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Pennsylvania Supreme Court accredits first drug court as part of effort to promote statewide standards and boost integrity in adult drug and alcohol treatment programs

Pennsylvania's Common Pleas criminal and magisterial district courts now accepting credit and debit card payments online for court-ordered fines, costs and restitution

Magisterial District Judge System computer upgrade is completed, increasing judiciary access, communication and efficiency as well as improving safety for Pennsylvania's citizens and law enforcement personnel

Supreme Court Justice Seamus P. McCaffery testifies before Congress in support of a measure to make federal grant funding available to state and local governments to establish veterans treatment courts

Supreme Court announces new rules directing that money left over from lawsuits after plaintiffs, attorney fees and expenses have been paid be used to help indigent Pennsylvanians

Guardians ad litem — attorneys who represent abused and neglected children — receive new training video as part of Supreme Court's continued efforts to help abused and neglected children

In an effort to strengthen witness protection in criminal proceedings, Pennsylvania Supreme Court allows judicial districts to use indicting grand juries in lieu of preliminary hearings in cases where witness intimidation is an issue

Pennsylvania judiciary provides protection from abuse forms in multiple languages to help those who are not proficient in English

Pennsylvania Supreme Court increases transparency by posting expenditure data and personnel salary and compensation information online

Supreme Court adopts rules changes to speed appellate review of cases where child offenders are placed outside their homes in court delinquency matters

Pennsylvania Supreme Court introduces diversion program — believed to be the only one of its kind in the country — for veterans facing incarceration for minor criminal charges

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I am pleased to present this Report of the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC) for 2012, outlining many of the programs and services that define the Commonwealth's state court system.

The AOPC has a long history of innovation that helps courts improve the lives of dependent children and nonviolent offenders through problem-solving reform; assures the prompt and efficient administration of justice; provides safe, secure court facilities; ensures that the judiciary remains open and transparent; and assists other government agencies by providing needed data in a timely and efficient manner. Our annual report allows us to highlight these efforts.

Of particular note is the roll technology continues to play in the administration of justice. Pennsylvania is a nationwide leader in computerization of the courts. Technology has allowed us to improve efficiency, ease workloads, increase collections, protect lives and improve communication.

Sincerely,

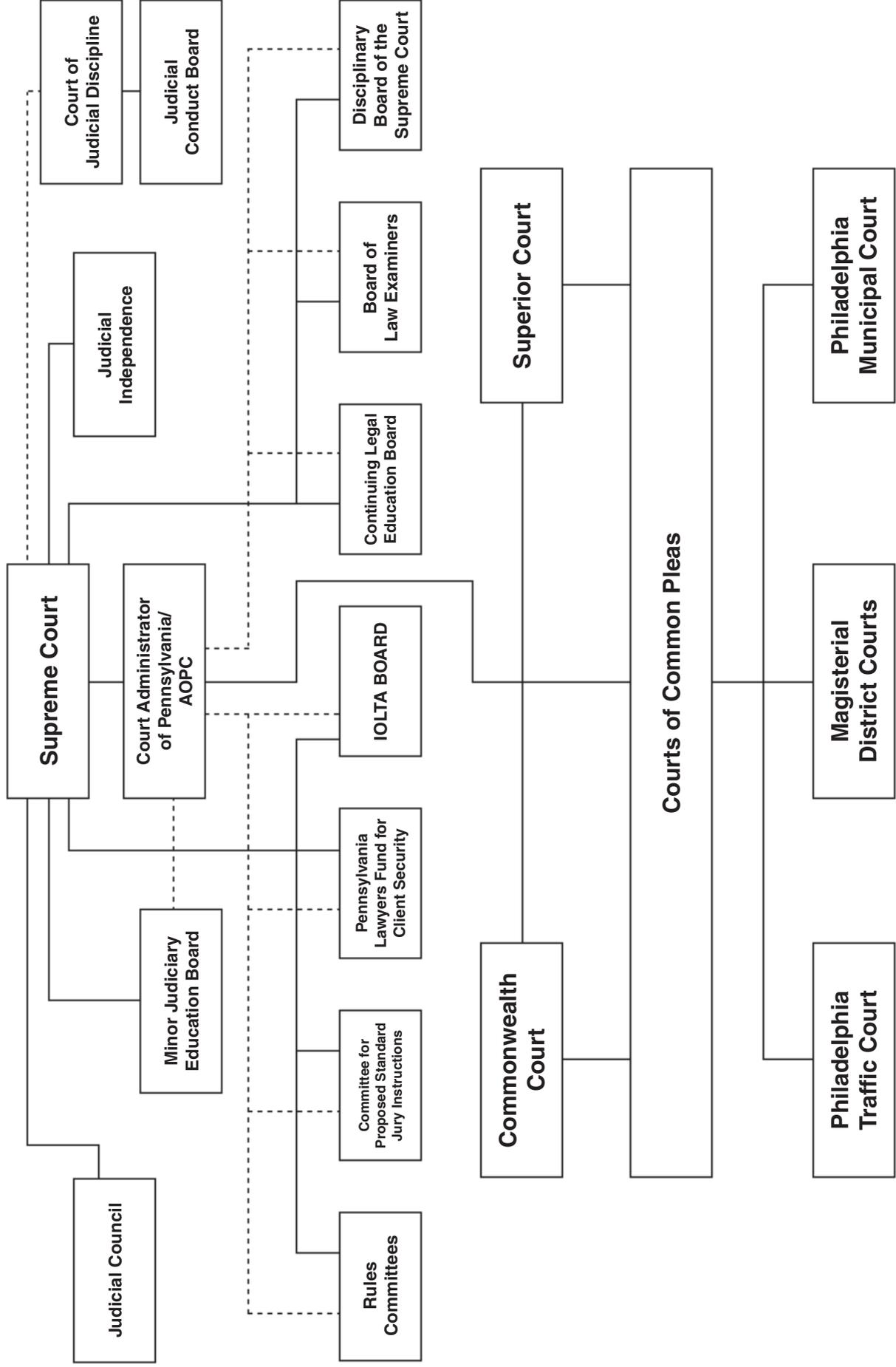


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Preface
from the
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Pennsylvania's Unified Judicial System



To read about the history of Pennsylvania's courts; the structure of the Unified Judicial System, and judicial qualifications, election, tenure and vacancies, please see the judicial system's website at www.pacourts.us.

The section on the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts can be found on page 5.

Overview of the Pennsylvania Judicial System

Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts

The Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts, also called the Administrative Office and the AOPC, is the administrative arm of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. It was established in January 1969 following the Constitutional Convention of 1967-68, which defined the Supreme Court's authority for supervision and administration of all state courts.

The Court Administrator of Pennsylvania has been empowered to carry out the Supreme Court's administrative duties and is responsible for assuring that the business of the courts is promptly and properly disposed.

The Administrative Office conducts business from offices in Philadelphia and the Harrisburg area. In addition to the court administrator's office, the departments in Philadelphia include Research and Statistics and Judicial Services. The deputy court administrator's office is located in Harrisburg and includes Communications/Legislative Affairs and Administrative Services. Also found in Harrisburg are the Finance, Human Resources, Judicial Education and Judicial Security departments. Judicial Automation is in Mechanicsburg. Legal and Judicial Programs have offices in both Harrisburg and Philadelphia.

The Administrative Office's supervisory, administrative and long-range planning duties include:

- reviewing practices, procedures and efficiency at all levels of the court system and in all related offices
- developing recommendations to the Supreme Court regarding improvement of the system and related offices
- representing the judicial system before legislative bodies

- examining administrative and business methods used by offices in or related to the court system
- collecting statistical data
- examining the state of the dockets and making recommendations for expediting litigation
- managing fiscal affairs, including budget preparation, disbursements approval and goods and services procurement
- overseeing the security of court facilities
- supervising all administrative matters relating to offices engaged in clerical functions
- maintaining personnel records
- conducting education programs for system personnel
- receiving and responding to comments from the public
- providing legal services to system personnel
- publishing an annual report

A brief description of each unit of the AOPC and its functions follows.

Research and Statistics Department

The Administrative Office's Research and Statistics Department analyzes and evaluates the operations of the Unified Judicial System's (UJS) various components. During any given year, the department conducts a variety of studies, ranging from caseload management reviews of individual trial courts to statewide evaluations of the safety and security of court facilities.

A core function of the department is to systematically assemble data on the caseloads of county and local courts, including the numbers and types of new, disposed and pending cases, and, for certain case types, the ages of the cases awaiting adjudication. The statistical information is reviewed and periodically verified through audits of county dockets. The Administrative Office annually publishes the data in the Caseload Statistics of the Unified Judicial System of Pennsylvania. This report is available from the AOPC page on the UJS website at www.pacourts.us.

The Administrative Office uses the statistical information gathered for many purposes, including the monitoring of county court system operations and development of policy initiatives consistent with its mandate under the Rules of Judicial Administration.

Among the departmental projects recently completed or now in progress are:

- a study of fees charged to litigants in domestic relations matters

- following the implementation of standardized civil cover sheets, ongoing technical assistance to counties to improve the quality and accuracy of the civil data
- development of new data products that expand the use and circulation of caseload data, such as county-specific executive summaries with time trend information, protection from abuse summary reports, dependency summary reports and civil case type summary reports
- a county-by-county assessment of civil court case management programs and procedures
- annual data collection cycles in the areas of medical malpractice filings and jury verdicts, guardianships and other specific case types
- annual submission of statewide data to the Pennsylvania Data Center, the National Center for State Courts Court Statistics Project and other data clearinghouses

Legal Department

AOPC Legal Department lawyers provide advice and counsel to the state court administrator, state court judges and personnel of the Unified Judicial System on legal, administrative and policy matters.

Litigation Counsel

Legal Department litigators represent Pennsylvania court entities, judges and state-paid court personnel in litigation matters, predominately in federal court, including civil rights and constitutional issues, employment cases, petitions for review of governmental actions and to establish the rights and duties of public officials. AOPC representation is not provided in criminal or disciplinary actions. Sample cases in defense of the judiciary include

- First Amendment in employment context and parameters of qualified immunity:
Miller v. Clinton County et al.
- Case and controversy, standing, ripeness and mootness issues as to courts and judges:
League of Women Voters v. Cappy
Common Cause v. Pennsylvania
- Constitutional Challenge to the Code of Judicial Conduct:
Democracy Rising PA v. Celluci
Pa. Family Institute, Inc. v. Black
- Constitutional challenge to attorney disciplinary rules:
Stretton v. Disciplinary Board of Supreme Court
- Constitutional challenge to Bar Admission Rules:
Schumacher v. Nix

- Rooker-Feldman doctrine:
Bryant v. Sylvester
- Eleventh Amendment immunity:
Benn v. First Judicial District
Callahan v. City of Philadelphia
- Attorney fees:
Washington v. Philadelphia County Court of Common Pleas
- Domestic Relations Exception to Federal Jurisdiction:
Mayercheck v. Judges of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court
- Supremacy clause and preemption:
Surrick v. Killion
- Judges inappropriate party to defend statute under which they adjudicate:
Brandon E. ex rel. Listenbee v. Reynolds
- Separation of powers:
First Judicial District v. Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission
- Inapplicability to judiciary of Right to Know Law:
Court of Common Pleas of Lackawanna County v. Pennsylvania Office of Open Records
- Supreme Court's supervisory powers:
In re Assignment of Avellino
In re Assignment of McFalls
In re Solomon
Bruno v. Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
- Deliberative process privilege:
Commonwealth Acting ex rel. Unified Judicial System v. Vartan
Leber v. Stretton
Ciarlone v. City of Reading

Transactional Counsel

Legal Department transactional lawyers

- participate in planning and implementing the statewide Judicial Automation System and related automation programs by
 - ensuring that case management systems comply with all applicable laws and legal procedural requirements
 - responding to inquiries of a legal nature pertaining to judicial automation

- serving as the primary point of contact for the Legal Department with other agencies, organizations and departments that work with the AOPC to obtain information and data from the AOPC's various case management systems
- negotiate leases and contracts
- assist in procurement matters
- review legislation affecting the judiciary

Judicial Services Department

The Judicial Services Department provides logistical planning, coordination, administration and staffing for an extensive schedule of educational conferences, seminars and meetings for the Supreme Court, the Administrative Office and affiliated groups.

In 2012 the department coordinated the following conferences:

- New Judges School
- Spring Symposia
- Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges Mid-Annual Conference
- President Judges/Pennsylvania Association of Court Management Conference
- Appellate Courts Conference
- Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges Annual Conference
- Office of Children & Families in the Courts State Roundtable
- Joint Family Law Conference
- Fall Symposia
- Pennsylvania Association of Court Management Mid-Annual Conference
- Mortgage Foreclosure Mediation Workshop

Judicial Programs Department

The mission of the Judicial Programs Department is twofold: to assist court administrators, judges and staff throughout Pennsylvania to ensure the efficient operation of Pennsylvania's minor and trial courts and to promote equitable access to and administration of justice.

In addition to providing support to judicial districts on issues related to their administrative functions, the department works closely with the Supreme Court and other departments

within the AOPC to assist with implementation of policies, procedures, rule changes and reporting standards. This assistance includes:

- reviewing and assessing local court requests for state-level court administration personnel and other related human resources needs
- collecting, analyzing and disseminating data and information regarding court operations
- establishing standards and procedures for program performance, audits and evaluations
- developing and conducting training and continuing education programs for local court staff
- analyzing the impact of legislation related to judicial operations and devising solutions for implementation of new statutes and statutory changes
- overseeing senior judge requests, assignments for change of venue/venire and AOPC communication with judicial districts concerning president judge elections
- overseeing training, testing and certification of court interpreters

In 2012 the department was involved in several noteworthy endeavors as follows.

Magisterial District Realignment

The statutorily mandated magisterial district review that follows each decennial federal census took place in 2012. The president judge of each judicial district was provided with the results of a weighted caseload study conducted in 2011, detailed caseload statistics, and census and demographic information for the magisterial district courts in their respective districts. The judges analyzed the data to determine if any courts could be eliminated without affecting the administration of justice and to assure that the caseload was distributed amongst the courts as equitably as possible. Recommendations were submitted, reviewed and analyzed by the Judicial Programs Department and then forwarded to the Supreme Court for disposition.

Office of Children and Families in the Courts

The Office of Children and Families in the Courts (OCFC) continued its mission to protect children, promote strong families and child well-being, and provide timely permanency through a variety of programs and initiatives.

The State Roundtable, a group consisting of representatives from various counties as well as other state and national leaders who have specific expertise in dependency matters, establishes workgroups to research and address statewide areas of concern for the Pennsylvania dependency system. Current workgroups addressing issues include

- Father Engagement Workgroup
- Visitation Workgroup
- Educational Success and Truancy Prevention Workgroup
- Psychotropic Medication Workgroup
- Transitional Youth Workgroup
- Dependent Children of Incarcerated Parents Workgroup
- Training for Legal Representation Workgroup
- Hearing Officer Education Workgroup
- Common Pleas Case Management System Users Group

The Fourth Annual Children’s Welfare Summit was held in September 2012. Nearly 400 judges, county child welfare directors and other officials from 51 counties met for three days to hear from international experts in child welfare and child development. The focus of the summit was on transformative change, an essential element in the ongoing efforts to decrease the number of children in foster care in Pennsylvania and shorten the length of time children must wait for safe and permanent homes.

Problem-Solving Courts

The Judicial Programs Department continued its efforts in 2012 to assist judicial districts in the creation, expansion or maintenance of problem-solving courts, such as drug courts, DUI courts and mental health courts. By the end of 2012, 94 problem-solving courts existed in 36 counties in Pennsylvania.

The fastest growing type of problem-solving court in 2012 continued to be veterans courts, increasing to 15 courts throughout the state. Pennsylvania has become a national leader in providing services and support to our veterans.

A new court program for veterans was launched in 2012 that enables participating counties to divert veterans who have service-related issues that caused them to have cases in the magisterial district court system, out of the criminal justice system and into the appropriate treatment.

In 2012 the first four problem-solving courts achieved accreditation under the Supreme Court’s program of assessing the functioning of courts to ensure they are complying with core principles and best practices of operation. The four courts are Lancaster (January), Wyoming (March), York (July) and Luzerne (August).

A vendor was selected and work was begun in 2012 to create a management information system for problem-solving courts throughout the Commonwealth. This system, when completed in 2013, will enable problem-solving courts to manage all aspects of their cases, from

intake through treatment and graduation, and also produce courtwide and statewide statistics on the effectiveness of these courts.

Court Interpreters

The Judicial Programs Department's Interpreter Certification Program in 2012 continued its mission, as mandated by Act 172 of 2006, of ensuring that foreign language and sign language interpreters working in the courts of the Commonwealth are certified by the AOPC.

To become certified, interpreters must first complete a training session, then pass a two-part written test and a three-part oral test. For more information please see the Unified Judicial System's website at www.pacourts.us.

As of the end of 2012, the interpreter roster had 163 qualified interpreters in 27 languages. Of this number 120 are certified interpreters, and 43 are listed as qualified, of whom 25 speak languages for which there is no certifying exam but have demonstrated the necessary knowledge and skills.

Statistics for 2012 are as follows:

- 154 interpreter candidates attended orientation sessions to learn about the Pennsylvania court system and the Interpreter Certification Program
- 21 interpreters became certified
- 4 interpreters certified in other states were granted certification in Pennsylvania through reciprocity
- 17 foreign language interpreters passed all phases of the examination
- 225 candidates took various parts of the certification examinations, of whom 127 passed at least one part.

An important initiative concluded in 2012 was the translation of protection from abuse forms into the ten most commonly spoken foreign languages in Pennsylvania. Funded by a grant from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency, 15 different forms, orders and instructions were translated and posted on the Supreme Court's website for use throughout the state.

Judicial Automation Department

The AOPC's Judicial Automation Department is responsible for developing and maintaining statewide case management systems and other software applications for courts and administrative staff in the Unified Judicial System. This department also provides general technology support to the Supreme Court justices, their staffs and the administrative court staff in Pennsylvania. It is funded by court fees rather than tax dollars.

Pennsylvania's first statewide case management system, the Magisterial District Judge System (MDJS), came online in 1992. The Pennsylvania Appellate Court Management System (PACMS) and Common Pleas Criminal Case Management System (CPCMS), followed in 2000 and 2006, respectively. The ultimate goal is to implement statewide case and financial management systems for all levels and divisions of Pennsylvania's Unified Judicial System.

Statewide case management systems provide uniform administration of justice through integration and standardization of business practices between county courts. Using a statewide system, local court officials are able to access information about parties related to cases anywhere in the state. The MDJS, CPCMS and PACMS are all linked, allowing for data sharing and uniform exchange of data on cases as they move through the court system. For example, in 2012, 205,470 cases were electronically transferred from the MDJS to the Common Pleas system, saving county court staff countless hours by eliminating the need for redundant data entry.

In 2012 more than 12,000 individuals were direct criminal case management system users. Another 8,000 court staff, criminal justice partners and law enforcement officials depended on the case management system to perform their daily duties. Through direct court system information exchanges and the state's Criminal Justice Network (JNET), the systems share information with more than 20 agencies.

System users, justice partners and the public have access to tens of millions of cases through the Unified Judicial System's Web portal at <http://ujportal.pacourts.us>. In 2012 these cases were viewed more than 54 million times, free of charge.

The statewide approach to court management also saves staff resources and equipment costs at both the state and county level, and makes it easier to accommodate changes in law, both statutory and rules-based.

The highlights of several important projects undertaken by this department in 2012 are described below.

Common Pleas Case Management System (CPCMS)

CPCMS is a statewide case management system for Pennsylvania's criminal and dependency trial courts that includes docketing, accounting and other important case management functions. In 2012 more than 315,700 criminal cases were docketed in Pennsylvania's Common Pleas Courts.

Groups that use the CPCMS for daily operations include judges, clerks of courts, court administration and county fiscal offices. Probation departments, district attorneys, sheriffs and prison offices have limited access. The system's 12,000 users docket cases; track party filings submitted on each case and complete administrative functions, including courtroom scheduling and accounting, necessary to adjudicate all cases.

An important function of the CPCMS is its ability to provide case information to criminal justice agencies through JNET. Most critical to public safety is the timely, automated transfer of statewide warrant information to FBI and State Police criminal databases — a process

that helps protect law enforcement officials and increases the likelihood of apprehending fugitives.

In 2012 a CPCMS refresh project began with a pilot in Adams County. The system’s original software was several years old, and upgrading it was needed to make it consistent with new technology. These upgrades will enhance the system’s overall performance and allow it to provide additional services in the future, such as document management and e-filing.

CPCMS produces approximately 580 forms and reports, including master account reports that completely automate the disbursement of funds collected by the courts to the correct entities through the Department of Revenue. The system is capable of exporting report data to other applications such as Microsoft Excel and Access so that county court officials can customize the presentation of information as desired. In 2012 approximately 14,000 reports were run daily by county court staff.

Table 2.1 shows the moneys collected and disbursed by the CPCMS in 2012.

2012 CPCMS Collections

Through the CPCMS money is collected for fees, fines, costs and restitution assessed to criminal cases, using numerous methods including, but not limited to, payments made at court offices, payment plans, online payments (e-pay) and collection agencies. In 2012 a record \$211 million-plus was collected and disbursed through Pennsylvania’s Common Pleas Courts.

These collections were disbursed as follows:

Commonwealth General Fund	\$58,140,174.34
Counties	\$112,738,048.43
Municipalities	\$9,436,285.62
Other (schools, libraries, tax agencies, etc.)	\$1,123,910.84
Subtotal	\$181,438,419.23
Restitution to victims	\$30,320,640.32
Total	\$211,759,059.55

Over the last five years, Common Pleas Courts disbursed a total of nearly \$1 billion.

Table 2.1

CPCMS System Users and Support

As in previous years, in 2012 Judicial Automation staff held many regional training sessions for both new and existing Common Pleas system users. The sessions focused on enhancements to the system and provided advanced training in complex areas such as accounting.

Also in 2012 the CPCMS help desk fielded more than 46,400 calls, more than 27,600 of which were resolved at the first level of contact.

CPCMS Dependency Case Module

Working with the Office of Children and Families in the Courts (OCFC), in 2012 Judicial Automation staff completed installation of a dependency case module of CPCMS. This module generates local and statewide statistical information based on national performance measures. It allows court officials to assess their efficiency in handling dependency matters.

The dependency case data is available on the UJS website at www.pacourts.us, through an interactive website dashboard. It gives judges, child care professionals and the public a

comprehensive look at the demographics of the state's abused and neglected children who are under court supervision. The dashboard presents statewide and county-specific data and includes items such as child age, gender, race and length of court supervision.

Magisterial District Judge System (MDJS)

The Magisterial District Judge System provides case management and accounting functions to all magisterial district judges and their staffs. Approximately 3,500 users throughout the state depend on the system to manage traffic, nontraffic, landlord/tenant, civil and miscellaneous docket cases; private complaints (summary and court cases) and police criminal complaints.

The system tracks cases throughout their life cycles. It also has a sophisticated event management system that, for example, prompts court users to issue documents such as warrants and license suspension requests when expected responses or payments do not occur.

The MDJS also disburses all fines, costs, fees and public restitution, based on applicable law. In addition, private restitution, bail, collateral and server fees are processed through the system.

In 2012, 2,452,085 cases were docketed in the MDJS.

Table 2.2 on page 16 shows the moneys collected and disbursed by the MDJS in 2012.

MDJS System Users and Support

The MDJS training was ongoing in 2012. MDJS trainers develop and write all training program material for all classes and presentations, which also includes staging cases in the MDJS training environment for class activity and independent learning.

In addition, the training department wrote a comprehensive online MDJS manual.

The MDJS user help desk, available during court working hours, fielded more than 82,000 calls or email queries in 2012.

E-Filing

E-filing saves court staff time by eliminating the need for manual data entry.

Judicial Automation staff continued to work with local courts developing e-filing services at several levels. For example, Allegheny and Philadelphia courts began e-filing dependency

The AOPC's statewide court case management systems share critical data with 13 agencies, and officials in those agencies have come to depend on this data to improve efficiency of their daily operations. The systems, for example, provide real time information on cases where the defendant has a warrant issued. This is used heavily by law enforcement officers to track defendants and also during routine traffic stops. In 2012 more than one million warrants were issued in Pennsylvania.

and delinquency cases, and some local police departments began e-filing traffic citations.

The Pennsylvania State Police have been electronically filing traffic citations since 2010. With this process, no paper is filed in the courts, eliminating the need for officers to deliver the traffic citations to the district courts and for court staff to enter citation information manually into the judiciary’s computer system. This system is estimated to save court staff 77,000 hours annually.

Allegheny County continued filing criminal complaints electronically. More than 31,600 cases had been accepted in 2012. While the paper complaints still need to be filed, this program has saved considerable data entry time for district court staff.

Web Portal

The Unified Judicial System Web portal provides a host of services for the public, including access to case information through docket sheets; court calendars and an online payment application. Local rules of court and financial records, including judicial expenditures and contracts, are also available.

The portal also provides secure services to court-related personnel and law enforcement agencies. These include secure docket sheets and calendar schedules, disposition look-up and warrants. Secure docket sheets, generated millions of times per month, provide additional information to help identify and track court cases. Disposition look-up is a service provided to law enforcement agencies to follow a particular case as it moves through the courts.

The Web portal also provides services for attorneys and *pro se* litigants. These include PAC-File, attorney registration and DA Link.

PACFile is an online application that allows attorneys and *pro se* litigants to electronically submit case filings and supporting documents in the Supreme Court and pay any associated filing fees through e-pay.

DA Link is an electronic bill of information filing system used by the district attorneys’ offices. This service, provided by the AOPC, sends the bill of information – the formal accusation of a crime – to the Court of Common Pleas and updates the court’s case management system.

2012 MDJS Collections

Through the MDJS money is used to collect fees, fines, costs and restitution using numerous methods, including, but not limited to, payments made at court offices, payment plans, online payments (e-pay) and collection agencies. In 2012, \$256 million was collected and disbursed through Pennsylvania’s magisterial district courts.

These collections were disbursed as follows:

Commonwealth General Fund	\$153,123,134.17
Counties	\$52,466,590.48
Municipalities	\$42,846,246.35
Other (schools, libraries, tax agencies, etc.)	\$2,851,760.06
Subtotal	\$251,287,731.06
Restitution	\$5,607,288.09
Total	\$256,895,019.15

Over the last five years, more than \$1.3 billion was collected by magisterial district courts.

Table 2.2

The attorney registration application is a service provided to the Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court to collect annual dues. Attorneys register online and pay through the e-pay system.

Web portal activity of note in 2012:

- the AOPC added civil and landlord-tenant docket sheets for the magisterial district courts to the public docket sheets
- over 4.5 million docket sheets were generated per month
- approximately \$4 million was collected on a monthly basis using the e-pay application. This includes payments on cases at the magisterial district courts and the Courts of Common Pleas. E-pay has significantly increased collections by the courts and disbursements.
- in 2012 Chester County successfully tested the new statewide e-pay bail service. Under this system bail payments are being made using Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express or a debit card. A county prison portal was developed to provide access to court case bail information by prison personnel. The service will reduce county prison commitments and transportation costs.

Website

In 2012 the Judicial Automation staff assisted in the extensive redesign of the UJS website. The site will be released in January 2013, and will provide a completely new look and feel for users. The AOPC and its vendor conducted extensive research with both external and internal site users to determine what areas of the site were of most value to different groups and tailored the website to meet those needs. The new site will highlight important judiciary news and issues as well as continue to provide practical information on Pennsylvania's judiciary to the public.

Administrative Support Application Project (ASAP)

ASAP is a software application that was developed in-house to support the administrative functions of the appellate courts, AOPC and First Judicial District (Philadelphia). The system includes payroll, human resources and finance modules. The ASAP team also supports applications developed for the Board of Law Examiners (BLE).

The ASAP team also supports a system that allows financial disclosure statements from jurists and staff to be filed online. In 2012, 77 percent of judicial officers filed their statements online, a 7 percent increase over the previous year.

An online payment feature was added to the BLE's Online Bar Application system in 2012, allowing bar applicants to pay their bar examination fees electronically. This project includes features such as electronic signature capability and online authorization and release.

Deputy Court Administrator's Office

Communications/Legislative Affairs

In its role as both legislative and media liaison, the Office of Communications and Legislative Affairs represents the AOPC before the state's executive and legislative branches of government as well as to the media. As media liaison, staff

- field inquiries from reporters
- draft news releases
- publish
 - the AOPC annual report
 - the annual *State of the Commonwealth's Courts*
 - *Pennsylvania's Judicial System: A Citizen's Guide*, a brochure about Pennsylvania's courts
 - *Pennsylvania's Courts: A Video Introduction*, an educational video guide to Pennsylvania's Courts
 - *AOPCconnected*, the Administrative Office's quarterly newsletter
- develop other publications and videos
- maintain the content of the Unified Judicial System website
- set up news conferences

Legislative affairs staff

- monitor the progress of legislation in the General Assembly
- compile and publish a legislative summary when the General Assembly is in session
- when appropriate, comment on the effect legislation may have on the fiscal and administrative operations of the judicial system
- monitor and report on legislation that may necessitate changes to the Magisterial District Judge and Common Pleas Case Management systems.

Administrative Services

The Office of Administrative Services is responsible for a variety of administrative-related tasks, including procurement for the Administrative Office, issues relating to facility management, fixed asset control, disaster recovery planning, mail and messenger services, fleet vehicle management, employee and visitor parking and oversight of the conference center in the Pennsylvania Judicial Center.

Judicial Security

The goal of Judicial Security is to support efforts to ensure that Common Pleas and magisterial district courts in Pennsylvania are safe places in which to work and to conduct business for jurists and their staff, litigants, jurors, witnesses, victims of crime and their families, and the general public.

In 2012 the AOPC continued its project to reimburse counties for the purchase of security equipment for Common Pleas and magisterial district courts. Funds are used for security cameras, exterior lighting, access control systems and other physical security measures.

Also in 2012 the AOPC began implementation of its project to provide for the electronic capture, storage and retrieval of county court records. The majority of courts were without such a system while other courts had insufficient capacity to handle this process. Full implementation of this project will enable courts to carry on essential court functions during and in the immediate aftermath of a natural or manmade disaster.

In the fall the eighth round of regional workshops was conducted for all local court security committees throughout the Commonwealth. These committees, comprised primarily of president judges, sheriffs, court administrators and county executives, are encouraged to meet regularly to formulate and execute plans to respond to security incidents and emergency situations that occur in their courts. The 2012 workshop focused on court emergency plans and continuity of operations plans. In addition, judges and other committee members were briefed on various threat groups active in the state.

Judicial Education

The Judicial Education Department was formed in 2005 to provide continuing education to Pennsylvania's jurists. The department works closely with various planning committees to design programs that address new and emerging areas of law and issues of import and interest to judges.

Supreme Court, Superior Court and Commonwealth Court

Since 2004 jurists on Pennsylvania's three appellate courts have attended an annual appellate courts conference. The conference addresses the needs specific to jurists serving

appellate duties. In addition to educational programs, members of each court hold administrative sessions at these conferences.

The conference featured these programs in 2012:

- United States Supreme Court Update
- Contempt of Court: The Turn of the Century Lynching That Launched 100 Years of Federalism in the U.S. Courts
- Current Status of DNA Evidence
- Oliver Wendell Holmes

Common Pleas Courts

During 2012 more than 85 percent of all trial judges in the Commonwealth attended state-sponsored continuing education programs. Primarily, these programs were held at conferences of the Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges, which meets twice a year.

Staff of the Judicial Education Department worked closely with the Education Committee of the conference to plan, develop and deliver more than 35 hours of continuing judicial education.

Each three-day conference provided state-of-the-art educational programs and allowed judges to discuss issues of common interest and concern.

Among the programs at the conference's 2012 meetings were:

- Inside Rikers: Societal Impacts of Mass Incarceration
- Forensic Engineering
- Family International Custody and Child Abduction Cases
- Fit, Frye and Forensics
- Roles and Duties of Guardians and the Court: From Life and Death Decisions to Practical Considerations
- Neurobiology of Trauma
- Nursing Home Abuse
- Justification and the Castle Doctrine
- Judgments – Just the Beginning
- Permanent Legal Custodianship
- Understanding Addiction

- Causes, Context, Scope and Nature: John Jay College of Criminal Justice's Research Studies of the Sexual Abuse of Minors within the Catholic Church
- Restoring the Public Trust
- Understanding Your Children's Alliance Center
- Key Issues under the New Custody Act
- False Memory and Its Impact of Witness Testimony
- Controlling Your Time
- Building a Bias-Free Environment in Court
- Getting Gassed Up Again
- Best Practices in Security and Recent Trends in Domestic Terrorism
- New Rules of Juvenile Court Procedure: What Judges Need to Know
- Restorative Justice: Murals

Special Programs

Several special conferences and symposia were held for judges in 2012 as follows:

- New Judges School 2012 – Forty-nine newly elected judges attended this six-day course.
- Spring Symposia: Best Practices for Managing Self Represented Litigants
- Joint Family Law Conference
- Fall Symposia: Evidence
- Fracking and Water: A Workshop for Judges – This conference was presented in conjunction with the National Judicial College.

New Product Development

The *President Judge Reference Manual* was presented to the 60 Common Pleas president judges at the annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges in July. The 1,000-plus page document, distributed on CD, was the culmination of many years work by York County Judge Richard K. Renn and members of the Judicial Education Department.

Human Resources

The Department of Human Resources

- monitors and ensures UJS compliance with state and federal employment statutes
- maintains all UJS fringe benefit programs and counsels judiciary personnel regarding the programs' provisions and utilization
- administers the UJS employee leave accounting program and the UJS Unemployment Compensation and Workers Compensation programs
- formulates and administers the personnel policies and procedures that govern the personnel operations of the UJS
- assists managers in the recruiting, interviewing and hiring of new staff and develops and administers AOPC hiring procedures
- formulates and administers position classification and pay plans for the UJS
- monitors and administers the UJS performance management system
- develops training curriculum, policies and procedures for judiciary personnel

Finance

The Finance Department is responsible for managing the budget, accounting and payroll systems for the Unified Judicial System. It serves as the primary resource for the various components comprising the UJS regarding financial matters. It fulfills its responsibility through the following activities:

- developing necessary policies and procedures on accounting and budget issues, and training staff at all levels in their use
- monitoring and preparing the budget for some 34 UJS line items in the Commonwealth's annual budget. These line-item appropriations include funding for the Administrative Office, state-funded courts, most Supreme Court advisory procedural rules committees, juror cost reimbursements and county court grants.
- managing \$363.6 million in annual appropriations, including \$35.8 million in grants to counties
- participating in the annual financial audit of the UJS
- performing the controller functions for the judiciary
- performing payroll functions for the judiciary

- responding to public access requests for financial and personnel information, and providing expenditure and salary information to the judiciary's website in accordance with Rule of Judicial Administration 509
- assisting in the management of the finances of the First Judicial District/AOPC Procurement Unit, including recommending investment and banking strategy

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
42 Pa. C.S., § 1722

About the Committee

The principle function of the Appellate Court Procedural Rules Committee is to make recommendations to the Supreme Court for refining and updating the Rules of Appellate Procedure in light of experience, developing case law and new legislation.

Members are appointed to three-year terms, and each member may serve two consecutive terms.

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2012 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2012:

- implementation of an e-filing program in the Supreme Court for certain legal papers
- provision of a mechanism for expedited appellate review of an order for out-of-home placement entered pursuant to the Rules of Juvenile Court Procedure
- clarification of the deadline calculation for filing cross appeals, cross petitions for allowance of appeal and additional petitions for review

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2012:

- provision for an optional word count as an objective method for measuring the lengths of briefs and establishment of page limit and minimum font size for briefs
- efforts to improve the likelihood that a full and complete case record is transmitted from the trial court to the appellate court, and the prospects of waiver resulting from the inadvertent omission of a document from the certified record is decreased

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
42 Pa. C.S., § 1722

About the Committee

The Civil Procedural Rules Committee sets the rules of procedure and practice for civil actions in Pennsylvania's Courts of Common Pleas. This includes all aspects of civil matters, except those issues relating to the work of the orphans' court and family court divisions. It was first commissioned by the Supreme Court in 1937.

Committee members are appointed to three-year terms by the court, and each may serve a maximum of two full terms.

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2012 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2012:

- amendment of Rule 240 governing *in forma pauperis* petitions to require the party commencing an action by writ of summons and seeking to proceed *in forma pauperis* to file the complaint within 90 days of filing the petition
- guidance for addressing discovery in electronically stored information
- requirement that 50 percent of residual fees from class action lawsuits be deposited with the Interest on Lawyers' Trust Account to help fund legal services
- rescission of Rule 1042.72 governing post-trial motions for excessive damage awards for noneconomic loss in medical professional liability actions

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2012:

- use of electronic devices by jurors
- rules governing sheriff's sales
- provision for the relation-back of amended pleadings

2012 Membership

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
42 Pa. C.S., § 1722

About the Committee

The Committee on Rules of Evidence was created by the Supreme Court as an advisory body to assist the court in its constitutional and statutory responsibility to prescribe general rules governing court proceedings in Pennsylvania's Unified Judicial System. The committee studies and makes recommendations to the court on matters affecting evidence law in the Commonwealth. It monitors the practical application of the new rules as well as developments in evidence law in Pennsylvania and in other jurisdictions as reflected in case law and statutory changes that have occurred since the rules' adoption.

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2012 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2012:

- restyling of the Pennsylvania Rules of Evidence to reflect changes with the Federal Rules of Evidence, improve readability and eliminate historical explanatory comments
- amendments to reflect legislation and AOPC implementation of an interpreter program from judicial proceedings in Rule 604 (Interpreter)

Recommendations Published for Comment

The committee published for comment in 2012 a proposal that would include memory loss under Rule 803.1(1) (Inconsistent Statement of Witness).

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
42 Pa. C.S., § 1722

About the Committee

The Criminal Procedural Rules Committee is an advisory arm to the Supreme Court, serving to assist the court in achieving its constitutional mandate to prescribe general rules governing criminal practice and procedure throughout Pennsylvania.

Members are appointed to three-year terms, and each member may serve two consecutive terms.

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2012 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2012:

- conformation of Rule 600 (Prompt Trial) to case law
- amendments to Rules 140, 141 and 142 (criminal contempt powers) in light of the court's decision in *Commonwealth v. McMullen*, which suspended 42 Pa.C.S., § 4137, noting that the legislature cannot establish the punishment for contempt of court
- amendments to the procedures governing the transfer of cases from criminal proceedings to juvenile proceedings
- revision of a comment to clarify the timeliness of a request to withdraw a waiver of jury trial
- amendment to the waiver of preliminary hearing procedures and remands
- reinstatement of indicting grand juries when witness intimidation has occurred, is occurring or is likely to occur
- clarification of the time for filing a Post-Conviction Relief Act (PCRA) appeal *nunc pro tunc*
- correction of typographical errors that have come to the committee's attention since the reorganization and renumbering of the rules in 2000
- clarification that the scope of Rule 801 (Qualifications for Defense Counsel in Capital Cases) is broader than the scope of the rest of Chapter 8

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2012:

- establishment of procedures governing motions for bail following the grant of a PCRA petition by the trial judge or the granting of an appeal following the denial of a PCRA petition
- delay of public access to arrest warrants and sealing of arrest warrants
- use of hearsay at preliminary hearings
- determination of a defendant's competency to be executed and for appeals
- return of search warrants; consideration of questions concerning "original" search warrants
- clarification of the permissible use of personal communications technology in the courtroom
- procedures for guilty pleas in multiple cases at the time of sentencing
- clarification of the summary case rules' explanatory comments pertaining to the procedures for handling summary truancy arising under 24 P.S., §§13-333
- clarification of the application of the criminal rules to cases in which an individual under 18 commits a crime but is not charged until he or she reaches age 21, and of the Rule 231 explanatory comment to note that "witness" includes juveniles and adults.

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
42 Pa. C.S., § 1722

About the Committee

Begun as a seven-member section of the Civil Procedural Rules Committee in 1984 and established as its own committee by order of the Supreme Court on June 30, 1987, the Domestic Relations Procedural Rules Committee strives to simplify family law practice. It does this by recommending new rules or amendments to the existing procedural rules relating to paternity, support, custody, divorce and protection from abuse. It reviews new legislation and court decisions to ensure the rules conform with developments in the law as well as the realities of domestic relations practice.

Members are appointed to three-year terms, and each member may serve two consecutive terms.

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Relations

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2012 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2012:

- setting procedures for the recovery of overpayments in support cases
- implementation of procedural amendments intended to assure compliance with a U.S. Supreme Court decision requiring procedural safeguards in support contempt cases
- establishment of procedure for medical testimony in support cases

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2012:

- uniform pretrial procedures in custody cases when requested by either party or required by the court
- requirement that the plaintiff in a protection from abuse case file a petition to withdraw, discontinue or modify the action and for the court to enter an order granting or denying the requested relief after the plaintiff has appeared before the court
- requirement of a leave of court or written agreement between the parties to withdraw a custody pleading or discontinue a custody action after a scheduling or other order has been entered
- establishment of a uniform procedure for the entry and withdrawal of appearance in domestic relations matters, and addressing self-represented litigants

Additionally, the committee concluded its work on the mandatory quadrennial review of the support guidelines.

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
42 Pa. C.S., § 1722

About the Committee

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania established the Juvenile Court Procedural Rules Committee in January 2001 to advise the court concerning its constitutional and statutory responsibility to prescribe general rules governing juvenile delinquency and dependency practice and procedure.

Members are appointed to three-year terms, and each member may serve two consecutive terms.

Juvenile

Court

Procedural

Rules

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2012 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2012:

- mandating a written admission colloquy in all cases
- clarification of court records and juvenile probation records
- clarification of the decertification process when a case has been transferred from criminal proceedings to juvenile proceedings
- addressing the role of the prosecutor in juvenile proceedings
- limiting a juvenile's ability to waive counsel and to prohibit waiver of counsel at certain proceedings and when a juvenile is under the age of 14
- creation of procedures for *nunc pro tunc*
- allowing the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission access to juvenile probation records to fulfill their legislative mandate

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2012:

- clarification of the role and duties of attorneys in juvenile court proceedings and the role of the prosecutor in juvenile proceedings
- what cases may be heard by masters and whether "master" should be changed to "hearing officer" throughout the rules
- implementation of the recent "Resumption of Jurisdiction" legislation
- implementation of the new Pennsylvania Sexual Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA) and Act 21-2003 legislation

2012 Membership

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Order No. 92, Magisterial Docket No. 1, Book No. 2 (April 17, 1990)

About the Committee

The Minor Court Rules Committee examines and evaluates the rules and standards governing practice and procedure in Pennsylvania's magisterial district courts. It reviews Pennsylvania court cases and legislation, identifying those decisional or statutory changes which affect magisterial district judge procedure and necessitate amendments to the rules or other action by the Supreme Court.

Members are appointed to three-year terms, and each member may serve two consecutive terms.

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2012 Activities

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2012:

- statewide uniformity in the setting of hearing dates in civil actions and elimination of the common practice of setting a fictional hearing date until a defendant enters a notice of intention to defend
- clarification of a defendant's options when a plaintiff cannot be located or otherwise served with a request for entry of satisfaction of judgment and the status of a judgment when a plaintiff has not executed upon it or entered it at a Court of Common Pleas within the five-year period
- clarification of the appeal periods for all civil and landlord-tenant judgments and incorporation of the additional appeal time provided to a victim of domestic violence when a judgment arises out of a residential lease and contains an award of possession

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
42 Pa. C.S., § 1722

About the Committee

The Orphans' Court Procedural Rules Committee responds to developments in orphans' court procedure and reviews current rules governing statewide practice and procedure in the orphans' court, recommending new rules and rule changes as necessary.

Members are appointed to three-year terms, and each member may serve two consecutive terms.

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2012 Activities

The Orphans' Court Procedural Rules Committee continued its work on creating statewide uniform rules of procedure for orphans' court practice as well as proposed revisions to the Chapter 15 adoption rules previously published for comment. The committee also published proposed changes to implement a data collection procedure for compliance with the Office of Children and Families in the Court's program requirements.

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
Pa.B.A.R. 104(c)(3)

About the Board

The Pennsylvania Board of Law Examiners holds the responsibility for recommending the admission of persons to the bar and thus the practice of law in Pennsylvania. Such responsibility includes reviewing admission applications, both for those wishing to sit for the bar examination and for those practicing attorneys from other states seeking admittance to the bar without sitting for the exam; administering the bar exam itself; and recommending rules pertaining to admission to the bar and the practice of law.

Members are appointed to three-year terms, and each member may serve two consecutive terms. Board office staff includes the executive director, deputy executive director, counsel to the board/supervising law examiner, director of testing, and five administrative support staff. The board also employs seven examiners, who are responsible for writing and grading the Pennsylvania Bar Essay Examination, and 14 readers, who assist the examiners in grading the essay answers. Additionally, many proctors are employed temporarily to assist in the administration of the bar exam.

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Bar Statistics

Statistics for 2012, including a comparison with 2011's figures, can be found in Table 4.1.1. Chart 4.1.2 on page 50 details the percentage of those passing the bar since 2003 while Chart 4.1.3 on page 51 is a comparison of the number of persons who have sat for the exam versus the number who have passed it over the past ten years.

Bar Statistics		
2012 Applications processed		3,022
Sitting for February Exam		664
Change from 2011	(28)	(4.05)%
Persons passing February exam		396
Persons failing February exam		268
Passing Percentage		59.64%
2011 Passing Percentage		69.65%
Sitting for July exam		2,077
Change from 2011	(33)	(1.56)%
Persons passing July exam		1,606
Persons failing July exam		471
Passing Percentage		77.32%
2011 Passing percentage		79.81%
Applications for admission on motion		approx. 300
Applications for limited in-house counsel admission		60
Courtesy reviews of conditions that qualify for admission on motion		50+
Applications from attorneys participating in legal defender or legal services pro- grams, seeking limited admission		6
Hearings held to appeal denial of admission		25

Table 4.1.1

2012 Activities

The court approved changes to streamline the board’s review of criminal records examined in the course of character and fitness reviews.

The Computer-Based Testing Program (CBT) continued to gain in popularity. The program allows applicants to use their personal laptops to answer the essay and performance test questions during the bar exam. For the July 2012 exam, 84 percent of applicants registered for CBT.

In August the board restructured its semi-annual meeting and calibration process. Additional reporting created through the in-house-developed grading program facilitated the refinements to calibration. The board also implemented initiatives to improve security at the examination.

The board continues to be well-regarded by other jurisdictions for its use of technology. In November at the request of the Conference of Bar Admission Administrators, Dmitry Rasolko, lead IT developer, spoke at the National Conference on Technology Security. Additionally, Executive Director Gicine Brignola served on the National Conference of Bar Examiners Technology Committee.

In December board staff worked with the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts’ Audio-Video Department to produce a bar exam proctor training video. The video will be available in January 2013.

In late 2012 the board laid the groundwork for developing technology to enhance communications with applicants and to permit electronic submission of supplemental materials related to the character and fitness review of applicants. The board’s lead developer will work with developers from the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts.

Filing Fees

Effective August 1, 2012, the Supreme Court approved a rate increase for filing fees for processing applications for admission to the Pennsylvania bar. In addition to the rate increases, the board no longer maintains a separate fee schedule for reapplicants. The new fees are as follows:

	Bar Exam Applicants
\$ 575	<i>on-time filing fee</i>
725	<i>first late filing fee</i>
1,025	<i>second late filing fee</i>
1,425	<i>final late filing fee</i>
\$1,250	Applications for Admission on Motion
\$1,250	Applications for Limited In-House Counsel License

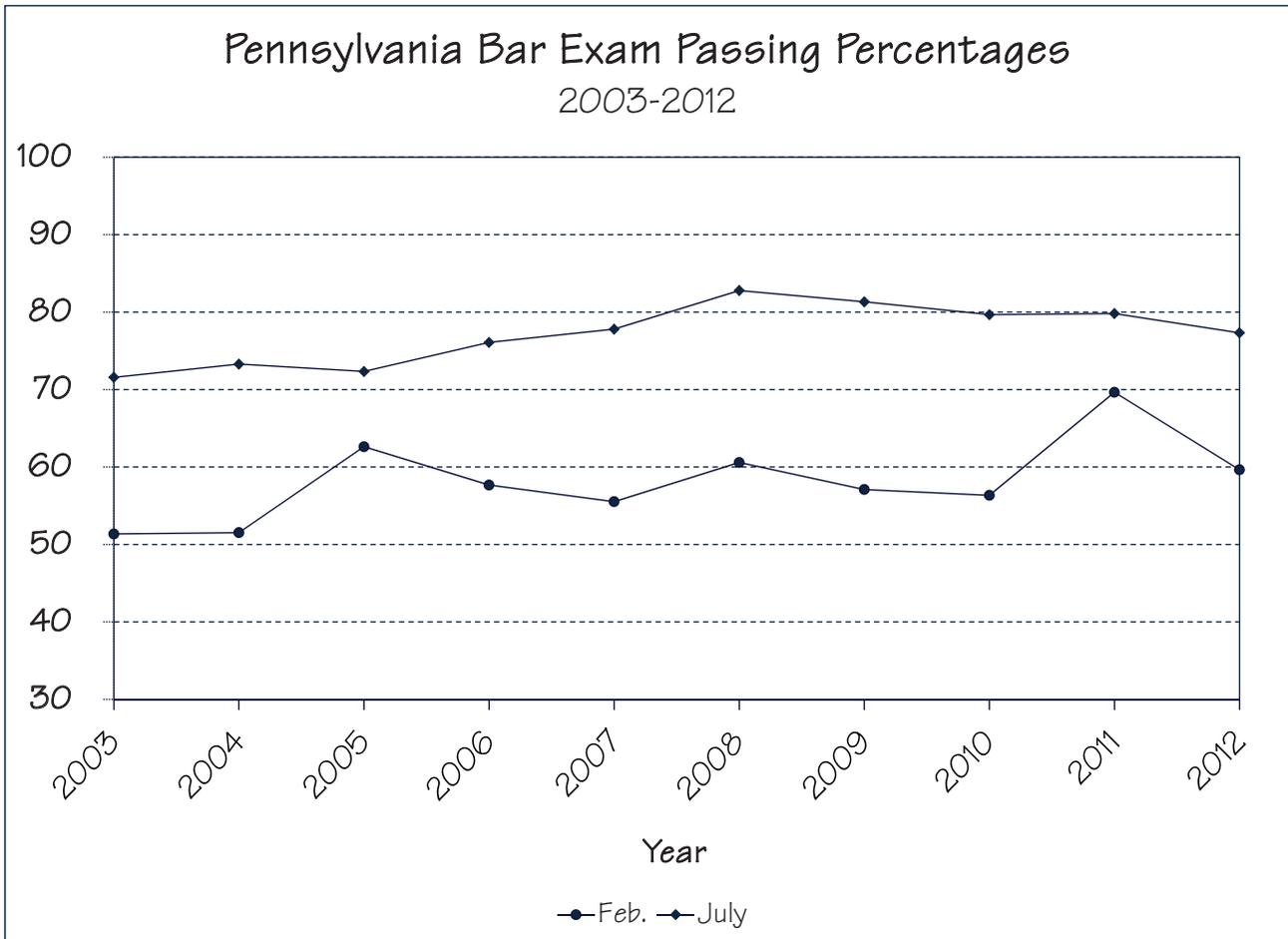


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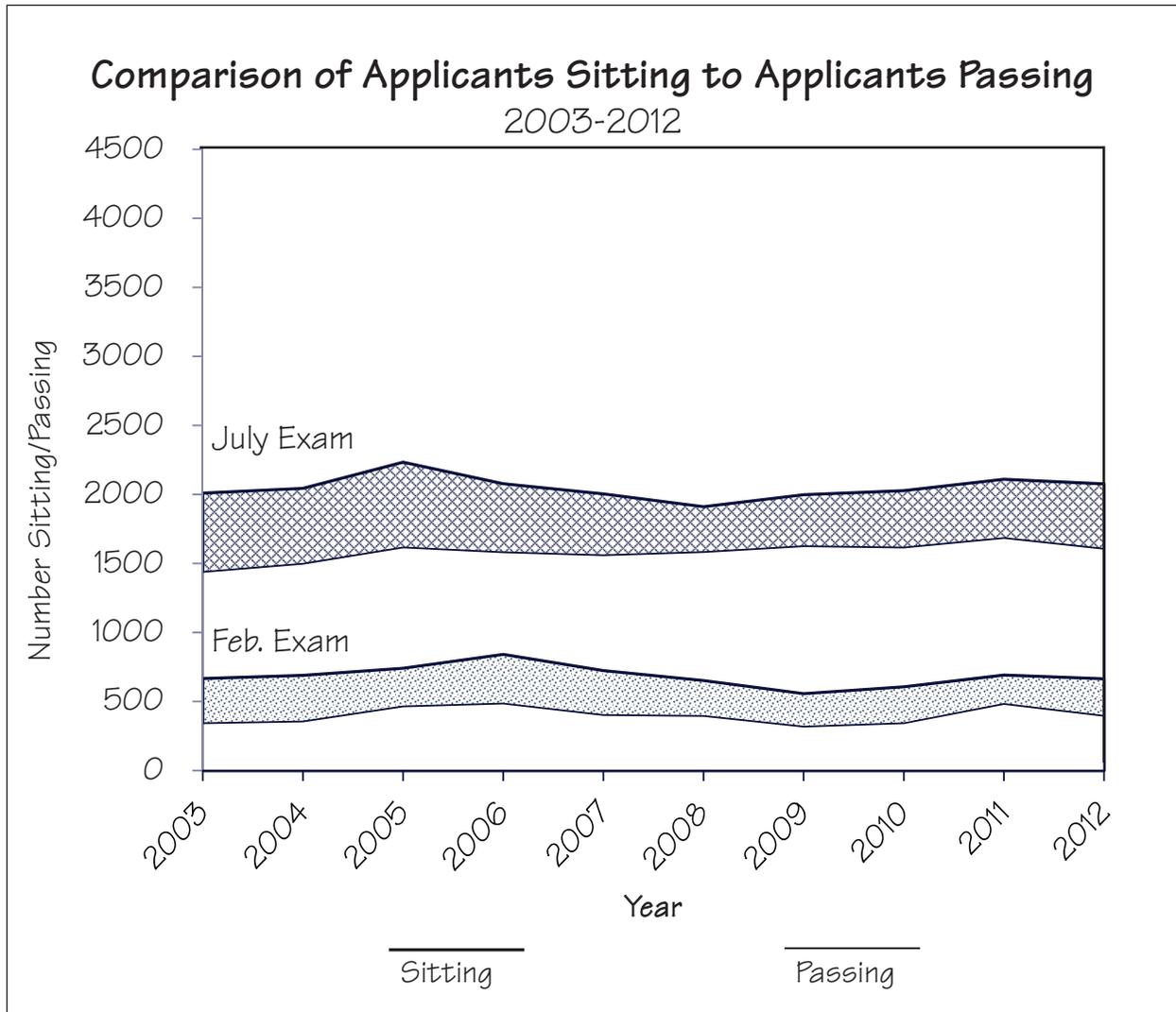


Table 4.1.3

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)

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The committee's mission is to assist the administration of justice in court proceedings by developing pattern jury instructions for use by both the bench and the bar.

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Committee Activities

Civil Instructions

In 2012 the subcommittee continued its mission of updating the *Pennsylvania Suggested Standard Civil Jury Instructions*, Fourth Edition. This reference includes a searchable, companion CD-ROM, a derivation table and a subject matter index.

The subcommittee continues to incorporate revisions based on case law developments, new Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure and new legislation as well as comments from lawyers and judges.

It also continues its plain English objective to make the instructions more understandable to lay jurors.

The subcommittee is committed to updating the instructions every 18 to 24 months.

Criminal Instructions

In 2012 the subcommittee released a supplement to the *Pennsylvania Suggested Standard Criminal Jury Instructions*, Second Edition (2005). This supplement includes revisions to 88 of the standard instructions and/or subcommittee notes as well as 27 new instructions, which are listed in the table on page 55.

This reference contains hundreds of criminal instructions keyed numerically to the Crimes Code, with many offering alternative language depending on the case facts.

Subcommittee members continually monitor pertinent case law to update the subcommittee notes, which explain the appropriate instruction application, identify relevant case law citations and offer practical guidance.

The subcommittee's ongoing goal is to improve the language of the instructions to ensure both a proper statement of law is conveyed and the instructions are accessible to the jurors applying them. The subcommittee is committed to updating the instructions every 18 to 24 months.

Purchasing/Commenting on the Instructions

Since 1979 the Pennsylvania Bar Institute (PBI) has provided both administrative and publishing support for the committee as well as funding.

Project costs are underwritten through the sale of the published suggested standard instructions to the legal community. The instructions may be purchased by visiting the PBI's website at www.pbi.org.

Members of the bench and bar are urged to provide their comments and suggestions to the committee. Such comments are of great assistance to the reporters and subcommittee members in their ongoing efforts to ensure that the instructions reflect the current state of the law in Pennsylvania. Comments should be sent to the board's PBI contact, Lydia L. Hack, Esq. at the address listed at the bottom of page 53.

New Criminal Law Instructions

9.501A	Justification: Use of Force/Deadly Force in Self-Defense (Castle Doctrine)
9.501B	Justification: Use of Non-Deadly Force in Self-Defense (Castle Doctrine)
9.501C	Justification: Use of Force Against Police Officer During an Arrest (Castle Doctrine)
9.501D	Justification: Use of Force Against Occupier or Possessor of Property (Castle Doctrine)
9.502A	Justification: Use of Force Against Occupier or Possessor of Property (Castle Doctrine)
9.502B	Justification: Use of Non-Deadly Force in Defense of Others (Castle Doctrine)
9.502C	Justification: Use of Force Against Police Officer During an Arrest of Another (Castle Doctrine)
9.502D	Justification: Use of Force Against Occupier or Possessor of Property in Defense of Others (Castle Doctrine)
15.2502F.2	Defendant's Ineligibility for Death Penalty: Mental Retardation
15.3303E	Agricultural Biosecurity Trespass
15.3313	Illegal Dumping of Methamphetamine Waste
15.3929.3	Organized Retail Theft
15.4119	Trademark Counterfeiting
15.7508.2	Operating a Methamphetamine Laboratory
16.13(a)(40)	Unlawful Retail Sales
16.13.1(a)(1-2)	Possession or Transportation of Liquefied Ammonia Gas
16.13.1(a)(3-4)	Possession of Certain Chemicals with the Intent to Manufacture a Controlled Substance
6.13.4A	Operating a Methamphetamine Laboratory
16.13.4B	Illegal Dumping of Methamphetamine Waste
16.2011B	Possession of Certain Substances with the Intent to Manufacture Methamphetamine
16.10225.506	Older Adults Protective Services Act
17.3732.1	Aggravated Assault by Vehicle
17.5502.1	Operating a Watercraft Under the Influence of Alcohol or a Controlled Substance — General Impairment Incapable of Safe Operation
17.5502.2	Operating a Watercraft Under the Influence of Alcohol or a Controlled Substance — Consolidated Blood Alcohol Count
17.5502.3	Operating a Watercraft Under the Influence of Alcohol or a Controlled Substance — Controlled Substance
17.5502.4	Operating a Watercraft Under the Influence of Alcohol or a Controlled Substance — Solvents or Noxious Substances
17.5502.5	Operating a Watercraft Under the Influence of Alcohol or a Controlled Substance — Minors — Blood Alcohol Content Above 0.02 Percent

Table 4.2.1

2012 Membership

Kenneth Argentieri, Esq., *Chair*
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Daniel Levering, *Administrator*
Katey Buggy, *Associate Administrator*

Legal Authorization

Title 204 – Judicial System General Provisions Par V. Professional Ethics and Conduct [204 PA Code C. 82]

Pennsylvania Rules for Continuing Legal Education; No. 99 Supreme Court Rules Doc. No. 1

About the Board

The Continuing Legal Education Board administers the rules pertaining to continuing legal education (CLE) for attorneys.

The board is comprised of ten active Pennsylvania attorneys. Terms are three years in length, and members may serve two consecutive terms.

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Board Information and Compliance Requirements

For information on CLE requirements and board operations, please see the board's website at www.pacle.org.

2012 Board Actions and Operations Highlights

The board held three meetings in 2012.

A total of 32,565 accredited courses were offered by more than 1,800 providers.

Distance Learning

Lawyers have the option to complete up to four credits per compliance period via distance learning. Currently, 78 providers are approved to offer such programs. Approximately 17,000 programs are available.

Thirty-one percent of attorneys participated in distance learning in 2012, accounting for 8.4 percent of the total credits reported.

Criminal Procedure Rule 801

Pennsylvania Rule of Criminal Procedure 801 requires that defense attorneys who wish to participate in capital cases complete 18 hours of training relevant to capital representation. To this end, in 2012 the board accredited 79 capital counsel training programs. It also maintained online mechanisms to promote course availability and identify counsel who satisfied the educational requirement.

In 2012, 450 lawyers met the requirement.

Bridge the Gap Program

The Bridge the Gap program assists newly admitted lawyers in making the transition from law student to practitioner. The board coordinates with accredited providers to ensure program availability and low cost. In 2012, 65 presentations were conducted, and 2,043 lawyers completed the program.

PA CLE Providers Conference

The 2012 Providers Conference was held June 8, 2012. Supreme Court Chief Justice Ronald D. Castille and Justice J. Michael Eakin attended.

Welcoming remarks by Daniel Levering acknowledged 20 years of Pennsylvania's mandatory continuing legal education program. Chief Justice Castille extended appreciation to CLE course providers and offered views on the importance of continuing legal education. Guest Speaker Professor Michael Schwartz from Washburn University School of Law offered an insightful presentation on "Maximizing Learning in a Multi-Generational Setting."

The conference also featured a panel of Pennsylvania CLE representatives engaging audience members in, "An Open Forum on CLE in Pennsylvania." Representing the CLE Board were board members Ken Argentieri, Elizabeth Simcox, Patricia Daly and Associate Administrator Katey Buggy.

Electronic Compliance Notifications

The board expanded automated preliminary transcript reports in 2012. This electronic compliance notification system replaces the paper transcripts previously sent to attorneys. It has accelerated the board's ability to communicate compliance with lawyers and reduced preliminary transcript-related expenses by 25 percent.

Online Payment Features

The CLE Board allows education providers to file payments and lawyers to pay late fees online via Automated Clearing House (ACH). Use of this system has increased the speed with which lawyers can review their credits online as well as remedy noncompliance situations.

In 2012, 67 percent of compliance payments were made in this manner, an increase of 7 percent from 2011. Over 150 providers filed payments through ACH.

Automated System for Accredited Providers (ASAP)

The board continued to provide training and technical support to over 300 accredited providers who use the Automated System for Accredited Providers (ASAP). This internally developed Internet software allows for the paperless reporting of provider courses, course attendance and course evaluations. In 2012, 83 percent of credit hours were reported electronically.

Contingency Planning

The board took measures in 2012 to ensure the safety and continuity of its data, should an emergency arise. A disaster recovery plan, back-up system and data replication process were maintained and tested to help minimize downtime and preserve operational continuity in the event of a disaster.

CLEreg: National Organization for Continuing Legal Education Regulators

Pennsylvania maintained a strong and active presence in the Organization for Continuing Legal Education Regulators (CLEreg). Dan Levering, a past president (2003) of the association, serves as chair of the Technology Committee and on the Management Committee. Associate Administrator Katey Buggy, also an association past president (2008), serves as chair of the Management Committee and on the Membership Committee.

Two meetings were held in 2012.

National Mandatory Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) Working Group

In 2011 a group was formed to consider possible methods for implementing recommendations made at a 2009 CLE and lawyer development institute. This group includes participants from across the country. Dan Levering is one of three participants from states that require CLE for attorneys.

The group is currently focusing efforts on developing accreditation standards for distance learning programs and on updating standards for live programs.

Attorney Compliance

Lawyer compliance rates with CLE requirements remain high. Table 4.3.1 on page 60 indicates the percentage of lawyers who met the requirements.

Attorney Compliance				
Compliance Group/ Year Ending	# Lawyers Subject to Requirements	# Lawyers Complying	# Lawyers Involuntarily Inactivated	Compliance Rates (%)
Group 1 (April)				
92-93	17,100	16,959	141	99.2
93-94	17,300	17,179	121	99.3
94-95	17,619	17,552	67	99.6
95-96	17,873	17,768	105	99.4
96-97	17,804	17,639	165	99.1
97-98	17,665	17,523	142	99.2
98-99	17,864	17,751	113	99.4
99-00	18,132	18,018	114	99.4
00-01	18,426	18,295	131	99.3
01-02	18,480	18,342	138	99.2
02-03	18,668	18,539	129	99.3
03-04	18,224	18,720	104	99.4
04-05	19,223	19,141	82	99.6
05-06	19,672	19,602	70	99.6
06-07	20,214	20,117	97	99.5
07-08	20,427	20,276	151	99.3
08-09	20,757	20,643	114	99.4
09-10	20,674	20,616	58	99.7
10-11	20,846	20,774	72	99.7
11-12	21,154	21,082	72	99.7
Group 2 (August)				
92-93	17,124	16,868	256	98.5
93-94	17,289	17,134	155	99.1
94-95	17,649	17,540	109	99.4
95-96	17,595	17,507	87	99.5
96-97	17,410	17,294	116	99.3
97-98	17,613	17,511	102	99.5
98-99	17,756	17,666	90	99.5
99-00	18,087	17,974	113	99.4
00-01	18,181	18,100	81	99.6
01-02	18,143	18,011	132	99.3
02-03	18,572	18,493	79	99.6
03-04	18,753	15,664	89	99.5
04-05	19,098	19,019	79	99.6
05-06	19,556	19,443	113	99.4
06-07	19,934	19,842	92	99.5

continued...

Table 4.3.1

Attorney Compliance, continued				
Compliance Group/ Year Ending	# Lawyers Subject to Requirements	# Lawyers Complying	# Lawyers Involuntarily Inactivated	Compliance Rates (%)
Group 2 (August)				
07-08	20,342	20,206	136	99.3
08-09	20,385	20,311	74	99.6
09-10	20,478	20,394	84	99.8
10-11	20,674	20,607	67	99.7
11-12	21,247	21,171	76	99.6
Group 3 (December)				
92-93	17,269	16,936	333	98.1
93-94	17,474	17,414	60	99.7
94-95	17,679	17,574	105	99.4
95-96	17,542	17,430	112	99.4
96-97	17,582	17,456	126	99.3
97-98	17,781	17,647	134	99.2
98-99	17,968	17,865	103	99.4
99-00	18,220	18,113	107	99.4
00-01	18,361	18,227	134	99.3
01-02	18,479	18,366	113	99.4
02-03	18,625	18,527	98	99.5
03-04	18,887	18,792	95	99.5
04-05	19,443	19,347	96	99.5
05-06	19,882	19,797	85	99.6
06-07	20,231	20,107	124	99.4
07-08	20,605	20,491	114	99.4
08-09	20,608	20,509	99	99.5
09-10	20,753	20,659	94	99.5
10-11	21,112	21,035	77	99.6
11-12	20,982	20,882	100	99.5

Table 4.3.1, cont'd.

2012 Membership

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Stephan K. Todd, Esq.

* Term expired 3-31-12

** Appointed chair 4-1-12

+ Appointed vice chair 4-1-12

++ Term expired 8-8-12

Staff

Joseph W. Farrell, *Executive Director*

Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
Rule 103, Pa. Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement
Rule 205(a), Pa. Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement
Rule 205(c), Pa. Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement

About the Disciplinary Board

The Disciplinary Board was created by the Supreme Court in 1972 to consider and investigate the conduct of any person subject to the Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement (Pa.R.D.E.). continued...

Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court

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Such persons include:

- any attorney admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania
- any attorney from another jurisdiction specially admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court for a particular proceeding
- any disbarred, suspended or inactive attorney, with respect to violation of any rules committed prior to disbarment, suspension or transfer to inactivity
- any jurist with respect to any violation of rules committed prior to taking office, if the Judicial Conduct Board declines jurisdiction
- any attorney who resumes practice of law with respect to any nonjudicial acts performed while in office as a jurist.

Investigations may be initiated by the Disciplinary Board on its own motion or upon complaint from another person. (See Pa.R.D.E. Rules 103, 205(a) and 205 (c)(1)(2).)

Board Activities

Statistics for 2012 can be found in Table 4.4.1 to the right.

The Disciplinary Board met five times in 2012. The results of the executive sessions can be found in Table 4.4.2 on page 65. Statistics for Joint Petitions for Discipline on Consent for 2012 can be found in Table 4.4.3 on page 66. A tabulation of the disciplinary actions taken since the beginning of the board's operations in 1972 is set forth on Table 4.4.4 on page 68. Comparisons of cumulative actions taken and actions taken in 2012 can be found in Chart 4.4.5 on page 70.

2012 Statistics	
Attorneys	62,706*
Change from 2011	6.34%
<i>*This figure does not include 10,400 inactive paid attorneys.</i>	
Complaints filed with board	4,564
Change from 2011	(0.74%)
Pending at start of 2012	1,008
Complaints disposed of	4,495
Total complaints resulting in discipline	298
Total pending at end of 2012	906

Table 4.4.1

Rules Committee

The following rules change became effective in 2012:

Pa.R.D.E. 219(a) and 502(b) and R.P.C. 1.15(u): Amendment to change the annual fee allocations to provide annual fees of \$130 for the Disciplinary Board, \$35 for the Pennsylvania Law-

yers Fund for Client Security and \$35 for the Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board. Adopted 4-9-12, effective with the 2011-12 assessment year.

Pa.R.D.E. 216 and 218: Amendments to include disability inactive status as a disposition which

can be sought as reciprocal discipline from other jurisdictions and to include bar associations and disciplinary boards from other jurisdictions as agencies from which reciprocal discipline can be sought. Adopted 3-19-12, effective 4-18-12.

R.P.C. 1.6 and 1.19: Amendments to include ordinances enacted by municipal governing bodies that regulate lawyer/lobbyists. Adopted 5-17-12, effective 6-16-12.

Pa.R.D.E. 214 and R.P.C. 8.3: Amendments to define the term "crime" as an offense that is punishable by imprisonment in the jurisdiction of conviction, whether or not a sentence of imprisonment is actually imposed. It does not include parking violations or summary offenses (traffic and nontraffic), unless a term of imprisonment is actually imposed. In addition, the Comment to R.P.C. 8.3 was amended to ensure attorneys are aware that they must self-report not only convictions of crimes, but also when transfers to disability inactive status, suspensions and disbarments are ordered in another jurisdiction. Adopted 3-19-12, effective 4-18-12.

Pa.R.D.E. 102, 203, 204, 205, 207, 208, 215 and 402: Amendment to create a new type of discipline, "public reprimand," which the board could approve and administer without review or approval by the Supreme Court. Adopted 5-17-12, effective 6-16-12.

Pa.R.D.E. 204, 205, 212, 216, 217, 218, 219, 401, 502 and 531 and R.P.C. 1.15(u): Amendments to codify electronic filing of annual fees and to implement procedures for an attorney to

2012 Executive Session Results	
Action	Total
Adjudications involving formal charges	36
Board referrals to Supreme Court, including report and recommendation for public discipline	26
Oral arguments before three-member panels of board members	4
Recommendations for summary private reprimands, considered by three-member panels	8
Appeals from Office of Disciplinary Counsel of Review Hearing Committee member determination, considered by three-member panels	1
Respondents appearing before three-member panels to receive private reprimands	14
Respondents appearing before three-member panels to receive public reprimands	4
Hearing before one board member on a probation violation	1
Hearing before one board member for emergency temporary suspension	5
Petitions for reinstatement to active status of attorneys inactive more than three years with no discipline involved	79

Table 4.4.2

request no public access be granted to his/her registered address. An additional provision provides for automatic nonwaivable late payment penalties to be assessed on July 31 and again on August 31. Adopted 6-4-12, effective 7-4-12 for the majority of changes, effective with the 2013-14 assessment year for assessment of late fees.

Amendments to Board Rules of Organization and Procedure:

Conforming amendments consistent with amendments made to Pa.R.D.E. 216, 218, 214, 219, 102, 203, 204, 205, 207, 208, 215 and 402, respectively. Adopted effective 9-11-12.

Amendments to Board Rules of Organization and Procedure: Conforming amendments consistent with amendments made to Pa.R.D.E. 204, 205, 212, 216, 217, 218 and 219, respectively. Adopted effective 11-3-12.

Education Committee

The Education Committee designed the program for the board’s educational meeting in July 2012. The topics were “Enhancement Tools for Discipline” and “Social Media.” The subject of discipline included an in-depth discussion about establishing an ethics school or implementing diversion programs for attorneys who have engaged in misconduct. The guest speakers for this topic were John T. Berry, director of the Legal Division of the Florida Bar Association, and Richard L. McCoy, executive director of the Pennsylvania Bar Institute.

Mr. Berry’s knowledge, insight and suggestions, along with statistics showing the recidivism rate for those attorneys who go through a diversion program at around 8 percent, convinced the board to look further into developing such a program in Pennsylvania. Mr. McCoy agreed to assist the board in identifying courses already in place that meet the board’s criteria and in putting together new courses that the board has identified as areas where attorneys need more education.

Disciplinary Board member R. Burke McLemore Jr. led a discussion on social media, distributing several articles and advisory opinions on the topic. The use of social media sites such as Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn and Tumblr form the basis for proposed changes to the Model Rules of Professional Conduct currently under review by the American Bar Association Commission on Ethics 20/20. This topic will be covered in more detail as Pennsylvania considers these amendments in 2013.

The Education Committee also designed the program used at the training session and refresher

Good Cause Requests

With the amendments to Pa.R.D.E. 119 that allow attorneys to request that their contact information remain private information, Rules Committee Chair Stephan K. Todd took on the task of reviewing written requests from attorneys for such privacy. Through the end of 2012, Mr. Todd had reviewed ten requests, approving six and denying four.

2012 Joint Petitions	
Action	Total
Joint Petitions in Support of Discipline on Consent filed	32
Petitions filed prior to scheduled disciplinary hearings	20
Petitions approved	21
Private discipline	6
Public discipline	15
Petitions denied	8
Petitions not yet final as of December 31	3

Table 4.4.3

course for all Hearing Committee members, held in October 2012 in Hershey. Justice J. Michael Eakin spoke on the role the Supreme Court has in the disciplinary process. Ken Hagreen, executive director of Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers, and Workers’ Compensation Judge Irving L. Bloom spoke about the effects depression and other psychological illnesses had on their abilities to practice law and about their roads to recovery.

Workshops were held to provide new members with information on the disciplinary system and the roll of hearing committees. Senior and experienced members offered tips on chairing hearing committees, presiding at hearings on subpoena issues and conducting prehearing conferences. Guest speakers Ellen C. Brotman, Esq. and Samuel C. Stretton, Esq. brought perspective from respondents’ counsel.

The program was attended by 140 Hearing Committee members.

Hearing Committee

Hearing Committee members are ranked based on their experience. Senior members are those who have served either as a member of the Disciplinary Board or a three-year term on a hearing committee that has conducted at least two hearings into formal charges of misconduct. Experienced members are those who have completed at least one full year of service and who have conducted at least one hearing into formal charges of misconduct. New members are those who are either still in their first year of service or have not yet had a full hearing.

A committee must be composed of at least one senior member and one senior or experienced member. A senior member chairs the committee. Only a senior or experienced member may conduct the mandatory prehearing conference.

As of December 31, 2012, 49 senior members, 46 experienced members and 55 new members were serving on a *pro bono* basis to conduct hearings.

Miscellaneous

In the Fall of 2012, the board launched a new mobile-friendly website, providing easier viewing for cellphone and tablet computer users.

In February 2012 then board chair Sal Cognetti Jr., board members Stewart L. Cohen and R. Burke McLemore, board secretary Elaine Bixler and assistant board secretary Marcee Sloan, attended the Ninth Annual Meeting of the National Council of Lawyer Disciplinary Boards in New Orleans, Louisiana.

DISCIPLINARY BOARD

Disciplinary Board Actions 1973-2012											
Disciplinary Cases								Reinstatement Cases			
Year	Informal	Private	Public	Public				Petitions		Total	
	Admonition	Reprimand	Reprimand	Probation	Censure	Suspension	Disbarment	Granted	Denied		
1973	37	0		0	0	3	13	43	1	1	2
1974	55	7		0	2	12	4	80	2	2	4
1975	95	8		0	5	12	6	126	2	2	4
1976	81	9		0	8	8	5	111	3	0	3
1977	96	7		2	10	10	13	138	3	0	3
1978	102	14		1	7	13	6	143	4	3	7
1979	121	5		0	6	17	12	161	2	1	3
1980	98	5		0	1	8	12	124	6	5	11
1981	113	4		0	1	17	21	156	42	4	46
1982	156	6		0	2	12	33	209	21	0	21
1983	137	9		0	6	7	24	183	22	0	22
1984	125	21		0	1	7	21	175	25	2	27
1985	123	19		0	3	16	16	177	21	0	21
1986	101	27		0	2	5	29	164	17	2	19
1987	110	17		0	3	10	23	163	24	1	25
1988	106	25		0	0	17	32	180	34	1	36
1989	123	31		0	2	17	18	191	27	0	27
1990	98	26		1	1	18	26	170	34	1	35
1991	115	46		1	4	10	27	203	35	0	35
1992	82	42		7	1	20	38	190	27	1	28
1993	85	30		5	0	12	20	152	29	1	30
1994	75	41		5	1	23	32	177	24	0	24
1995	74	48		7	6	26	35	196	44	1	45
1996	70	31		3	3	37	41	185	31	0	31
1997	106	46		8	3	33	40	236	35	2	37
1998	88	43		5	7	24	33	200	33	1	34
1999	48	26		7	4	23	29	137	45	4	49
2000	45	29		3	0	30	32	139	35	2	37
2001	40	35		10	2	27	31	145	55	3	58
2002	54	32		8	2	29	42	167	64	4	68
2003	58	36		8	1	31	38	172	58	4	62
2004	106	34		20	1	38	37	236	75	2	79
2005	109	26		24	2	51	37	249	72	1	73
2006	77	22		11	4	65	39	218	93	1	94
2007	85	16		6	3	48	25	183	64	2	66
2008	90	25		15	5	45	38	218	82	1	83
2009	62	23		9	4	40	29	167	84	3	87
2010	55	16		8	2	34	45	160	106	1	107
2011	75	19		15	3	49	32	193	105	2	107
2012	56	15	9	11	5	50*	36+	182	88#	2▲	90
Total	3,532	921	9	200	123	954	1,060	6,799	1,574	63	1,637

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Table 4.4.4

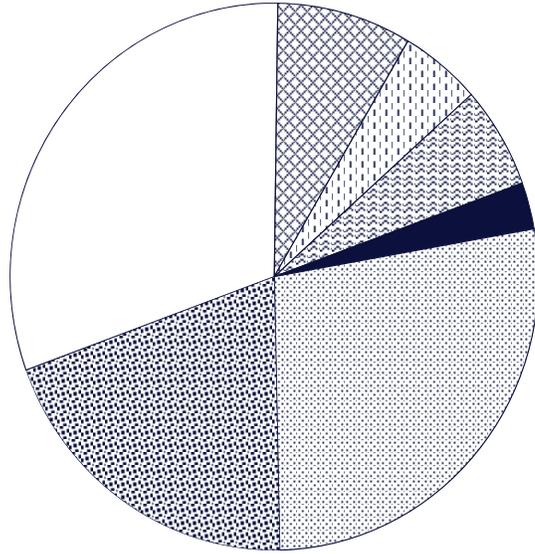
Disciplinary Board Actions 1973-2012, continued

- * This figure includes 12 suspensions on consent (Rule 215 Pa.R.D.E.), but does not include 16 temporary suspensions (Rule 214 Pa.R.D.E.) or nine temporary suspensions (Rule 208(f) Pa.R.D.E.).
- + This figure includes 22 disbarments on consent (Rule 215 Pa.R.D.E.).
- # This figure includes reinstatement to active status of 75 attorneys who had been inactive three or more years and twelve reinstatements after suspensions.
- ▲ This figure includes two reinstatement requests denied after disbarment.

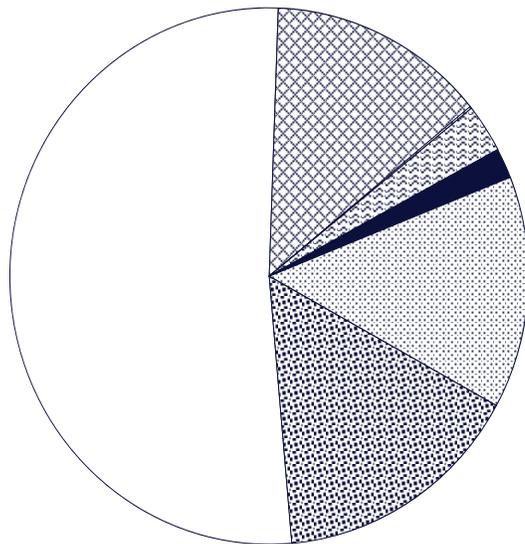
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Disciplinary Board Actions Comparison

2012



1973-2012



- Informal Admonition ▨ Private Reprimand ▩ Public Reprimand ▪ Probation
- Public Censure ▧ Suspension ▦ Disbarment

Table 4.4.5

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Bryan S. Neft, Esq.
Ourania Papademetriou, Esq.
Honorable Margherita Patti Worthington

Staff

Alfred J. Azen, *Executive Director++*
Stephanie Libhart, *Assistant Director#*

- * Term expired 9-1-12
- ** Vice chair appointed chair 9-1-12
- + Appointed vice chair 9-1-12
- ++ Retired 12-31-13
- # Appointed executive director 3-6-13

Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
Rule 1.15, Pennsylvania Rules of Professional Conduct

About the Board

The Interest on Lawyers Trust Account (IOLTA) program was first established in 1988 as a voluntary means to raise money to provide civil legal services to the poor and disadvantaged of Pennsylvania. With the issue of Supreme Court Order 252, Disciplinary Docket No. 3 on July 17, 1996, this program became mandatory. It is the job of the IOLTA Board to administer the IOLTA and other programs authorized by the Supreme Court, collecting and managing the funds received and awarding grants to nonprofit organizations, law school clinical and internship programs, and pro bono programs.

The IOLTA Board is comprised of nine members appointed by the Supreme Court. Members serve terms of three years and may serve maximums of two consecutive terms.

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How the IOLTA Program Works

For information on how the IOLTA program works, please visit the board's website at www.paiolta.org.

Access to Justice Act

The Access to Justice Act (AJA), part of Act 122 of 2002, provides for a \$10 surcharge to be placed on all civil filings, the recordings of deeds and mortgages and their related filings and on criminal filings where a conviction or guilty plea is obtained. A percentage of this surcharge is placed into the Access to Justice Account for the IOLTA Board to provide grants to civil legal services provided by nonprofit legal aid organizations.

Act 49 of 2009 provides a supplemental filing fee of \$1 on the same courthouse filings as Act 122, excluding traffic citations.

Act 122 is scheduled to sunset on November 1, 2017, and Act 49 is scheduled to sunset on December 31, 2014.

Homeowner Assistance Settlement Act (HASA)

On June 22, 2012, Governor Tom Corbett signed into law Act 70 of 2012, the Homeowner Assistance Settlement Act (HASA). This law was brought about by the settlement agreement between Pennsylvania's attorney general and the nation's leading mortgage serving companies, over "robo-signing" and other foreclosure and mortgage servicing-abuses. The act allocates to the Access to Justice Account \$900,000 for fiscal year ended June 30, 2013, and \$600,000 for each of the next four years for civil legal assistance related to housing issues.

Loan Repayment Assistance Program

The Loan Repayment Assistance Program (LRAP) was begun by the Supreme Court in 2010 as a means of helping IOLTA-funded legal services organizations recruit and retain the best and brightest attorneys to serve the civil legal needs of poor Pennsylvanians. It provides student loan forgiveness to attorneys employed by agencies that help people who cannot afford legal representation.

The program is administered by the IOLTA Board and the Pennsylvania Bar Foundation, a charitable affiliate of the Pennsylvania Bar Association. Begun with an initial three-year, \$1,074,430 grant from the IOLTA Board to the foundation, it is funded by *pro hac vice* admission fees paid by out-of-state attorneys.

Since the inception of the program, 229 legal aid attorneys – 72 in the first year, 80 in the second year and 77 in the third year – have received or will receive loans.

Class Action Residuals

In May 2012 the Supreme Court amended the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure to provide for the dispensation of funds left over from class action lawsuits. The new rules provide that not less than 50 percent of the funds remaining after plaintiffs, attorney fees and expenses have been paid will be allocated to the IOLTA Board to help fund civil legal aid.

The rule took effect July 1, 2012. Through June 30, 2013, four class action residuals disbursements totaling \$78,010 had been transferred to the IOLTA fund.

Assessment of Telephone-Based Legal Assistance

In 2012 the IOLTA Board authorized a study of the use of telephone-based legal assistance provided by Pennsylvania legal aid programs. The study compared the outcomes of telephone-based assistance with in-person assistance for those who used "brief services," or services requiring limited action, (for example, a letter written or a document prepared). It also assessed the alignment of practices and procedures used by Pennsylvania's programs with the best practices that have been developed over the past decade in which telephone helplines have been in place across the United States.

Key findings of the study are:

- advice and brief services are not only effective; they are essential. Services delivered by telephone provide more convenient access to services and enable vastly more people to obtain legal aid than would be possible in-person with the same resources.
- Pennsylvania's programs in this study are achieving the primary goal of telephone-based legal assistance, which is to make legal assistance accessible to every eligible person without sacrificing the quality and effectiveness of services
- the best practices assessment supports efforts by legal aid agencies to work to optimize results for clients going forward

The full report can be found on the board's website at www.paiolta.org.

Economic Benefits of Funding Legal Aid

The results of an independent study commissioned by the board and conducted by the Resource for Great Programs for the year 2011 were released in 2012. Entitled "The Economic Impact of Outcomes Obtained for Legal Aid Clients Benefits Everyone in Pennsylvania," the study found a greater than eleven-fold return on investment for each dollar spent on legal aid in Pennsylvania in 2011. Benefits included

- \$546 million in direct economic impact for local communities through Social Security benefits and Supplemental Security Income attained for low-income residents; federal share of Medicaid benefits attained for low-income and disabled residents; federal grant funds received from the Legal Services Corporation; increased spending and income via the economic multiplier effect
- more than 2,600 jobs created for Pennsylvania workers
- \$48 million additional cost savings for Pennsylvania communities when low-income families successfully avoided the need for emergency shelter and when families received protection from domestic violence
- savings linked to crime prevention and a lessened need for law enforcement assistance
- keeping in school children who would otherwise miss classes because of homelessness or domestic violence
- health care providers receiving reimbursements from Medicaid for services they would otherwise have had to write off
- increased efficiency in Pennsylvania courts when legal aid agencies assist clients and *pro se* litigants in learning how to follow court procedures
- additional tax revenues realized from jobs that are preserved when legal aid agencies assist in employment cases

Fiscal Year 2012-13 Statistics

Revenues

IOLTA & MJ-IOTA, net	\$ 3,086,362
Access to Justice Act	10,569,953
Attorney Assessment	2,214,175
<i>Pro Hac Vice</i>	338,800
<i>Pro Bono</i> Contributions	38,108
Class Action Residuals	78,010
Homeowner Assistance Settlement Act	900,000
Other	34,467
Total	\$17,259,875

Grants

Legal Service Organizations	\$ 15,611,664
Pennsylvania Law Schools	1,586,629
<i>Pro Bono</i> Grants	52,500
Total	\$17,250,793

The largest grant, \$13,580,299, was awarded to the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network, which is an administrative and support organization that oversees a statewide system of legal aid programs.

Table 4.5.1 below shows the distribution of funds since the IOLTA fund became mandatory.

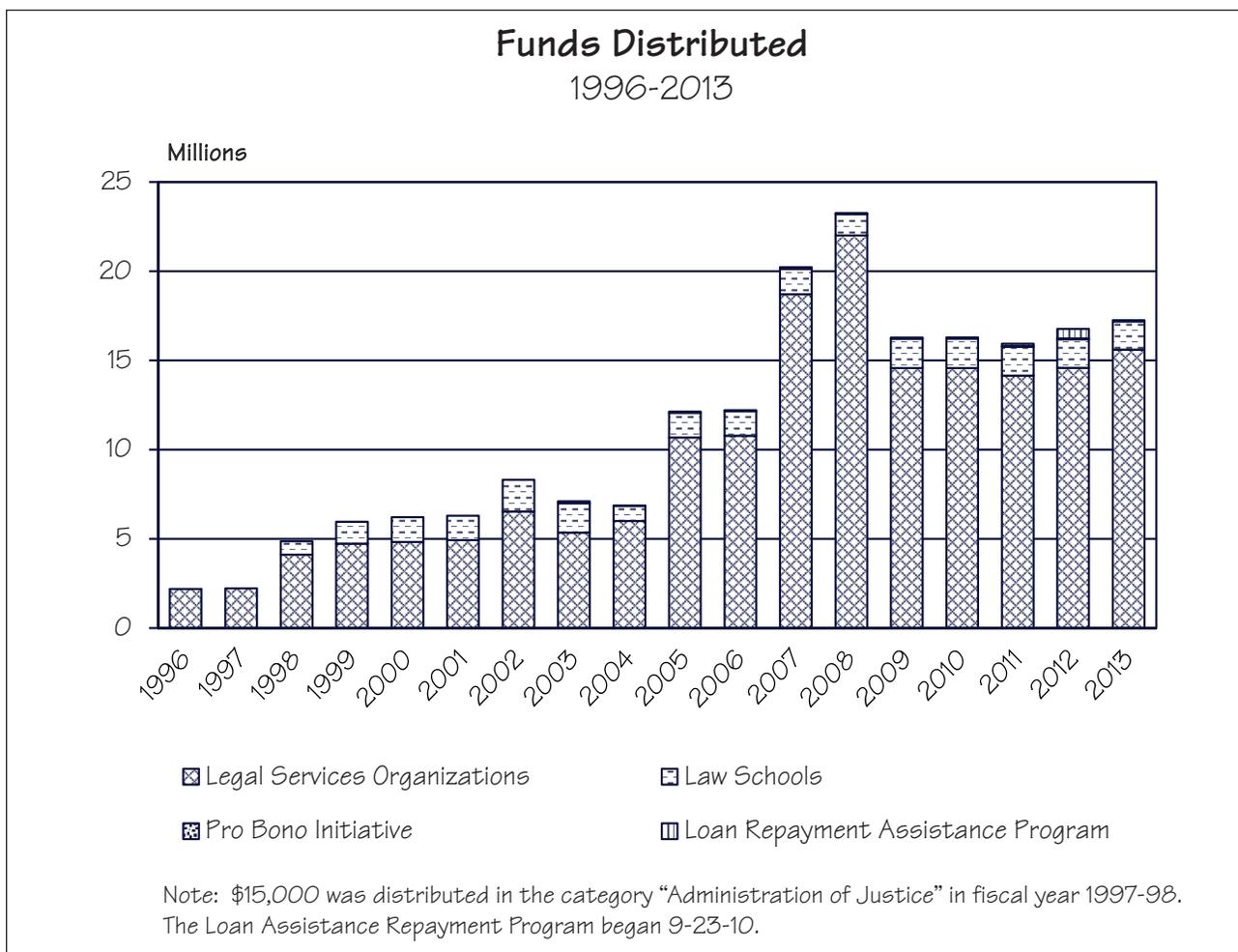


Table 4.5.1

2012 Membership

John T. Robinson, Chair
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Honorable Jonathan D. Grine
Honorable Michael Lowry
Honorable Samuel Magaro
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Staff

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Kate D. Grenke, Clerical Assistant

Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)
42 Pa. C.S., § 31
42 Pa. C.S., § 2131
42 Pa. C.S., § 3118

About the Board

Article V, §12 of the Pennsylvania Constitution requires that magisterial district judges (MDJs) and judges of the Philadelphia Traffic Court either be members of the bar of the Supreme Court or, before taking office, complete a course and pass an examination in the duties of their respective offices. It is the responsibility of the Minor Judiciary Education Board (MJEB) to instruct and certify individuals wishing to become magisterial district judges, Philadelphia Traffic Court judges or Philadelphia arraignment court magistrates. The board approves the curriculum, appoints and evaluates instructors, establishes course content, reviews all tests and issues certificates to successful program participants.

In addition, the board conducts one-week continuing education classes for magisterial district judges, Philadelphia Traffic Court judges, Philadelphia arraignment court magistrates and for those individuals who wish to maintain a current certification in one or more of these areas. It also conducts a one-week practicum, or orientation course, for newly elected or appointed magisterial district judges.

The board has seven members, who are appointed by the Supreme Court to three-year terms. Each may serve a maximum of two full terms.

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2012 Curriculum

Four-Week Magisterial District Judge Certifying Course

- Criminal Law and Procedure
- Civil Law and Procedure
- Landlord and Tenant Law
- Rules of Evidence
- Judicial Ethics
- Motor Vehicle Law
- Arrest/Search and Seizure
- Pennsylvania Drug/Device and Cosmetic Act
- Pennsylvania Crimes Code

Continuing Education for Magisterial District Judges

Magisterial district judges who are not attorneys must take 32 hours of continuing education per year.

- Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Code Update
- Judicial Conduct Board Update
- Civil Update
- Bail
- Bankruptcy, Accommodations of Litigants in the Courtroom, ADA, Employment Law, Family Medical Leave Act and Unified Judicial System Nondiscrimination Policy
- Social Media
- Weighted Caseload Study and MDJS Reports
- MDJS Rewrite Update
- Court Security
- Criminal Law Update
- Drug Identification
- Magisterial District Court Veterans Diversion Program
- Truancy
- Mental Health Law
- Digital Stalking

Orientation Course for New Magisterial District Judges

- Office Administration
- Benefits and Nondiscrimination Policy
- Public Access Policy
- Special Court Judges' Association (SCJAP) Website and Listserv
- Evidence and Search Warrants
- Magisterial District Judge Panel
- Ethics
- District Judge Practices
- MDJS Reports and Audits
- Interpreter Program

Philadelphia Traffic Court Judges

- Pennsylvania Vehicle Code Update
- Traffic Court Administration
- Bankruptcy, Accommodations of Litigants in the Courtroom, ADA, Employment Law, Family Medical Leave Act and Unified Judicial System Nondiscrimination Policy
- Social Media
- PennDOT-Certified Driver Records
- Judicial Conduct Board Briefing
- Ethics and Professionalism
- Interpreters

Philadelphia Arraignment Court Magistrates

- Detecting Deception
- Protection from Abuse
- Bail
- Unified Judicial System Nondiscrimination Policy
- Social Media
- Judicial Conduct Board Briefing
- Charging Procedures
- Defenders' Association
- Criminal Law Update
- Drug Identification

2012 Statistics

MJEB statistics for 2012 can be found in the chart below.

2012 Educational Statistics	
Continuing education to magisterial district judges & sr. magisterial district judges	673
Continuing legal education to attorney magisterial district judges & sr. magisterial district judges	159
Magisterial district judge recertification	12
Certification classes to prospective magisterial district judges	47
Total certified	26
Certification of prospective Philadelphia Traffic Court judges	4
Certification of prospective Philadelphia Bail Commissioners	3

Table 4.6.1

2012 Membership

Edwin H. Beachler III, Esq., *Board Chair*
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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 12
Pennsylvania Rules of Disciplinary Enforcement, §501 *et seq.*

About the Board

The Pennsylvania Lawyers Fund for Client Security was established by the Pennsylvania Supreme Court in 1982 as a means of helping clients recover some or all losses of money and/or property stolen from them by their attorneys. It is funded by a special annual assessment (\$35 for 2012-13) paid by any attorney admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania. Clients may receive up to \$100,000 for a claim.

The fund is supervised by the Pennsylvania Lawyers Fund for Client Security Board. This board includes five members of the bar of the Supreme Court and two non-lawyer public members. Each member's term is three years in length, and a member may serve a maximum of two consecutive terms.

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Fiscal Year 2012-13 Claims Statistics

Statistics for the 2012-13 fiscal year can be found in Table 4.7.1. Chart 4.7.2 on page 84 is a breakdown of amounts claimed by category. Chart 4.7.3 on page 85 gives comparisons of claims awarded versus claims rejected, both in terms of numbers and dollar amounts. Chart 4.7.4 on page 86 is a comparison of claims awarded, rejected and discontinued, both cumulatively and in 2012-13.

2012-13 Claims Statistics		
Claims	No.	Amount
Received	312 *	\$36,551,547
	*50 in excess of \$100,000 limit	
Awarded	100	3,464,580
Rejected	48	7,377,229
Discontinued	24	392,940
Total	172	\$11,234,749
Pending	350	\$11,400,510

Table 4.7.1

Claims Categories

Fiduciary Funds - Theft of estate funds and trust/escrow funds consistently tops the list of claims filed against attorneys. During FY 2012-13 the fund awarded \$3,067,922 in this category, 88.55 percent of its total award dollars, settling 47 claims. Approximately 88.4 percent of these funds went to former clients of one attorney.

Real Estate Proceeds Embezzlement - Claims of misappropriation of real estate closing funds typically occur when an attorney acting as the settlement agent for a real estate transaction receives funds to close the transaction and then fails to disburse all of the funds to the appropriate parties. FY 2012-13 awards totaled \$149,818.

Nonperformance* - The acceptance of unearned fees or retainers represented the third largest category in which funds were awarded in FY 2012-13 with claimants receiving \$124,430.

*Since the fund does not arbitrate fee disputes, for an award to be considered when the attorney performed any services of value, the claimant typically must first file a complaint with the local bar association's fee dispute committee. If the committee determines that all or a portion of the fees or retainer paid were not earned, and the attorney does not return the fee, the board will consider this type of claim and categorize the award as nonperformance by the attorney.

Lawsuit Settlement Proceeds - Claims of misappropriation of settlement proceeds often occur when an attorney settles a lawsuit without the knowledge or consent of the client. The attorney receives the funds and fails to remit them to the client. Also included in this category are claims involving attorneys who withhold funds from settlement proceeds to pay clients' medical providers and fail to make the payment/s. Claims of \$95,361 were paid in FY 2012-13.

Fraud - Fraud claims occur when an attorney requests a loan from a client or agrees to hold and invest settlement funds on behalf of the client, then converts the funds for personal use. The types of claims that typically fall into this category are those where a longstanding attorney/client relationship has existed. They tend to be the most difficult to evaluate. Claimants received \$27,049 in FY 2012-13.

Notwithstanding the award amounts reported, it should be noted that claims are filed against fewer than one percent of all Pennsylvania licensed attorneys.

2012-13 Activities

County Bench, Bar Meetings

The board met in Hershey, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh in FY 2012-13.

As part of its ongoing mission to educate the legal community and Pennsylvania's citizens about the fund, the board holds informational dinners on the eves of its triannual meetings. Invitations are extended to the judiciary, bar leaders and prominent local citizens from the respective counties where the board meets as well as from the surrounding counties.

Restitution and Subrogation Efforts

All fund claimants are required to execute a subrogation agreement prior to the receipt of any award. This agreement assigns the fund the right to collect the award amount. The fund may receive restitution through civil collection efforts or through criminal restitution payments. During FY 2012-13, the fund recovered \$128,916 through restitution payments.

Mandatory Overdraft Notification

Pennsylvania Rule of Disciplinary Enforcement 221 requires financial institutions to report to the fund all checks drawn on attorney fiduciary accounts which contain insufficient funds. In 2012-13 the fund received 247 overdraft notices. One notice was pending. Of the 248 notices, 205 were reviewed and dismissed, and 28 were referred to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel. Fifteen notices remained pending at the end of the fiscal year.

Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers

With prior approval of the Supreme Court, the Pennsylvania Lawyers Fund for Client Security may provide funding to nonprofit organizations that assist Pennsylvania lawyers and judges who are impaired by alcohol or drugs. In accordance with this rule, during FY 2012-13 \$328,745 of funding was given to the organization known as Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers. Such assistance complements the fund's mission to ameliorate losses resulting from attorney dishonesty as oftentimes when an attorney converts client funds, the conduct is related to substance abuse or a gambling addiction. The financial support for Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers helps to mitigate the losses by providing a resource for impaired attorneys.

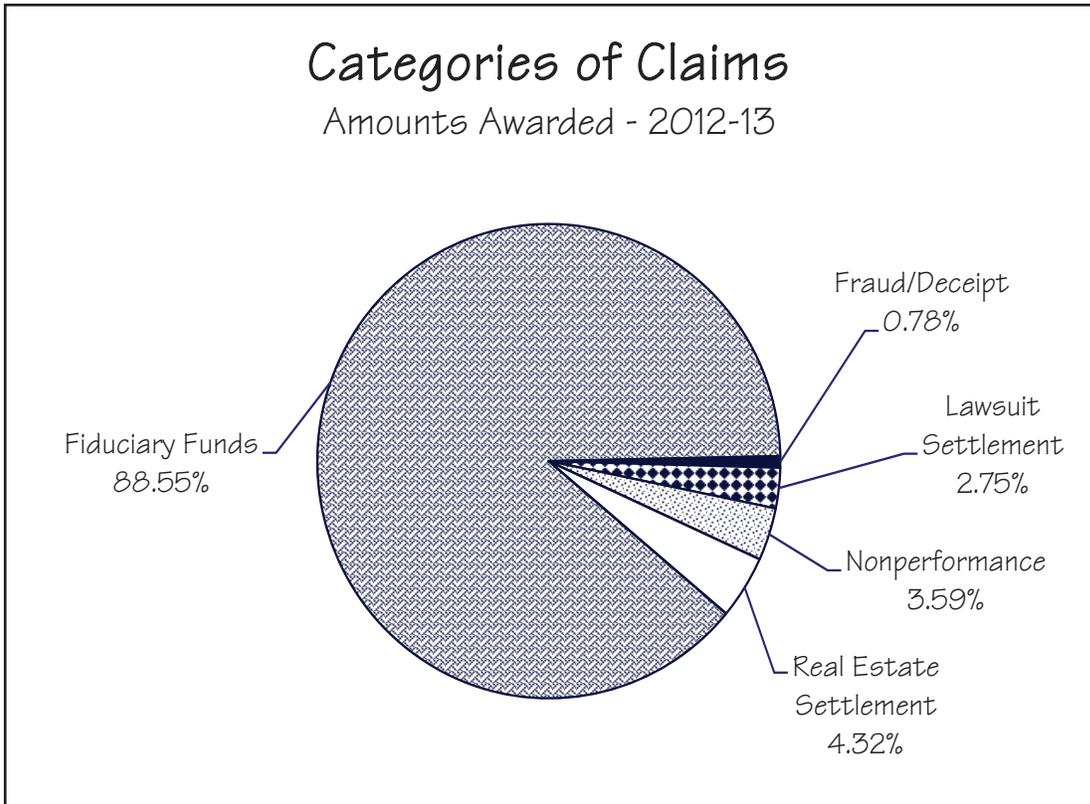


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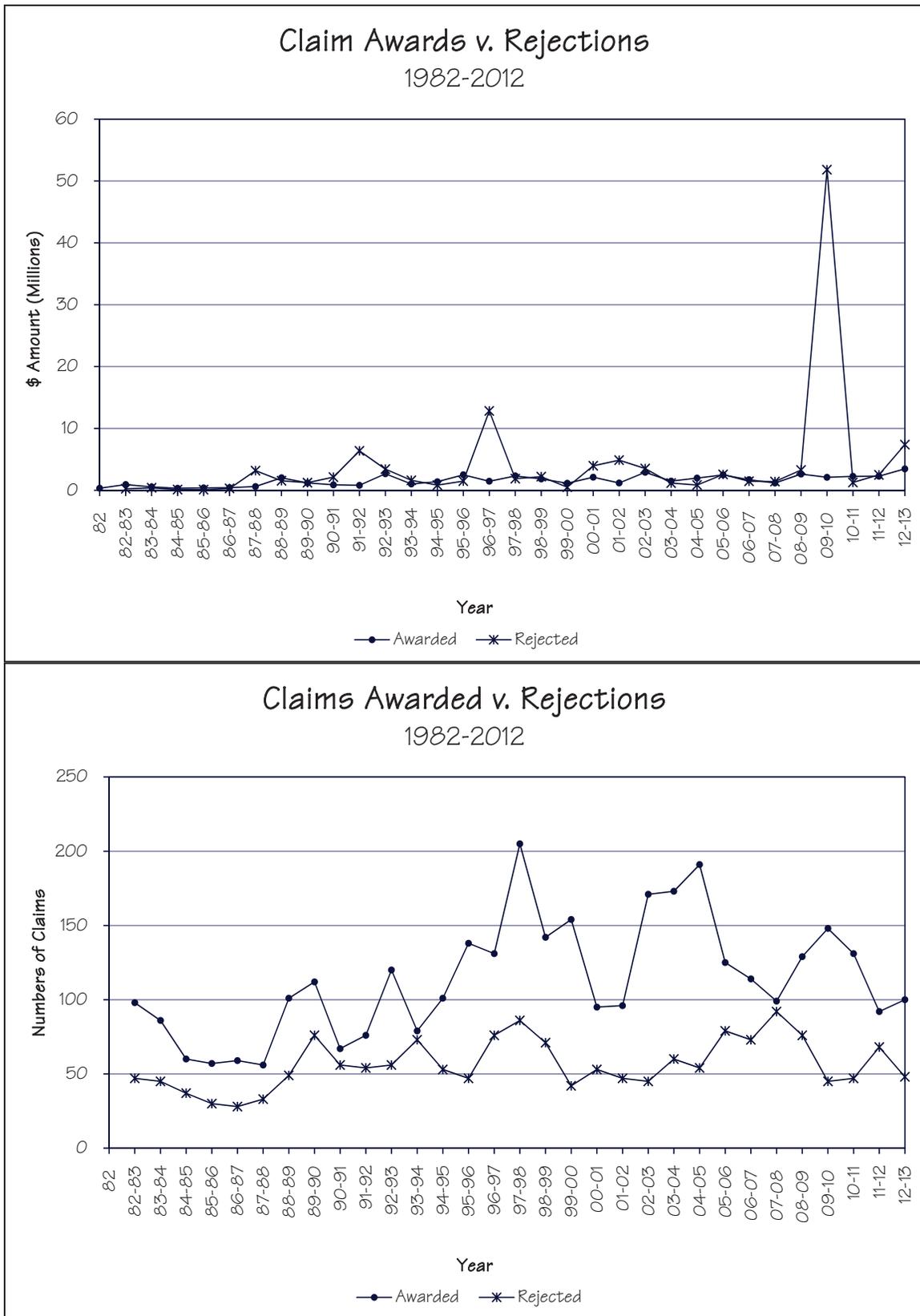
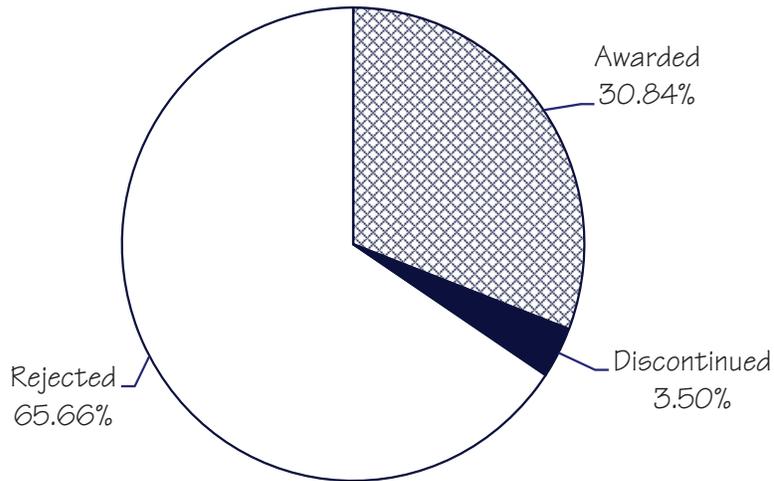


Table 4.7.3

Comparison of Claim Dispositions

Amounts Awarded - 2012-13



Amounts Awarded - Cumulative

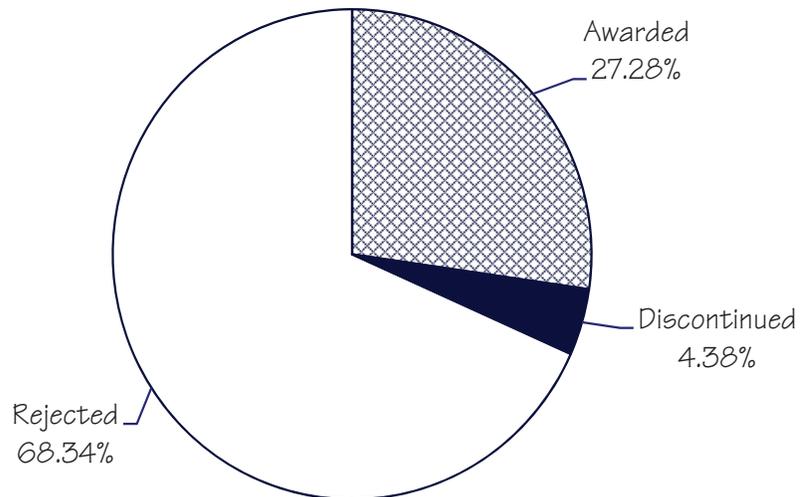


Table 4.7.4

Of the total state government expenditures for fiscal year 2012-13 administrative costs for the judiciary amounted to approximately one-half of one percent. Table 5.1 on page 89 shows the distribution of expenditures across the three branches of government. (With the county reimbursement grants discussed below, the judiciary accounts for approximately 0.6 percent of total state government expenditures.)

Funding for the Unified Judicial System derives from both state and county appropriations. The federal government provides limited funding for specific programs of federal interest, notably the ongoing Court Improvement Program. The state pays the salaries for all judicial officers as well as the personnel and operating costs of the entire appellate court system, including the committees of the Supreme Court and the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts. Beginning January 1, 2000, in accordance with Act 12 of 1999, the Commonwealth also funds the salaries and benefits for district court administrators transferred to state service effective that date. Table 5.2 on page 90 provides a breakdown of the state appropriations for fiscal year 2012-13.

In fiscal year (FY) 2012-13, the judiciary saved more than \$8 million through a variety of measures, including the suspension of a staff COLA through the first quarter of the year, continuation of a 20 percent reduction in merit increments, not making appointments — at the request of the chief justice — to fill judge vacancies, a reduction of twelve magisterial district judge offices to date, and attrition.

County Reimbursement Program

The Commonwealth also provides reimbursement to the counties for costs incurred in support of the Common Pleas Courts. Counties are reimbursed for a percentage of juror costs incurred when a trial or grand jury proceeding lasts longer than three days.

In addition, counties have traditionally been reimbursed for personnel and operating costs associated with the administration of

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the Courts of Common Pleas. Reimbursement is based on a statutory rate of \$70,000 for each authorized Common Pleas judge position, which, in the case of insufficient funding, must be reduced in order to adjust to the appropriated amount.

The General Assembly also requires that counties spend an amount at least equal to the flat reimbursement rate per judge. Funding provided in FY 2012-13 allowed payment of the grant at the rate of \$66,819.

Counties also receive partial reimbursement for expenses they incur to provide support – facilities and staff services – to assigned Common Pleas senior judges in accordance with Pennsylvania Rule of Judicial Administration (R.J.A.) 701(F). Act 88 of 2001 served as the initial enabling legislation for the Senior Judge Support Reimbursement Grant and was succeeded by Act 37 of 2007. This grant has been provided each year since its inception in FY 2001-02.

Table 5.3 on page 93 identifies the amounts of reimbursement provided to each county, by grant program, for FY 2012-13.

Although not requested by the judiciary, \$1.1 million was appropriated in FY 2012-13 for a court consolidation grant for Allegheny County for legislative reasons.

Local, State Government Revenue

The Unified Judicial System is a source of considerable revenue to local and state government. An example of this revenue can be found in Table 5.4 on page 96, which lists fees collected by the appellate courts, the Minor Judiciary Education Board and the Pennsylvania Board of Law Examiners. Appropriated by the General Assembly, these fees are used to support state-funded court operations.

Included in the table are revenues from a fee created during FY 2009-10 to supplement and help close shortfalls in state funding. Act 49 of 2009 imposed a temporary, 25-month surcharge beginning December 8, 2009; Act 30 of 2011 extended the fee through December 31, 2014. Of the total \$13.50 surcharge imposed on court filings and recordings of deeds, \$10.25 was earmarked for use by the Supreme Court in closing deficits within the various judiciary appropriations. The surcharge generated \$16.308 million in FY 2012-13, which was used to supplement judiciary state appropriations.

Although exact figures are not available, the court system raises millions of dollars in revenue for local municipalities. Depending on the police department (local or state) from which a citation is issued, a portion of fines collected is disbursed to local political subdivisions after adjudication within the Unified Judicial System. Some examples of these fines include traffic violations under the vehicle code, violations of local ordinances and certain violations of summary offenses.

Counties also receive court-collected fines, fees and costs. Fees are generated in connection with the commencement of actions or the filing of liens, appeals and accounts, etc. On an annual basis, the collections amount to tens of millions of dollars. The monies are collected by courts at all levels of the system.

Finally, a portion of the revenues collected by the courts is earmarked for the state. Some of these funds are program specific, e.g., Pennsylvania’s Emergency Medical Fund and the Crime Victims’ Compensation Board. Others are used, through Act 64 of 1987 and Act 59 of 1990, as amended by Act 122 of 2002, to provide funding for the state-wide Judicial Computer System. Still other monies collected, such as motor vehicle fines, revert to state general use.

Judicial Conduct Board/Court of Judicial Discipline

As part of the reform of the judicial discipline process, the Judicial Conduct Board and the Court of Judicial Discipline were established as independent organizations responsible for their own affairs, including financial matters. Pursuant to Act 56 of 1993, however, their annual budget requests are made as separate line items in the Supreme Court’s request to the General Assembly on behalf of the judicial branch.

Pennsylvania Government FY 2012-13		
<i>General, Special Federal & Other Funds Expenditures</i>		
Branch	\$ Amount (Thousands)	Percent of Total
Executive	65,063,354	99.00
Legislative	271,984	0.41
Judicial	348,525	0.53
Judicial - County Reimbursement for Courts	35,825	0.05
Total	65,719,688	

Totals shown exclude capital budget.

Note: The governor’s budget showed FY 2012-13 funds available to the judiciary as \$368,486. Actual total available funds, with \$16,308 of Act 49 of 2009 revenues, augmentations of \$4,397 and \$53.307 of restricted receipts were \$384,350.

Source: FY 2012-13 Governor’s Recommended Budget

Table 5.1

Appropriations	
Appropriation	2012-13 (thousands)
Supreme Court*	\$13,239
Justices' Expenses	115
Rules Committees	1,448
Judicial Council	137
Interbranch Commission	299
Superior Court*	26,237
Judges' Expenses	178
Commonwealth Court	15,926
Judges' Expenses	128
Court Administrator*	9,663
Court Improvement Program** (F)	1,420
Specialty Courts IT Project+ (F)	450
Veterans Court Process Evaluation++ (F)	200
Pennsylvania Weighted Caseload Project-CP# (F)	80
Pennsylvania Judicial Center	655
District Court Administrators*	16,773
Court Management Education	71
Unified Judicial System Security##	1,994
Statewide Judicial Computer System▲ (R)	53,307
Integrated Criminal Justice System	2,303
Courts of Common Pleas*	97,705
Common Pleas Senior Judges*	3,607
Common Pleas Judicial Education	1,105
Problem-Solving Courts	100
Ethics Committee of the Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges	55
Magisterial District Judges*	71,381
Magisterial District Judge Education	651
Philadelphia Municipal Court*	5,746
Philadelphia Traffic Court▲▲	912

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Table 5.2

Appropriations, continued	
Appropriation	2012-13 (thousands)
County Court Reimbursement	33,405
Senior Judge Support Reimbursement	1,335
Juror Cost Reimbursement	1,085
Judicial Conduct Board	1,531
Court of Judicial Discipline*	454
State Funds	308,188
(F) Federal Funds	2,150
(R) Restricted Receipts	53,307
Total	\$363,645
Court Consolidation Grant ▼	\$1,100
<p>* Act 49 imposed a temporary surcharge of \$10.25, effective December 8, 2009, through December 31, 2014, to generate revenues to help close shortfalls in state funding among the various judiciary appropriations. In FY 2012-13, \$16.308 million of the Act 49 revenues were drawn to supplement state funding for these appropriations.</p>	
<p>** These federal funds are available under Title IV-B and IV-E of the Social Security Act from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for a Court Improvement Project involving the dependency courts.</p>	
<p>+ The Specialty Courts IT Project is funded by a \$450,000 subgrant of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act federal Justice Assistance Grant funds received from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency to implement a management information system for problem-solving courts. The grant period began January 1, 2012, and extends through December 31, 2013. In May 2013 the grant was reduced to \$313,789. Unspent funds will carry over into FY 2013-14.</p>	
<p>++ The Veterans Court Process Evaluation appropriation consists of federal funds to undertake a thorough process evaluation of Pennsylvania's veterans courts. The grant period began September 1, 2012, and extends through August 31, 2015. As of June 30, 2013, no funds had been spent. Unspent funds during FY 2012-13 have been appropriated for FY 2013-14.</p>	
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Table 5.2, continued

Appropriations, continued

- # The Pennsylvania Weighted Caseload Project-CP Judges appropriation consists of \$80,000 of federal funds from the State Justice Institute to fund approximately half of the costs of a weighted caseload study by the National Center for State Courts to determine the appropriate statewide Common Pleas Court judge complement. As of June 30, 2013, no funds had been spent. Unspent funds during FY 2012-13 have been appropriated for FY 2013-14.
- ## The FY 2012-13 UJS Security appropriation was provided in the form of a continuing appropriation.
- ▲ The Statewide Judicial Computer System is funded through a restricted receipt account in accordance with Act 64 of 1987 and Act 59 of 1990 as amended by Act 122 of 2002 and Act 49 of 2009. Although the amount appropriated in FY 2012-13 was \$57.048 million, only \$53.307 million was drawn from the restricted revenue account to reflect only the actual revenues received for that year. The funds drawn from the restricted revenue account were augmented by \$499,177 from miscellaneous revenues, including fees charged to users for information generated by the Magisterial District Judge System, \$1,195,817 from online payment fees and \$78,800 from fees imposed by Act 119 of 1996 (Jen and Dave's Law). The total amount available to the Judicial Computer System in FY 2012-13 was \$55,080,794.
- ▲▲ In accordance with Act 17 (2013), effective June 19, 2013, functions and judges of Philadelphia Traffic Court were reassigned to the newly-created Traffic Division of Philadelphia Municipal Court.
- ▼ An amount of \$1.1 million was appropriated to the Court Consolidation Grant in FY 2012-13. This funding was not requested by the judiciary, but provided for legislative reasons. These funds are not included in the UJS total.

Table 5.2, cont'd.

County Reimbursements for Courts FY 2012-13					
COUNTY	JUROR COST	COUNTY COURT	SENIOR JUDGE	COURT ACCOUNTS	TOTAL
Adams	\$3,280.08	\$267,276.00	\$ 114.00	\$0.00	\$270,670.08
Allegheny	62,569.42	2,873,217.00	174,008.00	1,100,000.00	4,209,794.42
Armstrong	2,741.03	133,638.00	2,680.00	0.00	139,059.03
Beaver	7,289.66	467,733.00	11,250.00	0.00	486,272.66
Bedford	1,956.73	133,638.00	0.00	0.00	135,594.73
Berks	11,192.64	868,647.00	79,160.00	0.00	958,999.64
Blair	3,400.34	334,095.00	6,924.00	0.00	344,419.34
Bradford	766.75	133,638.00	222.00	0.00	134,626.75
Bucks	30,604.69	868,647.00	10,726.00	0.00	909,977.69
Butler	3,719.13	400,914.00	988.00	0.00	405,621.13
Cambria	0.00	334,095.00	40,040.00	0.00	374,135.00
Cameron	0.00	9,355.00	474.00	0.00	9,829.00
Carbon	6,974.42	200,457.00	7,396.00	0.00	214,827.42
Centre	5,427.50	267,276.00	3,146.00	0.00	275,849.50
Chester	25,119.06	868,647.00	62,840.00	0.00	956,606.06
Clarion	97.95	66,819.00	4,342.00	0.00	71,258.95
Clearfield	3,391.85	133,638.00	0.00	0.00	137,029.85
Clinton	0.00	133,638.00	0.00	0.00	133,638.00
Columbia	0.00	105,574.00	1,680.00	0.00	107,254.00
Crawford	3,960.43	200,457.00	2,272.00	0.00	206,689.43
Cumberland	640.03	334,095.00	7,058.00	0.00	341,793.03
Dauphin	17,296.10	668,190.00	528.00	0.00	686,014.10
Delaware	31,116.39	1,336,380.00	109,796.00	0.00	1,477,292.39
Elk	614.26	57,464.00	3,204.00	0.00	61,282.26
Erie	9,145.60	601,371.00	2,080.00	0.00	612,596.60
Fayette	2,172.82	334,095.00	8,172.00	0.00	344,439.82
Forest	0.00	21,382.00	254.00	0.00	21,636.00
Franklin	2,891.26	304,026.00	10,548.00	0.00	317,465.26
Fulton	0.00	30,069.00	0.00	0.00	30,069.00
Greene	13,287.34	133,638.00	0.00	0.00	146,925.34
Huntingdon	0.00	66,819.00	0.00	0.00	66,819.00
Indiana	0.00	200,457.00	358.00	0.00	200,815.00
Jefferson	3,301.55	66,819.00	3,714.00	0.00	73,834.55
Juniata	496.96	46,773.00	0.00	0.00	47,269.96
Lackawanna	7,878.53	601,371.00	77,400.00	0.00	686,649.53
Lancaster	30,166.61	1,002,285.00	554.00	0.00	1,033,005.61

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Table 5.3

**County Reimbursements for Courts, continued
FY 2012-13**

COUNTY	JUROR COST	COUNTY COURT	SENIOR JUDGE	COURT ACCOUNTS	TOTAL
Lawrence	2,744.67	267,276.00	14,768.00	\$0.00	284,788.67
Lebanon	1,207.14	267,276.00	0.00	0.00	268,483.14
Lehigh	18,705.44	668,190.00	0.00	0.00	686,895.44
Luzerne	17,506.55	668,190.00	155,200.00	0.00	840,896.55
Lycoming	2,461.20	334,095.00	3,636.00	0.00	340,192.20
McKean	359.42	133,638.00	12,666.00	0.00	146,663.42
Mercer	1,577.18	267,276.00	3,548.00	0.00	272,401.18
Mifflin	0.00	133,638.00	42.00	0.00	133,680.00
Monroe	5,960.28	400,914.00	6,376.00	0.00	413,250.28
Montgomery	32,825.36	1,536,837.00	47,336.00	0.00	1,616,998.36
Montour	588.54	28,064.00	0.00	0.00	28,652.54
Northampton	21,457.71	601,371.00	23,220.00	0.00	646,048.71
Northumberland	1,619.70	200,457.00	1,866.00	0.00	203,942.70
Perry	0.00	86,864.00	0.00	0.00	86,864.00
Philadelphia	453,619.49	9,617,437.00	267,000.00	0.00	10,338,056.49
Pike	0.00	133,638.00	0.00	0.00	133,638.00
Potter	0.00	66,819.00	4,586.00	0.00	71,405.00
Schuylkill	631.66	400,914.00	7,752.00	0.00	409,297.66
Snyder	565.83	62,810.00	7,662.00	0.00	71,037.83
Somerset	0.00	200,457.00	132.00	0.00	200,589.00
Sullivan	0.00	12,696.00	0.00	0.00	12,696.00
Susquehanna	903.74	66,819.00	0.00	0.00	67,722.74
Tioga	681.31	66,819.00	500.00	0.00	68,000.31
Union	2,082.10	70,828.00	6,708.00	0.00	79,618.10
Venango	4,235.20	133,638.00	14,632.00	0.00	152,505.20
Warren	530.05	112,256.00	6,236.00	0.00	119,022.05
Washington	6,290.53	400,914.00	6,310.00	0.00	413,514.53
Wayne	947.16	66,819.00	5,448.00	0.00	73,214.16
Westmoreland	7,714.94	735,009.00	3,564.00	0.00	746,287.94
Wyoming	0.00	54,123.00	5,380.00	0.00	59,503.00
York	9,285.67	1,002,285.00	49,948.00	0.00	1,061,518.67
Transfer to JCS	199,000.00	0.00	48,000.00	0.00	247,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,085,000.00	\$33,405,000.00	\$1,334,444.00	\$1,100,000.00	\$36,924,444.00

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Table 5.3, cont'd.

County Reimbursements for Courts, continued
FY 2012-13

FUNDING METHODOLOGIES:

Juror Cost - The grant reimburses counties for 80 percent of the amounts they expend for compensation and travel allowances to jurors participating in a trial or grand jury proceedings after the first three days of service.

County Court - The grant provides reimbursement for costs associated with the administration and operation of the Courts of Common Pleas. For FY 2012-13 the reimbursement was paid at a rate of \$66,819 per authorized Common Pleas position whether filled or vacant, which represents the proportional reduction made to each county's grant as required by Act 37 of 2007 in order to adjust to insufficient funding to pay at the statutory \$70,000 reimbursement rate. In order for counties to receive the full reimbursement, they must provide a level of support at least equal to the reimbursement rate per authorized position. Nevertheless, except when required by Act 37 in the case of insufficient funding, no county will receive less than 77.5 percent of the actual reimbursement for court costs provided to it from state funds appropriated for the fiscal year July 1, 1980, to June 30, 1981.

Senior Judge - The grant provides partial reimbursement for expenses counties incur to provide support - facilities and staff services - to assigned Common Pleas Court senior judges in accordance with Rule of Judicial Administration 701. Facilities include the use of judicial chambers, office equipment and supplies. Staff services include the services of law clerks and secretaries. The use of facilities is reimbursed at the current statutory rate of \$60 per day, billable in half-day increments. Services of a secretary are reimbursed at \$12 per hour and the services of a law clerk at \$20 per hour. Imposition of the Act 37 cap limiting any county's payment to 20 percent of the total appropriation reduced Philadelphia's FY 2012-13 reimbursement from \$417,108 to \$267,000. All other counties received 100 percent of their reimbursement request.

Court Accounts (Court Consolidation Grant) - \$1.1 million was appropriated to the Court Consolidation Grant in FY 2012-13. This funding was not requested by the judiciary, but was provided for legislative reasons.

Table 5.3, cont'd.

Fees That Support State Operations	
Appropriation	2012-13
	<i>(thousands)</i>
Supreme Court	\$418
Pa. Board of Law Examiners	2,112
Judicial Computer System*	1,574
Superior Court	198
Commonwealth Court	143
Magisterial District Judge Education	23
Court Administrator	40
Act 49 Fees**	16,308
Total	\$20,816
<p>* Includes revenues collected under Act 119 of 1996 (Jen & Dave’s Law). These collections provided \$788,000 to support the “Jen/Dave” functions during FY 2012-13. The remainder was derived from public access fees levied on nongovernmental users of information captured by the Magisterial District Judge System.</p>	
<p>** Revenues generated by the Act 49 surcharge used to help close shortfalls in state funding among the various judiciary appropriations during FY 2012-13.</p>	

Table 5.4

SUPREME COURT JUSTICES
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SUPERIOR COURT JUDGES
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COMMONWEALTH COURT JUDGES
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SUPERIOR COURT SENIOR JUDGES
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COMMONWEALTH COURT SENIOR JUDGES
◆
COMMON PLEAS COURT JUDGES
◆
COMMON PLEAS COURT SENIOR JUDGES
◆
PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGES
◆
PHILADELPHIA TRAFFIC COURT JUDGES
◆
PHILADELPHIA MUNICIPAL COURT SENIOR JUDGES
◆
PHILADELPHIA TRAFFIC COURT SENIOR JUDGES
◆
MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGES
◆
SENIOR MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT JUDGES

**The
Directory
2012**

Supreme Court Justices

Complement 7
Vacancy 1

Castille, Ronald D.
Chief Justice

Saylor, Thomas G.
Eakin, J. Michael
Baer, Max

Todd, Debra
McCaffery, Seamus P.
Orie Melvin, Joan*

* Resigned 5-1-13

Superior Court Judges

Complement 15
Vacancy 1

Stevens, Correale F.
President Judge

Ford Elliott, Kate
Musmanno, John L.**
Bender, John T.
Bowes, Mary Jane
Gantman, Susan Peikes

Panella, Jack A.
Donohue, Christine L.
Shogan, Jacqueline O.

Allen, Cheryl Lynn
Lazarus, Anne E.

Mundy, Sallie Updyke
Olson, Judith Ference
Ott, Paula Francisco
Freedberg, Robert A.*
Wecht, David N.

* Term expired 1-1-12

** Retired 12-31-12

Commonwealth Court Judges

Complement 9

Leadbetter, Bonnie Brigance**
President Judge

Pellegrini, Dante R.+
President Judge

McGinley, Bernard L.
Cohn Jubelirer, Renée
Simpson, Robert E., Jr.
Leavitt, Mary Hannah

Brobson, P. Kevin
McCullough, Patricia A.
Butler, Johnny J.*
Covey, Anne E.

* Term expired 1-1-12

** President judge term expired 1-6-12

+ Elected president judge effective 1-7-12

Appellate

Court

Jurists

(As of 6-30-13)

**Senior
Appellate
Court
Judges**

Superior Court Senior Judges

Colville, Robert E.*
Fitzgerald, James J., III
McEwen, Stephen J., Jr.+
Musmanno, John L.++
Platt, William H.**
Strassburger, Eugene B., III*

- * Allegheny County senior Common Pleas Court judge assigned to Superior Court
- ** Lehigh County senior Common Pleas Court judge assigned to Superior Court
- + Retired 12-31-12
- ++ Effective 1-1-13

Commonwealth Court Senior Judges

Colins, James Gardner**
Friedman, Rochelle S.
Oler, J. Wesley, Jr.+
Quigley, Keith B.*

- * Perry-Juniata counties senior Common Pleas Court judge; sits on occasion in Commonwealth Court
- ** Effective 1-1-12
- + Cumberland County senior Common Pleas Court judge; sits on occasion in Commonwealth Court effective 1-30-12

ADAMS COUNTY (51)

Complement 4

Kuhn, John D.
Bigham, Robert G.
Campbell, Thomas R.
George, Michael A.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY (05)

Complement 43

Vacancy 2

McDaniel, Donna Jo

Administrative Judges

Clark, Kim Berkeley++
Hens-Greco, Kathryn M.+
Manning, Jeffrey A.
O'Brien, W. Terrence
O'Toole, Lawrence J.

Bicket, Alexander P.
Bigley, Kelly Eileen
Borkowski, Edward J.
Bubash, Cathleen Cawood
Cashman, David R.

Colville, Robert J.
Cozza, Paul E.*
De Angelis, Guido A.
Della Vecchia, Michael A.
Durkin, Kathleen A.

Eaton, Kim D.
Evashavik DiLucente, Susan
Flaherty, Thomas E.
Folino, Ronald W.
Friedman, Judith L.A.**

Hertzberg, Alan David
Ignelzi, Philip Anthony
James, Joseph M.#
Klein, Arnold I.
Lazzara, Beth A.

Lutty, Paul F., Jr.
Machen, Donald E.
Mariani, Anthony M.
Marmo, Michael F.
McCarthy, Michael E.

McVay, John T., Jr.
Mulligan, Kathleen R.
Nauhaus, Lester G.
Rangos, Jill E.
Sasinoski, Kevin G.

Todd, Randal B.
Walko, Donald R., Jr.
Ward, Christine A.
Ward, William F.*
Williams, Joseph K., III

Woodruff, Dwayne D.
Zottola, John A.

- * Appointed 6-30-12
- ** Retired 12-31-12
- + Administrative judge term expired 4-17-13
- ++ Appointed administrative judge of family division effective 4-18-13
- # Resigned 6-30-13

ARMSTRONG COUNTY (33)

Complement 2

Valasek, Kenneth G.
Panchik, James J.

BEAVER COUNTY (36)

Complement 7

McBride, John D.
Dohanich, John P.
Knafelc, Harry E.
Kunselman, Deborah A.
Kwidis, C. Gus

Mancini, Richard
Tesla, Kim

BEDFORD COUNTY (57)

Complement 2

Ling, Thomas S.
Livengood, Travis W.

**Common
Pleas
Court
Judges**

(As of 6-30-13)

(Judicial district listed
in parentheses)

(Italics denotes president judge)

BERKS COUNTY (23)

Complement 13
Vacancy 2

*Schmehl, Jeffrey L.***
Yatron, Paul M.+
Boccabella, John A.
Bucci, James M.
Keller, Scott D.

Lash, Scott E.
Lieberman, Stephen B.
Ludgate, Linda K.M.*
Parisi, Thomas G.
Rowley, Timothy J.

Schmehl, Peter W.
Sprecher, Jeffrey K.
Ullman, Mary Ann

* Retired 12-31-12

** Resigned 6-25-13; appointed to U.S. District Court for Eastern District of Pennsylvania

+ Elected president judge effective 6-26-13

BLAIR COUNTY (24)

Complement 5
Vacancy 1

Kopriva, Jolene Grubb
Carpenter, Hiram A., III*
Doyle, Elizabeth A.
Milliron, Daniel J.
Sullivan, Timothy M.

* Resigned 1-4-13

BRADFORD COUNTY (42)

Complement 2
Vacancy 1

*Smith, Jeffrey A.**
*Beirne, Maureen T.***

* Resigned 2-7-13

** Appointed president judge effective 2-8-13

BUCKS COUNTY (07)

Complement 13

Scott, Susan Devlin
Baldi, Robert O.
Bateman, Wallace H., Jr.
Boylan, Rea Behney
Cepparulo, Albert J.

Finley, Jeffrey L.
Fritsch, C. Theodore, Jr.
Gibbons, Diane E.
Gilman, Gary B.
McMaster, James M.

Mellon, Robert J.
Rubenstein, Alan M.
Waite, Clyde W.

BUTLER COUNTY (50)

Complement 6

Doerr, Thomas J.
Horan, Marilyn J.
McCune, Timothy F.
Shaffer, William R.
Streib, Kelley T.D.

Yeager, S. Michael

CAMBRIA COUNTY (47)

Complement 5

Creany, Timothy P.
Fleming, Linda R.
Kiniry, Patrick T.
Krumenacker, Norman A., III
Tulowitzki, David J.

CARBON COUNTY (56)

Complement 3

Nanovic, Roger N.
Matika, Joseph J.
Serfass, Steven R.

CENTRE COUNTY (49)

Complement 4

*Grine, David E.**
*Kistler, Thomas King***
Grine, Jonathan D.
Lunsford, Bradley P.
Ruest, Pamela A.

* Term expired 1-1-12

** Appointed president judge effective 1-2-12

CHESTER COUNTY (15)

Complement 13†
Vacancy 1

MacEtree, James P., II
Bortner, David F.
Cody, Jacqueline C.
Griffith, Edward
Hall, John L.

Mahon, William P.
Platt, Katherine B.L.
Riley, Howard F., Jr.*
Sarcione, Anthony A.
Shenkin, Robert J.

Streitel, Phyllis R.
Tunnell, Mark L.
Wheatcraft, Ann Marie M.

† Act 114 of 2010 temporarily reduced the complement by one, effective 1-22-11 until 1-6-14

* Retired 12-31-12

CLARION COUNTY (18)

Complement 1

Arner, James G.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY (46)

Complement 2

Ammerman, Fredric J.
Cherry, Paul E.

CLINTON COUNTY (25)

Complement 2
Vacancy 1

*Williamson, J. Michael**
*Miller, Craig P.***

* Retired 12-31-12
** Appointed president judge effective
1-1-13

**COLUMBIA-MONTOUR
COUNTIES (26)**

Complement 2

James, Thomas A., Jr.
Norton, Gary E.

CRAWFORD COUNTY (30)

Complement 3

Vardaro, Anthony J.
Spataro, John F.
Stevens, Mark D.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY (09)

Complement 6

Hess, Kevin A.
Ebert, Merle L., Jr.
Guido, Edward E.
Masland, Albert H.
Peck, Christylee L.
Placey, Thomas A.

DAUPHIN COUNTY (12)

Complement 10

Hoover, Todd A.
Bratton, Bruce F.
Cherry, John F.
Clark, Lawrence F., Jr.
Coates, Bernard L., Jr.
Curcillo, Deborah E.
Dowling, Andrew H.
Evans, Scott A.

Lewis, Richard A.
Turgeon, Jeannine

DELAWARE COUNTY (32)

Complement 20
Vacancy 1

*Cronin, Joseph P., Jr.**
*Kenney, Chad F., Sr.***

Angelos, Spiros E.
Bradley, James P.
Brennan, Mary Alice

Capuzzi, John P., Sr.
Cartisano, Linda A.
Coll, Michael F.X.
Dozor, Barry C.
Durham, Kathrynann W.

Fizzano Cannon, Christine
Green, G. Michael
Jenkins, Patricia H.
Kelly, Kevin F.
Mallon, Gregory M.

Nichols, Nathaniel C.
Nilon, James F., Jr.
Osborne, Ann A.
Pagano, George A.
Proud, James F.

* Resigned as president judge
effective 6-13-12 ; resigned
8-31-12
** Elected president judge effective
6-14-12

**ELK-CAMERON
COUNTIES (59)**

Complement 1

Masson, Richard A.

ERIE COUNTY (06)

Complement 9
Vacancy 1

DiSantis, Ernest J., Jr.
Brabender, Daniel J., Jr.
Connelly, Shad F.

Cunningham, William R.
Domitrovich, Stephanie A.

*Dunlavey, Michael E.**
Garhart, John
Kelly, Elizabeth K.
Trucilla, John J.

* Resigned 7-31-12

FAYETTE COUNTY (14)

Complement 5
Vacancy 2

*Solomon, Gerald R.***
Wagner, John F., Jr.+
Leskinen, Steve P.
Vernon, Nancy D.
*Warman, Ralph C.**

* Resigned 7-2-12
** Retired 12-31-12
+ Appointed president judge effective
1-1-13

**FRANKLIN-FULTON
COUNTIES (39)**

Complement 5
Vacancy 1

Herman, Douglas W.
Krom, Angela R.
Meyers, Shawn D.
Van Horn, Carol L.
*Walsh, Richard J.**

* Resigned 1-3-13

GREENE COUNTY (13)

Complement 2

Nalitz, William R.
Toothman, Farley D.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY (20)

Complement 1

Kurtz, Stewart L.

INDIANA COUNTY (40)

Complement 3

Martin, William J.
Bianco, Thomas M.
Hanna, Carol

JEFFERSON COUNTY (54)

Complement 1

Foradora, John H.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY (45)

Complement 9
Vacancy 1

Munley, Thomas J.
Barrasse, Michael J.
Bisignani Moyle, Margaret A.
Corbett, Patricia
Geroulo, Vito P.

Harhut, Chester T.*
Mazzoni, Robert A.
Minora, Carmen D.
Nealon, Terrence R.

* Retired 12-31-12

LANCASTER COUNTY (02)

Complement 15

Madenspacher, Joseph C.
Ashworth, David L.
Brown, Leonard G., III
Cullen, James P.
Farina, Louis J.

Gorbey, Leslie
Hackman, Christopher A.
Hoberg, Jay J.
Knisely, Howard F.
Miller, Margaret C.

Reich, Jeffrey J.
Reinaker, Dennis E.
Totaro, Donald R.

Workman, David R.
Wright, Jeffery D.

LAWRENCE COUNTY (53)

Complement 4

Motto, Dominick
Cox, J. Craig
Hodge, John W.
Piccione, Thomas M.

LEBANON COUNTY (52)

Complement 4

Tylwalk, John C.
Charles, Bradford H.
Jones, Charles T., Jr.
Kline, Samuel A.

LEHIGH COUNTY (31)

Complement 10

McGinley, Carol K.
Anthony, James T.
Banach, Kelly L.
Dantos, Maria L.
Ford, William E.

Johnson, J. Brian
Reibman, Edward D.
Reichley, Douglas G.
Steinberg, Robert L.
Varricchio, Michele A.

LUZERNE COUNTY (11)

Complement 10

Burke, Thomas F., Jr.
Amesbury, William H.
Cosgrove, Joseph M.*
Gelb, Lesa S.
Hughes, Richard M.

Lupas, David W.
Pierantoni, Fred A., III
Polachek Gartley, Tina

Rogers, Jennifer L.
Sklarosky, Joseph F., Jr.

Van Jura, Joseph J.*
Vough, Michael T.
Wetzel, Lewis W.*

* Term expired 1-1-12

LYCOMING COUNTY (29)

Complement 5

Butts, Nancy L.
Anderson, Dudley N.
Gray, Richard A.
Lovecchio, Marc F.
Reynolds McCoy, Joy

MCKEAN COUNTY (48)

Complement 2

Pavlock, John H.
Hauser, Christopher G.

MERCER COUNTY (35)

Complement 4
Vacancy 1

*Dobson, Thomas R.**
St. John, Christopher J.
Reed, John C.**
Yeatts, Robert G.

* Appointed president judge effective 1-1-12

** Retired 12-31-12

MIFFLIN COUNTY (58)

Complement 2

Searer, Timothy S.
Williams, Rick A.

MONROE COUNTY (43)

Complement 6

*Vican, Ronald E.**
*Worthington, Margherita Patti***
 Higgins, Stephen M.
 Mark, Jonathan
 Miller, Linda Wallach*

 Sibum, Jennifer H.
 Williamson, David J.
 Zulick, Arthur L.

* Term expired 1-1-12

** Appointed president judge effective 1-2-12

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (38)

Complement 23

Vacancy 1

*Hodgson, Richard J.**
*Furber, William J., Jr.***
 Austin, Cheryl L.
 Barrett, R. Stephen
 Bertin, Emanuel A.

 Branca, Thomas C.
 Carluccio, Carolyn Tornetta
 Carpenter, William R.
 Coonahan, Patricia E.
 Daniele, Rhonda Lee

 DelRicci, Thomas M.
 Demchick-Alloy, Wendy
 Haaz, Richard P.
 Moore, Bernard A.
 Murphy, Lois E.

 O'Neill, Steven T.
 Ott, Stanley R.
 Page, Garrett D.
 Rogers, Thomas P.
 Silow, Gary S.

 Smyth, Joseph A., Jr.
 Tilson, Arthur R.
 Wall, Kelly C.

* President judge term expired 1-6-12; died 7-19-12

** Elected president judge effective 1-7-12

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY (03)

Complement 9

McFadden, F. P. Kimberly
 Baratta, Stephen G.
 Beltrami, Anthony S.
 Dally, Craig A.
 Giordano, Emil A.

 Koury, Michael J., Jr.
 Roscioli, Paula A.
 Smith, Edward G.
 Zito, Leonard N.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY (08)

Complement 3

Sacavage, Robert B.
 Saylor, Charles H.
 Wiest, William Harvey

PERRY-JUNIATA COUNTIES (41)

Complement 2

Morrow, Kathy A.
 Mummah, Kenneth A.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY (01)

Complement 93

Vacancy 4

Dembe, Pamela Pryor

Administrative Judges

Dougherty, Kevin M.
 Herron, John W.
 O'Keefe, Joseph D.

 Abramson, Howland W.*
 Allen, Jacqueline F.
 Anders, Daniel J.
 Anhalt, Diana L.
 Beloff, Adam M.##

 Bernstein, Mark I.
 Berry, Willis W., Jr.#
 Bright, Gwendolyn N.

Brinkley, Genece E.
 Bronson, Glenn B.

Brown, Joan A.
 Butchart, Ann M.
 Byrd, Sandy L.V.
 Carpenter, Linda A.
 Carrafiello, Matthew D.

Ceisler, Ellen H.
 Chen, Ida K.
 Cohen, Denis P.
 Coleman, Robert P.
 Cooperman, Amanda

Covington, Roxanne E.
 Cunningham, Charles J., III
 DeFino-Nastasi, Rose Marie
 Dempsey, Thomas E.+
 Di Vito, Gary F.

Djerassi, Ramy I.
 Dubow, Alice B.
 Dumas, Lori A.
 Ehrlich, Charles A.
 Erdos, Michael E.

Foglietta, Angelo J.
 Ford, Holly J.
 Fox, Idee C.
 Glazer, Gary S.
 Gordon, Richard J., Jr.

Gordon, Roger F.**
 Hill, Glynnis D.
 Irvine, Jonathan Q.
 Jackson, Elizabeth
 Johnson, Joel S.

Johnson, Vincent L.
 Joseph, Barbara A.
 Kennedy, Sean
 Keogh, D. Webster
 Lachman, Marlene F.

Lynn, James Murray
 Manfredi, William J.
 Massiah-Jackson, Frederica A.
 McDermott, Barbara A.
 McInerney, Patricia A.

**PHILADELPHIA COUNTY,
continued**

McLaughlin, Maria C.
Means, Rayford A.
Minehart, Jeffrey P.
Moss, Sandra Mazur ▲
Murphy, Margaret Theresa

New, Arnold L.
Nichols, Carolyn H.
Nocella, Thomas M.
Olszewski, Walter J.
Overton, George W.

Palumbo, Frank
Panepinto, Paul P.
Patrick, Paula A.
Pechkurow, Doris A.
Powell, Kenneth J., Jr.++

Quiñones Alejandro,
Nitza I. ▲ ▲
Ransom, Lillian Harris
Rau, Lisa M.
Rebstock, Robert J.
Rizzo, Annette M.

Robins New, Shelley
Robinson, Rosalyn K.
Roca, Angeles
Rogers, Peter F.
Sarmina, M. Teresa

Schulman, Susan I.
Shirdan-Harris, Lisette
Shreeves-Johns, Karen
Smith, Gregory E.
Snite, Albert John, Jr.

Summers, Edward R.
Tereshko, Allan L.
Thompson, Diane R.
Trent, Earl W., Jr.
Tucker, Leon W.

Woelpper, Donna M.
Wogan, Chris R.
Woods-Skipper, Sheila A.

Wright, Edward C.
Wright Padilla, Nina N.

Younge, John Milton

- * Term expired 1-1-12
- ** Term expired 1-1-12;
reappointed 6-30-12
- + Resigned 2-3-12
- ++ Appointed 6-30-12
- # Resigned 10-5-12
- ## Died 11-30-12
- ▲ Retired 12-31-12
- ▲▲ Resigned 6-28-13

PIKE COUNTY (60)
Complement 2

Kameen, Joseph F.
Chelak, Gregory H.

POTTER COUNTY (55)
Complement 1

Minor, Stephen P.B.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY (21)
Complement 6

Baldwin, William E.
Dolbin, Cyrus Palmer
Domalakes, John E.
Goodman, James P.
Miller, Charles M.

Russell, Jacqueline L.

**SNYDER-UNION
COUNTIES (17)**
Complement 2

Sholley, Michael H.
Hudock, Michael T.

SOMERSET COUNTY (16)
Complement 3

Cascio, John M.
Geary, D. Gregory
Klementik, David C.

**SUSQUEHANNA
COUNTY (34)**
Complement 1

Seamans, Kenneth W.

TIOGA COUNTY (04)
Complement 1

Dalton, Robert E., Jr.

VENANGO COUNTY (28)
Complement 2

Lobaugh, Oliver J.
Boyer, Robert L.

**WARREN-FOREST
COUNTIES (37)**
Complement 2

Skerda, Maureen A.
Hammond, Gregory J.

WASHINGTON COUNTY (27)
Complement 6
Vacancy 2

O'Dell Seneca, Debbie
Bell, Janet Moschetta+
DiSalle, John F.
Emery, Katherine B.
Gilman, Gary M.

Melograne, Phillippe A.*
Pozonsky, Paul M.**

- * Term expired 1-1-12
- ** Resigned 6-30-12
- + Resigned 1-4-13

WAYNE COUNTY (22)

Complement 1

Hamill Raymond L.

**WESTMORELAND
COUNTY (10)**

Complement 11

Vacancy 1

*Blahovec, John E.**

*Caruso, Gary P.***

Bell, Alfred B.

Bononi, Michele G.

Feliciani, Christopher A.

Hathaway, Rita Donovan

Marsili, Anthony G.

McCormick, Richard E., Jr.

Pezze, Debra A.

Scherer, Christian F.

* President judge term expired
4-8-12

** Elected president judge effective
4-9-12

**WYOMING-SULLIVAN
COUNTIES (44)**

Complement 1

Shurtleff, Russell D.

YORK COUNTY (19)

Complement 15

Linebaugh, Stephen P.

Adams, Joseph C.

Blackwell, Penny L.

Bortner, Michael E.

Cook, Maria Musti

Dorney, Sheryl Ann

Flannelly, Michael W.*

Kelley, Thomas H.

Kennedy, John S.

Marceca Strong, Andrea

Ness, Harry M.

Renn, Richard K.

Snyder, Gregory M.

Thompson, John W., Jr.

Trebilcock, Craig T.

* Appointed 6-30-12

**Common
Pleas
Court
Senior
Judges**

ALLEGHENY COUNTY

Bigley, Gerard M.
Friedman, Judith L.A.*
Gallo, Robert C.
Kelly, Robert A.
Lucchino, Frank J.

Mazur, Lee J.
O'Reilly, Timothy P.
Wettick, R. Stanton, Jr.

* Effective 1-1-13

ARMSTRONG COUNTY

Nickleach, Joseph A.

BEAVER COUNTY

James, George E.
Kunselman, Robert E.

BEDFORD COUNTY

Howsare, Daniel L.

BERKS COUNTY

Eshelman, Thomas J.
Grim, Arthur E.
Ludgate, Linda K.M.*

* Effective 1-1-13

BLAIR COUNTY

Carpenter, Hiram A., III*
Peoples, Thomas G., Jr.

* Effective 1-1-13

BUCKS COUNTY

Kane, Michael J.
Rufe, John J.
Rufe, William H., III*

* Retired 12-31-12

CAMBRIA COUNTY

Leahey, Francis J.
Long, Gerard
Swope, Thomas A., Jr.*

* Retired 12-31-12

CARBON COUNTY

Webb, Richard W.

CENTER COUNTY

Brown, Charles C., Jr.
Grine, David E.*

* Effective 1-1-12

CHESTER COUNTY

Gavin, Thomas G.
Nagle, Ronald C.
Smith, Charles B.

CLINTON COUNTY

Brown, Carson V.
Saxton, Richard N., Jr.
Williamson, J. Michael*

* Effective 1-1-13

COLUMBIA & MONTGOMERY COUNTIES

Naus, Scott W.*

* Resigned 1-17-12

(As of 6-30-13)

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Oler, J. Wesley, Jr.*

* Effective 1-1-12; sits on occasion in Commonwealth Court

DELAWARE COUNTY

Burr, Charles B., II
Cronin, Joseph P., Jr.**
Hazel, Frank T.*

* Effective 1-1-12

** Effective 9-1-12

ERIE COUNTY

Anthony, Fred P.
Bozza, John A.
Dunlavey, Michael E.*

* Effective 8-1-12

FAYETTE COUNTY

Capuzzi, Conrad B.
Solomon, Gerald R.**
Warman, Ralph C.*

* Effective 7-3-12

** Effective 1-1-13

FRANKLIN-FULTON COUNTIES

Walker, John R.

GREENE COUNTY

Grimes, H. Terry

LACKAWANNA COUNTY

Harhut, Chester T.*

* Effective 1-1-13

LANCASTER COUNTY

Hummer, Wayne G., Jr.
Perezous, Michael J.

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Pratt, Ralph D.

LEBANON COUNTY

Eby, Robert J.

LEHIGH COUNTY

Black, Alan M.*
Brenner, Lawrence J.

* Resigned 6-28-13

LUZERNE COUNTY

Augello, Joseph M.
Mundy, Hugh F.
Muroski, Chester B.

LYCOMING COUNTY

Brown, Kenneth D.
Kieser, William S.

MCKEAN COUNTY

Cleland, John M.
Yoder, John H.

MERCER COUNTY

Fornelli, Francis J.*
Reed, John C.**
Wherry, Michael J.

* Effective 1-1-12

** Effective 1-1-13

MONROE COUNTY

Cheslock, Jerome P.
Miller, Linda Wallach*
O'Brien, Peter J.
Vican, Ronald E.*

* Effective 1-2-12

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Albright, Kent H.*
Corso, S. Gerald
Drayer, Calvin S., Jr.
Nicholas, William T.

* Effective 1-1-12

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Moran, William F.*

* Appointed 5-21-12; resigned 10-5-12

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Feudale, Barry F.

PERRY-JUNIATA COUNTIES

Quigley, Keith B.*
Rehkamp, C. Joseph**

* Sits on occasion in Commonwealth Court

** Resigned 1-17-12

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

Ackerman, Norman
Braxton, John L.
Colins, Mary D.
DiBona, Alfred J., Jr.**
DiNubile, Victor J., Jr.

Frazier-Clemons, Brenda
Geroff, Steven R.

**PHILADELPHIA COUNTY,
continued**

Jackson, Ricardo C.
Kane, Harold M.*
Lerner, Benjamin*

Maier, Eugene Edward J.
Matthews, Robert J.
Mazzola, William J.
Moss, Sandra Mazer+
Papalini, Joseph I.*

Reynolds, Abram Frank
Sylvester, Esther R.
Temin, Carolyn Engel**

* Effective 1-1-12
** Retired 12-31-12
+ Effective 1-1-13

PIKE COUNTY

Thomson, Harold A., Jr.*

* Retired 12-31-12

POTTER COUNTY

Leete, John B.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY

Stine, Dwight M.

SNYDER-UNION COUNTIES

Knight, Louise O.
Woelfel, Harold F.

SOMERSET COUNTY

Fike, Eugene E., II

VENANGO COUNTY

White, H. William, Jr.

WARREN-FOREST COUNTIES

Millin, Paul H.
Morgan, William F.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

Bell, John F.*

* Resigned 1-18-13

WAYNE COUNTY

Conway, Robert J.

WESTMORELAND COUNTY

Ackerman, Daniel J.
Driscoll, John J.**
Hudock, Joseph A.
Loughran, Charles H.*
Ober, William J.

* Retired 12-31-12
** Effective 1-1-13

**WYOMING-SULLIVAN
COUNTIES**

Vanston, Brendan J.

YORK COUNTY

Brillhart, Michael J.
Chronister, John H.
Uhler, John C.

Philadelphia Municipal Court Judges

Complement 25
Vacancy 1

Neifield, Marsha H.

Brady, Frank T.

Daher, Georganne V.**

DeLeon, James M.

Deni, Teresa Carr

Dugan, Patrick F.

Eubanks, Joyce O.

Frazier-Lyde, Jacquelyn M.

Gehret, Thomas F.

Gilbert, Barbara S.

Hayden, Charles

Jimenez, Nazario, Sr.

Kosinski, Gerard A.

Meehan, William Austin, Jr.

Moss, Bradley K.

O'Keefe, Joseph Scott+

O'Neill, Joseph J.

Pew, Wendy L.

Powell, Kenneth J., Jr.*

Robbins, Harvey W.++

Segal, Dawn A.

Shields, T. Francis+

Shuter, David C.

Simmons, Karen Y.

Washington, Craig M.

Waters, Joseph C., Jr.

Williams, Marvin L.

* Term expired 1-1-12

** Resigned 1-31-12

+ Appointed 6-30-12

++ Resigned 1-4-13

Philadelphia Traffic Court Judges

Complement 7
Vacancy 3

Tynes, Thomasine+

Administrative Judge

Glazer, Gary S.*

Lowry, Michael#

Mulgrew, Robert++

Singleary, Willie F.**

Solomon, Christine

Sullivan, Michael J.#

* Common Pleas Court judge
appointed administrative judge

** Resigned 2-27-12

+ Resigned 7-3-12

++ Relieved of duties by Supreme
Court 9-19-12

Relieved of duties by Supreme
Court 2-1-13

Philadelphia

Minor

Court

Judges

(As of 6-30-13)

*(Italics denotes president
judges)*

Philadelphia

Minor

Courts

Senior

Judges

**Philadelphia
Municipal Court
Senior Judges**

Blasi, Robert S.
Robbins, Harvey W.*
Stack, Felice Rowley

* Effective 1-7-13

**Philadelphia
Traffic Court
Senior Judges**

Cermele, Dominic M.
DeAngelis, Bernice A.*
Perri, Fortunato N., Sr.**

* Removed by Supreme Court
4-20-12

** Removed by Supreme Court
2-14-13

(As of 6-30-13)

ADAMS COUNTY (51)

Complement 4

Beauchat, Mark D.
Bowman, Daniel S.
Carr, Thomas R.
Little, Tony J.
Zepp, John C., III*

* Term expired 1-1-12

ALLEGHENY COUNTY (05)

Complement 46†-2

Barner, Robert L.
Barton, David J.
Bengel, Carolyn S.
Blaschak, Suzanne R.
Bova, John N.

Capolupo, Pat A.
Caulfield, Thomas P.
Ceoffe, Anthony M.
Cercone, Mary Ann
Cooper, Kevin E.

Costa, Ronald N., Sr.
Dzvonick, Robert P.
Ford, Robert L.
Hanley, James J., Jr.
Herbst, Jeffrey L.

Hoots, Kim M.
HRomyak, Leonard J.
Joyce, Dennis R.
King, Richard G.
Lang, Elissa M.

Larotonda, Blaise P.
Martin, Armand A.
Martini, Randy C.
McGough, Hugh F.
McGraw-Desmet, Maureen

Miller, Thomas G., Jr.
Mills, Beth S.
Motznik, James A.
Murray, Mary P.
Olasz, Richard D., Jr.

Opiela, Richard G.
Petite, Oscar J., Jr.

Ravenstahl, Robert P., Jr.
Riazzi, Eugene F.
Ricciardi, Eugene N.

Rushing, Derwin D.
Saveikis, Anthony W.
Schricker, Scott H.
Smith, Tara L.
Sosovicka, David J.

Swearingen, Carla M.
Torkowsky, Thomas R.
Wagner, William K.
Welsh, Regis C., Jr.*
Wyda, Robert C.

Zucco, Linda I.
Zyra, Gary M.

† Magisterial district courts 05-2-09
and 05-2-46 eliminated 1-2-12 per
Supreme Court order dated 2-15-11

* Term expired 1-1-12

ARMSTRONG COUNTY (33)

Complement 4

Andring, James A.
DeComo, J. Gary
Goldstrohm, Samuel R.
Owen, James H.

BEAVER COUNTY (36)

Complement 9

DiBenedetto, James F.
Finn, Tim
Hladio, Andrew M.
Howe, Edward C.
Livingston, William R., II

Loughner, C. Douglas
Nicholson, Dale F.
Schafer, Joseph L.
Swihart, Janet M.

Magisterial

District

Judges

(As of 6-30-13)

BEDFORD COUNTY (57)

Complement 4

Baker, Brian K.
 Bingham, H. Cyril, Jr.
 Calhoun, Kathy S.
 Osman, Tonya M.

BERKS COUNTY (23)

Complement 17†-1
 Vacancy 1

Bagenstose, Kim L.
 Bentz, Nicholas M., Jr.**
 Book, Andrea J.
 Dougherty, Timothy M.
 Frederick, Victor M., IV

Gauby, Thomas M., Sr.
 Glass, David E.
 Greth, Gail M.
 Hartman, Michael G.
 Kennedy, Stuart D.

Kowalski, Phyllis J.
 Lachina, Deborah P.*
 Leonardziak, Michael J.
 Patton, Dean R.
 Robinson, Alvin B.

Scott, Wallace S.
 Xavios, Thomas H.
 Young, Ann L.

† Magisterial district court 23-1-04
 eliminated 1-2-12 per Supreme
 Court order dated 2-15-11

* Term expired 1-1-12

** Retired 12-31-12

BLAIR COUNTY (24)

Complement 6

Aigner, Paula M.
 Auker, Jeffrey P.
 Jackson, Steven D.
 Kelly, Todd F.
 Miller, Fred B.
 Ormsby, Craig E.

BRADFORD COUNTY (42)

Complement 4

Clark, Timothy M.
 Shaw, Michael G.
 Wheaton, Fred M.
 Wilcox, Jonathan M.

BUCKS COUNTY (07)

Complement 20
 Vacancy 1

Baranoski, Daniel E.
 Baum, Charles W.
 Benz, William J.
 Brown, Leonard J.
 Burns, Michael J.

Douple, Mark D.
 DuBree, M. Kay*
 Falcone, Joseph P.
 Finello, Daniel J., Jr.
 Gaffney, Robert E.**

Gambardella, Thomas G.
 Kelly, John J., Jr.
 Kline, Joanne V.
 Nasshorn, Donald
 Peranteau, Frank W., Sr.

Roth, C. Robert
 Seaman, Jean
 Snow, Maggie
 Vislosky, Jan
 Wagner, Robert L., Jr.

Waltman, John I.

* Term expired 1-1-12

** Resigned 1-6-13

BUTLER COUNTY (50)

Complement 7

Haggerty, Sue E.
 Kovach, David T.
 O'Donnell, Kevin P.
 Seibel, Wayne D.
 Shaffer, C. Timothy

Shaffer, Peter H.
 Stoughton, Lewis E.

CAMBRIA COUNTY (47)

Complement 10

Barron, John W.
 Creany, Frederick S.
 Decort, Galen F.
 Grecek, Leonard J.
 Musulin, Michael J.

Nileski, Charity L.
 Pavlovich, Max F.
 Varner, Rick W.
 Zanghi, Mary Ann
 Zungali, Michael

CARBON COUNTY (56)

Complement 4

Appleton, Bruce F.*
 Homanko, Joseph D., Sr.
 Kissner, William J.
 Kosciolik, Casimir T.
 Lewis, Edward M.

* Term expired 1-1-12

CENTRE COUNTY (49)

Complement 6

Vacancy 2

Dutchcot, Leslie A.
 Hoffman, Daniel R., II*
 Jordan, Thomas N.
 Prestia, Carmine W., Jr.
 Sinclair, Allen W.

* Resigned 6-30-12

CHESTER COUNTY (15)

Complement 19

Vacancy 1

Arnold, Rita A.**
 Bailey, John R.
 Blackburn, Jeremy M.*
 Bruno, Mark A.
 Cabry, Michael J., III

Darlington, Chester F.
 DeAngelo, James V.

CHESTER COUNTY, continued

Donatelli, Lori Novak
Farmer, Harry W., Jr.*
Gill, Nancy A.

Hines, Gregory V.
Knapp, Gwenn S.
Koon, Grover E.
Kraut, William D.
Maisano, Daniel J.

Massey, Scott A.
Michaels, Theodore P., Jr.
Seavey, Matthew
Smith, Larry E.*
Sondergaard, Analisa S.

Tartaglio, Thomas W.
Valocchi, Jeffrey J.

* Term expired 1-1-12
** Resigned 4-23-13

CLARION COUNTY (18)

Complement 4

Miller, Jeffrey C.
Quinn, Duane L.
Schill, Timothy P.
Turk, Amy Long

CLEARFIELD COUNTY (46)

Complement 4

Ford, Patrick N.
Hawkins, James L.
Ireland, Richard A.
Nevling, Jerome M.
Rudella, Michael A.*

* Term expired 1-1-12

CLINTON COUNTY (25)

Complement 3

Maggs, John W.
Mills, Frank P.
Sanders, Joseph L., III

COLUMBIA-MONTOUR COUNTIES (26)

Complement 5

Brewer, Douglas D.
Knecht, Richard W.
Lawton, Russell L.
Long, Craig W.
Shrawder, Marvin K.

CRAWFORD COUNTY (30)

Complement 5

Chisholm, William D.
Marwood, Rita J.
Nicols, Amy L.
Rossi, A. Michael, Jr.
Zilhaver, Lincoln S.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY (09)

Complement 10
Vacancy 1

Adams, Harold Anthony
Beckley, Elizabeth S.
Brewbaker, Jessica E.
Clement, Charles A., Jr.
Cohick, Vivian J.

Correal, Paula P.*
Day, Susan K.
Dougherty, Richard S., Jr.
Fegley, Paul M.
Martin, Mark W.

* Term expired 1-1-12

DAUPHIN COUNTY (12)

Complement 15

Jennings, Robert , III
Johnson, Gregory D.
Judy, David H.
Lenker, James A.
Lenker, Kenneth A.
Lindsey, Joseph S.
Margerum, Rebecca Jo
Pelino, Dominic A.

Pianka, Barbara
Postelle, LaVon A.

Smith, Michael John
Stewart, Marsha C.
Wenner, William C.
Witmer, Lowell A.
Zozos, George A.

DELAWARE COUNTY (32)

Complement 33
Vacancy 2

Berardocco, Ann
Blythe, Robert J.*
Burke, Robert R.
Cappelli, Richard M.
Christie, Edward W.+

Cullen, Michael G.*
D'Agostino, Robert M.
Davis, Wilden H.
Gallagher, Vincent D., Jr.
Griffin, David R.

Holefelder, Diane M.
Hunter, Leon , III
Karapalides, Harry J.
Klein, Stephanie H.
Lacianca, Elisa C.

Lang, David Hamilton
Lippart, Jack D.
Lippincott, Nicholas S.
Mattox, Christopher R.
McCray, C. Walter, III

McKeon, Laurence J.**
Micozzie-Aguirre, Kelly A.
Perfetti, John J.
Puppio, Andrea E.
Radano, Robert J.

Sandone, Steven A.
Scanlon, Anthony D.
Seaton, Spencer B., Jr.
Strohl, Walter A.
Tenaglia, Leonard V.

Tolliver, Elkin A.*
Tozer, Peter P.

**DELAWARE COUNTY,
continued**

Turner, Philip S., Jr.
Tuten, John C.
Vann, Dawn L.

Williams, Will Keith

* Term expired 1-1-12
** Resigned 7-3-12
+ Resigned 3-1-13

**ELK-CAMERON
COUNTIES (59)**

Complement 3

Brown, Alvin H.*
Brown, Barry D., II
Jacob, Mark S.
King, George A.
Wilhelm, Donald A.*

* Term expired 1-1-12

ERIE COUNTY (06)

Complement 15

Alonge, Gerard J.*
Carney, Thomas
DiPaolo, Dominick D.
Hammer, Scott B.
Krahe, Mark R.

Lefaiver, Joseph R.
Mack, Suzanne C.
MacKendrick, Christopher K.
Manzi, Paul
McGowan, Brian M.

Nichols, Brenda A.
Robie, Thomas C.
Southwick, Carol L.
Strohmeier, Susan D.
Stuck-Lewis, Denise M.

Urbaniak, Paul G.

* Term expired 1-1-12

FAYETTE COUNTY (14)

Complement 8

Abraham, Randy S.
Cramer, Jesse J.
Defino, Michael J., Jr.
Dennis, Wendy D.
George, Joseph M., Jr.

Haggerty, Ronald J., Jr.
Metros, Michael M.
Shaner, Dwight K.

**FRANKLIN-FULTON
COUNTIES (39)**

Complement 10

Carter, Gary L.*
Cunningham, Duane K.
Eyer, Jody C.
Hawbaker, David E.*
Heming, Tamela M.

Horne, Devin C.
Johnson, Carol J.*
Manns, Glenn K.
Mellott, Wendy Richards
Pentz, Larry G.

Plum, David L.
Rock, Kelly L.
Williams, Todd R.

* Term expired 1-1-12

GREENE COUNTY (13)

Complement 3

Bates, D. Glenn
Dayich, Louis M.
Watson, Leroy W.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY (20)

Complement 3†-1

Colyer, Michael M.*
Gummo, Douglas L.
Jamison, Mary G.
Wilt, Richard S.

† Magisterial district court 20-3-03
eliminated 3-1-13 per Supreme
Court order dated 1-3-13
* Resigned 12-3-12

INDIANA COUNTY (40)

Complement 4

Haberl, Guy B.
Rega, Jennifer J.
Steffee, Susanne V.
Thachik, George M.

JEFFERSON COUNTY (54)

Complement 3

Bazylak, Gregory M.
Chambers, Douglas R.
Inzana, David B.

LACKAWANNA COUNTY (45)

Complement 10

Corbett, Joanne P.
Farrell, Alyce M.
Gallagher, Terrence V.
Gibbons, James A.
Giglio, Theodore J.

McGraw, Sean P.
Mercuri, John J.
Pesota, John P.
Russell, Robert G.*
Turlip, Laura M.

Ware, Paul J.

* Term expired 1-1-12

LANCASTER COUNTY (02)

Complement 19†-1
Vacancy 1

Albert, Scott E.
Ballentine, Kelly S.
Benner, William E., Jr.
Chudzik, Brian E.
Commins, B. Denise

LANCASTER COUNTY,
continued

Duncan, Jayne F.
Eckert, Leo H., Jr.*
Garrett, Daniel B.*
Hamill, Nancy G.
Hartman, Cheryl N.**

Hartman, Rodney H.
Herman, Robert A., Jr.
Jimenez, Janice
Keller, Joshua R.
Miller, David P.

Mylin, Stuart J.
Roth, Bruce A.
Russell, Tony S.
Sponaugle, Mary Mongiovi
Stoltzfus, Isaac H.

Tobin, Edward A.

† Magisterial district court O2-3-08
eliminated 5-1-13 per Supreme
Court order dated 2-7-13

* Term expired 1-1-12

** Resigned 5-31-13

LAWRENCE COUNTY (53)
Complement 5

Amodie, Melissa A.
Cartwright, Jerry G., Jr.
McGrath, Scott
Nicholson, Jennifer L.
Rishel, David B.

LEBANON COUNTY (52)
Complement 6

Capello, Thomas M.
Dissinger, Maria M.
Garver, Carl R.
Heck, Christine R.*
Smith, Michael D.
Verna, Anthony J.
Wolfe, Kim R.

* Term expired 1-1-12

LEHIGH COUNTY (31)
Complement 14
Vacancy 1

Balliet, Carl L.*
Beck, Rodney R.
Butler, Donna R.
Crawford, Charles H.*
D'Amore, Michael D.

Devine, Karen C.
Engler, Patricia M.
Faulkner, Michael J.
Halal, Robert C.
Hammond, Jacob E.

Harding, David B.
Howells, David M., Jr.
Manescu, Ronald S.
Maura, Wayne
Pochron, Michael J.

* Term expired 1-1-12

LUZERNE COUNTY (11)
Complement 17
Vacancy 1

Barilla, David A.
Carmody, Joseph J.
Cronauer, Richard J.
Dixon, James M.
Dotzel, Michael G.

Feissner, Gerald L.
Halesey, Joseph A.
Hasay, John E.
Kane, Martin R.
Malast, Diana

O'Donnell, Daniel
Roberts, Paul J.
Sharkey, Thomas J.*
Swank, Ronald W.
Tupper, James E.

Whittaker, Donald L.
Zola, Joseph D.

* Term expired 1-1-12

LYCOMING COUNTY (29)
Complement 6

Carn, James G.
Kemp, Jon E.
Lepley, Jerry C.
McRae, C. Roger*
Page, Allen P., III

Schriner, Kenneth T., Jr.*
Sortman, James H.
Whiteman, Gary A.

* Term expired 1-1-12

MCKEAN COUNTY (48)
Complement 4

Cercone, Dominic A., Jr.
Engman, David R.
Luther, Richard W., Jr.
Todd, William K.

MERCER COUNTY (35)
Complement 5

Antos, Ronald E.
Arthur, Brian R.
Hinch, Lorinda L.
McEwen, Daniel Neil
Songer, Dennis M.

MIFFLIN COUNTY (58)
Complement 3

Gingrich, Aaron L.
Hunter, Tammy L.
Miller, Jack E.

MONROE COUNTY (43)
Complement 10

Anzini, Kristina
Claypool, Richard S.
Fluegel, Anthony D.
Germano, Brian R.
Higgins, C. Daniel, Jr.

MONROE COUNTY, continued

Krawitz, JoLana
 Mancuso, Colleen
 Muth, Michael R.
 Olsen, Thomas E.
 Whitesell, John D.

York, Debby A.*

* Term expired 1-1-12

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (38)

Complement 30

Augustine, Albert J.
 Bernhardt, Francis J., III
 Borek, Harold D.
 Casillo, Ester J.
 Cerski, Christopher J.

Deatelhauser, Kenneth E.
 Dougherty, Joseph H.*
 Duffy, Andrea D.
 Friedenbergl, Jay S.
 Gadzicki, Walter F., Jr.

Gallagher, James P.
 Hummel Fried, Catherine M.
 Hunsicker-Fleischer,
 Margaret A.
 Keightly, David A.*
 Kelly Rebar, Cathleen

Kessler, John D.
 Kropp, Edward C., Sr.
 Lawrence, Francis J., Jr.
 Leo, Paul N.
 Lukens, Deborah A.

Maruszczak, William I.
 McGill Magid, Katherine E.
 McHugh, Elizabeth A.
 Murray, John S., III*
 Nesbitt, Harry J., III

Palladino, Scott T.
 Palladino, Thomas A.*
 Price, Juanita A.
 Saylor, Maurice H.
 Schireson, Henry J.

Sobeck, Robert M.
 Valentine, Kathleen M.
 Zaffarano, Patricia A.
 Zucker, Karen Eisner

* Term expired 1-1-12

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY (03)

Complement 15
 Vacancy 1

Barner, Joseph K.
 Capobianco, John
 Corpora, Daniel G.
 Elwell, Gay L.**
 Hawke, Robert A.

Manwaring, Roy A.
 Marakovits, Diane M.
 Masut, Adrienne L.*
 Matos Gonzalez, Nancy
 Narlesky, James J.

Romig-Passaro, Patricia A.
 Schlegel, Douglas H., Sr.
 Strohe, Todd M.
 Taschner, Jacqueline M.
 Tidd, David W.

Yetter, Richard H., III

* Term expired 1-1-12
 ** Died 12-3-12

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY (08)

Complement 4
 Vacancy 1

Apfelbaum, Benjamin J.
 Bolton, Robert J.*
 Gembic, John
 Jones, Hugh A.

* Resigned 2-29-12

PERRY-JUNIATA COUNTIES (41)

Complement 5

Frownfelter, Elizabeth R.
 Leister, Jacqueline T.
 Lyter, Barbara M.
 McGuire, Daniel R.L.
 Schechterly, Michael E.

PIKE COUNTY (60)

Complement 4

Cooper, Alan B.
 Fischer, Deborah
 McBride, Stephen A.
 Rose, Jay R.

POTTER COUNTY (55)

Complement 3

Easton, Annette L.
 Easton, Barbara J.*
 McCleaff, Kari A.
 Weiss, Delores G.

* Term expired 1-1-12

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY (21)

Complement 7

Bayer, Stephen J.
 Ferrier, James R.
 Hale, Christina E.
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 Pankake, Carol A.

Plachko, David A.
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SNYDER-UNION COUNTIES (17)

Complement 4†-1

Armbruster, Leo S.
 Hackenberg, Lori R.
 Mihalik, Edward G., Jr.*

**SNYDER-UNION COUNTIES,
continued**

Mensch, Jeffrey L.
Reed, John H.

Robinson, John T.*
Savidge, Willis E.*

† Magisterial district court 17-3-05
eliminated 1-2-12 per Supreme
Court order dated 2-15-11

* Term expired 1-1-12

SOMERSET COUNTY (16)

Complement 5
Vacancy 1

Bell, Douglas McCall
Cannoni, Joseph A.**
Cook, Arthur K.*
Johnson, Kenneth W.
Mankamyer, Susan

Stevanus, Sandra L.

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** Resigned 1-1-12

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY (34)

Complement 3

Brainard, Suzanne M.
Cordner, Jodi L.
Hollister, Jeffrey L.
Janicelli, Peter M.*

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TIOGA COUNTY (04)

Complement 3

Carlson, James E.
Edgcomb, Brian W.
Repard, Robert L.

VENANGO COUNTY (28)

Complement 4

Dinberg, Douglas I.
Fish, Andrew F.
Gerwick, Douglas B.*
Lowrey, Patrick E.
Snyder, Michael D.

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**WARREN-FOREST
COUNTIES (37)**

Complement 4

Bauer, Laura S.
Carlson, Glenn S.
Gregory, George F.
Lindemuth, Cynthia K.
Zerbe, Arthur W.*

* Term expired 1-1-12

WASHINGTON COUNTY (27)

Complement 11

Costanzo, Valarie S.
Ellis, James C.
Havelka, Gary H.
Hopkins, Larry W.
Kanalas, Joshua P.

Mark, David W.
Redlinger, Robert W.
Thompson, Curtis L.
Ward, Ethan T.
Weller, Jay H.

Wilson, Mark A.

WAYNE COUNTY (22)

Complement 4

Carney, Bonnie L.
Edwards, Ronald J.
Farrell, Jane E.
Mikulak, Theodore J.

**WESTMORELAND
COUNTY (10)**

Complement 17

Albert, James E.
Bilik, Mark J.
Buczak, Jason
Christner, Charles M., Jr.
Conway, Charles R.

Dalfonso, Joseph A.
DeMarchis, Joseph R.
Eckels, Roger F.
Falcon, James N.
Glenn, Elise*

Kistler, Helen M.
Mahady, Michael R.
Mansour, Mark S.
Moore, Charles D.
Pallone, Frank J., Jr.

Peck-Yakopec, Cheryl J.
Thiel, Denise Snyder
Weimer, Douglas R., Jr.

* Term expired 1-1-12

**WYOMING-SULLIVAN
COUNTIES (44)**

Complement 4

Hovan, John J.
Plummer, David K.
Smith, Carl W., Jr.
Vandine, Jennifer Y.

YORK COUNTY (19)

Complement 19†+1-1
Vacancy 3

Albright, Keith L.
Bloss, Barry L., Jr.
Dubs, Dwayne
Edie, Nancy L.*
Eshbach, David C.

Fishel, John H.
Garber, Daniel B.*
Groom, Walter R.

YORK COUNTY, continued

Gross, Scott J.
Haskell, Ronald J., Jr.
Joy, Jeff S.
Laird, Scott E.
Leppo, Kim S.*
Martin, Richard E., II
Miner, James S.
Olwert, John R.
Reamer, Walter P.*
Reilly, Thomas J.

Shoemaker, Gerald E.*
Teyral, JoAnn L.*

Thomas, Richard T.
Williams, Linda Lou

† Magisterial district court 19-3-11
created 4-15-11, magisterial district
court 19-3-02 eliminated 1-2-12
per Supreme Court order dated
4-15-11

* Term expired 1-1-12

ADAMS COUNTY

Zepp, John C., III*

* Effective 1-2-12

ALLEGHENY COUNTY

Burnett, Edward+
Firestone, Nathan N.*
Longo, Nancy L.
McGraw, Elaine M.
McLaughlin, Charles A., Jr.

Peglow, Lee G.
Presutti, Donald H.
Tibbs, Edward A.
Welsh, Regis C., Jr.**
Zielmanski, Eugene L.

Zoller, Richard H.

* Effective 1-1-12
** Effective 1-2-12
+ Retired 12-31-12

ARMSTRONG COUNTY

Gerheim, Michael L.

BEAVER COUNTY

Armour, John W.

BERKS COUNTY

Beck, Richard C.*
Bentz, Nicholas M., Jr.**
Hall, William N., Jr.
Mest, Ronald C.
Stitzel, Gloria W.

* Retired 12-31-12
** Effective 1-1-13

BLAIR COUNTY

Jones, Patrick T.

BUCKS COUNTY

Daly, Philip J.
Dietrich, Ruth C.
Gaffney, Robert E.**
Hogeland, H. Warren*
Schnell, Robert A., Jr.

* Resigned 8-20-12
** Effective 1-1-13

BUTLER COUNTY

O'Donnell, Joseph D., Jr.

CARBON COUNTY

Appleton, Bruce F.*
Hadzick, Paul J.

* Effective 1-2-12

CENTRE COUNTY

Hoffman, Daniel R.*
Horner, Ronald J.

* Effective 7-1-12

CHESTER COUNTY

Charley, James J., Jr.
Davis, Robert L.
Farmer, Harry W., Jr.**
Scott, Stanley
Smith, Larry E.*

Welsh, Susann E.
Winther, J. Peter

* Effective 1-1-12
** Effective 1-2-12

CLARION COUNTY

George, Daniel P.

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CLEARFIELD COUNTY

Rudella, Michael A.*

* Effective 1-2-12

COLUMBIA-MONTOUR COUNTIES

Cashman, Richard P.
Coombe, Donna J.*

* Resigned 5-22-12

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Bender, Harold E.*
Correal, Paula P.**

* Resigned 3-5-12

** Effective 1-2-12

DAUPHIN COUNTY

Semic, Steven M.
Shugars, Raymond F.

DELAWARE COUNTY

Cullen, Michael G.*
Davis, Horace Z.
Gannon, Edward J., Jr.
Liberace, Gerald C.
McDevitt, Leonard M.

McKeon, Laurence J.**
Miller, Kenneth N.+
Videon, David T.

* Effective 1-2-12

** Effective 7-4-12

+ Resigned 1-7-13

ELK-CAMERON COUNTIES

Brown, Alvin H.*

* Effective 1-2-12

ERIE COUNTY

Abate, Frank, Jr.
Vendetti, John A.
Weindorf, Arthur Joseph

FAYETTE COUNTY

Breakiron, Robert W.
Cavalcante, Brenda K.
Haggerty, Ronald J., Sr.*

* Resigned 5-6-13

FRANKLIN-FULTON COUNTIES

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Hawbaker, David Edgar**
Johnson, Carol J.*
Knepper, Brenda M.

* Effective 1-2-12

** Effective 1-2-12; resigned 4-7-13

INDIANA COUNTY

Steffee, Michael K.*

* Resigned 5-31-13

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Eckert, Leo H., Jr.**
Garrett, Daniel B.**
Hartman, Cheryl N.+
Reuter, William G.

Simms, Richard H.
Willwerth, Jene A.*
Winters, John C.

* Effective 1-1-12

** Effective 1-2-12

+ Effective 6-1-13

LEBANON COUNTY

Swisher, Hazel V.*

* Resigned 4-3-13

LEHIGH COUNTY

Balliett, Carl L.*
Crawford, Charles H.*
Dugan, John E.
Gatti, Richard A.
Hausman, Joan K.**

Murphy, Thomas P.
Rapp, Anthony G., Jr.
Snyder, Joan L.
Warmkessel, Patricia E.

* Effective 1-2-12

** Resigned 9-26-12

LUZERNE COUNTY

Barilla, Andrew, Jr.
Sharkey, Thomas J.*

* Effective 1-2-12

LYCOMING COUNTY

McRae, C. Roger*

* Effective 1-2-12

MERCER COUNTY

Fagley, William L.
Russo, Henry J.

MIFFLIN COUNTY

Clare, Barbara A.

MONROE COUNTY

Eyer, Charles P.*
Shiffer, Thomas R., Jr.

* Resigned 5-28-13

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Berkoff, F. Elaine
Durkin, John J.**
Murray, John S., III*
Price, Richard M.
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Skerchock, Dorothy+

* Effective 1-2-12
** Resigned 2-27-12
+ Resigned 9-18-12

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Frey, Elmo L., Jr.
Grigg, Sherwood R.
Litzenberger, Ralph W.*
Marinkovits, Joan
Romig-Gainer, Elizabeth A.

Stocklas, James F.

* Resigned 9-22-12

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Kear, William F.*
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* Resigned 7-8-12

PERRY-JUNIATA COUNTIES

Howell, Donald F.

SNYDER-UNION COUNTIES

Mihalik, Edward G., Jr.*

* Effective 1-2-12

SOMERSET COUNTY

Cannoni, Joseph Anthony*
Cook, Arthur K.*

* Effective 1-2-12

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

Dayton, Watson J.
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* Effective 1-2-12

VENANGO COUNTY

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WARREN-FOREST COUNTIES

Fedora, Michael L.
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* Effective 1-2-12
** Effective 1-2-12; resigned 5-7-12
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++ Effective 11-13-12

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