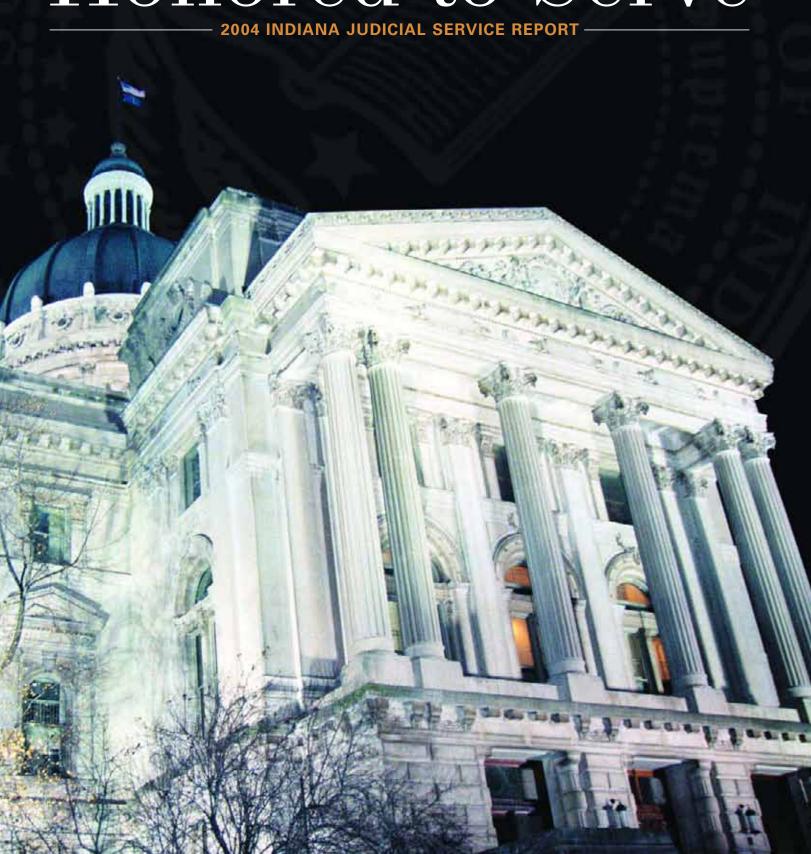
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Board of Law Examiners	www.in.gov/judiciary/ble/
Commission on Race and Gender Fairness	www.in.gov/judiciary/fairness/
Conference for Legal Education Opportunity (CLEO)	www.in.gov/judiciary/cleo/
Continuing Legal Education	www.in.gov/judiciary/cle/
Court of Appeals	www.in.gov/judiciary/appeals/index.html
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<b>Disciplinary Commission</b>	www.in.gov/judiciary/agencies/dis.html
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Judicial Opinions	www.in.gov/judiciary/opinions/
Judiciary Forms	www.in.gov/judiciary/forms/
Judicial Qualifications Annual Report	www.in.gov/judiciary/admin/judqual/acts.html
Pro Bono Commission	www.in.gov/judiciary/probono/index.html
Protective Orders	www.in.gov/judiciary/forms/po.html
Public Defender	www.in.gov/judiciary/agencies/statepublicdefender.html
QCSR Online	www.in.gov/judiciary/admin/courtmgmt/qcsr/index.html
Rules of Court	www.in.gov/judiciary/rules/
Self Service Legal Center	www.in.gov/judiciary/selfservice/
Administrative Statistics	www.in.gov/judiciary/admin/reports/
Indiana Supreme Court	www.in.gov/judiciary/supreme/index.html
Tax Court	www.in.gov/judiciary/tax/
Trial Courts	www.in.gov/judiciary/courts/trial.html
Weighted Caseload Study	www.in.gov/judiciary/admin/courtmgmt/caseload/summary.html

#### Introduction

The Indiana Judicial Service Report is published each year by the Division State Court of Administration ("Division"), pursuant to Indiana Code 33-24-6-3. report is a compilation of statistical data on the workload and related judicial functions of the Indiana judicial system. The period of time covered by this report is the calendar year 2004 with the exception of the Supreme Court data and certain fiscal information, which is reported on a fiscal year basis. Information appears in an Executive Summary (Vol. I), Caseload Information Report (Vol. II), and a Fiscal Report (Vol. III). Data regarding the operation of Indiana's appellate courts is also included in the Executive Summary. Statistical Information can also be found at

#### www.in.gov/judiciary/admin/courtmgmt

The information published in this report was compiled from Quarterly Case Status Reports filed with the Division by each trial court. addition, all trial courts annually file a summary Report on Court Revenue and a Report on Court Expenditures and Budget. While administrative offices of the appellate courts compile and publish their own caseload reports, pursuant to a statutory requirement, appellate information is also included in this report. Fiscal data for the state is obtained from the annual report of the Auditor of the State of Indiana.

This report is not an exact accounting of funds or a complete

detailing of every judicial decision. It is based on aggregate summary data and presents an overview of the workload and functioning of the Indiana judiciary. It is intended to be used by trial judges in evaluating their performance and monitoring the caseloads in their respective courts, by trial judges and county councils in budgeting process, the bγ General Assembly and committees in their legislative deliberations, by the Division of State Court Administration in its oversight of judicial administrative activities, and by the Indiana Supreme Court in meeting supervisory its responsibilities for trial courts. Additionally, the information presented in this report provides a factual basis for long-term judicial planning in the State of Indiana.

#### Caseload

The 2004 caseload data indicates a drop in new cases filed in Indiana's courts. The 1,642,930 new cases filed in 2004 represents a decrease of 4.9% over the previous year. Despite this decrease from 2003, caseloads have increased 12.9% overall in the past 10 years. highest rate of increase occurred in Miscellaneous Criminal cases, which increased by 48.8% from 2003. Increases were also evident in the following categories: Class Felonies, Class B Felonies, Class C Felonies, Class D Felonies, Criminal Misdemeanor. Criminal CHINS. Miscellaneous. Juvenile Juvenile Delinquency, Termination of Parental Rights, Mortgage

Foreclosure, Civil Collections, Civil Tort. Mental Health. Protective Orders. Civil Miscellaneous. Adoption and Guardianships. largest decrease appeared in the Plenary category, Civil which decreased by 18.9%. Decreases also appeared in the categories of Murder. Post Conviction Relief. Infractions. Ordinance Violations. Juvenile Status, Juvenile Paternity, Juvenile Miscellaneous, Domestic Relations, Reciprocal Support, and Estates. There were the exact same number of Trust cases filed in 2004 as in 2003. The case category with the largest number of cases filed was Infractions (641,144 cases) followed by Small Claims (297,891 cases) and Misdemeanors (203,161 cases).

One comparison that may be from the data is relationship between case filings and population figures. In 2004, one felony case was filed for every 95 residents in the state and one misdemeanor case was filed for every 31 residents. The infraction case type, which accounts for a large number of cases filed in Indiana courts, averaged one case filing for every 10 residents. Historical comparisons show that in 1990, one felony case was filed for every 135 residents, one misdemeanor was filed for every 37 residents, and one infraction was filed for every 14 residents.

Indiana courts disposed of 1,655,250 cases in 2004. Trial courts of record disposed of

http://www.census.gov/population/www/index.htm

1,268,288 cases in 2004, which represents 76.6% of the total, and approximately the same percentage as the past years. The most frequent method of case disposition for all trial courts was by Guilty Plea/Admission, with 23.2% of all cases being disposed in this manner. Defaults accounted for 11.1% of all case dispositions. Bench trials were 6.3%, and jury trials were 0.10% of all case dispositions. In the courts of record, jury trials accounted for 0.15% of all types of dispositions.

Fewer cases were filed in the city and town courts in 2004 than in 2003. The caseload of the city and town courts consists predominantly traffic infractions. ordinance violations, and some misdemeanors. The most significant decrease in the town city and court caseload occurred in Infractions. which decreased by 8,251 cases in one year. Despite the one year decrease in caseload, over a ten-year period the caseload of the city and town courts has increased by 36.1%. During the same ten-year period, the caseload of the Marion County Small Claims courts has decreased by 5.5%.

Several years ago Indiana began measuring caseload in trial courts with weighted а caseload measurement system. This system, which is highlighted further in other parts of this report, reveals a shortage of judicial officers overall statewide. The state for courts 124%, utilization is meaning that, on the average for the entire state, Indiana courts are operating at 24% above their optimal capacity. Despite its many benefits, the weighted caseload measurement system addresses only available judicial resources and does not consider the vital role that support staff play in the efficient operation of the court system. Many courts that reflect a need for additional judicial resources may operate efficiently as a result of the efforts of the support staff and the efficient use of technology to maintain records and process cases.

#### **Fiscal**

Indiana's trial courts are financed primarily through county general State revenues fund revenue. judicial salaries, appellate level courts, and defray some of the expenses associated with indigent criminal defense and guardian ad litem services for abused and neglected children. City and town funds pay for the respective city and town courts, while the townships in Marion County (the most populous Indiana County) fund the Marion County Small Claims Courts.

The fiscal data shows an overall increase in 2004 expenditures and revenues. Total expenditures by the state, county, and local governmental units on the operation of the judicial system increased 3.7% from 2003.

Indiana counties spent \$180,864,134 on the operation of trial courts. All courts in the state, including city, town, and Marion County Small Claims, generated a total of \$179,254,916. Of that amount, \$78,976,243 (44%) went to state level funds, and \$85,066,224 (47.5%) went to a variety of county level funds. The remaining \$15,212,429 (8.5%) went to various

local funds. An additional \$2,249,385 was generated by Marion County Small Claims Courts and paid to constables for service of process.

The state of Indiana spent \$79,755,860 during fiscal year 2003/2004 on the operation of the judicial system. The counties, which report on a calendar year basis, spent \$180,864,134; the cities, towns. and townships spent \$12,916,563 on their respective courts, for a total annual expenditure of \$273,536,557.

Revenues are accounted on a calendar year basis. These figures indicate that the net cost of Indiana's judicial system was \$94,965,511 in 2004, or \$15.22 per person based on Census 2004 population estimate figures.\* This is down \$0.58 per person from last year. Each court case represents an average cost of \$50.30.

#### **Final Note**

The production of this report would not be possible without the diligent work of hundreds of Indiana judges, court employees, and clerks who ensure access to justice and on a daily basis provide exceptional service to the citizens of Indiana.

http://www.census.gov/population/www/index.html

<sup>\*</sup> 

## CHIEF JUSTICE RANDALL T. SHEPARD January 19, 2005

#### "Good Enough Isn't Good Enough"

Governor **Daniels** and Members of the General **Assembly:** Over the last year or so, I have been co-editing a book on the history of Indiana law to be published this fall. In the course of that work, appreciate ľve come to observation about our state by a professor at Bloomington named James Madison, who is probably the leading Indiana historian of his generation. Professor Madison says that Indiana is still influenced by the spectacular failure of the biggest venture the state ever launched, the Internal Improvement Act of 1836, the most famous piece of which was the Wabash-Erie Canal. resulting financial calamity brought the state government to the brink of bankruptcy, provoked the constitutional convention of 1850, and shaped the 1851 constitution.

Madison says that the lesson Hoosiers of the time drew was that big and bold is dangerous and that small and incremental is safer. Whether this was the right lesson to be learned from this great 19<sup>th</sup> century financial disaster is open to debate, he says, but "it is the lesson generations of Hoosiers have chosen to learn." Thus, if things are "good enough," we often decide to leave them alone rather than strive for a great leap up. In short, he

says, the lesson has been that "good enough" is good enough.

As I report to you today on the state of the third branch. Professor Madison's analysis is echoed in the observation by one of my colleagues that nothing really titanic happened in the Indiana judiciary since the 1970's. Back then, in one five year period, the legislature and the voters fundamentally restructured the appellate courts, created consolidated trial courts in the urban areas, and abolished the venerable justices of the peace. Now we have hardly stood still since then, but systemic changes have proven very difficult. But there have been ways in which the Indiana court system hasn't worked all that well, and I've come today to argue that "good enough" isn't good enough, and to lay out what we've been doing to make our part of the government much better than "good enough."

### How Do You Find Out What's Going On?

Nearly every opinion poll shows people find that their courts mysterious and complicated and hard to learn about. In the course of resolving people's disputes, generate tens of millions of documents a year, and until the 1980s, we did this according to methods largely shaped by inertia

and passed down from one generation of deputy county clerks to another - in offices that frequently suffer very high turnover rates. This made going from one courthouse to another a little like traveling from Latvia to Estonia. Changing that has been like altering the course of an ocean liner, but at least now every document is called by the same name in every courthouse, every document carries a standardized number, and we have state-wide rules about how long you have to keep that paper and when it's all right to throw it away.

Still, we have only begun to catch up with what a modern economy needs from its judicial system, and we're determined to move faster. Under the energetic leadership of Justice Frank Sullivan and the Supreme Court's Judicial Technology and Automation Committee - we call it JTAC - a project is well underway to make available to every Indiana court a state-of-the-art computer system to keep track of and manage the nearly two million new cases - from murder to child support to domestic violence to business disputes - that people ask us to resolve each year.

When our project is complete, every Indiana court will have a 21st century case management system with obvious benefits to constituents who are in court and tangible savings to the government's bottom line. And Indiana courts will to share information able electronically both with courts in counties and with agencies that need and use court information like the Bureau of Motor Vehicles and the State Police – with obvious benefits to public safety. This is the single most ambitious project ever undertaken by Indiana's judiciary, and we are grateful to the many members of the General Assembly of both houses and both parties (in particular Senators Bray, Clark, and Kenly and Representative Kuzman and former Representatives Gregg and Sturtz) for your support in past sessions that has made it possible.

In the course of this ambitious project, we have had to examine some of the most sensitive issues of the information age, like: "How do vou create easily accessed information about divorces business disputes without handing the identity thieves the tools of their trade?" and "How do you process a domestic battery case without giving the batterer a roadmap?" Brent Dickson led a task force that met every week for a year to craft of the country's most thoughtful and balanced rules about access and confidentiality. The Supreme Court approved these, and they became effective two weeks ago.

And once there are rules on that topic or any other, how does a citizen find them? For most of Indiana history, we communicated largely by tacking rules up on courthouse bulletin boards. But beginning this year rules adopted for the operation of local courts will be posted on the Internet and follow a uniform format so that citizens and lawyers who travel outside their

home counties can have a fighting chance at finding and understanding them.

And we're committed to using the power of electronics to help people understand the court system in a host of other ways. Litigants and reporters can watch web casts of oral arguments in the appellate download courts, teachers can educational materials, lawyers can learn about court decisions and orders, and college students can read Indiana legal history or learn how to get into our program for and low-income law minority The use of students. these resources by citizens jumped 73% last year, to 2.8 million unique visits.

We're creating a virtual revolution at the Indiana Judiciary in what people now call "transparency." The pioneer dreamers of the 1830's would be proud of what's happening.

#### **Fractured Structure**

One of the perennial barriers to reform has been the framework of the state's court system, largely unaltered since before the turn of the last century. In effect, it hasn't been a court system but rather 92 court systems or even 150 court systems, and the result is something like what you'd get by sending a football team out onto the field with instructions that each of the eleven should choose his own play for the next down.

The framework we inherited from the 19<sup>th</sup> century is okay, but that's the most you could say for it. That's why we have supported various bills the General Assembly has passed to

place the judges in a given courthouse under a single umbrella, taking joint responsibility for the cases people file there. You've now created such arrangements in a majority of the urban counties. That's why we supported the by Governor Frank proposal O'Bannon to change the financial base of the trial court system. It's why I support measures to change the selection of trial judges in Marion County. The existing arrangements on structure, finance, and selection work well enough, but not as well as they should or can.

Problems of structure are the reason why we have to put in so much effort on the problem of uneven caseloads. Let me tell you why that matters to people other Imagine two women than judges. who file for divorce in the same courthouse on the same day, both needing an order for temporary child support. One gets an order guickly because she's in a court that isn't very busy and the other waits for weeks because she's in a court that's overloaded. We now study the workload of Indiana judges every year, and we periodically direct reallocation of cases when we uncover huge disparities. Toward the same end, we deploy one of the most valuable tools we have to rectify these problems - the work of senior judges - and next week we plan to revise the way we use their time to focus on the most overburdened courts.

And while I'm talking about people, I want to urge passage of House Bill 1777, designed to give

judges and prosecutors a cost of living adjustment for the first time in eight years. You know that we supported last year's bill to create the Public Officers Compensation Commission, and I believe their recommendations for the three branches represent good policy. It is, of course, up to you how those recommendations are treated.

As for the men and women who serve as judges and prosecutors. House Bill 1777 restores the loss of purchasing power over the years since the legislature last passed a pay bill and not a dollar more than that, to be financed by the users of the courts. I thank Representatives Foley and Richardson for their willingness to carry this legislation, and I thank Governor Daniels for his declaration that this is one of his priorities for the session. For the families of the iudaes and prosecutors and for the people who rely on them for justice. I ask you to tend to this need.

#### **Costly and Complicated**

Despite all the efforts of recent years, many Americans still regard the court system as a place where it's easy to stumble your way in and costly and time-consuming to find your way out.

The burdens of this reality weigh especially hard on children, and we have to change that. It's one of the reasons we focus so strongly on mediation. You gave us legislation last year that will make possible for the first time the widespread use of mediation in cases involving families and children. In the six months since

that legislation took effect we have created mediation programs in counties representing forty percent of the state's population. This spring we will commence a vigorous round of training for lawyers and others interested in family mediation, offering it free for people willing to take some family law mediation assignments without pay.

You also made it possible to pursue our relatively inexpensive Family experiments in Courts. These experiments keep families from bouncing around multiple courtrooms, and I think they improve our chances of protecting children who are actually threatened by their living situation. Some of those children are threatened because they bounce around from one placement to another, and we've recently been able to focus some federal money on fighting foster care drift and aettina children into permanent homes more quickly.

The number of Indiana lawyers who donate their time helping people of modest means through these problems - we call it "pro bono" service – has reached a new all-time high, and the system that Indiana has adopted has attracted attention all over the country. While the lawyers volunteer their services, it takes money to sustain the recruiting, training, and matching of lawyers to programs within counties. To keep this effort vibrant and growing, the Supreme Court recently decided to oblige all members of the profession who hold funds in trust to place those funds in interest-bearing accounts benefiting the pro bono

system. I recently went over to Columbus, Ohio for the reinauguration of their Chief Justice. and one of the people I met was the president-elect of the Ohio State Bar Association. She told me that Ohio lawyers wanted to do more on probono service and that they had been scanning the whole country looking for ideas. They had concluded, she said, that Indiana had the best system in America and she said her first priority as the new president of the bar would be to organize in Ohio a system like the one in Indiana.

#### **Rebuilding the American Jury**

Something else that's needed attention for a long time is the way we manage that birthright of all Americans, trial by jury. Most schoolchildren know that when the nobles confronted King John on the field at Runnymeade in 1215 that one of the promises the Magna Carta contained was the right to a trial by your peers, but these days the legal press is running stories about the disappearance of the American jury trial. We've too long taken it for granted.

We are determined to put a 21<sup>st</sup> Century burnish on this ancient right – to treat people better when they come to the courthouse for jury service, to give them a quality orientation about the task ahead, and to hand them better tools for their job. For example, as long as I can remember, every time jurors left the courtroom for lunch or recess the judge would say, "You must not talk about this case among yourselves until the trial is over." That, of course, treated them like children; it

hardly reflects how adults make group decisions. The crucial thing for a juror, a judge, or any other decision maker, is to keep an open mind until you've heard it all. Starting this month that's what we'll tell jurors: "If you want to discuss this among yourselves, that's fine, but don't get yourself locked in to an outcome until you've heard both sides."

We also have to make juries more representative, which is why we support eliminating the many statutory exemptions from service that give certain classes of citizens the right not to do what all the rest of us have to do. And it's why we've required using more than voter registration lists in creating pools of potential jurors. We hope this year to be able to provide every county with easy to use, up-to-date lists of names and addresses from sources like the Bureau of Motor Vehicles and the Department of Revenue. And there are two things the General Assembly could do to help, neither of which will cost anything: give us better access to the existing state-wide voter lists and make it clear that we can summon jurors using whatever mix of lists will produce the widest participation in jury service. I think we could probably do this by court rule, but it would be clearer if the court rule and the Indiana code lined up.

And this last change will do something else very important. It's a terrible fact that some people refrain from registering to vote because they know it means they might get called for jury service. Breaking that

linkage will not only be better for the system of trial by jury, but it will also be good for democracy.

### **Criminal Alternatives Not Good Enough**

Something that was just "good enough" for a very long time was the set of arrangements that we used for correction of those convicted of Until the 1980s, the state crime. simply left to happenstance the development of alternatives prison, and virtually every incentive militated in favor of committing offenders to the Department of Correction, putting more demand on the state's general fund. This hasn't been good fiscal policy, and it certainly wasn't good public safety policy. Most of the alternatives to incarceration have been the product of local effort led largely by judges and prosecutors. More recently these alternatives have been assisted by the Department of Correction, but the growth of these simply isn't fast enough to keep up with rising demand. Please know that we stand prepared to be your partners both to produce better outcomes and to help relieve the enormous pressure the DOC budget represents.

I want to tell you some good news about the effort we have made together to create more credible public defender offices. In 1963, the U.S. Supreme Court required states to provide counsel at public expense, a hundred years after Indiana began doing so. The leading book on that decision was <u>Gideon's Trumpet</u>, by Anthony Lewis of *The New York Times*. He came to a recent meeting

of Chief Justices of state supreme courts to speak about what he called "The Promise of Gideon." He said that on the whole the promise has gone unfulfilled and that he saw little reason for general optimism that it would be. "Except in Indiana" he said, and proceeded to tell those assembled about what Indiana has done.

#### Conclusion

It is my aspiration, and the aspiration of my fellow judges, to create a system of justice that leads people all across America to appreciate Indiana for the decent place that it is – and lead our own citizens as they encounter their courts to regard them as places where judges and their staffs do as much as human beings can do to deliver on the promise of substantial justice.

On that point, "good enough" can never be good enough.

# **2004 Report of The Indiana Supreme Court Division of State Court Administration**

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The Indiana Supreme Court Division of State Court Administration (the "Division") is an administrative office of the Chief Justice of Indiana. The Division assists the Chief Justice and the Supreme Court in the Indiana administration and management of Indiana's judicial system and its officers (Indiana Code 33-24-6-3). State statutes, Supreme Court rules and Supreme Court policies define the duties and authorities of the Division and its Executive Director.

### 1) Judicial Workload, Receipt and Expenditure of Funds

One core responsibility of the Division is the collection of statistical information concerning the operation of Indiana's courts and their offices. Pursuant to Indiana Code 33-24-6-3 Supreme and Indiana Administrative Rules 1 and 2, the publishes Division collects and information on the caseload and fiscal activities of all courts and probation offices throughout the state. This data is published annually in The Indiana Judicial Service Report and The Indiana Probation Report. This data provides the empirical basis for policy decisions by both the Indiana Supreme Court and the Indiana General Assembly. and also

provides important management information for individual courts.

# 2) Weighted Caseload Measures and Caseload Redistribution Plans

1994. the Judicial In Administration Committee of the Indiana Judicial Conference, independent Division, and an consultant began a two-year study to design a system for measuring trial court caseloads. The study resulted in a weighted caseload measuring system based upon relative times for various case types. This Weighted Caseload Measures System examines only new cases filed in trial courts. The measurements provide a projection of the average judicial time available in the state, any given district, county, or court, to handle the cases being filed during a given period of time. The weighted statistics provide the Indiana Supreme Court and the Indiana General Assembly with information necessary for allocation of judicial resources.

Trial courts also use these statistical measures to develop district and county caseload plans which seek to reduce disparity in caseloads and judicial resources so that all courts in a county fall within a

set variance range of the average county caseload.

In 2002, the Division worked with the Administration Judicial Committee of the Indiana Judicial Conference to conduct an update and validation of the Weighted Caseload Measures System. Since the study was first conducted, the addition of new case type designations and procedural and substantive changes necessitated an update of the original study. results of the update to the Weighted Caseload Measures were completed in the fall of 2002 and were approved by the Indiana Supreme Court.

Weighted Caseload measures are reported in this volume and are available at

www.in.gov/judiciary/admin/courtmg mt/.

### 3) Judicial Technology and Automation

2004. the During Indiana Supreme Court Judicial Technology and Automation Committee (JTAC). staffed by the Division, continued to work toward a 21<sup>st</sup> century case management system (CMS) for The system will connect Indiana. trial courts with each other and with other users of judicial information such as the Indiana State Police. Department of Revenue, Department of Corrections, and others. Committee, chaired by Justice Frank Sullivan, Jr., was created Supreme Court administrative rule to conduct a continuous study of information technology applications for Indiana's judicial system and to

develop a long-range strategy for technology and automation in Indiana's judicial system.

Since 2002, JTAC has worked with our vendor and closely hundreds judges, clerks. of prosecutors and court and clerk staff on this project of unprecedented complexity and breadth. Late last year, there was an interruption in work on the project late while JTAC assessed previously unrecognized difficulties. Many of the issues related to automating the clerks' processes. JTAC financial committed to providing a system that is cost-effective, easy-to-use, saves personnel time. provides accurate information, and provides connectivity and standardization for all Indiana courts. We will not offer this case management system to Indiana's courts and clerks unless and until we meet those high standards.

Work on the CMS has resumed in earnest and project activity includes:

The Division engaged Crowe Chizek, an Indiana-based consulting firm, to provide additional technical expertise on the project.

A review is being conducted of information previously gathered from the more than 300 court representatives from around the state who attended design and listening sessions to ensure that new work meets the needs of all end users.

Changes to the CMS include the ability to simply download it to a PC instead of having a technician go onsite to install it on each individual

computer.

A new Governing Board structure includes more clerks and judges, with representation from different areas of the state.

Previous functions planned for inclusion in the system will be reconfirmed in light of business needs or recent technology changes.

The highest raking officers of Computer Associates, the project's principal vendor, have come to Indiana and officials are working with JTAC to provide a high quality product that meets our specific needs.

While the CMS project is JTAC's highest priority, other technology initiatives are helping judges and clerks do their jobs more effectively. Many counties have already taken advantage of JTAC's assistance to establish basic e-mail service and Internet access; LexisNexis legal research capability is provided free of charge to judicial officers and clerks; JTAC staff continues to provide computer-training conferences for clerks and judges; we pay for and coordinate training through Ivy Tech State College for judges, clerks and their staffs; an arrangement with Dell Computers allows court and clerks employees to buy Dell computers for their internal business operations at a reduced cost; and we continue to provide refurbished "aently used. computers to clerk and court offices that need them.

#### 4) Legal Responsibilities

The Supreme Court and the Chief Justice assign the majority of

the legal responsibilities of the Division. The Division legal staff serves as counsel to the Supreme Court in matters involving attorney discipline and requests for the appointment of special judges, special masters, and senior judges. In 2004, the Division legal staff assisted the Supreme Court in disposing of 101 disciplinary matters. As part of this disciplinary function, Division staff the conducts preliminary investigations disciplinary grievances filed against members and staff of the Indiana Disciplinary Supreme Court Commission and attorneys who are officers serving as hearing disciplinary cases.

Supreme Court rules governing the method of special judge selection call for the establishment of local rules for such selection certification to the Supreme Court in certain circumstances. The Division monitors local rules establishing plans for special judge selection and processes requests for appointment of special judges by the In 2004. the Supreme Court. Division received 107 new requests for special judge appointments.

Various federal and state laws. rules and regulations, as well as U.S. Supreme Court decisions affect the administrative responsibilities of trial judges. Since 1996, a Division provides attornev advice and assistance to trial judges on employment law issues. This function also includes training for judges and their staff on a wide variety of issues such as sexual harassment awareness, the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Family and Medical Leave Act, the Fair Labor Standards Act, effectively disciplining and terminating problem employees, effective use of policies, drug testing, and appropriate business conduct for court employees.

Since 2000, a Division legal staff member has also served as staff counsel to the Board of Law Examiners and represent the board in appeal hearings brought by bar applicants who have been denied admission to practice law.

# 5) Rule Amendments and the Supreme Court Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure

The Executive Director of the Division serves as Executive Secretary of the Indiana Supreme Court Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure and assists the Committee and the Supreme Court in drafting and promulgating amendments to the Indiana Rules of Court.

The prominent most rule amendments adopted by the Court in 2004 dealt with a reworking of the Rules of Professional Conduct for Attorneys. The amendments adopted by the Court were inspired by the American Bar Association's Model Rules. Another significant change resulted from the Court's adoption of the Indiana Judicial Conference's Committee on Jury Rules recommendation to permit jurors to discuss cases among themselves before the conclusion of the case so long as judgment was reserved until the case was finally

submitted. In addition, rule amendments were adopted dealing with confidential information in court records, standardization of local trial rules, and procedures for continuing legal education through distance learning and in-house courses.

### 6) Judicial Qualifications / Nominating Commission

Pursuant to IC 33-2.1-7-3(a)(4), the Division provides legal and administrative staff support to the Commission on Judicial Indiana Qualifications and the Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission. The Qualifications Commission investigates and prosecutes allegations of ethical misconduct by Indiana judges, judicial officers, and candidates for judicial office. Expert legal staff is available to advise judges and others about the Code of Conduct, Judicial and the Commission periodically issues formal advisory opinions about iudicial ethics. The Nominating Commission selects the Chief Justice of Indiana from among the five Justices, and it solicits and interviews candidates for vacancies on the Indiana Supreme Court, the Indiana Court of Appeals, and the Indiana Tax Court. The Nominating Commission also certifies former judges as Senior Judges.

During fiscal year 2004-2005, the Nominating Commission convened for five meetings. It certified twelve new Senior Judges and re-certified eighty-five Senior Judges.

The Qualifications Commission convened for five meetings in fiscal year 2004-2005. Of the 404

complaints on the Commission's docket, 264 were dismissed without Commission inquiry. Commission counsel conducted preliminary inquiries into 100 and, in 6, the the Commission sent judges advisory letters. Forty complaints were investigated or resulted in formal charges, or continued in investigation or on charges from the prior year. Six were dismissed after the Commission concluded that no misconduct occurred and, in 22 cases. the Commission issued private cautions. Three complaints were resolved when the judge agreed to resign rather than face One charged case, filed charges. and tried the previous year, was resolved when the Supreme Court removed the judge from office. Another complaint filed the previous vear proceeded to trial during the fiscal year, and was pending at the end of the year on the Commission's recommendation of removal.

The Commission filed charges against two judges during the fiscal year. One was dismissed upon the judge's resignation from office and the other was scheduled for a July 2005 hearing. The Commission issued one Public Admonition. Two investigations were pending at the end of the year. Finally, Commission counsel responded to approximately 500 requests for advice from judges and judicial candidates.

A more detailed report about the Commission, its members and activities is published in the Indiana Supreme Court Annual Report, and may be found at <a href="https://www.IN.gov/judiciary">www.IN.gov/judiciary</a>.

#### 7) Senior Judge Program

Since 1989, Indiana has been able to tap into an experienced pool of former judges to help alleviate the pressure of increasing caseloads. Small at first, the Indiana senior judge program has grown into a valuable resource of seasoned judicial officers who serve at low cost to the state and no cost to the counties.

Enabling legislation provides that a former judge may apply to the Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission for certification as a senior judge under rules adopted by the Indiana Supreme Court. The legislation further provides that any trial court, the Indiana Court of Appeals, and the Indiana Tax Court may request that the Indiana Supreme Court appoint a senior judge to assist that court.

Pursuant to statute, senior judges who serve thirty (30) or more days per year may be considered state employees for purposes of health insurance benefits. This incentive makes senior judge service attractive to many former judges. In addition to the \$50 per diem, senior judges who serve more than 30 days per year are eligible for higher per diem compensation if funding is available. reimbursed Thev are also mileage and certain reasonable expenses.

In 2004, Indiana had 96 certified senior judges who served a total of 4,093 days. These days are equivalent to approximately 17 full-time judicial officers.

In 2003, the Indiana Supreme Court developed a comprehensive set of standards for the certification. service, appointment and payment of senior judges. The new standards enable the Supreme Court to allocate senior judge time to courts with the heaviest caseloads while still allowing all courts to have sufficient senior judge (minimum of 10 days per year) to relieve trial judges during necessary absences from the bench.

The Division administers senior judge program. This entails processing of certification applications and orders of certification. for requests appointments, weighted caseload comparisons, orders of appointment, administration of benefits. processing of claims for payment of per diem expenses.

### 8) Appellate Court Automation and Technical Services

The Technical Services Section provides of the Division dailv computer operations support to all appellate level courts and their adjunct agencies. Justices, judges, and staff now have available secure. remote access when traveling or at home. Also available are enhanced connections with other state agencies including the State Budget Agency, the State Auditor's Office. the Department of Personnel, and the Department of Administration.

The Section continued to refurbish and reload used computer equipment for use in the trial courts. After restoring the software on systems to their original

configuration, the equipment is given to JTAC for distribution to trial courts and clerks.

As more research sites have become available on the Internet, it has become necessary to upgrade access to the Internet. The digital T1 line used to access the Internet for the past several years was replaced with a fiber optic connection. In order to take advantage of the higher speed Internet connection, the circuit that connects the two buildings of the appellate level judiciary was also upgraded from a T1 line to a fiber optic connection.

### 9) Indiana Conference for Legal Education Opportunity (CLEO)

The Indiana Conference for Legal Education Opportunity (Indiana CLEO) program emerged as a vision of the Chief Justice to help change the landscape of the Indiana legal professional community reflect the diversity for which Indiana is known. When the legislation for the Indiana CLEO program was passed in May 1997, became a leader in taking an active step to diversify its legal and professional communities. The Division administers the program pursuant to statutory authority. Seven years, 126 Indiana law school graduates and 74 new Indiana CLEO Fellow attorneys later, Indiana CLEO continues to carry on the vision of Chief Justice Shepard to increase the number of attorneys in Indiana who come from minority, low-income educationally disadvantaged backgrounds.

The six-week Summer Institute continues to remain the cornerstone and starting point of the Indiana CLEO program. The Summer Institute is structured to prepare the selected student participants for the rigors of law school education by providing concentrated classroom practical instruction and legal applications. Additionally, structure allows all Summer Institute participants an opportunity to begin to create a network base with Indiana legal professionals and law students to assist them once law school begins in the fall.

Indiana CLEO continues to invest in many of the programs that have helped past Indiana CLEO Fellows succeed in academics, acquire legal training and pass the Indiana bar Specifically, Indiana CLEO continues to sponsor academic support programs and workshops for Indiana CLEO Fellows throughout the academic year, participate with the Indiana State Bar Association's Committee for Racial Diversity in the Legal Profession in the joint summer employment program, known as Gateway Diversity to Summer program and Employment most with importantly collaborate the Indianapolis Bar Association for administration of a supplemental bar review program known as Preparing Accomplished Students for Success on the Indiana Bar Exam (PASS).

During 2004, Indiana CLEO increased its efforts to strengthen ties with Indiana CLEO Fellow alumni members in the state of Indiana and beyond. During the fall of 2004, the Indiana CLEO Corner

Newsletter was introduced as a means to keep Indiana CLEO Fellow alumni and supporters of the Indiana CLEO program informed about the activities and achievements of the **CLEO** Indiana program. Additionally, during the fall of 2004, Indiana CLEO sponsored back to school picnics at each of Indiana's four law schools to reunite and acquaint current law students with alumni of each school. These picnics helped bridge the between current and former law students and sparked the beginning meaningful mentoring networking relationships.

Indiana CLEO Fellow graduates have gone on to work as deputy prosecutors, public defenders, deputy attorney generals, private practice attorneys, solo practitioners, corporate counsel. executive directors, judicial law clerks, JAG officers. law school admission directors. and human resource directors, among other positions, while carrying on the legacy of the Indiana CLEO program. In fact, in 2004, Ayoade O. Adewopo, an associate with the Indianapolis firm of Ice Miller and a 1999 Indiana CLEO Fellow and 2002 graduate of Indiana University School of Law -Indianapolis, became the first Indiana CLEO Fellow to successfully pass the Solicitors bar exam for England and Wales – in addition to his professional license in the State of Indiana. Indiana CLEO looks forward to continuing to change the landscape of the Indiana legal and professional community continuing to select, education and nurture Indiana CLEO Fellows for years to come.

#### 10) Civil Legal Aid Fund

Since 1997, the Division has administered the distribution of an appropriation annual from the Indiana General Assembly of \$1 million to aid qualified organizations providing legal assistance to indigent persons in civil cases. In 2004, the Division made distributions to ten organizations providing civil legal aid Indiana's services to poor. Distributions are based upon an analysis of each county's civil caseload, as it relates to the civil caseload for the entire state, and the number of organizations serving each county.

The Division staff structured and instituted a data collection system whereby service providers collect and report their caseloads in a uniform manner. The vast majority of these cases continue to involve domestic relations matters such as divorce, separation, custody, visitation, paternity, termination of parental rights, and spousal abuse.

#### 11) Court Improvement Grant

The Indiana Supreme Court, Court Improvement through its Executive Committee and with the benefit of federal funds, continued its Court Improvement Program. focus of the grant is to improve the system for abused and neglected children in foster care. The Division serves as the fiscal administrator. with assistance from the Indiana Judicial Center in program administration.

Although the purpose and overall framework of the project are set by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the American Bar Association's Center on Children and the Law, the Supreme Court and the members of the Executive Committee have guided the direction of the Indiana program. During the initial phase of this multi-phased project, the Executive Committee identified several areas of particular concern, including placing CHINS a fast track, cases on technology, education and training, family court, pre-hearing facilitation, and service coordination and delivery. In the second phase, eighteen county level programs aimed at expediting CHINS cases were implemented. During the third phase, efforts were focused on comprehensive larger, more improvements in the delivery of services to children in the more populous counties of Allen, Lake, Marion, Elkhart and St. Joseph. In the fourth phase, funding was provided to assist in the design of two Family Court Pilot Projects. The projects, located in Putnam and Porter counties, use mediation or facilitation services in family court cases with CHINS involvement.

In 2002, a fifth phase funded eight counties that replicated the successful programs developed in the large counties during phase three. These include pre-hearing facilitation in CHINS cases, case manager services, and family court projects. These projects continued into early 2003, with several obtaining grant extensions through 2003 and into 2004. The Executive

Committee also authorized \$50,000 per year for technology that would track cases involving neglected and abused children.

In 2004, the executive committee agreed to provide \$60,000 per year for two years to the Indiana Supreme Court Family Court Pilot Project, which has expanded into seventeen counties. CHINS facilitation projects and service referral centers also received continued funding. A new grant was provided to Marion county, the state's largest county, compensate а part-time judicial officer to hear the backlog of termination of parental rights cases.

The Indiana Supreme Court anticipates that the innovative programs developed through this grant will markedly improve the delivery of services to Indiana's children.

#### 12) Information Management

Information Management Section assists trial court clerks and judges with application of Administrative Rules 6 through 14, Trial Rule 77. The and Administrative Rules set standards for records creation, maintenance, access, and disposal. Trial Rule 77 sets standards for case files. indexes. chronological case summaries (CCS), and records of judgments and orders (RJO).

In 2004, the Section staff made 41 visits to 22 different counties to review microfilming programs for compliance with Administrative Rule 6, application of court retention schedules, and the use of optical imaging for judicial records. Staff

continued working with Vigo County on their image recording process. Additionally, staff researched and rewrote former Administrative Rules 6 and 13 regarding microfilming and standards. imaging which Supreme Court approved effective January 1, 2005. Staff examined and evaluated a number of software and hardware solutions offered to trial courts for compliance with Trial detailed Rule 77(j) as in Administrative Rule 13.

Section staff also responded to the needs and questions of the trial judges and clerks. The staff made presentations to the Association of Clerks of Circuit Courts of Indiana regional and annual meetings and to city and town judges.

The Supreme Court's Records Management Committee, which the Section staffs, met May 21, 2004 and November 5. 2004. provided support for the Records Management Committee subcommittees as well as attending their meetings. In addition, staff worked with the Privacy and Public Access Task Force in researching and writing reference materials for implementing Administrative Rule 9 on the confidentiality of court records.

#### 13) Privacy and Public Access

ln late 2002, the Indiana Supreme Court recognized that advancing technology, and especially initiatives related to the Internet, presented new challenges and opportunities for access to court records. The Court also recognized that the changing methods of access could be problematic as information that was previously accessible only from a particular courthouse could now be made available to anyone in the world who had access to the Internet. The Court placed responsibility for examining this situation with Justice Brent Dickson, who in turn convened a thirty-member task force to analyze and revise Administrative Rule 9.

Justice Dickson and the Public Access Task Force focused on Administrative Rule 9 for revision because it already contained some confidentiality and public access provisions, although it was not comprehensive. As the Task Force began its work, it became obvious that confidentiality restrictions on information from court records could be found throughout federal law, state law, and even other court rules. This fragmentation resulted in public access and confidentiality issues being difficult to understand and also resulted in differences in access throughout the state.

The Indiana public access statutes encompass all public records, including court records. However, the statutes also provide that the Supreme Court may, by rule, designate particular court records as confidential. In addition to the specific statutory authorization, the Task Force relied upon the Court's inherent constitutional authority and duties to craft a policy that covers not only case records but also administrative records of the judicial branch of government.

The Task Force began its work by using a model public access

policy developed by the Conference of Chief Justices and the Conference of State Court Administrators. The framework provided by the model policy guided the task force as it began a nine-month process of regular bi-weekly meetings. During these meetings, the task force members modified and customized the sixty-page model policy to make it practical for Indiana practice.

The resulting Administrative Rule 9 proposal, which was adopted by the Indiana Supreme Court and which took effect on January 1, 2005, consists of ten sections starting with an assumption that all court records are publicly accessible unless otherwise excluded from public access by the rule or by a particular court action. In addition, the new Administrative Rule 9 pulls together confidentiality provisions from other sources so that it can serve as a comprehensive source for judges, clerks, attorneys, and the general public who seek to access records of courts throughout Indiana.

an effort to make implementation of Administrative Rule 9 more smooth and uniform throughout the state, the Division prepared a handbook for citizens, clerks, and judges which was published both on the Internet on the Division's homepage and also in hardcopy. Additionally, the Division staff provided numerous training opportunities to interested parties teleconference includina training seminars and more than twenty inperson presentations and seminars designed to improve understanding of the new rules. The Division

continues to update the handbook with Frequently Asked Questions, and to address Administrative Rule 9 questions as they arise.

#### **14) Protection Order Proceedings**

The Indiana protection order statutes charge the Division with the responsibility of designing and updating the forms used in protection order proceedings. To fulfill this duty, the Division has been working closely with the members of the Protection Order Committee of the Judicial Conference of Indiana.

In 2000, in response to a rising crescendo of complaints, concerns, auestions regarding and the protection order process in Indiana, Supreme Court of Indiana established the Protection Order Committee through the Judicial Conference of Indiana to explore ways to improve the protection order process. Trial court judges, magistrates, and clerks of the circuit courts comprise the membership of the committee, and the Indiana Judicial Center and Division provide staffing support for the committee. The Honorable John Forcum, Judge of the Blackford Superior Court, chaired the committee from its inception in 2000 until October 2004. when the Honorable Thomas Busch, Judge of the Tippecanoe Superior Court 2, became the Chair. committee also has the assistance of Senior Judge Ruth Reichard, a nationally known expert in this very complex area of the law.

The committee has developed a comprehensive set of forms that fall into three main categories: (1)

protective orders, (2) no-contact orders, and (3) workplace violence restraining orders. In 2004, the committee modified several of the existing forms and developed a few new forms as well. All the forms are located on a web site that is maintained by the Division (listed on p. vii).

During 2004, members of the committee directed their efforts in three main directions: (1) developing and distributing a deskbook protection order procedures for clerks. magistrates, judges, and other interested persons; (2) working with the Indiana State Police to improve the operation of the statewide registry; and (3) designing and modifying forms.

The committee ended the year with the development and distribution of a survey that will help the committee develop comprehensive list of best practices. The Protection Order Committee will use the responses to this survey to supplement the deskbook with a collection of best practices and develop an educational program to improve the administration of the protection order process. committee will also use the survey to determine whether the protection order forms should be revised and whether additional legislation should be recommended.

# 15) Accounts Management, Payroll and Claims, Judicial Benefits Coordination

The Division maintains and administers 12 accounts, totaling approximately \$80,000,000. The

administration of payroll and benefit programs for all state trial court judges, prosecuting attorneys, and other judicial officials paid with state funds is part of this responsibility. The annual payroll for this purpose account approximately \$59,000,000 and covers approximately seven hundred individuals. Also, as part of this "paymaster" function, the Division processes and pays in excess of 1,000 claims per year for special and senior judge service.

During 2004, the Division continued its efforts to inform its constituents about the payroll and benefit process, and to assist individuals navigating the open enrollment program for benefits.

#### 16) Indiana Office of GAL/CASA

In 1989, the Indiana General Assembly established an office of Guardian Ad Litem and Court Appointed Special Advocate (GAL/CASA) be services to administered through the Division. Through this program, counties are encouraged to provide appropriate GAL/CASA services in exchange for matching state funding administered by the Division and disbursed pursuant to a statutory formula. In addition. the State Office GAL/CASA ("State Office") provides training and support services for local GAL/CASA programs. The Indiana Supreme Court Advisory Commission GAL/CASA on ("Advisory Commission"), which includes program directors judges appointed by the Indiana Supreme Court, provides guidance to the State Office. In state fiscal vear 2004. seventy-four counties applied for and received state GAL/CASA funds. Sixty-one counties in Indiana funded a volunteer based GAL/CASA staffed 136 program, by paid personnel and six volunteer staff GAL/CASA volunteers members. statewide donated an estimated total of 349.716 hours in 2004. GAL/CASA volunteers had been paid the rate of \$50.00 per hour (the rate commonly paid to non-volunteer GAL), the volunteers appointed contributed an estimated sum of \$17.5 million to the State of Indiana in 2004.

The latest reports indicate that Indiana had at least 2,025 active GAL/CASA volunteers statewide in 2004, including 571 newly trained volunteers. GAL/CASA volunteers advocated for 15,669 children involving 14,107 cases in 2004. Even so, there were over 400 children still waiting for a GAL/CASA volunteer to be appointed to their cases at the end of 2004.

Since 1998, the State Office has received an annual grant from the National CASA Association for the position of a program coordinator to assist the State Director in managing the state office and supporting the local GAL/CASA programs across the State. On September 24, 2004, the State Office held its annual meeting for GAL/CASA directors and staff. On September 25, 2004, the State Office sponsored the Eighth Annual Indiana State GAL/CASA Conference. Over 400 GAL/CASA volunteers, local program directors,

<sup>\*</sup> Data as reported by the GAL/CASA program.

service providers, board members, child welfare personnel, and local program staff attended the annual CASA conference. The focus of the 2004 conference, entitled "You Make Difference," was educational advocacy and the role GAL/CASA can play in improving educational outcomes for foster youth.

The State Office also held a twoday directors' retreat in 2004, which focused on cultural diversity. fundraising, and grant writing. State Office conducted numerous sessions for other training GAL/CASA program directors, staff, and volunteers, who also attended volunteer recognition ceremonies. The State Office has a toll free hotline number and answers 12-15 calls per day. Through the hotline. e-mail, and a GAL/CASA listserv for directors, the State Office provides assistance to multiple technical GAL/CASA programs across the State of Indiana and addresses inquiries from the public.

In 2002, the State Office and the Advisory Commission decided to support and participate in the National CASA Association's quality assurance initiative. Through this initiative, each GAL/CASA program is undergoing a self-assessment process in which the programs questions and provide answer documentation that they are in compliance with national standards. The self-assessment process is being rolled out in four waves beginning in July of 2003 through June 2005, with one wave every six months. The State Office played an active role in assisting local programs in each wave of the self-assessment by holding meetings for each wave and providing sample documents and extensive technical assistance.

#### 17) Family Courts Project

The Indiana Family Court Project has grown since 1999 when three pilot counties were selected by the Indiana Supreme Court to create model programs. The goal of the Family Court Project is to develop case management and other programs to better serve families and children in the court system. There is a particular emphasis on avoiding inconsistent orders and information gaps for families who have multiple cases pending before different judges.

To date, three phases of family court grants have been distributed to 17 counties. All of these counties continue to be actively involved in the statewide Family Court Project. They participate in annual meetings and submit regular data reports, project descriptions, and sample forms and orders.

Phase III of the Family Court Project, beginning in 2004, brought some exciting innovations. family court projects began utilizing the new Alternative Dispute Resolution ("ADR") Plan legislation from Indiana Code 33-23-6-1 to collect an additional \$20 ADR Fund filing fee in all divorce and paternity cases. These funds provide mediation services to low-income families. Affordable mediation significantly aids courts with the

rising number of *pro se* litigants, and provides a more "problem solving," non-adversarial setting for family members to resolve disputes. To further promote mediation services for low-income families, in 2005 the Supreme Court is sponsoring a 40-hour domestic relations mediation training free for attorneys who agree to donate pro bono mediation services.

One of the most interesting new mediation projects utilizing the ADR Plan legislation is the Four-County Project Family Court Bartholomew, Brown, Jackson, and Lawrence Counties. This project utilizes a "traveling" team to provide mediation and project administration to low-income families in divorce and paternity cases. The mediator conducts a "mass intake" once a month for parties who have been court ordered to mediation. After advising all the parties in a large group session about the purpose of mediation. and process mediator conducts an individual session with the parties in each case. The mediator helps the parties determine whether they need to set the case for a formal mediation in two weeks, or whether they are in agreement on all issues and simply need assistance with document preparation. When the parties are pro se, the mediator facilitates of preparation child support worksheets and written agreements. The mediator also aids the parties in filing the appropriate documents with the court to expedite disposition.

It is anticipated that Phase IV of the Family Court Project will begin in 2006 with applications for new counties to be distributed in the fall of 2005.

#### 18) Public Defender Commission

The Division is responsible for providing staff support to the Indiana Public Defender Commission. Commission sets standards indigent defense services in noncapital cases and recommends standards to the Indiana Supreme Court for application in capital cases. It is comprised of 11 members: 3 members appointed by Governor: 3 members appointed by Justice: 1 Chief member the appointed by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute; 2 members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House; and 2 members of the Senate appointed by the President pro tempore of the Senate. In capital cases, counties receive reimbursements of 50% of eligible expenses. In other criminal cases, counties that meet certain standards and qualify receive 40% reimbursement of indigent criminal defense costs. The intent of the Legislature and the Court is to encourage counties to provide qualified indigent defense in criminal cases.

In 2004, appropriations to the Public Defense Fund, which is non-reverting, totaled \$8 million. As of the time of this report, 53 counties have comprehensive plans approved by the Commission for delivery of indigent services. Over 60% of the state's population resides in counties eligible to receive reimbursements in non-capital cases under the program.

The entire Commission meets periodically and reviews claims submitted by counties for eligibility compliance with statewide standards. In fiscal year 2003-2004, Commission dispersed \$6,029,926.16 for non-capital cases and \$478,221.29 for capital cases. \$107.755.12 Additionally. \$2,238,318 were approved for the fourth quarter of the fiscal year for non-capital capital and cases These disbursements respectively. were paid in the 2004-2005 fiscal year.

Also, in 2004 the Executive Director, pursuant to Criminal Rule (C)(1), adjusted the hourly rate paid in death penalty cases from \$93 to \$96 per hour. The adjusted hourly rate became effective January 1, 2005. Criminal Rule 24 provides for adjustment of the hourly rate every two years.

#### 19) Sharing Information Through the Internet and Traditional Publications

The Division publishes newsletter, The Indiana Court Times, which serves as a communication link with the trial courts, their staff, the clerks of court, and all other entities involved in the courts' work. The Division's JTAC staff also Indiana Supreme maintains the Court website for the appellate level courts and their adjunct offices. Court opinions, Rules of Court, rule amendments, downloadable forms, summary statistical reports, a self help center. Indiana CLEO applications, and advisory opinions issued by the Indiana Commission on Judicial Qualifications, are available on the website.

# 20) Indiana Supreme Court Commission on Race and Gender Fairness

Dedicated to the principle that all persons having contact with the Indiana justice system should be treated fairly, the Supreme Court, administrative through an created the Commission on Race and Gender Fairness in 1999 to examine issues involving gender and The race in Indiana courts. Commission of is comprised representatives of Indiana's judiciary, the practicing bar, state and local governments. and public organizations. Former Indiana Supreme Court Justice Myra Selby and Indiana Court of Appeals Judge Ezra Friedlander co-chair the Commission.

Initially, funding for the Commission's work came directly from the Supreme Court's budget. At the request of the Chief Justice, the Indiana General Assembly has twice appropriated distinct biennial budgets for the work of the Commission.

After three years of study and research, the Commission submitted Executive Report Recommendations to the Indiana Supreme Court on January 2, 2003. In this report, the Commission makes recommendations five in Makeup of the specific areas: Profession, Language and Cultural Barriers, Criminal and Juvenile Justice, Civil, Domestic and Family Law, and Employment. After careful consideration, the Supreme Court approved the majority of the recommendations on November 26, 2003, and further requested the Commission to set priorities for implementing the recommendations. The Supreme Court has already implemented the Commission's first recommendation – establishment of a foreign language certified court interpreter program in Indiana.

As of the date of this report, the Commission has prioritized recommendations remaining and continues work on implementing recommendations. these ln the particular. durina 2004. Commission partnered with the Women in Law Section of the Indiana State Bar Association and the Women in Law Division of the Indianapolis Bar Association formulate a more detailed study examining perceptions and practices within the legal profession with respect to gender issues. Utilizing a sample from the 2004 Roll of Attorneys, the study was mailed to a random sample of 2,000 attorneys, both male and female. Of this 940 sample. surveys completed. The Indiana University Public Opinion Laboratory is compiling those results and will present a detailed report in 2005.

The Commission also has been making preparations to host a Diversity Summit in October 2005 at the Madame Walker Theatre and Indiana University – Indianapolis Law School. The Diversity Summit will bring together representatives of the judiciary, law schools, bar associations, law enforcement.

corrections, and other public organizations to discuss pertinent issues affecting race and gender in the legal system today.

### 21) Certified Court Interpreter Program

As a part of the study of language and cultural barriers by the Indiana Supreme Court Commission Race and Gender Fairness. the Commission made an interim recommendation to the Indiana Supreme Court to institute a certified court interpreter system for Indiana. In response, the Supreme Court authorized the Executive Director of the Division to join with the National Center for State Courts and to implement an Indiana court interpreter testing system. Indiana's Interpreter Court Certification Program was officially launched in January 2003.

The Commission convened an Advisory Board to assist the Court in producing a code of ethics for interpreters and setting specific certification standards for interpreters. The Advisory Board developed a Code of Ethics for Court Interpreters, with disciplinary rules that will be introduced to the Court by the Commission by the end of 2005.

The Court adopted a four-part process for foreign language interpreter certification. The process starts with a two-day orientation. Participants are instructed on judicial procedure, protocol and courtroom decorum, roles of the interpreter, ethical issues, terminology, and skills and modes of interpreting. Indiana-

specific laws and rules are presented in detail. Participants also may interpreting practice skills and receive feedback from presenters. The second phase is a written proficiency Spanish examination. The written exam tests participants general English language on vocabulary, court-related terms and usage, and court interpreter ethics and professional conduct. Only participants who pass the written exam with an aggregate score of at least 70 percent on all three parts are permitted to register for the twoday skills-building session, the third phase of the certification process. The final phase of the certification procedure is the oral foreian language proficiency examination. The oral exam is approximately one hour in length and covers various interpreting scenarios – consecutive. simultaneous, and sight interpreting. Participants who obtain a score of at least 70 percent on all three sections will be certified by the Indiana Supreme Court as Foreign Language Interpreters.

To date, Indiana has only tested in the Spanish language. The first class of the program began the certification process in October 2003 and completed all phases of the program in March 2004. Of the thirty-one students who began that first class, two participants passed all phases of the program. The second class began in May 2004 and completed all phases of the program in September 2004. Three out of twenty-four participants passed all phases of the program. A swearing in ceremony took place in March 2005 to honor the individuals from

the first and second classes who passed the certification process.

The third class began the process in November 2004. Successful applicants took their oral exams in March 2005. A fourth class began in May 2005 with oral exams to be completed in September 2005.

### **22) Judicial District Business Meetings**

During early 2005, in conjunction with the Indiana Judicial Center, the Division helped sponsor the biannual judicial district business meetings for Judicial Districts 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, Meetings were held in and 14. Indianapolis, Lafayette, Richmond, Bloomington, and Clarksville with a total of 150 judicial officers attending. Judges received updates Administrative Rule 9 and Alternative Dispute Resolution. These meetings a congenial forum provide professional discussions of common issues.

#### 23) Local Rules Project

The Indiana Supreme Court, at the request of its Committee on Rules of Practice and Procedure. convened a special committee to examine local court rules. Committee's ultimate goal is to insure that local rules are readily available to practitioners, litigants, public, and to and the bring uniformity to the local rule amendment process.

After compiling and reviewing existing local court rules, the Committee proposed, and published for public comment, an amendment to Trial Rule 81. The amended rule

charged the Division with certain duties regarding the promulgation of local court rules. One duty was to establish and publish a uniform annual schedule for the adoption of, and amendments to, local rules. A second duty was to create a format for standard drafting, and numbering local amending. rules. On March 4, 2005, the Division fulfilled these duties and filed an Amended Schedule and Format for Adoption of Local Court Rules.

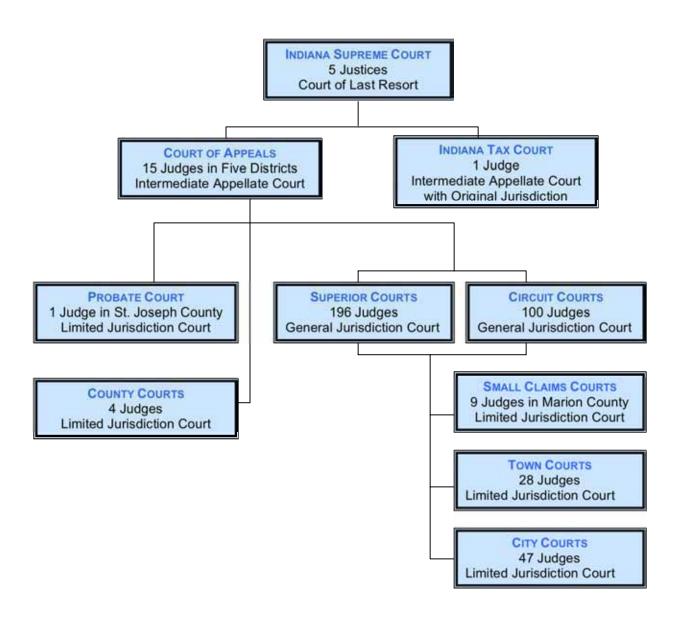
Effective January 1, 2007, all courts of record in a county must apply the same local rules. All local court rules, and any proposed amendments, will be posted on the Indiana Judicial Website for public inspection and comment. That site is located at www.in.gov/judiciary.

#### 24) Indiana Project on Self-Represented Litigants

Indiana Supreme Court The created this Advisory Committee in 2000 in response to the growing national phenomenon of people choosing to represent themselves without lawyers. The Supreme Court the Pro Se Advisory asked Committee to make recommendations to the Supreme Court on the issues of pro se litigation; to develop comprehensive strategy for future pro se efforts; and to help trial courts respond to the growing numbers of self-represented litigants. The Advisory Committee consists of judges, community members, and other service providers.

The *Pro Se* Advisory Committee continues to update the Self-Service

web site with valuable information for the self-represented litigant. The site provides pleading forms for certain simple proceedings. The Advisory Committee is also exploring ways to encourage unbundled legal services that would enable litigants to retain lawyers only for limited parts of a particular case.



#### Introduction

The Constitution of Indiana sets out three branches of state government: Legislative, Executive, and Judicial. The Constitution also provides that the judicial power of the State of Indiana is vested in a Supreme Court, a Court of Appeals, Circuit Courts and such other courts as the General Assembly may establish. The Supreme Court and the Court of Appeals are appellate-level courts, while the Circuit Courts are the county level courts of general jurisdiction. The Tax Court is a legislatively created court with appellate level jurisdiction.

Traditionally, Indiana's trial court system has been organized on a county through enabling basis legislation establishing courts in specific counties. As provided in the Constitution, the state has been divided into circuits, and the legislature has predominantly chosen to base these circuits on county lines. Some of the less populous counties have been joined together into one circuit, although today there remain only two such circuits, each comprised of two counties.

As local needs have grown and more trial courts have become necessary, the Legislature has created additional courts of general and limited jurisdiction. Such courts are funded on a county basis with the county bearing all expenses for court operations, except judges' salaries. Superior and county courts are examples of these legislatively created courts.

Superior courts have general jurisdiction similar to the circuit courts,

while the county courts are courts of limited jurisdiction involving misdemeanors, D-felonies, small claims, traffic cases, and selected civil matters.

There is limited uniformity in many of the administrative operations in the courts due to the autonomous nature of the trial courts. Local courts handle many aspects of court operations, including court personnel employment fundina. However. significant, administrative unified and record keeping procedures have been implemented by the Indiana Supreme Court in the last 10 years. As a result, Indiana now has a uniform case numbering system for every case filed in the state, a uniform schedule of retention for court records, uniform microfilming standards, a uniform record keeping process, a uniform process for local rules, and a number of other standardized practices. The Supreme Court has also embarked on the acquisition of statewide case а management system that will result in efficient sharing of information between courts. law enforcement. other governmental entities, and the public.

All counties have circuit courts. In addition, many counties have superior courts, county courts, or both. Marion County is the only county with distinct small claims courts. St. Joseph County is the only county with a specialized probate court, which also has juvenile jurisdiction.

The Legislature authorized the establishment of city and town courts. In the majority of instances, city and town courts handle traffic matters and local

ordinance violations. In some instances, city and town court judges are not required to be attorneys.

For a specific list of courts in each county, see the Judicial Officer Roster at the end of this volume. A roster of the names of judges and judicial officers also appears in Volume II.

#### **The Indiana Supreme Court**

The Supreme Court has five justices, one of whom is the Chief Justice (selected by the Indiana Judicial Nominating Commission).<sup>2</sup>

The Supreme Court has original exclusive jurisdiction in (1) admission to the practice of law; (2) discipline and disbarment of those admitted; unauthorized practice of law; discipline, removal, and retirement of judges: (5) supervision of the exercise of jurisdiction by other courts; (6) issuance of writs necessary in aid of its jurisdiction; (7) appeals from judgments imposing a sentence of death; appeals from the denial of postconviction relief in which the sentence was death; (9) appealable cases where a state or federal statute has been declared unconstitutional; and, (10) on involving substantial petition, cases questions public of law, great importance. or emergency. The Supreme Court has the power to review all questions of law and to review and revise sentences imposed by lower courts.3

The Justices of the Supreme Court are appointed by the Governor after nomination by the Judicial Nominating Commission. After an initial two-year term, justices run on a "Yes—No"

retention ballot, and, if successful, they then serve ten-year terms.<sup>4</sup>

#### The Court of Appeals of Indiana

The Court of Appeals became a constitutional court under a 1970 revision of the Constitution. Article 7 of the Indiana Constitution provides that the state be divided into geographic districts by the General Assembly, and that each district have three judges.5 The Court of Appeals has five districts, with a total of 15 judges.<sup>6</sup> The judges select one of their number as chief judge, and each district elects a presiding judge.<sup>7</sup> The Court of Appeals has no original iurisdiction except as authorized by Supreme Court rules to review directly final decisions of certain administrative agencies.8 It has jurisdiction over all appeals not taken to the Supreme Court.

The judges of the Court of Appeals are selected in the same manner and serve the same terms as the Supreme Court justices.

#### The Indiana Tax Court

The Tax Court came into existence on July 1, 1986. The Tax Court is an appellate level court with one judge who is selected in the same manner as are judges of the Court of Appeals.9 The Tax Court has exclusive jurisdiction in original tax appeals, which are defined as cases that arise under the tax laws of this state and which are initial appeals of a final determination made by (1) the Department of State Revenue; or (2) the State Board of Tax Commissioners. 10 The principal office of the Tax Court is located in Indianapolis although a taxpayer may select to have all

evidentiary hearings conducted in one of seven other specifically designated counties.

The Tax Court must also maintain a small claims docket for processing (1) claims for refunds from the Department of Revenue that do not exceed \$5,000 for any year; and (2) appeals of final determinations of assessed value made by the State Board of Tax Commissioners that do not exceed \$45,000 for any year. Appeals from the Tax Court are taken directly to the Supreme Court.

#### **Circuit Courts**

The Indiana Constitution directs that the state be divided into several circuits by the General Assembly. 13 Eighty-eight of a total of 92 counties constitute 88 circuits. while the remaining counties are in two "joint" circuits of two counties each. Some circuit courts have more than one circuit court judge. As of December 31, 2004, there were 100 circuit court judges. The circuit courts are vested with unlimited trial jurisdiction in all cases, except when exclusive or concurrent jurisdiction is conferred upon other courts. They also have appellate jurisdiction over appeals from city and town courts. 15 Generally, the circuit courts in counties without superior or county courts maintain small claims and minor offenses divisions. Civil actions, in which the amount sought to be recovered is less than \$3,000, and landlord and tenant actions, in which the rent due at the time of the action does not exceed \$3,000, may be filed on the small claims docket. The maximum in these actions will increase to \$6,000 on July 1, 2005. 16 Class D felonies, all misdemeanors, infractions, and ordinance violations are heard on the minor offenses dockets. The Cases on the small claims docket are heard in a more informal atmosphere and without a jury. In the remaining counties, the small claims docket and minor offenses docket have been established within either the superior or county court of the county.

The judges of the circuit courts are elected in partisan elections every six years by the voters of each respective circuit. The only exception is Vanderburgh County where the election is a non-partisan election. 20

#### **Superior Courts**

The General Assembly enacted statutes to create superior courts. As of December 31, 2004, Indiana operated 197 superior courts with 196 judges presiding over them. (The Vigo Circuit Court Judge also presides over Vigo Superior Court 3.) Though their organization and jurisdiction may vary from county to county, they are typically courts of general jurisdiction. They have the same appellate jurisdiction as circuit courts over appeals from city and town courts.<sup>21</sup> In some counties, statutory language sets up one unified superior court with two or more judges, while others, through internal rules, operate their courts as unified county systems.

In counties that have superior courts but no county courts, the small claims and minor offenses divisions are generally established in the Superior courts. These divisions have the same small claims and minor offenses dockets as the circuit courts.

With the exception of four counties, the superior court judges are elected at a general election for six-year terms. 22 In Lake and St. Joseph Counties, superior court judges are nominated by local nominating commissions and then appointed by the Governor for six-year terms. Thereafter, they run on a "yes no" retention ballot. The judges of the Vanderburgh Superior Court are elected non-partisan elections. In Allen County, superior court judges elected at the general election on a ballot without separate designation. Vacancies are filled by the governor from a list of three candidates nominated by the Allen County Judicial Nominating Commission.

#### **Probate Court**

St. Joseph Probate Court is the only distinct probate court remaining in Indiana. The court has one judge and has original jurisdiction in all matters pertaining to the probate of wills, appointment of guardians, assignees, executors, administrators and trustees, settlements of incompetents' estates, and adoptions.<sup>23</sup> The court also has exclusive juvenile jurisdiction.<sup>24</sup>

The voters of the county select the judge for a six-year term at a general election.

#### **County Courts**

County courts began operating on January 1, 1976, when the Justice of the Peace courts were abolished. Since their establishment, there has been a steady movement toward restructuring county courts into superior courts with small claims and misdemeanor divisions. The majority of the county

courts have been converted to superior courts over time. As of December 31, 2004, the state still operates four county courts.

The county courts have original and concurrent jurisdiction in all civil cases founded in contract or tort where the damages do not exceed \$10,000. possessory actions between landlord and tenant, and all actions for the possession of property where the value of the property sought to be recovered does not exceed \$10,000, Class D felonies, misdemeanor and infraction and violations of cases. local ordinances.<sup>25</sup> The county courts also have small claims dockets similar to those of the circuit courts. Civil cases of up to \$3,000 and possessory actions between landlord and tenant, in which the rent due does not exceed \$3,000, are filed on the small claims dockets.26 Beginning July 1, 2005, the county courts will have small claims dockets for civil cases of up to \$6,000 and possessory actions between landlord and tenant, in which the rent due does not exceed \$6,000.

The county courts are specifically exercising precluded from any iurisdiction over cases involvina injunctive relief, partition of or liens on real estate, paternity, juvenile, probate, receivership or dissolution of marriage matters. The county courts may conduct preliminary hearings in felony cases.<sup>27</sup> Appeals from the county courts. including their small claims dockets, go to the Indiana Court of Appeals in the same manner as appeals from the circuit and superior courts.

The county court judges are elected by the voters of the county (or

counties) that the court serves for sixyear terms.<sup>28</sup>

#### **Local Courts**

City and town courts may be created by local ordinance. A city or town, which establishes or abolishes its court must give notice to the Division.<sup>29</sup> As of December 2004, there were forty-seven city courts and twenty-eight town courts.

Jurisdiction of city courts varies depending upon the size of the city. All city courts have jurisdiction over city ordinance violations, misdemeanors, and infractions.<sup>30</sup> The city courts also have civil jurisdiction over cases where the amount in controversy does not exceed \$500. They have no jurisdiction in actions for libel, slander, real estate foreclosure, where title to real estate is at issue, matters relating to decedents' estates, actions in equity and actions involving the appointment of guardians.<sup>31</sup> The civil jurisdiction of city courts in Lake County extends to cases where the amount in controversy does not exceed \$3,000.32 A city court in a third class city which is not a county seat also has civil jurisdiction of cases up to \$3,000. City and town courts are not courts of record, and appeals are tried de novo in the circuit or superior court of county.33 Town courts exclusive jurisdiction over all violations of town ordinances and jurisdiction over all misdemeanors and infractions.<sup>34</sup> Appeals from judgments of a town court are also taken to the circuit or superior court of the county.35

The voters of the city or town elect city and town court judges to four-year terms. The judges of Anderson City Court, Avon Town Court, Brownsburg Town Court, Carmel City Court, East Chicago City Court, Gary City Court, Hammond City Court, Muncie City Court, Noblesville City Court, and Plainfield Town Court must be attorneys.<sup>36</sup>

#### **Small Claims Courts**

Only Marion County has a distinct Small Claims Court. The Marion County Small Claims Court has nine divisions. Each division has jurisdiction in the township in which it is located. The court's jurisdiction is concurrent with the circuit and superior courts in all civil cases founded on contract or tort in which the claim does not exceed \$6,000,37 in actions for possession of property where the value of the property sought to be recovered does not exceed \$6,000, and in possessory actions between landlord and tenant in which the past due rent at the time of filing does not exceed \$6,000.38 The small claims courts have no jurisdiction in actions seeking injunctive relief, actions involving partition of real estate, or in declaring or enforcing any lien thereon (with certain exceptions), in cases in which the appointment of a receiver is requested, or in suits for dissolution or annulment of marriage.39 The small claims courts are not courts of record, 40 and appeals are tried de novo in the Marion Superior Court.41

The small claims court judges are elected by the voters within the township in which the division of the court is located. The judges serve four-year terms.<sup>42</sup>

- 1. Indiana Constitution, Article 7, Section 1
- 2. Indiana Constitution, Article 7, Section 2; Indiana Code 33-24-1-1
- 3. Indiana Constitution, Article 7, Section 4; Indiana Rules of Court, Appellate Rule 4
- 4. Indiana Constitution, Article 7, Section 11; Indiana Code 33-24-2-1
- 5. Indiana Constitution, Article 7, Section 5
- 6. Indiana Code 33-25-1-1
- Indiana Code 33-25-3-1
- 8. Indiana Constitution, Article 7, Section 6; Indiana Rules of Court, Appellate Rule 5(C)
- 9. Indiana Code 33-26-1-1; Indiana Code 33-26-2-4
- 10. Indiana Tax Court Rule 2B; Indiana Code 33-26-3-1
- 11. Indiana Code 33-26-5-1
- 12. Indiana Code 33-26-6-7
- 13. Indiana Constitution, Article 7, Section 7
- 14. Ohio and Dearborn Counties share a circuit judge, as do Jefferson and Switzerland Counties. Monroe County has 7 circuit judges. Delaware County has 5 circuit judges. All other counties have one circuit judge.
- 15. Indiana Code 33-28-1-2; Indiana Code 33-35-
- 16. Indiana Code 33-28-3-3, Indiana Code 33-28-
- 17. Indiana Code 33-28-3-8
- 18. Indiana Code 33-28-3-7
- 19. Indiana Constitution, Article 7, Section 7; Indiana Code 33-28-2-1
- 20. Indiana Code 33-33-82-31
- 21. Indiana Code 33-35-5-9
- 22. Effective 1/1/89, the three Lake County Courts became Superior Courts, County Court Division. However, as the County Court Division, they continue to be elected in a political election. Indiana Code 33-29-1-3
- 23. Indiana Code 33-31-1-9
- 24. Indiana Code 33-31-1-10
- 25. Indiana Code 33-30-4-1
- 26. Indiana Code 33-30-5-2
- 27. Indiana Code 33-30-4-2
- 28. Indiana Code 33-30-3-3
- 29. Indiana Code 33-35-1-1
- 30. Indiana Code 33-35-2-3
- 31. Indiana Code 33-35-2-4
- 32. Indiana Code 33-35-2-5 33. Indiana Code 33-35-5-9
- 34. Indiana Code 33-35-2-8
- 35. Indiana Code 33-35-5-9
- 36. Indiana Code 33-35-5-7
- 37. Indiana Code 33-34-3-2
- 38. Indiana Code 33-34-3-3
- 39. Indiana Code 33-34-3-5

- 40. Indiana Code 33-34-1-3
- 41. Indiana Code 33-34-3-15
- 42. Indiana Code 33-34-2-1; Indiana Code 33-34-

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The Honorable Randall T. Shepard, Chief Justice The Honorable Brent E. Dickson, Assoc. Justice The Honorable Frank Sullivan, Jr., Assoc. Justice The Honorable Theodore R. Boehm, Assoc. Justice The Honorable Robert D. Rucker, Assoc. Justice



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# Indiana Supreme Court Fiscal 2003-2004 Case Inventories and Disposition Summary

	Cases Pending as of 7/1/03	Cases Transmitted in Fiscal 2003-2004	Cases Disposed of in Fiscal 2003-2004	Cases Pending as of 6/30/04
Civil Direct Appeals	2	0	2	0
Civil Transfers	86	299	301	84
Tax Court Petitions for Review	5	11	9	7
Criminal Direct Non-Capital	7	3	8	2
Capital Cases	1	8	7	2
Criminal Transfers	34	590	559	65
Original Actions	1	47	48	0
Certified Questions	1	2	2	1
Mandate of Funds	0	0	0	0
Attorney Discipline	55	95	85	65
Board of Law Examiners	3	3	4	2
Judicial Discipline	1	3	2	2
Rehearings	4	21	21	4
Other	0	3	2	1
TOTAL	200	1085	1050	235

## **Indiana Supreme Court Total Dispositions: 1,050**

Criminal	574	55%
Civil, Tax, and Other	316	30%
Original Action	48	5%
Law Practice	85	8%
Review Board of Law Examiners	4	<1%
Judicial Discipline	2	<1%
Rehearings	21	2%

### MAJORITY OPINIONS AND PUBLISHED DISPOSITIVE ORDERS: 154

Criminal	50	34%
Civil, Tax, and Other	54	35%
Original Action	0	0%
Law Practice	48	31%
Judicial Discipline	2	<1%

	Direct Crim.	Appeal Civil	Transfer Petitions Crim.	Transfer Petitions Civil and Tax	Original Action	Attorney Discipline	Judicial Discipline	Other	TOTAL
SHEPARD, C.J.	2	0	7	10	0	0	0	1	20
Dickson, J.	4	0	8	7	0	0	0	1	20
Sullivan, J.	1	1	8	8	0	0	0	0	18
Boehm, J.	3	1	5	15	0	0	0	1	25
Rucker, J.	3	0	4	6	0	0	0	0	13
By the Court	2	0	3	2	0	48	2	1	58
TOTAL	15	2	35	48	0	48	2	4	154

## **Indiana Supreme Court Majority Rehearing Opinions**

	Opinion	Order	Total
SHEPARD, C.J.	0	4	4
DICKSON, J.	1	1	2
SULLIVAN, J.	0	6	6
BOEHM, J.	1	3	4
RUCKER, J.	1	2	3
BY THE COURT	1	1	2
TOTAL	4	17	21

### **NON-DISPOSITIVE OPINIONS**

	Concurring	Dissenting	Concur/Dissent in part	Recusal Opinion	Total
SHEPARD, C.J.	3	1	2	0	6
DICKSON, J.	0	5	1	0	6
SULLIVAN, J.	5	2	2	0	9
BOEHM, J.	3	4	1	0	8
RUCKER, J.	3	4	2	0	9
TOTALS	14	16	8	0	38

### **CERTIFIED QUESTIONS**

	Pending 7/1/03	Received	Accepted	Rejected	Opinions	Pending 6/30/04
Federal District Court	1	2	2	0	2	1
Federal Appellate Court	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1	2	2	0	2	1

## **Indiana Supreme Court Capital Cases and Miscellaneous Orders**

### **Opinions**

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C.J. 0 0 0 0	)
<b>Dickson, J.</b> 1 1 0 0	)
<b>Sullivan, J.</b> 1 0 0 0	)
Boehm, J. 1 0 0 0	1
<b>Rucker, J.</b> 1 0 0 0	)
By the 2 0 0 2 2 Court	1
TOTAL 6 1 0 2 2	2

### PETITIONS FOR EXTENSION OF TIME & MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS

Petitions for Extension of Time Processed		40
Other Miscellaneous Appellate Orders		334
Special Judge Requests		130
Other Miscellaneous Disciplinary Orders		13
	TOTAL	517

## Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary, Contempt and Related Matters

DISCIPLINARY CASES PENDING BEFORE HEARING OFFICER/COURT ON J 1, 2003	
Before the Court for Hearing Officer Appointment	
Pending Before Hearing Officer	35
Briefing Stage	
Briefed/Resignation Tendered/Conditional Agreement Tendered	8
No Verified Complaint Filed/Suspended Upon Notice of Conviction	3
Administrative Admonitions Tendered	
TOTAL CASES PENDING 7/1/03	55
NEW DISCIPLINARY MATTERS RECEIVED DURING FISCAL 2003-2004	
Verified Complaints for Disciplinary Action/Notices of Conviction/Petitions to	
Determine Disability/Notices of Foreign Discipline Filed/Violation of	
Support Order/Contempt	
Administrative Admonitions Tendered	15
Petitions to Show Cause	
TOTAL	95
DISCIPLINARY CASES DISPOSED IN FISCAL 2003-2004	
By Per Curiam Opinion	10*
By Anonymous Per Curiam Opinions Imposing Private Reprimand	0
By Order Imposing Private Reprimand	6
By Order Imposing Public Reprimand	9
By Order Accepting Resignation	7
By Order of Dismissal	14
By Order – Judgment for Respondent	2
By Order Imposing Reciprocal Sanction	4
By Order – Denying Suspension	0
By Administrative Admonition	14
By Order of Suspension	
By Order of Suspension Due to Disability	0
By Order Finding No Disability	
Rejection of Administrative Admonition	
By Order – Compliance to Show Cause	
TOTAL	85

### Indiana Supreme Court Disciplinary, Contempt and Related Matters (continued)

### **DISCIPLINARY CASES PENDING 6/30/04** Pending Before A Hearing Officer......50 Briefing Stage ......1 Administrative Admonitions....... Before Court/Briefed/Conditional Agreement Tendered/Resignations Tendered.... 8 TOTAL PENDING AS OF 6/30/04 ......65 OTHER DISCIPLINARY DISPOSITIONS Orders of Temporary Suspension ......1 Orders on Petitions to Reconsider/Modify/Stay ......0 Orders of Suspension for Show Cause......0 Orders Releasing from Probation ......1 TOTAL ......8

<sup>\*</sup>Two joint per curiam opinions each disposed of two disciplinary cases.

# Indiana Supreme Court Analysis of Supreme Court Dispositions

Criminal Cases
Opinions on direct appeals15
Direct appeal disposed of by order0
Opinions on petitions to transfer
Opinions on rehearing4
Orders on rehearing5
Petitions to transfer dismissed, denied, or appeal remanded by unpublished
order524
Other opinions
TOTAL 583
Civil Cases
Opinions and orders on certified questions2
Opinions on direct appeals2
Opinions on rehearing0
Orders on rehearing12
Opinions on mandate of funds0
Opinions on Tax Court petitions for review1
Dispositive orders on Tax Court petitions for review8
Opinions on petitions to transfer47
Petitions to transfer denied, dismissed, or appeal remanded by unpublished order253
Other opinions
Other dispositions, civil
TOTAL328
Original Actions
Opinions issued0
Disposed of without opinion48
TOTAL48
Attorney Disciplinary Matters
Opinions and published orders
Other dispositions
TOTAL85
Petitions for Review of State Board of Law Examiners Matters
Petitions for review
TOTAL4

## Indiana Supreme Court Analysis of Supreme Court Dispositions (continued)

Judicial Discipline Matters	
Opinions and published orders	2
TOTAL	
TOTAL DISPOSITIONS	1050

## Indiana Supreme Court Cases Pending as of June 30, 2004

	Pending Cases as of June 30, 2004 (does not include Pets. for Rehearing)	Pending Petitions For Rehearing as of June 30, 2004
Shepard, C.J.	11	3
Dickson, J.	13	1
Sullivan, J.	17	0
Boehm, J.	13	0
Rucker, J.	12	0
To the Court	3	0
Unassigned Civil Cases	55	
Unassigned Tax Court Petitions for Review	3	
Unassigned Criminal Transfer Cases	39	
Unassigned Criminal Direct Appeals	0	
Unassigned Civil Direct Appeals	0	
Unassigned Original Actions	0	
Unassigned Certified Questions	0	
Unassigned Other	0	
Pending Bar Examination Reviews	2	
Attorney Discipline	65	
Judicial Discipline	2	
TOTAL	235	4

### **Indiana Court of Appeals 2004 Annual Report**



#### **First District**

The Honorable L. Mark Bailey, Presiding Judge The Honorable John G. Baker, Judge The Honorable Edward W. Najam, Jr., Judge

#### **Second District**

The Honorable James S. Kirsch, Chief Judge The Honorable Patrick D. Sullivan, Judge The Honorable Ezra H. Friedlander, Judge

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#### **Fifth District**

The Honorable Margret G. Robb, Presiding Judge The Honorable John T. Sharpnack, Judge The Honorable Nancy H. Vaidik, Judge

"To Serve all people by providing equal justice under law"

### **Indiana Court of Appeals 2004 Court Summary**

	Criminal	Post- Conviction	Civil	Expedite	Other	TOTAL
Cases Pending 12-31-2003	228	42	155	11	27	463
Cases Fully-Briefed Rec'd	1169	204	638	33	224	2268
Geographic District One	257	48	205	1	56	567
Geographic District Two	670	105	222	32	104	1133
Geographic District Three	242	51	211	0	64	568
Cases Disposed	1206	197	651	41	207	2302
By Majority Opinion	1204	196	644	41	206	2291
By Order	2	1	7	0	1	11
Net Increase/Decrease	-32	3	-15	-8	19	-33
Cases Pending 12-31-2004	195	45	141	3	46	430
Cases Affirmed	1006	169	408	36	147	1766
Cases Affirmed Percent	83.6%	86.2%	63.4%	87.8%	71.4%	77.1%
Cases Reversed	180	25	223	5	57	490
Cases Reversed Percent	14.9%	12.8%	34.6%	12.2%	27.7%	21.4%
Cases Remanded	18	2	13	0	2	35
Cases Remanded Percent	1.5%	1.0%	2.0%	0.0%	0.9%	1.5%
Oral Arguments Heard*	20	0	37	1	9	67

<sup>\*</sup> Oral Arguments Heard includes 4 Stay Hearings.

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# Indiana Court of Appeals Summary by Judge

	Majority	All		Cases	Oral	Cases	Cases
	Opinions	Opinions	Orders	Voted	Arguments	Pending	Pending
	Issued	Issued	Issued	On	Heard	12/31/03	12/31/04
District One							
Najam	145	146	0	411	8	15	13
Bailey	193	202	0	502	16	22	27
Baker	219	251	1	599	22	16	16
District Two							
Sullivan	133	166	0	446	11	36	38
Friedlander	134	135	1	486	12	38	19
Kirsch	134	140	1	455	15	40	25
District Three							
Brook	17	18	1	43	1	21	0
Mathias	112	123	1	305	5	29	41
Barnes	142	154	0	440	16	24	27
Crone	92	101	0	281	11	0	28
District Four							
Darden	131	135	0	436	12	38	31
Riley	148	155	2	462	14	28	22
May	125	128	1	434	14	30	32
District Five							
Sharpnack	150	155	0	468	12	31	23
Robb	131	153	1	437	18	24	31
Vaidik	146	158	2	458	10	32	26
Senior Judges		T		1		30	30
Brook	16	17	0	21	0	0	0
Garrard	13	13	0	17	0	0	0
Hoffman	25	28	0	54	4	0	0
Ratliff	45	46	0	73	0	0	0
Robertson	37	37	0	41	0	0	0
Staton	3	4	0	4	0	0	0
TOTAL	2,291	2,465	11	6,873	201	463	430

## Indiana Court of Appeals Caseload Statistics

	Cases	I N	ТА	K	E	DISP	OSIT	IONS	Cases
	Pending	Cases	Trans			Majority			Pending
	1/1/04	Assgnd	In	Out	Total	Opinions	Orders	Total	12/31/04
District One		<b>J</b>							
Najam	15	144	1	2	143	145	0	145	13
Bailey	22	146	57	5	198	193	0	193	27
Baker	16	141	83	4	220	219	1	220	16
District Two									
Sullivan	36	143	0	8	135	133	0	133	38
Friedlander	38	143	2	29	116	134	1	135	19
Kirsch	40	123	2	5	120	134	1	135	25
District Three									
Brook	21	6	0	9	-3	17	1	18	0
Mathias	29	143	1	19	125	112	1	113	41
Barnes	24	144	4	3	145	142	0	142	27
Crone	0	118	4	2	120	92	0	92	28
District Four				1	1	T	1		
Darden	38	137	4	17	124	131	0	131	31
Riley	28	147	0	3	144	148	2	150	22
May	30	144	1	17	128	125	1	126	32
District Five						ı	1		
Sharpnack	31	142	4	4	142	150	0	150	23
Robb	24	141	1	3	139	131	1	132	31
Vaidik	32	139	8	5	142	146	2	148	26
Senior Judges						ı	1		
Brook	39	167	3	143	131	139	0	139	31
Garrard	0	0	8	0	0	16	0	16	0
Hoffman	0	0	11	0	0	13	0	13	0
Ratliff	0	0	31	0	0	45	0	45	0
Robertson	0	0	36	0	0	37	0	37	0
Staton	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0
TOTAL	463	2,268	279	279	2,268	2,291	11	2,302	430

# Indiana Court of Appeals Opinions Issued

	Majo	ority Op	inions					
			Percent		Opinio	ns		
	Issued	Published	Published	Concurring	•	Rehearing	Other	TOTAL
District One				J		J		
Najam	145	51	35.2%	0	0	1	0	146
Bailey	193	37	19.2%	3	5	1	0	202
Baker	219	70	32.0%	10	15	7	0	251
District Two		. •	02.070					
Sullivan	133	42	31.6%	15	14	3	1	166
Friedlander	134	33	24.6%	0	0	0	1	135
Kirsch	134	31	23.1%	1	5	0	0	140
District		-			-			
Three	1							
Brook	17	7	41.2%	0	1	0	0	18
Mathias	112	39	34.8%	4	6	1	0	123
Barnes	142	35	24.6%	7	3	2	0	154
Crone	92	9	9.8%	3	5	1	0	101
District Four	1					<u> </u>		
Darden	131	17	13.0%	2	1	1	0	135
Riley	148	56	37.8%	2	3	0	2	155
May	125	44	35.2%	0	3	0	0	128
District Five	T							
Sharpnack	150	52	34.7%	0	4	0	1	155
Robb	131	20	15.3%	7	12	3	0	153
Vaidik	146	41	28.1%	1	6	5	0	158
Senior Judge	s						1	
Brook	16	7	43.7%	0	1	0	0	17
Garrard	13	2	15.4%	0	0	0	0	13
Hoffman	25	8	32.0%	0	3	0	0	28
Ratliff	45	16	35.6%	0	0	1	0	46
Robertson	45	16	35.6%	0	0	0	0	37
Staton	3	1	33.3%	0	1	0	0	4
TOTAL	2,291	620	27.1%	55	88	26	5	2,465

## Indiana Court of Appeals Cases Handed Down

	CRIMI	INAL	POS	_	CIV	IL	EXPEI	DITE	ОТН	ER	T01	ſAL
			Writing		Writing	Panel	Writing	Panel	Writing	Panel		
District One						•						
Najam	74	143	16	22	45	68	2	4	8	29	145	266
Bailey	90	155	23	20	66	94	2	2	12	38	193	309
Baker	95	203	25	36	56	105	6	7	37	29	219	380
District Two								•	•	•		
Sullivan	71	168	12	23	39	87	2	7	9	28	133	313
Friedlander	79	164	6	37	36	103	1	7	12	41	134	352
Kirsch	64	175	13	25	41	89	2	3	14	29	134	321
District Three								•		•		
Brook	13	10	0	1	3	10	1	1	0	4	17	26
Mathias	62	98	9	12	27	65	3	3	11	15	112	193
Barnes	81	162	8	20	33	89	4	5	16	22	142	298
Crone	45	106	12	14	27	43	1	4	7	22	92	189
District Four						•		•		•		
Darden	66	164	13	24	42	86	2	5	8	26	131	305
Riley	75	160	12	31	44	97	2	2	15	24	148	314
May	72	164	7	30	39	82	2	6	5	27	125	309
District Five												
Sharpnack	82	170	9	26	46	90	2	9	11	23	150	318
Robb	70	162	7	33	33	73	2	10	19	28	131	306
Vaidik	74	167	12	31	42	89	4	6	14	19	146	312
Senior Judges	;											
Brook	10	1	1	1	4	0	0	0	1	3	16	5
Garrard	9	0	1	1	2	3	0	0	1	0	13	4
Hoffman	15	18	1	2	7	9	1	0	1	0	25	29
Ratliff	22	13	6	1	12	9	2	1	3	4	45	28
Robertson	32	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	37	4
Staton	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1
TOTAL	1,204	2,406	196	392	644	1,291	41	82	206	411	2,291	4,582

# Indiana Court of Appeals Oral Arguments Heard

	CRIMI	INAL	POS	-	CIV	IL	EXPE	DITE	ОТН	ER	тот	AL
	Writing	Panel										
District One												
Najam	1	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	1	7
Bailey	3	2	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	1	4	12
Baker	3	3	0	0	6	5	0	1	2	2	11	11
District Two												
Sullivan	0	1	0	0	3	5	0	0	1	1	4	7
Friedlander	0	1	0	0	2	8	0	0	0	1	2	10
Kirsch	1	3	0	0	4	6	0	0	0	1	5	10
District Three												
Brook	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mathias	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	4	1
Barnes	1	4	0	0	2	7	0	0	0	2	3	13
Crone	0	1	0	0	2	4	1	0	0	3	3	8
District Four												
Darden	2	2	0	0	3	4	0	0	1	0	6	6
Riley	0	4	0	0	3	5	0	0	1	1	4	10
May	6	4	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	7	7
District Five												
Sharpnack	0	4	0	0	2	5	0	0	1	0	3	9
Robb	2	2	0	0	3	7	0	0	1	3	6	12
Vaidik	0	4	0	0	3	1	0	1	0	1	3	7
Senior Judges	;											
Brook	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Garrard	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hoffman	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	3
Ratliff	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Robertson	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Staton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	20	40	0	0	37	74	1	2	9	18	67	134

## Indiana Court of Appeals Cases Pending as of December 31, 2004

	CRIMINAL	POST- CONVICTION	CIVIL	EXPEDITE	OTHER	TOTAL
District One						_
Najam	6	2	4	0	1	13
Bailey	13	3	7	0	4	27
Baker	5	1	6	0	4	16
District Two						
Sullivan	19	4	11	1	3	38
Friedlander	9	2	5	0	3	19
Kirsch	10	4	8	0	3	25
District Three						
Brook	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mathias	20	5	10	0	6	41
Barnes	10	1	12	0	4	27
Crone	16	2	8	0	2	28
District Four						
Darden	15	4	10	0	2	31
Riley	11	1	9	0	1	22
May	13	4	13	0	2	32
District Five						
Sharpnack	6	6	6	1	4	23
Robb	12	3	12	1	3	31
Vaidik	13	1	11	0	1	26
Senior Judges	17	2	9	0	3	31
TOTAL	195	45	141	3	46	430

## Indiana Court of Appeals Age of Cases Pending

	0.4- 0	0				
	0 to 3	4 to 6	7 to 9	10 to 12	Over 12	Average Age
D: 4 : 4 O	Months	Months	Months	Months	Months	(In Months)
District One						
Najam	12	1	0	0	0	1.2
Bailey	25	2	0	0	0	1.2
Baker	15	0	1	0	0	1.5
District Two						
Sullivan	32	6	0	0	0	1.9
Friedlander	19	0	0	0	0	1.2
Kirsch	18	7	0	0	0	2.3
District Three						
Brook	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mathias	24	17	0	0	0	2.4
Barnes	22	4	0	0	1	1.9
Crone	27	1	0	0	0	2.1
District Four						
Darden	24	6	1	0	0	2.1
Riley	21	1	0	0	0	1.3
May	22	7	3	0	0	2.7
District Five						
Sharpnack	22	1	0	0	0	1.3
Robb	24	7	0	0	0	1.9
Vaidik	24	1	1	0	0	1.6
Senior Judges	27	4	0	0	0	1.7
TOTAL	358	65	6	0	1	1.8
Percent	83.3%	15.1%	1.4%	0.0%	0.2%	

## Indiana Court of Appeals Fully-Briefed Cases Distributed

	Criminal	Post-Conviction	Civil	Expedite	Other	Total
District One						
Najam	73	15	44	2	8	142
Bailey	88	20	61	2	16	187
Baker	90	26	58	5	38	217
District Two						
Sullivan	72	13	38	2	11	136
Friedlander	68	7	30	1	11	117
Kirsch	58	11	38	1	14	122
District Three						
Brook	1	0	0	0	0	1
Mathias	66	12	28	2	17	125
Barnes	78	7	39	3	18	145
Crone	60	14	35	1	10	120
District Four						
Darden	67	15	42	2	9	135
Riley	71	12	42	2	16	143
May	74	9	37	1	6	127
District Five						
Sharpnack	75	12	39	2	14	142
Robb	74	8	41	2	15	140
Vaidik	73	12	40	3	13	141
Senior Judges	81	11	26	2	8	128
TOTAL	1,169	204	638	33	224	2,268

## Indiana Court of Appeals Successive Petitions for Post-Conviction Relief

Pending 12-31	-03	43
Petitions Filed	l	<u>187</u>
TOTAL		230
	<u>Compliance</u>	
	Compliance with Form of Rule	
TOTAL		202
	<u>Authorization</u>	
Petitions Autho Petitions Not A	Compliance with Form of Rulerized To Be Filed in Trial Court for Hearinguthorized To Be Filed in Trial Court for Hearing ("No Merit")	18 181
TOTA	AL	. 230
	Motions to Dismiss or Affirm	
Pending Motior Motions Filed	ns 12-31-03	22 . <u>174</u>
TOTAL		196
Dispositions:	Motion to Dismiss of Affirm Sustained	89 0
	Subtotal	174
	By Per Curiam Opinions	0
TOTAL		174
Pending Motic	ons 12-31-04	22

### Indiana Court of Appeals Statistics Regarding Disposition of Chief Judge Matters

Preliminary Actions	
Orders Granting Petitions to File Belated Appeal	51
Orders Denying Petitions to File Belated Appeal	
Orders Granting Pre-Appeal Conferences	2
Orders Denying Pre-Appeal Conferences	
Orders with Instructions from Pre-Appeal Conference	
Orders Granting Permissive Interlocutory Appeals	
Orders Denying Permissive Interlocutory Appeals	185
Time Grants	
Petitions for Time to File Record Granted	332
Petitions for Time to File Record Denied	13
Petitions for Time to File Appellant's Brief Granted	1,352
Petitions for Time to File Appellant's Brief Denied	13
Petitions for Time to File Appellee's Brief Granted	
Petitions for Time to File Appellee's Brief Denied	
Petitions for Time to File Appellant's Reply Brief Granted	
Petitions for Time to File Appellant's Reply Brief Denied	0
Oral Argument Action	
Orders Setting Oral Arguments	64
Orders Denying Petitions for Oral Arguments	
<u>Others</u>	
Orders Granting Consolidations of Appeals	67
Orders Denying Consolidations of Appeals	
Orders Granting Writs of Certiorari	
Orders Denying Writs of Certiorari	0
Orders Granting Petitions to Amend Brief	2
Orders Denying Petitions to Amend Brief	0
Orders Granting Withdrawals of Record	361
Orders Denying Withdrawals of Record	
Miscellaneous Orders	0
Dismissals	
Orders Granting Appellants' Motions to Dismiss	168
Orders Denying Appellants' Motions to Dismiss	7
Orders Granting Appellees' Motions to Dismiss or Affirm	80
Orders Denying Appellees' Motions to Dismiss or Affirm	
Court-Directed Orders of Dismissal	461
Rehearings	
Petitions for Rehearing Granted without Opinion	
Petitions for Rehearing Denied without Opinion	
Petitions for Rehearing Granted with Opinion	
Petitions for Rehearing Denied with Opinion	<u>4</u>
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### **Indiana Tax Court 2004 Court Summary**

Total Cases Pending 12-31-2003  Total Cases Filed in 2004			
Total Cases Reinstated			
TOTAL		237	
Dispositions			
Settled/Dismissed			
Decided on Merits			
Less cases with decisions but not fully disposed of			
TOTAL DENDING 40.04.04		88	4 40
TOTAL PENDING 12-31-04		•••••	.149
Analysis of Cases Filed in 2004			
Board of Tax Review			
Personal Property			
Real Property			
Other			
TOTAL		23	
Department of Revenue			
Income			
Sales and Use	14		
Fuels	1		
Inheritance			
CSET			
Bank & FIT			
Auto Excise			
Withholding			
Bond			
Other			
TOTAL		37	60
TOTAL FILED		•••••	60
<b>County Where the Parties Elected to Hold Hearings</b>			
Marion	47		
Allen	2		
St. Joseph			
Lake			
Vigo			
Vanderburgh			
Jefferson	2		
TOTAL		60	

### Indiana Tax Court 2004 Court Summary (continued)

### **Status of Pending Cases**

Settled-Dismissals Pending	5	
Proceedings Stayed Pending Outcome in Related		
Cases	22	
Preliminary or Pleading Stage	24	
Under Advisement	50	
Status Report Due	16	
Remanded	0	
Mediation	0	
Briefs Due	9	
Set For Oral Argument	23	
TOTAL		149



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#### **Indiana Trial Courts**

### **Caseload Reports and Case Type Descriptions**

On a quarterly basis, the trial courts of the state provide to the Division of State Court Administration caseload information by filing a standard form entitled "Quarterly Case Status Report." This report contains information on the cases filed, disposed, and pending at the beginning and ending of the reporting period. This information is categorized by type of case based on a classification, which corresponds to a statewide case numbering system found in Administrative Rule 8. The reports also show the method of disposition for categories established by the Division of State Court Administration. Currently, criminal cases are divided into ten categories, juvenile cases into six categories, civil cases into ten categories, and probate/adoption cases into five categories. Quarterly Case Status Reports also reflect the shifting of cases and blocks of time from court to court, the number of cases referred to Alternative Dispute Resolution, and the number of cases in which pauper counsel was appointed and other case related information. Case type designations and categories are as follows:

#### **Criminal Case Types**

If a defendant is charged with several offenses, the case is counted only one time under the most serious charge. Mitigating and aggravating factors may move a particular crime into a different classification. Those same factors may also increase or decrease the general sentencing provided by statute. However, for administrative purposes a case continues to be counted through the statistical reports under its initial case designation.

- 1. MR Murder: All murder cases filed on or after 1/1/2002 are filed under this category.
- <u>CF Criminal Felony</u>: This category includes all cases filed prior to 1/1/2002 as Murder, Class A, B, and C felonies. Examples of crimes in this category include kidnapping (Class A), arson involving bodily injury (Class A), armed robbery (Class B), aggravated battery (Class B), robbery (Class C), and reckless homicide (Class C).
- FA Class A Felony: All A felonies filed on or after 1/1/2002. Examples
  of crimes in this category include kidnapping, and arson involving bodily
  injury.
- 4. **FB Class B Felony**: All B felonies filed on or after 1/1/2002. Examples of crimes in this category include aggravated battery and armed robbery.
- 5. **FC Class C Felony**: All C felonies filed on or after 1/1/2002. Examples of crimes in this category include robbery and reckless homicide.
- 6. <u>DF Class D Felony</u>: All D felonies filed before 1/1/2002. In 1995 Courts began counting and reporting Class D felonies separately. Examples of crimes in this category include theft, computer tampering, and fraud.

- 7. <u>FD Class D Felony</u>: All D felonies filed on or after 1/1/2002. Examples of crimes in this category include theft, computer tampering, and fraud.
- 8. <u>CM Criminal Misdemeanor</u>: This category includes all criminal cases which are filed as misdemeanors. Examples of cases in this category are criminal trespass and battery.
- 9. <u>PC Post-Conviction Petition</u>: This category includes all petitions for post-conviction relief filed under Post Conviction Rule 1.
- 10. <u>MC Miscellaneous Criminal</u>: This category includes all criminal matters which are not easily classified in one of the preceding categories.
- 11. <u>IF Infractions</u>: Despite technically being non-criminal in nature, for the purposes of this report infractions are reported in the criminal category. Infractions are most typically traffic related offenses.
- 12. <u>OV/OE Ordinance Violations</u>: These cases involve violations of local ordinances.

#### Juvenile Case Types

- 13. **JC Juvenile CHINS**: This category includes cases where a petition is filed to determine if a child is in need of services.
- 14. <u>JD Juvenile Delinquency</u>: Cases in which a child is alleged to be a delinquent are filed in this category.
- 15. <u>JS Juvenile Status</u>: Cases in which a child is charged with committing an offense which would not be a crime if committed by an adult are filed in this category. Some examples include curfew violations and underage alcohol purchase or consumption.
- 16. <u>JP Juvenile Paternity</u>: This category reflects paternity actions filed by any of the parties specified by statute, including the prosecutor. Indiana Code 31-14-4-1 specifies who may file paternity actions.
- 17. <u>JT Termination of Parental Rights</u>: This category reflects all proceedings for termination of parental rights.
- 18. <u>JM Juvenile Miscellaneous</u>: This category is intended to include those juvenile matters which are not specifically listed in the previous categories. An example in this area would be the approval by the court of an informal adjustment.

#### **Civil Case Types**

- 19. <u>CP Civil Plenary</u>: All Civil Plenary cases filed before 1/1/2002. Basic civil cases not otherwise specifically included as separate categories are filed with this designation. Generally, this category covers cases founded in contract, actions dealing with real and personal property, as well as actions seeking equitable or injunctive relief.
- 20. <u>PL Civil Plenary</u>: All Civil Plenary cases filed on or after 1/1/2002. Basic civil cases not otherwise specifically included as separate categories are filed with this designation. Generally, this category covers cases founded in contract, actions dealing with real and personal property, as well as actions seeking equitable or injunctive relief.
- 21. MF Mortgage Foreclosure: All Mortgage Foreclosure cases filed on or after 1/1/2002 are reported under the MF category.
- 22. <u>CC Civil Collections</u>: All Civil Collections filed on or after 1/1/2002, are reported under the CC category, and may include the following: proceedings supplemental as an independent action; suits on notes and accounts; general collection suits; landlord and tenant suits for collection; ejectment; and tax warrants.
- 23. <u>CT Civil Tort</u>: Cases founded in tort and filed on the regular civil docket of the court are included in this category. Small claims, which also could be founded in tort, are included in a separate category.
- 24. <u>SC Small Claims</u>: This category reflects the civil small claims filed on the small claims docket of circuit, superior, or county courts, as well as civil cases filed in Marion Small Claims Court.
- 25. **DR Domestic Relations**: Actions involving petitions for dissolution of marriage, legal separation, and petitions to establish child support are filed in this category.
- 26. <u>RS Reciprocal Support</u>: Actions for reciprocal enforcement of child support (UIFSA) and petitions for modification of support or custody and/or support under the Uniform Child Custody Jurisdiction Act are counted in this category.
- 27. <u>MH Mental Health</u>: Proceedings which involve mental health commitments which may include temporary commitments, an extension of temporary commitment, regular commitment, or termination of a commitment, are filed under this category.
- 28. <u>AD Adoption</u>: Petitions for adoption are filed under this category. All petitions seeking release of adoption records under Indiana Code 31-19-24-1 are also filed in this category.

- AH Adoption History: All petitions seeking release of adoption records under Indiana Code 31-19-24-1 filed prior to 1/1/2002 were filed in this category.
- 30. **ES Estates**: This category includes both supervised and unsupervised probate of estates. Claims against the estate that are transferred for trial are listed as "civil" matters.
- 31. **GU Guardianship**: Petitions for appointment of guardians are filed under this category.
- 32. **TR Trusts**: This category reflects trust matters before the court.
- 33. <u>PO Protective Order</u>: New petitions for protective orders which are not part of an ongoing process (such as a marriage dissolution) are filed in this category.
- 34. <u>MI Civil Miscellaneous</u>: Routine civil matters which are not easily categorized in other areas, or which are not part of any other pending litigation, may be included in this category. Examples of cases in this category are petitions for name change, appointment of appraisers, and marriage waivers.

The Quarterly Case Status Reports also include summary information about cases. Cases may come to a court through the following means:

- New Filings: A case is counted as a new filing when the appropriate documents have been filed with the Clerk's office, the appropriate filing fee (if applicable) is paid, and the clerk assigns the case as sequential number.
- 2. <u>Venued In:</u> A case is counted as venued into a court if that case is moved to the reporting court from another county. Parties may request a change of venue as permitted by statute, or courts may venue cases as part of an approved District Caseload Allocation Plan. Venued cases receive a new cause number in the receiving court and are recorded as "venued out" by the court in which the case originated.
- 3. <u>Transferred In:</u> A case is counted as transferred into a court if that case is moved to the reporting court from another court in the same county. Frequently, cases are transferred between courts in the same county as part of a caseload allocation plan or for other internal court management purposes. Transferred cases receive a new cause number in the receiving court and are counted as "transferred out" by the court in which the case originated in.

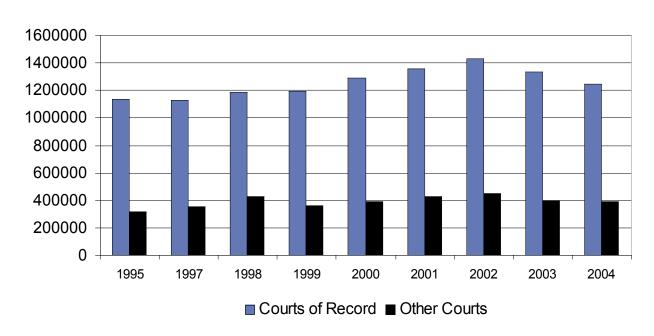
Cases may be disposed by courts in the following means:

1. <u>Jury Trial</u>: This category reflects cases that have been decided by a jury or have gone to the jury. This type of disposition is limited to cases where the jury is seated and sworn.

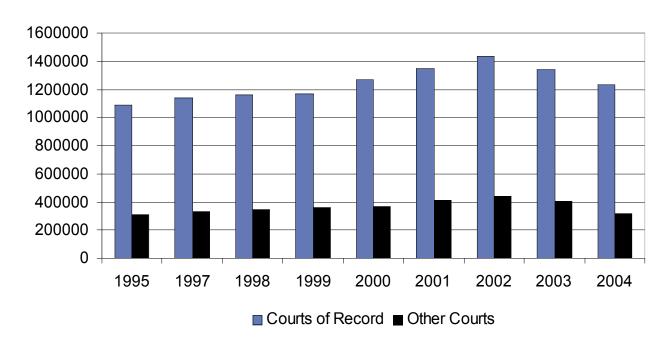
- Bench Trial: Cases that are disposed of by the court after a trial in which a
  witness is sworn. Until 1999, cases in which a trial did not take place were
  also counted as disposed by bench trial. Thereafter, such cases have been
  reflected under "bench disposition."
- 3. <u>Bench Disposition</u>: Cases that are disposed by final judicial determination of an issue, but where no witnesses are sworn and no evidence is introduced should be counted in this category. Dispositions which fall in this category included decisions on motions for summary judgment, hearings on other dispositive motions, cases which may be settled but in which the parties tender to the court and the court approves an agreed judgment which can then be enforced through proceedings supplemental to execution. Approval of informal adjustments in juvenile matters and issuance of search warrants unrelated to any pending case also fall into this category. This category was new and voluntary during 1999. It became mandatory beginning January 1, 2001.
- 3. <u>Dismissed</u>: Cases which are dismissed either by the court on its own motion (Trial Rule 41(E)), upon the motion of a party, or upon an agreed entry as a result of settlement between the parties.
- 5. **<u>Default</u>**: This category is applicable only in civil cases where a default judgment is entered by the court.
- 6. <u>Guilty Plea/Admission</u>: Cases in which the defendant pleads guilty to an offense or admits to the commission of an infraction or ordinance violation are counted under this category. Infraction and ordinance violation cases are only reflected in this disposition category if the case actually comes before the court for decision.
- 7. <u>Violations Bureau</u>: This disposition category reflects infractions and ordinance violations that have been filed in the court but are handled through a violations bureau. Cases counted here include ones where a defendant makes an admission, pleads guilty, or pays a fine through the bureau, through the clerk, or through the mail.
- 8. <u>Closed</u>: Routine closing of an estate or adoption proceeding, as well as the routine termination of a trust or guardianship would be counted in this disposition type.
- <u>FTA/FTP</u>: This category includes ordinance or infraction cases in which the defendant fails to appear or fails to pay. Once counted in this category, the case is not recounted even if the defendant later appears, pays, or proceeds to a full trial.
- 10. <u>Other</u>: Any case disposition that is not otherwise accounted for in the preceding categories may be included here. One example of a case resolved in this category would be the death of the defendant.

- 11. <u>Venued Out</u>: While this category is not a true disposition and is not counted toward total case dispositions, cases that have been filed in a court but are moved to another county for any reason should be reflected here.
- 12. <u>Transferred Out</u>: As with the Venued Out category, this category is not a true disposition and is not counted in the total case dispositions. Included int his category are cases which are transferred from one court to another within the same county or from one court docket to another (such as a move from small claims docket to the civil plenary docket). In the event a motion for change of venue from the judge results in a transfer of the case to another court in the same county, the case is also counted in this category.

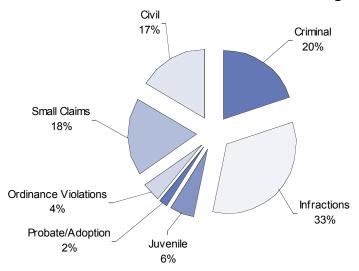
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#### **Cases Disposed**

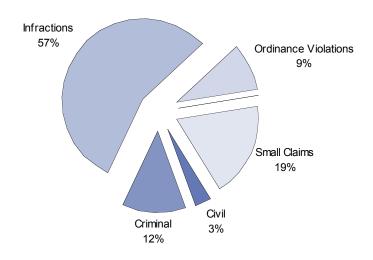


#### **Courts of Record New Case Filings**



Although the Infraction and Ordinance Violation case types together comprise the highest number of filings in Indiana courts, the amount of time required to adjudicate these cases is relatively small in comparison to other case types represented in this report. Further information about the weighted caseload measures employed in Indiana to determine relative time differences in case types is contained in the next section of this report.

#### **Other Courts New Case Filings**



### **Indiana Trial Courts Weighted Caseload Measures**

Indiana adopted a weighted caseload measurement system to establish a uniform statewide method for comparing trial court caseloads. The weighting system was developed in 1993 and 1994 through the efforts of a consultant and the Judicial Administration Committee of the Indiana Judicial Conference. To determine the number of minutes a case should be "weighted," the Committee determined via survey how many times a particular judicial action occurs in each type of case, and how many minutes each type of action takes. By multiplying the minute weight of each type of action by the number of times each type of action occurred in a particular type of case, it was possible to determine the average amount of time each type of case takes in the state of Indiana.

More than 36,000 case-related timed events were recorded and included in the calculation of the weighting system, as well as information from more than 14,000 historical case files. The weighted caseload measurement system is now used to decide whether to approve senior judge appointments. Senior judges are retired judges appointed to assist particular courts with their caseload. Additionally, the weighted caseload measures have been used since 1999 to reduce disparities in caseload between courts.

In 2002, the Judicial Administration Committee revisited the weights to provide further accuracy to the weighting. The Committee evaluated and included additional categories including Murder (MR); A, B, and C felonies (FA, FB, FC); Mortgage Foreclosure (MF); and Civil Collections (CC).

Because the weighted caseload measures are based on new filing data, the factors take into account cases which are dismissed, cases in which guilty pleas/admissions are made, as well as cases in which repeated re-docketed hearings are held. Please also note that post-conviction relief cases are not assigned a weight. The time for these cases was calculated in the original criminal case types.

### **Indiana Trial Courts Weighted Caseload Measures (continued)**

The following chart contains the weighting factors (minutes) by case category from each of the study years:

CASE CATEGORY	ABRV	1996	2002	CASE CATEGORY	ABRV	1996	2002
Capital Murder	LP DP	155	2649	Civil Plenary	CP PL	106	121
Murder	MR	155	453	Mortgage	MF	121	23
				Foreclosure			
Felony	CF	155		Civil Collections	CC	121	26
A Felony	FA	155	420	Civil Tort	CT	118	118
B Felony	FB	155	260	Small Claims	SC	13	13
C Felony	FC	155	210	Domestic Relations	DR	139	185
D Felony	DF FD	75	75	Reciprocal Support	RS	31	31
Criminal Misdemeanor	CM	40	40	Mental Health	МН	37	37
Post-Conviction Relief	PC	0	0	Adoption	AD	53	53
Miscellaneous Criminal	MC	18	18	Adoption Histories	АН	53	
Infractions	IF	3	2	Estate	ES/EU	85	85
Ordinance Violations	OV OE	3	2	Guardianship	GU	93	93
Juvenile CHINS	JC	112	111	Trusts	TR	40	40
Juvenile Delinquency	JD	62	60	Protective Orders	РО	34	37
Juvenile Status	JS	38	58	Civil Miscellaneous	MI	87	87
Juvenile Paternity	JP	106	82				
Juvenile Miscellaneous	JM	12	12				
Juvenile Termination Parental Rights	JT	141	194				

## Indiana Trial Courts Weighted Caseload Measures

County	Court Name	2004 Need	2004 Have	2004 Utlz	2003 Need	2003 Have	2003 Utlz	2002 Need	2002 Have	2002 Utlz
Adams	Circuit	1.06	1.00	1.06	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.01	1.00	1.01
Adams	Superior	0.84	1.00	0.84	0.82	1.00	0.82	0.79	1.00	0.79
	Total / Average	1.90	2.00	0.95	1.82	2.00	0.91	1.80	2.00	0.90
Allen	Circuit	4.70	3.00	1.57	5.54	2.00	2.77	4.95	2.00	2.47
Allen <sup>1</sup>	Superior 1	2.27	2.00	1.13	2.24	2.00	1.12	24.44	19.00	1.29
Allen	Superior 2	2.25	2.00	1.12	2.18	2.00	1.09			
Allen	Superior 3	2.28	2.00	1.14	2.25	2.00	1.12			
Allen	Superior 4	2.75	2.00	1.37	2.98	2.00	1.49			
Allen	Superior 5	3.17	2.00	1.58	2.77	2.00	1.38			
Allen	Superior 6	2.91	2.00	1.45	3.53	2.00	1.77			
Allen	Superior 7	3.87	3.00	1.29	3.90	2.50	1.56			
Allen	Superior 8	2.68	3.00	0.89	2.09	2.50	0.83			
Allen	Superior 9	2.48	2.00	1.24	2.42	2.00	1.21			
	Total / Average	29.34	23.00	1.28	29.89	21.00	1.42	29.39	21.00	1.40
Bartholomew	Circuit	1.87	1.60	1.17	1.47	1.60	0.92	1.47	1.60	0.92
Bartholomew	Superior 1	1.68	1.00	1.68	1.73	1.00	1.73	1.50	1.00	1.50
Bartholomew	Superior 2	2.50	2.00	1.25	2.58	2.00	1.29	2.94	2.00	1.47
	Total / Average	6.04	4.60	1.31	5.78	4.60	1.26	5.92	4.60	1.29
Benton	Circuit	0.79	1.00	0.79	0.79	1.00	0.79	0.63	1.00	0.63
	Total / Average	0.79	1.00	0.79	0.79	1.00	0.79	0.63	1.00	0.63
Blackford	Circuit	0.76	1.00	0.76	0.56	1.00	0.56	0.68	1.00	0.68
Blackford	Superior	0.40	1.00	0.40	0.40	1.00	0.40	0.42	1.00	0.42
	Total / Average	1.16	2.00	0.58	0.96	2.00	0.48	1.10	2.00	0.55
Boone	Circuit	1.59	1.50	1.06	1.45	1.50	0.97	1.28	1.00	1.28
Boone	Superior 1	0.89	1.00	0.89	1.02	1.00	1.02	1.02	1.00	1.02
Boone	Superior 2	1.10	1.20	0.91	1.03	1.20	0.86	1.08	1.20	0.90
	Total / Average	3.58	3.70	0.97	3.50	3.70	0.95	3.38	3.20	1.06
Brown	Circuit	1.08	2.00	0.54	1.15	2.00	0.58	1.19	2.00	0.60
	Total / Average	1.08	2.00	0.54	1.15	2.00	0.58	1.19	2.00	0.60
Carroll	Circuit	0.75	1.00	0.75	0.65	1.00	0.65	0.83	1.00	0.83
Carroll	Superior	0.79	1.00	0.79	0.59	1.00	0.59	0.69	1.00	0.69
	Total / Average	1.54	2.00	0.77	1.25	2.00	0.62	1.53	2.00	0.76
Cass	Circuit	0.90	1.00	0.90	0.85	1.25	0.68	0.97	1.25	0.78
Cass	Superior 1	1.38	1.00	1.38	1.54	1.00	1.54	1.47	1.00	1.47
Cass	Superior 2	1.34	1.00	1.34	1.31	1.00	1.31	1.20	1.00	1.20
	Total / Average	3.62	3.00	1.21	3.70	3.25	1.14	3.64	3.25	1.12
Clark	Circuit	1.59	1.15	1.38	1.61	1.15	1.40	2.32	1.15	2.01
Clark	Superior 1	2.16	1.10	1.96	2.69	1.15	2.34	2.30	1.15	2.00
Clark	Superior 2	2.30	1.15	2.00	2.06	1.20	1.71	1.74	1.20	1.45
Clark	Superior 3	2.67	1.20	2.23	2.72	1.50	1.82	2.55	1.50	1.70
	Total / Average	8.72	4.60	1.89	9.08	5.00	1.82	8.90	5.00	1.78
Clay	Circuit	1.07	1.00	1.07	1.10	1.00	11.00	1.05	1.00	1.05
Clay	Superior	1.03	1.00	1.03	1.16	1.00	1.16	1.27	1.00	1.27
	Total / Average	2.10	2.00	1.05	2.26	2.00	1.23	2.32	2.00	1.16
Clinton	Circuit	1.31	1.00	1.31	1.28	1.00	1.28	1.29	1.00	1.29

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Clinton	Superior	1.32	1.00	1.32	1.31	1.00	1.31	1.34	1.00	1.34
	Total / Average	2.63	2.00	1.31	2.58	2.00	1.29	2.63	2.00	1.32
Crawford	Circuit	1.28	1.00	1.28	1.19	1.00	1.19	1.17	1.00	1.17
	Total / Average	1.28	1.00	1.28	1.19	1.00	1.19	1.17	1.00	1.17
Daviess	Circuit	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.02	1.00	1.02	0.96	1.00	0.96
Daviess	Superior	1.10	1.00	1.10	1.04	1.00	1.04	1.10	1.00	1.10
	Total / Average	2.10	2.00	1.05	2.07	2.00	1.03	2.06	2.00	1.03
Dearborn <sup>2</sup>	Circuit	1.95	1.20	1.63	2.03	1.20	1.69	1.82	0.80	1.40
Dearborn	Superior	1.81	1.11	1.63	1.79	1.20	1.49	1.71	1.00	1.61
	Total / Average	3.77	2.31	1.63	3.81	2.40	1.59	3.53	1.80	1.49
Decatur	Circuit	1.03	1.00	1.03	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.06	1.00	1.06
Decatur	Superior	0.94	1.00	0.94	0.99	1.00	0.99	0.92	1.00	0.92
	Total / Average	1.98	2.00	0.99	1.99	2.00	1.00	1.97	2.00	0.99
DeKalb	Circuit	1.55	1.00	1.55	1.64	1.00	1.64	1.59	1.00	1.59
DeKalb	Superior	2.17	2.00	1.08	1.83	1.20	1.52	1.77	1.20	1.47
	Total / Average	3.71	3.00	1.24	3.47	2.20	1.58	3.36	2.20	1.53
Delaware	Circuit 1	1.56	1.20	1.30	1.54	1.50	1.03	1.74	2.45	0.71
Delaware	Circuit 2	2.17	1.80	1.21	2.11	1.90	1.11	1.60	1.55	1.04
Delaware	Circuit 3	0.76	1.20	0.64	0.89	1.60	0.56	1.01	1.50	0.67
Delaware	Circuit 4	1.83	1.10	1.67	1.66	1.10	1.51	1.21	1.30	0.93
Delaware	Circuit 5	1.74	1.20	1.45	1.63	1.40	1.16	1.88	1.25	1.50
	Total / Average	8.06	6.50	1.24	7.83	7.50	1.04	7.45	8.05	0.93
Dubois	Circuit	1.52	1.00	1.52	1.49	1.00	1.49	1.53	1.00	1.53
Dubois	Superior	1.43	1.00	1.43	1.35	1.00	1.35	1.08	1.00	1.08
	Total / Average	2.95	2.00	1.48	2.85	2.00	1.42	2.61	2.00	1.31
Elkhart	Circuit	3.20	2.00	1.60	3.35	2.30	1.46	3.26	2.30	1.42
Elkhart	Superior 1	1.42	1.00	1.42	1.50	1.10	1.36	1.77	1.10	1.61
Elkhart	Superior 2	2.35	1.65	1.42	2.22	1.60	1.39	2.13	1.30	1.64
Elkhart	Superior 3	1.53	1.08	1.42	1.58	1.10	1.43	1.58	1.10	1.44
Elkhart	Superior 4 [Goshen]	1.57	1.30	1.20	1.66	1.50	1.11	2.04	1.50	1.36
Elkhart	Superior 5 [Elkhart]	2.22	1.40	1.59	1.86	1.40	1.33	1.50	1.70	0.88
Elkhart	Superior 6	2.38	1.00	2.38	2.22	1.00	2.22	1.86	1.00	1.86
	Total / Average	14.68	9.43	1.56	14.38	10.00	1.44	14.13	10.00	1.41
Fayette	Circuit	1.61	1.00	1.61	1.64	1.00	1.64	1.56	1.00	1.56
Fayette	Superior	0.94	1.00	0.94	0.82	1.00	0.82	1.03	1.00	1.03
	Total / Average	2.55	2.00	1.27	2.46	2.00	1.23	2.59	2.00	1.30
Floyd	Circuit	2.53	1.30	1.95	2.49	1.33	1.87	2.11	1.33	1.58
Floyd	Superior 1	1.98	1.00	1.98	2.11	1.33	1.59	1.81	1.33	1.36
Floyd	County	2.40	1.30	1.84	1.72	1.33	1.29	2.03	1.33	1.53
	Total / Average	6.91	3.60	1.92	6.32	3.99	1.58	5.95	3.99	1.49
Fountain	Circuit	1.31	1.25	1.05	1.14	1.20	0.95	1.33	1.25	1.07
	Total / Average	1.31	1.25	1.05	1.14	1.20	0.95	1.33	1.25	1.07
Franklin	Circuit	1.37	1.00	1.37	1.46	1.00	1.46	1.41	1.00	1.41
	Total / Average	1.37	1.00	1.37	1.46	1.00	1.46	1.41	1.00	1.41
Fulton	Circuit	0.81	1.00	0.81	0.80	1.00	0.80	0.78	1.00	0.78
Fulton	Superior	0.57	1.00	0.57	0.87	1.00	0.87	0.88	1.00	0.88
	Total / Average	1.37	2.00	0.69	1.67	2.00	0.84	1.66	2.00	0.83
Gibson	Circuit	1.25	1.00	1.25	1.20	1.00	1.20	1.16	1.00	1.16

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Gibson	Superior	1.14	1.00	1.14	1.38	1.00	1.38	1.30	1.00	1.30
	Total / Average	2.38	2.00	1.19	2.58	2.00	1.29	2.46	2.00	1.23
Grant	Circuit	1.16	1.25	0.93	1.31	1.25	1.05	1.40	1.50	0.93
Grant	Superior 1	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.08	1.00	1.08	0.95	1.00	0.95
Grant	Superior 2	1.33	1.00	1.33	1.27	1.60	0.79	1.33	1.60	0.83
Grant	Superior 3	1.75	1.30	1.35	1.74	1.30	1.34	1.76	1.30	1.35
	Total / Average	5.24	4.55	1.15	5.41	5.15	1.05	5.44	5.40	1.01
Greene	Circuit	1.07	1.00	1.07	1.35	1.00	1.35	1.43	1.00	1.43
Greene	Superior	1.25	1.00	1.25	1.08	1.00	1.08	1.28	1.00	1.28
	Total / Average	2.32	2.00	1.16	2.49	2.00	1.24	2.71	2.00	1.35
Hamilton	Circuit	2.33	1.53	1.52	2.38	1.53	1.56	2.11	1.53	1.38
Hamilton	Superior 1	2.16	1.70	1.27	2.20	1.70	1.29	2.22	1.74	1.27
Hamilton	Superior 2	1.49	1.43	1.04	1.37	1.43	0.96	1.27	1.33	0.95
Hamilton	Superior 3	2.11	1.42	1.48	2.12	1.42	1.49	1.95	1.42	1.37
Hamilton	Superior 4	2.06	1.43	1.44	2.00	1.38	1.45	1.77	1.19	1.49
Hamilton	Superior 5	2.12	1.29	1.64	1.94	1.24	1.56	1.67	1.09	1.53
	Total / Average	12.27	8.80	1.39	12.00	8.70	1.38	10.98	8.30	1.32
Hancock	Circuit	1.37	1.00	1.37	1.30	1.00	1.30	1.26	1.00	1.26
Hancock	Superior 1	1.22	1.00	1.22	1.45	1.00	1.45	1.30	1.00	1.30
Hancock	Superior 2	1.50	1.00	1.50	1.40	1.00	1.40	1.42	1.00	1.42
	Total / Average	4.09	3.00	1.36	4.15	3.00	1.38	3.98	3.00	1.33
Harrison	Circuit	1.59	1.00	1.59	1.51	1.00	1.51	1.61	1.00	1.61
Harrison	Superior	1.07	1.00	1.07	1.08	1.00	1.08	1.23	1.00	1.23
	Total / Average	2.66	2.00	1.33	2.60	2.00	1.30	2.84	2.00	1.42
Hendricks	Circuit	1.74	1.00	1.74	1.72	1.00	1.72	1.63	1.00	1.63
Hendricks	Superior 1	1.66	1.20	1.38	1.60	1.00	1.60	1.53	1.00	1.53
Hendricks	Superior 2	1.83	1.20	1.52	1.78	1.00	1.78	1.69	1.00	1.69
Hendricks	Superior 3	1.73	1.20	1.44	1.68	1.00	1.68	1.58	1.00	1.58
	Total / Average	6.97	4.60	1.52	6.78	4.00	1.70	6.44	4.00	1.61
Henry	Circuit	1.38	1.35	1.02	1.58	1.35	1.17	1.49	1.35	1.11
Henry	Superior 1	1.23	1.35	0.91	0.99	1.35	0.73	1.02	1.32	0.78
Henry	Superior 2	1.35	1.00	1.35	1.14	1.00	1.14	1.12	1.00	1.12
	Total / Average	3.96	3.70	1.07	3.71	3.70	1.00	3.64	3.67	0.99
Howard	Circuit	2.66	1.30	2.05	2.55	1.30	1.96	2.54	1.40	1.82
Howard	Superior 1	1.64	1.00	1.64	1.93	1.00	1.93	2.54	1.00	2.54
Howard	Superior 2	1.82	1.00	1.82	1.81	1.00	1.81	1.93	1.00	1.93
Howard	Superior 3	2.19	1.00	2.19	2.42	1.00	2.42	1.80	1.00	1.80
	Total / Average	8.32	4.30	1.94	8.71	4.30	2.02	8.81	4.40	2.00
Huntington	Circuit	1.10	1.00	1.10	1.03	1.00	1.03	2.15	1.00	2.15
Huntington	Superior	1.85	1.00	1.85	1.57	1.00	1.57	1.28	1.00	1.28
	Total / Average	2.95	2.00	1.47	2.61	2.00	1.30	3.43	2.00	1.71
Jackson	Circuit	2.53	1.60	1.58	2.39	1.60	1.50	1.80	1.40	1.29
Jackson	Superior	1.80	1.00	1.80	1.92	1.00	1.92	1.80	1.00	1.80
	Total / Average	4.33	2.60	1.67	4.31	2.60	1.66	3.60	2.40	1.50
Jasper	Circuit	1.11	1.00	1.11	1.11	1.00	1.11	1.97	1.00	1.97
Jasper	Superior	0.99	1.00	0.99	1.01	1.00	1.01	1.13	1.00	1.13
	Total / Average	2.10	2.00	1.05	2.12	2.00	1.06	3.10	2.00	1.55
Jay	Circuit	0.82	1.00	0.82	0.76	1.00	0.76	0.80	1.00	0.80

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Jay	Superior	0.55	1.00	0.55	0.55	1.00	0.55	0.50	1.00	0.50
	Total / Average	1.37	2.00	0.68	1.30	2.00	0.65	1.30	2.00	0.65
Jefferson <sup>3</sup>	Circuit	1.79	1.00	1.79	1.66	1.00	1.66	1.83	1.00	1.83
Jefferson	Superior	1.50	1.00	1.50	1.58	1.00	1.58	1.55	1.00	1.55
	Total / Average	3.28	2.00	1.64	3.24	2.00	1.62	3.38	2.00	1.69
Jennings	Circuit	0.97	1.00	0.97	0.98	1.00	0.98	0.95	1.00	0.95
Jennings	Superior	1.36	1.00	1.36	1.16	1.00	1.16	1.49	1.00	1.49
	Total / Average	2.33	2.00	1.17	2.14	2.00	1.07	2.44	2.00	1.22
Johnson	Circuit	2.99	2.25	1.32	2.66	2.00	1.33	2.45	2.00	1.23
Johnson	Superior 1	1.50	1.25	1.20	1.58	1.33	1.19	1.44	1.33	1.08
Johnson	Superior 2	1.57	1.25	1.26	1.59	1.33	1.19	1.46	1.33	1.10
Johnson	Superior 3	1.65	1.25	1.32	1.56	1.33	1.17	1.43	1.33	1.08
	Total / Average	7.71	5.99	1.29	7.38	5.99	1.23	6.79	5.99	1.13
Knox	Circuit	1.50	1.00	1.50	0.84	1.00	0.84	0.83	1.00	0.83
Knox	Superior 1	1.23	1.00	1.23	1.30	1.00	1.30	1.29	1.00	1.29
Knox	Superior 2	1.97	1.00	1.97	2.15	1.00	2.15	2.30	1.00	2.30
	Total / Average	4.70	3.00	1.57	4.29	3.00	1.43	4.42	3.00	1.47
Kosciusko	Circuit	1.96	1.00	1.96	1.86	1.00	1.86	1.88	1.00	1.88
Kosciusko	Superior 1	1.47	1.00	1.47	1.28	1.00	1.28	1.33	1.00	1.33
Kosciusko	Superior 2	0.99	1.00	0.99	1.05	1.00	1.05	1.09	1.00	1.09
Kosciusko	Superior 3	0.76	1.00	0.76	0.75	1.00	0.75	0.78	1.00	0.78
	Total / Average	5.18	4.00	1.29	4.94	4.00	1.23	5.09	4.00	1.27
Lagrange	Circuit	1.07	1.00	1.07	1.14	1.00	1.14	1.09	1.00	1.09
Lagrange	Superior	1.21	1.00	1.21	1.06	1.00	1.06	1.19	1.00	1.19
	Total / Average	2.28	2.00	1.14	2.21	2.00	1.10	2.28	2.00	1.14
Lake	Circuit	4.58	3.70	1.24	4.64	3.70	1.25	4.20	3.40	1.24
Lake	Superior, Civil 1	1.27	1.20	1.06	1.25	1.20	1.04	1.42	1.20	1.18
Lake	Superior, Civil 2	0.91	1.40	0.65	1.08	1.40	0.77	1.10	1.40	0.79
Lake	Superior, Civil 3	3.93	3.50	1.12	4.08	3.50	1.17	4.19	3.40	1.23
Lake	Superior, Civil 4	0.61	1.00	0.61	0.30	1.00	0.30	0.31	1.00	0.31
Lake	Superior, Civil 5	0.98	1.00	0.98	1.09	1.00	1.09	1.07	1.00	1.07
Lake	Superior, Juvenile	5.66	6.35	0.89	5.36	6.35	0.84	5.33	6.35	0.84
Lake	Superior, County 1	2.32	2.00	1.16	3.09	2.20	1.40	2.27	2.25	1.01
Lake	Superior, County 2	3.02	2.00	1.51	5.61	2.00	2.81	5.38	2.00	2.69
Lake	Superior, County 3	2.99	2.20	1.36	3.41	2.20	1.55	3.44	3.00	1.15
Lake	Superior, Civil 6	0.90	1.00	0.90	0.84	1.00	0.84	0.92	1.00	0.92
Lake	Superior, Civil 7	0.89	1.00	0.89	0.85	1.00	0.85	0.90	1.00	0.90
Lake	Superior, County 4	1.58	1.20	1.32	1.46	1.20	1.21	1.14	1.20	0.95
Lake	Superior, Crim 1	1.31	1.50	0.88	1.29	1.50	0.86	1.24	1.50	0.83
Lake	Superior, Crim 2	1.34	1.50	0.90	1.29	1.50	0.86	1.45	1.50	0.97
Lake	Superior, Crim 3	1.25	1.50	0.84	1.27	1.50	0.85	1.22	1.50	0.81
Lake	Superior, Crim 4	1.48	1.50	0.99	1.38	1.50	0.92	1.20	1.50	0.80
	Total / Average	35.02	33.55	1.04	38.28	33.75	1.13	36.77	34.20	1.08
La Porte	Circuit	3.02	2.40	1.26	2.56	2.40	1.07	2.67	2.50	1.07
La Porte	Superior 1	1.78	1.00	1.78	1.83	1.00	1.83	1.54	1.00	1.54
La Porte	Superior 2	1.19	1.00	1.19	1.32	1.00	1.32	1.46	1.00	1.46
La Porte	Superior 3 (LaPorte)	1.51	1.00	1.51	1.93	1.00	1.93	2.03	1.00	2.03
La Porte	Superior 4 (Michigan City)	2.52	1.40	1.80	2.70	1.40	1.93	2.79	1.50	1.86

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	Total / Average	10.03	6.80	1.48	10.33	6.80	1.52	10.49	7.00	1.50
Lawrence	Circuit	1.50	1.20	1.25	1.45	1.00	1.45	1.41	1.60	0.88
Lawrence	Superior 1	1.04	1.00	1.04	1.04	1.00	1.04	0.96	1.00	0.96
Lawrence	Superior 2	1.08	1.00	1.08	1.02	1.00	1.02	1.13	1.00	1.13
	Total / Average	3.63	3.20	1.13	3.51	3.00	1.17	3.50	3.60	0.97
Madison	Circuit	1.77	1.40	1.26	1.85	1.42	1.30	2.44	1.40	1.74
Madison	Superior 1	2.17	1.33	1.63	1.99	1.55	1.28	2.00	1.50	1.34
Madison	Superior 2	2.85	1.40	2.03	2.70	1.40	1.93	2.44	1.40	1.75
Madison	Superior 3	2.18	1.35	1.61	1.99	1.56	1.27	1.73	1.52	1.14
Madison	County 1	1.29	1.10	1.18	1.26	1.10	1.14	1.04	1.26	0.82
Madison	County 2	1.48	1.11	1.34	1.19	1.11	1.07	1.22	1.06	1.15
	Total / Average	11.74	7.69	1.52	10.97	8.14	1.35	10.88	8.14	1.34
Marion	Circuit	5.89	4.50	1.31	6.30	4.50	1.40	5.54	7.00	1.39
Marion	Superior, Civil 1	2.31	1.90	1.21	2.26	1.90	1.19	2.19	1.60	1.37
Marion	Superior, Civil 2	2.29	2.10	1.09	2.62	2.10	1.25	2.17	1.60	1.36
Marion	Superior, Civil 3	2.25	1.90	1.18	2.25	1.90	1.19	2.23	1.50	1.49
Marion	Superior, Civil 4	2.27	2.00	1.13	2.24	2.00	1.12	2.00	2.20	0.91
Marion	Superior, Civil 5	2.24	2.00	1.12	2.22	2.00	1.11	2.21	1.60	1.38
Marion	Superior, Civil 6	2.22	2.00	1.11	2.23	2.00	1.12	2.18	1.60	1.36
Marion	Superior, Civil 7	2.28	2.00	1.14	2.25	2.00	1.13	2.18	1.60	1.36
Marion	Superior, Probate	2.82	4.00	0.71	2.84	4.00	0.71	2.77	3.00	0.92
Marion	Superior, Juvenile	8.72	6.40	1.36	8.92	6.40	1.39	8.68	6.00	1.45
Marion	Superior, Civil 10	2.22	1.90	1.17	2.22	1.90	1.17	2.17	1.60	1.36
Marion	Superior, Civil 11	2.20	2.00	1.10	2.21	2.00	1.10	2.19	1.60	1.37
Marion	Superior, Civil 12	2.27	2.00	1.14	2.20	2.00	1.10	2.16	1.60	1.35
Marion	Superior, Civil 13	2.27	2.00	1.14	2.29	2.00	1.14	2.21	1.60	1.38
Marion	Superior, Crim 7	1.80	1.31	1.37	1.91	1.31	1.46	1.95	1.20	1.63
Marion	Superior, Crim 8	1.78	1.31	1.36	1.93	1.31	1.47	1.95	1.20	1.63
Marion	Superior, Crim 9	2.07	1.44	1.44	1.41	1.44	0.98	1.77	1.40	1.27
Marion	Superior, Crim 10	1.72	1.31	1.31	1.76	1.31	1.35	1.75	1.20	1.46
Marion⁴	Superior, Crim 11				0.00	1.33	0.00	0.00	3.00	0.00
Marion	Superior, Crim 12	2.09	2.06	1.02	2.26	2.06	1.10	1.84	2.00	0.92
Marion	Superior, Crim 13	5.00	2.06	2.43	4.55	2.06	2.21	4.89	2.00	2.44
Marion	Superior, Crim 15	2.10	1.36	1.54	1.82	1.36	1.34	1.78	1.40	1.27
Marion	Superior, Crim 16	1.71	1.51	1.13	1.45	1.51	0.96	1.82	1.70	1.07
Marion	Superior, Crim 17	1.73	1.54	1.12	1.44	1.54	0.94	1.84	1.70	1.08
Marion	Superior, Crim 18	2.05	1.39	1.47	1.82	1.39	1.31	1.76	1.40	1.26
Marion	Superior, Crim 19	1.73	1.31	1.32	1.74	1.31	1.33	1.75	1.20	1.46
Marion	Superior, Crim 1	1.25	1.76	0.71	1.22	1.76	0.70	1.34	1.50	0.89
Marion	Superior, Crim 2	1.21	1.76	0.69	1.10	1.76	0.63	1.28	1.50	0.85
Marion	Superior, Crim 3	1.24	1.71	0.73	1.21	1.71	0.71	1.29	1.75	0.74
Marion	Superior, Crim 4	1.22	1.86	0.65	1.19	1.86	0.64	1.30	1.50	0.87
Marion	Superior, Crim 5	1.21	1.86	0.65	1.22	1.86	0.66	1.39	1.50	0.93
Marion	Superior, Crim 6	1.19	1.81	0.66	1.21	1.81	0.67	1.24	1.50	0.82
Marion	Superior, Crim 14	2.19	1.86	1.18	1.95	1.86	1.05	1.44	1.50	0.96
Marion	Superior, Crim 20	3.17	2.81	1.13	3.20	2.81	1.14	3.70	2.50	1.48
Marion	Superior, Crim 21	1.79	2.06	0.87	1.89	2.06	0.92	1.83	1.40	1.31
1		2.45	0.00	0.00	3.49	0.00	0.00	5.64	0.00	0.00

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	Total / Average	82.93	70.79	1.17	82.86	72.12	1.15	84.44	68.15	1.30
Marshall	Circuit	1.04	1.00	1.04	1.05	1.00	1.05	0.92	1.00	0.92
Marshall	Superior 1	1.20	1.00	1.20	1.22	1.00	1.22	1.09	1.00	1.09
Marshall	Superior 2	1.64	1.00	1.64	1.64	1.00	1.64	1.62	1.00	1.62
	Total / Average	3.88	3.00	1.29	3.91	3.00	1.30	3.63	3.00	1.21
Martin	Circuit	1.02	1.00	1.02	0.92	1.00	0.92	0.97	1.00	0.97
	Total / Average	1.02	1.00	1.02	0.92	1.00	0.92	0.97	1.00	0.97
Miami	Circuit	1.43	1.00	1.43	1.59	1.00	1.59	1.42	1.00	1.42
Miami	Superior	1.60	1.00	1.60	1.41	1.00	1.41	1.53	1.00	1.53
	Total / Average	3.04	2.00	1.52	3.00	2.00	1.50	2.95	2.00	1.47
Monroe	Circuit 1	1.38	1.00	1.38	1.45	1.00	1.45	1.54	1.00	1.54
Monroe	Circuit 2	1.48	1.00	1.48	1.45	1.00	1.45	1.59	1.00	1.59
Monroe	Circuit 3	1.33	1.00	1.33	1.32	1.00	1.32	1.40	1.00	1.40
Monroe	Circuit 4	1.43	1.00	1.43	1.53	1.00	1.53	1.63	1.00	1.63
Monroe	Circuit 5	1.53	1.00	1.53	1.63	1.00	1.63	1.53	1.00	1.53
Monroe	Circuit 6	1.58	1.00	1.58	1.62	1.00	1.62	1.63	1.00	1.63
Monroe	Circuit 7	1.44	1.00	1.44	1.43	1.00	1.43	1.50	1.00	1.50
	Total / Average	10.17	7.00	1.45	10.42	7.00	1.49	10.83	7.00	1.55
Montgomery	Circuit	0.95	1.00	0.95	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.11	1.00	1.11
Montgomery	Superior	1.09	1.00	1.09	1.09	1.00	1.09	1.02	1.00	1.02
Montgomery	County	1.15	1.00	1.15	1.03	1.00	1.03	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Total / Average	3.19	3.00	1.06	3.12	3.00	1.04	3.14	3.00	1.05
Morgan	Circuit	1.23	1.50	0.82	1.37	1.50	0.91	1.23	1.50	0.82
Morgan	Superior 1	1.47	1.50	0.98	1.42	1.50	0.95	1.36	1.50	0.91
Morgan	Superior 2	0.94	1.00	0.94	0.86	1.00	0.86	0.95	1.00	0.95
Morgan	Superior 3	0.93	1.00	0.93	1.09	1.00	1.09	1.00	1.00	1.00
	Total / Average	4.57	5.00	0.91	4.75	5.00	0.95	4.54	5.00	0.91
Newton	Circuit	0.44	1.00	0.44	0.56	1.00	0.56	0.57	1.00	0.57
Newton	Superior	0.56	1.00	0.56	0.73	1.00	0.73	0.74	1.00	0.74
	Total / Average	1.00	2.00	0.50	1.29	2.00	0.64	1.31	2.00	0.65
Noble	Circuit	1.42	1.00	1.42	1.36	1.00	1.36	1.33	1.00	1.33
Noble	Superior 1	1.14	1.00	1.14	1.24	1.00	1.24	1.35	1.00	1.35
Noble	Superior 2	1.06	1.00	1.06	1.07	1.00	1.07	1.23	1.00	1.23
	Total / Average	3.62	3.00	1.21	3.67	3.00	1.22	3.92	3.00	1.31
Ohio <sup>6</sup>	Circuit	0.16	0.30	0.53	0.19	0.10	1.89	0.20	0.10	1.99
Ohio	Superior	0.40	1.00	0.40	0.37	0.50	0.74	0.39	0.50	0.77
	Total / Average	0.56	1.30	0.43	0.56	0.60	0.93	0.59	0.60	0.98
Orange	Circuit	0.97	1.00	0.97	0.89	1.00	0.89	0.92	1.00	0.92
Orange	Superior	1.06	1.00	1.06	1.07	1.00	1.07	1.25	1.00	1.25
	Total / Average	2.02	2.00	1.01	1.96	2.00	0.98	2.17	2.00	1.08
Owen	Circuit	1.59	2.00	0.80	1.57	1.60	0.98	1.65	1.50	1.10
	Total / Average	1.59	2.00	0.80	1.57	1.60	0.98	1.65	1.50	1.10
Parke	Circuit	1.43	1.00	1.43	1.32	1.00	1.32	1.17	1.00	1.17
	Total / Average	1.43	1.00	1.43	1.32	1.00	1.32	1.17	1.00	1.17
Perry	Circuit	1.73	1.00	1.73	1.68	1.00	1.68	1.67	1.00	1.67
	Total / Average	1.73	1.00	1.73	1.68	1.00	1.68	1.67	1.00	1.67
Pike	Circuit	1.23	1.50	0.82	1.28	1.50	0.85	1.23	1.50	0.82
	Total / Average	1.23	1.50	0.82	1.28	1.50	0.85	1.23	1.50	0.82

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Porter	Circuit	2.03	2.00	1.01	2.15	2.00	1.08	1.91	2.00	0.96
Porter	Superior 1	2.32	2.00	1.16	2.32	2.00	1.16	2.31	2.00	1.16
Porter	Superior 2	2.27	2.00	1.14	2.22	2.00	1.11	2.13	2.00	1.07
Porter	Superior 3	1.26	1.00	1.26	1.34	1.00	1.34	1.45	1.00	1.45
Porter	Superior 4	1.44	1.00	1.44	1.59	1.00	1.59	1.57	1.00	1.57
Porter	Superior 6	1.44	1.00	1.44	1.60	1.00	1.60	1.64	1.00	1.64
	Total / Average	10.77	9.00	1.20	11.23	9.00	1.25	11.02	9.00	1.22
Posey	Circuit	0.88	1.00	0.88	0.88	1.00	0.88	0.85	1.00	0.85
Posey	Superior	0.70	1.00	0.70	0.79	1.00	0.79	0.83	1.00	0.83
	Total / Average	1.58	2.00	0.79	1.66	2.00	0.83	1.67	2.00	0.84
Pulaski	Circuit	0.74	1.00	0.74	0.64	1.00	0.64	0.68	1.00	0.68
Pulaski	Superior	0.56	1.00	0.56	0.68	1.00	0.68	0.57	1.00	0.57
	Total / Average	1.30	2.00	0.65	1.32	2.00	0.66	1.25	2.00	0.62
Putnam	Circuit	1.54	1.00	1.54	1.51	1.00	1.51	1.55	1.00	1.55
Putnam	Superior	1.29	1.00	1.29	1.24	1.00	1.24	1.34	1.00	1.34
	Total / Average	2.83	2.00	1.42	2.75	2.00	1.37	2.89	2.00	1.45
Randolph	Circuit	0.92	1.00	0.92	0.87	1.00	0.87	0.96	1.00	0.96
Randolph	Superior	0.82	1.00	0.82	0.84	1.00	0.84	0.71	1.00	0.71
	Total / Average	1.74	2.00	0.87	1.72	2.00	0.86	1.67	2.00	0.84
Ripley	Circuit	1.06	1.00	1.06	1.05	1.00	1.05	1.10	1.00	1.10
Ripley	Superior	0.67	1.00	0.67	0.77	1.00	0.77	0.78	1.00	0.78
	Total / Average	1.73	2.00	0.86	1.82	2.00	0.91	1.88	2.00	0.94
Rush	Circuit	0.74	1.00	0.74	0.70	1.00	0.70	0.85	1.00	0.85
Rush	Superior	0.73	1.00	0.73	0.67	1.00	0.67	0.65	1.00	0.65
	Total / Average	1.48	2.00	0.74	1.37	2.00	0.68	1.49	2.00	0.75
St. Joseph	Circuit	3.20	3.00	1.07	4.46	3.00	1.49	4.43	3.00	1.48
St. Joseph <sup>7</sup>	Superior 1	1.94	1.25	1.55	2.16	1.25	1.73	13.51	10.00	1.35
St. Joseph	Superior 2	2.25	1.25	1.80	2.27	1.25	1.82			
St. Joseph	Superior 3	1.98	1.25	1.58	2.22	1.25	1.78			
St. Joseph	Superior 4	1.79	1.33	1.35	1.37	1.33	1.03			
St. Joseph	Superior 5	1.80	1.33	1.35	1.45	1.33	1.09			
St. Joseph	Superior 6	1.39	1.00	1.39	1.19	1.00	1.19			
St. Joseph	Superior 7	1.79	1.33	1.35	1.39	1.33	1.04			
St. Joseph	Superior 8	2.27	1.25	1.81	1.79	1.25	1.43			
St. Joseph	Probate	4.04	3.00	1.35	3.94	3.00	1.31	3.55	3.00	1.18
	Total / Average	22.45	15.99	1.40	22.24	15.99	1.39	21.49	16.00	1.34
Scott	Circuit	1.14	1.00	1.14	1.27	1.00	1.27	1.17	1.00	1.17
Scott	Superior	1.70	1.00	1.70	1.41	1.00	1.41	1.38	1.00	1.38
	Total / Average	2.84	2.00	1.42	2.67	2.00	1.34	2.55	2.00	1.28
Shelby	Circuit	1.17	1.00	1.17	1.09	1.00	1.09	1.06	1.00	1.06
Shelby	Superior 1	1.74	1.00	1.74	1.37	1.00	1.37	1.40	1.00	1.40
Shelby	Superior 2	1.30	1.00	1.30	1.29	1.00	1.29	1.40	1.00	1.40
	Total / Average	4.21	3.00	1.40	3.75	3.00	1.25	3.86	3.00	1.29
Spencer	Circuit	1.60	1.00	1.60	1.76	1.00	1.76	1.49	1.00	1.49
	Total / Average	1.60	1.00	1.60	1.76	1.00	1.76	1.49	1.00	1.49
Starke	Circuit	1.56	2.00	0.78	1.59	2.00	0.80	1.59	2.00	0.80
	Total / Average	1.56	2.00	0.78	1.59	2.00	0.80	1.59	2.00	0.80
Steuben	Circuit	1.11	1.50	0.74	1.22	1.50	0.81	1.11	1.50	0.74

County	Court Name	2004 Need	2004 Have	2004 Utlz	2003 Need	2003 Have	2003 Utlz	2002 Need	2002 Have	2002 Utlz
Steuben	Superior	1.58	1.50	1.05	1.68	1.50	1.12	1.88	1.50	1.25
	Total / Average	2.69	3.00	0.90	2.90	3.00	0.97	2.99	3.00	1.00
Sullivan	Circuit	1.00	1.50	0.67	1.03	1.50	0.69	1.14	1.50	0.76
Sullivan	Superior	0.98	1.50	0.65	0.99	1.50	0.66	0.98	1.50	0.65
	Total / Average	1.99	3.00	0.66	2.02	3.00	0.67	2.12	3.00	0.71
Switzerland <sup>8</sup>	Circuit	0.04	0.50	0.08	0.05	0.50	0.10	0.04	0.50	0.08
Switzerland	Superior	0.87	1.05	0.82	0.88	0.50	1.76	0.87	0.50	1.73
	Total / Average	0.91	1.55	0.58	0.93	1.00	0.93	0.91	1.00	0.91
Tippecanoe	Circuit	1.86	1.05	1.77	1.80	1.05	1.71	1.26	1.05	1.20
Tippecanoe	Superior 1	1.76	1.05	1.67	1.83	1.05	1.75	2.13	1.05	2.03
Tippecanoe	Superior 2	1.88	1.05	1.79	1.42	1.05	1.35	2.05	1.05	1.95
Tippecanoe	Superior 3	2.05	1.00	2.05	1.49	1.00	1.49	1.51	1.00	1.51
Tippecanoe	Superior 4	1.48	1.25	1.18	1.59	1.25	1.27	1.15	1.25	0.92
Tippecanoe	Superior 5	1.99	1.25	1.59	1.75	1.25	1.40	1.13	1.25	0.90
Tippecanoe	Superior 6	2.15	1.25	1.72	1.64	1.25	1.31	2.24	1.25	1.79
	Total / Average	13.17	7.90	1.68	11.52	7.90	1.46	11.46	7.90	1.45
Tipton	Circuit	0.79	1.25	0.63	0.86	1.00	0.86	0.70	1.11	0.63
	Total / Average	0.79	1.25	0.63	0.86	1.00	0.86	0.70	1.11	0.63
Union	Circuit	0.74	1.00	0.74	0.69	1.00	0.69	0.69	1.00	0.69
	Total / Average	0.74	1.00	0.74	0.69	1.00	0.69	0.69	1.00	0.69
Vanderburgh	Circuit	3.13	2.00	1.57	3.47	2.00	1.73	3.59	2.00	1.79
Vanderburgh <sup>9</sup>	Superior 1	2.69	1.67	1.61	2.43	1.70	1.43	2.88	2.00	1.44
Vanderburgh	Superior 2	2.25	1.67	1.34	2.30	1.67	1.38			
Vanderburgh	Superior 3	2.40	1.67	1.43	2.45	1.67	1.47			
Vanderburgh	Superior 4	2.75	2.00	1.37	2.62	2.00	1.31	14.40	10.00	1.44
Vanderburgh	Superior 5	2.40	1.67	1.44	2.44	1.67	1.46			
Vanderburgh	Superior 6	2.41	1.67	1.44	2.44	1.67	1.46			
Vanderburgh	Superior 7	2.40	1.67	1.44	2.42	1.67	1.45			
	Total / Average	20.43	14.02	1.46	20.57	14.05	1.46	20.87	14.00	1.49
Vermillion	Circuit	1.22	1.00	1.22	1.21	1.00	1.21	1.24	1.00	1.24
	Total / Average	1.22	1.00	1.22	1.21	1.00	1.21	1.24	1.00	1.24
Vigo	Circuit	3.06	2.00	1.53	3.13	2.00	1.57	2.70	2.00	1.35
Vigo	Superior 1	1.38	1.00	1.38	1.41	1.00	1.41	1.46	1.00	1.46
Vigo	Superior 2	1.54	1.00	1.54	1.61	1.00	1.61	1.81	1.00	1.81
Vigo	Superior 4	1.30	1.00	1.30	1.11	1.00	1.11	1.15	1.00	1.15
Vigo	Superior 5	1.79	1.00	1.79	1.58	1.00	1.58	1.50	1.00	1.50
	Total / Average	9.07	6.00	1.51	8.85	6.00	1.48	8.61	6.00	1.43
Wabash	Circuit	1.52	1.05	1.45	1.34	1.00	1.34	1.48	1.07	1.38
Wabash	Superior	1.07	1.00	1.07	1.05	1.00	1.05	1.08	1.00	1.08
	Total / Average	2.59	2.05	1.26	2.38	2.00	1.19	2.56	2.07	1.24
Warren	Circuit	0.53	1.00	0.53	0.47	1.00	0.47	0.50	1.00	0.50
	Total / Average	0.53	1.00	0.53	0.47	1.00	0.47	0.50	1.00	0.50
Warrick	Circuit	1.12	1.00	1.12	1.31	1.00	1.31	1.17	1.00	1.17
Warrick	Superior 1	1.34	1.00	1.34	0.89	1.00	0.89	1.06	1.00	1.06
Warrick	Superior 2	1.23	1.00	1.23	1.25	1.00	1.25	1.13	1.00	1.13
	Total / Average	3.69	3.00	1.23	3.45	3.00	1.15	3.37	3.00	1.12
Washington	Circuit	1.47	1.00	1.47	1.27	1.00	1.27	1.16	1.00	1.16
Washington	Superior	0.96	1.00	0.96	1.26	1.00	1.26	0.95	1.00	0.95

County	Court Name	2004 Need	2004 Have	2004 Utlz	2003 Need	2003 Have	2003 Utlz	2002 Need	2002 Have	2002 Utlz
	Total / Average	2.43	2.00	1.22	2.53	2.00	1.26	2.11	2.00	1.06
Wayne	Circuit	1.28	1.00	1.28	1.18	1.00	1.18	1.32	1.00	1.32
Wayne	Superior 1	1.27	1.00	1.27	1.31	1.00	1.31	1.25	1.00	1.25
Wayne	Superior 2	1.30	1.00	1.30	1.27	1.00	1.27	1.23	1.00	1.23
Wayne	Superior 3	2.21	2.00	1.11	2.45	1.50	1.63	2.30	1.50	1.53
	Total / Average	6.06	5.00	1.21	6.21	4.50	1.38	6.11	4.50	1.36
Wells	Circuit	0.86	1.00	0.86	0.70	1.00	0.70	0.71	1.00	0.71
Wells	Superior	0.78	1.00	0.78	0.85	1.00	0.85	0.82	1.00	0.82
	Total / Average	1.64	2.00	0.82	1.55	2.00	0.77	1.53	2.00	0.76
White	Circuit	1.31	1.00	1.31	1.32	1.00	1.32	1.54	1.00	1.54
White	Superior	1.01	1.00	1.01	1.09	1.00	1.09	1.02	1.00	1.02
	Total / Average	2.32	2.00	1.16	2.41	2.00	1.20	2.56	2.00	1.28
Whitley	Circuit	1.17	1.00	1.17	1.22	1.00	1.22	1.12	1.00	1.12
Whitley	Superior	1.16	1.00	1.16	1.02	1.00	1.02	1.04	1.00	1.04
	Total / Average	2.33	2.00	1.16	2.24	2.00	1.12	2.15	2.00	1.08
	STATE Total/Average	507.78	409.79	1.24	506.44	411.23	1.23	520.95	409.42	1.27

Allen Superior Courts reported as a consolidated court until 2003.
 Dearborn Circuit Court and Ohio Circuit Court share a judge.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Jefferson Circuit Court and Switzerland Circuit Court share a judge.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Marion County Criminal Court 11 functions as an initial hearings court. The cases are considered filed in the court in which they are finally heard.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Marion County Violations Bureau does not have a judge because it only handles payment of Infractions and Ordinance Violations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Ohio Circuit Court and Dearborn Circuit Court share a judge.

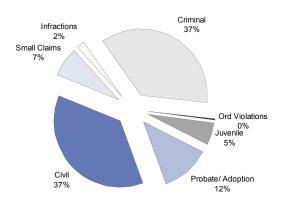
 <sup>7</sup> St. Joseph Superior Courts reported as a consolidated court until 2003.
 8 Switzerland Circuit Court and Jefferson Circuit Court share a judge.
 9 Vanderburgh Superior Courts reported as a consolidated court until 2003.

### **Indiana Trial Courts Weighted Caseload Measures – District Totals**

District	2004 Need	2004 Have	2004 Utilization
District 1 Totals/Averages	61.78	54.35	1.14
District 2 Totals/Averages	46.18	32.42	1.42
District 3 Totals/Averages	50.46	42.00	1.20
District 4 Totals/Averages	24.95	19.15	1.30
District 5 Totals/Averages	19.73	14.60	1.35
District 6 Totals/Averages	33.01	29.57	1.12
District 7 Totals/Averages	18.64	15.00	1.24
District 8 Totals/Averages	126.32	104.08	1.21
District 9 Totals/Averages	14.65	11.00	1.33
District 10 Totals/Averages	17.71	14.00	1.26
District 11 Totals/Averages	15.76	13.20	1.19
District 12 Totals/Averages	10.25	9.25	1.11
District 13 Totals/Averages	43.41	32.52	1.33
District 14 Totals/Averages	26.86	17.20	1.56
STATE Total/Average	507.78	409.59	1.24

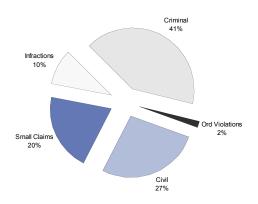


Weighted Caseload in Courts of Record



These charts reveal the importance of the weighted caseload measures, which reflect an estimate of the judicial resources consumed by each category. Despite the large number of Infractions and Small Claims cases, they consume relatively few judicial resources. In contrast, the much smaller number of civil and criminal cases consumes roughly 74% of total judicial resources in courts of record and 68% in other courts.

#### Weighted Caseload in Other Courts



# Indiana Trial Courts Cases Filed – All Courts (Caseload Comparisons)

Case Type	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Criminal				1			1			
Murder*								279	243	234
Felony	14,773	13,869	14,980	14,722	14,715	15,964	16,443	0	0	0
Class A Felony								2,534	2,505	2,577
Class B Felony								5,525	5,902	5,982
Class C Felony								9,340	9,500	9,596
Class D Felony	34,045	35,674	37,034	39,064	39,167	39,144	40,634	42,961	44,690	47,498
Misdemeanor	184,372	198,754	201,761	225,207	199,016	198,680	201,639	204,239	200,347	203,161
Post conviction	890	894	866	935	1,097	1,225	1,206	1,385	1,213	1,072
Misc. Criminal	7,984	7,306	8,791	9,893	9,912	11,329	13,762	17,059	17,642	26,259
Infractions	633,837	653,591	599,638	667,974	654,838	754,933	839,762	885,562	740,201	641,144
Ordinance Violations	81,794	74,729	73,574	104,435	90,648	92,409	88,121	115,638	97,205	91,521
Sub-Total	957,695	984,817	936,644	1,062,230	1,009,393	1,113,684	1,201,567	1,284,522	1,119,448	1,029,044
Juvenile										
CHINS	6,438	6,615	6,854	7,236	7,772	8,080	7,888	8,215	8,655	9,574
Delinquency	19,816	22,322	28,775	25,563	24,643	24,419	25,547	26,101	25,861	26,653
Status	3,960	4,067	6,069	5,618	5,389	6,033	6,375	6,314	6,832	6,460
Paternity	14,211	14,503	14,602	13,638	14,318	15,442	16,147	16,310	17,813	16,710
Miscellaneous	10,782	10,724	6,977	6,669	7,331	6,244	6,434	6,281	7,615	7,245
Term Parental Rights	631	718	920	1,271	1,816	1,637	1,551	1,513	1,801	2,097
Sub-Total	55,838	58,949	64,197	59,995	61,269	61,855	63,942	64,734	68,577	68,739
Civil										
Plenary	69,232	75,852	81,105	83,335	81,561	90,707	103,499	36,358	28,346	22,981
Mortgage Foreclosure								29,731	29,827	30,867
Civil Collections								51,760	60,021	66,355
Tort	12,784	12,849	12,716	12,144	12,336	12,588	12,169	14,596	13,565	15,387
Domestic Relations	42,976	42,402	42,385	42,323	41,139	41,587	40,682	39,794	38,360	37,410
Reciprocal Support	5,988	4,964	3,515	3,041	2,766	2,497	3,174	3,125	3,078	2,843
Mental Health	4,512	4,452	4,421	4,383	5,043	5,359	5,946	6,109	5,991	6,568
Protective Orders	14,936	16,559	19,408	20,175	21,066	24,326	27,067	26,387	25,067	27,004
Miscellaneous	9,012	8,525	8,899	8,964	9,685	10,742	9,216	10,122	11,367	11,883
Sub-Total	159,440	165,603	172,449	174,365	173,596	187,806	201,753	217,982	215,622	221,298
Small Claims	254,767	264,837	279,158	287,828	282,218	289,964	305,776	290,493	298,477	297,891
Probate/Adoption										
Adoption	2,955	3,038	3,121	3,310	3,507	3,874	3,826	3,647	3,430	3,615
Adoption Histories	232	152	110	114	62	53	48	0,017	٥, ١٥٥	٥,:١٥
Estate	17,464	17,491	17,976	16,604	15,477	15,012	15,633	15,705	15,428	15,240
Guardianship	7,022	6,816	6,912	6,929	6,502	6,519	6,475	6,544	6,469	6,671
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Trusts Sub-Total	247 <b>27,920</b>	246 <b>27,743</b>	255 <b>28,374</b>	262 <b>27,219</b>	415 <b>25,963</b>	386 <b>25,844</b>	310 <b>26,292</b>	348 <b>26,244</b>	432 <b>25,759</b>	432 <b>25,958</b>
Grand Total	1,455,660	<u> </u>	1,480,822						1,727,883	
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<sup>\*16</sup> cases filed in 2002, 7 cases filed in 2003, and 16 cases filed in 2004 evolved into Capital Murder Cases.

# Indiana Trial Courts Cases Disposed – All Courts (Caseload Comparisons)

Case Type	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Criminal							I			
Murder								44	237	
Felony	22,130	15,362	17,414	15,518	15,701	15,295	16,207	10,777	3,447	
Class A Felony								621	2,042	2,299
Class B Felony								1,790	4,889	5,318
Class C Felony								3,618	8,157	8,407
Class D Felony	23,187	31,239	34,607	35,748	39,964	40,173	40,742	41,935	45,551	43,799
Misdemeanor	174,434	187,522	190,115	194,876	202,646	199,498	199,287	206,895	210,598	202,430
Post conviction	874	868	1,000	911	755	838	718	892	786	1,280
Misc. Criminal	7,644	6,890	8,174	9,328	9,812	10,659	12,468	15,726	17,011	18,826
Infractions	625,777	643,771	609,384	630,329	643,071	747,432	837,308	905,916	762,833	663,027
Ordinance Violations	68,335	97,233	90,480	83,146	92,533	96,818	93,980	119,459	101,844	86,953
Sub-Total	922,381	982,885	951,174	969,856	1,004,482	1,110,713	1,200,710	1,307,673	1,157,395	1,034,1911
Juvenile				r	r					·
CHINS	5,938	5,920	7,513	6,186	6,363	7,150	7,535	7,471	7,201	8,446
Delinquency	19,850	21,651	28,779	25,675	23,939	23,867	24,682	24,157	25,401	23,392
Status	3,927	4,142	5,748	7,018	5,200	5,589	5,970	5,612	6,287	5,837
Paternity	12,799	13,619	13,135	13,116	11,900	13,057	13,739	14,832	14,794	14,786
Miscellaneous	10,172	10,253	7,160	6,908	6,499	5,969	5,939	5,730	7,146	6,823
Term Parental Rights	259	498	653	839	1,241	1,630	1,557	1,506	1,692	1,515
Sub-Total	52,945	56,083	62,988	59,742	55,142	57,262	59,422	59,308	62,521	60,799
Civil										
Plenary	68,524	66,384	74,199	84,610	80,500	81,166	95,806	57,603	35,131	28,654
Mortgage Foreclosure								15,740	28,362	29,889
Civil Collections								29,908	51,242	56,853
Tort	11,556	11,449	11,740	11,991	12,717	12,506	12,997	15,393	15,444	15,211
Domestic Relations	43,398	41,860	41,389	42,948	41,830	42,651	41,726	40,413	38,858	36,138
Reciprocal Support	5,775	4,691	2,985	3,012	2,783	2,296	2,099	2,366	3,371	2,091
Mental Health	4,468	3,709	3,955	5,076	4,880	4,712	5,079	4,536	5,045	5,831
Protective Orders	14,320	15,176	18,540	18,899	20,895	24,016	24,400	26,170	23,708	24,062
Miscellaneous	8,059	7,508	7,832	8,144	8,221	7,355	8,277	8,297	10,304	10,995
Sub-Total	156,100	150,777	160,640	174,680	171,826	174,702	190,384	200,426	211,465	209,724
Small Claims	243,767	248,473	267,795	277,066	272,545	272,437	299,033	284,741	289,841	287,761
Probate/Adoption							Į.			
Adoption	2,767	2,903	3,194	3,233	3,281	3,417	3,521	3,712	3,168	3,392
Adoption Histories	110	104	152	86	58	37	50	53	7,130	3,002
Estate	16,295	16,150	17,068	16,223	14,912	14,005	14,566	14,872	14,737	15,538
Guardianship	5,042	5,394	6,141	5,773	4,857	5,940	7,017	5,428	6,139	
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Trusts Sub-Total	213 <b>24,427</b>	269 <b>24,820</b>	229 <b>26,784</b>	253 <b>25,568</b>	345 <b>23,453</b>	304 <b>23,703</b>	307 <b>25,461</b>	233 <b>24,298</b>	24,496	
Grand Total	1,399,620	1,463,038	1,469,381	1,506,912	1,527,448	1,638,817	1,775,010	1,876,446		1,617,321

## **Indiana Trial Courts: Circuit, Superior, Probate, and County Courts**

### 2004 Caseload Comparison - Cases Filed

Case Type	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Criminal								070	0.40	
Murder								279	243	234
Felony	14,773	13,869	14,980	14,722	14,715	15,964	16,443	0	0	0
Class A Felony								2,534	2,505	2,577
Class B Felony								5,525	5,902	5,982
Class C Felony								9,340	9,500	9,596
Class D Felony	34,038	35,674	37,034	39,064	39,167	39,144	40,634	42,961	44,690	47,498
Misdemeanor	140,711	143,409	146,770	149,913	147,036	149,066	148,544	153,326	152,421	155,362
Post conviction	750	835	775	856	1,021	1,170	1,143	1,317	1,175	1,071
Misc. Criminal	6,934	7,159	8,568	9,633	9,340	10,828	13,383	15,456	17,228	25,376
Infractions	469,796	464,920	411,692	451,724	455,360	522,432	568,077	613,535	510,419	419,613
Ordinance Violations	65,076	56,256	54,729	59,143	67,902	69,067	60,684	82,777	64,951	54,763
Sub-Total	732,078	722,122	674,548	725,055	734,541	807,671	848,908	927,050	809,034	722,072
Juvenile		· ·								
CHINS	6,438	6,615	6,854	7,236	7,772	8,080	7,888	8,215	8,655	9,574
Delinquency	19,816	22,322	28,775	25,563	24,643	24,419	25,547	26,101	25,861	26,653
Status	3,960	4,067	6,069	5,618	5,389	6,033	6,375	6,314	6,832	6,460
Paternity	14,211	14,503	14,602	13,638	14,318	15,442	16,147	16,310	17,813	16,710
Miscellaneous	10,782	10,724	6,977	6,669	7,331	6,244	6,434	6,281	7,615	7,245
Term Parental Rights	631	718	920	1,271	1,816	1,637	1,551	1,513	1,801	2,097
Sub-Total	55,838	58,949	64,197	59,995	61,269	61,855	63,942	64,734	68,577	68,739
Civil										
Plenary	54,894	60,015	67,494	71,824	71,778	78,515	91,221	20,312	20,657	16,412
Mortgage Foreclosure								29,731	29,827	30,867
Civil Collections								50,101	56,832	63,189
Tort	12,784	12,849	12,716	12,144	12,336	12,588	12,169	12,795	11,874	12,388
Domestic Relations	42,976	42,402	42,385	42,323	41,139	41,587	40,682	39,794	38,360	37,410
Reciprocal Support	5,988	4,964	3,515	3,041	2,766	2,497	3,174	3,125	3,078	2,843
Mental Health	4,484	4,423	4,383	4,342	5,007	5,341	5,916	6,099	5,969	6,528
Protective Orders	14,936	16,559	19,408	20,175	21,066	24,326	27,067	26,387	25,067	27,004
Miscellaneous	8,860	8,409	8,755	8,964	9,684	10,742	9,216	10,116	11,308	11,601
Sub-Total	144,922	149,621	158,656	162,813	163,776	175,596	189,445	198,460	202,972	208,242
Small Claims	243,767	248,473	267,795	277,066	272,545	272,437	299,033	217,582	225,275	224,725
Probate/Adoption		Į.	Į.		Į.					
Adoption	2,955	3,038	3,121	3,310	3,507	3,874	3,826	3,647	3,430	3,615
Adoption Histories	232	152	110	114	62	53	48	0	0	0
Estate	17,464	17,491	17,976	16,604	15,477	15,012	15,633	15,705	15,428	15,240
Guardianship	7,022	6,816	6,912	6,929	6,605	6,519	6,475	6,544	6,469	6,671
Trusts	247	246	255	262	415	386	310	348	432	432
Sub-Total	27,920	27,743	28,374	27,219	26,066	25,844	26,292	26,244	25,759	25,958
Grand Total	1,204,525	1,206,908	1,193,570	1,252,148	1,258,197	1,343,403	1,427,620	1,434,070	1,331,617	1,249,736

<sup>\*16</sup> cases filed in 2002, 7 cases filed in 2003, and 16 cases filed in 2004 evolved into Capital Murder Cases.

### Indiana Trial Courts: City, Town, and Small Claims Courts 2004 Caseload Comparison – Cases Filed

Coop Type	1005	1996	1007	1000	1000	2000	2004	2002	2002	2004
Case Type Criminal	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Murder										
Felony										
Class A Felony										
Class B Felony										
Class C Felony										
Class D Felony										
Misdemeanor	43,661	55,345	54,991	75,294	51,980	49,614	53,095	50,913	47,926	47,799
Post conviction	140	59	91	79	76	55	63	68	38	1
Misc. Criminal	1,050	147	223	260	572	501	329	1,603	414	883
Infractions	164,041	188,671	187,946	216,250	199,478		271,685	272,027	229,782	221,531
Ordinance Violations	16,718	18,473	18,845	45,292	22,746		27,437	32,861	32,254	36,758
Sub-Total	225,610	262,695	262,096	337,175	274,852		352,609	357,472	310,414	306,972
Juvenile	220,010	202,030	202,030	337,173	214,002	300,013	302,003	307,472	310,414	300,312
CHINS										
Delinquency										
Status										
Paternity										
Miscellaneous										
Term Parental Rights										
Sub-Total	0	0	0	o	0	o	0	o	o	o
Civil										
Plenary	14,338	15,837	13,611	11,511	9,783	12,192	12,278	16,046	7,689	6,569
Mortgage Foreclosure										
Civil Collections								1,659	3,189	3,166
Tort								1,801	1,691	2,999
Domestic Relations										
Reciprocal Support										
Mental Health	28	29	38	41	36	18	30	10	22	40
Protective Orders										
Miscellaneous	152	116	144	0	1			6	59	282
Sub-Total	14,518	15,982	13,793	11,552	9,820	12,210	12,308	19,522	12,650	13,056
Small Claims	77,401	77,496	79,495	77,915	76,002	74,112	75,023	72,911	73,202	73,166
Probate/Adoption		1.		"	<u>'</u>	<u> </u>				
Adoption										
Adoption Histories										
Estate										
Guardianship										
Trusts										
Sub-Total	О	0	o	0	0	o	0	0	o	0
Grand Total	317,529	356,173	355,384	426,642	360,674	392,335	439,940	449,905	396,266	393,194

## **Indiana Trial Courts: Circuit, Superior, Probate, and County Courts**

#### 2004 Caseload Comparison – Cases Disposed

Case Type	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Criminal	1330	1330	1331	1330	1333	2000	2001	2002	2000	2004
Murder								44	237	216
Felony	22,130	15,362	17,414	15,518	15,701	15,295	16,207	10,777	3,447	1,636
Class A Felony							•	621	2,042	2,299
Class B Felony								1,790	4,889	5,318
Class C Felony								3,618	8,157	8,407
Class D Felony	23,186	31,239	34,607	35,748	39,964	40,173	40,742	41,935	45,551	43,799
Misdemeanor	137,639	146,097	145,489	146,628	144,154	152,701	150,881	159,128	166,575	153,715
Post conviction	732	808	908	813	675	778	653	817	746	1,278
Misc. Criminal	6,620	6,741	7,954	9,116	9,330	10,372	12,137	14,369	16,739	17,930
Infractions	456,575	462,850	435,029	447,634	449,348	525,819	575,945	629,645	520,168	442,519
Ordinance Violations	54,754	81,166	71,165	61,506	70,524	76,187	66,843	87,457	72,616	54,054
5Sub-Total	701,636	744,263	712,566	716,963	729,696	821,325	863,408	950,201	841,167	731,171
Juvenile										
CHINS	5,938	5,920	7,513	6,186	6,363	7,150	7,535	7,471	7,201	8,446
Delinquency	19,850	21,651	28,779	25,675	23,939	23,867	24,682	24,157	25,401	23,392
Status	3,927	4,142	5,748	7,018	5,200	5,589	5,970	5,612	6,287	5,837
Paternity	12,799	13,619	13,135	13,116	11,900	13,057	13,739	14,832	14,794	14,786
Miscellaneous	10,172	10,253	7,160	6,908	6,499	5,969	5,939	5,730	7,146	6,823
Term Parental Rights	259	498	653	839	1,241	1,630	1,557	1,506	1,692	1,515
Sub-Total	52,945	56,083	62,988	59,742	55,142	57,262	59,422	59,308	62,521	60,799
Civil										
Plenary	54,912	52,147	59,932	68,029	67,053	70,434	82,666	49,103	28,793	23,314
Mortgage Foreclosure								15,740	28,362	29,889
Civil Collections								28,647	46,171	53,695
Tort	11,556	11,449	11,740	11,991	12,717	12,506	12,997	12,365	12,379	12,164
Domestic Relations	43,398	41,860	41,389	42,948	41,830	42,651	41,726	40,413	38,858	36,138
Reciprocal Support	5,775	4,691	2,985	3,012	2,783	2,296	2,099	2,366	3,371	2,091
Mental Health	4,440	3,680	3,917	5,035	4,844	4,694	5,049	4,526	5,023	5,791
Protective Orders	14,320	15,176	18,540	18,899	20,895	24,016	24,400	26,170	23,708	24,062
Miscellaneous	7,926	7,441	7,732	8,144	8,220	7,355	8,277	8,292	10,243	10,823
Sub-Total	142,327	136,444	146,235	158,058	158,342	163,952	177,214	187,622	196,908	197,967
Small Claims	167,210	173,703	190,501	201,470	198,191	204,316	223,941	212,216	213,600	218,636
Probate/Adoption										
Adoption	2,767	2,903	3,194	3,233	3,281	3,417	3,521	3,712	3,168	3,392
Adoption Histories	110	104	152	86	58	37	50	53	7	6
Estate	16,295	16,150	17,068	16,223	14,912	14,005	14,566	14,872	14,737	15,538
Guardianship	5,042	5,394	6,141	5,773	4,857	5,940	7,017	5,428	6,139	5,561
Trusts	213	269	229	253	345	304	307	233	445	349
Sub-Total	24,427	24,820	26,784	25,568	23,453	23,703	25,461	24,298	24,496	24,846
Grand Total	1,088,545	1,135,313	1,139,074	1,161,801	1,164,824	1,270,558	1,349,446	1,433,645	1,338,692	1,233,419

### Indiana Trial Courts: City, Town, and Small Claims Courts 2004 Caseload Comparison – Cases Disposed

Casa Typa	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Case Type Criminal	1333	1330	1997	1990	1333	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Murder										
Felony										
Class A Felony										
Class B Felony										
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Class C Felony	4									
Class D Felony Misdemeanor	36,795	41,425	44,626	48,248	58,492	46,797	48,436	47,767	44,023	48,715
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Post conviction	142	60	92	98	80	60	65	75	40	2
Misc. Criminal	1,024	149	220	212	482	287	331	1,357	272	896
Infractions	169,202	180,921	174,355	182,695	193,723		261,363	276,271	242,665	220,508
Ordinance Violations	13,581	16,067	19,315	21,640	22,009	20,631	27,137	32,002	29,228	32,899
Sub-Total	220,745	238,622	238,608	252,893	274,786	289,388	337,332	357,472	316,228	303,020
Juvenile										
CHINS										
Delinquency										
Status										
Paternity										
Miscellaneous										
Term Parental Rights										
Sub-Total	o	o	o	o	0	o	o	o	О	o
Civil										
Plenary	13,612	14,237	14,267	16,581	13,447	10,732	13,140	8,500	6,338	5,340
Mortgage Foreclosure										
Civil Collections								1,261	5,071	3,158
Tort								3,028	3,065	3,047
Domestic Relations										
Reciprocal Support										
Mental Health	28	29	38	41	36	18	30	10	22	40
Protective Orders										
Miscellaneous	133	67	100	0	1	0	0	5	61	172
Sub-Total	13,773	14,333	14,405	16,622	13,484	10,750	13,170	12,804	14,557	11,757
Small Claims	76,557	74,770	77,294	75,596	74,354	68,121	75,092	72,525	76,241	69,125
Probate/Adoption	1	I	I			I				
Adoption										
Adoption Histories										
Estate										
Guardianship										
Trusts										
Sub-Total	0	О	o	0	0	О	0	o	0	0
Grand Total	311,075	327,725	330,307	345,111	362,624	368,259	425,594	442,801	407,026	383,902

# Indiana Trial Courts Cases Pending on January 1, 2004

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal	1						
Murder (MR)	293	0	293	0	0	0	293
Felony (CF)	13,151	0	13,151	0	0	0	13,151
Class A Felony (FA)	2,541	0	2,541	0	0	0	2,541
Class B Felony (FB)	5,035	0	5,035	0	0	0	5,035
Class C Felony (FC)	8,097	0	8,097	0	0	0	8,097
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	52,320	1,613	53,933	0	0	0	53,933
Misdemeanor (CM)	161,745	3,675	165,420	123,772	0	123,772	289,192
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	3,719	40	3,759	24	0	24	3,783
Miscellaneous (MC)	12,472	14	12,486	609	0	609	13,095
Infraction (IF)	266,863	4,394	271,257	159,788	0	159,788	431,045
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	30,962	985	31,947	55,139	0	55,139	87,086
TOTAL	557,198	10,721	567,919	339,332	0	339,332	907,251
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	15,027	0	15,027	0	0	0	15,027
Delinquency (JD)	22,747	0	22,747	0	0	0	22,747
Status (JS)	4,985	0	4,985	0	0	0	4,985
Paternity (JP)	35,802	0	35,802	0	0	0	35,802
Miscellaneous (JM)	5,504	0	5,504	0	0	0	5,504
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	2,511	0	2,511	0	0	0	2,511
TOTAL	86,576	0	86,576	0	0	0	86,576
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP/PL)	81,779	409	82,188	61,165	0	61,165	143,353
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	15,303	0	15,303	0	0	0	15,303
Civil Collections (CC)	31,349	358	31,707	3,193	0	3,193	34,900
Tort (CT)	26,033	14	26,047	836	0	836	26,883
Small Claims (SC)	176,529	5,574	182,103	1	68,130	68,131	250,234
Domestic Relations (DR)	54,923	0	54,923	0	0	0	54,923
Reciprocal Support (RS)	10,928	0	10,928	0	0	0	10,928
Mental Health (MH)	8,009	0	8,009	0	0	0	8,009
Adoptions (AD)	3,842	0	3,842	0	0	0	3,842
Adoption History (AH)	403	0	403	0	0	0	403
Estates (ES/EU)	51,226	0	51,226	0	0	0	51,226
Guardianships (GU)	53,576	0	53,576	0	0	0	53,576
Trusts (TR)	1,785	0	1,785	0	0	0	1,785
Protective Orders (PO)	11,264	74	11,338	0	0	0	11,338
Miscellaneous (MI)	19,788	1	19,789	24	0	24	19,813
TOTAL	546,737	6,430	553,167	65,219	68,130	133,349	686,516
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	1,190,511	17,151	1,207,662	404,551	68,130	472,681	1,680,343

## **Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Total Cases Filed**

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	234	0	234	0	0	0	234
Felony (CF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class A Felony (FA)	2,577	0	2,577	0	0	0	2,577
Class B Felony (FB)	5,982	0	5,982	0	0	0	5,982
Class C Felony (FC)	9,596	0	9,596	0	0	0	9,596
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	46,250	1,248	47,498	0	0	0	47,498
Misdemeanor (CM)	152,057	3,305	155,362	47,799	0	47,799	203,161
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	1,071	0	1,071	1	0	1	1,072
Miscellaneous (MC)	22,395	2,981	25,376	883	0	883	26,259
Infraction (IF)	409,037	10,576	419,613	221,531	0	221,531	641,144
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	54,264	499	54,763	36,758	0	36,758	91,521
TOTAL	703,463	18,609	722,072	306,972	0	306,972	1,029,044
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	9,574	0	9,574	0	0	0	9,574
Delinquency (JD)	26,653	0	26,653	0	0	0	26,653
Status (JS)	6,460	0	6,460	0	0	0	6,460
Paternity (JP)	16,710	0	16,710	0	0	0	16,710
Miscellaneous (JM)	7,245	0	7,245	0	0	0	7,245
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	2,097	0	2,097	0	0	0	2,097
TOTAL	68,739	0	68,739	0	0	0	68,739
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	16,366	46	16,412	6,569	0	6,569	22,981
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	30,867	0	30,867	0	0	0	30,867
Civil Collections (CC)	62,245	944	63,189	3,166	0	3,166	66,355
Tort (CT)	12,368	20	12,388	2,999	0	2,999	15,387
Small Claims (SC)	214,451	10,274	224,725	0	73,166	73,166	297,891
Domestic Relations (DR)	37,410	0	37,410	0	0	0	37,410
Reciprocal Support (RS)	2,843	0	2,843	0	0	0	2,843
Mental Health (MH)	6,528	0	6,528	40	0	40	6,568
Adoptions (AD)	3,615	0	3,615	0	0	0	3,615
Adoption History (AH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	15,240	0	15,240	0	0	0	15,240
Guardianships (GU)	6,671	0	6,671	0	0	0	6,671
Trusts (TR)	432	0	432	0	0	0	432
Protective Orders (PO)	26,538	466	27,004	0	0	0	27,004
Miscellaneous (MI)	11,315	286	11,601	185	97	282	11,883
TOTAL	446,889	12,036	458,925	12,959	73,263	86,222	545,147
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	1,302,086	30,645	1,332,731	319,931	73,263	393,194	1,642,930

## **Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Total Cases Venued In**

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal		•					
Murder (MR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Felony (CF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class A Felony (FA)	3	0	3	0	0	0	3
Class B Felony (FB)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Class C Felony (FC)	12	0	12	0	0	0	12
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	13	0	13	0	0	0	13
Misdemeanor (CM)	12	0	12	1	0	1	13
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Miscellaneous (MC)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Infraction (IF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	44	0	44	1	0	1	45
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	5	0	5	0	0	0	5
Delinquency (JD)	37	0	37	0	0	0	37
Status (JS)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Paternity (JP)	29	0	29	0	0	0	29
Miscellaneous (JM)	6	0	6	0	0	0	6
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	78	0	78	O	0	0	78
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	65	0	65	0	0	0	65
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	13	0	13	0	0	0	13
Civil Collections (CC)	95	0	95	0	0	0	95
Tort (CT)	62	0	62	0	0	0	62
Small Claims (SC)	45	2	47	0	85	85	132
Domestic Relations (DR)	121	0	121	0	0	0	121
Reciprocal Support (RS)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Mental Health (MH)	3	0	3	0	0	0	3
Adoptions (AD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoption History (AH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guardianships (GU)	17	0	17	0	0	0	17
Trusts (TR)	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Protective Orders (PO)	39	0	39	0	0	0	39
Miscellaneous (MI)	20	0	20	0	0	0	20
TOTAL	483	2	485	0	85	85	570
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	605	2	607	1	85	86	693

## **Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Total Cases Transferred In**

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal			<u></u>				
Murder (MR)	16	0	16	0	0	0	16
Felony (CF)	159	0	159	0	0	0	159
Class A Felony (FA)	146	0	146	0	0	0	146
Class B Felony (FB)	408	0	408	0	0	0	408
Class C Felony (FC)	954	0	954	0	0	0	954
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	4,895	51	4,946	0	0	0	4,946
Misdemeanor (CM)	8,430	2	8,432	12	0	12	8,444
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	179	0	179	0	0	0	179
Miscellaneous (MC)	439	0	439	0	0	0	439
Infraction (IF)	16,745	0	16,745	20	0	20	16,765
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	6,316	0	6,316	0	0	0	6,316
TOTAL	38,687	53	38,740	32	0	32	38,772
JUVENILE	•						
CHINS (JC)	215	0	215	0	0	0	215
Delinquency (JD)	208	0	208	0	0	0	208
Status (JS)	24	0	24	0	0	0	24
Paternity (JP)	83	0	83	0	0	0	83
Miscellaneous (JM)	116	0	116	0	0	0	116
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	124	0	124	0	0	0	124
TOTAL	770	0	770	O	0	0	770
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	733	6	739	0	0	0	739
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	274	0	274	0	0	0	274
Civil Collections (CC)	924	4	928	0	0	0	928
Tort (CT)	710	0	710	0	0	0	710
Small Claims (SC)	1,594	0	1,594	0	48	48	1,642
Domestic Relations (DR)	1,707	0	1,707	0	0	0	1,707
Reciprocal Support (RS)	9	0	9	0	0	0	9
Mental Health (MH)	25	0	25	0	0	0	25
Adoptions (AD)	24	0	24	0	0	0	24
Adoption History (AH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	350	0	350	0	0	0	350
Guardianships (GU)	468	0	468	0	0	0	468
Trusts (TR)	9	0	9	0	0	0	9
Protective Orders (PO)	787	0	787	0	0	0	787
Miscellaneous (MI)	148	1	149	0	0	0	149
TOTAL	7,762	11	7,773	О	48	48	7,821
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	47,219	64	47,283	32	48	80	47,363

# Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Total Cases Venued Out

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT,	COUNTY	TOTAL	CITY &	MARION	TOTAL CITY,	TOTAL OF
	SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	Courts	COURTS OF RECORD	TOWN COURTS	COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Felony (CF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class A Felony (FA)	3	0	3	0	0	0	3
Class B Felony (FB)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class C Felony (FC)	3	0	3	0	0	0	3
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	13	10	23	0	0	0	23
Misdemeanor (CM)	9	0	9	152	0	152	161
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Infraction (IF)	4	0	4	115	0	115	119
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	0	0	0	12	0	12	12
TOTAL	32	10	42	279	0	279	321
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	8	0	8	0	0	0	8
Delinquency (JD)	121	0	121	0	0	0	121
Status (JS)	12	0	12	0	0	0	12
Paternity (JP)	10	0	10	0	0	0	10
Miscellaneous (JM)	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	8	0	8	0	0	0	8
TOTAL	161	0	161	0	0	0	161
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	98	0	98	659	0	659	757
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	23	0	23	0	0	0	23
Civil Collections (CC)	125	0	125	0	0	0	125
Tort (CT)	90	0	90	0	0	0	90
Small Claims (SC)	349	0	349	0	118	118	467
Domestic Relations (DR)	87	0	87	0	0	0	87
Reciprocal Support (RS)	9	0	9	0	0	0	9
Mental Health (MH)	10	0	10	0	0	0	10
Adoptions (AD)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Adoption History (AH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	4	0	4	0	0	0	4
Guardianships (GU)	10	0	10	0	0	0	10
Trusts (TR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protective Orders (PO)	49	0	49	0	0	0	49
Miscellaneous (MI)	13	0	13	0	0	0	13
TOTAL	868	0	868	659	118	777	1645
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	1,061	10	1,071	938	118	1,056	2,127

# Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Total Cases Transferred Out

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal			<u></u>				
Murder (MR)	14	0	14	0	0	0	14
Felony (CF)	87	0	87	0	0	0	87
Class A Felony (FA)	108	0	108	0	0	0	108
Class B Felony (FB)	334	0	334	0	0	0	334
Class C Felony (FC)	584	0	584	0	0	0	584
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	4,658	60	4,718	0	0	0	4,718
Misdemeanor (CM)	7,475	30	7,505	813	0	813	8,318
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	51	0	51	0	0	0	51
Miscellaneous (MC)	401	0	401	65	0	65	466
Infraction (IF)	9,135	1	9,136	819	0	819	9,955
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	4,506	0	4,506		0	16	
TOTAL	27,353		27,444	1,713	0	1,713	29,157
JUVENILE			·				
CHINS (JC)	83	0	83	0	0	0	83
Delinquency (JD)	133	0	133	0	0	0	133
Status (JS)	7	0	7	0	0	0	7
Paternity (JP)	199	0	199	0	0	0	199
Miscellaneous (JM)	64	0	64	0	0	0	64
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	254	0	254	0	0	0	254
TOTAL	740	0	740	O	0	0	740
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	674	0	674	0	0	0	674
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	254	0	254	0	0	0	254
Civil Collections (CC)	481	0	481	0	0	0	481
Tort (CT)	849	0	849	0	0	0	849
Small Claims (SC)	760	11	771	0	291	291	1,062
Domestic Relations (DR)	921	0	921	0	0	0	921
Reciprocal Support (RS)	27	0	27	0	0	0	27
Mental Health (MH)	28	0	28	0	0	0	28
Adoptions (AD)	28	0	28	0	0	0	28
Adoption History (AH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	224	0	224	0	0	0	224
Guardianships (GU)	372	0	372	0	0	0	372
Trusts (TR)	17	0	17	0	0	0	17
Protective Orders (PO)	833	0	833	0	0	0	833
Miscellaneous (MI)	134	1	135	0	0	0	135
TOTAL	5602	12	5614	o	291	291	5,905
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	33,695	103	33,798	1,713	291	2,004	35,802

# Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Total Cases Disposed

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	216	0	216	0	0	0	216
Felony (CF)	1,636	0	1,636	0	0	0	1,636
Class A Felony (FA)	2,299	0	2,299	0	0	0	2,299
Class B Felony (FB)	5,318	0	5,318	0	0	0	5,318
Class C Felony (FC)	8,407	0	8,407	0	0	0	8,407
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	42,974	825	43,799	0	0	0	43,799
Misdemeanor (CM)	150,499	3,216	153,715	48,715	0	48,715	202,430
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	1,278	0	1,278		0	2	1,280
Miscellaneous (MC)	17,889	41	17,930	896	0	896	18,826
Infraction (IF)	428,985	13,534	442,519	220,508	0	220,508	663,027
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	53,706		54,054	32,899	0		86,953
TOTAL	713,207	17,964	731,171	303,020	0	303,020	1,034,191
JUVENILE						·	
CHINS (JC)	8,446	0	8,446	0	0	0	8,446
Delinquency (JD)	23,392	0	23,392	0	0	0	23,392
Status (JS)	5,837	0	5,837	0	0	0	5,837
Paternity (JP)	14,786	0	14,786	0	0	0	14,786
Miscellaneous (JM)	6,823	0	6,823	0	0	0	6,823
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	1,515	0	1,515	0	0	0	1,515
TOTAL	60,799	0	60,799	О	0	0	60,799
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	23,265	49	23,314	5,340	0	5,340	28,654
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	29,889	0	29,889	0	0	0	29,889
Civil Collections (CC)	52,966	729	53,695	3,158	0	3,158	56,853
Tort (CT)	12,151	13	12,164	3,047	0	3,047	15,211
Small Claims (SC)	209,430	9,206	218,636	0	69,125	69,534	287,761
Domestic Relations (DR)	36,138	0	36,138	0	0	0	36,138
Reciprocal Support (RS)	2,091	0	2,091	0	0	0	2,091
Mental Health (MH)	5,791	0	5,791	40	0	40	5,831
Adoptions (AD)	3,392	0	3,392	0	0	0	3,392
Adoption History (AH)	6	0	6	0	0	0	6
Estates (ES/EU)	15,538	0	15,538	0	0	0	15,538
Guardianships (GU)	5,561	0	5,561	0	0	0	5,561
Trusts (TR)	349	0	349	0	0	0	349
Protective Orders (PO)	23,640	422	24,062	0	0	0	24,062
Miscellaneous (MI)	10,538	285			0	172	10,995
TOTAL	430,745	10,704	441,449	11,757	69,125	80,882	522,331
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	1,205,652	28,668	1,234,320	314,777	69,125	385,894	1,617,321

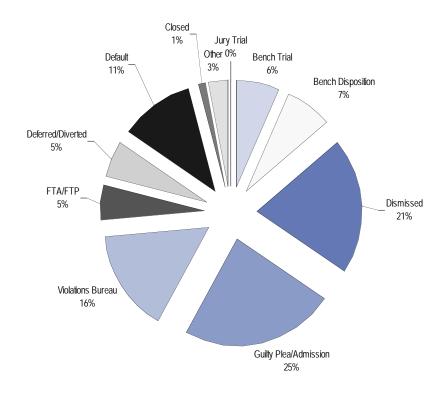
# Indiana Trial Courts Cases Pending on December 31, 2004

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal	•			•			
Murder (MR)	313	0	313	0	0	0	313
Felony (CF)	11,587	0	11,587	0	0	0	11,587
Class A Felony (FA)	2,857	0	2,857	0	0	0	2,857
Class B Felony (FB)	5,774	0	5,774	0	0	0	5,774
Class C Felony (FC)	9,665	0	9,665	0	0	0	9,665
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	55,833	2,017	57,850	0	0	0	57,850
Misdemeanor (CM)	164,261	3,736	167,997	121,904	0	121,904	289,901
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	3,642	40	3,682	23	0	23	3,705
Miscellaneous (MC)	17,017	2,954	19,971	531	0	531	20,502
Infraction (IF)	254,521	1,435	255,956	159,897	0	159,897	415,853
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	33,330	1,136	34,466	58,970	0	58,970	93,436
TOTAL	558,800	11,318	570,118	341,325	0	341,325	911,443
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	16,284	0	16,284	0	0	0	16,284
Delinquency (JD)	25,999	0	25,999	0	0	0	25,999
Status (JS)	5,614	0	5,614	0	0	0	5,614
Paternity (JP)	37,629	0	37,629	0	0	0	37,629
Miscellaneous (JM)	5,982	0	5,982	0	0	0	5,982
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	2,955	0	2,955	0	0	0	2,955
TOTAL	94,463	0	94,463	О	0	O	94,463
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	74,906	412	75,318	61,735	0	61,735	137,053
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	16,291	0	16,291	0	0	0	16,291
Civil Collections (CC)	41,041	577	41,618	3,201	0	3,201	44,819
Tort (CT)	26,083	21	26,104	788	0	788	26,892
Small Claims (SC)	182,080	6,633	188,713	1	71,895	71,896	260,609
Domestic Relations (DR)	57,015	0	57,015	0	0	0	57,015
Reciprocal Support (RS)	11,654	0	11,654	0	0	0	11,654
Mental Health (MH)	8,736	0	8,736	0	0	0	8,736
Adoptions (AD)	4,060	0	4,060	0	0	0	4,060
Adoption History (AH)	397	0	397	0	0	0	397
Estates (ES/EU)	51,050	0	51,050	0	0	0	51,050
Guardianships (GU)	54,789	0	54,789	0	0	0	54,789
Trusts (TR)	1,862	0	1,862	0	0	0	1,862
Protective Orders (PO)	14,106	118	14,224	0	0	0	14,224
Miscellaneous (MI)	20,586	2	20,588	37	97	134	20,722
TOTAL	564,656	7,763	572,419	12,389	71,992	84,381	710,173
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	1,217,919	19,081	1,237,000	353,714	71,992	425,706	1,716,079

# Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition – All Cases

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Jury Trial	1,942	16	1,958	219	0	219	2,177
Bench Trial	79,714	2,627	82,341	13,330	8,812	22,142	104,483
Bench Disposition	100,970	2,367	103,337	6,824	5,929	12,753	116,090
Dismissed	257,828	5,455	263,283	43,752	25,623	69,375	332,658
Guilty Plea/Admission	303,474	3,745	307,219	77,173	0	77,173	384,392
Violations Bureau	155,638	7,161	162,799	88,861	0	88,861	251,660
FTA/FTP	53,301	2,689	55,990	30,358	0	30,358	86,348
Deferred/Diverted	56,671	416	57,087	30,634	0	30,634	87,721
Default	148,808	4,040	152,848	5,906	24,579	30,485	183,333
Closed	18,952	0	18,952	0	0	0	18,952
Other	27,453	152	27,605	17,720	4,182	21,902	49,507
TOTAL	1,204,751	28,668	1,233,419	314,777	69,125	383,902	1,617,321

#### **Method of Disposition for All Courts**



# **Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition – Jury Trials**

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	79	0	79	0	0	0	79
Felony (CF)	35	0	35	0	0	0	35
Class A Felony (FA)	143	0	143	0	0	0	143
Class B Felony (FB)	235	0	235	0	0	0	235
Class C Felony (FC)	165	0	165	0	0	0	165
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	405	13	418	0	0	0	418
Misdemeanor (CM)	175	2	177	12	0	12	189
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MC)	4	0	4	0	0	0	4
Infraction (IF)	12	0	12	207	0	207	219
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1253	15	1268	219	0	219	1487
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delinquency (JD)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Status (JS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paternity (JP)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Miscellaneous (JM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	137	1	138	0	0	0	138
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Civil Collections (CC)	10	0	10	0	0	0	10
Tort (CT)	539	0	539	0	0	0	539
Small Claims (SC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Relations (DR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reciprocal Support (RS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mental Health (MH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoptions (AD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoption History (AH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guardianships (GU)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trusts (TR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protective Orders (PO)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MI)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	687	1	688	0	0	0	688
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	1,942	16	1,958	219	0	219	2,177

### Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition – Bench Trials

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	8	0	8	0	0	0	8
Felony (CF)	31	0	31	0	0	0	31
Class A Felony (FA)	37	0	37	0	0	0	37
Class B Felony (FB)	109	0	109	0	0	0	109
Class C Felony (FC)	176	0	176	0	0	0	176
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	510	36	546	0	0	0	546
Misdemeanor (CM)	2,361	179	2,540	2,364	0	2,364	4,904
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	114	0	114	2	0	2	116
Miscellaneous (MC)	921	1	922	233	0	233	1,155
Infraction (IF)	7,574	104	7,678	9,220	0	9,220	16,898
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	2,969	34	3,003	708	0	708	3,711
TOTAL	14,810	354	15,164	12,527	0	12,527	27,691
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	1,472	0	1,472	0	0	0	1,472
Delinquency (JD)	2,129	0	2,129	0	0	0	2,129
Status (JS)	307	0	307	0	0	0	307
Paternity (JP)	5,743	0	5,743	0	0	0	5,743
Miscellaneous (JM)	660	0	660	0	0	0	660
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	649	0	649	0	0	0	649
TOTAL	10,960	0	10,960	0	0	0	10,960
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	1,544	10	1,554	692	0	692	2,246
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	788	0	788	0	0	0	788
Civil Collections (CC)	1,489	12	1,501	37	0	37	1,538
Tort (CT)	283	0	283	0	0	0	283
Small Claims (SC)	23,395	1,833	25,228	0	8,812	8,812	34,040
Domestic Relations (DR)	12,519	0	12,519	0	0	0	12,519
Reciprocal Support (RS)	557	0	557	0	0	0	557
Mental Health (MH)	1,196	0	1,196	0	0	0	1,196
Adoptions (AD)	1,524	0	1,524	0	0	0	1,524
Adoption History (AH)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Estates (ES/EU)	899	0	899	0	0	0	899
Guardianships (GU)	1,447	0	1,447	0	0	0	1,447
Trusts (TR)	40	0	40	0	0	0	40
Protective Orders (PO)	5,447	314	5,761	0	0	0	5,761
Miscellaneous (MI)	2,815	104	2,919	74	0	74	2,993
TOTAL	53,944	2,273	56,217	803	8,812	9,615	65,832
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	79,714	2,627	82,341	13,330	8,812	22,142	104,483

## Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition – Bench Dispositions

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal		, ,	,			1	
Murder (MR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Felony (CF)	61	0	61	0	0	0	61
Class A Felony (FA)	16	0	16	0	0	0	16
Class B Felony (FB)	73	0	73	0	0	0	73
Class C Felony (FC)	130	0	130	0	0	0	130
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	432	0	432	0	0	0	432
Misdemeanor (CM)	1,253	21	1,274	2,098	0	2,098	3,372
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	377	0	377	0	0	0	377
Miscellaneous (MC)	9,993	40	10,033	214	0	214	10,247
Infraction (IF)	619	184	803	3,129	0	3,129	3,932
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	473	2	475	1,291	0	1,291	1,766
TOTAL	13,427	247	13,674	6,732	0	6,732	20,406
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	1,246	0	1,246	0	0	0	1,246
Delinquency (JD)	2,483	0	2,483	0	0	0	2,483
Status (JS)	994	0	994	0	0	0	994
Paternity (JP)	3,674	0	3,674	0	0	0	3,674
Miscellaneous (JM)	3,787	0	3,787	0	0	0	3,787
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	178	0	178	0	0	0	178
TOTAL	12,361	0	12,362	O	0	0	12,362
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	2,700	5	2,705	32	0	32	2,737
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	2,800	0	2,800	0	0	0	2,800
Civil Collections (CC)	4,070	79	4,149	23	0	23	4,172
Tort (CT)	669	1	670	0	0	0	670
Small Claims (SC)	30,689	1,853	32,542	0	5,929	5,929	38,471
Domestic Relations (DR)	16,063	0	16,063	0	0	0	16,063
Reciprocal Support (RS)	897	0	897	0	0	0	897
Mental Health (MH)	972	0	972	37	0	37	1,009
Adoptions (AD)	497	0	497	0	0	0	497
Adoption History (AH)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Estates (ES/EU)	1,556	0	1,556	0	0	0	1,556
Guardianships (GU)	607	0	607	0	0	0	607
Trusts (TR)	72	0	72	0	0	0	72
Protective Orders (PO)	9,702	3	9,705	0	0	0	9,705
Miscellaneous (MI)	3,886	179	4,065	0	0	0	4,065
TOTAL	75,181	2,120	77,301	92	5,929	6,021	83,322
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	100,969	2,367	103,337	6,824	5,929	12,753	116,090

## Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition - Dismissals

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	19	0	19	0	0	0	19
Felony (CF)	692	0	692	0	0	0	692
Class A Felony (FA)	438	0	438	0	0	0	438
Class B Felony (FB)	755	0	755	0	0	0	755
Class C Felony (FC)	1,255	0	1,255	0	0	0	1,255
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	9,336	154	9,490	0	0	0	9,490
Misdemeanor (CM)	53,165	1,155	54,320	14,760	0	14,760	69,080
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	143	0	143	0	0	0	143
Miscellaneous (MC)	3,346	0	3,346	297	0	297	3,643
Infraction (IF)	44,518	1,702	46,220	19,149	0	19,149	65,369
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	8,309	177	8,486	6,252	0	6,252	14,738
TOTAL	121,976	3,188	125,164	40,458	0	40,458	165,622
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	2,190	0	2,190	0	0	0	2,190
Delinquency (JD)	4,148	0	4,148	0	0	0	4,148
Status (JS)	1,190	0	1,190	0	0	0	1,190
Paternity (JP)	2,588	0	2,588	0	0	0	2,588
Miscellaneous (JM)	997	0	997	0	0	0	997
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	576	0	576	0	0	0	576
TOTAL	11,689	0	11,689	О	0	0	11,689
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	11,431	20	11,451	1,973	0	1,973	13,424
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	7,137	0	7,137	0	0	0	7,137
Civil Collections (CC)	11,685	173	11,858	848	0	848	12,706
Tort (CT)	9,023	3	9,026	373	0	373	9,399
Small Claims (SC)	66,095	1,964	68,059	0	25,623	25,623	93,682
Domestic Relations (DR)	6,690	0	6,690	0	0	0	6,690
Reciprocal Support (RS)	381	0	381	0	0	0	381
Mental Health (MH)	1,126	0	1,126	3	0	3	1,129
Adoptions (AD)	161	0	161	0	0	0	161
Adoption History (AH)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Estates (ES/EU)	133	0	133	0	0	0	133
Guardianships (GU)	412	0	412	0	0	0	412
Trusts (TR)	13	0	13	0	0	0	13
Protective Orders (PO)	7,782	105	7,887	0	0	0	7,887
Miscellaneous (MI)	2,093	2	2,095	97	0	97	2,192
TOTAL	124,163	2,267	126,430	3,294	25,623	28,917	155,347
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	257,828	5,455	263,283	43,752	25,623	69,375	332,658

## Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition – Guilty Plea/Admission

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CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal	,						
Murder (MR)	107	0	107	0	0	0	107
Felony (CF)	671	0	671	0	0	0	671
Class A Felony (FA)	1,658	0	1,658	0	0	0	1,658
Class B Felony (FB)	4,124	0	4,124	0	0	0	4,124
Class C Felony (FC)	6,609	0	6,609	0	0	0	6,609
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	30,492	621	31,113	0	0	0	31,113
Misdemeanor (CM)	77,428	1,582	79,010	19,836	0	19,836	98,846
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MC)	143	0	143	123	0	123	266
Infraction (IF)	133,668	1,540	135,208	49,590	0	49,590	184,798
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	29,102	2	29,104	7,624	0	7,624	36,728
TOTAL	284,002	3,745	287,747	77,173	0	77,173	364,920
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	2,829	0	2,829	0	0	0	2,829
Delinquency (JD)	12,342	0	12,342	0	0	0	12,342
Status (JS)	2,075	0	2,075	0	0	0	2,075
Paternity (JP)	1,829	0	1,829	0	0	0	1,829
Miscellaneous (JM)	343	0	343	0	0	0	343
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	60	0	60	0	0	0	60
TOTAL	19,478	0	19,478	0	0	О	19,478
Civil							
Plenary (CP)							
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)							
Civil Collections (CC)							
Tort (CT)							
Small Claims (SC)							
Domestic Relations (DR)							
Reciprocal Support (RS)							
Mental Health (MH)							
Adoptions (AD)							
Adoption History (AH)							
Estates (ES/EU)							
Guardianships (GU)							
Trusts (TR)							
Protective Orders (PO)							
Miscellaneous (MI)							
TOTAL	0	0	0	o	0	О	0
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	303,480	3,745	307,225	77,173	0	77,173	384,398

## Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition - Default

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)							
Felony (CF)							
Class A Felony (FA)							
Class B Felony (FB)							
Class C Felony (FC)							
Class D Felony (FD/DF)							
Misdemeanor (CM)							
Post Conviction Relief (PC)							
Miscellaneous (MC)							
Infraction (IF)							
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)							
TOTAL	0	0	0	O	0	0	o
JUVENILE					-		
CHINS (JC)							
Delinquency (JD)							
Status (JS)							
Paternity (JP)							
Miscellaneous (JM)							
Term. Parental Rights (JT)							
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	6,570	13	6,583	1,579	0	1,579	8,162
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	18,006	0	18,006	0	0	0	18,006
Civil Collections (CC)	34,980	464	35,444	2,250	0	2,250	37,694
Tort (CT)	1,322	9	1,331	2,077	0	2,077	3,408
Small Claims (SC)	85,844	3,554	89,398	0	24,579	24,579	113,977
Domestic Relations (DR)	413	0	413	0	0	0	413
Reciprocal Support (RS)	23	0	23	0	0	0	23
Mental Health (MH)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Adoptions (AD)	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Adoption History (AH)	0		0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	11	0	11	0	0	0	11
Guardianships (GU)	13	0	13	0	0	0	13
Trusts (TR)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Protective Orders (PO)	376	0	376	0	0	0	376
Miscellaneous (MI)	1,246	0	1,246	0	0	0	1,246
TOTAL	148,808		152,848	5,906	24,579	30,485	
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	148,808	4,040	152,848	5,906	24,579	30,485	183,333

## Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition – Deferred/Diverted

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal	•						
Murder (MR)	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Felony (CF)	9	0	9	0	0	0	9
Class A Felony (FA)	3	0	3	0	0	0	3
Class B Felony (FB)	15	0	15	0	0	0	15
Class C Felony (FC)	44	0	44	0	0	0	44
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	631	0	631	0	0	0	631
Misdemeanor (CM)	14,732	272	15,004	6,950	0	6,950	21,954
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MC)	4	0	4	0	0	0	4
Infraction (IF)	38,666	144	38,810	20,629	0	20,629	59,439
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	2,565	0	2,565	3,055	0	3,055	5,620
TOTAL	56,671	416	57,087	30,634	0	30,634	87,721
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delinquency (JD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Status (JS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paternity (JP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (JM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	O	О	0	0	0
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Civil Collections (CC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tort (CT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Small Claims (SC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Relations (DR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reciprocal Support (RS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mental Health (MH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoptions (AD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoption History (AH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guardianships (GU)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trusts (TR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protective Orders (PO)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MI)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	o	O	0	0	0
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	56,671	416	57,087	30,634	0	30,634	87,721

### Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition – Violations Bureau

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Felony (CF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class A Felony (FA)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class B Felony (FB)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class C Felony (FC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Misdemeanor (CM)	392	2	394	209	0	209	603
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MC)	7	0	7	6	0	6	13
Infraction (IF)	148,324	7,119	155,443	82,046	0	82,046	237,489
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	6,909	40	6,949	6,600	0	6,600	13,549
TOTAL	155,632	7,161	162,793	88,861	0	88,861	251,654
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delinquency (JD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Status (JS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paternity (JP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (JM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Civil Collections (CC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tort (CT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Small Claims (SC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Relations (DR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reciprocal Support (RS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mental Health (MH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoptions (AD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoption History (AH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guardianships (GU)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trusts (TR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protective Orders (PO)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MI)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	o	0	O	0
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	155,632	7,161	162,793	88,861	0	88,861	251,654

## Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition - Closed

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Felony (CF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class A Felony (FA)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class B Felony (FB)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class C Felony (FC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Misdemeanor (CM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Infraction (IF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	O	0	0	O
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delinquency (JD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Status (JS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paternity (JP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (JM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Civil Collections (CC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tort (CT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Small Claims (SC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Relations (DR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reciprocal Support (RS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mental Health (MH)	2,211	0	2,211	0	0	0	2,211
Adoptions (AD)	1,175	0	1,175	0	0	0	1,175
Adoption History (AH)	3	0	3	0	0	0	3
Estates (ES/EU)	12,750	0	12,750	0	0	0	12,750
Guardianships (GU)	2,602	0	2,602	0	0	0	2,602
Trusts (TR)	211	0	211	0	0	0	211
Protective Orders (PO)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MI)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	18,952	0	18,952	o	0	0	18,952
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	18,952	0	18,952	o	0	0	18,952

## Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition – FTA/FTP

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Felony (CF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class A Felony (FA)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class B Felony (FB)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class C Felony (FC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Misdemeanor (CM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Infraction (IF)	51,053	2,689	53,742	26,739	0	26,739	80,481
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	2,248	0	2,248	3,619	0	3,619	5,867
TOTAL	53,301	2,689	55,990	30,358	0	30,358	86,348
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Delinquency (JD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Status (JS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Paternity (JP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (JM)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	О	0	O	0
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Civil Collections (CC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tort (CT)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Small Claims (SC)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Domestic Relations (DR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Reciprocal Support (RS)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mental Health (MH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoptions (AD)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Adoption History (AH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guardianships (GU)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Trusts (TR)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Protective Orders (PO)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous (MI)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	0	0	0	O	0	O	0
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	53,301	2,689	55,990	30,358	0	30,358	86,348

## Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Method of Case Disposition – Other

CASE TYPE	CIRCUIT, SUPERIOR, AND PROBATE COURTS	COUNTY COURTS	TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Felony (CF)	137	0	137	0	0	0	137
Class A Felony (FA)	4	0	4	0	0	0	4
Class B Felony (FB)	7	0	7	0	0	0	7
Class C Felony (FC)	28	0	28	0	0	0	28
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	1,168	1	1,169	0	0	0	1,169
Misdemeanor (CM)	993	3	996	2,486	0	2,486	3,482
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	644	0	644	0	0	0	644
Miscellaneous (MC)	3,471	0	3,471	23	0	23	3,494
Infraction (IF)	4,551	52	4,603	9,799	0	9,799	14,402
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	1,131	93	1,224	3,750	0	3,750	4,974
TOTAL	12,135	149	12,284	16,058	0	16,058	28,342
JUVENILE							
CHINS (JC)	709	0	709	0	0	0	709
Delinquency (JD)	2,289	0	2,289	0	0	0	2,289
Status (JS)	1,271	0	1,271	0	0	0	1,271
Paternity (JP)	951	0	951	0	0	0	951
Miscellaneous (JM)	1,036	0	1,036	0	0	0	1,036
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	52	0	52	0	0	0	52
TOTAL	6,308	0	6,308	О	0	0	6,308
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	883	0	883	1,064	0	1,064	1,947
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	1,157	0	1,157	0	0	0	1,157
Civil Collections (CC)	732	1	733	0	0	0	733
Tort (CT)	315	0	315	597	0	597	912
Small Claims (SC)	3,407	2	3,409	0	4,182	4,182	7,591
Domestic Relations (DR)	453	0	453	0	0	0	453
Reciprocal Support (RS)	233	0	233	0	0	0	233
Mental Health (MH)	285	0	285	0	0	0	285
Adoptions (AD)	33	0	33	0	0	0	33
Adoption History (AH)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estates (ES/EU)	189	0	189	0	0	0	189
Guardianships (GU)	480	0	480	0	0	0	480
Trusts (TR)	12	0	12	0	0	0	12
Protective Orders (PO)	333	0	333	0	0	0	333
Miscellaneous (MI)	498	0	498	1	0	1	499
TOTAL	9,010	3	9,013	1,662	4,182	5,844	14,857
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	27,453	152	27,605	17,720	4,182	21,902	49,507

### **Indiana Trial Courts Miscellaneous Case Statistics**

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Cases Referre	ed to A	Alterna	ative <b>E</b>	Dispute	Resol	ution (	ADR)			
Domestic Relations	445	585	881	952	1,372	1,386	1,349	896	1,626	1,583
Civil Plenary	1,410	1,732	1,697	1,949	1,477	1,513	1,380	1,003	1,540	943
Civil Tort	2,270	2,364	3,024	2,912	2,528	2,732	2,987	1,954	2,290	2,192
Small Claims								533	149	768
Other	566	188	315	441	672	492	349	302	568	396
TOTAL ADR REFERRALS	4,691	4,681	5,917	6,254	6,049	6,123	6,065	4,688	6,173	5,882
Cases in Whi	ch Pau	ıper C	ounse	el Was	Appoi	nted¹				
Murder								198	169	212
Criminal Felony	19,670	11,961	11,968	11,237	11,574	12,528	13,476			
Class A Felony								1,391	1,641	1,795
Class B Felony								3,472	4,167	4,985
Class C Felony								6,482	6,932	7,661
Class D Felony		18,248	17,476	18,194	18,477	19,317	21,777	23,712	28,075	31,480
Criminal Misdemeanor	22,859	47,796	44,726	40,708	41,822	40,357	42,982	45,169	47,494	51,637
Juvenile CHINS					1,338	1,456	1,577	2,164	2,488	3,358
Juvenile Delinquency	10,711	11,677	12,575	12,963	12,887	12,200	12,982	14,149	12,649	16,437
Juvenile Status	919	1,050	1,296	1,411	1,199	1,347	1,385	1,417	1,358	1,963
Termination of Parental Rights										1,081
Juvenile Paternity	450	529	536	600	676	1,119	939	1,085	1,187	2,661
Other	3,271	2,498	2,450	2,865	1,994	2,372	2,496	5,411	6,240	5,850
Post-Conviction Relief	37	28	49	680	629	679	683	658	184	626
Appeals	271	495	359	447	216	240	270	276	449	312
TOTAL	58,188	94,282	91,435	89,105	90,812	91,615	98,567	105,586	113,033	130,058
Cases Held U	nder A	Advise	ment							
	1,437	2,089	2,271	2,325	2,261	1,369	1,467	2,279	1,903	2,188
Guardian Ad	Litem/	CASA	Appo	intmer	nts					
	4,401	3,953	4,948	5,199	5,582	4,967	5,464	4,806	6,049	7,099
Court Interpre	eter Se	ervices	s Used	d²						
1.1996 was the first year t										12,557

<sup>1.1996</sup> was the first year that the former Marion County Municipal Courts, which are now Superior Courts, reported pauper counsel appointments. They reported 29,326, accounting for the large increase reported in that year.

2. 2004 was the first year that courts were required to report their court interpreter services.

## Indiana Trial Courts 2004 Pro Se Litigants\*

CASE TYPE	AND COURTS C		TOTAL COURTS OF RECORD	CITY & TOWN COURTS	MARION COUNTY SMALL CLAIMS**	TOTAL CITY, TOWN, & SMALL CLAIMS	TOTAL OF ALL COURTS
Criminal							
Murder (MR)	7	0	7	0	0	0	7
Felony (CF)	273	0	273	0	0	0	273
Class A Felony (FA)	73	0	73	0	0	0	73
Class B Felony (FB)	207	0	207	0	0	0	207
Class C Felony (FC)	324	0	324	0	0	0	324
Class D Felony (FD/DF)	2,906	2	2,908	0	0	0	2,908
Misdemeanor (CM)	17,354	2,841	20,195	13,809	0	13,809	34,004
Post Conviction Relief (PC)	89	0	89	0	0	0	89
Miscellaneous (MC)	2,418	87	2,505	178	0	178	2,683
Infraction (IF)	64,567	2,981	67,548	43,433	0	43,433	110,981
Ordinance Violation (OV/OE)	846	459	1,305	6,848	0	6,848	8,153
TOTAL	89,064	6,370	95,434	64,268	0	64,268	159,702
JUVENILE		•					
CHINS (JC)	514	1	515	0	0	0	515
Delinquency (JD)	1,524	0	1,524	0	0	0	1,524
Status (JS)	296	0	296	0	0	0	296
Paternity (JP)	2,900	1	2,901	0	0	0	2,901
Miscellaneous (JM)	952	0	952	0	0	0	952
Term. Parental Rights (JT)	30	0	30	0	0	0	30
TOTAL	6,216	2	6,218	0	0	О	6,218
CIVIL							
Plenary (CP)	1,236	4	1,240	0	0	0	1,240
Mortgage Foreclosure (MF)	1,451	0	1,451	0	0	0	1,451
Civil Collections (CC)	3,870	180	4,050	147	0	147	4,197
Tort (CT)	699	4	703	0	0	0	703
Small Claims (SC)	55,281	4,084	59,365	0	0	0	59,365
Domestic Relations (DR)	7,927	4	7,931	0	0	0	7,931
Reciprocal Support (RS)	435	3	438	0	0	0	438
Mental Health (MH)	95	7	102	21	0	21	123
Adoptions (AD)	22	0	22	0	0	0	22
Adoption History (AH)	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Estates (ES/EU)	87	0	87	0	0	0	87
Guardianships (GU)	65	0	65	0	0	0	65
Trusts (TR)	212	0	212	0	0	0	212
Protective Orders (PO)	10,462	628	11,090	0	0	0	11,090
Miscellaneous (MI)	825	32	857	3	0	3	860
TOTAL	82,669	4,946	87,615	171	0	171	87,786
TOTAL ALL CASE TYPES	177,949	11,318	189,267	64,439	0	64,439	253,706

\*Cases are counted if any party proceeds without an attorney at any time during a case. For criminal and juvenile categories, a case is counted after a hearing where the defendant is offered an attorney and the defendant refuses one and acts on his/her own behalf.

\*\*\* Marion County Small Claims utilizes a specialized reporting form which did not include Pro Se information for 2004.

### Judicial Nomination Commission and Judicial Qualifications Commission: Fiscal Year 2003-2004

Senior Judge Certification	5
Senior Judge ReCertification	91
Senior Judge Certification Denied	1
Appellate Court Applicant Initial Interviews	12
Appellate Court Applicant Semi-Finalist Interviews	6
Complaints Received Alleging Code of Judicial Conduct Violations	336
Complaints Dismissed Without Requiring Written Responses from Judges	295
Preliminary Inquiries Conducted on Complaints	103
Complaints Investigated, Resulted in Formal Charges, or Continued Investigation	l
from Prior Year	41
Commission Concluded No Misconduct Occurred	13
Private Cautions Issued Relating to Failures to Follow the Law	8
Resolved by Issuing Public Admonition With Judge's Consent	2
Resolved by the Supreme Court of Indiana	1
Formal Disciplinary Charges Filed	2
Hearings Held	1
Hearing Pending	1

#### 2004 Senior Judge Program

Trial Court Senior Judges	
Number of Trial Court Judges Receiving Benefits	77
Per Judge Benefits Cost	\$9,719
Total Trial Court Senior Judge Benefits Cost	\$748,363
Days of Service by Senior Judges in Trial Courts	3,788
Per Diem: \$50 * 2,720 Days	\$136,000
Per Diem: \$75 * 1,068 Days	\$80,100
Total Per Diem Paid	\$216,100
Total Cost for Trial Court Senior Judges	\$964,463

Court of Appeals Senior Judges	
Number of Appellate Court Senior Judges Receiving Benefits	6
Per Judge Benefits Cost	\$9,719
Total Appellate Court Senior Judge Benefits Cost	\$58,314
Days of Service by appellate Court Senior Judges	305
Per Deim: \$50 * 172	\$8,600
Per Deim: \$75 * 133	\$9,975
Total Per Deim Paid	\$18,575
Total Cost for Appellate Court Senior Judges	\$76,889

#### Total cost of senior judge program

\$1,041,352

#### Additional information regarding senior judge service in trial courts

Senior Judge Days Served	3,788
Hours Per Day	7.5
Total Hours Served by Senior Judges	28,410
Weighted Caseload Case-Related Hours Available Per Judicial Officer	1344
Senior Judge Time Equivalent to Judicial Officers	21
Cost of Trial Court Senior Judge Performing Work Equivalent to One	\$45,927
Regular Judicial Officer: \$964,463/21	
Cost of Minimal Trial Court Senior Judge Service: Benefits plus 30 days	\$11,219

### **Indiana CLEO Fellow Statistics**

CLEO Class Year	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	Totals
Summer Institute Participants	30	28	29	30	30	29	31	30	237
Certified CLEO Fellows	29	28	29	30	30	27	30	30	233
Voluntary Withdrawal	3	5	2	1	1	1	1	0	14
Academically Dismissed	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	4
Students Deferred Status	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Graduates	25	22	27	29	23	0	0	0	126
Currently Enrolled	0	0	0	0	5	26	29	30	90
Admitted to Practice in Indiana	17	15	18	16	8	0	0	0	74
Admission Pending in Indiana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Admitted to Other States	5	3	4	1	3	0	0	0	16
Not Admitted Anywhere	3	4	4	12	12	0	0	0	35

### 2004 Civil Legal Aid Fund Distributions

Annual Amount	Amount July 2	2004	Amount January 2005	
Bartholomew Area Legal Aid,	Inc			
\$13,607.76	\$6,803.88		\$6,803.88	
\$15,007.70	ψ0,003.00		ψ0,003.00	
Community Organization s Le	egal Assistance Pr	rogram		
41,432.88	20,716.44	8	20,716.44	
Elkhart Legal Aid Service, Inc				
15,503.02	7,751.51		7,751.51	
Indiana Legal Services, Inc.				
684,186.54	342,093.27		342,093.27	
Indianapolis Legal Aid Society	y, Inc.		07.100.71	
74,365.42	37,182.71		37,182.71	
Law School Legal Service, Inc. 41,432.88	20,716.44		20.716.44	
41,432.88	20,710.44		20,716.44	
Legal Aid Corporation of Tipp	pecanoe County			
10,619.36	5,309.68		5,309.68	
10,017.30	3,307.00		3,307.00	
Legal Aid Society of Evansvil	le. Inc.			
17.747.16	8.873.58		8,873.58	
	-,		242.7.2.7.2	
Legal Services of Maumee Va	lley, Inc.			
53,719.26	26,859.63		26,859.63	
Neighborhood Christian Lega	l Clinic			
47,385.72	23,692.86		23,692.86	
Totals:				
\$1,000,000.00		\$500,000.00	\$500,000.0	00

### **2004 GAL/CASA Program Statistics**

County	Program Type	Staff Count	Volunteer Count	Case Count	Child Count
Allen	Court Program	4	75	167	274
Bartholomew***	501 (c)(3), Multi- County	5.5	106	79	118
Boone	Court Program	1.5	13	125	186
Brown	Court Program	0.5	18	53	74
Cass	501 (c)(3)	2.5	25	63	62
Clark	Court Program	1.5	5	80	95
Clay	Court Program	0.5	10	37	42
Daviess	Court Program	0	10	4	4
Dearborn***	Court Program	1	7	34	55
Decatur***	501 (c)(3), Multi- County	See Bartholomew		16	24
DeKalb	501 (c)(3)	2.5	50	47	71
Delaware	Court Program	1.5	62	236	337
Dubois	Court Program	0.5	9	14	14
Elkhart	Umbrella Program	2.5	32	251	343
Fayette	Court Program	1.5	17	336	340
Floyd***	Umbrella Program	0.5	3	22	22
Franklin	Court Program	0	4	7	8
Fulton	501 (c)(3)	0.5	17	56	47
Gibson	Court Program	1.5	27	184	213
Grant	501 (c)(3)	2	26	68	104
Greene	Court Program	1.5	30	89	103
Hamilton	Court Program	0.5	39	178	223
Hancock***	501 (c)(3), Multi- County	2.5	40	10	10
Henry***	501 (c)(3), Multi- County	0	0	61	85
Howard	501 (c)(3)	2.5	24	218	246
Huntington**	Attorney GAL	0.5	0	0	0
Jackson***	501 (c)(3), Multi- County	See Bartholomew		26	46
Jennings***	501 (c)(3), Multi- County	See Bartholomew		26	37
Johnson	Court Program	1.5	98	259	383
Knox	Umbrella Program	0.5	13	24	31
Kosciusko	501 (c)(3)	2	46	130	205
LaGrange***	501 (c)(3)	See DeKalb		66	91
Lake	Court Program	9	175	3,333	3,333
LaPorte	501 (c)(3)	4	47	139	199
Lawrence	Court Program	1	32	62	95
Madison***	501 (c)(3), Multi- County	0	0	102	103

### 2004 GAL/CASA Program Statistics (Cont'd)

County	Program Type	Staff Count	Volunteer Count	Case Count	Child Count
Marion	501 (c)(3)	18.5	252	5,026	5,026
Marion - Kid's Voice, Inc.	501 (c)(3)	5	50	80	139
Miami	Court Program	2	22	143	148
Monroe	Umbrella Program	2.5	74	121	207
Montgomery	Umbrella Program	0.5	14	36	49
Morgan	Court Program	1	21	61	59
Noble***	501 (c)(3)	See DeKalb		63	74
Ohio***	Court Program	See Dearborn			
Porter	Umbrella Program	2.5	88	197	300
Putnam	Umbrella Program	1	20	116	99
Randolph	501 (c)(3)	0.5	32	34	29
Ripley	Court Program	0.5	5	15	31
Scott**	Attorney GAL	0	0	225	373
Shelby***	501 (c)(3), Multi- County	See Bartholomew		0	0
Spencer**	Attorney GAL	0	0	52	81
St. Joseph	Court Program	4	112	0	0
Starke	Court Program	0	8	36	55
Steuben***	501 (c)(3)	See DeKalb		45	64
Sullivan	Court Program	0	12	47	47
Tippecanoe	Court Program	2.5	103	338	338
Stueben***	501 (c)(3)	See DeKalb		45	64
Sullivan	Court Program	0	12	47	47
Tippecanoe	Court Program	2.5	103	338	338
Tipton**	Paid GAL	0	0	15	20
Vanderburgh	501 (c)(3)	3.5	103	498	463
Vigo	Court Program	0.5	10	58	69
Wabash	Umbrella Program	1.5	15	62	70
Warrick	Court Program	2	6	165	210
Washington***	Umbrella Program	See Floyd		3	4
White	Court Program	0	5	15	21
Whitley***	501 (c)(3)	See DeKalb		54	70
* Now Program	3	96	2,025	14,107	15,669

<sup>\*</sup> New Program.

All data is as reported by Indiana State Office of GAL/CASA which accounts for some discrepancies between the number of cases involving GAL/CASA volunteers and the number of new CHINS filings as reported by trial courts.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Did not have a volunteer program in 2004.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Part of a multi-county program.

### Public Defender Reimbursement Fiscal Year 2003-2004 to Eligible Counties

County	Population	NonCapital	Capital	Total Reimbursement*
Adams	33,625	46,710.17	0.00	46,710.17
Allen	331,849	472,197.63	36,426.29	508,623.92
Benton	9,421	25,366.72	0.00	25,366.72
Blackford	14,048	17,998.50	0.00	17,998.50
Carroll	20,165	37,242.80	0.00	37,242.80
Clark	96,472	161,784.93	0.00	140,277.27
Crawford**	10,743	0.00	0.00	0.00
Decatur	24,555	30,421.32	0.00	30,421.32
Delaware***	118,769	0.00	58,443.61	58,443.61
Fayette	25,588	86,482.38	0.00	86,482.38
Floyd	70,823	116,997.38	0.00	116,997.38
Fountain	17,954	21,127.56	0.00	21,127.56
Fulton	20,511	43,178.73	0.00	43,178.73
Grant	73,403	52,782.00	0.00	52,782.00
Greene	33,157	87,224.56	0.00	87,224.56
Hancock	55,391	110,253.65	0.00	110,253.65
Henry	48,508	102,483.33	0.00	102,483.33
Jasper	30,043	37,999.11	0.00	37,999.11
Jay	21,806	48,335.28	0.00	48,335.28
Jennings	27,554	30,478.60	0.00	30,478.60
Knox	39,256	133,152.20	0.00	133,152.20
Kosciusko	74,057	106,875.70	0.00	106,875.70
Lake	484,564	1,109,960.00	99,203.93	1,209,163.93
LaPorte	110,106	136,578.31	0.00	136,578.31
Madison	133,358	575,137.95	0.00	575,137.95
Marion	860,454	2,462,609.30	72,590.99	2,535,200.29
Martin	10,369	37,651.34	0.00	37,651.34
Miami	36,082	106,682.51	0.00	106,682.51
Monroe	120,563	268,233.62	0.00	268,233.62
Montgomery	37,629	60,510.34	0.00	60,510.34
Morgan***	66,689	0.00	278,853.66	278,853.66
Newton**	14,566	0.00	0.00	0.00
Noble	46,275	76,795.95	0.00	76,795.95
Ohio	5,623	13,680.05	0.00	13,680.05
Orange	19,306	54,872.60	0.00	54,872.60
Parke	17,241	24,797.41	0.00	24,797.41
Perry	18,899	20,682.83	0.00	20,682.83
Pike	12,837	75,122.64	0.00	75,122.64
Pulaski	13,755	32,729.52	0.00	32,729.52
Rush	18,261	40,329.44	0.00	40,329.44
Scott	22,960	60,568.35	0.00	60,568.35

### Public Defender Reimbursement Fiscal Year 2003-2004 to Eligible Counties (Cont'd)

County	Population	Non-Capital	Capital	Total Reimbursement*
Shelby	43,445	84,729.07	0.00	84,729.07
Spencer	20,391	28,181.46	26,005.63	54,187.09
Steuben	33,214	85,568.94	0.00	85,568.94
Sullivan	21,751	30,502.36	0.00	30,502.36
Switzerland	9,065	29,776.70	0.00	29,776.70
Tippecanoe****	148,403	0.00	0.00	0.00
Union**	7,349	0.00	0.00	0.00
Vanderburgh	171,922	578,744.29	10,693.80	589,438.09
Vermillion	16,788	22,016.43	0.00	22,016.43
Vigo	105,848	351,320.03	0.00	351,320.03
Warren	8,419	5,746.19	0.00	5,746.19
Washington	27,223	62,786.28	0.00	62,786.28
White	25,267	7,126.50	0.00	7,126.50
Whitley	30,707	55,711.80	0.00	55,711.80
Total	3,917,027	8,268,244.76	582,217.91	8,828,955.01

<sup>\*</sup>Include amounts approved on July 28, 2004 for the period 1/1/04-3/31/04. Fourth quarter has not yet been approved.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Crawford, Newton, and Union Counties have approved Comprehensive Plans but submitted no claims.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>Delaware and Morgan Counties were eligible for reimbursement of expenses for capital cases only but did not participate in noncapital reimbursement program.

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>Tippecanoe County Comprehensive Plan was approved on March 10, 2004.

## Indiana Trial Courts Courts in Which Dispositions Exceeded New Cases

Court/County	New Cases	Disposed Cases
Adams Circuit	932	978
Adams Superior	5,584	5,627
Allen Superior 4	12,752	13,390
Allen Superior 5	12,569	13,459
Allen Superior 6	12,508	13,251
Bartholomew Superior 2	14,923	15,203
Blackford Superior	1,721	1,773
Boone Circuit	1,974	2,365
Boone, Thorntown Town	3,298	3,919
Boone, Zionsville Town		
Boone, Whitestown Town	1,877 513	2,117
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Brown Circuit  Carroll Circuit	2,422 592	2,437
		604
Class Superior 2	4,006	4,861
Clark Superior 3	20,337	21,522
Clark, Clarksville Town	2,045	2,082
Clay Superior	3,744	4,454
Clinton Superior	4,822	5,024
Clinton, Frankfort City	371	681
Crawford Circuit	2,929	3,132
Dearborn Superior	4,740	4,795
Dearborn, Aurora City	1,894	2,037
Dekalb Superior	5,207	5,271
Delaware Circuit 2	2,205	4,948
Delaware Circuit 3	856	1,240
Delaware Circuit 4	3,428	3,650
Delaware Circuit 5	3,505	5,110
Delaware, Muncie City	8,002	8,342
Delaware, Yorktown Town	9,072	9,074
Dubois Circuit	1,414	1,427
Elkhart Superior 1	1,312	2,016
Elkhart Superior 3	1,233	1,239
Elkhart Superior 6	5,886	6,171
Elkhart, Elkhart City	19,488	19,994
Elkhart, Nappanee City	1,229	1,585
Fayette Circuit	1,555	1,724
Fountain Circuit	3,709	4,436
Franklin Circuit	3,106	3,348
Gibson Circuit	1,284	1,363

Court/County         New Cases         Disposed Cases           Gibson Superior         7,220         7,743           Grant Circuit         1,252         1,389           Grant Superior 2         1,305         1,342
Grant Circuit         1,252         1,389           Grant Superior 2         1,305         1,342
Grant Superior 2 1,305 1,342
Grant, Marion City 4,604 4,650
Hamilton Superior 2 1,238 1,285
Hamilton, Noblesville City 3,875 4,144
Hendricks Circuit 1,836 1,912
Hendricks Superior 3 3,164 3,240
Hendricks, Brownsburg Town 5,753 6,009
Hendricks, Avon Town 2,378 2,388
Henry Circuit 1,484 1,749
Henry Superior 2 3,890 4,019
Henry, Knightstown Town 8,747 13,895
Howard Superior 3 11,559 14,739
Huntington Superior 6,641 6,658
Jackson Superior 11,609 12,424
Jasper Superior 1 1,257 1,315
Jay Superior 1,341 1,508
Jay, Dunkirk City 1,246 1,247
Jennings Circuit 857 884
Johnson Circuit 4,410 4,500
Johnson Superior 1 3,055 3,567
Johnson Superior 3 3,099 3,272
Johnson, Franklin City 8,995 9,567
Kosciusko Superior 2 8,475 9,146
Kosciusko Superior 3 3,096 3,194
LaGrange Superior 6,535 6,614
Lake Superior, Civil 3 3,565 4,124
Lake Superior, Civil 5 1,157 1,482
Lake Superior, Civil 7 1,294 1,632
Lake Superior, County 2 17,910 18,169
Lake Superior, Criminal 1 561 595
Lake Superior, Criminal 2 576 655
Lake, Hammond City 20,347 38,225
Lake, Schererville Town 4,034 4,292
Lake, Lowell Town 1,090 1,222
LaPorte Superior 2 838 997
LaPorte Superior 4 13,600 13,718
Lawrence Superior 2 6,374 7,416

Court/County	New Cases	Disposed Cases
Madison, Elwood City	5,168	5,530
Marion Superior, Civil 2	2,382	2,638
Marion Superior, Civil 6	2,382	2,455
Marion Superior, Probate	3,318	3,771
Marion Superior, Civil 10	2,373	2,411
Marion Superior, Criminal 1	471	886
Marion Superior, Criminal 2	432	1,031
Marion Superior, Criminal 3	442	631
Marion Superior, Criminal 4	453	832
Marion Superior, Criminal 5	443	956
Marion Superior, Criminal 6	429	998
Marion Superior, Criminal 8	3,568	4,432
Marion Superior, Criminal 13	10,206	25,147
Marion Superior, Criminal 16	2,703	2,536
Marion, Pike Small Claims	12,292	13,042
Marion, Warren Small Claims	10,188	13,075
Marion, Franklin Small Claims	4,898	5,089
Marshall Circuit	1,113	1,126
Marshall Superior 1	768	779
Marshall Superior 2	11,696	11,930
Miami Circuit	1,710	2,324
Miami, Bunker Hill Town	1,162	1,319
Monroe Circuit 1	4,818	5,133
Monroe Circuit 2	4,538	4,659
Monroe Circuit 3	4,767	4,935
Monroe Circuit 7	1,552	1,720
Montgomery Superior	1,092	1,093
Montgomery County	7,260	7,313
Morgan, Martinsville City	6,186	6,328
Morgan, Mooresville Town	2,757	2,873
Newton Circuit	660	681
Newton Superior	3,263	5,146
Noble Superior 1	1,333	1,385
Ohio Circuit	158	165
Orange Circuit	741	777
Porter Superior 3	10,380	10,957
Porter Superior 4	7,456	8,080
Posey Circuit	853	1,082
Pulaski Circuit	712	746
Pulaski Superior	2,698	2,929
Putnam Superior	7,046	7,143
Randolph Circuit	833	877

Court/County	New Cases	Disposed Cases
Randolph, Winchester City	2,499	2,614
Ripley Circuit	972	1,111
Ripley Superior	1,793	2,141
Ripley, Batesville City	693	762
Ripley, Versailles Town	1,768	2,241
Rush Superior	2,717	2,869
St. Joseph Superior 1	4,364	4,423
Scott Circuit	1,106	1,302
Starke Circuit	2,269	2,045
Starke, Knox City	2,650	2,924
Steuben Circuit	1,238	1,314
Steuben Superior	5,318	5,734
Tippecanoe Superior 4	7,361	7,722
Tippecanoe Superior 5	3,487	3,920
Tipton Circuit	1,097	1,131
Tipton, Tipton City	1,665	1,666
Tipton, Sharpsville Town	3,453	3,584
Vanderburgh Superior 2	7,746	7,818
Vanderburgh Superior 6	8,090	8,254
Vigo Superior 5	5,769	5,988
Vigo, Terre Haute City	13,311	13,375
Wabash Circuit	1,337	1,372
Wayne Superior 2	1,264	1,319
Wayne, Hagerstown Town	2,047	2,486
Wells Superior	1,821	2,012
Wells, Bluffton City	2,530	2,999
White Circuit	1,187	1,440
White, Monon Town	102	112

# Indiana Trial Courts Withdrawn Jurisdiction Pursuant to Trial Rules 53.1 & 53.2\*

Court	WITHDRAWN JURISDICTION
Adams Superior	2 Cases
Allen Circuit	2 Cases
Allen Superior 1	1 Case
Allen Superior 7	2 Cases
Bartholomew Circuit	2 Cases
Bartholomew Superior 2	2 Cases
Blackford Circuit	1 Case
Delaware Circuit 1	1 Case
Delaware Circuit 3	1 Case
Delaware Circuit 5	3 Cases
Elkhart Superior 3	1 Case
Elkhart Superior 4	1 Case
Fayette Circuit	1 Case
Floyd Circuit	2 Cases
Franklin Circuit	1 Case
Fulton Superior	2 Cases
Grant Superior 1	1 Case
Hamilton Circuit	1 Case
Henry Circuit	1 Case
Howard Superior 2	1 Case
Huntington Circuit	1 Case
Jay Circuit	2 Cases

Court	WITHDRAWN JURISDICTION
Lake Superior, Civil 3	1 Case
Lake Superior, Civil 5	1 Case
Lake Superior, Civil 6	1 Case
Lake Superior, County 1	1 Case
LaPorte Superior 1	1 Case
Marion Circuit	1 Case
Marion Superior, Civil 1	1 Case
Marion Superior, Civil 4	1 Case
Miami Circuit	1 Case
Miami Superior	2 Cases
Monroe Circuit 6	1 Case
Perry Circuit	1 Case
Porter Superior 1	1 Case
Ripley Superior	1 Case
St. Joseph Circuit	1 Case
St. Joseph Superior 4	1 Case
St. Joseph Superior 8	1 Case
Vigo Superior 3	1 Case

<sup>\*</sup> Trial Rule 53.1 governs the failure of a judge to rule on a motion. With some exceptions, if a motion is not set for a hearing or ruled upon within 30 days of filing or within 30 days of the hearing, an interested party in the case may apply to the Indiana Supreme Court requesting the appointment of a special judge. Trial Rule 53.2 provides a time limitation for holding an issue under advisement or delaying entering a judgment. With some exceptions, any issues of law or fact which remain unresolved 90 days after a trial may be transferred to the Indiana Supreme Court for the appointment of a special judge.

### Indiana Trial Courts: 2004 Fiscal Information

Pursuant to Indiana Code 33-24-6-3, the Division of State Court Administration is directed to collect and compile statistical data on the receipt and expenditure of public monies by and for the operation of the courts.

This portion of the report presents a general financial overview of the expenditures of Indiana's courts and revenues generated through their operation. The financial information is gathered on an annual basis at the end of each calendar year. The data is gathered manually on forms that call for each court's requested and approved budget, actual expenditures, and the amounts collected by the clerk through the various fees and costs. This report, however, reflects only the expenditure and revenue data; the requested and approved budgets are available, but are not published here.

#### **Expenditures**

The Supreme Court, Court of Appeals and Tax Court are funded through appropriations from the state general fund. The Indiana State Auditor's Report contains information about the expenditures by these courts and other state-level expenditures on related functions.<sup>1</sup>

Indiana's trial courts are funded primarily through county funds. State funds pay for the judges' salaries<sup>2</sup> and for senior judge and some special judge expenses.<sup>3</sup> In addition, state matching funds are available to the counties as reimbursement for some indigent defense expenses and expenses associated with guardian ad litem services for abused and neglected children. Often, courts receive grants and generate user fees that are expended on court services. All such expenditures, regardless of their source, are reflected in this report. In some of the more populous counties, courts maintain separate budgets for probation services, juvenile services and indigent defense services. These expenses have been included in the final totals. Expenditures on juvenile detention centers budgeted through the courts are also included. Expenditures not directly related to the courts' operation, such as the prosecuting attorney's office and the clerk's office, are not included in this report.

Municipalities fund city and town courts. In many instances the local government does not maintain a distinct city or town court budget, and all expenses are paid directly from the local general fund. This practice makes it difficult to provide accurate expenditure information on the city and town courts.

Marion County townships directly fund the Marion County Small Claims Courts through budget appropriations.

#### Revenues

Revenues generated through the operation of the trial courts are collected, accounted for and disbursed by the Clerk of the Circuit Court, an independently elected constitutional office. The Clerk of the Circuit Court also functions as the clerk of the county and, as such, performs many other functions which are not related to court operations.

Revenues are generated primarily from filing fees, court costs, fines, and user fees assessed to the litigants. They are disbursed to either the state, county or local general fund or to a long list of special funds established by the General Assembly for specific programs and services. In order to provide the information needed to fulfill this requirement, trial courts invariably must rely on the figures provided to them by the clerk's office, which actually collects the monies. As a result, the revenue reporting forms have been designed to correlate the fee collection reports used by the clerks. This is important as it underscores the nature of the data presented in this report and the fact that it is not intended as an actual accounting of receipts.

Revenues generated through the city, town, and Marion County Small Claims Courts are collected by the local clerk and disbursed pursuant to statutory provisions.<sup>4</sup> The only direct payment fee is the personal service of process fee charged to small claims litigants in the Marion County Small Claims Courts. This fee goes to the constable and his or her deputies.<sup>5</sup>

Costs and fees reflected in this report are as follows:

### FEES GOING TO THE GENERAL FUND OF THE STATE, COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY

**Court Costs**: The court cost is the basic expense for filing a case and the basic cost assessed upon a conviction in a criminal case or a judgment in an infraction or ordinance violation. The statutory costs in all courts are as follows:

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Felony or misdemeanor (upon conviction)	\$120.00 <sup>6</sup>
Infraction or ordinance violation (upon judgment)	\$70.00 <sup>7</sup>
Juvenile action	\$120.00 <sup>8</sup>
Civil action (at case filing)	\$100.00 <sup>9</sup>
Small claim – all courts except Marion County Small	
Claims (at case filing)	\$35.00 <sup>10</sup>
Small claims service fee for additional defendants. 11	\$5
Marion Small Claims (at case filing)	\$37
Service by constable for mail	\$13
Probate/trust (at case filing)	\$120.00 <sup>12</sup>
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These costs include the cost of service of process by mail with return receipt requested for one defendant. An additional \$40 is charged for service of process by the sheriff.<sup>13</sup>

**Distribution of basic Court Costs:** Of the amount collected through court costs in the circuit, superior, county and probate courts, the clerk distributes to the different levels of government for deposit in the respective general funds the following portions:

- a. State general fund 70% 14
- b. County general fund 27% 15
- c. Local municipal fund 3%, but only if a city or town maintains a law enforcement agency that prosecutes at least 50% of its ordinance violations in a circuit, superior, county or municipal court in the county. The county auditor determines the amount to be distributed to each city and town within the county based upon a specific formula. The county based upon a specific formula.

The court costs collected through the city and town courts are distributed as follows: 18

- a. State general fund 55%
- b. County general fund 20%
- c. City or town general fund 25%

*Marion Small Claims Courts:* The basic court costs in the Marion County Small Claims Court are a \$5 township docket fee plus 45% of the costs charged in infraction and ordinance violation cases, which totals \$37.00. The cost of service of process in these courts is \$13.00 for service by registered or certified mail and \$13.00 for service by a constable. It is charged in addition to any filing fee. The respective townships support these courts, and these basic costs go to the township general funds. All service of process fees go directly to the elected constables and their deputies. <sup>19</sup>

*Infraction Judgments:* This category reflects monies collected as infraction judgments in cases in which a defendant is found to have violated an infraction. These funds are designated for the state general fund.<sup>20</sup>

**Civil Penalties for Local Ordinance Violations:** This category reflects amounts collected as judgments for local ordinance violations. These funds go to the general funds of the respective municipalities.<sup>21</sup>

**Support Fees:** This category reflects amounts collected through a fee charged in cases where a final court order requires a party to pay support or maintenance payments through the clerk of the court. It is intended to defray some of the expenses associated with the collection and disbursement of support. This fee may be \$10, \$20, or \$30, depending on when it is paid. The fee goes to the county general fund.<sup>24</sup>

**Bond Administration Fee:** This category reflects amounts collected through a fee charged to defendants posting bond. When a defendant executes a bail bond

with the clerk, 10% or \$50.00, whichever is less, may be retained as the administrative fee.<sup>24</sup> These fees go to the county general fund.

**Document Fee:** This category reflects a \$1 to \$3 fee, collected by the clerk for copying and preparing documents.<sup>25</sup> This fee goes to the county auditor or city or town fiscal authority, depending on the court in which it is collected.

**Interest on Investments:** This category reflects income generated through deposits of various funds.<sup>27</sup>

Judicial Salaries Fee. This fee is imposed for all case types. For small claims cases, the fee is \$10. For all other case filings, the fee is \$15. This fee will increase on a fiscal year basis pursuant to a schedule provided for in Indiana Code 33-37-5-26(d) and (e). City and town courts and small claims courts may keep 25% of the fee collected. The fee amounts are deposited into the state general fund semiannually and are used by the General Assembly in the same fashion as any other general fund revenue. The fee goes into effect July 1, 2005.<sup>33</sup>

**Court Administration Fee.** This \$2 fee is imposed upon anyone convicted of a felony or misdemeanor, found to have committed an infraction or ordinance violation, required to pay a pretrial diversion fee, or filing any type of civil, probate, or small claims case. The fee amounts are deposited into the state general fund semiannually and are used by the General Assembly in the same fashion as any other general fund revenue. This fee goes into effect July 1, 2005.<sup>34</sup>

**Judicial Administration Fee.** This \$1 fee is charged in cases where the individual is convicted of an offense, required to pay a pretrial diversion fee, or found to have violated an infraction or ordinance violation. As of July 1, 2005, this fee will be renamed the **Public Defense Administration Fee** and will increase to \$3.<sup>57</sup>

#### FEES GOING TO COURT-RELATED SERVICES

In addition to the foregoing costs and fees, the legislature has established a number of other fees designated for particular programs related to the operation of the court. Following are fees collected in certain cases and used for court related services:

**Adult Probation User Fee:** This category reflects user fees charged to adults placed on probation after a conviction of a felony or misdemeanor. In felony cases the fee is mandatory; it ranges between \$25 and \$100 as an initial fee and between \$15 and \$20 as a monthly user's fee for each month the person remains on probation. In misdemeanor cases, the probation user's fee is optional with the

court. If imposed, the initial fee cannot exceed \$50, and the monthly fee cannot exceed \$20.<sup>28</sup> The fees are deposited in a county adult probation services fund that is used for probation services.

**Juvenile Probation User Fee:** A court may order a juvenile and/or the parent of a juvenile who is placed on supervision to pay an initial user fee from \$25 to \$100, and a monthly user fee from \$10 to \$25. These fees are deposited with a county supplemental juvenile probation services fund and are used for a specifically designated purpose.<sup>29</sup>

**Guardian ad Litem Fee:** The trial court may order the parent or estate of a child for whom a guardian ad litem or a special advocate is appointed to pay up to \$100 for the service. The money is deposited in a designated fund and used for providing these services.<sup>30</sup>

**Supplemental Public Defender Fee:** When public funds have been expended on defense, the court must order the clerk to remit the difference, if any, between the bond deposit and the cost of pauper defense and to retain the rest. The retained amount is deposited in a Supplemental Public Defender Services Fund established under Indiana Code 33-40-3-1. Any amounts collected under these provisions are reflected in the "Supplemental Public Defender Fee" category. <sup>31</sup>

Alcohol Abuse Deterrent Program Fee or Medical Fee: The circuit court may establish an alcohol abuse deterrent program after the county fiscal body adopts a resolution approving the program. This applies to a circuit court that is not authorized to establish an alcohol and drug services program under Indiana Code 12-23-14-1. The program applies to criminal proceedings in which the use or abuse of alcohol is a contributing factor or a material element of the offense. In such cases, the court may, with the consent of the defendant and the prosecutor, conditionally defer the proceeding for up to 4 years (with exception for certain repeat offenses) and may order the defendant to complete the program. The court must order the deferred defendant to pay a deterrent program fee of no more than \$400 or a medical fee of no more than \$150, or both, unless the defendant is indigent.<sup>32</sup> The probation departments collect and deposit these fees into the Supplemental Adult Probation Services Fund.

#### Fees Going To Special Funds At The State, County and Local Level

**Fines and Forfeitures.** Fines and forfeitures are assessed in criminal convictions.<sup>37</sup> Pursuant to constitutional provisions, all fines and forfeitures go to the State Common School Fund.<sup>38</sup>

**Vehicle License Fee.** This fee is collected as an infraction judgment in overweight vehicle cases. However, rather than going to the state general fund, it is designated for the state highway fund.<sup>39</sup>

**Late Surrender Fee.** When a bonded defendant fails to appear, a late surrender fee based on a percent of the value of the bond is assessed against the bondsman. Fifty percent (50%) of this fee is deposited in the Police Pension Trust Fund set up under Indiana Code 36-8-10-12, and fifty percent (50%) is deposited in a county extradition fund established under Indiana Code 35-33-14.

**Prosecutorial Pretrial Diversion Program Fee.** The prosecuting attorney may withhold the prosecution of a person charged with a misdemeanor if the person agrees to conditions of a pre-trial diversion program offered by the prosecutor. The accused is charged \$50 as an initial fee and \$10 for each month he or she remains in the program. The standard criminal court costs and fines are not assessed against the successful defendant but a \$50 court cost is assessed. As of July 1, 2005, the initial fee will increase to \$120. The diversion fee is used by the prosecutor's office for any purpose appropriated by the county council.<sup>41</sup>

**Prosecutorial Deferral Program Fee.** When the county prosecutor or attorney for the municipal corporation sets up a deferral program for infractions and ordinance violations, a deferral program fee is assessed in lieu of the standard court costs and judgments. The program consists of an agreement with the law enforcement official whereby the defendant agrees to pay an initial user fee of \$52 and a monthly user fee of \$10 and to comply with the conditions of the program. No guidelines exist for the conditions or duration of such deferral programs, and it is not clear how long a monthly user fee may be charged. If the action involves a moving traffic violation, the defendant is also assessed a court cost of \$25. As of July 1, 2005, this fee will increase to \$70.

The clerk of a traffic violations bureau can accept a program agreement, and the court must dismiss the infraction or ordinance citation when the prosecutor or municipal attorney requests the dismissal of a deferred case.<sup>42</sup>

**Drug Abuse, Prosecution, Interdiction and Corrections Fee.** The court must assess this fee of at least \$200 and not more than \$1,000 against a person convicted in any court (including city and town courts) of an offense under Indiana Code 35-48-4 (controlled substance). In determining the amount of the fee, the court must consider the person's ability to pay. The clerk collects this fee and distributes, semi-annually, 25% to the state auditor for the State User Fee Fund established under Indiana Code 33-19-9-2, and 75% to the county auditor for the County Drug Free Community Fund established under Indiana Code 5-2-11.

Alcohol and Drug Countermeasures Fee. In each action in which a person is found to have committed an offense or violation of a statute defined as an infraction under Indiana Code 9-30-5 (DUI), or a person who has been adjudicated a delinquent for an act that would be an offense under Indiana Code 9-30-5 if committed by an adult, and the person's driving privileges are

suspended, the clerk shall collect an Alcohol and Drug Countermeasures Fee of \$200. 45 The clerk distributes 25% of these fees to the state auditor for deposit in the State User Fee Fund established under Indiana Code 33-19-9-2 and 75% to the county auditor for deposit in the County Drug Free Community Fund established under Indiana Code 5-2-11. 46

**County Drug Free Communities Fund**. This fund receives 75% of the Drug Abuse, Prosecution, Interdiction and Corrections Fee and 75% of the Alcohol and Drug Countermeasures fee.<sup>47</sup>

**User Fees**. In addition to court costs and the fees shown above, the legislature has established a number of additional special fees which are assessed in certain cases. They are designated for special programs or purposes operating at the state, county or local level. This report reflects the amounts generated through such fees for state, county and local level user fee funds. The following is a description of such additional fees:

**Marijuana Eradication Program Fee**. In any conviction under Indiana Code 35-48-4 (offenses relating to controlled substances) in a county where a weed control board has been established pursuant to Indiana Code 15-3-4.6-4.1, the court may assess no more than \$300 as this fee. The fee is deposited with the county user fee fund.<sup>48</sup>

**Alcohol and Drug Services Fee**. If a county has established an alcohol and drug services program, this fee may be collected in criminal, infraction and ordinance violations. It is set by court rule and may not exceed \$3.<sup>49</sup>

**Law Enforcement Continuing Education Program Fee.** This is a \$3 fee that is charged in each criminal conviction and each infraction and ordinance violation. <sup>50</sup>

**Informal Adjustment Program Fee.** This fee of \$5 to \$15 may be ordered by the court to be paid in cases where a juvenile has been placed in an informal adjustment program prior to having a delinquency petition filed. <sup>51</sup>

**Highway Work Zone Fee.** A fifty-cent highway work zone fee is charged in each traffic offense defined in Indiana Code 9-30-3-5. (This includes traffic infractions, misdemeanors and ordinance violations). If the offense involves exceeding a worksite speed limit, the fee is \$25.50. This fee is designated for the Highway Department to pay for the cost of hiring off-duty police as guards at such work zones.<sup>52</sup>

**Safe School Fee.** In each criminal action in which a person is convicted of an offense in which the possession or use of a firearm was an element of the offense, the court assesses a safe school fee of \$200 to \$1,000.<sup>53</sup>

**Child Abuse Prevention Fee.** This \$100 fee is assessed against a defendant who is found guilty of certain criminal offenses against the person or offenses involving child molestation and neglect.<sup>54</sup>

**Document Storage Fee:** This category reflects a \$2 fee, collected by the clerk for maintaining court records. Money collected from this fee is deposited into the Clerk's Record Perpetuation Fund, which may be used by clerks for the preservation of records or for the improvement of record keeping systems and equipment.

**Automated Record Keeping Fee:** This fee applies to all civil, criminal, infraction, and ordinance violation actions. The fee is set at \$7 between June 30, 2003 and July 1, 2009. It will decrease to \$4 after June 30, 2009. This fee is the primary funding source for the Judicial Technology and Automation Committee and its efforts to improve the efficiency of the judiciary through technology. <sup>55</sup>

**Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Fee.** This \$50 fee is charged in each criminal action in which the defendant is found guilty of murder, causing suicide, voluntary manslaughter, reckless homicide, battery and rape against his or her spouse.<sup>56</sup>

**Late Payment Fee.** This fee applies when a local rule is adopted allowing for the collection of this \$25. The payment may be collected when payment is required for a court cost, fine, or civil penalty and is not paid by the date it is due or the date specified by a payment plan. A court may suspend this fee if defendant shows good cause.<sup>58</sup>

**Sexual Assault Victims Assistance Fee.** This fee is imposed when a defendant is convicted of criminal deviate conduct, child molesting, child exploitation, vicarious sexual gratification, child solicitation, child seduction, sexual battery, sexual misconduct with a minor as a Class A or Class B felony, or incest. The fee can range from \$250 to \$1,000.<sup>59</sup>

**Drug Court Fee.** This fee applies to proceedings conducted in a drug court established by Indiana Code 12-23-14.5. This fee shall not exceed \$500.60

**Judicial Insurance Adjustment Fee.** This \$1 fee is applied in all actions where a person is convicted of an offense, required to pay a pretrial diversion fee, or found to have violated an infraction or ordinance violation.<sup>61</sup>

**Criminal Conviction or Jury Fee.** This \$2 fee is imposed when a defendant is found to have committed a crime, violated a statute defining an infraction or violated an ordinance of a municipal corporation.<sup>62</sup>

**DNA Sample Processing Fee.** This fee is established for the collection, shipment, analysis, and preservation of DNA samples and the conduct of a DNA database program. This \$1 fee is assed to anyone convicted of a felony or misdemeanor, found to have committed an infraction or ordinance violation or required to pay a pretrial diversion fee.<sup>35</sup> Money collected from this fee is transferred semiannually to the state general fund, where it is appropriated by the General Assembly in the same fashion as any other general fund revenue, although the General Assembly has created a DNA sample processing Fund which receives an annual appropriation of \$334,739.

**Service Fee.** This fee is paid by the plaintiff in small claims and civil actions. The fee is \$10 per named defendant, including those added after the time of filing. The total revenue from this fee is retained by the jurisdiction in which it is filed.<sup>36</sup>

**Distribution of user fees to State User Fee Fund**. 63 The following fees are distributed to the State User Fee Fund:

- > 25% of the Drug abuse, prosecution, interdiction, and corrections fees;
- > 25% of the Alcohol and drug countermeasures fees;
- 50% of the Child abuse prevention fee;
- ➤ 100% of the Domestic violence prevention and treatment fees;
- ➤ 100% of the Highway work zone fees; and
- > 100% of the Safe school fees:
- > 100% of Automated recordkeeping fee.

Semiannually the state treasurer distributes \$1,288,000 from the State User Fee Fund for deposit in the following individual program funds:<sup>64</sup>

- ➤ 14.98% for the alcohol and drug countermeasures fund used to fund programs developed by the Office of Traffic Safety within the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute. 65
- ➤ 8.42% into a drug interdiction fund administered by the Indiana State Police and used to provide additional funding for investigations and programs related to illegal drug activity; 66
- ▶ 4.68% for a drug prosecution fund administered by the Prosecuting Attorneys Council and used to provide assistance to prosecuting attorneys in investigating and prosecuting drug related activities, bringing forfeiture actions, obtaining training, equipment and assistance that enhance the ability of prosecuting attorneys to reduce illegal drug activity;<sup>67</sup>
- > 5.62% to a corrections drug abuse fund administered by the Indiana Department of Corrections and used to provide drug abuse therapy for offenders. 68
- 22.47% to a state drug free communities fund administered by the State Treasurer and used to promote comprehensive alcohol and drug abuse prevention initiatives by supplementing state and federal funding for

coordinating treatment, education, prevention and criminal justice efforts.<sup>69</sup> Any person, organization or entity may receive grants from the fund for purposes included in a comprehensive plan approved by the Commission for a Drug Free Indiana;

- > 7.98% to the Indiana Department of Transportation to pay off-duty police officers to perform certain duties at highway work zones;<sup>70</sup>
- ➤ 20.32% to the family violence and victim assistance fund to provide for domestic violence prevention and treatment, child abuse prevention and victim and witness assistance programs.;<sup>71</sup>
- ➤ 15.53% to the Indiana safe school fund administered by the Indiana Criminal Justice Institute and used to promote school safety through the purchase of equipment for the detection of weapons and materials to enhance school safety;<sup>72</sup>
- ➤ any remainder amount is distributed to the judicial technology and automation project fund.<sup>73</sup>

**Distribution of user fees to individual County User Fee Funds.** These funds are used to finance various programs and services, and is administered by the auditor in each county. The following fees are deposited in this fund:<sup>74</sup>

- Pretrial Diversion fees:
- Informal adjustment program fees;
- Marijuana eradication program fees;
- Alcohol and Drug services fees;
- Law enforcement continuing education program fees; and
- Drug court fees;
- Deferral program fee
- Jury fee

**Distribution of user fees to Local User Fee Funds.** The following fees are deposited in these individual local funds:

- > Alcohol and Drug Services Fee charged in cases in City and Town Courts;
- Drug Court Fees;
- ➤ Law Enforcement Continuing Education Program Fee charged in cases in the City and Town Courts.
- Pretrial Diversion Program Fee charged in cases in City and Town Courts.
- ➤ Deferral Program Fee charged in cases in the city and Town Courts.<sup>75</sup>
  - Indiana Code 4-10-13-2
     Indiana Code 33-38-5-6
     Administrative Rule 5
     Indiana Code 33-37-7-7
  - 5. Indiana Code 33-34-6-46. Indiana Code 33-37-4-1(a)
  - 7. Indiana Code 33-37-4-2 (a)
  - 8. Indiana Code 33-37-4-3(a)
  - 9. Indiana Code 33-37-4-4(a)

- 10. Indiana Code 33-37-4-5(a); Indiana Code 33-34-8-1(a)
- 11. Indiana Code 33-37-4-6(a) (Effective 7/1/05)
- 12. Indiana Code 33-37-4-7(a)
- 13. Indiana Code 33-37-5-15
- 14. Indiana Code 33-37-7-2(a)
- 15. Indiana Code 33-37-7-3(a)
- 16. Indiana Code 33-37-7-5(a)

- 17. Indiana Code 33-37-7-5(b)
- 18. Indiana Code 33-37-7-7
- 19. Indiana Code 33-34-8-1
- 20. Indiana Code 34-28-5-5(c)
- 21. Indiana Code 33-37-4-2
- 22. Indiana Code 33-37-5-6
- 23. Indiana Code 33-37-5-6
- 24. Indiana Code 35-33-8-3.2(a)(2)
- 25. Indiana Code 33-37-5-3; Indiana Code 33-37-5-4
- 26. Indiana Code 33-37-5-20
- 27. Indiana Code 5-13-10.5-2
- 28. Indiana Code 35-38-2-1(c) and (d)
- 29. Indiana Code 31-40-2-1
- 30. Indiana Code 31-40-3-1, 2, 3
- 31. Indiana Code 35-33-7-6
- 32. Indiana Code 9-30-9-8, and Indiana Code 33-37-5-11
- 33. Indiana Code 33-37-5-26 and Indiana Code 33-37-7-8
- 34. Indiana Code 33-37-5-27
- 35. Indiana Code 10-13-6-9.5, Indiana Code 33-37-4-1, and Indiana Code 33-37-5-26.2
- 36. Indiana Code 33-37-4-6 and Indiana Code 33-37-5-28
- 37. Black's Law Dictionary (6<sup>th</sup> Ed.), p. 632
- 38. Constitution of Indiana, Article 8, § 2
- 39. Indiana Code 9-20-18-12(f)
- 40. Indiana Code 27-10-2-12(i)
- 41. Indiana Code 34-37-4-1(c) and (d); Indiana Code 33-37-8-7
- 42. Indiana Code 33-37-4-2(e); 34-28-5-1

- 43. Indiana Code 33-37-5-9
- 44. Indiana Code 33-37-7-1(b); Indiana Code 33-37-7-2(c)
- 45. Indiana Code 33-37-5-10
- 46. Indiana Code 33-37-7-1(b) & (c)
- 47. Indiana Code 33-37-7-1(c)
- 48. Indiana Code 33-37-5-7
- 49. Indiana Code 33-37-5-8
- 50. Indiana Code 33-37-5-8
- 51. Indiana Code 31-34-8-8
- 52. Indiana Code 33-37-4-1; 33-37-4-2
- 53. Indiana Code 33-37-5-18
- 54. Indiana Code 33-37-5-12
- 55. Indiana Code 33-37-5-21
- 56. Indiana Code 33-37-5-13
- 57. Indiana Code 33-37-5-21.2
- 58. Indiana Code 33-37-5-22
- 59. Indiana Code 33-37-5-23
- 60. Indiana Code 33-37-5-19
- 61. Indiana Code 33-37-5-24
- 62. Indiana Code 33-37-5-25
- 63. Indiana Code 33-37-7-1(b)
- 64. Indiana Code 33-37-9-4
- 65. Indiana Code 9-27-2-11; Indiana Code 9-27-2-2.
- 66. Indiana Code 10-11-7
- 67. Indiana Code 33-39-8-6
- 68. Indiana Code 11-8-2-11
- 69. Indiana Code 5-2-10-2
- 70. Indiana Code 8-23-2-15
- 71. Indiana Code 12-18-5-2; Indiana Code 12-18-5-4
- 72. Indiana Code 5-2-10.1 et seq.
- 73. Indiana Code 33-37-9-4
- 74. Indiana Code 33-37-8-5
- 75. Indiana Code 33-37-8-3

# Fiscal Information Filing Fees by Case Type Collected by the Clerk (Effective July 1, 2005)

#### **CRIMINAL CASES**

Criminal Costs Fee	IC 33-37-4-1	\$120.00	)
Marijuana Eradication Program Fee	IC 33-37-5-7	*	
Alcohol and Drug Services Program Fee	IC 33-37-5-8(b)	*	
Law Enforcement Continuing Education Fee	IC 33-37-5-8(c)	3.00	
Drug Abuse, Prosecution, Interdiction, and Correction Fee	IC 33-37-5-9	*	
Alcohol and Drug Countermeasures Fee	IC 33-37-5-10	*	
Child Abuse Prevention Fee	IC 33-37-5-12	*	
Domestic Violence Prevention and Treatment Fee	IC 33-37-5-13	*	
Highway Work Zone Fee	IC 33-37-5-14		(1)
Deferred Prosecution Fee	IC 33-37-5-17		(2)
Safe School Fee	IC 33-37-5-18	*	
Jury Fee	IC 33-37-5-19	2.00	
Document Storage Fee	IC 33-37-5-20	2.00	
Automated Record Keeping Fee	IC 33-37-5-21	7.00	
Late Payment Fee	IC 33-37-5-22	*	
Sexual Assault Victims Assistance Fee	IC 33-37-5-23	*	
Public Defense Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-21.2	3.00	
Judicial Insurance Adjustment Fee	IC 33-37-5-25	1.00	
Judicial Salaries Fee	IC 33-37-5-26	15.00	
DNA Sample Processing Fee	IC 33-37-5-26.2	1.00	
Court Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-27	2.00	_
Total Criminal Filing Fee		\$156.00	<u> </u>

<sup>\*</sup> Judge determines if this fee is to be collected and the amount of the fee.

<sup>(1)</sup> Collect \$.50 only if traffic offense and could be \$25.50 if exceeding the worksite speed limit or failure to merge.

<sup>(2) \$120</sup> fee for court costs if the criminal action is a misdemeanor and the defendant enters the pretrial diversion program

<sup>\*</sup> Information provided by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

#### **CIVIL CASES**

Criminal Costs Fee	IC 33-37-4-4	\$100.00	
Document Storage Fee	IC 33-37-5-20	2.00	
Automated Record Keeping Fee	IC 33-37-5-21	7.00	
Public Defense Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-21.2	3.00	
Judicial Insurance Adjustment Fee	IC 33-37-5-25	1.00	
Judicial Salaries Fee	IC 33-37-5-26	15.00	
Court Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-27	2.00	
Service Fee	IC 33-37-5-28		(1)
Alternative Dispute Resolution Fee	IC 33-23-6-1		_ (2)
Total Civil Filing Fee		\$130.00	_

<sup>(1)</sup> The clerk shall collect from the party filing the civil action, a service fee of \$10 for each additional defendant named other than the first named defendant. The clerk shall collect from any party adding a defendant, a service fee of \$10. This does not apply to an action in which the service is made by publication in accordance with Indiana Trial Rule 4.13

<sup>(2)</sup> If the county has an approved plan from the Judicial Conference of Indiana, the clerk shall collect from the party filing a petition for legal separation, paternity, or dissolution of marriage a fee of \$20.

<sup>\*</sup> Information provided by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

#### **JUVENILE CASES**

Juvenile Costs Fee		\$120.00	
Marijuana Eradication Program Fee	IC 33-37-5-7	*	
Alcohol and Drug Services Program Fee	IC 33-37-5-8(b)	*	
Law Enforcement Continuing Education Fee	IC 33-37-5-8(c)		(1)
Alcohol and Drug Countermeasures Fee	IC 33-37-5-10	*	
Jury Fee	IC 33-37-5-19		(1)
Document Storage Fee	IC 33-37-5-20	2.00	
Automated Record Keeping Fee	IC 33-37-5-21	7.00	
Late Payment Fee	IC 33-37-5-22	*	
Public Defense Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-21.2	3.00	(1)
Judicial Insurance Adjustment Fee	IC 33-37-5-25		(1)
Judicial Salaries Fee	IC 33-37-5-26	15.00	(1)
DNA Sample Processing Fee	IC 33-37-5-26.2	1.00	(1)
Court Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-27	2.00	(1)
Alternative Dispute Resolution Fee	IC 33-23-6-1		_(2)
Total Juvenile Filing Fees		\$150.00	_

<sup>\*</sup> Judge determines if this fee is to be collected and the amount of the fee.

<sup>(1)</sup> If the case is a criminal case, then these fees are collected upon conviction. Which would make the total filing fee for a juvenile criminal case \$156.00.

<sup>(2)</sup> If the county has an approved plan from the Judicial Conference of Indiana, the clerk shall collect from the party filing a petition for legal separation, paternity, or dissolution of marriage a fee of \$20.

<sup>\*</sup> Information provided by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

#### **SMALL CLAIMS CASES**

Small Claims Costs Fee	IC 33-37-4-6	\$35.00	
Small Claims Service Fee	IC 33-37-4-6	10.00	(1)
Additional Small Claims Service Fee	IC 33-37-4-6	*	
Document Storage Fee	IC 33-37-5-20	2.00	
Automated Record Keeping Fee	IC 33-37-5-21	7.00	
Public Defense Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-21.2	3.00	
Judicial Insurance Adjustment Fee	IC 33-37-5-25	1.00	
Judicial Salaries Fee	IC 33-37-5-26	10.00	
Court Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-27	2.00	_
Total Small Claims Filing Fees		\$70.00	=

<sup>\* \$10</sup> fee for any party adding a defendant to the action.

#### **PROBATE CASES**

Probate Costs Fee	IC 33-37-4-7	\$120.00
Document Storage Fee	IC 33-37-5-20	2.00
Automated Record Keeping Fee	IC 33-37-5-21	7.00
Public Defense Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-21.2	3.00
Judicial Insurance Adjustment Fee	IC 33-37-5-25	1.00
Judicial Salaries Fee	IC 33-37-5-26	15.00
Court Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-27	2.00
Total Probate Filing Fees		\$150.00

<sup>(1)</sup> Paid by the party filing the action.

<sup>\*</sup> Information provided by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

#### **INFRACTION/ORDINANCE VIOLATION CASES**

Infraction or Ordinance Violation Costs Fee		\$70.00	
Alcohol and Drug Services Program Fee	IC 33-37-5-8(b)	*	
Law Enforcement Continuing Education Fee	IC 33-37-5-8(c)	3.00	
Alcohol and Drug Countermeasures Fee	IC 33-37-5-10	*	
Highway Work Zone Fee	IC 33-37-5-14		(1)
Deferred Prosecution Fee	IC 33-37-5-17		(2)
Jury Fee	IC 33-37-5-19	2.00	
Document Storage Fee	IC 33-37-5-20	2.00	
Automated Record Keeping Fee	IC 33-37-5-21	7.00	
Late Payment Fee	IC 33-37-5-22	*	
Public Defense Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-21.2	3.00	
Judicial Insurance Adjustment Fee	IC 33-37-5-25	1.00	
Judicial Salaries Fee	IC 33-37-5-26	15.00	
DNA Sample Processing Fee	IC 33-37-5-26.2	1.00	
Court Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-27	2.00	_
Total Infraction/Ordinance Violations Filing Fees		\$106.00	_

<sup>\*</sup> Judge determines if this fee is to be collected and the amount of the fee.

<sup>(1)</sup> Collect \$.50 only if traffic offense and could be \$25.50 if exceeding the worksite speed limit or failure to merge.

<sup>(2) \$120</sup> fee for court costs if the criminal action is a misdemeanor and the defendant enters the pretrial diversion program.

<sup>\*</sup> Information provided by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

#### PRETRIAL DIVERSION PROGRAM

Deferred Prosecution Fee	IC 33-37-5-17	\$120.00
Initial User Fee	IC 33-37-4-1(c)	50.00
Monthly User Fee	IC 33-37-4-1(c)	60.00 (1)
Public Defense Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-21.2	3.00
Judicial Insurance Adjustment Fee	IC 33-37-5-25	1.00
Judicial Salaries Fee	IC 33-37-5-26	15.00
DNA Sample Processing Fee	IC 33-37-5-26.2	1.00
Court Administration Fee	IC 33-37-5-27	2.00
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Total Pretrial Diversion Program Fee		\$252.00

(1) Monthly fee is \$10 for each month that the person remains in the pretrial diversion program. This scenario illustrates a 6-month program. Particular counties may have different time ranges for the program, which may cause a particular total to be different.

#### **DEFERRAL PROGRAM**

Moving Traffic Offense Court Cost	IC 34-28-5-1	\$70.00 (1)
Initial Users Fee *	IC 33-37-4-2(e)	52.00 (2)
Monthly User Fee *	IC 33-37-4-2(e)	60.00 (3)
Total Deferral Program Fee		\$182.00

- (1) If the infraction or violation is not a moving traffic offense, then this will not be collected.
- (2) \$50 goes to the deferral program and \$2 goes to the jury pay fund.
- (3) Monthly fee is \$10 for each month that the person remains in the deferral program. This scenario illustrates a 6 month program. Counties may have different time ranges for the program which causes a particular total to be different.
- \* Statute states these fees are not to exceed these amounts. Individual prosecutors may have lower rates than the maximum allowed.
- \* Information provided by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

#### **SEATBELT VIOLATIONS**

Class D Infraction IC 9-19-10-8 \$25.00

IC 34-28-5-4

#### **CHILD RESTRAINT SYSTEM VIOLATIONS**

Class D Infraction IC 9-19-11 <u>\$25.00</u> (1)

IC 34-28-5-4

(1) These judgments go to a separate account in the state general fund in accordance with IC 9-19-11-9, and are considered to be different than seatbelt violations.

<sup>\*</sup> Information provided by the Indiana State Board of Accounts.

#### Fiscal Information Indiana Trial Courts Financial Comparison Table (1994-2004)

	Expenditures on Judicial System			F	Revenues Gene	erated by Cour	ts	
Year	State	County	City, Town and Township	TOTAL	For State Funds	For County Funds	For Local Funds	TOTAL Revenues
FY '93-'94	38,391,604							
Calendar 1994		103,192,999	6,705,374	148,289,977	40,432,166	44,719,192	7,829,613	93,080,971
FY '94-'95	39,912,708							
Calendar 1995		107,771,213	3,484,338	151,168,259	49,015,934	46,491,181	7,976,618	103,484,025
FY '95-'96	55,831,077							
Calendar 1996		110,663,123	3,885,442	170,379,642	57,102,378	50,033,312	8,896,382	116,032,072
FY '96-'97	57,431,504							
Calendar 1997	, ,	124,704,675	7,227,575	189,363,754	59,901,118	53,022,859	9,975,379	122,899,356
FY '97-'98	61,044,245							
Calendar 1998		137,809,840	8,733,226	207,587,311	64,947,008	59,984,503	11,371,714	136,303,225
FY '98-'99	64,857,746							
Calendar 1999	01,001,110	147,048,695	9,730,589	221,637,030	65,469,745	60,600,605	11,634,063	137,704,413
FY '99-'00	69,442,071							
Calendar 2000	00,442,011	163,059,133	10,507,822	254,202,395	71,771,627	67,896,463	13,008,032	152,676,122
FY '00-'01	72,764,172							
Calendar 2001	72,704,172	174,252,502	11,280,045	258,296,719	74,140,614	66,038,236	13,507,909	153,686,759
FY '01-'02	73,235,532							
Calendar 2002	73,233,332	171,478,092	12,242,086	256,955,710	78,080,386	73,662,387	14,768,392	166,511,165
FY '02-'03	77,012,594							
Calendar 2003		175,448,854	11,325,695	263,787,143	76,779,839	76,910,597	13,256,448	166,946,884
FY '03-'04	79,755,860							
Calendar 2004		180,864,134	12,916, 563	273,536,557	78,732,492	85,012,363	11,249,707	174,994,562

#### **Fiscal Information**

# **Judicial System Expenditures by the State of Indiana for FY 2003-2004**

(INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE AUDITOR)

		Services				Grants,	Tra	avel	
	Personal Services	Service Other than Personal	Service by Contract	Materials, Parts and Supplies	Equipment	Subsidies Refunds, and Awards	In-State Travel	Out-of-State Travel	Total Expenditures
Supreme Court	5,156,511	221,495	637,382	93,556	473,215	7,198	13,638	33,917	6,636,912
Court of Appeals	7,595,023	77,341	595,147	62,445	230,658	2,222	53,856	22,899	8,639,591
Tax Court	428,168	4,527	68,934	6,098	12,632	0	2,756	237	523,352
Trial Judge's Salaries	41,069,936	7,303	975	44	0	10,367	6,000	0	41,094,625
Special Judges	0	8,698	75	279	0	0	76,518	0	85,570
Trial Court Operations	4,108	20,498	37,258	1,235	0	287,000	2,342	582	353,023
Judge's Pension Fund	0	0	0	0	0	9,584,871	0	0	9,584,871
Public Defender	4,754,842	192,583	552,522	20,882	50,767	0	35,707	4,329	5,611,632
Judicial Conference and Indiana Judicial Center	1,131,114	42,373	515,095	41,956	33,854	0	52,076	6,945	1,823,413
Public Defender Commission	0	0	0	0	0	8,914,831	0	0	8,914,831
Guardian Ad Litem	83,594	2,387	674	14,460	0	693,123	5,828	2,805	802,871
TOTALS	60,223,296	577,205	2,408,062	240,955	801,126	15,184,781	248,721	71,714	79,755,860

# Fiscal Information Summary of 2004 Expenditures

	County	City/Town	Township	
Expenditures	Circuit, Superior, County, and Probate Courts	City and Town Courts	Marion County Small Claims Courts	Total
Judge(s) Salary - County Paid	1,260,445	0	0	1,260,445
Judge(s) Salary - Locally Paid	0	1,690,830	483,930	2,174,760
Other Judicial Officers	4,050,095	189,352	0	4,239,447
Court Reporter(s)	17,401,999	102,703	0	17,504,702
Bailiff(s)	12,063,873	958,237	0	13,022,110
Jury Commissioner(s)	48,879	0	0	48,879
Court Administrator & Staff	4,133,781	712,518	81,269	4,927,568
Secretary(ies)	4,893,931	349,160	92,515	5,335,606
GAL/CASA	1,639,509	0	0	1,639,509
Law Clerks & Interns	459,140	0	0	459,140
Public Defender & Staff	9,299,220	467,789 2.339.505	0 1,146,061	9,767,009
Court Clerks & Other Employees Probation Office	18,696,231 51,405,655	1,517,667	0	22,181,797 52,923,322
TOTAL Personnel Salaries	125,352,758	8,327,761	1,803,775	135,484,294
Per Diem-Reporters/Bailiffs- Venued In/Out	51,434	0	0	51,434
Per Diem - Grand Jurors	59,480	4,200	0	63,680
Per Diem - Petit Jurors	2,695,823	600	0	2,696,423
Witness Fees	1,323,333	0	0	1,323,333
Medical & Psychiatric	698,381	7,862	0	706,243
Pauper Attorneys - Case by Case	10,037,150	72,408	0	10,109,558
Other Indigent Expenses	1,907,470	1,009	0	1,908,479
Judge(s) Pro Tempore	93,396	15,645	13,275	122,316
Other Non-Salary Personnel Svcs	10,369,874	408,959	84,283	4,571,112
Court Interpreter Fees	313,074	63,627	600	377,301
TOTAL Non-Salary Personnel Svcs	27,549,415	574,310	98,158	28,293,850
TOTAL Personnel Services	152,902,173	8,902,071	1,901,933	163,706,177
TOTAL Supplies	3,772,285	330,013	159,288	4,261,586
Rentals	6,634,834	173,965	214,130	7,022,929
Lodging & Meals for Jurors	1,422,829	21,610	0	1,444,439
Other Services & Charges	12,785,720	547,986	219,620	13,553,326
TOTAL Services	20,843,383	743,561	433,750	22,020,694
Law Books	1,496,290	24,361	6,889	1,527,540
Other Capital Outlays TOTAL Capital Outlays	1,850,003	377,738	36,959	2,264,700
TOTAL Capital Outlays  TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,346,293 180,864,134	402,099	43,848 2,538,819	3,792,240
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	100,004,134	10,377,744	2,550,619	193,780,697

# Fiscal Information 2004 Revenues Generated – All Courts

REVENUES	Circuit, Superior, County, and Probate Courts	City and Town	Marion County Small Claims	Grand Total
STATE LEVEL FUNDS				
To General Fund	52,120,687	11,540,433	243,751	63,089,556
To Court Related Services Funds	0	0	0	0
To Special Funds	11,964,923	2,992,277	0	14,959,066
TOTAL to State Funds	64,085,610	14,532,710	243,751	78,732,492
COUNTY LEVEL FUNDS				
To General Fund	28,805,436	2,622,156	53,881	31,427,592
To Court Related Services Funds	21,579,764	110,919	0	21,690,683
To Special Funds	29,007,445	2,793,780	0	31,801,225
TOTAL to County Level	79,392,645	5,619,718	53,881	85,012,363
TO LOCAL LEVEL FUNDS (Towns	ship)			
To General Fund	3,153,671	5,327,561	4,260,354	12,741,586
To Court Related Services Funds	9,972	1,845,687	0	1,855,659
To Special Funds	82,370	923,309	0	1,005,679
TOTAL to Local Level	3,246,013	8,096,557	4,260,354	11,249,707
TOTAL REVENUES GENERATED	146,724,268	28,270,294	4,260,354	174,994,562
TO OTHERS				
To Constables for Personal Service or Certified Mail	0	0	2,249,385	2,249,385

# Fiscal Information 2004 Revenues Generated

#### **Circuit, Superior, County and Probate Courts**

	State Funds	County Funds	Local Funds	Total
REVENUES DISTRIBUTED TO GENER	AL FUNDS			
1. Court Costs	42,690,819	16,304,649	1,566,806	60,562,274
2. Infraction Judgments	7,820,781			7,820,781
Civil Penalties for Local     Ordinance Violations		83,528	1,581,286	1,664,814
4. Support Fees		1,862,843		1,862,843
5. Bond Administration Fees		1,376,551		1,376,551
6. Document Fees		1,028,452		1,028,452
7. Interest on Investments		532,545	3,655	536,200
8. Other	1,609,087	7,616,868	1,924	9,227,879
TOTAL TO GENERAL FUNDS	52,120,687	28,805,436	3,153,671	84,079,794
REVENUES DISTRIBUTED TO COURT	RELATED SERV	/ICES		
9. Adult Probation User Fees		15,571,010		15,571,010
10. Juvenile Probation User Fees		2,077,980		2,077,980
11. Guardian Ad Litem Fees		239,117		239,117
12. Supplemental Public Defender Fees		1,827,942		1,827,942
TOTAL TO COURT RELATED SERVICES	0	19,476,932		21,589,736
REVENUES DISTRIBUTED TO SPECIA	L FUNDS	•	•	
14. Fines and Forfeitures	4,290,813			4,290,813
15. Vehicle License Fees	647,502			647,502
16. Late Surrender Fees		739,068	10,897	749,965
17. User Fees	2,217,911	9,194,220	71,473	11,483,604
18. Jury Fees		866,988		866,988
19. Prosecutorial Pretrial Diversion Fees		5,177,060		5,177,060
20. Prosecutorial Deferral Program Fees		8,244,013		8,244,013
21. Document Storage Fees		1,863,715	9,972	1,873,687
22. Automated Record Keeping Fee	4,808,697			4,808,697
23. County Drug Free Community Fees		4,786,096		4,786,096
TOTAL TO SPECIAL FUNDS	11,964,923	29,007,445	82,370	41,054,738
TOTAL GENERATED FUNDS	64,085,610	79,392,645	3,246,013	146,724,268

# Fiscal Information 2004 Revenues Generated City and Town Courts

	State Funds	County Funds	Local Funds	Total
REVENUES DISTRIBUTED TO GENERAL FUND	S			
1. Court Costs	7,273,029	2,593,350	3,279,762	13,146,141
2. Infraction Judgments	4,196,896			4,196,896
3. Civil Penalties for Local Ordinance Violations		17,237	1,040,547	1,057,784
4. Support Fees		92,863		92,863
5. Bond Administration Fees			223,324	223,324
6. Document Fees			40,497	40,497
7. Interest on Investments		688	39,444	40,132
8. Other	184,680	10,881	611,124	806,685
TOTAL TO GENERAL FUNDS	11,654,605	2,715,019	5,234,698	19,604,322
REVENUES DISTRIBUTED TO COURT RELATE	D SERVICES			
9. Adult Probation User Fees		86,201	1,508,847	1,595,048
10. Juvenile Probation User Fees				0
11. Document Storage Fees		11,151	336,840	347,991
12. Guardian Ad Litem Fees				0
13. Supplemental Public Defender Fees		13,567		13,567
TOTAL TO COURT RELATED SERVICES	0	110,919	1,845,687	1,956,606
REVENUES DISTRIBUTED TO SPECIAL FUNDS	6			
14. Fines and Forfeitures	1,241,349			1,241,349
15. Vehicle License Fees	367,049			367,049
16. Late Surrender Fees			360,543	360,543
17. User Fees	336,552	327,565	522,269	1,186,386
18. Jury Fees		350,931		350,931
19. Prosecutorial Pretrial Diversion Fees		646,551		646,551
20. Prosecutorial Deferral Program Fees		1,019,440	40,497	1,059,937
21. Automated Record Keeping Fee	1,047,327			1,047,327
22. County Drug Free Community Fees		449,293		449,293
TOTAL TO SPECIAL FUNDS	2,992,277	2,793,780	923,309	6,709,366
TOTAL GENERATED ALL FUNDS	14,646,882	5,619,718	8,003,694	28,270,294

# Fiscal Information 2004 Revenues Generated Marion County Small Claims Courts

	State Funds	County Funds	Local Funds	Other	Total for Gov't Units
Township Docket Fee			2,740,363		2,740,363
2. Other Fees	243,751	53,881		1,222,359	1,519,991
TOTAL	243,751	53,881	2,740,363	1,222,359	4,260,354
3. Service of Process Fee for Certified Mail (paid directly to the Constables)*				1,068,591	1,068,591
4. Service of Process Fee for Personal Service (paid directly to Constables)*				1,180,794	1,180,794

<sup>\*</sup> The service of process fees are not included in the final total since they are paid by the litigants and go directly to the constables for personal service or certified mail service.

Trial Court

Judicial Officers – Courts of Record (12/31/04)

COUNTY	ELI	ECTED JI	JDICIAL OF	FICER	TOTAL JUDGES	APPOII	NTED (	OFFICERS	TOTAL OTHER OFFICERS	GRAND TOTAL	2004 POP*
	CIR	SUP	CNTY	PRO.		MAG	REF	сомм			
ADAMS	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	33,815
ALLEN	1	9	0	0	10	12	1	0	13	23	342,168
BARTHOLOMEW	1	2	0	0	3	1	1	0	2	5	72,987
BENTON	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	9,139
BLACKFORD	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	13,841
BOONE	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	5	50,847
BROWN	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	15,228
CARROLL	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	20,331
CASS	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	40,417
CLARK	1	3	0	0	4	1	0	0	1	5	100,706
CLAY	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	27,210
CLINTON	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	34,148
CRAWFORD	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	11,167
DAVIESS	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	30,245
DEARBORN	0.5	1	0	0	1.5	0	1	0	1	2.5	48,583
DECATUR	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	24,970
DEKALB	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	3	41,524
DELAWARE	5	0	0	0	5	0	0	4	4	9	117,774
DUBOIS	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	40,771
ELKHART	1	6	0	0	7	3	0	0	3	10	191,768
FAYETTE	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	24,934
FLOYD	1	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	1	4	71,543
FOUNTAIN	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	17,671
FRANKLIN	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	22,852
FULTON	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	20,581
GIBSON	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	33,286
GRANT	1	3	0	0	4	0	2	1	3	7	71,543
GREENE	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	33,500
HAMILTON	1	5	0	0	6	1	0	2	3	9	231,760
HANCOCK	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	60,915
HARRISON	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	36,376
HENDRICKS	1	3	0	0	4	0	0	1	1	5	123,476
HENRY	1	3	0	0	4	0	0	1	1	5	47,809
HOWARD	1	3	0	0	4	0	1	0	1	5	84,615
HUNTINGTON	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	38,124
JACKSON	1	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	3	41,959
JASPER	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	31,624
JAY	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	21,654
JEFFERSON	0.5	1	0	0	1.5	0	0	0	0	1.5	32,110
JENNINGS	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	28,401
JOHNSON	1	3	0	0	4	2	0	0	2	6	125,864
KNOX	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	38,442
KOSCIUSKO	1	3	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	4	75,667
LAGRANGE	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	36,515

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COUNTY	ELI   CIR	ECTED JU	JDICIAL OF	ı	JUDGES		NTED ( REF	COMM	OFFICERS	TOTAL	2004 POP*
LAKE	1	16	0	<b>PRO</b> .	17	<b>MAG</b> 13	5	4	22	39	400 844
LAPORTE	1	4	0	0	5	2	0	1	3	8	490,844
LAWRENCE	1	2	0	0	3	0		0		4	109,755
							1		1		46,398
MADISON	1	3	2	0	6	0	0	5	5	11	130,602
MARION	1	33	0	0	34	9	0	32	41	75	863,596
MARSHALL	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	46,732
MARTIN	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	10,467
MIAMI	1 -	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	35,955
MONROE	7	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	7	121,013
MONTGOMERY	1	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	37,937
MORGAN	1	3	0	0	4	1	0	0	1	5	69,424
NEWTON	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	14,421
NOBLE	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	47,297
OHIO*	0.5	0.5	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	5,849
ORANGE	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	19,718
OWEN	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	23,074
PARKE	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	17,254
PERRY	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	18,999
PIKE	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	12,938
PORTER	1	5	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	6	154,961
POSEY	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	26,990
PULASKI	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	13,825
PUTNAM	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	36,786
RANDOLPH	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	26,697
RIPLEY	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	27,549
RUSH	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	18,028
ST. JOSEPH	1	8	0	1	10	6	0	0	6	16	266,431
SCOTT	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	23,604
SHELBY	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	43,717
SPENCER	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	20,310
STARKE	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	2	22,903
STEUBEN	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	3	33,722
SULLIVAN	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	1	3	21,862
SWITZERLAND	0.5	0.5	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	9,508
TIPPECANOE	1	6	0	0	7	1	0	0	1	8	152,042
TIPTON	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	2	16,605
UNION	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	7,226
VANDERBURGH	1	7	0	0	8	5	0	0	5	13	173,157
VERMILLION	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	16,500
VIGO	1	4	0	0	5	1	0	0	1	6	103,195
WABASH	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	1	3	34,169
WARREN	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	8,760
WARRICK	1	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	55,465
WASHINGTON	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	27,882
WAYNE	1	3	0	0	4	0	0	1	1	5	69,778
WELLS	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	27,963
WHITE	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	24,846
WHITLEY	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	31,955
TOTAL	100	195	4	1	300	66	17	50	133	433	6,083,685

#### **2004 Minor Courts**

County	Small Claims	City Courts	Town Courts
Allen		New Haven	
Boone		Lebanon	Jamestown
			Thorntown
			Whitestown
			Zionsville
Carroll		Delphi	Burlington
Clark		Charlestown	Clarksville
		Jeffersonville	Sellersburg
Clinton		Frankfort	
Dearborn		Aurora	
		Lawrenceburg	
DeKalb		Butler	
Delaware		Muncie	Yorktown
Elkhart		Elkhart	
		Goshen	
		Nappanee	
Fountain		Attica	
Grant		Gas City	
		Marion	
Hamilton		Carmel	
		Noblesville	
Hendricks			Avon
			Brownsburg
			Plainfield
Henry		New Castle	Knightstown
Huntington			Roanoke
Jasper			DeMotte
Jay		Dunkirk	
		Portland	
Johnson		Franklin	
		Greenwood	
Knox		Bicknell	
Lake		Crown Point	Merrillville
		East Chicago	Lowell
		Gary	Schererville
		Hammond	
		Hobart	
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County	Small Claims	City Courts	Town Courts
		Lake Station	
		Whiting	
Madison		Alexandria	Edgewood
		Anderson	Pendleton
		Elwood	
Marion	Center Township		
	Decatur Township		
	Franklin Township		
	Lawrence Township		
	Perry Township		
	Pike Township		
	Warren Township		
	Washington Township		
	Wayne Township		
Miami		Peru	Bunker Hill
Morgan		Martinsville	Mooresville
Randolph		Union	
		Winchester	
Ripley		Batesville	Versailles
St. Joseph			Walkerton
Spencer		Rockport	
Starke		Knox	
Steuben			Fremont
Tippecanoe		West Lafayette	
Tipton		Tipton	Sharpsville
Vermillion		Clinton	
Vigo		Terre Haute	
Wabash		Wabash	North Manchester
Wayne			Hagerstown
Wells		Bluffton	
White			Monon
TOTAL	9	47	28

1 Adams		
1 Adams	ludas	Cabumaa Fradariak
Circuit	Judge	Schurger, Frederick
Superior	Judge	Heimann, James A.
2 Allen		
Circuit	Judge	Felts, Thomas J.
	Magistrate	Bobayl, Craig J.
	Referee	Ryan, Thomas L.
Superior 1	Judge	Boyer, Nancy E.
	Magistrate	Houk, Phillip
	Magistrate	DeGroote, Jennifer
	Magistrate	Cook, Brian D.
	Magistrate	Ummel, Jerry
Superior 2	Judge	Heath, Dan
	Magistrate	Houk, Phillip
	Magistrate	DeGroote, Jennifer
	Magistrate	Cook, Brian D.
Superior 3	Judge	Levine, Stanley
	Magistrate	Houk, Phillip
	Magistrate	DeGroote, Jennifer
	Magistrate	Cook, Brian D.
Superior 4	Judge	Schiebenberger, Kenneth
	Magistrate	Schmoll, Robert
	Magistrate	Linsky, Marcia
	Magistrate	Ross, Robert
Superior 5	Judge	Gull, Frances
	Magistrate	Linsky, Marcia
	Magistrate	Schmoll, Robert
	Magistrate	Ross, Robert E.
Superior 6	Judge	Surbeck, John F.
	Magistrate	Schmoll, Robert
	Magistrate	Linsky, Marcia
	Magistrate	Ross, Robert
Superior 7	Judge	Sims, Stephen
	Magistrate	Lee, Diane
	Magistrate	Springer, Karen
Superior 8	Judge	Pratt, Charles
	Magistrate	Morgan, Lori
	Magistrate	Boyer, Thomas P.
Superior 9	1	Aveny David
	Judge	Avery, David
	Judge Magistrate	Houk, Phillip
	Magistrate	Houk, Phillip
New Haven City	Magistrate Magistrate	Houk, Phillip DeGroote, Jennifer
New Haven City 3 Bartholomew	Magistrate  Magistrate  Magistrate	Houk, Phillip DeGroote, Jennifer Cook, Brian D.
	Magistrate  Magistrate  Magistrate	Houk, Phillip DeGroote, Jennifer Cook, Brian D.
3 Bartholomew	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate City Judge	Houk, Phillip DeGroote, Jennifer Cook, Brian D. Robison, Geoff
3 Bartholomew	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate City Judge Judge	Houk, Phillip DeGroote, Jennifer Cook, Brian D. Robison, Geoff Heimann, Stephen

	Magistrato	Mook Joseph W
4 Ponto:	Magistrate	Meek, Joseph W.
4 Benton	Ludas	Kanana Dan
Circuit	Judge	Kepner, Rex
5 Blackford		
Circuit	Judge 	Bade, Bruce C.
Superior	Judge	Forcum, John W.
6 Boone		
Circuit	Judge	David, Steve
	Commissioner	Berish, Sally
Superior 1	Judge	Kincaid, Matthew C.
Superior 2	Judge	Detamore, James
	Commissioner	Sullivan, Mark X.
Lebanon City	City J	Crow, Patricia R.
Zionsville Town	Town J	Jackson, Jr., Price A.
Jamestown Town	Town J	Caldwell, Mary Ann
Thorntown Town	Town J	Vaughn, Donald G.
Whitestown Town	Town J	Bradley, Edward
7 Brown		
Circuit	Judge	Stewart, Judith
	Magistrate	Van Winkle, Douglas
8 Carroll		
Circuit	Judge	Carey, Joseph W.
Superior	Judge	Smith, Jeffrey W.
Delphi City	City J	Weckerly, David
Burlington Town	Town J	Adams, John C.
9 Cass		
Circuit	Judge	Ridlen, Julian
Superior 1	Judge	Perrone, Thomas C.
Superior 2	Judge	Maughmer, Rick
10 Clark		
Circuit	Judge	Donahue, Daniel
	Magistrate	Abbott, Kenneth R.
Superior 1	Judge	Jacobi, Jerome F.
	Magistrate	Abbott, Kenneth R.
Superior 2	Judge	Blau, Cecile A.
	Magistrate	Abbott, Kenneth R.
Superior 3	Judge	Fleece, Steven
	Magistrate	Abbott, Kenneth R.
Charlestown City	City Judge	Waters, George
Jeffersonville City	City Judge	Carmichael, Vicki
Clarksville Town	Town Judge	Weber, Joseph P.
Sellersburg Town	Town Judge	Lowe, Thomas R.
11 Clay		Yelton, Ernest E.
Circuit	ludgo	(2005 Appointee Robert
Circuit	Judge	Pell)
Superior	Judge	Akers, Blaine
12 Clinton	Ludaa	Danier III
Circuit	Judge	Pearson, Linley

Superior	Judge	Smith, Kathy
Frankfort City	City Judge	Ponton, George G.
13 Crawford		
Circuit	Judge	Lopp, Kenneth
14 Daviess		
Circuit	Judge	Arthur, Robert L.
Superior	Judge	Sobecki, Dean A.
15 Dearborn		
Circuit	Judge	Humphrey, James D.
	Referee	Gay, Mary Ann
Superior	Judge	Witte, G. Michael
Aurora City	City Judge	Schmits, Fred
Lawrenceburg City	City Judge	Bauer, Tom
16 Decatur		
Circuit	Judge	Westhafer, John A.
Superior	Judge	Wilke, W. Michael
17 DeKalb		
Circuit	Judge	Carpenter, Kirk
Superior	Judge	Wallace, Kevin P.
<u></u>	Referee	Wible, William
Butler City	City Judge	Obendorf, Richard
18 Delaware	only stage	o condon, ruendra
Circuit 1	Judge	Vorhees, Marianne L.
On Cuit 1	Commissioner	Henderson, Ronald
	Commissioner	Peckinpaugh, Darrell
Circuit 2	Judge	
Circuit 2	Commissioner	Dailey, Richard A. Henderson, Ronald
Circuit 2		
Circuit 3	Judge	Barnet, Robert L.
Circuit 4	Commissioner	Speece, Joseph
Circuit 4	Judge Commissioner	Feick, John M. McLaren, Bruce
Cincit 5	Commissioner	Henderson, Ronald
Circuit 5	Judge Commissioner	Lennington, Wayne J.
Munaia Cit		Peckinpaugh, Darrell
Muncie City	City Judge	Wolf, Linda Ralu
Yorktown Town	Town Judge	Zeabart, Patricia
19 DuBois	1	NAC 11 A NACULO
Circuit	Judge	Weikert, William
Superior	Judge	Lytton, Howard
20 Elkhart		
Circuit	Judge	Shewmaker, Terry C.
	Magistrate	Domine, Deborah
Superior 1	Judge	Pfaff, L. Benjamin
Superior 2	Judge	Platt, Stephen E.
	Magistrate	Denton, David
	Magistrate	Murto, Thomas
Superior 3	Judge	Biddlecome, George W.

Superior 4	Judge	Stickel, Olga H.
	Magistrate	Murto, Thomas
Superior 5	Judge	Rieckhoff, James W.
	Magistrate	Denton, David
Superior 6	Judge	Bonfiglio, David
Elkhart City	City Judge	Grodnik, Charles H.
Goshen City	City Judge	McGregor, Cecelia J.
Nappanee City	City Judge	Widmoyer, David W.
21 Fayette		
Circuit	Judge	Pflum, Dan
Superior	Judge	Urdal, Ronald T.
22 Floyd		
Circuit	Judge	Cody, J. Terrance
	Magistrate	Burke, Daniel
Superior	Judge	Orth, Susan L.
County	Judge	Hancock, Glenn
	Magistrate	Burke, Daniel
23 Fountain		
Circuit	Judge	Henderson, Susan Orr
	Referee (SC)	Gibson, Donald F.
Attica City	City Judge	Mason, Mark
24 Franklin		
Circuit	Judge	Cox, J. Steven
25 Fulton		
Circuit	Judge	Morton, Douglas G.
Superior	Judge	Steele, Wayne
26 Gibson		
Circuit	Judge	Palmer, Walter H.
Superior	Judge	Penrod, Earl G.
27 Grant		
Circuit	Judge	Hunt, Thomas
	Commissioner	Milford, John
Superior 1	Judge	Todd, Jeffrey D.
Superior 2	Judge	Johnson, Randall
	Referee	White, Beau J.
Superior 3	Judge	Conn, Natalie
	Commissioner	Drook, Jerry
Gas City	City Judge	Schrader, Fred
Marion City	City Judge	Kocher, Jame F.
28 Greene		
Circuit	Judge	Johnson, David K.
Superior	Judge	Holt, J. David
29 Hamilton		
Circuit	Judge	Proffitt, Judith
	Commissioner	Ruetz, Todd
Superior 1	Judge	Nation, Steven R.
	Magistrate	Najjar, David
	Commissioner	Ruetz, Todd

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	Commissioner	Greenway, William
Superior 2	Judge	Pfleging, Daniel
	Magistrate	Najjar, David
	Commissioner	Greenway, William
Superior 3	Judge	Hughes, William J.
	Magistrate	Najjar, David
Superior 4	Judge	Campbell, J. Richard
	Magistrate	Najjar, David
Superior 5	Judge	Sturtevant, Wayne
Carmel City	City Judge	Bardach, Gail Z.
Noblesville City	City Judge	Caldwell, Gregory L.
30 Hancock		
Circuit	Judge	Culver, Richard
Superior 1	Judge	Snow, Terry K.
Superior 2	Judge	Marshall, Dan E.
31 Harrison		
Circuit	Judge	Whitis, H. Lloyd
Superior	Judge	Davis, Roger
32 Hendricks		
Circuit	Judge	Boles, Jeffrey V.
Superior 1	Judge	Freese, Robert
Superior 2	Judge	Coleman, David H.
Superior 3	Judge	Love, Karen M.
	Commissioner	Smith, Mark
Brownsburg Town	Town Judge	Hostetter, Charles E.
Plainfield Town	Town Judge	Spencer, James D.
Avon Town	Town Judge	Owen, Maureen
33 Henry		
Circuit	Judge	Willis, Mary G.
Superior 1	Judge	Peyton, Michael D.
	Commissioner	O'Neal, Lyn
Superior 2	Judge	Witham, Bob A.
New Castle City	City Judge	Sadler, Dave
Knightstown Town	Town Judge	Butler, Lewis
34 Howard		
Circuit	Judge	Murray, Lynn
	Referee (Juv)	Ryan, Mark
Superior 1	Judge	Krebes, Michael
Superior 2	Judge	Jessup, Stephen
Superior 3	Judge	Tate, Douglas
35 Huntington		
Circuit	Judge	McIntosh, Mark A.
Superior	Judge	Heffelfinger, Jeffrey R.
Roanoke Town	Town Judge	Turpin, Bobby G.
	rown Judge	Traipin, BODDy G.
36 Jackson	ludge	Vance William
Circuit	Judge	Vance, William
	Magistrate	Nierman, Jeffrey
Superior	Judge	Guthrie, Frank

37 Jasper		
Circuit	Judge	Daugherty, E. Duane
Superior	Judge	McGraw, John P.
DeMotte Town	Town Judge	Osborn, Gregory
38 Jay		
Circuit	Judge	Hutchinson, Brian
Superior	Judge	Roberts, Joel
Dunkirk City	City Judge	Phillips II, Tommy
Portland City	City Judge	Pensinger, Michele
39 Jefferson		
Circuit	Judge	Todd, Ted R.
Superior	Judge	Hoying, Fred H.
40 Jennings		
Circuit	Judge	Webster, Jonathan W.
Superior	Judge	Funke, James
41 Johnson	9-	,
Circuit	Judge	Loyd, K. Mark
ouit	Magistrate	Clark, Marla
Superior 1	Judge	Barton, Kevin
опретот т	Magistrate	Tandy, Richard
Superior 2	Judge	Emkes, Cynthia S.
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Superior 3	Judge	Shilts, Kim Van Valer
<u>Guporior o</u>	Magistrate	Tandy, Richard
Franklin City	City Judge	Schafstall, Robert D.
Greenwood City	City Judge	Gregory, Lewis J.
42 Knox		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Circuit	Judge	Gregg, Sherry L.
Superior 1	Judge	Crowley, Tim
Superior 2	Judge	Osborne, Jim R.
Bicknell City	City Judge	McKinnon, Jon
43 Kosciusko		
Circuit	Judge	Reed, Rex L.
Superior 1	Judge	Huffer, Duane
Superior 2	Judge	Jarrette, James C.
Superior 3	Judge	Sutton, Joe V.
44 LaGrange		
Circuit	Judge	VanDerbeck, J. Scott
Superior	Judge	Brown, George E.
45 Lake		
Circuit	Judge	Arrendondo, Lorenzo
	Magistrate	Miller, Christina
	Magistrate	Ivancevich, George
	Commissioner	Brooks, Charles
Superior Civil 1	Judge	Schneider, Diane Kavadias
	Commissioner	Stepanovich, Donald
Superior Civil 2	Judge	Davis, William
	Commissioner	Rivera, Itsia D.

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Superior Civil 3	Judge	Danikolas, James
	Magistrate	Raduenz, Nanette
	Magistrate	Luz Corona, Maria
	Commissioner	Matuga, Joseph B.
Superior Civil 4	Judge	Svetanoff, Gerald
Superior Civil 5	Judge	Pete, Robert
Superior Juvenile	Judge	Bonaventura, Mary Beth
	Magistrate	Gillis, Gregory
	Magistrate	Miller, Jeffrey
	Magistrate	Commons, Glenn D.
	Magistrate	Peller, Charlotte Ann
	Referee	Tavitas, Elizabeth
	Referee	Sedia, John M.
	Referee	Giorgi, Paul
Superior County 1	Judge	Schiralli, Nicholas
	Magistrate	Szarleta, Ellen
Superior County 2	Judge	Moss, Sheila
	Magistrate	Belzeski, Kathleen
Superior County 3	Judge	Cantrell, Julie
	Magistrate	Pagano, Michael N.
	Referee	Boling, R. Jeffrey
Superior Civil 6	Judge	Pera, John
Superior Civil 7	Judge	Dywan, Jeffrey
Superior County 4	Judge	Villapando, Jesse
	Referee	Likens, Ann P.
Superior Criminal 1	Judge	Vasquez, Salvador
	Magistrate	Sullivan, Kathleen
	Magistrate	Bokota, Natalie
Superior Criminal 2	Judge	Murray, Clarence D.
	Magistrate	Sullivan, Kathleen
	Magistrate	Bokota, Natalie
Superior Criminal 3	Judge	Boswell, Diane
	Magistrate	Sullivan, Kathleen
	Magistrate	Bokota, Natalie
Superior Criminal 4	Judge	Stefaniak, Thomas
	Magistrate	Sullivan, Kathleen
	Magistrate	Bokota, Natalie
Crown Point City	City Judge	Jeffirs, Kenneth
E. Chicago City	City Judge	Morris, Sonya
Gary City	City Judge	Monroe, Deidre L.
Hammond City	City Judge	Harkin, Jeffrey
Hobart City	City Judge	Longer, William J.
Lake Station City	City Judge	Kantar, Kristina
Whiting City	City Judge	Ciesar, William
Merrillville Town	Town Judge	Paras, George
Schererville Town	Town Judge	Anderson, Kenneth L.
Lowell Town	Town Judge	Vanes, Thomas W.
46 LaPorte		

Circuit	Judge	Gilmore, Robert W.
	Magistrate	Ankony, Sally A.
	Magistrate	Pawloski, Thomas G.
	Commissioner	Lang, Kathleen
Superior 1	Judge	Chapala, Walter P.
Superior 2	Judge	King, Steven E.
Superior 3	Judge	Baldoni, Paul J.
Superior 4	Judge	Boklund, William J.
-	Magistrate	Pawloski, Thomas
47 Lawrence		
Circuit	Judge	McCord, Andrea (Presiding Judge Richard McIntyre on active military duty)
	Referee	Haseman, Christine
Superior 1	Judge	Robbins, Michael A.
Superior 2	Judge	Sleva, William
48 Madison		
Circuit	Judge	Spencer, Frederick
	Commissioner	Kilmer, Joseph R.
Superior 1	Judge	Carroll, Dennis D.
	Commissioner	Anderson, Jim
	Commissioner	Clase, Stephen
Superior 2	Judge	Brinkman, Jack L.
	Commissioner	Alger, David E.
	Commissioner	Clase, Stephen
Superior 3	Judge	Newman, Thomas
	Commissioner	Pancol, G. George
County 1	Judge	Hopper, David W.
	Commissioner	Clase, Stephen
County 2	Judge	Clem, Thomas L.
-	Commissioner	Clase, Stephen
Alexandria City	City Judge	King, James
Anderson City	City Judge	Phillippe, Donald R.
Elwood City	City Judge	Noone, Kyle F.
Edgewood Town	Town Judge	Garman, Jr., John G.
Pendletown Town	Town Judge	Gasparovic, G.M.
49 Marion	-	
Circuit	Judge	Sosin, Theodore M.
	Commissioner	Cohen, Laura S.
	Commissioner	Disoma, Anthony
	Commissioner	Gilroy, Richard D.
	Commissioner	Gooden, Alicia A.
	Commissioner	Palgutta, Paul
Superior Civil 1	Judge	Orbison, Carol J.
	Magistrate	Caudill, Burnett
	Commissioner	Oldham, Mary Ann
	Commissioner	Terzo, Carol
Superior Civil 2		
Superior Civil 2	Judge	Johnson, Kenneth

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	Magistrate	Caudill, Burnett
	Commissioner	Terzo, Carol
	Commissioner	Oldham, Mary Ann
	Judge	McCarty, Patrick
	Magistrate	Caudill, Burnett
	Commissioner	Terzo, Carol
Superior Civil 4	Judge	Ayers, Cynthia J.
	Magistrate	Caudill, Burnett
	Commissioner	Boone, Cheryl
	Commissioner	Terzo, Carol
Superior Civil 5	Judge	Miller, Gary
	Magistrate	Dill, Caryl
	Commissioner	Ransberger, Vickie
	Commissioner	Terzo, Carol
Superior Civil 6	Judge	Carroll, Thomas
	Magistrate	Caudill, Burnett
	Commissioner	Haile, Christopher
	Commissioner	Terzo, Carol
Superior Civil 7	Judge	Zore, Gerald
	Magistrate	Dill, Caryl
	Commissioner	Ransberger, Vickie
	Commissioner	Terzo, Carol
Superior Probate	Judge	Deiter, Charles
	Commissioner	Bradley, Larry
	Commissioner	Batties, Mark
	Commissioner	Turner, John Richard
Superior Juvenile	Judge	Payne, James (2005 Appointee Marilyn Moores)
	Magistrate	Cartmel, Julie
	Magistrate	Gaither, Geoffrey
	Magistrate	Gaither, Geoffrey
	Magistrate Magistrate	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris
	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth
Superior Civil 10	Magistrate  Magistrate  Magistrate  Commissioner	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott
Superior Civil 10	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David
Superior Civil 10	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol
Superior Civil 10 Superior Civil 11	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Commissioner	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather
Superior Civil 10 Superior Civil 11	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Commissioner	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather Hanley, John
Superior Civil 10 Superior Civil 11	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Commissioner Judge Magistrate	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather Hanley, John Dill, Caryl
Superior Civil 10 Superior Civil 11	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather Hanley, John Dill, Caryl Terzo, Carol
Superior Civil 10  Superior Civil 11  Superior Civil 12	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Commissioner Commissioner Commissioner	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather Hanley, John Dill, Caryl Terzo, Carol Haile, Christopher
Superior Civil 10  Superior Civil 11  Superior Civil 12	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner Judge Lommissioner Lommissioner Lommissioner Lommissioner Lommissioner Lommissioner Lommissioner	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather Hanley, John Dill, Caryl Terzo, Carol Haile, Christopher Moberly, Robyn
Superior Civil 10  Superior Civil 11  Superior Civil 12	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner Judge Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather Hanley, John Dill, Caryl Terzo, Carol Haile, Christopher Moberly, Robyn Dill, Caryl
Superior Civil 10  Superior Civil 11  Superior Civil 12  Superior Civil 13	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather Hanley, John Dill, Caryl Terzo, Carol Haile, Christopher Moberly, Robyn Dill, Caryl Mattingly, Kimberly
Superior Civil 10  Superior Civil 11  Superior Civil 12  Superior Civil 13	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner Judge	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather Hanley, John Dill, Caryl Terzo, Carol Haile, Christopher Moberly, Robyn Dill, Caryl Mattingly, Kimberly Reid, S.K.
Superior Civil 10  Superior Civil 11  Superior Civil 12  Superior Civil 13	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Judge Magistrate	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather Hanley, John Dill, Caryl Terzo, Carol Haile, Christopher Moberly, Robyn Dill, Caryl Mattingly, Kimberly Reid, S.K. Dill, Caryl
Superior Civil 10  Superior Civil 11  Superior Civil 12  Superior Civil 13	Magistrate Magistrate Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner Judge Commissioner Judge Commissioner Judge Magistrate Commissioner	Gaither, Geoffrey Piazza, Chris Jansen, Beth Stowers, Scott Dreyer, David Terzo, Carol Welch, Heather Hanley, John Dill, Caryl Terzo, Carol Haile, Christopher Moberly, Robyn Dill, Caryl Mattingly, Kimberly Reid, S.K. Dill, Caryl Terzo, Carol

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	Magistrate	Rosenburg, Louis
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Welch, Heather
Superior Criminal 2	Judge	Altice, Robert
	Magistrate	Barnes, Amy
	Magistrate	Rosenburg, Louis
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
Superior Criminal 3	Judge	Bradford, Cale
опролог отпинато	Magistrate	Barnes, Amy
	Magistrate	Rosenburg, Louis
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Robinette, Ted
Summanian Oniminal 4	Commissioner	Rubick, Steve
Superior Criminal 4	Judge	Gifford, Patricia J.
	Magistrate	Barnes, Amy
	Magistrate	Rosenburg, Louis
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Boone, Cheryl
	Commissioner	Rubick, Steve
Superior Criminal 5	Judge	Hawkins, Grant
	Magistrate	Barnes, Amy
	Magistrate	Rosenburg, Louis
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Broyles, Nancy
Superior Criminal 6	Judge	Magnus-Stinson, Jane
	Magistrate	Barnes, Amy
	Magistrate	Rosenburg, Louis
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Marchal, Jeffrey
Superior Criminal 7	Judge	Nelson, William
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Nunez-Cruz, Israel
Superior Criminal 8	The second second	Calling Darkers
Superior Criminal o	Judge	Collins, Barbara

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	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Nunez-Cruz, Israel
Superior Criminal 9	Judge	Stoner, Mark D.
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	DeVries, Scott
Superior Criminal 10	Judge	Brown, Linda E.
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
0	Commissioner	Nunez-Cruz, Israel
Superior Environmental 12	Judge	Keele, Michael
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Christ, Elizabeth
Superior Criminal 13	Judge	Good, Richard
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Conley, Jane
Superior Criminal 14	Judge	Shaheed, David
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	DeVries, Scott
	Commissioner	Murphy, H. Patrick
Superior Criminal 15	Judge	Goodman, Evan D.
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	DeVries, Scott
Superior Criminal 16	Judge	Rogers, Clark
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Gaughan, Danielle
Superior Criminal 17	Judge	Carlisle, Sheila A.
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Gaughan, Danielle
Superior Criminal 18	Judge	Hill, Reuben
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc

	Commissioner	DeVries, Scott
Superior Criminal 19	Judge	Treacy, Rebekah Pierson
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Nunez-Cruz, Israel
Superior Criminal 20	Judge	Young, William
	Magistrate	Barnes, Amy
	Magistrate	Jensen, Mick
	Magistrate	Rosenburg, Louis
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Murphy, H. Patrick
Superior Criminal 21	Judge	Hammel, John W.
	Magistrate	Dill, Caryl
	Commissioner	Alt, John
	Commissioner	Foulks, Curtis
	Commissioner	Rothenburg, Marc
	Commissioner	Kirchoff, Julie
Center Small Claims	Judge	Lopossa, Paula
Decatur Small Claims	Judge	Berg, Jeffrey
Franklin Small Claims	Judge	Kitley, John M.
Lawrence Small Claims	Judge	Hursh, Terry N.
Perry Small Claims	Judge	Spear, Robert
Pike Small Claims	Judge	Stephens, A. Douglas
Warren Small Claims	Judge	Endris, Lori
Washington Small Claims	Judge	Brown, Kimberly
Wayne Small Claims	Judge	Lutz, Robert
50 Marshall		
Circuit	Judge	Cook Michael D.
Superior 1	Judge	Bowen, Robert O.
Superior 2	Judge	Colvin, Dean A.
51 Martin		
Circuit	Judge	Howell, R. Joseph
52 Miami		
Circuit	Judge	Burke, Rosemary Higgins
Superior	Judge	Banina, Daniel
Peru City	City Judge	Price, Jeffry
Bunker Hill Town	Town Judge	Smith, Melvin D.
53 Monroe		
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Circuit 1	Judge	Hoff, Michael
Circuit 1	Judge Judge	Hoff, Michael Kellams, Marc
Circuit 2	Judge	Kellams, Marc
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	Milligan, Thomas K.  Ault, David
Judge	Lohorn, Peggy L. Quint
	Hanson, Matthew
Magistrate	Lybrook, Robert E.
Judge	Gray, G. Thomas
Magistrate	Lybrook, Robert E.
Judge	Burnham, Christopher L.
Judge	Craney, Jane Spencer
Town Judge	Peden, Mark
Town Judge	Lieb, Susan
Judge	Leach, Jeryl
Judge	Molter, Daniel
Judge	Laur, David
Judge	Spindler, Stephen S.
Judge	Kramer, Michael J.
Judge	Humphrey, James D.
Referee	Gay, Mary Ann
	Mitchell, John D.
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Judge	Blanton, Larry R.
	Cloud, Michael
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	Nardi, Frank M.
Referee	Quillen, Lori
Judge	Brown, Rhonda R.
Judge	McEntarfer, James
Judge	Biesterveld, Jeffrey L.
Referee	Chestnut, Michael D.
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Judge	Harper, Mary
Judge	Bradford, Roger
Judge	Alexa, William E.
Judge	Jent, Julia
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Judge	Chidester, David L.
Judge Judge	Chidester, David L. Thode, Jeffrey
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66 Pulaski		
Circuit	Judge	Shurn, Michael A.
Superior	Judge	Blankenship, Patrick
67 Putnam		
Circuit	Judge	Headley, Matthew
Superior	Judge	Lowe, Robert J.
68 Randolph		
Circuit	Judge	Chalfant, Jan L.
Superior	Judge	Haviza, Peter
Union City	City Judge	Fields, William
Winchester City	City Judge	Thompson, Evard
69 Ripley		
Circuit	Judge	Taul, Carl H.
Superior	Judge	Morris, James B.
Batesville City	City Judge	Radvansky, Joseph P.
Versailles Town	Town Judge	Richmond, Cheryl
70 Rush		
Circuit	Judge	Harcourt, Barbara A.
Superior	Judge	Northam, David E.
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71 St. Joseph	ludas	Catach Michael C
Circuit	Judge	Gotsch, Michael G.
	Magistrate	Ambler, Larry L.
Sumanian 4	Magistrate	Ready, David T.
Superior 1	Judge	Albright, William
	Magistrate	McCormick, Richard
Superior 2	Magistrate	Steinke, Brian Marnocha, John
Superior 2	Judge	McCormick, Richard
	Magistrate	Steinke, Brian
Superior 2	Magistrate	Frese, John J.
Superior 3	Judge	
	Magistrate	McCormick, Richard Steinke, Brian
Companion 4	Magistrate	
Superior 4	Judge	Means, William T.
	Magistrate	McCormick, Richard
Cumariar E	Magistrate	Steinke, Brian
Superior 5	Judge Magistrate	Pitts-Manier, Jenny McCormick, Richard
	Magistrate	McCormick, Richard
Supprior 6	Magistrate	Steinke, Brian
Superior 6	Judge	Chapleau, David
	Magistrate	McCormick, Richard
Superior 7	Magistrate	Steinke, Brian
Superior 7	Judge	Scopelitis, Michael
	Magistrate	McCormick, Richard
Sumanian S	Magistrate	Steinke, Brian
Superior 8	Judge	Chamblee, Roland W.
2	Magistrate	McCormick, Richard
Probate	Judge	Nemeth, Peter J.
	Magistrate	Brueseke, Harold E.

	Magistrate	Johnston, Barbara
Walkerton Town	Town Judge	Huizenga, Roger
72 Scott		
Circuit	Judge	Duvall, Roger
Superior	Judge	South, Nicholas L.
73 Shelby		
Circuit	Judge	O'Connor, Charles D.
Superior 1	Judge	Tandy, Jack A.
Superior 2	Judge	Sanders, Russell J.
74 Spencer	udage	Canadia, Naccenti.
Circuit	ludgo	Doell Wayne A
	Judge City Judge	Roell, Wayne A.  Alvey, Joseph
Rockport City	City Judge	Aivey, Joseph
75 Starke		
Circuit	Judge	Hall, Kim
	Magistrate	Pease, Lizabeth
Knox City	City Judge	Hasnerl, Charles
76 Steuben		
Circuit	Judge	Wheat, Allen N.
	Magistrate	Coffey, Randy
Superior	Judge	Fee, William C.
	Magistrate	Coffey, Randy
Freemont Town	Town Judge	Hagerty, Martha
77 Sullivan		
Circuit	Judge	Pierson, P.J.
Superior	Judge	Johnson, Thomas
	Magistrate	Smith, Ann Mischler
78 Switzerland		
Circuit	Judge	Todd, Ted R.
Superior	Judge	Mitchell, John D.
79 Tippecanoe		
Circuit	Judge	Daniel, Donald L.
Superior 1	Judge	Johnson, Donald C.
Superior 2	Judge	Busch, Thomas
Compania = C	Judge	Buch Louthall
Superior 3	Juuge	Rush, Loretta H.
Superior 3 Superior 4		Donat, Gregory J.
	Judge	Donat, Gregory J.
Superior 4	Judge Magistrate	Donat, Gregory J. Wang, Norris
Superior 4 Superior 5	Judge Magistrate Judge	Donat, Gregory J. Wang, Norris Meade, Les A.
Superior 4	Judge  Magistrate  Judge  Judge	Donat, Gregory J.  Wang, Norris  Meade, Les A.  Morrissey, Michael
Superior 4 Superior 5 Superior 6	Judge  Magistrate  Judge  Judge  Magistrate	Donat, Gregory J.  Wang, Norris  Meade, Les A.  Morrissey, Michael  Wang, Norris
Superior 4  Superior 5  Superior 6  W. Lafayette City	Judge  Magistrate  Judge  Judge	Donat, Gregory J.  Wang, Norris  Meade, Les A.  Morrissey, Michael
Superior 4  Superior 5  Superior 6  W. Lafayette City  80 Tipton	Judge Magistrate Judge Judge Magistrate City Judge	Donat, Gregory J.  Wang, Norris  Meade, Les A.  Morrissey, Michael  Wang, Norris  Sobal, Lori
Superior 4  Superior 5  Superior 6  W. Lafayette City	Judge Magistrate Judge Judge Magistrate City Judge Judge	Donat, Gregory J.  Wang, Norris  Meade, Les A.  Morrissey, Michael  Wang, Norris  Sobal, Lori  Lett, Thomas R.
Superior 4  Superior 5  Superior 6  W. Lafayette City 80 Tipton  Circuit	Judge Magistrate Judge Judge Magistrate City Judge Judge Judge Referee	Donat, Gregory J.  Wang, Norris  Meade, Les A.  Morrissey, Michael  Wang, Norris  Sobal, Lori  Lett, Thomas R.  Pottener, Julie
Superior 4  Superior 5  Superior 6  W. Lafayette City 80 Tipton  Circuit  Tipton City	Judge Magistrate Judge Judge Magistrate City Judge Judge Referee City Judge	Donat, Gregory J.  Wang, Norris  Meade, Les A.  Morrissey, Michael  Wang, Norris  Sobal, Lori  Lett, Thomas R.  Pottener, Julie  Harper, Lewis D.
Superior 4  Superior 5  Superior 6  W. Lafayette City 80 Tipton Circuit  Tipton City Sharpsville Town	Judge Magistrate Judge Judge Magistrate City Judge Judge Judge Referee	Donat, Gregory J.  Wang, Norris  Meade, Les A.  Morrissey, Michael  Wang, Norris  Sobal, Lori  Lett, Thomas R.  Pottener, Julie
Superior 4  Superior 5  Superior 6  W. Lafayette City 80 Tipton  Circuit  Tipton City  Sharpsville Town 81 Union	Judge Magistrate Judge Judge Magistrate City Judge Judge Referee City Judge	Donat, Gregory J.  Wang, Norris  Meade, Les A.  Morrissey, Michael  Wang, Norris  Sobal, Lori  Lett, Thomas R.  Pottener, Julie  Harper, Lewis D.
Superior 4  Superior 5  Superior 6  W. Lafayette City 80 Tipton Circuit  Tipton City Sharpsville Town	Judge Magistrate Judge Judge Magistrate City Judge Judge Referee City Judge	Donat, Gregory J.  Wang, Norris  Meade, Les A.  Morrissey, Michael  Wang, Norris  Sobal, Lori  Lett, Thomas R.  Pottener, Julie  Harper, Lewis D.

Circuit	Judge	Heldt, Carl A.
	Magistrate	Kiely, David D.
Superior 1	Judge	Bowers, Scott
	Magistrate	Hamilton, Allen R.
	Magistrate	Maurer, Terrill
	Magistrate	Marcrum, Jill
	Magistrate	Moore, Ralph E.
Superior 2	Judge	Trockman, Wayne
	Magistrate	Hamilton, Allen R.
	Magistrate	Maurer, Terrill
	Magistrate	Marcrum, Jill
	Magistrate	Moore, Ralph E.
Superior 3	Judge	Pigman, Robert J.
	Magistrate	Hamilton, Allen R.
	Magistrate	Maurer, Terrill
	Magistrate	Marcrum, Jill
	Magistrate	Moore, Ralph E.
Superior 4	Judge	Niemeier, Brett
Superior 5	Judge	Lloyd, Mary Margaret
	Magistrate	Hamilton, Allen R.
	Magistrate	Maurer, Terrill
	Magistrate	Marcrum, Jill
	Magistrate	Moore, Ralph E.
Superior 6	Judge	Tornatta, Robert
	Magistrate	Hamilton, Allen R.
	Magistrate	Maurer, Terrill
	Magistrate	Marcrum, Jill
	Magistrate	Moore, Ralph E.
Superior 7	Judge	Knight, J. Douglas
	Magistrate	Hamilton, Allen R.
	Magistrate	Maurer, Terrill
	Magistrate	Marcrum, Jill
	Magistrate	Moore, Ralph E.
83 Vermillion		
Circuit	Judge	Stengel, Bruce V.
Clinton City	City Judge	Antonini, Henry L.
84 Vigo		
Circuit / Superior 3	Judge	Bolk, David R.
	Magistrate	Stagg, R. Paulette
Superior 1	Judge	Eldred, Michael H.
Superior 2	Judge	Adler, Phillip I.
Superior 4	Judge	Kearns, R. Jerome
Superior 5	Judge	Brugnaux, Barbara
Terre Haute City	City Judge	Lewis, Michael J.
85 Wabash		
Circuit	Judge	McCallen, Robert III
	Commissioner	Goff, Christopher
Superior	Judge	Sposeep, Michael L.

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Wabash City	City Judge	Roberts, Tim
N. Manchester Town	Town Judge	Gohman, Cheryl A.
86 Warren		
Circuit	Judge	Rader, John
87 Warrick		
Circuit	Judge	Kelley, David O.
Superior 1	Judge	Meier, Keith
Superior 2	Judge	Asylworth, Robert
88 Washington		
Circuit	Judge	Bennett, Robert L.
Superior	Judge	Newkirk, Frank E.
89 Wayne		
Circuit	Judge	Kolger, David
Superior 1	Judge	Snow, P. Thomas
Superior 2	Judge	Horn, Gregory A.
Superior 3	Judge	Dolehanty, Darrin M.
	Commissioner	Stewart, David C.
Hagerstown Town	Town Judge	Bell, Susan
90 Wells		
Circuit	Judge	Hanselman, David L.
Superior	Judge	Goshorn, Everett E.
Bluffton City	City Judge	Cotton, Lyle J.
91 White		
Circuit	Judge	Thacker, Robert W.
Superior	Judge	Mrzlack, Robert B.
Monon Town	Town Judge	Harvey, Susan
92 Whitley		
Circuit	Judge	Heuer, James R.
Superior	Judge	Rush, Michael D.