

# **2002 Statistics**

## **Appeals Filed and Concluded**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>
Appeals Pending 01/01/2002	6191	2388	3803
New Appeals Filed in 2002	8160	3466	4694
Appeals Concluded in 2002	8150	3610	4540
Appeals Pending 01/01/2003	6201	2244	3957

## **Filings By District**

	<b>East</b>	<b>Middle</b>	<b>West</b>	<b>Total</b>
Appeals Filed	3885	2020	2255	8160
Petitions Filed	4440	1515	2419	8374
Misc. Dkt. Filings	187	89	111	387
Wiretaps	55	----	15	70

## Appeals by County of Origin

Adams	40	Lackawanna	102
Allegheny	944	Lancaster	170
Armstrong	11	Lawrence	48
Beaver	55	Lebanon	65
Bedford	17	Lehigh	190
Berks	195	Luzerne	224
Blair	74	Lycoming	63
Bradford	34	McKean	17
Bucks	208	Mercer	79
Butler	75	Mifflin	11
Cambria	71	Monroe	105
Cameron	3	Montgomery	277
Carbon	26	Montour	6
Centre	109	Northampton	107
Chester	265	Northumberland	48
Clarion	21	Perry	14
Clearfield	40	Philadelphia	2341
Clinton	38	Pike	28
Columbia	32	Potter	20
Crawford	50	Schuylkill	91
Cumberland	87	Snyder	23
Dauphin	222	Somerset	23

Delaware	303	Sullivan	2
Elk	10	Susquehanna	32
Erie	249	Tioga	12
Fayette	93	Union	24
Forest	5	Venango	55
Franklin	57	Warren	24
Fulton	13	Washington	82
Greene	35	Wayne	35
Huntingdon	33	Westmoreland	100
Indiana	36	Wyoming	19
Jefferson	18	York	251
Juniata	3	<b>Total</b>	<b>8160</b>

## Appeals by Type of Case

Action to Quiet Title	21	Indecent Assault	76
Aggravated Assault	464	Involuntary Deviate Sexual Conduct	89
Arbitration	56	Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights	138
Arson	25	Legal Malpractice	45
Asbestos	26	Medical Malpractice	131
Assault	134	Mortgage Foreclosure	40
Assumpsit	120	Motor Vehicle Accident	73
Attempted Murder	21	Murder	151
Burglary	171	Murder 1	202
Child Support	185	Murder 2	27
Civil Action - Law	693	Murder 3	74
Confession of Judgment	24	Possession of an Instrument of Crime	41
Contract	122	Premises Liability - Slip and Fall	56
Controlled Substance	607	Protection from Abuse	53
Corruption of Minors	60	Rape	164
Criminal	131	Receiving Stolen Property	38
Criminal Conspiracy	147	Recklessly Endangering Another Person	27
Criminal Trespass	28	Robbery	313
Custody / Visitation	198	Spousal Support	72
Declaratory Judgment	82	Summary Offenses/Conviction	73
Dependency	92	Termination of Parental Rights	27
Disorderly Conduct	44	Terroristic Threats	35
Divorce	289	Theft	126
Driving Under the Influence	250	Tort	28
Ejectment	34	Trespass	209
Equity	176	Uniform Firearms Act	47
Estate/Probate/Wills/Intestate	120	Vehicle Violations	71
Forgery	39	Other Civil*	356
Habeas Corpus	21	Other Criminal*	882
Harassment	31		
Homicide	85	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8160</b>

\* Includes appeals originally classified as "other" as well as appeals originally classified in categories with fewer than 20 appeals filed in 2002.

## Opinions Filed

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>
Published Opinions 2002	420	244	176
Non-Published Opinions 2002	4635	1576	3059
<b>Total 2002</b>	<b>5055</b>	<b>1820</b>	<b>3235</b>

## Disposition of Appeals by Type of Disposition and Type of Case

<b>Type of Disposition</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Civil</b>	<b>Criminal</b>
By Filed Decision	5315	2003	3312
By Order or Discontinuance	2835	1607	1228
<b>Total</b>	<b>8150</b>	<b>3610</b>	<b>4540</b>

## Reargument/Reconsideration

Petitions Filed: 461

Petitions Granted: 60

Percent Granted: 13%

## Superior Court Treatment of Cases from Courts of Common Pleas

	Cases Decided by Published Opinion	Percent		Cases Decided by Unpublished Opinion	Percent		All Cases	Percent
Affirmed	246	47.9		3747	78		3993	75.1
Reversed	196	38.1		663	13.8		859	16.2
Affirmed in Part/Reversed in Part	46	9		162	3.4		208	3.9
Quashed/Dismissed/Transferred	22	4.3		208	4.3		230	4.3
Other	4	0.8		21	0.4		25	0.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>514</b>			<b>4801</b>			<b>5315</b>	

## Median Number of Days to Disposition for Appeals Concluded in 2002

From Superior Court docket date for all appeals	262
From Superior Court docket date for appeals disposed by order or discontinuance	82
From Superior Court docket date for appeals disposed by filed decision	321
From original record filing date for appeals disposed by filed decision	250

## Supreme Court Treatment of Superior Court Cases

### *Allocaturs: Cases Filed And Concluded*

Total Allocatur Petitions Filed In 2002 From Superior Court Decisions	1774
Number Granted	125
Number Denied	1659
Other Disposition	20
Open	958

***Disposition of appeals from Superior Court Cases***

REVERSED	36
AFFIRMED	33
OTHER*	37
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>106</b>

*\* Includes Affirmed/Reversed, Dismissed, Improvidently Granted, Vacated and Withdrawn*