt, and efficient court services to all litigants and attorneys in cases within the jurisdiction of the Orphans' Court Division, including Adoptions, Civil Commitments, Estates/Trusts, Guardianships (Incapacitated Persons and Minors), and Nonprofit Organizations.



HON. LAWRENCE J. O'TOOLE ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE



HON. ROBERT A. KELLY



HON. LESTER G. NAUHAUS



HON. FRANK J. LUCCHINO SENIOR JUDGE

Lawrence J. O'Toole was appointed Administrative Judge of the Orphans' Division effective January 2010, succeeding Judge Frank J. Lucchino who held that position from 2002-2009 and now serves as senior judge in the Orphans' Court. The Honorable Lester G. Nauhaus was assigned to Orphans' Court effective January 2010 to replace the Honorable Lee J. Mazur who also reached senior status and was reassigned to the Civil Division. Judge Robert A. Kelly continues to serve in the Orphans' Division. the release of adoption records to persons other than the adoptee. The committee has been reviewing the new law and its impact on existing adoption practice and procedure to prepare recommendations for Administrative Judge O'Toole's review in advance of the April 25, 2011 effective date.

The number of accounts filed and reviewed by the Audit Department has declined slightly from 645 in 2009 to 548 in 2010. While the number of accounts has declined, the cases

While the Orphans' Court has continued the policies and practices that have proven to be successful in prior years, administrative and supervisory staff have continued to look for ways to further improve the operation of the division and the delivery of services to the public and members of the bar. Court staff continued to work with the Department of Court Records to develop and implement an e-filing system. It is anticipated the e-filing system will become operational in 2011.

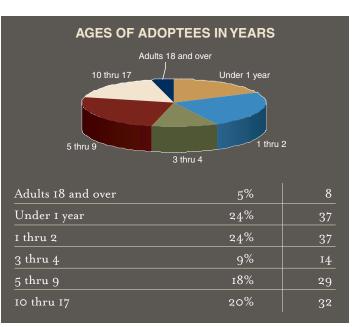
The Guardianship

Department staff monitors cases involving minors and incapacitated persons - this included reviewing over 1,575 annual and final reports filed by guardians of incapacitated persons to ensure compliance with court rules and statutory requirements. Cases not in compliance are reviewed by the department supervisor and, if necessary, by the judge assigned to the case. Cases suspected of financial abuse and exploitation have been referred to the Allegheny County District Attorney and to other county and state agencies for further action. In 2010, 225 new petitions for guardianship and 582 petitions for allowance were filed. Guardianship Department investigators reviewed each petition, performed background checks on all proposed guardians of minors and incapacitated persons, and conducted on-site visits to inspect the living and care accommodations being provided to the wards by court-appointed guardians.

In the adoption area, an ad hoc committee was formed consisting of staff from the Orphans' Court and members of the Allegheny County Bar Association to study the implementation of Act 101 of 2010, which authorizes voluntary open adoptions in Pennsylvania and also permits that were heard were more complex and contentious requiring more time to resolve. There was also an increase in the auditing of insolvent estates, perhaps a reflection of the declining real estate market and general economic conditions. Audit Department Supervisor Debbie Brown continues to review all estate settlement agreements and final receipts/releases filed at the Department of Court Records to ensure that the financial interests of minors and incapacitated persons have been properly handled; in 2010, 1,102 agreements were reviewed. The

supervisor also continued to work with the Attorney General's Office to bring to a conclusion open estates and trusts where charitable interests have not been paid-in-full. Fiduciaries were ordered to file complete accountings with the court in 44 cases, which were not in compliance with statutory and court rules.

In 2010, four thousand eight hundred ninety-four (4,894) new petitions for involuntary commitment and mental health treatment were filed with the Civil Commitment Department. In accordance with the Mental Health Procedures Act, the court's mental health hearing officers conducted 4,572 hearings at 16 sites located at psychiatric hospitals and longterm residential treatment facilities throughout Allegheny County. Orphans' Court judges subsequently conducted hearings to resolve petitions for review of the commitment, petitions for permission to perform electro-convulsive therapy, and petitions seeking the expungement of civil commitment records. As a result of the high volume of cases, the court revised procedures and made schedule adjustments in response to the closing of Allegheny General Hospital's hearing site.



ADOPTIONS

			Withdrawn/
	Scheduled	Decreed	Dismissed
Adoptions	144	141	I
Confirm Consents	65	64	0
Involuntary Termina	tions 38	38	I
Confirm Consents			
w/Involuntary Termi	nations O	0	0
Total	247	243	2

Orders of Court (Includes orders on petitions presented,
continuances, amendments, allowance of service by
publication, acceptance of jurisdiction, allowance of
interrogatories, appointments of search agents)379Combined Decrees and Orders622Persons Adopted-some petitions include siblings157Adult Adoptee Search Requests92Orders Signed Appointing Search Agents66Birthparent Requests to Place Waivers in File6

NON-RELATIVE ADOPTIONS

ADOPTION PLACEMENT BY AGENCIES

Allegheny County Agencies

Bethany Christian Services	22
Genesis of Pittsburgh, Inc.	6
The Children's Home of Pittsburgh	22
Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Pittsburgh	I
Three Rivers Adoption Council	I
Total	52
Agencies Outside Allegheny County	12
ADOPTION PLACEMENT	
BY NON-AGENCIES	19
Co-Parent Adoptions	6
Adult Adoption – No Intermediary	I
Total Non-Relative Adoptions	90

RELATIVE ADOPTIONS

Step-Parent	49
Other Relative	5
U.S.A. Re-Adoptions	13
Total Relative Adoptions	67
Total Persons Adopted	157
Total Orders Signed on Petitions	
To Register Foreign Adoption Decrees	18

ESTATES

AUDIT HEARING OF ACCOUNTS

Accounts Filed by Executor, Administrators,	
Trustees, and Guardians	548
Small Estates (\$25,000) or Less	164
Total Decrees of Distribution	521
Contested Hearings* Hearings on claims of creditors against estates, exceptions to accounts, and questions of distribution involving appeals from decrees of the Register of Wills in the grant of letters of administration, inheritance tax appraisals and assessments; will contests; proceedings against fiduciaries; termination of trusts; delinquent inheritance taxes due; miscellaneous hearings, including presumed decedents, absentees, corrections of birth records	
* Excludes guardianship hearings, termination/adoption hearings	275
Exceptions Heard by the Court En Banc	0
Opinions Filed by the Court	14
Pretrial Conferences Docketed	351
Return Days Scheduled	124
PETITIONS FILED	
Additional Bonds	17
Appointment of Guardians of the Person and Estates of Minors	60
Approval of Settlement of Minors' Claims	444
Lifting of Suspension of Distribution	17
Sale of Real Estate	41
Petitions for citation against fiduciaries to file accounts or to show cause why they should not be removed, etc.	156
Petitions filed by inheritance tax department and citations awarded against fiduciaries to show cause why they should not file transfer inheritance tax return and/or pay transfer	
inheritance tax due	119
Miscellaneous Petitions	560
Total Petitions Filed	1,414

GUARDIANSHIP - INCAPACITATED PERSONS

New Petitions Filed	225
Emergency Guardians Appointed	25
Permanent Guardians Appointed	142
Successor Guardians Appointed	23
Guardians Discharged	0
Petitions Withdrawn or Dismissed	44
Electro-Convulsive Therapy Petitions	19
Adjudication of Full Capacity	5
Petitions for Review	14
Contested Hearings	39
Total Number of Hearings	254
Bonds Approved	39
Safe Deposit Box Inventories	6
Court-Appointed Counsel	49
Independent Medical Evaluations	2
Petitions for Allowance/Ratification Presented	582
Annual Report of Guardians Filed	1,464
Final Report of Guardians (Person/Estate) Filed	III
Guardians of the Person of a Minor Filed	13



ORPHANS' COURT GUARDIANSHIP DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES JEFF MUELLER (INVESTIGATOR) AND NADINE McCOURT (SECRETARY).

CIVIL COMMITMENT DEPARTMENT

Total Petitions Presented		4,894
Dispositions		
Prior to Judicial review:		
Discharged	168	
Withdrawn	107	
Voluntary Admission	47	322
By Mental Health Review Officer:		
(Stipulations)		1,406
By Judges:		
Petition for Review	32	
Electro-Convulsive Therapy	19	
Expungement	12	63

HEARINGS BY TYPE UNDER MENTAL HEALTH PROCEDURES ACT

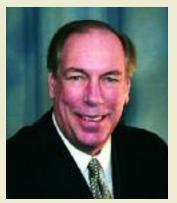
303	Up to 20 Days Civil Commitment	2,580
304-B	Up to 90 Days Civil Commitment	1,055
304-C	Up to 90 Days Civil Commitment	142
305	Up to 180 Days Civil Commitment	639
306	Modification Civil Commitment	21
306-2	Up to 180 Days Criminal Commitment	16
304-G2	Up to 365 Days Criminal Commitment	I
402-B	Up to 60 Days Criminal Commitment	51
405/406	Up to 90 Days Criminal Commitment	3
ECT	Electro-Convulsive Therapy	19
EXP	Expungement	12
REVW	Judicial Review of MHRO Decision	32
Total Hea	rings	4,571
	Hearings– aced under Commitment	
	Patient in Attendance 351	
	Patient Not in Attendance 527	878
0	where Patient Not Placed	
under Co	mmitment	322

CRIMINAL DIVISION

The Criminal Division is committed to furthering all facets of the criminal justice system with professionalism, timeliness, and efficiency to promote confidence in the administration of justice by the impartial and equitable application of the law to protect the rights and liberties guaranteed by the state and federal constitutions.



HON. DONNA JO McDANIEL PRESIDENT JUDGE



HON. JEFFREY A. MANNING ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE



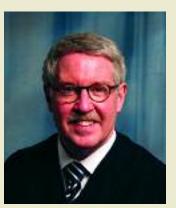
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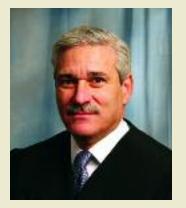


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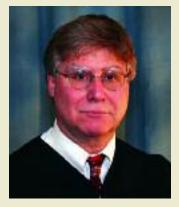
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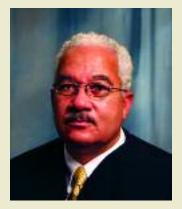
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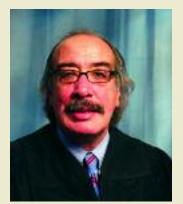
HON. KEVIN G. SASINOSKI



HON. RANDAL B. TODD



HON. JOSEPH K. WILLIAMS, III



HON. JOHN A. ZOTTOLA



Fourteen commissioned judges served in the Criminal Division of the Fifth Judicial District led by Administrative Judge Jeffrey A. Manning. Visiting Senior Judges John K. Reilly, Jr. from Clearfield County, and Robert C. Reed from Beaver County continued their assignments, though they concluded their tenure on December 3 and November 17, 2010, respectively. Senior Judge Robert C. Gallo handled ARD (Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition) cases, disposing of 3,139 cases during 2010. The court adjudicated a total of 20,057 cases in 2010, including 183 jury trials, 14,712 pleas, 1,562 alternative dispositions and 461 non-jury trials. Of the 14,712 pleas, 1,417 were processed through the Expedited Disposition Program (EDP Court).

By court order, President Judge Donna Jo McDaniel delegated to Administrative Judge Jeffrey A. Manning the responsibility for all issues related to constables in the Fifth Judicial District. Judge Manning appointed a Constable Advisory Board comprised of county officials, department heads, and constables, chaired by Magisterial District Judge Richard G. Opiela. The board was charged with the duty of creating a constable manual to include guidelines of responsibilities and duties, the proper use of equipment, vehicles, and requirements and documentation for billing constable fees. The manual, nearing completion, is being finalized by the board for submission to Judge Manning for adoption and imposition throughout the Fifth Judicial District. Any constable or deputy constable not complying with the dictates of the manual will not be paid fees pursuant to the fee bill.

In October 2010, President Judge Donna Jo McDaniel, Administrative Judge Jeffrey A. Manning, District Court Administrator Raymond L. Billotte and Criminal Division Administrator Helen M. Lynch, Esq., traveled to Los Angeles, California to attend the annual National Conference of Metropolitan Courts' entitled, "Leadership and Optimizing Resources for a Leaner Tomorrow." The topics discussed dealt with budgetary concerns, reduction of court services, and suggestions on leadership tools in dealing with these problems.

Judges Donna Jo McDaniel and Jill E. Rangos, District Court Administrator Raymond Billotte and Adult Probation Director Thomas McCaffrey visited the Center for Court Innovation in Buffalo, New York to learn more about innovative programs operating in New York courts to manage sex offenders. The site-visit included observation of the Erie County, New York Sex Offender Court program. Following the trip to Buffalo, Allegheny County began planning for a similar program in collaboration with key stakeholders, including criminal justice representatives and victim advocacy groups. The Fifth Judicial District initiated an intensive case review process that included all participants in the criminal justice system, from stage of arrest, to final disposition or postsentence activity. The reviews involved multiple criminal justice stakeholders in order to provide an in-depth understanding of criminal case management processes. During 2010, six cases were reviewed. Systemic problems were identified through this in-depth analysis. Sub-committees were formed to address the issues raised and preliminary reports were filed in December 2010.

In an effort to improve the case management practices within each courtroom, District Court Administrator Billotte requested an Administration Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC) Common Pleas Case Management System (CPCMS) computer usage audit of management, minute clerk, and arraignment clerk processes within the CPCMS computer system. AOPC analyst Andre Markey and AOPC trainer Stacey Snyder consulted with the criminal court manager and court administrative staff to identify areas where CPCMS processes and capabilities were not being fully utilized. The AOPC audit identified management tools and reports that would be useful in identifying individual problematic cases. The courtroom audit of the individual clerks revealed a number of inconsistent practices along with other systemic issues that could be improved. The AOPC will conduct a clerk-training program in early 2011 to address issues not corrected during the AOPC audit.

The Phoenix Docket program, initiated in 2009, was totally revamped. Judges Beth A. Lazzara and Thomas E. Flaherty transferred from the Family Division and were primarily assigned to hear Phoenix Docket cases. The program was designed to expedite less serious, non-violent cases through the court system by establishing plea agreements early in the case management process and promptly scheduling trials within 40-60 days if a plea agreement is not accepted. In 2010, Judges Lazzara and Flaherty disposed of 5,359 cases, up from 700 in 2009, an increase of 765 percent and comprising nearly 25 percent of the criminal docket.

In addition to traditional court case and probation case management workloads, the Court has experienced a growth in specialty programming for Drug Court, DUI Court, Domestic Violence Court, Mental Health Court, Prostitution Court, and Veterans Court.

CRIMINAL REPORT FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS

*11,581
18,935
4,185
34,701

* Correction from 2009 Annual Report

CASES DISPOSED IN 2010

Inactive-Bench Warrants, Incompetency	
Determinations, and Interlocutory Appeals	3,962
Transfers to Juvenile Court, Magisterial	
District Judge, Family Court, Administrative	
Closures, Consolidations, Deceased Defendants,	
Remands to Lower Court	5
Dismissed, Withdrawn, Nolle Prossed,	
Speedy Trial, and Satisfaction Agreements	1,562
Diversionary Programs	
Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD)	3,139
Guilty Plea	14,712
Non-Jury Trial	461
Jury Trial	183
Cases Disposed in 2010	24,024

AGE OF PENDING CASES

Days

/	
1 to 60	2,407
61 to 120	2,252
121 to 180	1,563
181 to 240	944
241 to 360	1,204
361 +	2,307
ending Cases Total	10,677

As noted in its mission statement, the purpose of

DUI Court is to "make the multiple DUI offenders ... accountable for their actions by bringing about behavioral changes that end DUI recidivism or other criminal behavior..." Data collected by the District Attorney's Office

reveals that there is a less than

one percent recidivism rate for those who complete DUI Court. It is clear from the data that the program is accomplishing its mission. During 2010, 59 offenders successfully completed the program. One hundred thirty-one (131) new participants were sentenced to the program.

A highlight from the year included 41 Drug Court graduates and the inclusion of 120 new offenders to the treatment court. In January 2010, an Allegheny County Drug Court

Progress Report issued by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency's (PCCD) Office of Criminal Justice System Improvements illustrated the effectiveness of Allegheny County's Drug Court. The report stated, "Data indicates that Allegheny County maintains a solid program in all respects. Regarding the 2009/2010 PCCD Drug Court grant ... offender successful completion data of 90 percent is outstanding, incarceration days saved are consistent and around the state-wide average, and cost/offender data are consistent and around the state-wide average."

The Allegheny County Veterans Court program, started in November of 2009, celebrated its first graduation in November 2010. Veterans Court increased its number of participants to over 30 by the close of 2010. Allegheny County's problemsolving treatment court programs continue to provide a collaborative solution to the underlying issues that bring offenders into the criminal justice system, thereby reducing recidivism, increasing public safety, and saving tax-payer dollars.

PROBLEM-SOLVING COURTS

ACTIVE CASES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010

DUI Court	287
Drug Court	240
Prostitution (PRIDE)	92
Domestic Violence Court	533
Veterans Court	15
Mental Health Court	320

HONORABLE JAMES R. McGREGOR

July 13, 1929 – May 25, 2010

Officially retired from the Allegheny County bench in 2004 after 30 years, the Honorable James R. McGregor succumbed to lung cancer in May just short of his 81st birthday.



At the age of ten, the Judge's family moved to Forest

Hills from Kittanning, Armstrong County. He graduated from Wilkinsburg High School in 1947 and earned his undergraduate degree at Washington & Jefferson College in 1951. Before attending the University of Pittsburgh School of Law where he earned his law degree in 1957, Corporal McGregor served as a Russian interpreter/ translator in the U.S. Army.

Judge McGregor practiced both law solo and as a partner, was legal counsel to the Pennsylvania House of Representative Minority Leader (1966-67) and solicitor for the Allegheny County Controller's office (1968-69) before receiving a gubernatorial judicial appointment to the Fifth Judicial District, County of Allegheny, in 1974. Judge McGregor won election in 1975 and two retention bids in 1985 and 1995. After a brief stint in the Family and Civil Divisions, he spent most of his career in the Criminal Division, where he also served as a senior judge.

CRIMINAL DIVISION ADULT PROBATION

Adult Probation and Parole is charged by the Court of Common Pleas with the responsibility of providing effective, community-based alternatives to incarceration, improving public safety, partnering with community and law enforcement resources, and promoting positive behavioral change from offenders.

The Adult Probation Department is committed to improving public safety and promoting positive behavioral change of offenders placed on probation, parole, and intermediate punishment by providing supervision, assistance, and services that reduce the probability of continued criminal behavior by the offender.

Allegheny County has experienced significant increases over the years in offenders placed under supervision. As of the end of 2010, Allegheny County Adult Probation and Parole had 23,107 offenders under its jurisdiction. Probation departments across the country are in a process of redefining and improving administrative practices regarding community correction services. With leadership from President Judge Donna Jo McDaniel, Administrative Judge Jeffrey A. Manning, and the Allegheny County Criminal Justice Advisory Board, Adult Probation has engaged the services of several nationally recognized agencies to guide the development of improved practices. Implementation of innovative practices that maximize the reduction of crime and victimization is a top priority.

PROBATION MANAGER FRANK SCHERER, SUPERVISOR NICOLE BALLARD, AND PROBATION OFFICER DAN SOMMERS DISPLAY DAY REPORTING CENTER COMMUNITY LEADER AWARDS: PITTSBURGH POLICE CITIZENS' POLICE ACADEMY AND THE "BOB" AWARD NAMED AFTER THE LATE PITTSBURGH MAYOR BOB O'CONNOR, FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS IN THE CITY OF PITTSBURGH.



Adult Probation is in the process of fully employing evidencebased probation practices proven to be successful in reducing recidivism. This new way of doing business uses scientific risk assessments that drive effective supervision practices. Probation office supervisors, using the Proxy risk-screening instrument, assign caseloads to three risk categories: low, medium and high. In 2011, probationers with medium and high risk scores will receive the Level of Service Inventory – Revised (LSI-R) risks/needs assessment that will design supervision plans for the offenders. By identifying an offender's crime-causing needs, the tool allows probation officers to establish a supervision plan directed at those needs, thereby reducing the likelihood of recidivism. To change criminal thinking, offenders are required to participate in programs that alter perceptions, attitudes, values, and expectations that contribute to antisocial conduct. The cognitive behavioral approach emphasizes problem solving, decision-making, self-control, and behavior modification. Three probation officers, having completed an intensive cognitive behavior facilitator training, are certified to conduct behavior modification programs, and additional probation officers will be trained as group facilitators.

The Electronic Monitoring (EM) Unit marked its 23rd year of supervising offenders in the community. In 2010, EM collected \$1,166,049 in monitoring fees while averaging 1,207 offenders under supervision per month. Notably, EM recidivism (new arrest while on the EM ankle bracelet) was less than three percent for the year. Allegheny County's EM/Intermediate Punishment Program has been instrumental in reducing the county jail population through the effective supervision of eligible offenders placed on EM and intensive supervision. Offenders who make up the majority of the EM population include persons placed on Intermediate Punishment following a conviction for Driving Under the Influence (DUI). Additional offender categories contributing to the increase in the number being supervised include pretrial offenders sentenced to DUI Court and Drug Court and offenders found guilty by magisterial district judges for driving under suspension that is DUI-related. During 2010, a total of 2,433 offenders were

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assigned to the EM Unit. In addition, due to limited staff resources and equipment, there are currently 759 offenders on a wait list pending the start of EM sentences.

Because many DUI offenders are court ordered to EM for 48 to 72 hours in lieu of mandatory jail sentences, the Convicted DUI Offender Intervention and Alternative to Jail Program was instituted. The program is operated at no cost to the taxpayers of Allegheny County and is supported entirely by user fees paid by the offender. The goals of the program are to reduce DUI recidivism among offenders, provide an alternative to EM and incarceration for eligible DUI offenders, enable DUI offenders to complete Alcohol Highway Safety Program requirements, and provide substantive education and knowledge-based interventions that are designed to positively influence future behavior in regard to driving under the influence.

The Day Reporting Center (DRC) is located in Pittsburgh's Arlington section. In 2010, the DRC received 465 referrals, 81 offenders enrolled in adult education classes, 10 of whom took the GED exam, 377 community service participants completed 1,933 hours of service, 58 offenders enrolled in anger management classes, 215 individuals received job search assistance, 48 gained employment, 36 participated in life skills training, and 1,213 drug tests were administered with 895 negative and 318 positive test results. In 2011, a second DRC grant was awarded to the Fifth Judicial District by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime & Delinquency (PCCD). The location of the second site will be in the city's East Liberty section, scheduled to open during the first quarter of 2011.

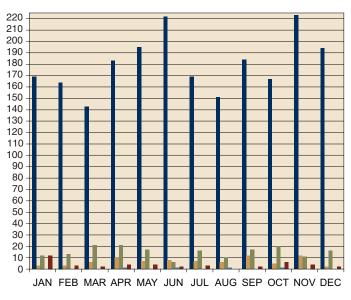
CASELOAD AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2010

Probation	15,044
Parole	856
Intermediate Punishment	1,368
Accelerated Rehabilitative Disposition (ARD)	5,376
Probation without Verdict	463
Total	23,107

PROBATIONERS BY OFFENSE GRADE AND RACE

Misdemeanor	15,163
Felony	7,648
Other	296
Caucasian	13,742
African-American	9,000
American Indian	7
Asian	67
Hispanic	44
Race Unknown	247

2010 ELECTRONIC MONITORING OUTCOMES



Successful Arrests Technical Violations Escapees Absconders

In 2010, Adult Probation collaborated with a number of agencies and community organizations throughout Allegheny County. Two such efforts include the Second Chance Act Jail Re-entry Program and the Pittsburgh Initiative to Reduce Crime. The Second Chance Act Reentry Program came to fruition through the efforts of the Allegheny County Jail Collaborative, an organization made up of representatives from the Allegheny County Jail, Court of Common Pleas,

CASELOAD PER PROBATION OFFICER

McKeesport Community Based Office	136
North Side Community Based Office	181
Central Community Based Office	117
South Hills Community Based Office	139
Wilkinsburg Community Based Office	119
Electronic Monitoring	61
High Impact Unit	113
Forensic Unit (Mental Health)	143
Domestic Violence Unit	III
Sex Offender Unit	78
DUI Unit	169
Minimal Supervision Unit	1,266
Intermediate Supervision Unit	592
Intrastate/Inter-County Unit	409/612

Allegheny County Department of Human Services, and Allegheny County Health Department.

The goal of the re-entry project is to increase public safety by reducing the likelihood that offenders will commit new crimes following release from county jail sentences of less than two years. In order to realize this goal, the program prepares inmates for the transition to life in the community by providing re-entry supervision and services. The re-entry program in the jail offers expanded treatment and rehabilitation programs that reduce recidivism, and these resources are linked to community-based providers following release. Participants are given opportunities to attend adult education and GED prep classes, drug and alcohol services, as well as employment development programs. Staff also makes referrals to assist with food, clothing, and shelter once the offender is discharged. Furthermore, for individuals who are parents, family support resources are integrated in the jail and community phases of the program. Through this project, Adult Probation has been able to assign a probation officer to the jail to assist in making the offender's transition from jail to the community a productive and crime-free experience.



Director of Adult Probation, Thomas McCaffrey, was appointed to his position effective March 2010. Mr. McCaffrey has been with the court since 1980, serving as a probation officer, a senior manager in Adult Probation, and most recently as the Director of Pretrial Services. He is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh.



ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE JEFFREY A. MANNING, COURT ADMINISTRATOR HELEN M. LYNCH, ESQ., AND ADULT PROBATION DIRECTOR THOMAS McCAFFREY PRESENT THE PROBATION DIRECTOR'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE TO PROBATION OFFICER ROBERT KRAUS.

The Probation Office is also an integral member of the Pittsburgh Initiative To Reduce Crime (PIRC). The PIRC, modeled after similar programs in Boston and Cincinnati, is designed to reduce gun violence in Pittsburgh by focusing on violent street gangs. Probation officers and Pittsburgh police officers worked together to identify gang members and associates targeted for call-in sessions. At the sessions, selected group members are given notice by law enforcement and community leaders that gun violence will no longer be tolerated. Group members are also offered alternatives by social service providers such as educational and job training opportunities. The model has proven to be successful, reducing gun related crime by up to 50 percent in some jurisdictions.

The Adult Probation Day Reporting Center-South continued its collaborative efforts by partnering with community organizations throughout 2010 including, the Pittsburgh Police Citizen Police Academy, Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Clean Up Pittsburgh Committee, Hilltop Alliance and Development Corporation, Arlington Civic Council and Block-Watch, Upper Knoxville Block-Watch, Pittsburgh Aids Taskforce, Beltzhoover Community Development Corporation, Carrick Baseball Association, Southwestern Re-Entry Coalition, Asset Inc./Pittsburgh Cares, Arlington Senior Center, Habitat for Humanity, and Just Harvest. Through future collaborative efforts, Adult Probation will strive to remain ingrained in communities throughout Allegheny County. Efforts will be expanded to the eastern communities in Allegheny County with the opening of the Day Reporting Centering-East in 2011.

CRIMINAL DIVISION PRETRIAL SERVICES

To provide accurate and timely information to assist the court in making informed decisions regarding bond, competency, and treatment. To supervise and monitor defendants in a respectful manner, utilizing cost-effective measures for the community, and to promote compliance with court orders, court appearances, and to support public safety.

Pretrial Services continued to be actively engaged in refining and expanding services. Commitment to its mission and goals has resulted in safer communities throughout Allegheny County and recognition both locally and nationally as a model pretrial program.

Pretrial Services has played an active role in the Allegheny County Jail Collaborative, the Allegheny County Criminal Justice Advisory Board, the criminal case review process and numerous sub-committees, fostering collaborative relationships to improve the justice system in Allegheny County.

As part of the Jail Collaborative, Pretrial Services has been active with the Second Chance Grant focusing on released inmates' re-entry into the community. Partners in Second Chance include staff of the Allegheny County Jail (ACJ), Department of Human Services, the Urban Institute, and other criminal justice agencies. Resulting from the Jail Collaborative, Pretrial Services assisted with the criminal case reviews initiated in 2010, which were undertaken to improve case processing and associated costs.

Pretrial Services Alcohol Highway Safety Program (AHSP) and Adult Probation joined forces this year to implement and oversee the DUI Alternative to Jail Program. Under this program, first conviction DUI offenders complete their intermediate punishment sentence and state mandated driving under the influence classes and treatment at a designated site in a controlled environment. Supervised at the location from Thursday until Sunday, offenders attend classes approximately twelve hours each day. The program, launched in October 2010 with a goal of serving I,200 defendants per year, is paid for by participating offenders. The overall goal is to educate participants and reduce recidivism by exposing the DUI offender to four days of intense treatment.



THE DESIGNATED DRIVER BOOTH AT THE NEW CONSOL ENERGY CENTER ATTRACTS FANS SIGNING UP AS DESIGNATED DRIVERS, WHO RECEIVE A FREE SODA. PRETRIAL SERVICES ALCOHOL HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM SPONSORS PROGRAMS DESIGNED TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE.

The Bail Unit continued to maintain its reputation for comprehensive and efficient services. Employee trainings and computer enhancements designed to facilitate informed outcomes was a focus this year that will continue into 2011. Pretrial Services personnel located within the ACJ provided 24/7 investigative services and conducted interviews with defendants brought in on new charges or bench warrants. Face-to-face investigations were conducted using the Pretrial Service's database and validated risk-assessment tool. This year, the Pretrial Services Bail Unit performed 16,717 new investigations, advocated for 653 bond modifications, and presented at 3,142 bond forfeiture hearings.

Calendar Year:	2007	2008	2009	2010
Total Number of Defendants Placed on EM	173	384	462	149
Number of Successful Completions	IOI	239	326	216
Unsuccessful Completions	46	79	118	63
Absconders	24	34	54	19
New Arrests During Supervision	9	24	31	24
Removed for Rule Violations	13	21	33	20
Total Completions	147	318	444	279
Jail Days Saved by EM Supervision	24,969	51,848	65,649	40,352
Equivalent ACJ Housing Cost	\$1,498,140	\$3,110,880	\$4,070,238	\$2,501,824
Cost per Day to Supervise on EM	\$337,082	\$699,948	\$886,262	\$544,752
Cost Avoidance for Allegheny County	\$1,180,694	\$2,453,146	\$12,807,939	\$2,020,872

In addition to investigations, the Bail Unit supervised 7,595 defendants on pretrial conditional release throughout 2010, a 60 percent increase over the number supervised in 2009. For those defendants supervised in 2010, the compliance rate for appearance was 90 percent. The Pretrial Electronic Monitoring (PTEM) supervision numbers fell from 462 defendants placed on PTEM in 2009 to 149 in 2010 due to a lack of resources. Despite this drop in defendants served, PTEM saved 40,352 jail bed days and collected \$63,800 in PTEM fees.

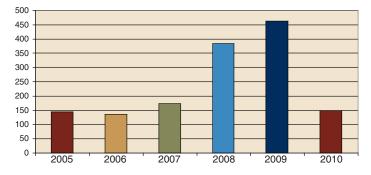
The Behavior Assessment Unit (BAU) psychiatrists completed I,337 court-ordered competency evaluations in 2010 and recommended II2 involuntary commitments, of which IO6 were committed to Torrence State Hospital. The BAU social workers also completed I23 social histories associated with mental health evaluations.

The Pretrial Services first offender Accelerated Rehabilitation Disposition (ARD) Unit supervised 3,466 defendants into the program in 2010. The vast majority of these defendants were charged with DUI (3,024) and the remainder (382)were charged with other non-violent offenses. Working closely with the Allegheny County District Attorney's Office, the disposition of ARD cases has been a smooth and efficient process. Offenders successfully completed the ARD program in 90 percent of the cases diverted from the court's general docket. In 2010, 1,525 technical and new conviction violation reports were submitted to the court, down five percent from 2009. Subsequently, the number of bench warrants issued for ARD cases also decreased 7.7 percent. In addition, ARD offenders completed 30,792 hours of community service throughout Allegheny County, in partnership with nonprofit organizations, to improve and enrich neighborhoods.



Janice Radovick-Dean, Director of Pretrial Services, speaks at the National Association of Counties Jail Diversion Forum in May 2010. With 22 years experience working in county probation and pretrial services, Ms. Radovick-Dean was appointed as Director of Pretrial Services in 2010. She is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh and held the position of Deputy Director of Pretrial Services prior to her appointment as Director.





In 2010, the Alcohol Highway Safety Program (AHSP) extended its work of education, intervention, and prevention in the field of DUI. The unit's goal to reduce the harmful effects of drinking and driving was promoted through its programs provided to schools and the community at large. From television and radio public service announcements to community events, the "savings lives" message reached thousands of children in 40 Allegheny County school districts. AHSP is also responsible for the completion of court-ordered evaluations of DUI offenders and for managing the state's Department of Transportation mandated DUI education programs. AHSP staff completed 5,572 Court Reporting Network (CRN) evaluations this year, the most for a single jurisdiction in the state. Additionally, AHSP operated the largest and most successful Ignition Interlock Program in the state. Five hundred twenty-four (524) ignition interlock devices were installed in 2010 enabling program participants to drive in excess of one million sober miles in and around Allegheny County. Since 2004, not a single person has been charged with DUI while operating a vehicle with an installed Ignition Interlock device.



BOND FORFEITURES PRESENTED IN COURT

Sentencing	I
Trial	1,092
Pretrial Conference	461
ARD	41
Formal Arraignment	723
Preliminary Hearing	824
Total	3,142

MOTIONS COURT VIDEO ARRAIGNMENTS

Bond Forfeitures	2,240
NEI Warrants	303
Modifications	498
ARD Success Rate	
2007	96 %
	0
2008	96%
2008 2009	



SUMMARY APPEALS

The Summary Appeals Branch of the Fifth Judicial District maintains jurisdiction over criminal appeals from adjudications by magisterial district judges resulting in summary convictions and civil statutory appeals from decisions by state and local administrative agencies. The Honorable Robert C. Gallo presides over summary conviction appeals and civil appeals arising from actions taken by Penn DOT relating to the suspension of driver's licenses, which account for the majority of statutory appeals. Other civil statutory appeals are referred to the administrative judge of the Civil Division for judicial assignment. In addition to conducting individual hearings on each appeal, the Summary Appeals Branch is responsible for all ancillary matters related to an appeal, including motions.

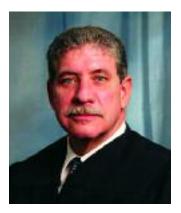
The criminal appeals include moving violations under the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code; violations of the Pennsylvania Crimes Code, such as disorderly conduct, harassment, retail theft, public drunkenness, and underage drinking; violations of municipal ordinances; violations of dog licensing provisions, and truancy.

SUMMARY APPEALS – CASE DISPOSITIONS

	New Cases Filed	Cases Disposed
Case Type	2010	2010
Criminal Summary Convictions	3,064	3,312
Motor Vehicle Code Suspensions	I,III	1,265
Pittsburgh Parking Authority	IO	9
In Forma Pauperis	1,050	1,050
Nunc Pro Tunc Appeals	488	488
Administrative Agency	24	24
Civil Service	2	2
Land Use	16	16
Zoning Board	30	30
Local Agency	157	157
Liquor Control	13	II
School Board	2	2
Health Department	0	0
Total	5,967	6,366

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURTS

To provide a forum for fair and equal access to judicial services that promotes the expeditious resolution of public and private disputes through community-based locations throughout Allegheny County.



HON. ROBERT BARNER 05-2-11



HON. DAVID J. BARTON 05-2-17



HON. CAROLYN S. BENGEL 05-2-05



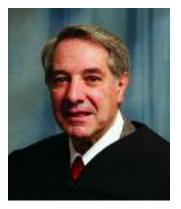
HON. SUZANNE BLASCHAK 05-3-04



HON. JOHN N. BOVA 05-2-18



HON. MARY ANN CERCONE 05-3-06



HON. PAT A. CAPOLUPO 05-2-16



HON. ROSS C. CIOPPA 05-2-09



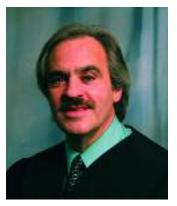
HON. THOMAS P. CAULFIELD 05-2-08



HON. KEVIN E. COOPER 05-3-12



HON. ANTHONY CEOFFE 05-3-10



HON. RON N. COSTA, SR. 05-2-31

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HON. ROBERT P. DZVONICK 05-2-03



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HON. JAMES J. HANLEY, JR. 05-2-36



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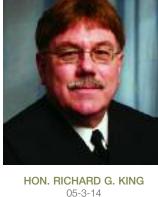
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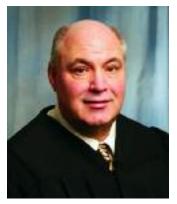
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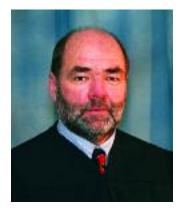




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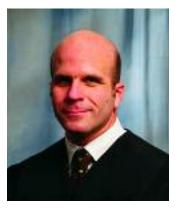
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HON. TARA L. SMITH 05-2-01



HON. DAVID J. SOSOVICKA 05-3-03



HON. CARLA SWEARINGEN 05-2-43



HON. LINDA I. ZUCCO 05-2-32



HON. THOMAS TORKOWSKY 05-2-15



HON. GARY M. ZYRA 05-2-22



HON. REGIS C. WELSH, JR. 05-2-46



HON. EDWARD BURNETT SENIOR JUDGE



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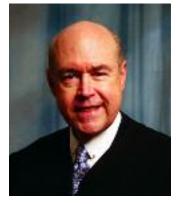
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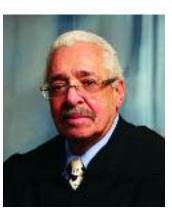
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HON. EDWARD A. TIBBS SENIOR JUDGE



HON. EUGENE ZIELMANSKI SENIOR JUDGE

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURTS

Several significant projects were accomplished by Magisterial District Court Administration during 2010. Normally, magisterial district borders are redrawn the year following the census via a process called "Reestablishment of Magisterial Districts." In response to budgetary constraints, however, Pennsylvania Supreme Court Chief Justice Ronald D. Castille requested that judicial district president judges examine all magisterial district judge vacancies that would occur due to mandatory retirement or other reasons during 2011 for possible elimination of those courts. The Fifth Judicial District has three upcoming vacancies fitting that criteria as well as a voluntary retirement. Following careful evaluation of the effects of closing those courts with input from magisterial district judges (MDJ), a formal request to close several MDJ courts was prepared for submission to the Chief Justice in 2011.

In mid-May, MDJ courts entered into an agreement with nCourt, a company that specializes in on-line payment receipts for courts. nCourt charges the payor a fee for its service, accepts payment, and transfers the payment to the appropriate MDJ court. This payment option has proven to be very convenient; and, as of the end of 2010, nCourt had collected nearly \$1,000,000 for MDJ courts.

When a defendant fails to respond to a citation or fails to pay after an adjudication of guilty, a warrant is issued for the defendant's arrest. Many of those warrants go unserved because defendants relocate, change names, etc., resulting in lost revenue. In response, an innovative and first of its kind program was instituted which utilizes various types of technological tools to locate defendants. As a result, warrants were served on cases with outstanding balances totaling approximately \$250,000. It is expected that this program will be expanded in 2011. Also, in 2010, President Judge Donna Jo McDaniel formally created the Constable Advisory Board under the direction of the Honorable Jeffrey A. Manning, Administrative Judge of the Criminal Division, and chaired by the Honorable Richard G. Opiela, Magisterial District Judge. Judge Manning's first assignment for the board, consisting of various Allegheny County officials: the Sheriff, the Warden, the District Attorney, the Director of the Department of Court Records, the Controller, the District Court Administrator, the President of the Allegheny County Constable Association, and another constable, was to develop the county's Constable Handbook. By year's end, the handbook was in final draft form with anticipated dissemination in early 2011.

The fact that filings in MDJ courts, 217,788 in 2010 and 217,982 in 2009, appear to be approximately unchanged between the two years is an anomaly. MDJ court 05-2-10 had total filings of 3,689 in 2007, 9,874 in 2008, 3,574 in 2009, and 10,394 in 2010. In all, 22 of 48 MDJ courts experienced lower filings in 2010 than in 2009. Of the remaining 26 courts, only one had significantly higher filings, MDJ court 05-3-03, where filings increased from 4,737 in 2009 to 5,654 in 2010. There is a direct correlation between lower filings and lower collections. MDJ courts collected and paid to Allegheny County fines and fees of \$4,035,151 in 2010, as opposed to \$4,081,495 in 2009.

	2007	2008	2009	2010
Criminal	36,232	36,210	34,425	32,085
Civil	17,734	19,991	16,306	16,935
Landlord/Tenant	14,809	14,337	14,276	14,117
Non-Traffic	52,841	51,219	45,253	46,511
Private Criminal Complaint	11,677	11,736	10,831	9,709
Traffic	175,024	185,186	159,181	165,546
Total	308,317	318,679	280,272	284,903

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT FILINGS

FILINGS BY MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT COURT

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COURT	Criminal	Civil	Tenant	Non-traffic	Summary	Traffic	Total
05-0-03	12,867	0	0	8,436	89	41,462	62,854
95-0-04	21	0	0	0	0	0	21
05-2-01	621	252	265	942	53	5,916	8,049
05-2-02	894	456	118	675	398	4,145	6,686
05-2-03	763	396	209	873	312	4,139	6,692
05-2-04	365	320	135	851	33	2,872	4,576
05-2-05	443	345	253	1,084	166	3,488	5,779
05-2-06	680	677	498	746	222	1,575	4,398
05-2-07	500	425	326	683	296	2,642	4,872
05-2-08	324	192	113	523	552	2,894	4,598
95-2-09	586	271	554	1,491	170	3,797	6,869
05-2-10	526	260	683	727	74	8,124	10,394
5-2-11	526	386	353	1,095	195	5,336	7,891
5-2-12	370	494	67	403	497	3,997	5,828
95-2-13	625	498	709	2,573	IO	2,112	6,527
5-2-14	982	592	153	675	430	2,254	5,086
05-2-15	660	318	215	1,564	385	4,156	7,298
05-2-16	484	326	186	455	98	2,655	4,204
05-2-17	368	291	214	414	129	4,280	5,696
05-2-18	743	315	243	653	18	2,128	4,100
05-2-19	443	364	169	948	3	4,224	6,151
05-2-20	495	398	103	627	148	2,562	4,333
05-2-21	355	359	73	468	457	4,285	5,997
05-2-22	478	<u> </u>	73	352	85	1,907	3,198
05-2-23	445	382	181	920	214	2,835	4,977
5-2-25	801	483	180	825	56	3,300	5,645
05-2-26	209		85		106	<u>3,300</u> 906	
95-2-20 95-2-27	0			<u>477</u> 809		2,404	2, <u>339</u> 4,018
5-2-27 5-2-28		354	394 L 000	0	57		2,718
	0	351	1,092	524	375	376	
95-2-31	0	445	853	503	273	65	2,139
05-2-32	336	246	184	306	145	851	2,068
05-2-35	0	337	230	443	II	1,222	2,243
05-2-36	177	247	267	82	40	II	824
05-2-38	0	334	284	571	31	107	1,327
05-2-40	0	252	651	403	57	160	1,523
05-2-42	0	290	634	1,421	114	95	2,554
5-2-43	493	397	349	310	217	2,923	4,689
05-2-46	385	393	29	351	263	4,804	6,225
05-2-47	686	447	457	1,411	309	2,748	6,058
05-3-02	158	118	32	211	13	4,433	4,965
05-3-03	425	302	54	562	133	3,346	4,822
05-3-04	342	161	30	303	748	1,877	3,461
95-3-05	186	209	78	284	4	604	1,365
95-3-06	1,037	367	510	1,393	190	2,513	6,010
5-3-09	670	516	173	1,316	878	1,314	4,867
95-3-10	I	158	147	155	55	158	674
95-3-12	0	243	526	718	99	28	1,614
95-3-13	0	165	228	413	III	467	1,384
05-3-14	272	464	632	977	181	1,095	3,621
95-3-17	397	485	137	651	135	4,610	6,415
Fotal	32,139	16,943	14,126	43,597	9,635	164,202	280,642

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PITTSBURGH MUNICIPAL COURT

To promote public trust and confidence in our judicial system by providing quality service to the public and law enforcement agencies in an impartial, efficient, and effective manner.

Significant technological advancements have aided Pittsburgh Municipal Court (PMC) in its commitment to provide expeditious and accurate processing of criminal cases, traffic, and non-traffic citations, and to provide professional service to the public and law enforcement agencies that transact business with the court.

The Criminal Division of PMC implemented an on-line calendar and postponement request system. The preliminary hearing calendar is now available for public viewing through the Fifth Judicial District website at

http://www.alleghenycourts.us/pmc/calendar.aspx

The public may now search for a case by date, defendant's name, or offense tracking number (OTN). The new postponement request system allows litigants to electronically request postponements. Attorneys may create an account and assign themselves to cases, permitting them to request postponements on-line and to be notified when the Commonwealth requests postponements. Each party has the ability to object or consent and comment on available dates. Postponement requests are electronically transmitted to PMC where a magisterial district judge grants or denies the request. The parties are electronically notified of the decision and the new date, if applicable. The postponement system has streamlined the postponement request process and has significantly reduced unnecessary court appearances.

The Traffic and Non-Traffic divisions of PMC began utilizing the services of nCourt in May 2010. A private company, nCourt allows the public to pay traffic and non-traffic fines 24 hours a day, 7 days a week using the Internet or telephone. (Website: www.pittsburghpatix.com) From May through December 2010, nCourt processed 2,344 matters and collected \$232,317 for PMC.

The City of Pittsburgh Bureau of Police has equipped its motor fleet with Mobile Data Terminals enabling police officers to electronically generate citations. Electronic citations, used for both traffic and non-traffic cases, speed up data processing and will facilitate future electronic transfer of information.

> DIANE JOYCE, CLERK, PITTSBURGH MUNICIPAL COURT-CASHIER'S DEPARTMENT

The Arraignment Division of PMC conducts business 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. In 2010, 16,717 preliminary arraignments were conducted via two-way simultaneous audiovisual communication with the Allegheny County Jail pursuant to Pa.R.Crim.P. 540. Video conferencing was also used to conduct 49 arraignments for individuals housed in correctional facilities throughout Pennsylvania, saving the expense of transportation and reducing safety risks.

The Arraignment Division also handles filing of criminal complaints as well as the issuing of arrest and search warrants for all magisterial district courts during non-business hours and for the City of Pittsburgh at all hours. The magisterial district judges assigned to the division also conducted 92 marriage ceremonies in 2010. Their division also collects bail and collateral on Summary, Criminal, and Family Division cases during non-business hours and on weekends and holidays. In 2010, \$1,183,261 was collected. Also responsible for processing emergency Protection From Abuse (PFA) Petitions during the week and 24 hours on weekends and holidays, the Arraignment Division handled 2,925 PFA petitions in 2010.



Of the 64,444 cases filed at PMC'S Non-Traffic, Traffic, and Criminal Divisions, 12,851 were criminal, 9,478 were nontraffic, 42,025 were traffic, and 90 were private criminal complaints. PMC has been working with the Allegheny County Sheriff's Office and City of Pittsburgh warrant squads and a constable to serve summary warrants. PMC issued a total of 7,347 warrants to these agencies.

The Criminal Division of PMC conducts preliminary hearings for all offenses in Allegheny County that occur within the City of Pittsburgh where the accused is charged with homicide, or is an Act 33 offender. Preliminary hearings are conducted five days a week with dedicated sessions for cases involving domestic violence and children.



SHARON STOYER, CLERK, PITTSBURGH MUNICIPAL COURT-CRIMINAL DIVISION

MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGE CO	OURT NUMBER	SESSIONS ASSIGNED	PMC CASES ¹	MDJ COURT FILINGS IN 2010	TOTAL FILINGS PER MDJ ²
Hon. Eugene N. Ricciardi	05-2-27	55	2,763	4,018	6,781
Hon. Oscar J. Petite, Jr.	05-2-28	95	4,772	2,718	7,490
Hon. Ron N. Costa, Sr.	05-2-31	104	5,224	2,139	7,363
Hon. Nathan Firestone	05-2-35	100	5,023	2,243	7,266
Hon. James J. Hanley, Jr.	05-2-36	143	7,183	824	8,007
Hon. James A. Motznik	05-2-38	102	5,123	1,327	6,450
Hon. Derwin Rushing	05-2-40	96	4,822	1,523	6,345
Hon. Robert P. Ravenstahl, Jr	. 05-2-42	92	4,621	2,554	7,175
Hon. Anthony Ceoffe	05-3-10	200	10,046	674	10,720
Hon. Kevin E. Cooper	05-3-12	98	4,923	1,614	6,537
Hon. Randy C. Martini	05-3-13	148	7,434	1,384	8,818
Hon. Richard G. King	05-3-14	49	2,461	3,621	6,082
Hon. Carla Swearingen ³	05-2-43	I	50	4,689	4,739
Totals		1,283	64,445	29,328	93,773

¹ Equals Yearly Sessions Assigned x 50.23 Cases Per Session

² Equals PMC Filings + MDJ Court Filings

³ Magisterial District Judge Carla Swearingen sits in a Friday rotation only because the majority of filings in her district are from Robinson Township.

PMC COLLECTED \$5,034,177 IN FINES, FEES, AND COLLATERAL FOR TRAFFIC AND NON-TRAFFIC CITATIONS IN 2010. DISTRIBUTIONS REQUIRED BY STATE LAW INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

County of Allegheny \$670,300 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

City of Pittsburgh \$1,404,369

\$1,952,538



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