

**Annual Report of the
Administrative Office of
Pennsylvania Courts
2013**

Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

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Supreme Court revises its internal operating procedures to clarify and expand guidelines used to direct jurists, attorneys and others in proceedings before the court

Supreme Court expands Internet access to case records to include information about landlord-tenant cases and civil cases of less than \$12,000 that are filed in the state's magisterial district courts

New court website feature details child dependency cases. Believed to be the only one of its kind in the country, it gives the public as well as judges and child care professionals a comprehensive look at the demographics of the state's abused and neglected children under court supervision

Supreme Court forms Elder Law Task Force, chaired by Justice Debra Todd, to study the growing problems involved in guardianship, abuse and neglect, and access to justice for older Pennsylvanians

Supreme Court adopts new rules that, for the first time, require uniform policies, procedures and standards of conduct for state constables engaged in court business

Online payments of court-ordered fines, costs and restitution top \$100 million. The feature, known as PAePay, was first offered in 2011

Superior Court President Judge Correale F. Stevens appointed to Supreme Court

Pennsylvania judiciary launches new system to measure problem-solving courts performance by capturing and categorizing performance data for individual programs in each county. Information collected includes data such as recidivism rates; jail days averted; fines, costs and restitution collected; and community service hours performed

Bill signed by Pennsylvania's governor transfers authority of Philadelphia Traffic Court to Philadelphia Municipal Court

Superior Court Judge John Bender elected president judge of Superior Court

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I am pleased to present this Report of the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC) for 2013, outlining many of the programs and services that exemplify 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.

Sincerely,

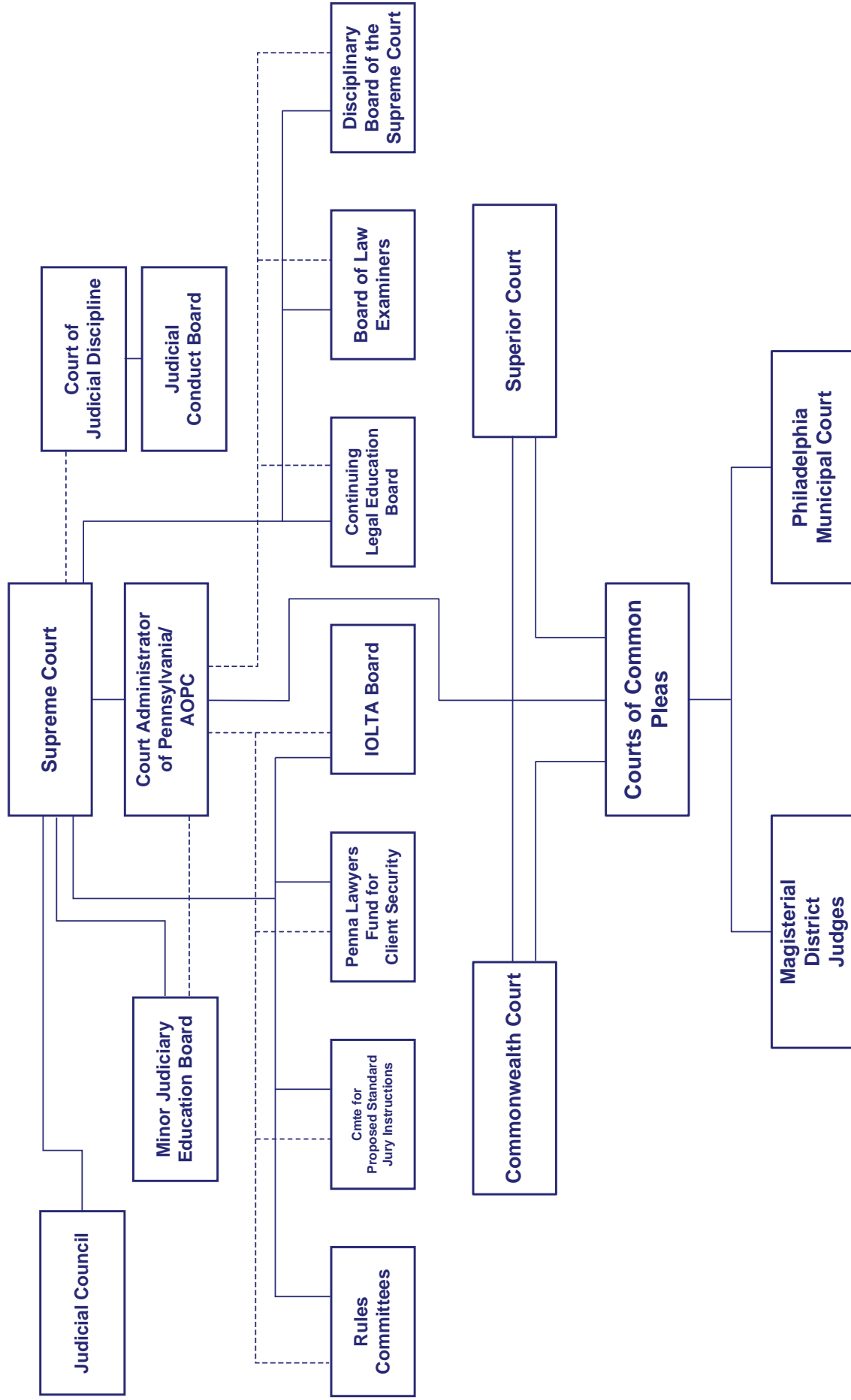


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Preface
from the
Court
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Pennsylvania's Unified Judicial System



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/Intergovernmental Relations 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 collects and analyzes statistical information relevant to court operations. Data sets for civil, family and orphans' courts as well as jury data are provided by the Commonwealth's 67 counties while criminal and dependency data are obtained from the judiciary's automated Common Pleas Case Management System (CPCMS).

Annual caseload data is published as the *Annual Caseload Statistics of the Unified Judicial System* and is posted to the Unified Judicial System (UJS) website. In addition, selected data are now available via interactive dashboards on the UJS website.

Another significant role of the department is to coordinate and conduct studies that help affect policy and practice improvements to the administration of justice. Most recently, the department studied the statewide civil case inventory and domestic relations fees.

The department also provides research support to various work groups and committees such as the Elder Law Task Force and the Public Access Committee.

The department is also responsible for additional annual data collection cycles and reports, including medical malpractice, Guardianship Act 24 of 1992 and the submission of statewide data to the National Center for State Courts and the PA Data Center.

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. The department includes lawyers who specialize in litigation, transactional matters and legal matters related to Judicial Automation projects.

Litigation Counsel

Legal Department litigators represent Pennsylvania court entities, judges and state-paid court personnel in litigation matters, predominately in federal court, often testing state court sovereignty under the federal constitution. Cases may include civil rights and constitutional issues, employment cases, petitions for review of governmental actions and actions to establish the rights and duties of public officials. Litigation lawyers also provide advice to prevent litigation whenever possible.

AOPC representation is not provided in criminal or disciplinary actions.

Judicial Automation Counsel

Judicial Automation 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 and databases
- 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

Transactional Counsel

Transactional lawyers negotiate leases and contracts, assist in procurement matters and review legislation affecting Pennsylvania's judiciary.

Judicial Services Department

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

Among the conferences and programs the department coordinated in 2013 are

- Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges (PCSTJ) Mid-Annual Conference
- Juvenile Justice Academy
- Office of Children & Families in the Courts State Roundtable
- OCFC Statewide Leadership Roundtable
- President Judges/Pennsylvania Association of Court Management (PACM) Conference
- Appellate Courts Conference
- PCSTJ Annual Conference
- Fall Symposia – Evidence
- Pennsylvania Association of Court Management Mid-Annual Conference
- appellate court sessions
- Elder Law Task Force meetings
- PACM Board Meeting
- various PCSTJ officers and committee meetings
- Interpreter Certification Programs
- various Supreme Court rules committees meetings

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 in 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
- administering the senior judge program, including applications for certification as senior judges and managing requests for senior judge assistance from judicial districts
- processing requests for changes of venue/venire and handling AOPC communication with judicial districts concerning president judge elections
- overseeing training, testing and certification of court interpreters

In 2013 the department was involved in several noteworthy endeavors as follows.

Judicial Needs Assessment

With the completion of the magisterial district court realignment, efforts in 2013 turned to analyzing the workload of the Common Pleas Courts. The National Center for State Courts was hired to study the courts to determine the number of judges needed for each judicial district. Studies of this sort are also known as weighted caseload studies since they measure not only the number of cases handled by each court, but the amount of a judge's time needed to perform the various tasks related to a case.

"Right sizing" the Commonwealth's courts has been a concern for a number of years. Having the right number of judges in each judicial district is an economic imperative and fundamental to ensuring that Pennsylvania's courts can continue to provide a high level of quality service.

The methodology of the study requires each judge in the state to report for one month the amount of time s/he spends on various cases and the various tasks s/he is performing, such as holding hearings, conducting settlement conferences or writing opinions. That data is then combined with the case filings for each judicial district to calculate the judicial resources necessary to handle that caseload.

The data gathering will occur in 2014, with the results available by autumn of that year.

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 initiatives of the OCFC have expedited placement of dependent children into permanent family settings and have led to a 34 percent reduction in the number of foster care children in Pennsylvania since 2006, resulting in better lives for children and cost savings for the Commonwealth.

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 work groups to research and address statewide areas of concern for the Pennsylvania dependency system. Current work groups addressing issues include

- Father Engagement
- Visitation
- Educational Success and Truancy Prevention
- Psychotropic Medication
- Transitional Youth
- Dependent Children of Incarcerated Parents
- Training for Legal Representation
- Hearing Officer Education
- Drug & Alcohol Abuse

The annual Pennsylvania State Roundtable Children's Summit was held in April 2013. Nearly 400 judges, county child welfare directors and other officials from 49 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.

Data Dashboards

In an effort to provide more information to the courts and to the public regarding dependency, interactive statistical pages known as dashboards were released in February 2013 through the Unified Judicial System website. These dashboards provide county and statewide data to track child dependency court performance standards. Data can be used to enhance local and statewide court practices, resulting in better outcomes for abused/neglected children and their families.

Problem-Solving Courts

The Judicial Programs Department continued its efforts in 2013 to assist judicial districts in the creation, expansion and maintenance of problem-solving courts, such as drug courts, DUI courts and mental health courts. By the end of 2013, 98 problem-solving courts existed in 36 counties in Pennsylvania.

A problem-solving courts case management system was implemented 2013. This system, the Problem-Solving Adult and Juvenile Court Information System, or PACJIS, will enable problem-solving courts to manage all aspects of their cases, from intake through treatment and graduation. It will also produce courtwide and statewide statistics on the effectiveness of these courts.

The Supreme Court's problem-solving court accreditation program, which assesses the functioning of courts to ensure they are complying with core principles and best practices of operation, continued in 2013. By the end of the year, nine courts in the state had gone through the application and review process and achieved Supreme Court accreditation.

Continuing Pennsylvania's position in the national vanguard in the development and implementation of veterans courts, Judicial Programs, with assistance from the National Center for State Courts, embarked on an evaluation of veterans courts processes. Unlike more established problem-solving courts such as drug and DUI, scant research exists on what practices and procedures are most likely to produce results in these courts. This evaluation should produce an analysis of what are the best practices.

Court Interpreters

The Judicial Programs Department's Interpreter Certification Program in 2013 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. More information on this program can be found on the Unified Judicial System's website at www.pacourts.us.

As of the end of 2013, the interpreter roster had 136 certified interpreters in 11 languages. Another 38 are qualified/conditional/registered interpreters in 18 languages.

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. It 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 2013 nearly 209,000 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 2013 more than 12,000 individuals were direct criminal case management system users. Another 5,400 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 Pennsylvania Justice Network (JNET), the systems share information with more than 30 agencies.

System users, justice partners and the public have access to tens of millions of cases via the Unified Judicial System's Web portal at <http://ujportal.pacourts.us>. In 2013 these cases were viewed more than 57 million times, free of charge.

The statewide approach to court management also saves staff resources and equipment costs at both the state and county levels 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 2013 are described on the following pages.

Pennsylvania Appellate Court Case Management System (PACMS)

PACMS is an integrated case management system supporting the management of cases within the jurisdiction of the appellate courts – Supreme, Superior and Commonwealth. Primarily, this electronic filing system allows the approximately 500 members of the appellate courts to fulfill their obligation to docket cases, track the party filings submitted on each case and complete the administrative steps necessary to adjudicate cases in a timely manner.

In 2013, 15,066 cases were docketed in the state appellate court system.

In addition to case-related functions, PACMS is utilized to track many of the administrative functions completed by the courts, including general accounting; internal assignment tasking and the processing of attorney bar admissions, disciplinary cases and certificates of good standing.

PACFile

The AOPC continues to move Pennsylvania's courts to a paperless operation by expanding the use electronic filing. Known as PACFile, the judiciary's e-filing program was first installed in the Supreme Court in November 2012. It saves time for both filers and court staff by allowing the electronic filing of documents with the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. It also allows for electronic payment of filing fees using PAePay, the courts' online payment application.

By the end of 2013, more than 3,100 new Supreme Court docket entries had been created through PACFile, and more than 13,000 individuals had benefited from the service by either filing electronically with the court or viewing case documents filed electronically by the court.

In 2013 the AOPC completed preparation to implement PACFile in the Commonwealth Court. Judicial Automation staff continued to work with appellate court rules committees to develop rules to authorize the e-filing of case-related documents in preparation for expanding the system to the Superior and Commonwealth courts in 2014.

Separately, the AOPC continued working with local police departments and parking authorities to expand the electronic filing of traffic, nontraffic and parking citations. By the end of 2013, more than 30 local police departments and parking authorities had the ability to electronically file these citations from municipal computer systems to the MDJS.

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 2013 more than 170,000 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 2013 a CPCMS refresh project was completed. 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 2013 approximately 24,000 reports were run daily by county court staff.

Table 2.1 shows the moneys collected and disbursed by the CPCMS in 2013.

2013 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 (PAePay) and collection agencies. In 2013, more than \$205 million was collected and disbursed through Pennsylvania’s Common Pleas Courts.	
These collections were disbursed as follows:	
Commonwealth General Fund	\$55,376,451
Counties	109,588,366
Municipalities	9,219,385
Other (schools, libraries, tax agencies, etc.)	1,145,552
Subtotal	175,329,755
Restitution to victims	30,226,721
Total	\$205,556,476
Over the last six years, Common Pleas Courts has disbursed \$1.2 billion.	
*Common Pleas Court disbursement data can be found on the UJS website via an interactive website dashboard.	

Table 2.1

CPCMS System Users and Support

As in previous years, in 2013 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. Judicial Automation staff logged more than 1,096 training days.

Also in 2013 the CPCMS help desk fielded more than 51,400 calls, more than 26,400 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 2013 Judicial Automation staff enhanced the collection information available in the CPCMS regarding dependency cases. The dependency case data is used to generate local and statewide statistical information based on national performance measures. This 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 2013 more than 2.4 million cases were docketed in the MDJS.

Table 2.2 on page 16 shows the moneys collected and disbursed by the MDJS in 2013.

MDJS System Users and Support

The MDJS training department develops and writes all training program material for classes and presentations. It also wrote and maintains a comprehensive online MDJS manual.

Nearly 3,000 individuals attended MDJS training sessions in 2013, and Judicial Automation trainers logged more than 392 teaching days.

A user help desk, available during court working hours, fielded more than 60,000 calls or email queries in 2013.

E-Filing

Judicial Automation staff continued to work with local courts developing e-filing services at several levels. In 2013 Delaware County began e-filing criminal complaints, and Berks and Bucks counties began testing its use.

Since July 2008, more than 160,000 criminal complaints have been filed in Allegheny County's e-filing system, saving thousands of hours annually in staff time once needed to manually enter the data.

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 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.

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

2013 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 (PAePay) and collection agencies. In 2013, nearly \$250 million was collected and disbursed through Pennsylvania's magisterial district courts.

These collections were disbursed as follows:

Commonwealth General Fund	\$152,287,238
Counties	\$47,124,949
Municipalities	\$42,093,116
Other (schools, libraries, tax agencies, etc.)	\$3,104,227
Subtotal	\$244,609,530
Restitution	\$5,101,989
Total	\$249,711,519

Over the last six years, more than \$1.5 billion has been collected by magisterial district courts.

*Magisterial district court disbursement data can be found on the UJS website via an interactive website dashboard.

Table 2.2

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 PACFile, DA Link and attorney registration.

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 PAePay.

DA Link is an electronic bill of information filing system used by district attorneys offices. This service 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.

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 2013:

- more than 4.7 million docket sheets were generated per month
- approximately \$5.2 million was collected on a monthly basis from PAePay. This includes payments on cases at the magisterial district courts and the Courts of Common Pleas. E-pay has significantly increased court collections and disbursements.
- court calendar schedules were generated continually by court personnel, law enforcement agencies, probation departments and many other entities

Administrative Support Application Project (ASAP)

ASAP is a software application 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 addition, an online payment feature allows bar applicants to pay their bar examination fees electronically.

Sharing of Court Data

The AOPC’s statewide court case management systems share critical data with 30 agencies. Officials in those agencies have come to depend on this data to improve efficiency in their daily operations. The systems, for example, provide real time information on cases where an arrest warrant has been issued for a defendant. This capability is used heavily by law enforcement officers to track defendants and also during routine traffic stops. In 2013 more than 1.1 million warrants were issued in Pennsylvania.

Deputy Court Administrator's Office

Communications/Intergovernmental Relations

In its role as both legislative and media liaison, the Office of Communications and Intergovernmental Relations 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 to work and to conduct business for jurists and their staff, litigants, jurors, witnesses, crime victims and their families, and the general public.

In 2013 the AOPC concluded its project to reimburse counties for the purchase of security equipment for Common Pleas and magisterial district courts. Funds were used for security cameras, exterior lighting and access control systems. Additionally, the project to provide reimbursement for the purchase of duress alarm systems for magisterial district courts began. Funds are used to upgrade systems or to replace antiquated, nonfunctioning systems.

Also in 2013 the AOPC continued 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 man-made disaster.

In the fall the ninth 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 2013 workshop focused on security preparations for high risk/high profile trials, lessons learned from recent courthouse shooting incidents, and mail security and safety procedures.

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 2013 conference featured these programs:

- United States Supreme Court Update
- Abraham Lincoln's Legacy as Great Emancipator
- I-Pads and Other Electronic Tools for Judges
- Ferdinand Pecora's 1933 Investigation of the Great Crash

Common Pleas Courts

During 2013 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 2013 meetings were:

- Compassion Fatigue and Avoiding Burn Out
- Fighting About Family Money
- Conducting Effective Pre-Trial Conferences in Custody Matters
- Issues Facing Today's Veterans
- Managing High Publicity Cases
- Civil Gideon
- Litigation Evidence
- Judicial Discipline Procedures
- Adjudicating Election Law Cases

- Unjust Enrichment
- Ferdinand Pecora's 1933 Investigation of the Great Crash
- Language Access in Pennsylvania Courts
- The Child as a Witness
- Mental Illness Issues Presented by Litigants
- Assisted Reproduction and Birth Records
- Assessment Law and Procedure
- Issues in Medical Malpractice Litigation
- Pennsylvania Rules of Appellate Procedure
- Legal Obligations of SORNA for Adults and Juveniles
- Google A to Z
- Abraham Lincoln's Legacy as Great Emancipator
- Wellness and Good Health for Judges

Special Programs

Several special conferences and symposia were held for judges in 2013:

- Juvenile Justice Academy – Forty-six juvenile court judges attended this three-day course to discuss and develop best practices in managing juvenile courts cases.
- Fall Symposium: Sentencing Workshop – This two-day course was offered in two locations to allow small group discussions of sentencing practices using Pennsylvania guidelines. It was modeled after the Villanova Sentencing Workshop (see below).
- National Judicial College (NJC) 50th Anniversary Symposium: Civility in the American Justice System – Department staff served on the planning committee for NJC's Philadelphia symposium.
- Villanova Sentencing Workshop – Each year, select judges join third-year law students and criminal justice partners to discuss Pennsylvania sentencing guidelines in the context of real criminal cases.

New Product Development

A judicial benchbook on restitution is being developed by the Judicial Education Department. The resource will provide judges with a quick reference guide covering restitution, both as a direct sentence and as a condition of parole for juveniles and for adult offenders. It is expected to be completed in Fall 2014.

The Special Court Judges' Association, with assistance from both Judicial Education and the AOPC's Communications Department have begun filming a series of training videos for magisterial district judges. The short videos highlight ethical issues for discussion and proper procedures for conducting a hearing and will be used during minor court training. The videos should be available sometime in 2014.

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 \$376 million in annual appropriations, including \$36.9 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

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

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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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2013 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2013:

- lengthening of the stay of remand pending U.S. Supreme Court review
- amendments to the appearance of briefs, including font, font size and page and word limitations
- clarification of the language in the Note related to the effect of filing an appeal and the number of notices of appeal to be filed from multiple orders
- amendments to the contents of the appellee's brief, including counter-statements and correction or modification of the record on appeal
- codification of the standards governing allowance of appeals and procedures for the application of a stay in capital cases
- procedures for the review of a double jeopardy claim (this was a joint recommendation with the Criminal Procedural Rules Committee)
- amendment to the contents of briefs on remand or following grant of re-argument or reconsideration
- provision of appellate review by the Superior Court of military courts martial decisions
- modification of the time period for discontinuing an appeal with leave of court
- amendments to Rule 1012.1 governing admission *pro hac vice* to incorporate the corresponding requirements set forth in Pa. B.A.R. 301 and the IOLTA regulations in order to aid a practitioner in satisfying the requirements for admission *pro hac vice* in civil cases (part of a package of correlative rules changes that included amendments to the Pennsylvania Rules of Civil Procedure, Rules of Criminal Procedure, Orphans' Court Rules and Rules of Juvenile Court Procedure)

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2013:

- procedural requirements for a petition for allowance of appeal when an appellant desires to challenge the discretionary aspects of the trial court's sentencing
- when to file a notice of appeal for a review of a death sentence
- disposition of an appeal without reaching the merits when the appellant is a fugitive; also, the time for filing an application for re-argument

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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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2013 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2013:

- amendments to the rules governing certificates of merit to require the written statement upon which a certificate of merit is based to be attached to the certificate when the certificate is not signed by an attorney
- amendments to the rules governing petitions to require that all grounds, whether to strike or open a judgment, be raised in a single petition
- amendments to Rule 3051 governing relief from a judgment of *non pros* to clarify the requirements for opening a judgment of *non pros* entered for inactivity
- amendments to Rule 1311.1 governing the admission of documentary evidence upon appeal of an award of arbitrators in compulsory arbitration
- amendments to Rule 1033 to allow a party to amend a pleading by adding another party, and rescission of subdivision (b) of Rule 2232 governing defective joinder
- amendments to Rule 1012.1 governing admission *pro hac vice* to incorporate the corresponding requirements set forth in Pa. B.A.R. 301 and the IOLTA regulations in order to aid a practitioner in satisfying the requirements for admission *pro hac vice* in civil cases (part of a package of correlative rules changes that included amendments to the Pennsylvania Rules of Appellate Procedure, Rules of Criminal Procedure, Orphans' Court Rules and Rules of Juvenile Court Procedure)

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2013:

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

2013 Membership

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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.

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

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2013 Activities

The Committee on Rules of Evidence continued its efforts to assure Pennsylvania's court rules pertaining to evidence are current and relevant. One recommendation was submitted to the Supreme Court, while another was prepared to be published for comment.

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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.

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2013 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2013:

- clarification of the treatment of cases involving a child, as defined in the Public School Code of 1949, 24 P.S., § 1-102 *et seq.*, who has failed to pay fines and costs following a summary conviction for truancy
- revision of the Comments to clarify that when an individual under age 18 commits a crime but is not charged until he/she reaches age 21, the case is to proceed pursuant to the criminal rules
- establishment of the procedures for guilty pleas in multiple cases at the time of sentencing
- implementation of procedures for trials *in absentia*
- Comment revision to add a cross-reference to 18 Pa.C.S. 4915.1(e)(2)
- Comment revision to add a cross-reference to *Commonwealth v. Far*, __ Pa. __, 46 A.3d 709 (2012)
- clarification that a magisterial district judge may conduct the trial of a defendant who is under the age of 18 and is charged with a violation of 75 Pa.C.S. §1543(b), but cannot sentence the defendant to incarceration
- establishment of procedures for seeking to preclude imposition of a sentence of death by reason of the defendant's mental retardation
- return of search warrants; consideration of questions concerning original search warrants
- procedures for the review of a double jeopardy claim (this was a joint recommendation with the Appellate Court Procedural Rules Committee)
- new procedures for court cases after execution of a bench warrant issued for a witness who is under the age of 18
- deletion of Rule 1013 as obsolete
- requirement that alternate jurors be retained after the jury has retired to consider its verdict and to provide procedures for a retained alternate juror to replace a principal juror who becomes unable to perform his or her duties or is disqualified
- delay of public access to arrest warrants and sealing of arrest warrants

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2013:

- allowing the use of bail as a local option to offset fines and costs
- standardization of the practice of requiring juries to make specific verdicts as to essential facts as required under *United States v. Alleyne*, ___ U.S. ___, 133 S.Ct. 2151 (2013)
- amendments of summary case rules and clarification of the procedures when a plea bargain is made in a summary case or when a plea bargain reduces a court case to a summary case
- establishing procedures for orders to detain and orders for temporary transfer of custody
- codification of procedures concerning objections to points for charge in view of *Commonwealth v. Pressley*
- clarification of the rule provisions regarding guilty plea colloquy
- providing for the Commonwealth's participation in the waiver of the individual method of *voir dire*
- providing for instructions to prospective and selected jurors concerning the use of personal communications devices during jury service
- clarification of the jury procedures available when a degree of guilt hearing is held before a jury
- revision of Comment language regarding the steps required when a sentencing judge does not order a presentence investigation report to be completed

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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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2013 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2013:

- prohibition of the practice of allowing parenting coordinators to make decisions in child custody cases
- update of the child support guidelines following the mandatory quadrennial review of the guidelines
- comprehensive amendments to the custody rules to make them consistent with the new statute
- establishment of uniform pretrial procedures in custody cases when requested by either party or required by the court
- setting uniform procedures for the withdrawal or discontinuance of a protection from abuse case
- requirement of a leave of court or a written agreement of the parties involved to withdraw a custody pleading or to discontinue a custody action after a scheduling or other order has been entered
- setting uniform procedures for the entry and withdrawal of appearance in domestic relations matters, including requirements for self-represented litigants

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2013:

- duration of custody provisions in protection from abuse orders
- income calculation when allocating unreimbursed medical expenses in spousal support and alimony *pendente lite* cases
- rules related to divorce procedure and practice
- requirement of support conference officers and hearing officers to submit their recommendations within specific time frames
- allowing a party to challenge standing in a custody case by preliminary objection
- amendment to the service rule in domestic relations matters to permit use of electronic receipts when serving by certified mail, return receipt requested

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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.

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2013 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2013:

- clarification of the definition of detention and placement facility
- clarification of the use of advanced communication technology in violation of probation hearings
- clarification of the definition of clerk of courts
- implementation of Act of July 5, 2012, by allowing children to request the court to resume jurisdiction of their cases

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2013:

- the qualification of masters in juvenile proceedings
- the role and duties of attorneys in juvenile court proceedings
- implementation of Act 55 of 2013 and when a county agency is engaged in family finding

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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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2013 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendations were adopted by the Supreme Court in 2013:

- clarification of the permissible grounds for stays of proceedings in the magisterial district courts, including compliance with federal and state laws such as the Service Members Civil Relief Act
- amendments governing exceptions for indigent tenants in appeals from judgments of magisterial district courts, to establish consistency between the rules and the Supplemental Instructions for Obtaining a Stay of Eviction
- amendments to require that a party's nonlawyer representative provide verification that s/he has personal knowledge of the subject matter of the litigation
- amendments to suggest an option for a defendant when a plaintiff cannot be located or otherwise be served with a request for entry of satisfaction of judgment; also amendment to Rule 402 to clarify the status of a judgment when a plaintiff has not executed upon it or entered it at a Common Pleas Court within five years
- establishment of procedures for the determination of abandoned manufactured homes as provided for in the 2012 amendments to the Manufactured Home Community Rights Act
- modification of the existing requirement that notations be made on the service copy of the complaint regarding the first class mailing date to the defendant, requiring instead that the notation be made on the docket

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2013:

- procedures for the withdrawal of complaints by plaintiffs and the settlement of actions by the parties, and clarification of the effect of withdrawals and settlements on the action
- use of electronic receipts in lieu of "greens cards" for certified or registered mail where elected and available; also, the use of commercial carriers in lieu of the United States Postal Service

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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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2013 Activities

Recommendations Adopted by the Supreme Court

The following recommendation was adopted by the Supreme Court in 2013:

- implementation of a data collection procedure for compliance with Office of Children and Families in the Court's program requirements

Recommendations Published for Comment

The following recommendations were published for comment in 2013:

- statewide uniform rules of procedure for orphans' court practice
- revisions to the Chapter 15 adoption rules, including implementation of post-adoption contact agreements set forth in previously enacted legislation

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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 2013, including a comparison with 2012's figures, can be found in Table 4.1.1. Chart 4.1.2 on page 51 details the percentage of those passing the bar since 2003 while Chart 4.1.3 on page 52 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		
2013 Applications processed		3,034
Sitting for February Exam		703
Change from 2012	39	5.87%
Persons passing February exam		426
Persons failing February exam		277
Passing Percentage		60.60%
2012 Passing Percentage		59.64%
Sitting for July exam		2,117
Change from 2012	40	1.93%
Persons passing July exam		1,637
Persons failing July exam		480
Passing Percentage		77.33%
2012 Passing percentage		77.32%
Applications for admission on motion		approx. 300
Applications for limited in-house counsel admission		64
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		5
Hearings held to appeal denial of admission		37

Table 4.1.1

2013 Activities

The board reviewed the subjects tested on the bar exam, assessing the appropriateness of the subjects. Included in this review were the results of a content validity study performed by the National Conference of Bar Examiners.

The board also reviewed the American Bar Association's (ABA) Commission on Ethics 20/20 proposals related to bar admission, specifically, the ABA's model rules for Practice Pending Admission and Registration of In-House Counsel.

In addition, the board reviewed New York's Pro Bono Requirement for Bar Admission as well as the work of a New Jersey working group studying the same issue. It declined to implement a similar rule for Pennsylvania.

In January the board voted to approve a reciprocal agreement with the state of Wyoming. Under the agreement attorneys who are admitted to the bar in Wyoming will be permitted to "motion-in" to Pennsylvania without taking the bar examination, provided that the attorney has actively practiced law for five of the previous seven years.

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 2013 exam, 89 percent of applicants registered for the CBT.

In November 2013 at the request of the Council of Bar Admission Administrators, BLE Executive Director Gicine Brignola spoke at the council's national conference, on the subject developing instructional videos. To date, BLE board staff have developed a proctor training video, an instructional video on the bar exam check-in process, and a video on how to use the new grading software program.

Ms. Brignola also served on the National Conference of Bar Examiners' Technology Committee.

In 2013 the board continued work 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 is working with developers from the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts (AOPC).

The board, in conjunction with AOPC Intergovernmental Relations staff, worked with Pennsylvania legislators to pass a bill to allow the Board of Law Examiners to require bar applicants to be fingerprinted for the purpose of criminal history checks by the Pennsylvania State Police and the FBI. The check would be used in an applicant's character and fitness investigation. Identical bills passed the Senate and the House of Representatives in late 2013.

In late 2012 and early 2013, the board purchased tablet computers with the Windows 8 operating system, for graders to use for scoring the bar exam performance test and essay answers. Windows 8 provided a platform that allowed the board's computer programmer to devise a touch-based application that simultaneously displays an applicant's answer as well as the grading rubric the examiner designed. Using the touch screen, graders are able to assign points as they read each answer.

2013 Rules Changes

Recommendation 1

Adoption of new rule, Pa. B.A.R. 206: Disqualification of an Applicant

The rule is intended to clearly define conduct that constitutes obvious cheating on the bar exam and to provide notice that an applicant who is found to have cheated will be disqualified from that exam and will not have his/her exam papers graded.

The text of the bill is available on the board's website at www.pabarexam.org/bar_admission_rules/206.htm.

Adopted 4-24-13

Effective 5-24-13

Recommendation 2

Amendment to Pa. B.A.R. 205: Admission of Foreign Attorneys and Graduates of Foreign Institutions

This amendment addresses the requirements for a graduate of a foreign law school to be eligible to sit for the Pennsylvania bar exam, making the requirements more flexible for foreign-educated attorneys while still maintaining the necessary qualifications. The amendment retains a legal practice, but allows the practice requirement to be met by practice in a foreign country or another state. In addition, the accredited law school credit requirement was reduced.

The text of the bill is available on the board's website at www.pabarexam.org/bar_admission_rules/205.htm.

Adopted 11-20-13

Effective 12-20-13

Amendment to Rule 301: Uniform Procedure for Pro Hac Vice Admissions

The board worked with the Civil Procedural Rules Committee to establish a uniform procedure for *pro hac vice* admissions in Pennsylvania. The bar admission rules were believed to be the best source for outlining the procedures. The amendment makes the procedure set forth in Pa.R.C.P. No. 1012.1 applicable to *pro hac vice* admission in all forums and includes a Note that explains the *pro hac vice* process.

The text of the bill is available on the board's website at www.pabarexam.org/bar_admission_rules/301.htm.

Adopted 12-10-13

Effective 2-10-14

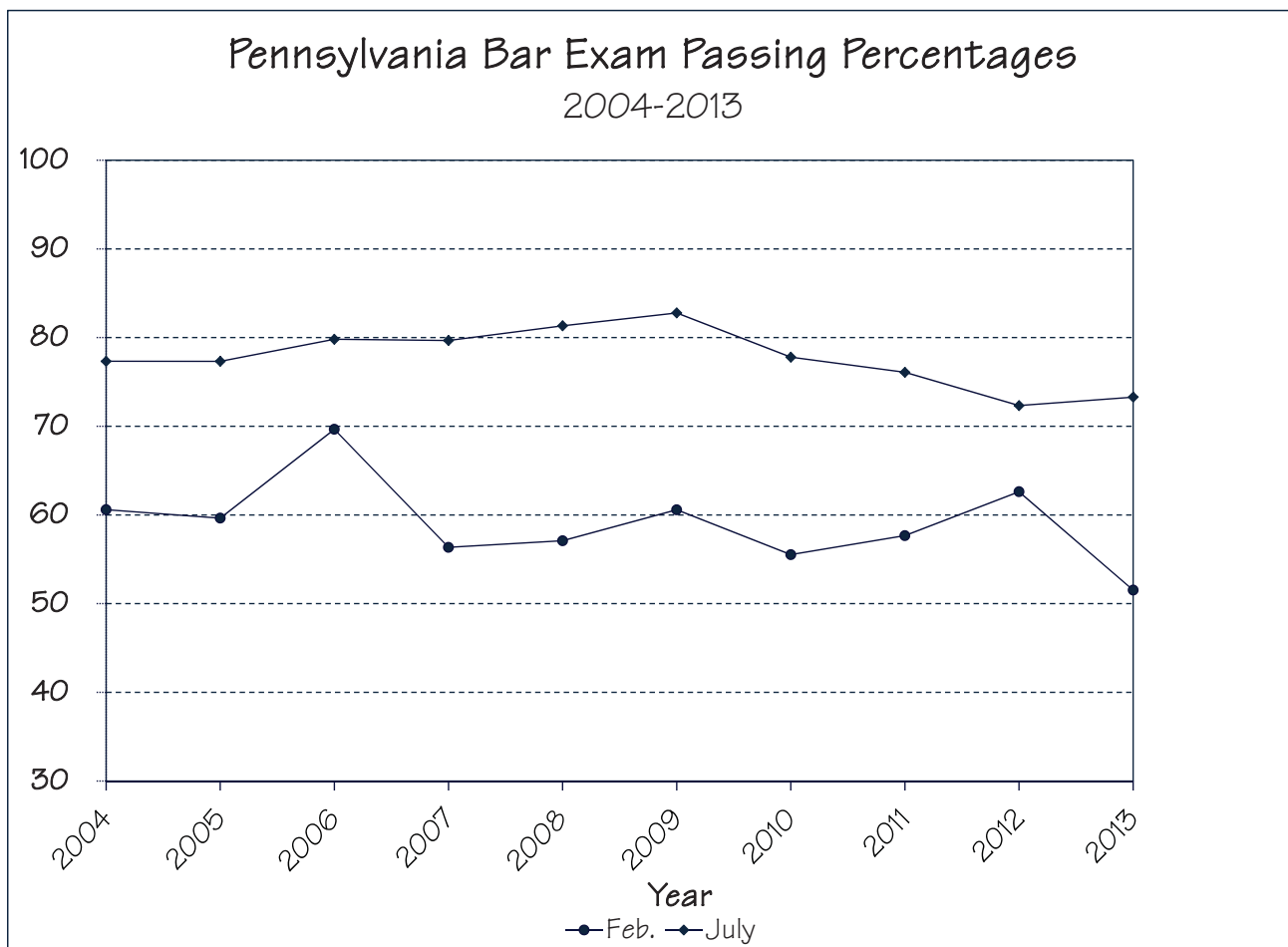


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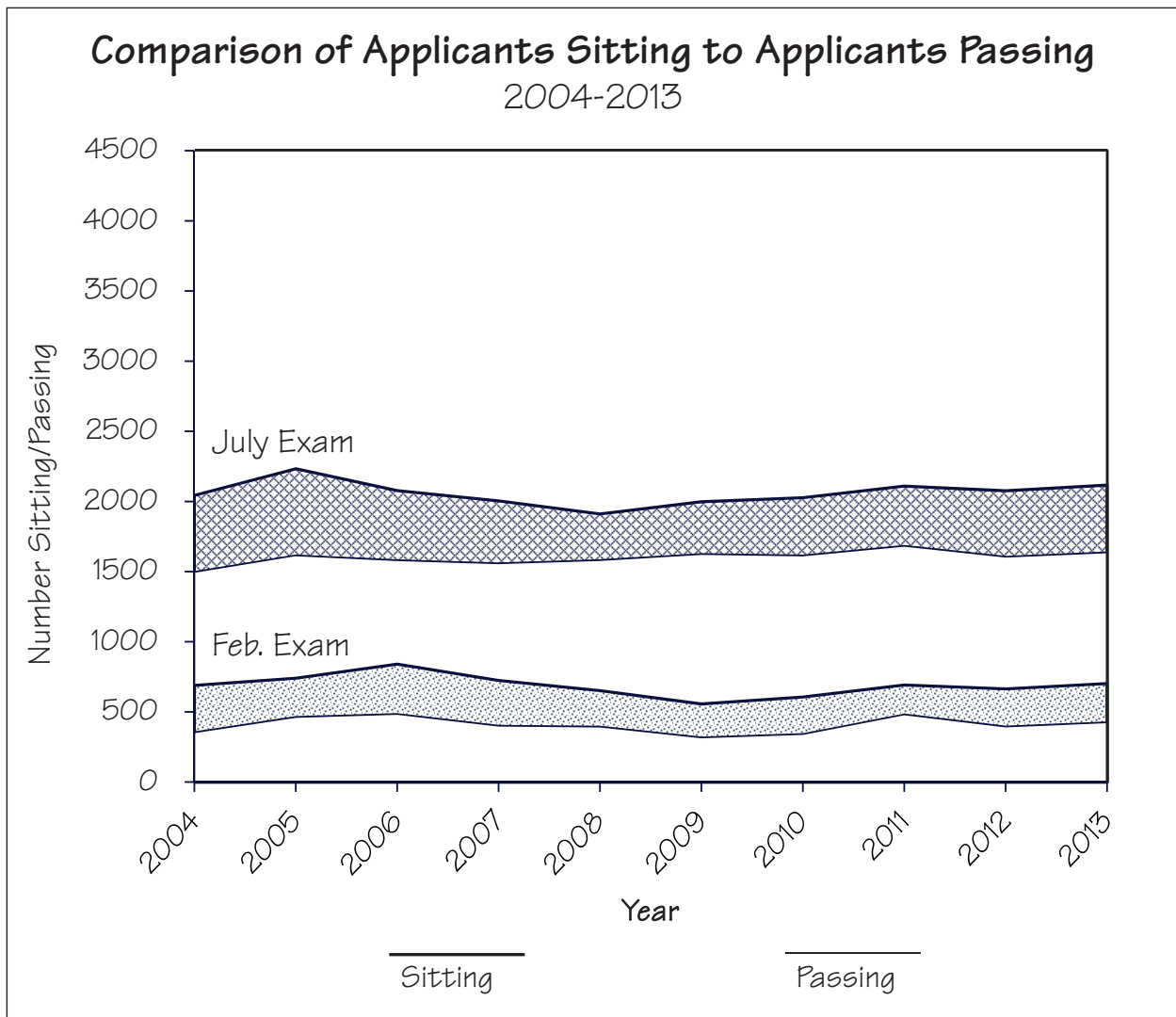


Table 4.1.3

2013 Membership

Civil Jury Instructions Subcommittee

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Legal Authorization

Pa. Constitution Article V, § 10(c)

About the Committee

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.

Committee

for

Proposed

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Committee Activities

Civil Instructions

In 2013 the subcommittee released a supplement to the *Pennsylvania Suggested Standard Civil Jury Instructions*, Fourth Edition. This new supplement introduces a new negligence sequence in Chapter 13, including three new verdict forms:

- 13.270: No Comparative Negligence Defense Asserted – Single Defendant
- 13.280: No Comparative Negligence Defense Asserted – Multiple Defendants
- 13.290: Comparative Negligence Defense Asserted – Single Defendant

In addition, many of the negligence instructions and subcommittee notes have been revised.

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 2013 the subcommittee continued its mission of updating the *Pennsylvania Suggested Standard Criminal Jury Instructions*, Second Edition (2005).

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 sub-committee 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.

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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.

2013 Board Actions and Operations Highlights

The board held three meetings in 2013.

A total of 33,195 accredited courses were offered by more than 2,000 providers.

Distance Learning

Lawyers have the option to complete up to four credits per compliance period via distance learning. Currently, 89 providers are approved to offer such programs. Approximately 17,000 programs are available.

Distance learning accounted for 9.6 percent of the total credits reported in 2013.

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. In 2013 the board accredited 40 capital counsel training programs, and 382 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 2013, 62 presentations were conducted, and 2,067 lawyers completed the program.

PA CLE Providers Conference

The 2013 Providers Conference was held June 14, 2013. Guest speaker Fred Fry, past president of the Connecticut Bar Association, presented "The Future of the Legal Profession." A panel discussion on ethics was also held and included Kenneth Hagreen, executive director of Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers; Professor Randy Lee from Widener University; Andrew Ottiger, Practising Law Institute MCLE accreditation director; and Katey Buggy, the CLE board's associate administrator. The panel was facilitated by Kathy Peifer of the Lawyers Fund for Client Security.

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 2013, 69 percent of compliance payments were made in this manner. More than 160 providers filed payments through ACH.

Automated System for Accredited Providers (ASAP)

The board continued to provide training and technical support to over 350 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 2013, 83 percent of credit hours were reported electronically.

Attorney Compliance

Lawyer compliance rates with CLE requirements remain high, at 99.6 percent for 2013. Table 4.3.1 on page 60 shows compliance data for each compliance group since continuing legal education for attorneys was mandated in 1992.

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 a member of the Management Committee. Associate Administrator Katey Buggy, also an association past president (2008), serves as chair of the Management Committee and as a member of the Membership Committee.

Two meetings were held in 2013.

National Mandatory Continuing Legal Education (MCLE) Working Group

Dan Levering continued to serve on a national working group dedicated to the advancement of MCLE. The group includes representatives from law schools, law firms, bar associations, and legal education regulators and providers.

Current efforts are focused on developing accreditation standards for distance learning programs and on reviewing competency-based education strategies for legal education.

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
12-13	21,365	21,302	63	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
				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)				
06-07	19,934	19,842	92	99.5
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
12-13	21,514	21,434	80	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
12-13	20,857	20,753	104	99.5

Table 4.3.1, cont'd.

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** Appointed chair 4-1-13

+ Appointed vice chair 4-1-13

++ Resigned 6-30-13

Resigned 9-30-13

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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 2013 can be found in Table 4.4.1 to the right.

The Disciplinary Board met five times in 2013. 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 2013 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 2013 can be found in Chart 4.4.5 on page 70.

2013 Statistics	
Attorneys	63,633*
Change from 2012	1.48%
<i>*This figure does not include 10,634 inactive paid paid attorneys.</i>	
Complaints filed with board	4,316
Change from 2012	(5.43%)
Pending at start of 2013	906
Complaints disposed of	4,281
Total complaints resulting in discipline	230
Total pending at end of 2013	727

Table 4.4.1

Rules Committee

The following rules changes became effective in 2013:

Pa.R.D.E. 219(a) and 502(b) and R.P.C. 1.15(u): Amendment to direct that the change of the annual fee allocations to \$130 for the Disciplinary Board, \$35 for the Pennsylvania Lawyers Fund for Client Security and \$35 for the Interest on Lawyers Trust Account Board, which were approved on April 9, 2012, would remain in effect for the 2013-14 assessment year. Adopted 2-12-13, effective with the 2013-14 assessment year.

R.P.C. 1.0, 1.1, 1.4, 1.6, 1.17, 1.18, 4.4, 5.3, 5.5, 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3: Amendments to address the need for changes in Detection of Conflicts of Interest, Outsourcing, Technology and Client Development, and Technology and Confidentiality. Adopted 10-22-13, effective 11-21-13.

The following recommendation was published for comment in 2013:

R.P.C. 1.0, 1.1, 1.4, 1.6, 1.17, 1.18, 4.4, 5.3, 5.5, 7.1, 7.2 and 7.3: Amendments relating to changes recommended by the ABA Commission on Ethics 20/20.

In May 2013 the Pennsylvania Bar Association sent to the board and the Supreme Court

2013 Executive Session Results	
Action	Total
Adjudications involving formal charges	35
Board referrals to Supreme Court, including report and recommendation for public discipline	26
Oral arguments before three-member panels of board members	6
Recommendations for summary private reprimands, considered by three-member panels	7
Recommendations for summary public reprimands, considered by three-member panels	6
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	11
Hearing before one board member on a probation violation	1
Hearing before one board member for emergency temporary suspension	1
Hearing before one board member on a petition to dissolve a temporary suspension	1
Petitions for reinstatement to active status of attorneys inactive more than three years with no discipline involved, reviewed and approved	75

Table 4.4.2

a proposal to amend R.P.C. 5.5 and 8.5. Upon closer review the board realized the changes to Rule 5.5(d)(1) would be inconsistent with Pa.B.A.R. 302 as Rule 5.5 recognizes licensure of foreign attorneys as in-house

counsel while Rule 302 does not. As a result, the board asked the bar association to coordinate the proposed changes with the Pennsylvania Board of Law Examiners to eliminate the inconsistencies.

Education Committee

The Education Committee designed the program for the board’s educational meeting in July 2013. The committee’s topics for discussion included

- conservatorships and whether rules should be adopted regarding file retention and establishment of a succession plan by attorneys
- a review of the history of the Braun standard (*Office of Disciplinary Council v. Braun* [553 A.2d 894 (Pa. 1989)]), a defense offering mitigating circumstances due to psychiatric illness. The review included a presentation by board member Patricia M. Hastie on personality disorders and how they are used to meet the Braun standard.

- a presentation by board member Douglas W. Leonard on what motivates people and how the board could use this as an effective tool in determining appropriate discipline

The board was joined at its retreat by Supreme Court Justices J. Michael Eakin, Max Baer and Debra Todd.

The Education Committee also designed the program used at the training session and refresher course for all Hearing Committee members, held in October 2013 in Hershey. Justice Eakin spoke on the role the Supreme Court has in the disciplinary process. Mark F. Flaherty, co-chair of the Pennsylvania Bar Association Lawyers’ Assistance Committee, discussed the role the assistance committee plays in finding sobriety monitors for attorneys placed on substance abuse probation, the difference between the roles of the committee and Lawyers Concerned for Lawyers, and the part alcoholism plays in the disciplinary system.

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 speaker Ellen C. Brotman, Esq. brought perspective from respondents’ counsel.

The program was attended by 41 Hearing Committee members and board members.

2013 Joint Petitions	
Action	Total
Joint Petitions in Support of Discipline on Consent filed	28
Petitions filed prior to scheduled disciplinary hearings	16
Petitions approved	19
Private discipline	4
Public discipline	14
Petitions denied	6
Petitions not yet final as of December 31	3

Table 4.4.3

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, 2013, 52 senior members, 57 experienced members and 41 new members were serving on a *pro bono* basis to conduct hearings.

Miscellaneous

The Communications Committee worked with the board's communications firm to update and distribute the Disciplinary Board informational brochure, both in English and in Spanish. Copies of the brochure were sent to more than 1400 organizations in Pennsylvania.

In 2013 the board approved an upgrade to its case management system software, which was 20 to 25 years old, as well as new scanners for the chief counsel's office and each of the district offices.

The board also approved the purchase of a document management system for the Office of Disciplinary Counsel. Upon extensive research, including visits to attorney discipline offices in Illinois and Colorado, the board chose a custom software solution. Custom software enables the board to design a system that specifically meets the needs of the board and Office of Disciplinary Counsel staff. The software is expected to be up and running by the end of 2014.

In accordance with the amendments to Rule 219(f) that took effect July 1, 2013, the Finance & Pension Committee recommended and the board approved the assessment of a \$150.00 late fee for any attorney who had not completed annual registration by July 31 and another \$150.00 fee for any attorney who had not completed registration by August 31.

The 2013-14 fiscal year saw 32 percent of attorneys completing their registrations online, a slight increase from the prior year. Improvements were made to the online registration system and more improvements are planned for fiscal year 2014-15. Efforts will be made in 2014 to encourage more law firms to use the online payment option.

In February 2013, board members R. Burke McLemore Jr. and Douglas W. Leonard, board secretary Elaine Bixler and assistant secretary Marcee Sloan attended the Tenth Annual Meeting of the National Council of Lawyer Disciplinary Boards in Dallas, Texas.

Disciplinary Board Actions 1973-2013											
Disciplinary Cases								Reinstatement Cases			
Year	Informal	Private	Public	Public				Total	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

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Table 4.4.4

Disciplinary Board Actions 1973-2013, continued											
Disciplinary Cases									Reinstatement Cases		
	Informal	Private	Public		Public				Petitions	Petitions	
Year	Admonition	Reprimand	Reprimand	Probation	Censure	Suspension	Disbarment	Total	Granted	Denied	Total
2011	75	19		15	3	49	32	193	105	2	107
2012	56	15	9	11	5	50	36	182	88	2	90
2013	48	13	9	8	1	32*	40+	151	80#	2▲	82
Total	3,580	934	18	208	124	986	1,100	6,950	1,654	65	1,719

* This figure includes 13 suspensions on consent (Rule 215 Pa.R.D.E.), but does not include four temporary suspensions (Rule 214 Pa.R.D.E.) or eight temporary suspensions (Rule 208(f) Pa.R.D.E.).

+ This figure includes 20 disbarments on consent (Rule 215 Pa.R.D.E.).

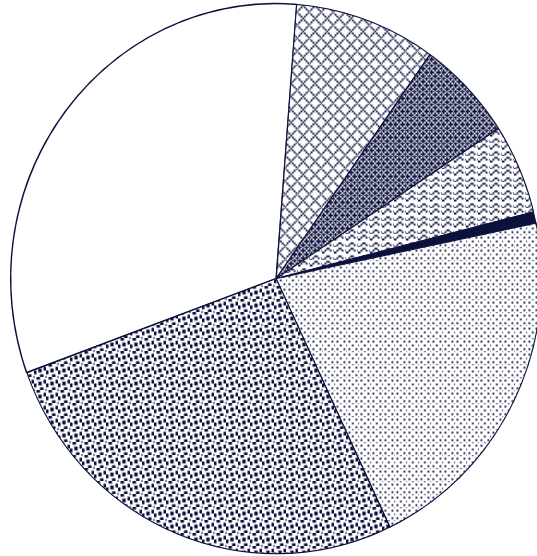
This figure includes reinstatement to active status of 69 attorneys who had been inactive, retired or administratively suspended for three or more years; eight reinstatements after suspensions and three reinstatements after disbarment.

▲ This figure includes one reinstatement request denied after the attorney had been inactive three or more years and one reinstatement request denied after the attorney had been suspension.

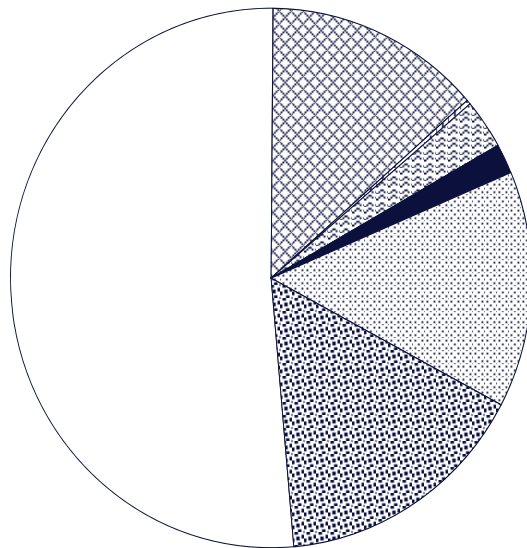
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Disciplinary Board Actions Comparison

2013



1973-2013



- Informal Admonition ▨ Private Reprimand ▩ Public Reprimand ▪ Probation
- Public Censure ▫ Suspension ▬ Disbarment

Table 4.4.5

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Stephanie Libhart, *Assistant Director**

- * Appointed executive director 3-6-13
- ** Term expired 9-1-13
- + Appointed chair 9-1-13
- ++ Appointed vice chair 9-1-13
- # Resigned 3-27-14

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 \$600,000 for fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, and for each of the next three 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. The original grant ended on December 31, 2013. A new three-year grant in the amount of \$1,050,858 will take effect on January 1, 2014.

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. Class action disbursements received during fiscal year ended June 30, 2014, totaled \$2,282,191.

Fiscal Year 2013-14 Statistics

Revenues

IOLTA & MJ-IOTA, net	\$ 3,136,466
Access to Justice Act	9,771,547
Attorney Assessment	2,236,540
<i>Pro Hac Vice</i>	270,000
<i>Pro Bono</i> Contributions	38,161
Class Action Residuals	2,282,191
Homeowner Assistance Settlement Act	600,000
Other	274,798
Total	\$18,609,703

Grants for Services

Legal Service Organizations	\$ 14,397,512
Pennsylvania Law Schools	1,600,000
<i>Pro Bono</i> Grants	50,500
Total	\$16,048,012

The largest grant, \$12,126,691, was awarded to the Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network, which is an administrative and support organization that oversees a statewide system of legal aid programs.

An additional grant of \$186,198 was made to the Loan Repayment Assistance Program, bringing the total of all grants allotted to \$16,234,210.

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

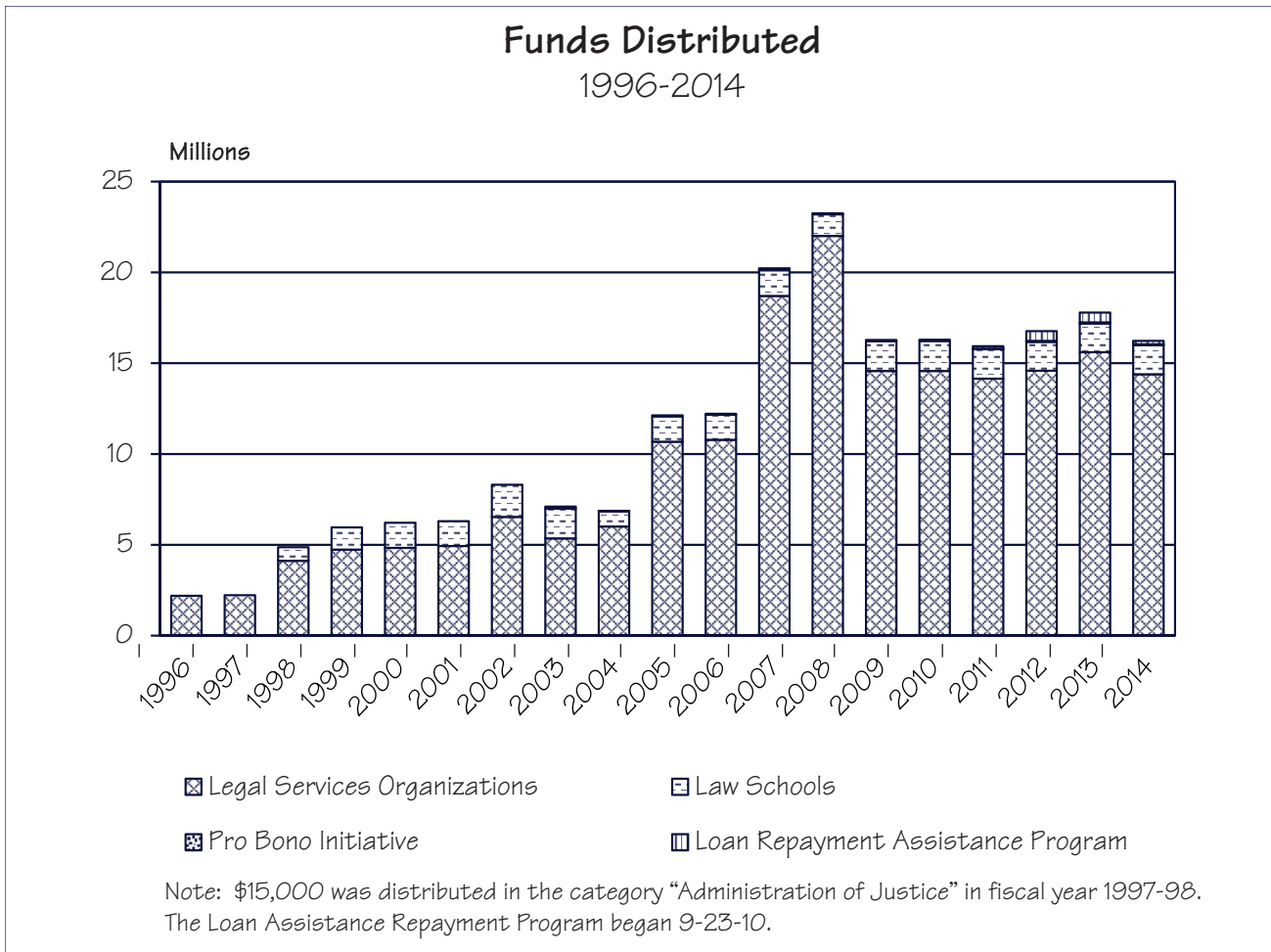


Table 4.5.1

2014 Membership

John T. Robinson, *Chair*
Honorable Richard G. King, *Vice Chair, Secretary*
Honorable Nathan N. Firestone
Honorable Samuel Magaro
Honorable Fred B. Miller
Honorable James K. Reiley
Barbara A. Zemlock, Esq.

Staff

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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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2013 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
- Civil Update
- Bail in Domestic Violence Cases & Protection from Abuse
- Ethics
- Elder Law
- Overweight Vehicles
- Driver Records Update
- Realigning a District Court
- Criminal Law Update
- MDJS Technical Update
- Help Desk Q & A
- Legal Advice vs. Procedural Information
- Contempt, Community Service & Fringe Groups
- Search Warrants in the Clouds – SORNA (The New Megan’s Law) & Evidence
- The Darker Side of Social Networking & Its Effect on the Criminal Justice System

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 Motor Vehicle Code Update
- Dealing with Difficult People
- Ethics and Professionalism
- Ethics
- Overweight Vehicles
- Driver Records
- Traffic Court Administration
- Evidence
- The Darker Side of Social Networking and Its Effect on the Criminal Justice System

Philadelphia Arraignment Court Magistrates

- Defender Association
- Ethics
- Bail in Domestic Violence Cases & Protection from Abuse
- District Attorney Session
- The Darker Side of Social Networking & Its Effect on the Criminal Justice System
- Criminal Law Update
- Search Warrants in the Clouds – SORNA (The New Megan’s Law) & Evidence

2013 Statistics

MJEB statistics for 2013 can be found in the chart below.

2013 Educational Statistics	
Continuing education to magisterial district judges & sr. magisterial district judges	614
Continuing legal education to attorney magisterial district judges & sr. magisterial district judges	139
Magisterial district judge recertification	19
Certification classes to prospective magisterial district judges	45
Number certified	24
Certification of prospective Philadelphia Traffic Court judges	4
Certification of prospective Philadelphia arraignment court magistrates	1

Table 4.6.1

2013 Membership

Edwin H. Beachler III, Esq., *Board Chair*
Grace R. Schuyler, Esq., *Vice Chair*
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Daniel I. Booker, Esq.
Robert A. Gleason Jr.
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Stefanie J. Salavantis, Esq.

Staff

Kathryn J. Peifer, Esq., *Executive Director*
Lisa A. Watkins, Esq., *Counsel*
Susan L. Erdman, *Administrative Assistant*

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 2013-14) 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 2013-14 Claims Statistics

Statistics for the 2013-14 fiscal year can be found in Table 4.7.1. Chart 4.7.2 on page 82 is a breakdown of amounts claimed by category. Chart 4.7.3 on page 83 gives comparisons of claims awarded versus claims rejected, both in terms of numbers and dollar amounts. Chart 4.7.4 on page 84 is a comparison of claims awarded, rejected and discontinued, both cumulatively and in 2013-14.

2013-14 Claims Statistics		
Claims	No.	Amount
Received	282*	\$29,585,329
	<i>*77 in excess of \$100,000 limit</i>	
Awarded	117	2,372,002
Rejected	60	17,075,295
Discontinued	11	836,879
Total	188	\$20,284,176
Pending	394	\$31,525,860

Note: Another 49 claims were determined to be compensable; however, as of the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 2014, the amounts of the awards had yet to be determined. The claims all pertained to Pa.R.D.E. 514(b), regarding the \$1 million maximum disbursement per attorney.

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 2013-14 the fund awarded \$1,814,094 in this category, 76.48 percent of its total award dollars, settling 41 claims. Approximately 47.19 percent of these funds went to former clients of one attorney. The 49 claims noted in Table 4.7.1 are all trust-related claims.

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 \$333,168 were paid in FY 2013-14. Of this, \$254,451 were paid as a result of one attorney's actions.

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 \$114,660 in FY 2013-14. Of this amount, \$32,968 were paid to former clients of one attorney who handled patent matters before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office despite never having been licensed as a patent attorney.

Nonperformance* - The acceptance of unearned fees or retainers represented the third largest category in which funds were awarded in FY 2013-14, with claimants receiving \$110,080.

*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.

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

2013-14 Activities

County Bench, Bar Meetings

The board met in Hershey, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh in FY 2013-14.

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 2013-14, the fund recovered \$171,933 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 2013-14 the fund received 267 overdraft notices. Fifteen notices were pending. Of the 282 notices, 230 were reviewed and dismissed, and 31 were referred to the Office of Disciplinary Counsel. Five notices were sent to other states for appropriate review. Sixteen 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 2013-14 \$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.

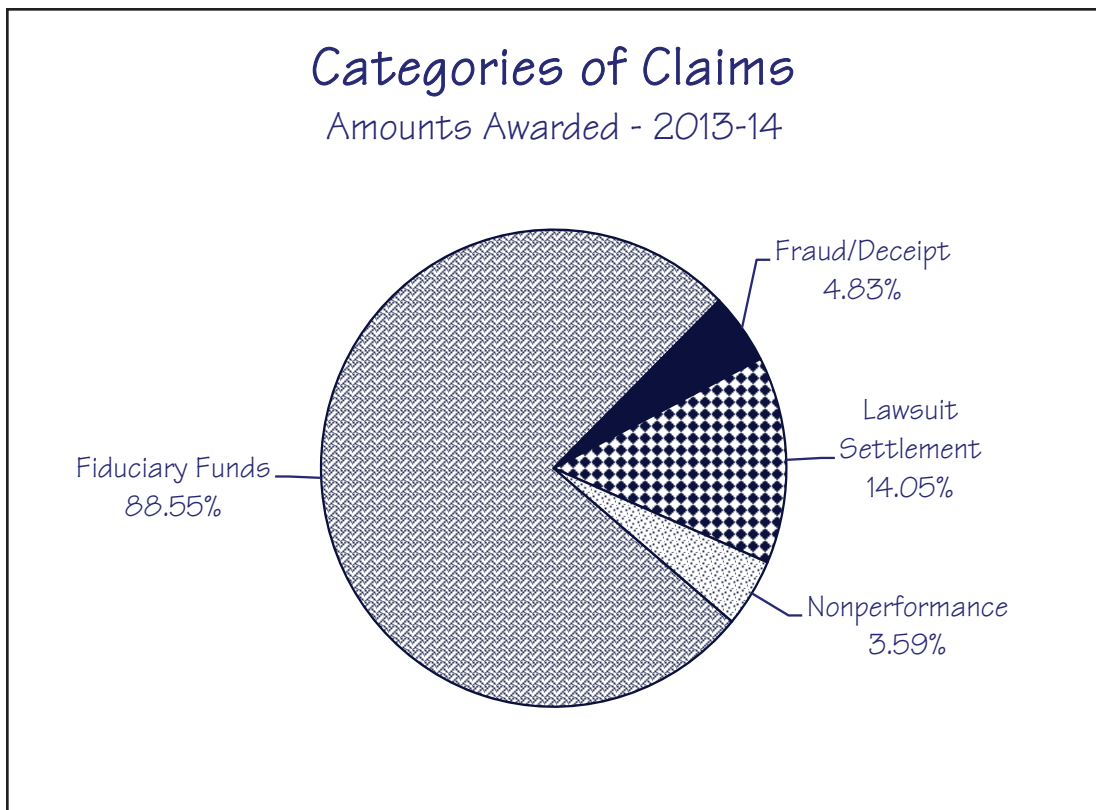


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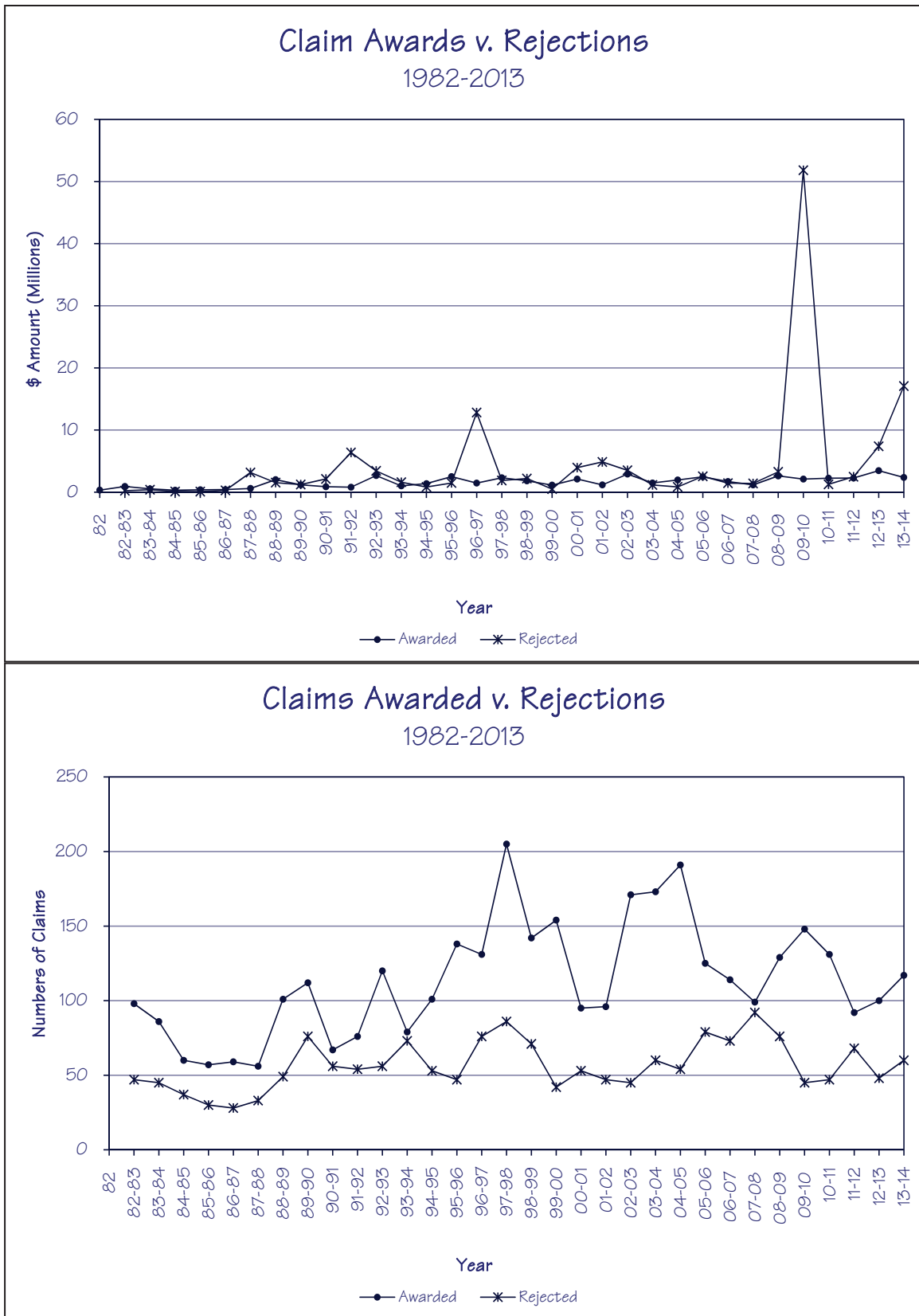
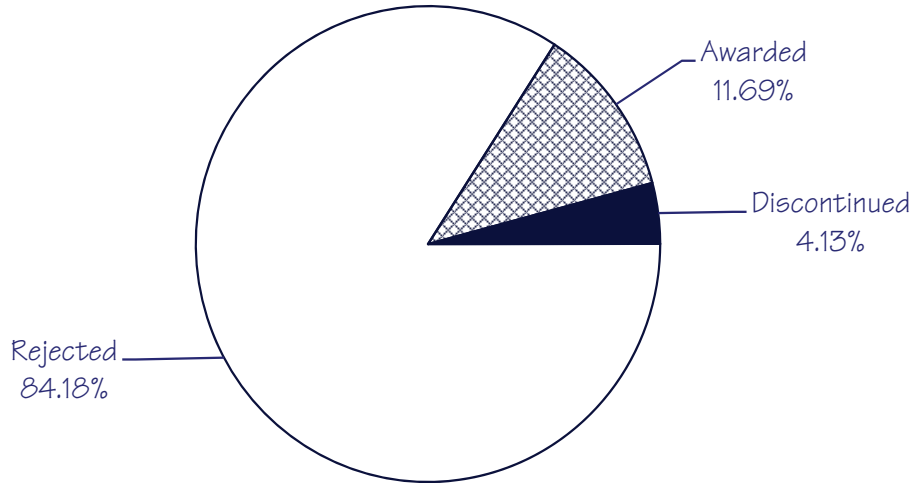


Table 4.7.3

Comparison of Claim Dispositions

Amounts Awarded - 2013-14



Amounts Awarded - Cumulative

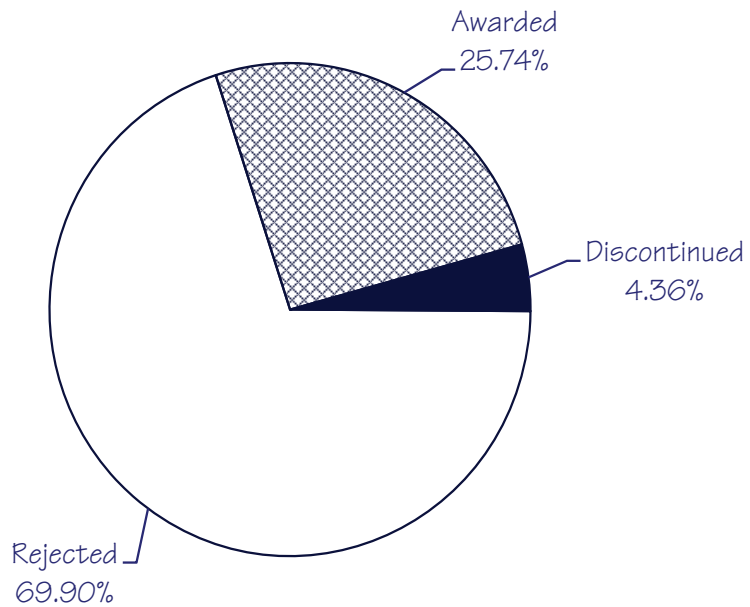


Table 4.7.4

Of the total state government expenditures for fiscal year (FY) 2013-14 administrative costs for the judiciary amounted to approximately one-half of one percent. Table 5.1 on page 87 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 88 provides a breakdown of the state appropriations for FY 2013-14.

In FY 2013-14, the judiciary saved more than \$11.6 million through a variety of measures, including not making appointments – at the request of the chief justice – to fill judge vacancies, a reduction of 18 magisterial district judge offices to date, and contributions toward health care costs to name just a few.

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 the Courts of Common Pleas. Reimbursement is based on a statutory rate of \$70,000 for each authorized Common Pleas judge position,

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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 2013-14 allowed payment of the grant at the rate of \$68,686.

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 91 identifies the amounts of reimbursement provided to each county, by grant program, for FY 2013-14.

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 94, 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 provided to the Supreme Court to supplement judiciary state appropriations. The surcharge generated \$24.097 million in FY 2013-14.

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 2013-14		
<i>General, Special Federal & Other Funds Expenditures</i>		
Branch	\$ Amount (Thousands)	Percent of Total
Executive	66,999,671	98.99
Legislative	277,589	0.41
Judicial	367,485	0.54
Judicial - County Reimbursement for Courts	36,900	0.06
Total	67,681,645	

Totals shown exclude capital budget.

Note: The governor’s budget showed FY 2013-14 funds available to the judiciary as \$376,139,000. Actual total available funds, with \$24,097,000 of Act 49 of 2009 revenues, augmentations of \$4,292,000 and \$57,048,000 of restricted receipts were \$404,150,000.

Source: FY 2013-14 Governor’s Recommended Budget

Table 5.1

Appropriations	
Appropriation	2013-14 (thousands)
Supreme Court*	\$13,636
Justices' Expenses	118
Rules Committees	1,491
Judicial Council	141
Interbranch Commission	308
Superior Court*	27,024
Judges' Expenses	183
Commonwealth Court*	16,404
Judges' Expenses	132
Court Administrator*	9,953
Court Improvement Program** (F)	1,100
Specialty Courts IT Project+ (F)	136
Veterans Court Process Evaluation++ (F)	200
Pennsylvania Weighted Caseload Project-CP# (F)	80
Pennsylvania Judicial Center	675
District Court Administrators*	17,276
Court Management Education	73
Unified Judicial System Security##	2,002
Statewide Judicial Computer System▲ (R)	57,048
Integrated Criminal Justice System	2,372
Courts of Common Pleas*	100,636
Common Pleas Senior Judges*	3,715
Common Pleas Judicial Education	1,138
Problem-Solving Courts	103
Ethics Committee of the Pennsylvania Conference of State Trial Judges	57
Magisterial District Judges*	73,522
Magisterial District Judge Education*	671
Philadelphia Municipal Court*	5,918
Philadelphia Traffic Court▲▲	939

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Table 5.2

Appropriations, continued	
Appropriation	2013-14 (thousands)
County Court Reimbursement	34,407
Senior Judge Support Reimbursement	1,375
Juror Cost Reimbursement	1,118
Judicial Conduct Board	1,577
Court of Judicial Discipline*	468
State Funds	317,432
(F) Federal Funds	1,516
(R) Restricted Receipts	57,048
Total	\$375,996
<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 2013-14, \$24.097 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 dependency cases.</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 extended through December 31, 2013. In May 2013 the grant was reduced to \$313,789. Although \$279,000 was appropriated in FY 2013-14, only the grant balance of \$136,136 was available to use during the fiscal year.</p>	
<p>++ The Veterans Court Process Evaluation appropriation consists of a \$200,000 federal grant to undertake a thorough process evaluation of Pennsylvania's veterans courts. The grant period began September 1, 2012, and extends through August 31, 2015. The unspent funds during FY 2013-14 of \$197,000 have been carried over and appropriated for FY 2014-15.</p>	
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Table 5.2, cont'd.

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, 2014, no funds had been spent. Unspent funds during FY 2013-14 have been appropriated for FY 2014-15.
- ## The FY 2013-14 UJS Security appropriation was provided in the form of a continuing appropriation.
- ▲ The Statewide Judicial Computer System is funded through a restricted revenue 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. The amount appropriated in FY 2013-14 was \$57.048 million. The funds drawn from the restricted revenue account were augmented by \$414,431 from miscellaneous revenues, including fees charged to users for information generated by the Magisterial District Judge System, \$1,490,172 from online payment fees and \$81,050 from fees imposed by Act 119 of 1996 (Jen and Dave's Law). The total amount available to the Judicial Computer System in FY 2013-14 was \$59,033,653.
- ▲▲ In accordance with Act 17 of 2013, effective June 19, 2013, functions and judges of the Philadelphia Traffic Court were reassigned to the newly-created traffic division of the Philadelphia Municipal Court. Accordingly, the \$939,000 appropriation for the Traffic Court was transferred to the Municipal Court.

Table 5.2, cont'd.

County Reimbursements for Courts FY 2013-14				
COUNTY	JUROR COST	COUNTY COURT	SENIOR JUDGE	TOTAL
Adams	\$297.94	\$274,744.00	\$25.00	\$275,066.94
Allegheny	71,415.85	2,953,498.00	149,961.00	3,174,874.85
Armstrong	0.00	137,372.00	2,913.00	140,285.00
Beaver	5,289.47	480,802.00	10,952.00	497,043.47
Bedford	336.71	137,372.00	0.00	137,708.71
Berks	15,029.63	892,918.00	104,191.00	1,012,138.63
Blair	6,988.97	343,430.00	16,116.00	366,534.97
Bradford	329.91	137,372.00	18,490.00	156,191.91
Bucks	38,486.75	892,918.00	10,594.00	941,998.75
Butler	966.49	412,116.00	169.00	413,251.49
Cambria	5,663.88	343,430.00	25,422.00	374,515.88
Cameron	0.00	9,616.00	60.00	9,676.00
Carbon	2,207.52	206,058.00	260.00	208,525.52
Centre	490.47	274,744.00	5,461.00	280,695.47
Chester	25,725.03	892,918.00	66,642.00	985,285.03
Clarion	375.49	68,686.00	3,467.00	72,528.49
Clearfield	994.27	137,372.00	0.00	138,366.27
Clinton	0.00	137,372.00	0.00	137,372.00
Columbia	0.00	108,524.00	844.00	109,368.00
Crawford	1,323.29	206,058.00	1,053.00	208,434.29
Cumberland	7,035.49	412,116.00	9,238.00	428,389.49
Dauphin	10,736.65	686,860.00	428.00	698,024.65
Delaware	23,921.93	1,373,720.00	113,087.00	1,510,728.93
Elk	316.31	59,070.00	2,559.00	61,945.31
Erie	3,644.40	618,174.00	0.00	621,818.40
Fayette	3,157.80	343,430.00	78,484.00	425,071.80
Forest	0.00	21,980.00	162.00	22,142.00
Franklin	3,526.87	312,521.00	28,063.00	344,110.87
Fulton	0.00	30,909.00	0.00	30,909.00
Greene	6,675.99	137,372.00	0.00	144,047.99
Huntingdon	0.00	68,686.00	0.00	68,686.00
Indiana	965.81	206,058.00	0.00	207,023.81
Jefferson	0.00	68,686.00	0.00	68,686.00
Juniata	0.00	48,080.00	0.00	48,080.00
Lackawanna	2,694.75	618,174.00	97,117.00	717,985.75
Lancaster	15,762.57	1,030,290.00	1,077.00	1,047,129.57
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Table 5.3

County Reimbursements for Courts, continued				
FY 2013-14				
COUNTY	JUROR COST	COUNTY COURT	SENIOR JUDGE	TOTAL
Lawrence	4,502.69	274,744.00	14,569.00	293,815.69
Lebanon	2,232.74	274,744.00	0.00	276,976.74
Lehigh	28,195.06	686,860.00	36,126.00	751,181.06
Luzerne	9,641.76	686,860.00	128,666.00	825,167.76
Lycoming	1,736.64	343,430.00	1,141.00	346,307.64
McKean	0.00	137,372.00	8,837.00	146,209.00
Mercer	6,363.04	274,744.00	26,041.00	307,148.04
Mifflin	0.00	137,372.00	555.00	137,927.00
Monroe	6,858.90	412,116.00	2,344.00	421,318.90
Montgomery	37,710.52	1,579,778.00	45,485.00	1,662,973.52
Montour	294.28	28,848.00	50.00	29,192.28
Northampton	24,064.84	618,174.00	13,415.00	655,653.84
Northumberland	0.00	206,058.00	563.00	206,621.00
Perry	0.00	89,292.00	0.00	89,292.00
Philadelphia	529,662.10	9,886,098.00	227,545.00	10,643,305.10
Pike	0.00	137,372.00	0.00	137,372.00
Potter	0.00	68,686.00	4,981.00	73,667.00
Schuylkill	1,919.90	412,116.00	6,801.00	420,836.90
Snyder	4,059.56	64,565.00	8,020.00	76,644.56
Somerset	312.90	206,058.00	343.00	206,713.90
Sullivan	0.00	13,050.00	0.00	13,050.00
Susquehanna	429.63	68,686.00	232.00	69,347.63
Tioga	0.00	68,686.00	242.00	68,928.00
Union	2,325.47	72,807.00	5,170.00	80,302.47
Venango	3,809.60	137,372.00	12,315.00	153,496.60
Warren	0.00	115,392.00	4,151.00	119,543.00
Washington	6,732.45	412,116.00	1,397.00	420,245.45
Wayne	0.00	68,686.00	6,917.00	75,603.00
Westmoreland	18,233.97	755,546.00	32,303.00	806,082.97
Wyoming	0.00	55,636.00	4,353.00	59,989.00
York	14,553.71	1,030,290.00	35,603.00	1,080,446.71
Transfer to JCS	160,000.00	0.00	0.00	160,000.00
TOTAL	\$1,118,000.00	\$34,407,000.00	\$1,375,000.00	\$36,900,000.00

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Table 5.3, cont'd.

County Reimbursements for Courts, continued
FY 2013-14

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 2013-14 the reimbursement was paid at a rate of \$68,686 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 paid 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.

The statutory authorization for this grant, Act 37 of 2007, imposes two caps on county reimbursements. The first limits each county's payment to 20 percent of the total amount appropriated. This cap affected only Philadelphia's payment in FY 2013-14. The second cap limits the total county reimbursements to the amount appropriated. For calendar year 2013, the total reimbursement qualifying for payment totaled \$1,661,763, which exceeded the appropriation amount of \$1,375,000 by \$286,763. Accordingly, the grant payment to each county was proportionally reduced by 17.2566 percent, (i.e., each county received 82.7434 percent of its qualified reimbursement) so that the total of all grants did not exceed the appropriation.

Table 5.3, cont'd.

Fees That Support State Operations	
Appropriation	2013-14
	(thousands)
Supreme Court	\$418
Pa. Board of Law Examiners	2,103
Judicial Computer System*	1,939
Superior Court	189
Commonwealth Court	148
Magisterial District Judge Education	22
Court Administrator	48
Act 49 Fees**	24,097
Total	\$28,964
<p>* Includes revenues collected under Act 119 of 1996 (Jen & Dave's Law). These collections provided \$81,000 to support the "Jen/Dave" functions during FY 2013-14. The remainder was derived from public access fees of \$368,000 levied on nongovernmental users of information captured by the Magisterial District Judge System and online payment fees of \$1,490,000.</p> <p>** Revenues generated by the Act 49 surcharge used to help close shortfalls in state funding among the various judiciary appropriations during FY 2013-14.</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
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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
2013**

Supreme Court Justices

Complement 7

Castille, Ronald D.
Chief Justice

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

McCaffery, Seamus P.
Orie Melvin, Joan*
Stevens, Correale F.**

* Resigned 5-1-13
** Appointed 6-30-13

Superior Court Judges

Complement 15

Stevens, Correale F.*
President Judge

Bender, John T.**
President Judge

Gantman, Susan Peikes#
President Judge

Ford Elliott, Kate
Bowes, Mary Jane
Panella, Jack A.
Donohue, Christine L.
Shogan, Jacqueline O.

Mundy, Sallie Updyke
Olson, Judith Ference
Ott, Paula Francisco

Allen, Cheryl Lynn
Lazarus, Anne E.

Wecht, David N.
Stabile, Victor P.+
Jenkins, Patricia H.++

* Appointed to Supreme Court 6-30-13; resigned 7-29-13
** Elected acting president judge effective 8-13-13; president judge term expired 1-6-14
+ Elected 11-5-13
++ Appointed 12-10-13
Elected president judge effective 1-7-14

Commonwealth Court Judges

Complement 9

Pellegrini, Dante R.
President Judge

McGinley, Bernard L.
Leadbetter, Bonnie Brigance
Cohn Jubelirer, Renée
Simpson, Robert, Jr.

Leavitt, Mary Hannah
Brobson, P. Kevin
McCullough, Patricia A.
Covey, Anne E.

Appellate

Court

Jurists

(As of 6-30-14)

**Senior
Appellate
Court
Judges**

Superior Court Senior Judges

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

- * Allegheny County senior Common Pleas Court judge assigned to Superior Court
- ** Allegheny County senior Common Pleas Court judge assigned to Superior Court; retired 12-31-13
- + Lehigh County senior Common Pleas Court judge assigned to Superior Court
- ++ 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
- ** Cumberland County senior Common Pleas Court judge; sits on occasion in Commonwealth Court

ADAMS COUNTY (51)

Complement 4

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

* Resigned as president judge
 1-1-13

** Appointed president judge effective
 1-1-13

ALLEGHENY COUNTY (05)

Complement 43

McDaniel, Donna Jo##
Manning, Jeffrey A.▲

Administrative Judges

Cashman, David R.◆
 Clark, Kim Berkeley**
 Folino, Ronald W.▼▼
 Hens-Greco, Kathryn M.*
 O'Brien, W. Terrence▼
 O'Toole, Lawrence J.

Bicket, Alexander P.
 Bigley, Kelly Eileen
 Borkowski, Edward J.
 Bubash, Cathleen Cawood
 Bush, Eleanor L.++

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.
 Hertzberg, Alan David
 Ignelzi, Philip Anthony

James, Joseph M.+
 Klein, Arnold I.
 Lazzara, Beth A.
 Luty, 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.
 Satler, Jennifer A.++
 Todd, Randal B.

Tranquilli, Mark V.++
 Walko, Donald R., Jr.
 Ward, Christine A.
 Ward, William F.#
 Williams, Joseph K., III

Woodruff, Dwayne D.
 Zottola, John A.

* Administrative judge term expired
 4-17-13

** Appointed administrative judge of
 family division effective 4-18-13

+ Resigned 6-30-13

++ Elected 11-5-13

Defeated for election 11-5-13;
 term expired 1-5-14; reappointed
 6-30-14

President judge term expired
 12-23-13

▲ Elected president judge effective
 12-24-13

▲▲ Retired 12-31-13

▼ Administrative judge term expired
 1-1-14

▼▼ Apointed administrative judge of
 civil division effective 1-2-14

◆ Appointed administrative judge of
 criminal division effective 1-2-14

ARMSTRONG COUNTY (33)

Complement 2

Valasek, Kenneth G.
 Panchik, James J.

Common**Pleas****Court****Judges**

(As of 6-30-14)

(Judicial district listed
in parentheses)*(Italics denotes president judge)*

BEAVER COUNTY (36)

Complement 7

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

Mancini, Richard
 Ross, James J.*
 Tesla, Kim

* Elected 11-5-13

** Resigned 1-5-14

BEDFORD COUNTY (57)

Complement 2

Ling, Thomas S.
 Livengood, Travis W.

BERKS COUNTY (23)

Complement 13

*Schmehl, Jeffrey L.**
*Yatron, Paul M.***
 Antanavage, A. Joseph#
 Boccabella, John A.
 Bucci, James M.

Fudeman, Madelyn S.+
 Johnson, M. Theresa+
 Keller, Scott D.
 Lash, Scott E.
 Lieberman, Stephen B.

Parisi, Thomas G.
 Rowley, Timothy J.
 Schmehl, Peter W.++
 Sprecher, Jeffrey K.
 Ullman, Mary Ann

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

** Elected president judge effective 6-26-13

+ Elected 11-5-13

++ Retired 12-31-13

Appointed 6-30-14

BLAIR COUNTY (24)

Complement 5

Kopriva, Jolene Grubb
 Carpenter, Hiram A., III*
 Doyle, Elizabeth A.
 Kagarise, Wade A.**
 Milliron, Daniel J.

Sullivan, Timothy M.

* Resigned 1-4-13

** Elected 11-5-13

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**
*Finley, Jeffrey L.***
 Baldi, Robert O.
 Bateman, Wallace H., Jr.
 Boylan, Rea Behney
 Cepparulo, Albert J.
 Fritsch, C. Theodore, Jr.
 Gibbons, Diane E.
 Gilman, Gary B.
 McMaster, James M.

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

* President judge term expired 1-6-14

** Elected president judge effective 1-7-14

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

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

CHESTER COUNTY (15)

Complement 14†+1

MacElree, James P., II
 Bortner, David F.
 Carmody, Patrick C.*
 Cody, Jacqueline C.
 Griffith, Edward

Hall, John L.

Mahon, William P.

Platt, Katherine B.L.

**CHESTER COUNTY,
continued**

Sarcione, Anthony A.
Shenkin, Robert J.

Sommer, Jeffrey R.*
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
when the complement returned to 14
* Elected 11-5-13

CLARION COUNTY (18)

Complement 1

Arner, James G.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY (46)

Complement 2

Ammerman, Fredric J.
Cherry, Paul E.

CLINTON COUNTY (25)

Complement 2

*Miller, Craig P.**
Salisbury, Michael F.**

* Appointed president judge effective
1-1-13
** Elected 11-5-13

**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 Arthur
Lewis, Richard A.
Tully, William T.*

Turgeon, Jeannine

* Elected 11-5-13
** Retired 12-31-13

DELAWARE COUNTY (32)

Complement 20

Kenney, Chad F., Sr.
Angelos, Spiros E.
Bradley, James P.
Brennan, Mary Alice
Cappelli, Richard M.*

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.
Mackrides, William C.*

Mallon, Gregory M.
Nichols, Nathaniel C.
Nilon, James F., Jr.
Osborne, Ann A.
Pagano, George A.
Proud, James F.
Scanlon, Anthony D.++

* Elected 11-5-13
** Appointed to Superior Court
12-10-13
+ Retired 12-31-13
++ Appointed 6-30-14

**ELK-CAMERON
COUNTIES (59)**

Complement 1

Masson, Richard A.

ERIE COUNTY (06)

Complement 9

DiSantis, Ernest J., Jr.
Brabender, Daniel J., Jr.
Connelly, Shad F.
Cunningham, William R.
Domitrovich, Stephanie A.

Garhart, John
Kelly, Elizabeth K.
Sambroak, Robert A., Jr.*
Trucilla, John J.

* Elected 11-5-13

FAYETTE COUNTY (14)

Complement 5

*Wagner, John F., Jr.**
Cordaro, Linda R.**
George, Joseph M., Jr.**
Leskinen, Steve P.
Vernon, Nancy D.

* Appointed president judge effective
1-1-13

** Elected 11-5-13

**FRANKLIN-FULTON
COUNTIES (39)**

Complement 5

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

* Resigned 1-3-13

** Elected 11-5-13

GREENE COUNTY (13)

Complement 2

Nalitz, William R.
Toothman, Farley D.

HUNTINGDON COUNTY (20)

Complement 1

*Kurtz, Stewart L.***
*Zanic, George N.**

* Elected 11-5-13; appointed
president judge effective 1-6-14

** Resigned 1-5-14

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

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

Gibbons, James A.*
Mazzoni, Robert A.
Minora, Carmen D.
Nealson, Terrence R.

* Elected 11-5-13

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.
Spahn, Merrill M., Jr.*
Totaro, Donald R.
Workman, David R.

Wright, Jeffery D.

* Elected 11-5-13

** Retired 12-31-13

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.
Gelb, Lesa S.
Hughes, Richard M.
Lupas, David W.

Pierantoni, Fred A., III
Polachek Gartley, Tina
Rogers, Jennifer L.
Sklarosky, Joseph F., Jr.
Vough, Michael T.

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

Dobson, Thomas R.
St. John, Christopher J.
Wallace, Daniel P.*
Yeatts, Robert G.

* Elected 11-5-13

MIFFLIN COUNTY (58)

Complement 2

Vacancy 1

*Searer, Timothy S.***
Barron, David W.+
Williams, Rick A.*

* Resigned 10-14-13

** Chose to run for re-election instead of retention; defeated 11-5-13; term expired 1-5-14

+ Elected 11-5-13; elected as president judge

MONROE COUNTY (43)

Complement 6

Worthington, Margherita Patti
Higgins, Stephen M.
Mark, Jonathan

Sibum, Jennifer H.
Williamson, David J.

Zulick, Arthur L.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (38)

Complement 23

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.**
Tolliver, Steven C.*
Wall, Kelly C.
Weilheimer, Gail A.*

* Elected 11-5-13

** Retired 12-31-13

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY (03)

Complement 9

Vacancy 1

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

Koury, Michael J., Jr.
Roscioli, Paula A.

Sletvold, Jennifer R.+
Smith, Edward G.#
Zito, Leonard N.++

* President judge term expired 7-10-13

** Elected president judge effective 7-11-13

+ Elected 11-5-13

++ Retired 12-31-13

Resigned 3-31-14

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY (08)

Complement 3

*Sacavage, Robert B.**
*Wiest, William Harvey***
Rosini, Anthony J.+
Saylor, Charles H.

* Resigned 1-5-14

** Appointed president judge effective 1-6-14

+ Appointed 6-30-14

PERRY-JUNIATA COUNTIES (41)

Complement 2

Morrow, Kathy A.
Mumma, Kenneth A.

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY (01)

Complement 93

Dembe, Pamela Pryor++
Woods-Skipper, Sheila A.#

Administrative Judges

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

Allen, Jacqueline F.
Anders, Daniel J.
Anhalt, Diana L.
Bernstein, Mark I.
Bright, Gwendolyn N.

**PHILADELPHIA COUNTY,
continued**

Brinkley, Genece E.
Bronson, Glenn B.
Brown, Joan A.
Butchart, Ann M.
Byrd, Sandy L.V.

Campbell, Giovanni, O.+
Carpenter, Linda A.
Carrafiello, Matthew D.
Ceisler, Ellen H.
Chen, Ida K.

Cohen, Denis P.
Coleman, Robert P.
Cooperman, Amanda
Covington, Roxanne E.
Coyle, Anne Marie B.+

Cunningham, Charles J., III
DeFino-Nastasi, Rose Marie
Di Vito, Gary F.▼
Djerassi, Ramy I.
Dubow, Alice B.

Dumas, Lori A.
Ehrlich, Charles A.
Erdos, Michael E.
Fanning, Michael♦
Fernandes, Joseph L.+

Fletman, Abbe F.♦
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.
Lane, Timika R.+
Lynn, James Murray
Manfredi, William J.##
Massiah-Jackson, Frederica A.

McCaffery, Daniel D.+
McDermott, Barbara A.
McInerney, Patricia A.
McLaughlin, Maria C.
Means, Rayford A.

Melchiorre, Vincent M.♦
Minehart, Jeffrey P.
Murphy, Margaret Theresa
New, Arnold L.
Nichols, Carolyn H.

Nocella, Thomas M.**
O'Keefe, Joseph Scott+
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.
Thomas-Street, Sierra L.+

Thompson, Diane R.
Trent, Earl W., Jr.
Tucker, Leon W.

Woelpper, Donna M.
Wogan, Chris R.
Wright, Edward C.
Wright Padilla, Nina N.
Younge, John Milton

- * Resigned 6-28-13; appointed to U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
- ** Removed from office by Court of Judicial Discipline 8-5-13
- + Elected 11-5-13
- ++ President judge term expired 11-11-13
- # Elected president judge effective 11-12-13
- ## Retired 12-31-13
- ▲ Term expired 1-5-14
- ▲▲ Defeated for election 11-5-13; term expired 1-5-14; reappointed 6-30-14
- ▼ Resigned 1-31-14
- ▼▼ Resigned 6-6-14
- ♦ Appointed 6-30-14

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.**
*Wheeler, George W.***

* Resigned 1-5-14
** Appointed 6-30-14

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

O'Dell Seneca, Debbie
*Bell, Janet Moschetta**
*Costanzo, Valerie S.***

DiSalle, John F.
Emery, Katherine B.

Gilman, Gary M.
*Lucas, Michael J.***

* Resigned 1-4-13
** Elected 11-5-13

WAYNE COUNTY (22)

Complement 1

Hamill Raymond L.

**WESTMORELAND
COUNTY (10)**

Complement 11

Caruso, Gary P.+
McCormick, Richard E., Jr.++
Bell, Alfred B.
*Bilik-DeFazio, Meagan A.**
*Blahovec, John E.***
Bononi, Michele G.

Feliciani, Christopher A.
Hathaway, Rita Donovan
Marsili, Anthony G.
Pezze, Debra A.
Regoli, David A.#

Scherer, Christian F.
Smail, Harry F., Jr.#

* Elected 11-5-13
** Resigned 1-5-14
+ Resigned 4-6-14
++ Elected president judge effective
4-7-14
Appointed 6-30-14

**WYOMING-SULLIVAN
COUNTIES (44)**

Complement 1

Shurtleff, Russell D.

YORK COUNTY (19)

Complement 15

Vacancy 2

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.
*Platts, Todd R.***
Renn, Richard K.
Snyder, Gregory M.
Thompson, John W., Jr.
Trebilcock, Craig T.

* Resigned 7-31-13
** Elected 11-5-13
+ Defeated for election 11-5-13;
term expired 1-5-14
++ Resigned 1-5-14

**Common
Pleas
Court
Senior
Judges**

ALLEGHENY COUNTY

Bigley, Gerard M.
Friedman, Judith L.A.*
Gallo, Robert C.
James, Joseph M.**
Kelly, Robert A.

Lucchino, Frank J.
Mazur, Lee J.
Nauhaus, Lester G.+
O'Reilly, Timothy P.
Wettick, R. Stanton, Jr.

* Effective 1-1-13
** Effective 7-1-13
+ Effective 1-1-14

ARMSTRONG COUNTY

Nickleach, Joseph A.

BEAVER COUNTY

Dohanich, John P.*
James, George E.
Kunselman, Robert E.

* Effective 1-6-14

BEDFORD COUNTY

Howsare, Daniel L.

BERKS COUNTY

Eshelman, Thomas J.**
Grim, Arthur E.
Ludgate, Linda K.M.*
Schmehl, Peter W.+

* Effective 1-1-13
** Retired 12-31-13
+ Effective 1-1-14

BLAIR COUNTY

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

* Effective 1-1-13
** Died 9-9-13

BRADFORD COUNTY

Smith, Jeffrey A.*

* Effective 9-6-13

BUCKS COUNTY

Kane, Michael J.
Rufe, John J.

CAMBRIA COUNTY

Leahey, Francis J.
Long, Gerard

CARBON COUNTY

Webb, Richard W.

CENTER COUNTY

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

CHESTER COUNTY

Gavin, Thomas G.
Nagle, Ronald C.
Riley, Howard F., Jr.*
Smith, Charles B.

* Effective 2-26-14

(As of 6-30-14)

CLINTON COUNTY

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

* Effective 1-1-13

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Oler, J. Wesley, Jr.*

* Sits on occasion in Commonwealth Court

DAUPHIN COUNTY

Clark, Lawrence F., Jr.*

* Effective 1-1-14

DELAWARE COUNTY

Burr, Charles B., II
Coll, Michael F.X.*
Cronin, Joseph P., Jr.
Hazel, Frank T.

* Effective 1-1-14

ERIE COUNTY

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

* Retired 12-31-13

FAYETTE COUNTY

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

* Effective 1-1-13

FRANKLIN-FULTON COUNTIES

Walker, John R.

GREENE COUNTY

Grimes, H. Terry

HUNTINGDON COUNTY

Kurtz, Stewart L.*

* Effective 1-6-14

LACKAWANNA COUNTY

Harhut, Chester T.*

* Effective 1-1-13

LANCASTER COUNTY

Farina, Louis J.*
Hummer, Wayne G., Jr.
Perezous, Michael J.

* Effective 1-1-14

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 1-1-13

MIFFLIN COUNTY

Williams, Rick A.*

* Effective 10-15-13

MONROE COUNTY

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

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

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

* Effective 1-1-14

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Zito, Leonard M.*

* Effective 1-1-14

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Feudale, Barry F.
Sacavage, Robert B.*

* Effective 1-6-14

PERRY-JUNIATA COUNTIES

Quigley, Keith B.*

* Sits on occasion in Commonwealth Court

PHILADELPHIA COUNTY

Ackerman, Norman+
Braxton, John L.
Colins, Mary D.
DiNubile, Victor J., Jr.
Frazier-Clemons, Brenda

Geroff, Steven R.
Jackson, Ricardo C.+
Kane, Harold M.
Keogh, D. Webster.++
Lerner, Benjamin

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

Reynolds, Abram Frank
Summers, Edward R.+
Sylvester, Esther R.

* Effective 1-1-13
** Resigned 8-1-13
+ Retired 12-31-13
++ Effective 1-6-14
Effective 6-7-14

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

TIOGA COUNTY

Dalton, Robert E., Jr.*

* Effective 1-6-14

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.
Blahovec, John E.**
Driscoll, John J.*
Hudock, Joseph A.
Ober, William J.

* Effective 1-1-13

** Effective 1-6-14

WYOMING-SULLIVAN COUNTIES

Vanston, Brendan J.

YORK COUNTY

Blackwell, Penny L.*
Brillhart, Michael J.
Chronister, John H.
Uhler, John C.

* Effective 1-6-14

Philadelphia Municipal Court Judges

Complement 27†+2
Vacancy 2

Neifield, Marsha H.

Brady, Frank T.

Coleman, Martin S.**

DeLeon, James M.

Deni, Teresa Carr

Dugan, Patrick F.

Eubanks, Joyce O.

Frazier-Lyde, Jacquelyn M.

Gehret, Thomas F.

Gilbert, Barbara S.

Gordon, Roger F.++

Hayden, Charles

Jimenez, Nazario, Sr.

Kosinski, Gerard A.

Lewandowski, Henry, III**

Meehan, William Austin, Jr.

Moss, Bradley K.

O'Keefe, Joseph Scott+

O'Neill, Joseph J.

Pew, Wendy L.

Robbins, Harvey W.*

Sawyer, Stephanie M.++

Segal, Dawn A.

Shields, T. Francis**

Shuter, David C.

Simmons, Karen Y.

Washington, Craig M.

Waters, Joseph C., Jr.

Williams, Marvin L.

† Act 17-2013 increased the complement of the court by two. The complement shown, 27, does not include the two Philadelphia Traffic Court judges who were placed under the jurisdiction of the Municipal Court by Act 17.

* Resigned 1-4-13

** Elected 11-5-13

+ Elected to Common Pleas Court; term expired 1-5-14

++ Appointed 6-30-14

Philadelphia Traffic Court Judges†

Complement 0

Administrative Judge

Glazer, Gary S.*

Lowry, Michael++

Mulgrew, Robert**

Solomon, Christine

Sullivan, Michael J.+

† Act 17-2013 moved the jurisdiction of the Philadelphia Traffic Court (PTC) to the Philadelphia Municipal Court as part of the newly created traffic division, effective 6-19-13. Vacancies on the PTC will not be filled. The court will become inactive once the terms of the two remaining judges expire 12-31-17.

* Common Pleas Court judge appointed administrative judge
Relieved of duties by Supreme Court 9-19-12; suspended with pay by the Court of Judicial Discipline 9-14-12; term expired 1-5-14; office dissolved by Act 17-2013

+ Relieved of duties by Supreme Court 2-1-13; suspended without pay by the Court of Judicial Discipline 8-9-13

++ Relieved of duties by Supreme Court 2-1-13; suspended with pay by the Court of Judicial Discipline 2-1-13; term expired 1-5-14; office dissolved by Act 17-2013

Philadelphia

Minor

Court

Judges

(As of 6-30-14)

(Italics denotes president judges)

Philadelphia

Minor

Courts

Senior

Judges

Philadelphia Municipal Court Senior Judges

Blasi, Robert S.
Kirkland, Lydia Y.**
Robbins, Harvey W.*
Stack, Felice Rowley+

- * Effective 1-7-13
- ** Effective 11-18-13
- + Retired 12-31-13

Philadelphia Traffic Court Senior Judges

Cermele, Dominic M.**
Perri, Fortunato N., Sr.*

- * Removed by Supreme Court
2-14-13
- ** Placed under jurisdiction of Philadelphia Municipal Court 6-19-13 by
Act 17-2013

(As of 6-30-14)

ADAMS COUNTY (51)

Complement 4

Beauchat, Mark D.
Bowman, Daniel S.
Carr, Thomas R.**
Harvey, Matthew R.*
Little, Tony J.

* Elected 11-5-13
** Term expired 1-5-14

ALLEGHENY COUNTY (05)

Complement 46
Vacancy 2

Arnoni, Ronald A.#
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.
Reschenthaler, Guy**

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.

Wyda, Robert C.*
Zucco, Linda I.
Zyra, Gary M.

* Died 8-5-13
** Elected 11-5-13
+ Resigned 12-31-13
++ Term expired 1-5-14
Appointed 4-1-14
Resigned 4-6-14

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 6-30-14)

BEDFORD COUNTY (57)

Complement 4

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

BERKS COUNTY (23)

Complement 17
Vacancy 1

Bagenstose, Kim L.
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.**

Leonardziak, Michael J.
Patton, Dean R.
Robinson, Alvin B.
Scott, Wallace S.
Xavios, Thomas H.

Yoch, David L.*
Young, Ann L.

* Elected 11-5-13
** Resigned 5-6-14

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

Armitage-Smith, Regina M.**
Baranoski, Daniel E.
Baum, Charles W.
Benz, William J.
Brown, Leonard J.

Burns, Michael J.
Douple, Mark D.
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.

* Resigned 1-6-13
** Appointed 6-30-14

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 8†-2

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

† Magisterial district court 47-2-01
eliminated 1-1-14 per Supreme
Court order dated 1-18-13;
magisterial district court 47-3-04
eliminated 1-6-14 per Supreme
Court amended order dated 7-3-13
* Retired 12-31-13
** Term expired 1-5-14

CARBON COUNTY (56)

Complement 4

Homanko, Joseph D., Sr.
Kissner, William J.
Kosciolek, Casimir T.
Lewis, Edward M.

CENTRE COUNTY (49)

Complement 6

Dutchcot, Leslie A.
Gillette-Walker, Kelley S.*
Jordan, Thomas N.
Lachman, Steven F.*
Prestia, Carmine W., Jr.

Sinclair, Allen W.

* Elected 11-5-13

CHESTER COUNTY (15)

Complement 18†-1
Vacancy 1

Arnold, Rita A.**
Bailey, John R.

**CHESTER COUNTY,
continued**

Bruno, Mark A.*
Cabry, Michael J., III
Darlington, Chester F.+

DeAngelo, James V.
Donatelli, Lori Novak
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
Sondergaard, Analisa S.
Tartaglio, Thomas W.
Valocchi, Jeffrey J.

† Magisterial district court 15-2-05
eliminated 1-6-14 per Supreme
Court amended order dated 7-3-13

* Relieved of duties by Supreme
Court 2-1-13; suspended with pay
by the Court of Judicial Discipline
effective 2-1-13

** Resigned 4-23-13

+ Resigned 1-5-14

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.

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.
Zilhaber, Lincoln S.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY (09)

Complement 10

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

Day, Susan K.
Dougherty, Richard S., Jr.
Fegley, Paul M.
Martin, Mark W.
Silcox, Kathryn H.*

* Elected 11-5-13

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 32†-1

Vacancy 1

Berardocco, Ann
Burke, Robert R.
Cappelli, Richard M.++
Christie, Edward W.*
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.#
Krull, Deborah A.**
Lacianca, Elisa C.
Lang, David Hamilton

Lippart, Jack D.
Lippincott, Nicholas S.
Loftus, Gregory J.**
Mattox, Christopher R.
McCray, C. Walter, III

Micozzie-Aguirre, Kelly A.
Perfetti, John J.
Puppio, Andrea E.
Radano, Robert J.
Roberts, Wendy B.##

Sandone, Steven A.
Scanlon, Anthony D.
Seaton, Spencer B., Jr.

**DELAWARE COUNTY,
continued**

Strohl, Walter A.
Tenaglia, Leonard V.

Tozer, Peter P.
Turner, Philip S., Jr.
Tuten, John C.+
Vann, Dawn L.
Williams, Will Keith

- † Magisterial district court 32-1-29
eliminated 1-1-14 per Supreme
Court order dated 2-15-13
- * Resigned 3-1-13
- ** Elected 11-5-13
- + Retired 12-31-13
- ++ Resigned 1-5-14; elected to
Common Pleas Court
- # Term expired 1-5-14
- ## Appointed 4-1-14

**ELK-CAMERON
COUNTIES (59)**
Complement 3

Brown, Barry D., II
Jacob, Mark S.
King, George A.

ERIE COUNTY (06)
Complement 15
Vacancy 1

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.

- * Resigned 11-7-13

FAYETTE COUNTY (14)
Complement 7†-1
Vacancy 1

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

Haggerty, Ronald J., Jr.
Kasunic, Richard A., II**
Metros, Michael M.
Shaner, Dwight K.+

- † Magisterial district court 14-3-06
eliminated 1-1-14 per Supreme
Court order dated 3-5-13
- * Resigned 10-31-13
- ** Elected 11-5-13
- + Retired 12-31-13
- ++ Resigned 1-5-14; elected to
Common Pleas Court

**FRANKLIN-FULTON
COUNTIES (39)**
Complement 10

Cunningham, Duane K.
Eyer, Jody C.
Heming, Tamela M.
Horne, Devin C.
Manns, Glenn K.

Mellott, Wendy Richards
Pentz, Larry G.
Plum, David L.
Rock, Kelly L.
Williams, Todd R.

GREENE COUNTY (13)
Complement 3

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

HUNTINGDON COUNTY (20)
Complement 3†-1

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

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
Vacancy 1

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

McGraw, Sean P.
Mercuri, John J.
Pesota, John P.
Turlip, Laura M.
Ware, Paul J.

- * Resigned 1-5-14; elected to
Common Pleas Court

LANCASTER COUNTY (02)

Complement 19†-1
Vacancy 1

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

Duncan, Jayne F.
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 02-3-08
eliminated 5-1-13 per Supreme
Court order dated 2-7-13

* 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.
Smith, Michael D.
Verna, Anthony J.

Wolfe, Kim R.

LEHIGH COUNTY (31)

Complement 14

Beck, Rodney R.
Butler, Donna R.
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.
Santiago, Rashid O.**
Trexler, Daniel C.**

* Resigned 7-7-13

** Elected 11-5-13

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.
Kokura Kravitz, Alexandra C.*

Malast, Diana
O'Donnell, Daniel
Roberts, Paul J.
Swank, Ronald W.
Tupper, James E.

Whittaker, Donald L.
Zola, Joseph D.

* Elected 11-5-13

** Resigned 5-7-14

LYCOMING COUNTY (29)

Complement 6

Carn, James G.
Kemp, Jon E.
Lepley, Jerry C.
Page, Allen P., III
Sortman, James H.

Whiteman, Gary A.

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.
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MIFFLIN COUNTY (58)

Complement 3

Gingrich, Aaron L.
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MONROE COUNTY (43)

Complement 10

Anzini, Kristina
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Fluegel, Anthony D.
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Olsen, Thomas E.
 Riley, Phillip R.*
 Whitesell, John D.**

* Elected 11-5-13
 ** Resigned 1-5-14

MONTGOMERY COUNTY (38)

Complement 30

Augustine, Albert J.
 Bernhardt, Francis J., III
 Borek, Harold D.
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 Margaret A.
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NORTHAMPTON COUNTY (03)

Complement 15

Barner, Joseph K.
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 Corpora, Daniel G.
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NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY (08)

Complement 4

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 Diehl, Michael I.*
 Gembic, John
 Jones, Hugh A.

* Elected 11-5-13

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
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Menditto, Paul D.*
 Muir, Shannon L.*

Rose, Jay R.**

* Elected 11-5-13
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 + Resigned 1-5-14

POTTER COUNTY (55)

Complement 3

Easton, Annette L.
 McCleaff, Kari A.
 Weiss, Delores G.

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY (21)

Complement 7

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

Plachko, David A.
 Reiley, James K.
 Rossi, David J.*

* Elected 11-5-13
 ** Term expired 1-5-14

SNYDER-UNION COUNTIES (17)

Complement 4

Armbruster, Leo S.
 Hackenberg, Lori R.
 Mensch, Jeffrey L.
 Reed, John H.

SOMERSET COUNTY (16)

Complement 5

Bell, Douglas McCall
 Johnson, Kenneth W.
 Mankamy, Susan

**SOMERSET COUNTY,
continued**

Seger, William E.*
Stevanus, Sandra L.

* Elected 11-5-13

SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY (34)
Complement 3

Brainard, Suzanne M.
Cordner, Jodi L.
Hollister, Jeffrey L.

TIOGA COUNTY (04)
Complement 3
Vacancy 1

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

* Resigned 9-30-13

VENANGO COUNTY (28)
Complement 4

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

**WARREN-FOREST
COUNTIES (37)**
Complement 4

Bauer, Laura S.
Carlson, Glenn S.
Gregory, George F.**
Lindemuth, Cynthia K.
Miller, Daniel L.*

* Elected 11-5-13

** Defeated for re-election 11-5-13;
term expired 1-5-14

WASHINGTON COUNTY (27)
Complement 11
Vacancy 1

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.

* Resigned 1-5-14; elected to
Common Pleas Court

WAYNE COUNTY (22)
Complement 3†-1

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

† Magisterial district court 22-3-03
eliminated 1-1-14 per amended
Supreme Court order dated 1-6-14
* Resigned 1-5-14

**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.
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.

**WYOMING-SULLIVAN
COUNTIES (44)**
Complement 4

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

YORK COUNTY (19)
Complement 19

Albright, Keith L.
Bloss, Barry L., Jr.
Dubs, Dwayne
Eckenrode, Robert A.*
Eshbach, David C.

Fishel, John H.
Groom, Walter R.
Gross, Scott J.
Haskell, Ronald J., Jr.
Joy, Jeff S.

Laird, Scott E.
Martin, Richard E., II
Miner, James S.
Oberdorf, Jeffrey L.*
Olwert, John R.

Reilly, Thomas J.
Thomas, Richard T.
Toluba, Joel N.*
Williams, Linda Lou

* Elected 11-5-13

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Bova, John Norman*
Capolupo, Pat A.**
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Longo, Nancy L.

McGraw, Elaine M.
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Peglow, Lee G.
Presutti, Donald H.
Tibbs, Edward A.

Welsh, Regis C., Jr.
Zielmanski, Eugene L.
Zoller, Richard H.

* Effective 1-1-14
** Effective 1-6-14
+ Effective 4-7-14

ARMSTRONG COUNTY

Gerheim, Michael L.

BEAVER COUNTY

Armour, John W.

BERKS COUNTY

Bentz, Nicholas M., Jr.*
Hall, William N., Jr.
Kowalski, Phyllis J.**
Mest, Ronald C.
Stitzel, Gloria W.

* Effective 1-1-13
** Effective 6-6-14

BLAIR COUNTY

Jones, Patrick T.

BUCKS COUNTY

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

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

BUTLER COUNTY

O'Donnell, Joseph D., Jr.

CAMBRIA COUNTY

Nileski, Charity L.**
Pavlovich, Max F.*

* Effective 1-1-14
** Effective 1-6-14

CARBON COUNTY

Appleton, Bruce F.
Hadzick, Paul J.

CENTRE COUNTY

Hoffman, Daniel R.
Horner, Ronald J.

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Charley, James J., Jr.
Darlington, Chester F.*
Davis, Robert L.
Farmer, Harry W., Jr.
Scott, Stanley**

Smith, Larry E.
Welsh, Susann E.
Winther, J. Peter

* Effective 1-6-14
** Resigned 3-8-14

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CLARION COUNTY

George, Daniel P.

CLEARFIELD COUNTY

Rudella, Michael A.

COLUMBIA-MONTOUR COUNTIES

Cashman, Richard P.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Correal, Paula P.

DAUPHIN COUNTY

Semic, Steven M.
Shugars, Raymond F.

DELAWARE COUNTY

Cullen, Michael G.
Davis, Horace Z.
Gannon, Edward J., Jr.
Klein, Stephanie H.+
Liberace, Gerald C.

McDevitt, Leonard M.
McKeon, Laurence J.
Miller, Kenneth N.*
Nistico, Charles G.++
Tuten, John C.**

Videon, David T.

- * Resigned 1-7-13
- ** Effective 1-1-14
- + Effective 1-6-14
- ++ Effective 2-11-14

ELK-CAMERON COUNTIES

Brown, Alvin H.*

* Resigned 3-3-14

ERIE COUNTY

Abate, Frank, Jr.
Lefaiver, Joseph R.*
Vendetti, John A.
Weindorf, Arthur Joseph

* Effective 11-8-13

FAYETTE COUNTY

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

* Resigned 5-6-13

FRANKLIN-FULTON COUNTIES

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

* Resigned 4-7-13

INDIANA COUNTY

Steffee, Michael K.*

* Resigned 5-31-13

LANCASTER COUNTY

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

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

* Effective 6-1-13; resigned 2-27-14

** Retired 12-31-13

LEBANON COUNTY

Swisher, Hazel V.*

* Resigned 4-3-13

LEHIGH COUNTY

Balliett, Carl L.
Crawford, Charles H.
Dugan, John E.**
Gatti, Richard A.
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Murphy, Thomas P.
Rapp, Anthony G., Jr.
Snyder, Joan L.
Warmkessel, Patricia E.

* Effective 7-8-13

** Retired 12-31-13

LUZERNE COUNTY

Barilla, Andrew, Jr.
Feissner, Gerald Louis*
Sharkey, Thomas J.

* Effective 5-8-14

LYCOMING COUNTY

McRae, C. Roger

MERCER COUNTY

Fagley, William L.
Russo, Henry J.

MIFFLIN COUNTY

Clare, Barbara A.

MONROE COUNTY

Eyer, Charles P.*
Shiffer, Thomas R., Jr.
Whitesell, John D.**

* Resigned 5-28-13

** Effective 1-6-14

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Berkoff, F. Elaine
Murray, John S., III
Price, Richard M.
Saraceni, Robert A.

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

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Stocklas, James F.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Mychak, Michael F.

PERRY-JUNIATA COUNTIES

Howell, Donald F.*

* Died 4-9-14

PIKE COUNTY

McBride, Stephen A.**
Rose, Jay R.*

* Effective 1-1-14

** Effective 1-6-14

SCHUYLKILL COUNTY

Pancake, Carol A.*

* Effective 1-6-14

SNYDER-UNION COUNTIES

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Dayton, Watson J.
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VENANGO COUNTY

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WARREN-FOREST COUNTIES

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WESTMORELAND COUNTY

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