

# 2009 ANNUAL REPORT



## COURT OF COMMON PLEAS

### GENERAL DIVISION

### SUMMIT COUNTY OHIO

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**ELINORE MARSH STORMER**  
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE

**PAUL J. GALLAGHER**  
PRESIDING JUDGE

**JUDGE LYNNE S. CALLAHAN**  
**JUDGE PATRICIA A. COSGROVE**  
**JUDGE JUDY HUNTER**  
**JUDGE ALISON McCARTY**

**JUDGE TOM PARKER**  
**JUDGE MARY MARGARET ROWLANDS**  
**JUDGE THOMAS A. TEODOSIO**  
**JUDGE BRENDA BURNHAM UNRUH**

**ANDREW J. BAUER**  
COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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# ***SUMMIT COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS***

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

**The Mission of the Summit County Court of Common Pleas General Division is to insure justice, thereby serving and protecting the public by:**

- ▶ **Providing access to fair, just and understandable forums for the timely resolution of differences and disputes;**
- ▶ **Applying and enforcing all laws in a timely and equitable manner; and**
- ▶ **Taking appropriate corrective, remedial, rehabilitative and preventive actions and using appropriate progressive programs.**

**The Vision of the Summit County Court of Common Pleas General Division will provide the highest quality of justice and justice system services to Summit County communities by:**

- ▶ **Promoting cooperation among the courts, justice system and other community agencies and services;**
- ▶ **Initiating and implementing programs and policies designed to encourage ethical standards, enhance timely court performance and user accessibility;**
- ▶ **Using progressive court management technologies;**
- ▶ **Encouraging the use of appropriate dispute resolution mechanisms; and**
- ▶ **Continuously ascertaining, shaping and responding to the needs and expectations of court users and the community.**

## **MESSAGE FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE**

I have been honored to act as the Administrative Judge of our Court for the last three years. We have been through many changes and challenges and I continue to be impressed with our employees. 2009 was, unfortunately, all about the declining budgets for government at every level. In the face of budgetary pressure, the accomplishments of the Court could not have occurred without our talented staff and I want to particularly thank Andy Bauer, the Court Executive, for his tireless efforts.

To reduce overall salary costs, Summit County offered buyouts to employees. Nine of our employees left to pursue other opportunities. But since all of the Court's employees had been cross-trained we were able to downsize without loss of service to the community. I am proud to note that this Court is one of the few county entities which has not had to implement layoffs of full time employees or mandatory furloughs.

Since assuming the Administrative Judge position in 2007, I have watched our Adult Probation Department blossom. In 2009, Arian Davis took the helm as Chief and Laurie Fisher and Mike Klamut were promoted to supervisors. The management team is working towards the goals it set for itself. Among other changes, the Court adopted a specialized protocol for mentally ill offenders in which the Judges agreed to meet monthly with the probationer to ensure compliance, particularly with medication. I am looking forward to the 2010 assessment to measure how closely the goals have been met.

Thanks to the hard work of Pretrial Supervisor (and grant writer), Natalie Michailides, the Court received grant funding to allow risk assessments of all those on probation. We filled the positions in 2009 for work beginning in 2010. Our Court is a pilot for the use of the Ohio Risk Analysis Tool. Each one of our probationers will complete the instrument allowing them to be placed appropriately. This previously unavailable information will put each offender in targeted programming and allow us to balance caseloads among probation officers.

In addition, the Reentry Court, a specialized docket for those granted judicial release from prison, which started in 2006, was in danger of losing all of its funding in spite of its success. In December, the Ohio Department of Corrections, in an unprecedented move, agreed to provide funding to keep reentry case management as well as expand by one court. In January, Judge Judy Hunter will start the fourth reentry docket. Overall, the Reentry Court graduates have a recidivism rate of less than 17%, one-third of the rate at which any other returning felon reoffends.

The Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic entered a period of transition with the departure of its long time chief, Dr. Kathy Stafford. Dr. Brian O'Reilly became the interim director and served ably until taking a new position in Columbus. Due to funding cuts, the Clinic will be working with the State of Ohio and the ADM board to position itself for continued service in 2010.

The Court also began the process of launching a new website, due in 2010. The new design will be more functional and will allow individual courts to produce content. It will link to other county websites to permit efficient case management searching.

In closing, I again thank my colleagues on the bench for their continued support and trust in electing me Administrative Judge for the past three years. It has been a pleasure to serve the court and the people of Summit County, however, I look forward to passing my administrative duties to Judge Patricia Cosgrove.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Elinore Marsh Stormer". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

ELINORE MARSH STORMER  
Administrative Judge

## THE HONORABLE ELINORE MARSH STORMER

Judge Elinore Marsh Stormer graduated from Davidson College's Honors College. She received her Juris Doctorate Degree from The University of Akron School of Law. Judge Stormer practiced law in the private practice sector until 1989 when she was appointed General Counsel to the Summit County Executive.

In 1991, Judge Stormer was elected to the Akron Municipal Court and re-elected in 1993 and 1999. She started the first Municipal Drug Court and the first Mental Health Specialty Court in Ohio and has been a leader in bringing the concept of "therapeutic jurisprudence" to Ohio. In November 2004, Judge Stormer was elected to the Summit County Court of Common Pleas. In keeping with her commitment to intelligent sentencing and a "smart on crime" approach, in September 2006, she began Summit County's first Re-Entry Court to assist felons returning from prison to become law-abiding citizens. The Court reduces crime and has been recognized by the Ohio Supreme Court with Judge Stormer's appointment to Chief Justice Moyer's Task Force on Specialty Dockets.

The General Division Judges elected Judge Stormer as Administrative Judge for 2007, 2008 and again in 2009. In this position, she oversees the budgetary and personnel matters for a court of 157 employees and a budget of \$13 million, in addition to maintaining her docket.

Among others, Judge Stormer serves on the Ohio Judicial Conference Specialized Courts Committee and the Criminal Justice Advisory Board. She is a board member of the Cascade Locks Association and Ardmore Inc. In the past, she has served on the Supreme Court of Ohio Advisory Committee on the Mentally Ill in the Courts, its Drug Court Task Force, Ohio Community Corrections Organization Board, Summit County Alcohol Drug and Mental Health Services, Weathervane, Community Aids Network, Women's Network and the Citizens Advisory Board of the Akron Junior League, as well as numerous other community organizations.

Judge Stormer has received many community awards including the statewide OCCO C. J. McLin Award, the Urban Light Award for Public Service, the Fred Frese Advocacy Award and the Public Official of the Year Award from the DAR. In 2008, Judge Stormer was honored to receive the Harold Stubbs Award for Law and the Committee Chair of the Year Award from the Akron Bar Association.



**JUDGE STORMER AND STAFF**

**From left:** Michael Altvater, Lillian Mitchell, Judge Stormer, Shauna Corder

## THE HONORABLE PAUL J. GALLAGHER

Judge Paul J. Gallagher graduated from The University of Notre Dame with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1966. He received his Masters Degree from John Hopkins University in 1980. Thereafter, he received a Juris Doctorate Degree from The University of Akron in 1986 and was admitted to the Ohio Bar the same year.

Judge Gallagher served as an Assistant to the County Executive of Anne Arundel County, Maryland in 1974 and 1975 and as Chief Assistant to the County Manager of Baltimore County, Maryland from 1976 to 1980. He returned home to Summit County and served as Safety Service Director for the City of Tallmadge until he entered law school. From 1991 through 2006, Judge Gallagher served as Assistant Prosecutor for Portage County Prosecutor's Office. In 1985, he was elected to serve as an at-large member of Summit County Council where he served for 22 years before being elected to the bench.

In November 2006, Judge Gallagher was elected Summit County Common Pleas Judge with the term beginning January 1, 2007.

Judge Gallagher was elected by the Summit County Common Pleas Judges to serve as Presiding Judge in 2008 and 2009.



**JUDGE GALLAGHER AND STAFF**

**From left:** Patricia Himelrigh, Michelle Manchester, Bridget Walters

## THE HONORABLE LYNNE S. CALLAHAN

Judge Lynne Callahan earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Akron, where she was named “Outstanding Senior Woman” in 1979. She earned her Juris Doctorate degree from The University of Akron School of Law in 1984 and was thereafter admitted to the Ohio Bar. After law school Judge Callahan chose a unique career path and joined the Akron Police Department where she served the community as a police officer and narcotics detective. In 1989 she joined the Summit County Prosecutor’s Office as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney where she prosecuted major felonies. Judge Callahan also worked in the private sector.

Judge Callahan was appointed to the Akron Municipal Court on May 1, 1997, elected in November 1997 and re-elected in November 2003. While in the Akron Municipal Court, she was twice elected by her fellow judges to serve as Presiding Judge.

Judge Callahan was instrumental in the creation of the Akron Municipal Court’s Family Violence Court and presided over the Court from April 1998 until she was elected to the Common Pleas Court in 2009. Family Violence Court is an innovative domestic violence diversion program, which targets first time domestic violence offenders. During Judge Callahan’s tenure, the Family Violence Court received the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Correction Director’s Award for Excellence in Community Justice and the American Corrections Association National Exemplary Offender Award.

Judge Callahan was elected to the Summit County Court of Common Pleas in November 2008 for the term beginning January 3, 2009. She was recently named by Chief Justice Thomas Moyer to serve on the Ohio Supreme Court’s Advisory Committee on Domestic Violence. Judge Callahan also participates in the Summit County Common Pleas Court Re-entry Court Program.

Judge Callahan has been active in the community and has been the recipient of several awards recognizing her community involvement, including the Urban Light Award. She is a member of the County of Summit Criminal Justice Advisory Board and served on the Board of Trustees of the Community Health Center Foundation. Judge Callahan has taught at The University of Akron and at the Supreme Court of Ohio Judicial College.

Judge Callahan is a lifelong resident of Summit County. She is married and the mother of three children.



**JUDGE CALLAHAN AND STAFF**

**From left:** Jenna Bouhall, Brian Scheetz, Shari Hower



# THE HONORABLE PATRICIA A. COSGROVE

Judge Patricia A. Cosgrove received her Bachelor of Arts Degree from The University of Akron in 1974 and was the recipient of the Akron University Alumni Scholarship. She received her Juris Doctorate Degree from The University of Akron and was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1978. While working her way through school, Judge Cosgrove served as a Law Clerk for the Ninth District Court of Appeals.

From 1978 to 1980, Judge Cosgrove served as Assistant Akron Law Director. She was a Senior Assistant Summit County Prosecutor in the Criminal Trial Division from 1981 to 1991. She also maintained a private law practice. Judge Cosgrove later served as Chief Counsel of the Civil Division of the Summit County Prosecutor's Office. In 1993, she was appointed to the Summit County Court of Common Pleas, elected in 1994 and re-elected in 2000 and 2006.

The General Division Judges elected Judge Cosgrove as the Administrative Judge for 2010. She was also elected Administrative Judge of the Summit County Common Pleas Court, General Division in 1995, 1996 and 2006. She also has served as Presiding Judge for two sessions. Judge Cosgrove currently serves as First Vice-President of the Ohio Common Pleas Judges Association and has been appointed by the Ohio Supreme Court to sit on the Committee to Study the Rules of Superintendence for Ohio Courts.

Judge Cosgrove has received special recognition from the Akron Bar Association for her work in mentoring students, and participates in the Minority Clerkship Program established by The University of Akron School of Law and the Akron Bar Association. Judge Cosgrove is proud to be one of three Summit County Common Pleas Court Judges to participate in the Re-Entry Court Program for convicted felons. This program is dedicated to helping individuals returning from prison make a successful transition back into society by addressing issues of employment, housing and substance abuse.

Judge Cosgrove has served as President of the Scanlon Inn of Court, a professional organization that is dedicated to mentoring new lawyers. She was the recipient of the outstanding Alumni Award from The University of Akron School of Law in 2004.

Judge Cosgrove is married and has three children and four grandchildren. Judge Cosgrove has been active in community organizations such as the Community Drug Board Foundation, the Victim Assistance Program and the Akron Bar Association.



**JUDGE COSGROVE AND STAFF**

**From left:** Paula McAviney, Kathie Nelson, Kandi O'Connor

## THE HONORABLE JUDY HUNTER

Judge Judy Hunter graduated from Ohio State University and later earned her Juris Doctorate Degree from The University of Akron School of Law. Judge Hunter worked in the private sector engaged in the general practice of law from 1978 to 1990. Prior to becoming a lawyer, Judge Hunter taught school. Past public service includes serving as elected Clerk of the Akron Municipal Court from 1991 to 1995.

On April 26, 2003, Judge Hunter was appointed by Governor Bob Taft to the General Division of the Summit County Common Pleas Court, was elected in 2004 and re-elected in 2008. Judge Hunter's past judicial service includes a term as Judge on Summit County's Juvenile Court from 1996 to 2002.

Judge Hunter is active in the community, having served on many boards and committees, including serving as President of the Board of Trustees of The Goodwill Industries of Akron, Ohio. Judge Hunter belongs to various professional organizations including the American, Ohio and Akron Bar Associations and the Ohio Association of Common Pleas Judges. Judge Hunter has been a frequent speaker at educational forums and community events.

Special awards include the Community Health Center's 1999 Friend of the Field Award, the 2002 Urban Light Award from the Department of Public Administration at The University of Akron, and a January 2000 award from the Better Business Bureau for "vision and innovative leadership in establishing the most successful conflict resolution mediation program in Summit County."



**JUDGE HUNTER AND STAFF**

**From left:** Jason Adams, Donna Slack, Ken Masich

## **THE HONORABLE ALISON MCCARTY**

Judge Alison McCarty graduated from Wheaton College in Wheaton, IL with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in English and obtained her Juris Doctorate Degree from Wake Forest University School of Law in Winston-Salem, NC. She began her legal career in 1987 as a Staff Attorney for Judge William Baird of the Ninth District Court of Appeals. In 1989, she became a Summit County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney. During her ten year career as an Assistant Prosecutor, Judge McCarty handled thousands of cases from low-level drug cases to death penalty murder trials.

As a criminal prosecutor, Judge McCarty personally tried nearly 100 jury trials and obtained convictions in an overwhelming majority of those cases. Judge McCarty prosecuted one of Summit County's most notorious murder cases in September 1998, obtaining an Aggravated Murder conviction of Captain Douglas Prade for the killing of his ex-wife, Dr. Margo Prade. That case received national attention and was seen on Dateline NBC, MSNBC and featured on HBO.

Judge McCarty was appointed to the Akron Municipal Court in May 1999, where she served for nine years, having been elected in 1999 and re-elected in 2005. As an Akron Municipal Court Judge, Judge McCarty presided over the Akron Municipal Drug Court from 2003 to 2007 and created and presided over the first urban DUI Court in the State of Ohio from 2007 until her election to the Summit County Court of Common Pleas. Judge McCarty was elected Presiding Judge for the Akron Municipal Court in 2005. She was named Committee Chair of the Year by the Akron Bar Association in 2002, awarded the 2005 Urban Light Award from the Department of Public Administration at the University of Akron, received the 2006 Legacy III Criminal Justice Award for Outstanding Service and is a MADD Red Ribbon Award Winner.

Judge McCarty has long been an advocate for victims, serving on the Summit County Domestic Violence Coalition, the Summit County Fatality Review Committee and is currently Chair of the Summit County Sexual Assault Coalition. Judge McCarty also co-chairs the Akron Bar Association's High School Mock Trial Committee, a position she has held for nine years. She is a former member of the Junior League of Akron, the Governor's Task Force on the Investigation and Prosecution of Child Abuse and the Ohio Coalition on Sexual Assault.

Judge McCarty was elected to a six-year term on the Summit County Common Pleas Court in November 2008 for the term beginning January 5, 2009.

Judge McCarty has been married to Thomas McCarty for twenty years and they are the parents of two daughters.

### **JUDGE MCCARTY'S STAFF**

Joan Arshinkoff – Bailiff  
Lisa Nemes - Judicial Attorney  
Shay Greven - Judicial Assistant

## THE HONORABLE TOM PARKER

Judge Tom Parker was elected to the Summit County Court of Common Pleas in 2008 to the term commencing May 1, 2009. Previously, Judge Parker was elected to the Akron Board of Education where he served from 1990 through 1993.

From 1979 through early 2002, Judge Parker engaged in private practice at the firm of Roetzel & Andress LPA in Akron. From 2002 until taking the bench, he was a partner in the firm of Parker, Leiby, Hanna & Rasnick LLC, also in Akron. During his nearly thirty years in private practice, Judge Parker represented clients in civil, criminal and domestic relations matters. He specialized in product liability issues and represented clients in numerous complex multi-party actions. His cases were in the courts of twenty states. Judge Parker is admitted to the Bars of the State of Ohio, The Supreme Court of the United States and of several federal courts.

Judge Parker is a graduate of Leadership Akron and has served in the Akron and Summit County community in various volunteer capacities since moving to Akron in 1979. He is married and the father of six children.



**JUDGE PARKER AND STAFF**

**From left:** William Wellemeyer, Jaclyn Darrah, Kim Arnold

## THE HONORABLE MARY MARGARET ROWLANDS

Judge Mary Margaret Rowlands graduated from Youngstown State University and received her Juris Doctorate Degree from The University of Akron School of Law. She was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1989. Previously, Judge Rowlands was a partner in the law firm, Whitaker and Rowlands Co., LPA, in Akron. She became the Chief Legal Counsel in the Summit County Fiscal Office in 2005. In her litigation practice, she handled a wide variety of complex civil and criminal matters in both state and federal courts throughout the country.

In 2008, Judge Rowlands was elected to the Summit County Court of Common Pleas. Judge Rowlands has served on the Board of Trustees of the Akron Bar Association, having chaired its Common Pleas and Appellate Courts Committee. She was appointed to serve two terms on the Akron Bar Association's highly regarded Commission on Judicial Candidates. She was elected by her colleagues to the Ohio Bar Association's Council of Delegates. Judge Rowlands also, was a charter member of the Charles F. Scanlon Chapter of the American Inns of Court.

Judge Rowlands has been an adjunct professor The University of Akron School of Law and is dedicated to furthering an understanding of the law and related topics. She frequently speaks to lawyers, judges, journalists, law enforcement, educators, high school, college and law students, as well as civic groups like Leadership Akron in an effort to create dialog on these important issues.



**JUDGE ROWLANDS AND STAFF**

**From left:** Alan Medvick, Judge Rowlands, Anna Stormer, Dorianne Denard

# THE HONORABLE THOMAS A. TEODOSIO

Judge Thomas A. Teodosio graduated from The University of Akron with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1979. Thereafter, he received a Juris Doctor Degree from The University of Akron School of Law in 1982. That same year Judge Teodosio was admitted to the Ohio bar as well as the bar for the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio and the United States Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit. In 1986 he was authorized to practice before the United States Supreme Court.

Prior to beginning his judicial career, Judge Teodosio was in the private practice of law for 25 years. He was a partner in the law firm of Teodosio, Manos & Ward where he started his legal career in 1982. His law practice was general in nature, but focused heavily on trial work, both civil and criminal, including capital litigation. While in private practice, he served on the Summit County Trial Lawyers Association Board of Trustees and was a member of the Ohio Academy of Trial Lawyers. As an attorney, Judge Teodosio participated in programs that provided pro-bono legal services at the Hospice Care Center and through the Western Reserve Volunteer Legal Services.

In November 2000, Judge Teodosio was elected to serve on Summit County Council and won re-election in 2004. He was elected as President of Council in 2003 and was twice chosen to serve as Vice President. While on Council, he chaired the Finance, Public Works and Public Safety Committees and served as Vice Chairman of the Planning, Buildings and Economic Development Committee. As a Councilman, Judge Teodosio chaired the Summit County Predatory Lending Task Force and sponsored many pieces of legislation, including the creation of the Summit County Office of Consumer Affairs.

In November 2006, Judge Teodosio was elected Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge. In addition to his regular general division docket, Judge Teodosio presides over the Summit County Felony Drug Court. The Drug Court is a separate, specialized docket in which non-violent, drug-dependent offenders plead guilty to their offenses and are then provided intense, court-supervised treatment over an 18-24 month period with random drug testing and mandatory substance abuse/mental health programming. In 2008, the Court was awarded a federal SAMHSA grant that has resulted in the addition of enhanced programming available to Drug Court clients, including employment services, cognitive skills programming, mental health screening, crisis intervention counseling, anger management classes, family education programming and financial management classes. Participants must have police and prosecutor approval prior to entering the program. In order to graduate from the program, participants must abstain from the use of alcohol and drugs and otherwise demonstrate that they have become rehabilitated and are prepared to serve as a positive influence on our community. If the offender successfully completes the Program, their "guilty" plea is vacated and the case is dismissed. Offenders who fail to successfully complete the Program are sentenced on their felony conviction.

Judge Teodosio has also presided over court in the community at the Fugitive Safe Surrender sessions in 2007 and 2009. These court sessions resulted in over 1,100 individuals turning themselves in to law enforcement over the four-day period each year. The United States Marshal stated that Akron's program was one of the most successful Fugitive Safe Surrender operations to be conducted by the Marshals Service.

The General Division Judges elected Judge Teodosio as the Presiding Judge for 2010. He is a member of the American Judges Association; the Ohio Common Pleas Judges Association; the Ohio Judicial Conference (Specialized Dockets Committee member); the Ohio State Bar Association; and the Justinian Forum. Judge Teodosio also serves on the Local Pro Bono Committee for the Ohio State Bar Association's Judicially Led Appellate District Pro Bono Project.

Judge Teodosio was, and remains, deeply involved in our community. He currently serves on the Akron Civic Theater Board of Directors; the Akron Zoo Board of Trustees; the Rebuilding Together Advisory Board; the Stow Schools Foundation Board; and the Summit County Criminal Justice Advisory Board. In the past, he has served on the Walsh Jesuit High School Board of Trustees; the Summit County Consumer Affairs Board; the Akron/Summit Convention & Visitor's Bureau Board of Trustees; the Summit County Board of Control; the Summit County Audit Committee; the Summit County Investment Advisory Board; the Youth Leadership and the Adult Leadership Committees of the Stow-Munroe Falls Chamber of Commerce; and the Board of Directors at Community Support Services.

He participates annually as a celebrity chef at the "Men Who Cook" and "Grapes and Gourmet Guys" benefit events. Judge Teodosio is a member of the Italian-American Citizen's Club, the Sons of Italy, AHEPA, the Acker-Moore Memorial Post and the Hibernians Club.

Judge Teodosio's service to the community has been recognized by the YMCA Western Reserve Paul C. Hutchison Service to Youth Award; the "Harold K. Stubbs Humanitarian Award" for Distinguished Service in the Field of Government"; the "Urban Light Award" from The University of Akron Department of Public Administration and Urban Studies for "Service to the Akron Community"; the "Achievement Award" from the Council of Italian American Societies of Summit County; the "2008 Veterans Appreciation Award" from the Veteran Service Commission; and the East Akron Community House 40th Year Celebration of Community Organizing "Citizen's Participation Recognition".

Each year, Judge Teodosio speaks at many community meetings and events. In 2009, Judge Teodosio spoke at the Community Fellowship Ministries and Equal Access to Education, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., 23rd Annual Breakfast and Service; the Law Week Student Summit; the 25th Anniversary of Equal Access to Education Coalition (EAEC); the Kids College Program; the Torchbearers Group meeting; the Night Out Against Crime at the Church of God in Akron; the Leadership Akron Class XXV Justice Day event; the Summit County Fatherhood Initiative Fathers Walk; and Project Learn's Leader for Literacy Breakfast & Literacy Leadership Awards event. Judge Teodosio was a panelist at the Summit County Association for Justice meeting and a participant in the Summit County Stand Down for the Homeless and Displaced Veterans.

Judge Teodosio has been married to his wife, Summit County Juvenile Court Judge Linda Tucci Teodosio, since 1983. They live in Munroe Falls, Ohio, and have a son, a daughter, and a pet dog named "Liberty".



**JUDGE TEODOSIO AND STAFF**

**From front:** Judge Teodosio, Christopher Piekarski, Matthew Rich  
**Not pictured:** Jill Coleman

## THE HONORABLE BRENDA BURNHAM UNRUH

Judge Burnham Unruh earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Wheaton College in 1980, graduating with honor. She earned her Juris Doctorate Degree in 1984 from The University of Akron School of Law.

Judge Burnham Unruh was admitted to the Florida Bar in 1984 and was in private practice in Florida until she returned to Ohio. She was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1992.

Judge Burnham Unruh was the Coordinator of the Summit County Juvenile Court Guardian Ad Litem Program from 1992 to 1993. In 1993, Judge Burnham Unruh joined the Summit County Prosecutor's Office as an Assistant Prosecutor. She served first in the Juvenile Division and then in the Criminal Division.

In 1997, Judge Burnham Unruh was appointed as a Magistrate in Juvenile Court.

In July of 1998, Judge Burnham Unruh was appointed to the Akron Municipal Court. In March 1999, Judge Burnham Unruh was appointed to the Summit County Court of Common Pleas. She was elected to the Court of Common Pleas from 2000, 2002, and 2008.

Judge Burnham Unruh is a member of the Akron and Ohio Bar Associations and is active in many community activities.

Judge Burnham Unruh is married to Robert Unruh and has a son and daughter.



**JUDGE UNRUH AND STAFF**

**From left:** Carrie Roush, Tom McLaughlin, Kimberly Miller



## MAGISTRATE JOHN H. SHOEMAKER

John H. Shoemaker, the Chief Magistrate for the General Division of the Summit County Court of Common Pleas, has served the Court for twenty-three years. The Magistrate assists the General Division Judges by handling a variety of civil matters assigned to him via general or limited orders of reference, via Civil Rule 53 and Local Rules of Practice 18. The Magistrate can preside over bench or jury trials and can handle any matters preliminary to litigation.

Under Criminal Rule 19, the Magistrate may perform some criminal tasks. The Magistrate conducts all arraignments for the General Division Judges. In 1998, a Video Arraignment System/Program was implemented and has been very successful. That system utilizes a closed-circuit television to arraign defendants who are incarcerated in the Summit County Jail.

Beginning in 2004, a walk-through waiver of arraignment procedure, which is overseen by the Magistrate, was instituted and has also been successful to date.

Below is a recap of data for the Magistrate's Office for the 2009 year.

<b>CIVIL STATISTICS</b>	
<b>Pending Jan. 1</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>Referred</b>	<b>1,073</b>
<b>Closed</b>	<b>1,083</b>
<b>Pending Dec. 31</b>	<b>384</b>

<b>CIVIL CASE ACTIVITIES</b>	
<b>Bench Trials</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>Jury Trials</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Oral Hearings</b> <i>Including Civil Protection Orders Ex Parte and Full</i>	<b>787</b>
<b>Status Conferences</b>	<b>730</b>
<b>Total Activities</b>	<b>1,564</b>

<b>CRIMINAL CASE ACTIVITIES</b>	
<b>Jailed Defendants Arraigned via Closed-Circuit Television</b>	<b>1,958</b>
<b>Defendants Utilizing Walkthrough Procedure</b>	<b>766</b>
<b>Defendants Arraigned in Courtroom</b>	<b>2,261</b>
<b>Total Defendants Arraigned</b>	<b>4,985</b>

## VISITING JUDGES

In 2009, the Summit County Common Pleas Court, General Division, continued its use of Visiting Judges to assist with the caseload. The Court used the following retired judges to preside over a total of 164 days during 2009:

JUDGE	RETIRED FROM	DIVISION
Judith A. Cross	Medina County	Common Pleas Court
Thomas P. Curran	8 <sup>th</sup> District	Court of Appeals
Joyce J. George	9 <sup>th</sup> District	Court of Appeals
H. Fred Inderlied, Jr.	Geauga County	Common Pleas Court
R. Patrick Kelly	Cuyahoga County	Common Pleas Court
Joseph R. Kainrad	Portage County	Common Pleas Court
John R. Milligan	5 <sup>th</sup> District	Court of Appeals
James E. Murphy	Summit County	Common Pleas Court
Marvin A. Shapiro	Summit County	Common Pleas Court
Ted Schneiderman	Summit County	Common Pleas Court
James R. Williams	Summit County	Common Pleas Court

<b>COST OF VISITING JUDGES FOR 2009</b>	
<b>Payment by County</b>	<b>\$20,837.35</b>
<b>Payment by State</b>	<b>\$145,794.88</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$166,632.23</b>

## CIVIL CASE ACTIVITY 2009

The 9,304 Civil cases filed in 2009 reflect an increase of 361 cases, or 3.8 percent more than the 8,943 cases filed in 2008. The number of Civil cases terminated in 2009 totaled 10,796. This showed an increase of 1,105 cases, or 10 percent above the 9,691 cases that were terminated in 2008.

In 2005, the number of new case filings was 7,873 compared to 9,304 cases filed in 2009. This shows an increase of 15.4 %, or 1,431 cases. Civil Terminations increased from 8,828 in 2005, to 10,796 in 2009, which represents an increase of 1,968 terminated cases, or 18%. The average civil caseload per Judge was 408 on December 31, 2009, compared to an average civil caseload per Judge of 491 in 2008.

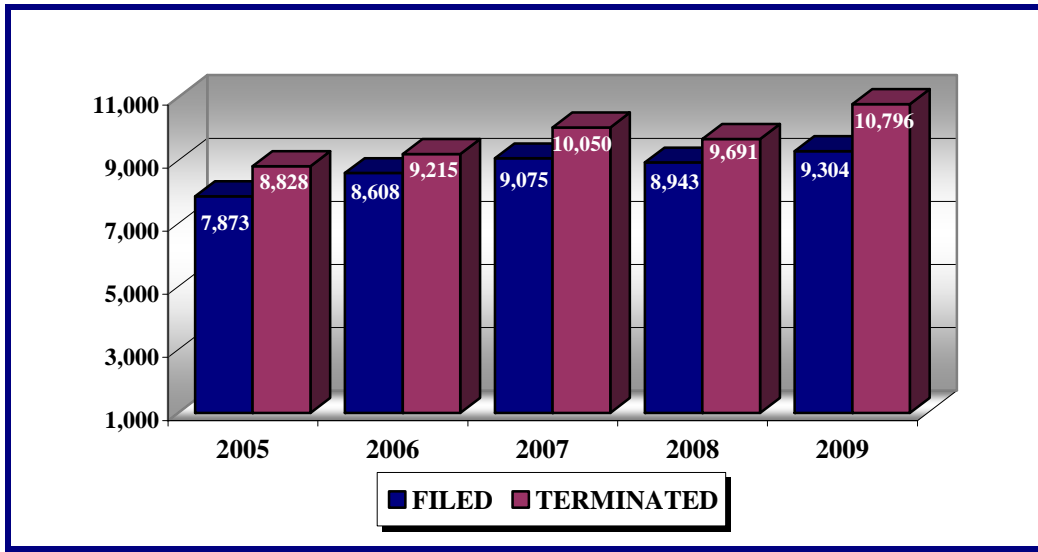
TYPE OF CASE	Professional Tort	Product Liability	Other Torts	Workers Compensation	Foreclosures	Administrative Appeal	Complex Litigation	Other Civil	<u>TOTAL</u>	Visiting Judge
Pending beginning of period	86	10	843	250	1,438	43	2	1260	3,932	58
New cases filed	97	5	919	334	4,633	110	X	3124	9,222	82
Transferred, reactivated or redesignated	62	3	378	125	499	17	11	463	1,558	33
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b>245</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>2,140</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>6,570</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4,847</b>	<b>14,712</b>	<b>173</b>

### TERMINATIONS BY:

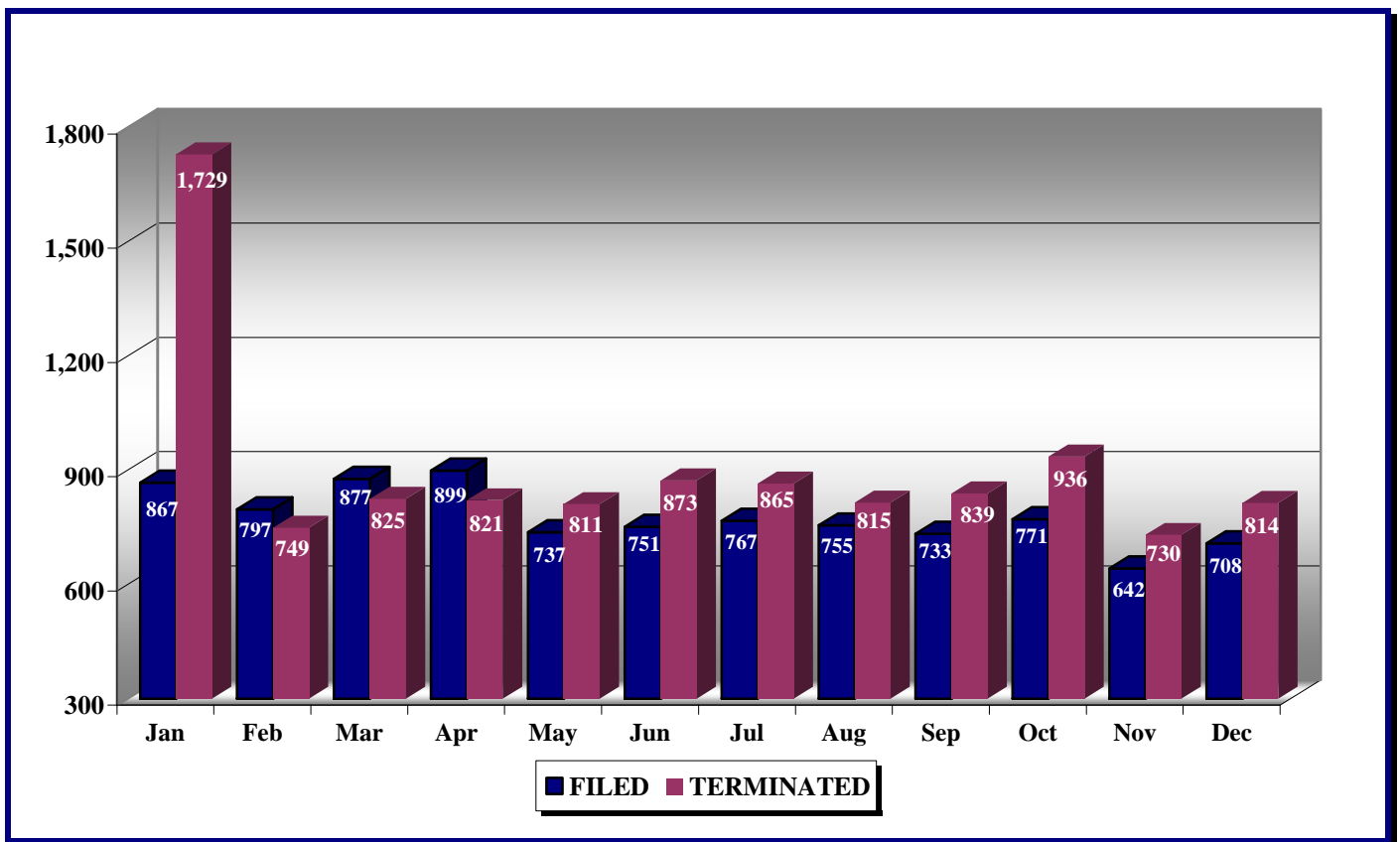
Jury trial	4	0	45	4	1	0	1	12	67	8
Court trial	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	18	22	2
Settled or dismissed prior to trial	41	2	569	277	250	4	0	484	1,627	6
Dismissal	24	0	172	80	647	29	1	545	1,498	25
Dismissal for lack of speedy trial (criminal) or want of prosecution (civil)	1	0	28	1	112	6	0	157	305	2
Magistrate	0	1	4	1	8	1	0	234	249	0
Diversion or Arbitration	3	1	137	65	70	1	0	49	326	0
Default (civil)	0	0	23	5	2,839	0	0	945	3,812	2
Transfer to another judge or court	59	3	373	128	395	11	1	477	1,447	0
Referral to private Judge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bankruptcy stay or interlocutory appeal	4	0	23	10	271	2	0	150	460	59
Other terminations	14	1	48	24	317	43	1	496	944	26
<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>	<b>150</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1,422</b>	<b>496</b>	<b>4913</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3567</b>	<b>10,757</b>	<b>130</b>
Pending end of period	95	10	718	213	1657	73	9	1,280	3,955	43

# CIVIL CASES

## FILED AND TERMINATED – 5 YEAR COMPARISON



## 2009 MONTH-BY-MONTH COMPARISON



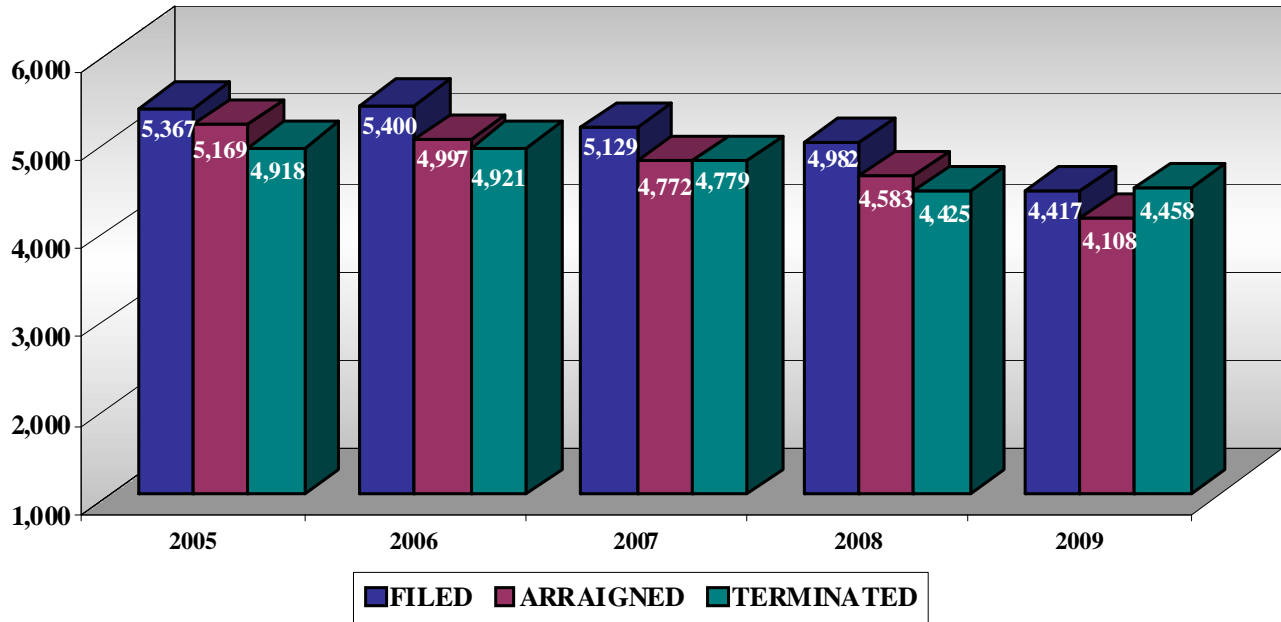
## 2009 CRIMINAL CASE ACTIVITY

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
<b>CASES FILED</b>	5,367	5,400	5,129	4,982	4,417
<b>CASES ASSIGNED/ARRAIGNED</b>	5,169	4,997	4,772	4,583	4,108
<b>CASES TERMINATED</b>	4,918	4,921	4,779	4,425	4,458
<b>TRIALS:</b>					
Jury	176	163	154	147	171
Court	34	39	30	38	36
<b>FELONY CHARGES:</b>					
Filed	10,597	10,340	10,506	10,393	8,021
Convictions	4,975	4,412	4,280	4,261	3,481
Dismissals	3,694	3,527	4,344	4,225	4,714
<b>MISDEMEANOR CHARGES:</b>					
Filed	4,837	4,861	4,588	3,983	3,219
Convictions	1,450	1,241	1,219	1,210	876
Dismissals	3,041	3,189	3,246	2,726	2,724
<b>DISPOSITIONS:</b>					
Ohio Dept. of Rehabilitation	1,309	1,402	1,325	1,109	1,159
Ohio State Reform. For Women	175	171	155	114	120
Community Control	2,474	2,357	2,279	2,273	2,254
Probation	366	385	315	314	233
Summit County Jail	95	104	90	49	50
Glenwood Jail	1	1	2	1	3
Halfway House	1	2	1	7	0
Community Service	3	0	2	4	2
Suspended Sentence	41	26	74	45	57
Dismissals	240	208	216	192	195
Fine/Costs	25	18	52	38	57
Restitution	3	3	2	3	2
Transfer to Another County	2	0	0	0	0
IILC Completion	73	80	123	121	114
PDP Completion	42	79	52	47	84
Drug Court Completions	20	27	33	57	78
Not Guilty Verdicts (Jury Trials)	38	39	34	29	26
Not Guilty Verdicts (Court Trials)	6	8	7	11	5
NGRI	4	6	6	4	7
Death Penalty	0	2	0	1	1
Remanded (back to Muni Court)	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	0
Other	n/a	3	11	4	11
<b>MOTIONS FOR JUDICIAL RELEASE</b>	1,099	1,181	1,218	1,155	1,203

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
<b>CHARGE/PLEA STATISTICS</b>					
<i>Pled Guilty - Original Charge</i>					
Felonies	4,528	4,661	4,337	3,633	3,507
Misdemeanors	1,178	1,035	1,037	881	835
<i>Pled Guilty - Amended Charge</i>					
Felonies	1,362	1,308	1,263	1,067	1,196
Misdemeanors	15	19	17	24	18
<i>Pled No Contest</i>					
Felonies	32	62	25	24	41
Misdemeanors	11	21	13	8	18
<i>Merged Counts</i>					
Felonies	5	2	17	31	26
Misdemeanors	0	3	1	1	3
<i>Dismissals</i>					
Felonies	3,694	3,527	4,344	4,225	4,714
Misdemeanors	3,041	3,189	3,246	2,726	2,724
<i>Jury Verdict - Guilty</i>					
Felonies	240	207	192	232	226
Misdemeanors	61	56	52	56	39
<i>Jury Verdict - Guilty (Amended)</i>					
Felonies	13	16	10	12	14
Misdemeanors	0	0	0	1	1
<i>Jury Verdict - Not Guilty</i>					
Felonies	149	134	153	83	114
Misdemeanors	24	30	25	16	20
<i>Court Verdict - Guilty</i>					
Felonies	28	17	32	44	32
Misdemeanors	18	20	7	33	16
<i>Court Verdict - Guilty (Amended)</i>					
Felonies	2	4	2	4	12
Misdemeanors	0	0	0	0	1
<i>Court Verdict - Not Guilty</i>					
Felonies	26	28	23	26	32
Misdemeanors	10	12	23	13	12
<i>Court Verdict - NGRI</i>					
Felonies	9	9	9	6	13
Misdemeanors	2	2	3	1	10
<i>Rule 29</i>					
Felonies	n/a	n/a	10	8	20
Misdemeanors	n/a	n/a	1	0	0
<i>Remanded</i>					
Felonies	4	0	0	0	0
Misdemeanors	0	0	0	6	0

## CRIMINAL CASES

**FILED, ARRAIGNED, TERMINATED - FIVE YEAR COMPARISON**



## MEDIATION 2009

In June of 1998, the Court began to offer court-sponsored mediation to parties who have filed suit in Common Pleas Court, under the direction of Frank Motz, Chief Court Mediator. Cases are mediated as assigned by the General Division Judges. Cases that can be assigned to Mediation include personal injury, business disputes, workers' compensation, foreclosure, quiet title, and non-payment of student loans. As a result of a new program in 2009, to mediate foreclosure cases, over 1,000 foreclosure cases were sent to Mediation. Of those cases, 359 were settled and over 409 are still pending. Cases can be selected by the assigned judge or can be sent to Mediation when all of the parties have consented. In 2009, 1,057 cases were settled after referral to Mediation.

Mediation Five-Year Statistics	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
<b>Cases Pending Beginning Of Year</b>	476	428	365	442	424
<b>Cases Referred</b>	1,295	1,253	1,465	1,307	2,119
<b>Returned to Court</b>	422	446	380	360	506
<b>Cases Settled</b>	691	644	757	792	1,057
<b>Removed prior to completion</b>	243	224	249	242	295
<b>Cases Pending End of Year</b>	415	350	443	355	705

## FELONY DRUG COURT 2009

The Summit County Felony Drug Court (SCFDC) is an innovative program available to felony drug possessions/abuse offenders county-wide, taking offenders from all three Municipal Courts within the county - Akron, Barberton, and Stow. This program is intended to swiftly introduce drug possession/abuse offenders to drug treatment with continuing judicial involvement, to increase the likelihood of rehabilitation and reduce the likelihood of recidivism. It is a collaborative effort between the courts, prosecutor's office, law enforcement, defense attorneys, and treatment providers, to provide offenders with mandatory treatment, increased supervision, and coordinated use of community resources with the following goals in mind:

1. Consolidate service delivery to Summit County Felony Drug Court clients.
2. Reduce the incidence of substance abuse among the adult felony offender population of Summit County.
3. Reduce recidivism among drug possession/abuse offenders and contribute to community safety.
4. To provide the courts with another sentencing option to serve the needs of the felony offenders in Summit County in order to reduce the use of state prisons and local jail facilities.
5. To enhance the education level of the adult felony drug offender population.
6. To increase the rate of employment among adult felony drug offenders.
7. To enhance the participant's ability to function in the community.

This post-adjudication program experienced tremendous growth in 2009. There were 115 intakes and 175 active participants as of the end of December 2009. This is an 11% increase over the previous year.

	Male	Female	African-American	Caucasian	Other	Total Screened	Entered
January	32	13	29	16	0	45	3
February	72	25	49	48	0	97	3
March	93	20	64	48	1	113	12
April	67	18	51	32	2	85	12
May	62	21	39	44	0	83	17
June	60	15	44	31	0	75	25
July	56	11	42	24	1	67	9
August	62	17	46	32	1	79	6
September	54	15	41	26	2	69	7
October	38	15	29	24	0	53	9
November	58	20	47	31	0	78	6
December	45	15	28	29	1	60	6



<b>Reason for Ineligibility</b>	<b>Number of Persons</b>
On Parole / Post Release Control or Community Control	27
Trafficking Conviction	70
Trafficking Arrest within the Last 10 years	62
Contempt History	32
Police Deny	33
Lives Outside of Summit County	3
Current Charge is Felony 1, Felony 2, or Felony 3	66
Prior Felonies	42
Capias Pending	27
Other Court Involvement (Felony or Misdemeanor Pending)	39
History of Violence	16
Rejected by Prosecutor	9
Current Drug Court, FVC, MHC, or Reentry Court	11
Prior Drug Court or IILC (Intervention in Lieu of Conviction)	17
Failure to Appear for Drug Court Screening	10
Co-Defendant	81
Rejected by Defendant	42
Pending Companion Case Disqualifies	132
Stow Municipal Court	7
Mental/Medical Health Issues	3
Tier III Sex Offender or Sexual Predator	1
Drug of Choice Unable to be Screened	0

**ADULT PROBATION**  
**ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2009**  
**DIRECTOR'S NOTES**

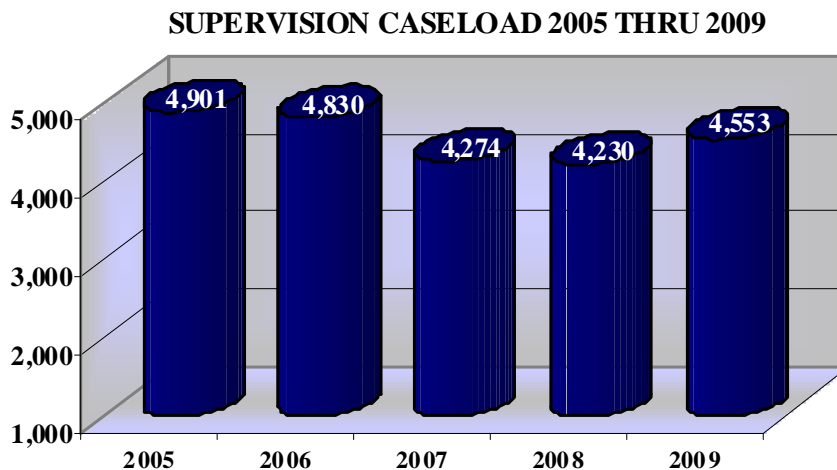
The year 2009 brought many changes to the Adult Probation Department. It was the final year for training in Evidenced Based Practices (EBP). It was also the year that the Department downsized operations due to the fiscal climate within the County. As a result, the Adult Probation Department's North and South Branch offices were closed and the offenders that normally reported to those locations were redirected to the main office. Staff levels decreased due to the Volunteer Separation Program (VSP). As a result of the VSP, there were three positions that were not replaced, along with a part-time position, which was eliminated due to budgetary concerns.

Despite the impact of those occurrences, the Adult Probation Department continued to evolve and move closer to the goal of achieving EBP as a philosophy and a standard of operation. During 2009, several staff took part in an initiative for a state based risk assessment instrument, the Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS). The Summit County Adult Probation Department was one of only a few county agencies, statewide, to have the opportunity to be trained and to pilot the ORAS. Because of this early involvement and support of the state's efforts, the Department is now involved in regional training of other agencies. The Department's commitment to this endeavor led to the creation of three, grant funded, assessment officer positions.

Finally, in an effort to create a more offender-oriented approach to community supervision, the Adult Probation Department has instituted Saturday reporting. Weekend reporting is available to offenders twice a month as an opportunity to maintain compliance with probation rules without jeopardizing employment to attend probation meetings. Currently, probation staff works weekends on a voluntary basis. Offender response to this initiative has been positive. In the coming year, it is the goal of the Adult Probation Department to continue to move forward and to continue to embrace opportunities to evolve and further support the efforts of the Court of Common Pleas.

**SUPERVISION**

The number of offenders under supervision at the Adult Probation Department at the end of 2009 was 4,553 compared to 4,230 in 2008.



**\*\*New Probation Referrals**

The number of new cases in 2009 was 3,163 compared to 3,086 in 2008.

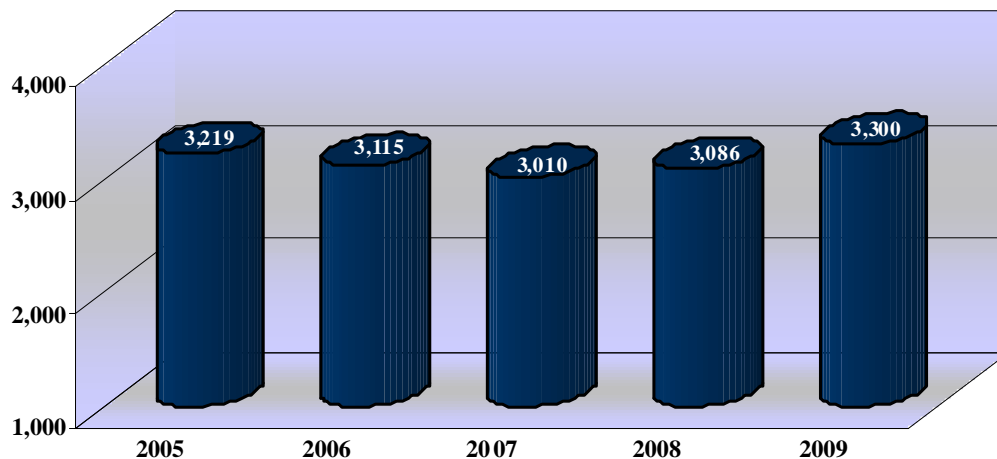
The following chart shows a breakdown of the new cases referred to Probation over the past five years.

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Probation or Community Control from Court	2,615	2,465	2,359	2,370	2,541
Re-Entry (Began in 2006)	N/A	29	104	130	154
Judicial Release	228	243	204	191	205
*Intensive Cases <u>included</u> in Judicial Release total*	*79*	*90*	*48*	*27*	*15*
Intensive	149	155	109	99	130
Courtesy Supervision	57	53	67	62	42
Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (IILC)	170	170	167	234	228
<b>Total New Referrals</b>	<b>3,219</b>	<b>3,115</b>	<b>3,010</b>	<b>3,086</b>	<b>3,300</b>

\*\*These numbers reflect new cases, not new offenders (one offender may have more than one case)

\*\*\*The Re-Entry Program was started in September 2006

**NEW CASES FOR SUPERVISION 2005 THRU 2009**



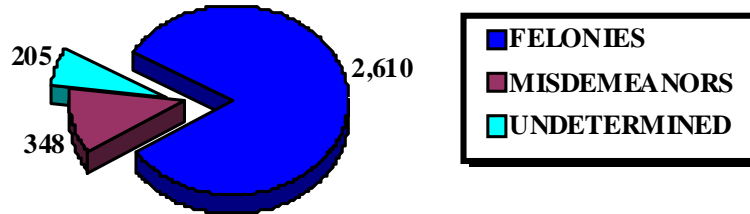
**DEMOGRAPHICS FOR OFFENDER POPULATION**

During 2009, a number of cases were referred to the Adult Probation Department.

The demographic information for those case placements is as follows:

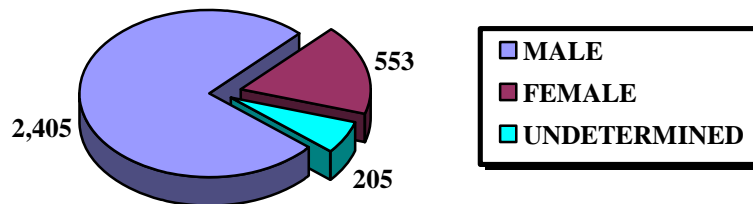
### FELONY AND MISDEMEANOR

During 2009, 3,163 cases were referred to the Adult Probation Department. Of those cases 2,610 were Felony level convictions. Additionally, there were 348 Misdemeanor cases assigned to the Adult Probation Department for supervision. There were 205 cases undetermined.\*\*



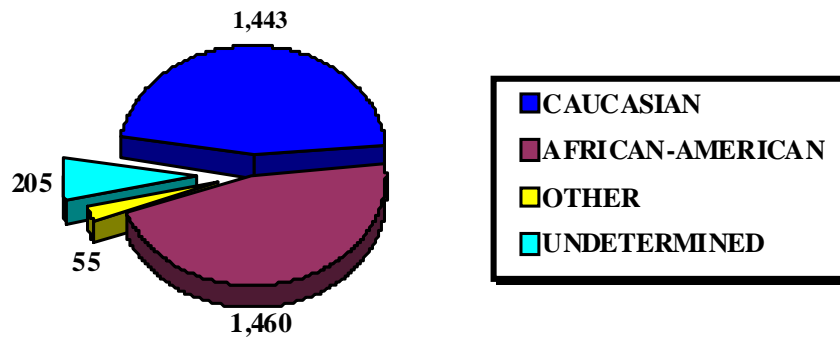
### GENDER

In regards to Gender, there were 2,405 males placed on supervision in 2009. By contrast, the Court referred 553 females for supervision. There were 205 cases undetermined.\*\*



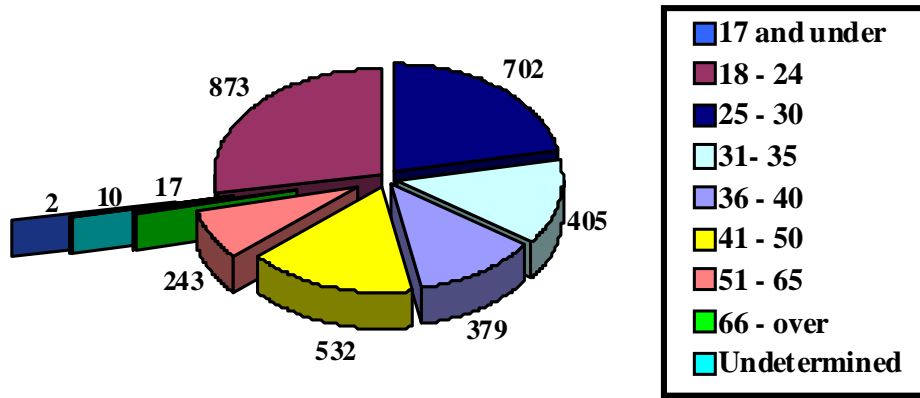
### RACE

Caucasian referrals numbered 1,460 while African-Americans accounted for 1,443 of the offenders placed on supervision. There were 55 placements of various ethnicities, such as Hispanic or Asian decent, and 205 cases were undetermined.\*\*



**OFFENDERS BY AGE**

The following is a breakdown of Offenders by Age for 2009:



\*\*Demographic information for 205 Undetermined cases was not available. These cases were courtesy supervision cases and non-conviction cases. Due to that factor our current case management systems does not track those particular cases.

**INTENSIVE SUPERVISION UNIT (ISP)**

The Intensive Supervision Program (ISP) is a stated funded program that was provided to the Adult Probation Department in 1990 as an alternative to prison incarceration. In 2009, 145 felony offenders were diverted to ISP. The Intensive Supervision Program continues to consist of one (1) supervisor and four (4) probation officers.

During 2009, there were 205 Terminations from the ISP Unit. The following table contains the details of those Terminations.

Successful Terminations:	
Reduced to Basic Supervision (43)	
Released from Community Control (45)	<b>88</b>
Unsuccessful Technical Violations	<b>61</b>
Unsuccessful New Felonies	<b>24</b>
Unsuccessful New Misdemeanors	<b>2</b>
Administrative Releases	<b>13</b>
Terminations designated as Other	<b>17</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>205</b>

## **TERMINATION OF SUPERVISION AND SENTENCING STATISTICS**

During 2009, there were 951 supervision cases that were closed due to expiration. An additional 630 cases were closed due to early termination and administrative closings by the Court. A total of 1,581 cases were closed for the year.

Incarceration remained the primary method of punishment for offenders who were non-compliant with the Court's directives. In 2009, 831 offenders were sentenced to the Department of Corrections, 121 offenders were sentenced to the Ohio State Reformatory for Women, and 46 sentencings were to the Summit County Jail.

The aforementioned incarcerations were the result of recommendations due to Community Control Violations (726), Pre-Sentence Investigation Reports (283), and non-compliance with the Intervention in Lieu of Conviction statute (4).

## **PRE-SENTENCE INVESTIGATION UNIT (PSI)**

The Pre-Sentence Investigation Unit consists of five (5) full-time Pre-Sentence Investigation writers, which includes specific writers for sex offense and domestic violence cases. The Pre-Sentence Investigation Unit completed 703 Pre-Sentence Investigation reports in 2009. Included in that total was the completion of 42 Sex Offense PSIs and 79 Domestic Violence PSIs. The sex offense reports also included a psychosexual assessment and a Static 99 Risk Assessment completed by Summit Psychological & Associates.

## **VICTIM IMPACT STATEMENTS**

The Adult Probation Department completes Victim Impact Statements when Court ordered or when the victim is clearly identified and information is obtainable. For confidentiality purposes these statements are presented in a sealed green envelope. In 2009, our writers completed 354 Victim Impact Statements.

## **FELONY DUI SUPERVISION**

In 2009, the Felony DUI Unit supervised 37 offenders. Of these offenders, 32 were male and 5 were female. These offenders are required to submit to weekly reporting, mandatory 12-step/self help attendance, alternate sanctions and treatment. During 2009, eight (8) offenders (male) successfully completed supervision. Four offenders (two male, two female) were returned to Court for violations. Of the four violators, two were violated for probation violation (one male, one female). Another (female) was violated for a new felony arrest, while another one (male) for committing a new Felony DUI offense. Of the four, two were sentenced to the Ohio Department of Corrections (1 male, 1 female), and the other two (one male, one female) were given alternate sanctions. In the upcoming year, this unit will be increasing its use in the SCRAM Personal Alcohol Monitoring System to insure compliance, as well as more random alcohol screens.

## **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNIT**

The Adult Probation Department has specialized supervision of domestic violence offenders in conjunction with grant monies, provided by the Summit County Prosecutor's Office, through the Federal Grants to Encourage Arrest Policies and Enforcement of Protection Orders Program. Supervision of these offenders is accomplished through frequent contact with the supervising Probation Officer, participation in a Batterer's Prevention Program or other appropriate counseling and treatment programs, and victim contact by the Probation Officer. As of December 31, 2009, 337 domestic violence category offenders were under the supervision of General Supervision Probation Officers and the Domestic Violence Unit Specialist Officer. Officers had over 5,700 contacts with offenders in the office, by phone and in the field. During 2009, 104 offenders successfully completed supervision.

Officer Kelli Anderson and the Pre-Sentence Investigation Unit completed 50 specialized reports on Domestic Offenders. The Department also works closely with the local Victim Advocates to help insure victims remain safe and are represented in the probation system.

## **MENTAL HEALTH UNIT**

The purpose of this unit is to supervise individuals diagnosed with a severe mental illness that hinders their ability to function on a daily basis. Collaborative efforts have continued to be maintained with the Summit County Jail Behavioral Health Unit, C.I.T., and the mental health agencies in the community to meet the needs of this specialized population with the help of the Alcohol, Drug and Mental Health Board of Summit County.

The Mental Health Unit consists of two Probation Officers whose caseloads are determined by the level of functioning of the individual. This results in a smaller caseload for the officer so he/she can better supervise those that require more intense monitoring. There were 99 new offenders assigned to this unit in 2009. Moreover, 68 individuals were successfully released from supervision.

During the latter part of 2009, the Court approved a new protocol for mentally ill offenders, which involves a greater amount of communication with the Court to identify those with a chronic mental illness early in the Court process. Additionally, these offenders are subject to closer monitoring by the Court as well as being assigned to specified Community Support Services case managers.

## **SEX OFFENDER UNIT**

Two Probation Officers are currently supervising the Sex Offender caseload. The purpose of this unit is to supervise individuals convicted of any sexually related offense, while assuring the compliance of the Adam Walsh Act, as well as the safety of the victims and the community.

During 2009, the Sex Offender Specialists teamed up with local law enforcement agencies, the Adult Parole Authority, the United States Marshals, Summit Psychological Associates, Inc., and Portage Path Behavioral Health to assure compliance. The Probation Officers who are assigned to this caseload are part of the Summit County Sexual Assault Coalition and the Summit County Sex Offender Taskforce.

The Sex Offender Unit utilizes field contacts to make sure that offenders are registering their address as directed with the Summit County Sheriff's Office. In 2009, the Sex Offender Unit conducted 759 field visits to offenders' residences. The Sex Offender Unit also utilizes community or collateral contacts to verify its offender's compliance to the Rules of Probation and to the Sex Offender Specific Rules of Probation. In 2009, the Sex Offender Unit made 2,082 contacts to family, relatives, treatment providers, and other community contacts. Continuing education is vital to the supervision of sex offenders and the Sex Offender Unit has completed 155 combined hours of sex offense related training. Due to the intensive nature of sex offender supervision, the Sex Offender Unit completed 2,229 office visits in 2009. At the end of the year, the Sex Offender Unit's total caseload was 135.

In 2009, the Sex Offender Unit participated in a county-wide address verification sweep for all sex offenders residing in Summit County. Probation Officers, along with authorities from thirteen other local law enforcement agencies, verified the addresses of every sex offender who registered in Summit County.

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

670 new referrals were accepted into the Community Service Program, interviewed, placed in an agency and monitored through completion in 2009.

The statistics are as follows:

**Court Ordered Sanctions:** 84 clients.

Terminated and returned to Court, due to noncompliance: 7

**Community Service in lieu of paying court costs and probation fees:** 586 clients

Terminated for failure to work or for behavioral problems: 134

Costs waived due to medical problems: 4

Clients who chose to pay off costs, after being placed in an agency: 13

Per Miscellaneous Order 450, offenders who have completed at least half of their supervision term, who have been fully compliant and who fall under poverty guidelines, can be recommended to work Community Service hours in lieu of paying court costs and/or probation fees.

Under these guidelines, in 2009 there were 57,470 hours of Community Service work performed in lieu of paying court costs and supervision fees. At a base rate of \$8 an hour, this figure is equivalent to: \$459,760.

20 new agencies were recruited and agreed to accept Community Service workers on a regular basis.

## **RE-ENTRY COURT**

The Reentry Court Program began in 2006 and has continued to receive funding to keep the program afloat. Currently there are 101 active clients. Since its inception in 2006, nearly 70 clients have successfully graduated. The program has expanded with the addition of Judge Judy Hunter coming on board in January 2010. Lorri Dunn also became part of the Reentry team as a Reentry Coordinator in January 2010.

## **LEADS**

Terminal Agency Coordinator (TAC) Michelle Kocian compiled the following statistics:

- Per documentation from LEADS records (available upon request), operators in the Probation Department ran a total of 82,964 LEADS printouts for the Probation Department, Court of Common Pleas, Drug Court, Reentry Program, Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic and Pretrial Services.
- Operators from Pretrial (who work at the jail terminal) ran approximately 12,320 printouts.
- 3 employees were trained and certified to be LEADS operators, for a total of 21 operators in the Department: Linda Backer, Barb Killian and Christina Hartman.
- Seven operators were recertified (a bi-annual requirement): Bill Daniels, Kerri Defibaugh, Ashley Frank, Mike Klamut, Stefanie Theus, Shiloh Geier and Jackie Shannon.
- Five (5) employees were trained as Practitioners. This training includes overviews of the capabilities of LEADS, administrative and security rules and authorized use and dissemination of information. Tim Barrage, Stacy Smith, Holly Trivett, Lori Long and Michelle Longoria.
- Karyn Rogers was certified to be an Assistant TAC and traveled to Columbus for mandatory training.
- Michelle Kocian completed mandatory annual TAC in-service training, which was provided on line for the first time. Verification was sent to Columbus.



- All LEADS reference material was updated and provided in new manuals for our operators. This includes LEADS Security Policies, Administrative Rules, Operators Manual and CCH manual.
- The continuous feed “tractor” printer in room #221 was replaced with a laser jet printer, saving the Court approximately half the cost in paper and ink supplies.
- All operators reviewed newsletters, manuals and training materials throughout the year, which was documented.

## **SEALING SPECIALIST**

The Sealing Specialist is responsible for the processing of all sealing applications filed with the Clerk of Courts. This employee schedules and conducts all interviews with sealing applicants and performs all the required research before a written report is prepared for the Court. The guidelines and criteria associated with a sealing request are specifically outlined in the Ohio Revised Code. In 2009, there were 349 applications filed with the Clerk. The Departmental Sealing Specialist completed 406 reports.

## **FINANCIAL ENFORCEMENT SPECIALIST**

The Financial Enforcement Specialist determined, established, and monitored restitution cases as ordered by the Court. In 2009, \$1,866,539.42 was established with the Clerk of Courts and \$534,796.83 was collected in restitution payments. Currently there are 732 cases being monitored.

## **INTERVENTION IN LIEU OF CONVICTION**

Offenders are granted Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (IILC) with substance abuse treatment ordered by the Court. Upon the successful completion of a treatment program, verification of ongoing sobriety by means of regular random urinalysis testing and the commission of no new offenses, the offenders are eligible for the dismissal of their pending charge.

There are two IILC Officers who supervise a total of 320 IILC cases. In 2009, the unit had 231 new referrals and 120 cases were closed successfully.

## **INTERVENTION IN LIEU OF CONVICTION ASSESSMENT OFFICER**

A total of 307 assessments were completed for Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (IILC) in 2009, with a turn-around time of two weeks or less. IILC has been successful in reducing the time from arraignment to final disposition. This allows the offender to start treatment early in order to maximize treatment outcomes and reducing court costs. In July, the Ohio Risk Assessment was incorporated into the IILC assessments.

## **QUALITY AND OUTCOME IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Quality and Outcome Improvement Committee was formed in June 2008. The goal of the Committee is to improve the quality of services provided to Probationers, the Courts and the Community, thereby reducing recidivism and increasing public safety. This Committee is focused on the training and implementation of Evidence Based Practices by the Adult Probation Department. The Committee consists of 14 staff members, which includes Supervisors, Probation Officers and Support Staff.

In 2009, the Committee organized training in Motivational Interviewing, both basic and advanced courses. The Adult Probation Department Staff was required to attend both training sessions. Also the focus was on assessment instruments as five (5) Officers were trained with the Ohio Risk Assessment System, which includes a pretrial tool, a pre-screener tool and a supervision tool. One (1) of the Officers was also trained as a trainer of these tools.

The Committee has developed an agenda for 2010 that is geared to continue to move the Adult Probation Department towards Evidence Based Practices. A large amount of time will be spent on training the staff on using the assessments and developing case plan agreements with the results of those assessments.

## **DNA COLLECTION**

Ohio law requires that all persons convicted of a felony and/or a qualifying misdemeanor, submit a sample of their DNA to the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI). Intake personnel perform DNA tests Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., from any and all persons reporting to Intake for the first time, who meet the criteria and have not previously submitted DNA.

Intake secretary, Barbara Killian, is the primary person responsible for collecting DNA as of January 4, 2010. Christina Hartman, Pat Marotto, Karyn Rogers, Jackie Shannon and Debbie Rians help Barbara collect DNA on an as needed basis.

In 2009, a total of 1,224 samples of DNA were collected.

## **SUPPORT STAFF**

Janet Long, Clerk Typist II, retired in April 2009. The remainder of the Support Staff group absorbed Janet's clerical responsibilities.

Two additional secretaries became certified as LEADS operators in 2009.

Support Staff accepted the following additional job responsibilities in 2009:

- ❑ Two additional call days due to two new Judges (Judge McCarty and Judge Rowlands).
- ❑ An additional mail run in the morning each day to the Courthouse.
- ❑ Clerical support to the Pretrial Supervision Unit.
- ❑ Entering vehicle mileage logs each month into the computer for the Auditor.
- ❑ Coverage for the Receptionist and the Intake Dept. for lunch hours.
- ❑ Entering urine drug screen test results into the SCORS Database.
- ❑ Saturday reporting assistance and scheduling.

## **INTERNS**

The Adult Probation Department makes regular use of college interns. Students from The University of Akron, Kent State University and Brown-Mackie College worked as interns with the Department in 2009. The Department supports and encourages these college interns by exposing them to all aspects of offender supervision. The past year has shown a marked increase in the number of students who desire to train with this Department. We have been able to increase the number of students we are taking during each semester. This year students from the Brown-Mackie Business Management Program have worked with the support staff allowing us another opportunity to foster the success in their careers and the community. Three officers in the Department were interns through this program before joining the Court of Common Pleas.

## **SUMMIT COUNTY ADULT PROBATION PERSONNEL**

At the end of 2009, the staff of the Adult Probation Department consisted of the following personnel:

- One Director/Chief Probation Officer
- Seven Managers
- 39 Probation Officers (ISP, IILC, PSI, General)
- Seven Pretrial Officers
- Three Support Staff Specialists
- Four Assessment Officers (IILC & ORAS)
- 10 Clerical Specialists

### **PERSONNEL ACTIVITY DURING 2009:**

**Additions:** Timothy Barrage, Lori Long, Stacy Smith, Justin Benner, Erin Van Nostran

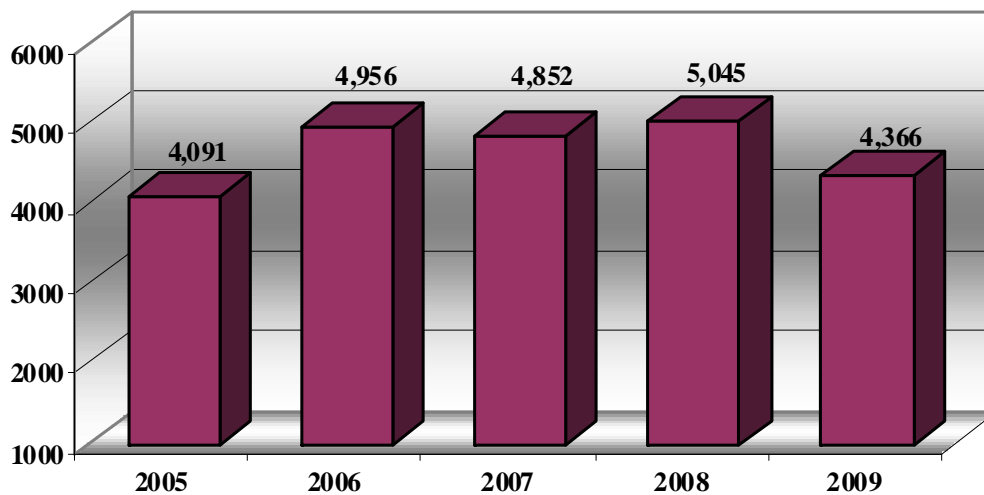
**Separations:** Janet Long, Ashley Stewart, Jean White

## PRETRIAL SERVICES 2009 REPORT

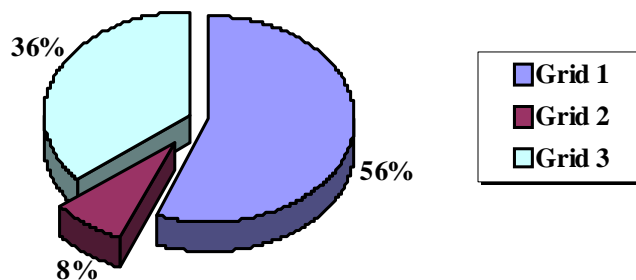
This year the Summit County Pretrial Services program continued to promote pretrial justice through the utilization of a validated risk assessment that is based on a comprehensive investigation of nine indicators of risk and recommendation guidelines for bond.<sup>1</sup> In the event a defendant is released to the community, the Summit County Pretrial Risk Assessment Instrument (SCPRAI) accurately predicts the likelihood that a defendant would fail to appear for court and/or be rearrested pending trial.

In 2009, Pretrial Services completed 4,366 investigations. Approximately 30% of those defendants investigated, were release to the Pretrial Supervision Program, operated by Oriana House, Inc. The successful closure rate for those defendants released to the program was 87% in 200. Nearly 2,400 drug screens were completed of which 86% were negative. For defendants that were on supervision 6% were closed due to failure to appear and 7% due to a new offense or failure to comply with the program.

### Pretrial Investigations Five Year Data

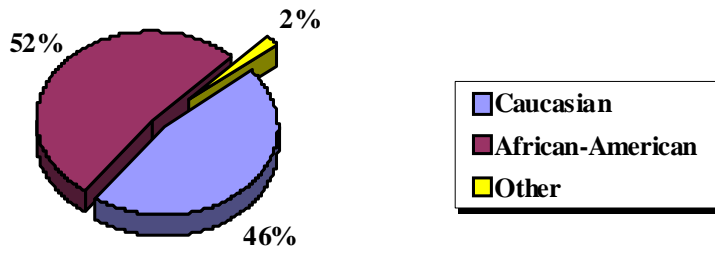


### Risk Assessment by Grid

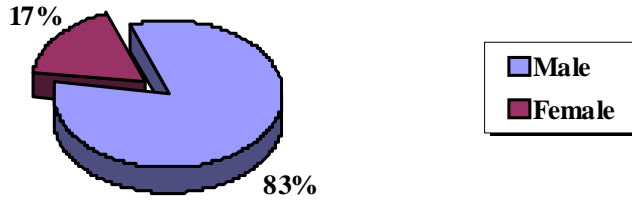


<sup>1</sup> Pretrial Justice-The honoring of the presumption of innocence, the right to bail that is not excessive, and all other legal and constitutional rights afforded to accused persons awaiting trial while balancing these individual rights with the need to protect the community, maintain the integrity of the judicial process, and assure court appearance. *VanNostrand, Marie and Gena Keebler. "Our Journey Toward Pretrial Justice" in The Journal of Federal Probation, Volume 71, Number 2, (September 2007) pp. 20-25.*

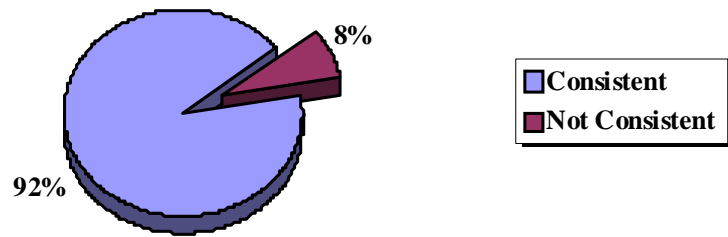
### Pretrial Investigations by Race



### Pretrial Investigations by Gender



### Pretrial Risk Assessment Recommendations Per Guidelines



#### **PRETRIAL SERVICES STAFF**

**Front row, from left:** Bill Daniels, Shiloh Geier, Ashley Frank, Brian Hawes  
**Second row, from left:** Kelly Bowen, Natalie Michailides – Supervisor  
**Back row, from left:** Helga Keller, Kerri Defibaugh, Stephanie Theus

## **PSYCHO-DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC 2009 ANNUAL REPORT**

The Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic is one of eleven certified forensic centers funded by the Ohio Department of Mental Health to provide evaluations and testimony pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, Sections 2945.37 through 2945.40, to eleven specific regions of the state of Ohio. The Clinic is the forensic center certified by Ohio Department of Mental Health to serve the Common Pleas Courts of Summit, Stark, Portage, Medina and Geauga Counties. The Clinic also provides other statutory evaluations to Summit County Common Pleas Court and to other courts in Summit County through limited funding by the County of Summit Alcohol, Drug Addiction and Mental Health Services Board. These have included Intervention in Lieu of Conviction, Mitigation of Penalty and Post-sentence evaluations for Summit County Common Pleas Court and a range of evaluations for Akron, Stow, Barberton and Medina Municipal Courts. Evaluations are occasionally provided to other courts in the five-county area on a fee-for-service basis.

The Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic is directed by a clinical psychologist, and is staffed by a part-time psychology resident, doctoral students in clinical psychology, a forensic mental health specialist, consulting psychologists, and a consulting psychiatrist. Clinic examiners are profiled in **Table 1**.

### **COURT ORDERED EVALUATIONS**

The Clinic conducted 368 court-ordered evaluations in 2009. Fifty-eight percent (58%) of these evaluations were provided for Summit County Common Pleas Court. Twenty-three percent (23%) were ordered by Stark, Medina, Portage and Geauga County Common Pleas Courts. Sixteen percent (16%) of Clinic evaluations were completed for Municipal Courts in Summit County. Three percent (3%) of the evaluations were completed for other courts the Clinic serves on a fee-for-service basis. Clinic referrals by referral source over the past ten years are summarized in **Table 2**.

**Table 3** contains a breakdown of referrals to the Clinic by referral issue over the past ten years. The primary referral issues the Clinic is ordered to address are Competency to Stand Trial (57% of referrals), Sanity at the Time of the Act (25% of referrals), and Commitment and Non-secured Status of defendants found Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity or Incompetent-Nonrestorable committed under court jurisdiction (6% of referrals), and MI/MR Probationer (3% of referrals). The Clinic also conducted Mitigation of Penalty or Post-Sentence evaluations (9% of referrals) during 2009.

In 2009, the Clinic did not conduct Intervention in Lieu of Conviction evaluations, which were referred under Ohio Revised Code Section 2951.041. The evaluations were completed by the Adult Probation Department.

### **RESEARCH AND TRAINING**

The Clinic continued to collaborate in research and training activities with the Kent State University Department of Psychology, the Ohio Department of Mental Health, and the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine (NEOUCOM) in 2009. Two doctoral

students from the American Psychological Association (APA)-approved training program in clinical psychology at Kent State University, and one post-doctoral psychology resident, provided services under supervision in 2009. Research collaboration with Kent State University and data collection on the MMPI-2-RF were continued in 2009.

Four psychiatry residents from the Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine Psychiatry Residency program served forensic rotations at the Clinic as part of their training. These future psychologists and psychiatrists provide service to the Clinic and the Courts while receiving valuable professional training.



**PSYCHO-DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC STAFF**

**Front row, from left:** Michelle Longoria, Holly Trivett

**Back row, from left:** Jude Chamberlain, Danielle Burchett, Brian O'Reilly - Clinic Director

**TABLE 1**

**PSYCHO-DIAGNOSTIC CLINICAL STAFF AND CONSULTANTS**

**Brian P. O'Reilly**

Ph. D., Clinical Psychology, Kent State University  
Clinical Internship, Louis Stokes Veterans Affairs Medical Center

**Yossef S. Ben-Porath**

Ph.D., University of Minnesota  
Professor, Department of Psychology, Kent State University

**Galit Askenazi**

Ph.D., Clinical Psychology, Case Western Reserve University  
Certified in Clinical Neuropsychology, American Board of Professional Psychology

**Gary N. Sales**

M.D., Wright State University School of Medicine  
Board certified in Adult and Forensic Psychiatry  
J.D., Ohio State University School of Law

**Katie Connell**

Ph.D., Clinical Psychology, Alliant International University  
APA Internship with Bureau of Prisons – Federal Medical Center, Rochester  
Post Doctoral Forensic Fellowship - MN State operated Forensic Services

**Marianne K. Wohl**

Ph.D., Psychology, Tulane University  
Postdoctoral Fellowship, John F. Kennedy Institute, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine  
Specialty in mental retardation/developmental disabilities

**Dale Ruppel**

Ph.D., Clinical Psychology, Kent State University

**Michael Biscaro**

Psy. D., Clinical Psychology, Xavier University  
Clinical Internship, Louis Stokes Veterans Affairs Medical Center  
Postdoctoral Fellowship, Severe Mental Illness, Louis Stokes VA Medical Center

**Kenneth Gruenfeld**

Psy.D., Clinical Psychologist, Nova Southeastern University  
Predoctoral Internship – Porterville Developmental Center and Valley State Prison for Women  
Postdoctoral Internship – Cook County Juvenile Court Clinic

**Thomas Evans**

Ph.D., Clinical Psychologist, Union Institute  
Postdoctoral Fellowship University Hospitals of Cleveland

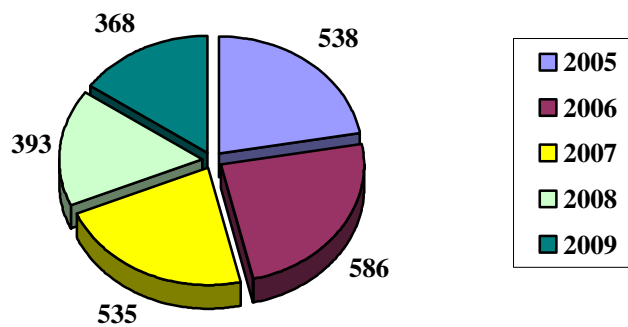


TABLE 2

**PSYCHO-DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC  
REFERRALS BY SOURCE AND YEAR**

REFERRAL SOURCE	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Summit Common Pleas Court	361	380	371	217	212
Stark Common Pleas Court	60	86	71	66	49
Medina Common Pleas Court	23	28	19	20	13
Portage Common Pleas Court	17	17	15	23	18
Geauga Common Pleas Court	4	11	13	12	6
Summit County Domestic Relations	6	0	0	0	0
Akron Municipal Court	45	44	32	32	49
Cuyahoga Falls/Stow Municipal Court	3	5	2	3	1
Barberton Municipal Court	2	3	2	10	7
Medina County Municipal Courts	12	11	10	7	5
Stark County Municipal Courts	0	0	0	0	3
Portage County Municipal Courts	1	0	0	3	0
Summit County Adult Probation	0	0	0	0	0
Other Courts	4	1	0	0	5
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>586</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>368</b>

**REFERRALS FOR PAST FIVE YEARS**



**TABLE 3**

**PSYCHO-DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC  
REFERRALS BY TYPE AND YEAR**

<b>REFERRAL TYPE</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>
Competency to Stand Trial ORC Section 2945.371 (G)(3)	187	201	163	192	208
Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity ORC Section 2945.37 (G)(4)	86	98	81	99	92
Intervention in Lieu of Conviction ORC Section 2945.041	205	226	235	50	0
Mitigation of Penalty ORC Section 2947.06	13	26	23	9	30
Post Sentence ORC Section 2967.22	17	10	11	24	5
Non Secured Status ORC Section 2945.401	14	7	11	9	16
Incompetent - Nonrestorable ORC Section 2945.39(A)(2)	0	0	0	-	-
Commitment - NGRI ORC Section 2945.40	10	17	6	7	7
MI/MR Probationer					10
Domestic Relations	6	0	0	-	0
Sexual Classifications	0	1	5	3	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>538</b>	<b>586</b>	<b>535</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>368</b>

## **JURY MANAGEMENT**

Each year, on the first working Monday of August, the Summit County Court of Common Pleas Jury Commissioners perform the annual Jury Draw. Potential jurors are selected from the voter registration list as certified by the Board of Elections from the preceding general election. The annual draw is performed pursuant to O.R.C. Section 2313.06 et seq. Prior to performing the draw, the Presiding Judge designates by order, the number of jurors to be summoned for each court jurisdiction in Summit County, that being Common Pleas Court and Akron, Barberton and Stow Municipal Courts. Furthermore, the Jury Commissioners also draw jurors for Grand Jury pursuant to O.R.C. Section 2313.06 et seq.

From the annual jury list, jurors are drawn for each of the four-month sessions of court within the jury year pursuant to O.R.C. Section 2313.19 et seq. The sessions commence on the first working Monday of September, January and May. The Jury Commissioners, in the presence of the Presiding Judge, the Sheriff and the Clerk of Courts, draw the number of jurors previously designated for that session by the Presiding Judge. Upon completion and recording of the session jury lists, the jurors are summoned, using a one-step summons and questionnaire.

Jurors who receive summonses are asked to return the questionnaire portion providing a certain amount of information. The questionnaire also provides jurors with an opportunity to notify the court that they are eligible for an exemption pursuant to O.R.C. Section 2313.12. Any person eligible for an exemption may waive that exemption. Depending on information provided by the jurors, they may also be excused for a limited number of reasons pursuant to O.R.C. Section 2313.16. The Jury Commissioners are solely responsible for determining which jurors' exemptions are valid and which jurors may be excused.

Effective December 1, 2009, payment of petit juror fees was suspended for the first ten days of service due to limited funding in the County's operating budget. Parking for jurors reporting for Common Pleas Court and Akron Municipal Court jury service is validated at the parking decks noted on their summons and in the pamphlet they receive. Petit jurors who serve more than ten days are paid \$15.00 on the eleventh day and each subsequent day thereafter.

In May 2008, a new Jury Service Orientation DVD was produced.

Since June 6, 2006, jurors have had the convenience of using either our call-in system or our website to access the juror reporting information each evening.

As of October 28, 2002, jurors for Common Pleas Court and Akron Municipal Court service receive an informational brochure included with their summons. This brochure helps to answer many of the commonly asked questions by jurors prior to beginning their service, such as how they are chosen, where to park, appropriate attire, etc.

Beginning May 4, 1999, Grand Jury Service was reduced to a two-month session to ease the burden on people called and to get more county residents involved in the justice system. The process for selecting the Grand Jury from the pool of jurors summoned for each session is governed by Crim. R. 6. Once the Grand Jury is selected, those jurors now serve for two months.

In September 1998, the term of service for Petit Jurors was reduced to one week or one trial. This was done in order to make jury service less of a hardship and to increase participation, due to the recent changes to legislation governing excuses and exemptions. For the 2008-2009 jury year, 40,000 jurors were drawn for Summit County, 10,000 for Akron Municipal Court, 5,000 for Barberton Municipal Court and 6,000 for Stow Municipal Court. These jurors are then divided equally among the three sessions of court and summoned to one week of service within the four-month session to which they were selected.

**Petit Jury Data 2005 thru 2009**

Year	Total Paid	Total Jurors	Average Days	Muni Court Days	Reimbursed By Muni Courts
2005	\$404,433	13,420	3.01	1,861	\$25,500
2006	\$424,560	13,571	3.12	2,137	\$30,460
2007	\$390,868	12,835	3.04	2,224	\$28,580
2008	\$359,125	12,486	2.88	2,029	\$28,660
2009	\$315,337	10,980	2.87	1,420	\$22,954

Municipal Court dollars represent the amount actually paid as reimbursements for jury fees. The difference between billed and paid is the result of state code violations tried in Municipal Court and for which they do not reimburse jury fees pursuant to ORC 1901.25.



**PETIT JURY STAFF**

**From left:** Chet Thomas, Ashley Brown, Fran Brooks, Deborah Ruggles - Jury Bailiff



# COUNTY OF SUMMIT COURTHOUSE SECURITY

## SUMMIT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

In 2009, the Summit County Sheriff's Court and Special Services Bureau had the responsibility of providing security and prisoner transport for the Summit County Court of Common Pleas. The tables below provide a statistical overview and comparison of the Security Surveillance Stations, Incident Reporting and Prisoner Transportation.

<b>PRISONER TRANSPORTATION BY COURT ORDER</b>	<b>2006</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Convey To / From Prisons</b>	2,461	2,186	1,806	1,769
<b>Convey To Juvenile Facility/Prison</b>	280	262	293	250
<b>Convey To / From Common Pleas Courts</b>	9,644	9,403	9,262	8,321
<b>Convey To / From *Local Facilities/Other County Jails</b>	704	217	967	917
<b>New Prisoners From Court</b>	640	476	727	651
<b>CCTV</b>	2,683	2,996	2,153	1,902
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>16,281</b>	<b>15,397</b>	<b>15,208</b>	<b>13,801</b>

9% DECREASE SINCE 2008 (The court is managing prisoner transports to the courthouse by reducing the volume of pretrials and scheduling hearings dates at the time of arraignment. Additionally, some Phase 2 hearings are via CCTV with the prisons.)

\*Local Facilities consist of C.B.C.F., Oriana House, Glenwood Jail, I.B.H., Medical Facilities, Mental Health Facilities, Funerals, Polygraph Exams, or any Court Ordered Transport. In 2008 the local transports were re-assigned to Court & Special Services.

<b>COURTHOUSE INCIDENT REPORT OVERVIEW</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2009</b>
<b>Assaults</b>	10	4
<b>Bomb Threat Or Suspicious Package</b>	1**	1*
<b>CPO w/ Weapons</b>	24	28
<b>Property Damaging</b>	6	2
<b>Disorderly</b>	0	2
<b>Domestic</b>	0	4
<b>Drugs (Confiscated)</b>	4	1***
<b>Fire Alarm</b>	2	7
<b>Medical / Illness/ Injury</b>	18	33
<b>Misc</b>	45	48
<b>Sex Offense</b>	0	1****
<b>Theft</b>	13	6
<b>Warrant Arrest By Court Deputy</b>	46	30
<b>Counterfeit Money</b>	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>169</b>

\* Suspicious Package

\*\* Bomb Threat letter occurred at Title Bureau South

\*\*\* Drugs confiscated at Juvenile Court

\*\*\*\*Sex Offense occurred at Juvenile Court Security

## SECURITY SURVEILLANCE STATIONS - METAL DETECTORS

Beginning in 2008, the procedures were changed and no unauthorized items were confiscated. Items must be secured by the owner or thrown away.

### 2009 BUILDING ATTENDANCE

MONTH	SAFETY BLDG. & PROBATION	COURTHOUSE	DOMESTIC COURT	JUVENILE COURT
JAN	6,205	31,319	22,758	9,175
FEB	8,601	28,735	15,608	9,510
MAR	10,398	28,488	14,959	10,344
APR	6,998	28,402	15,374	11,115
MAY	9,471	29,201	19,403	9,341
JUNE	9,534	28,902	18,569	11,711
JULY	6,985	27,122	18,784	9,623
AUG	7,100	26,995	19,015	9,310
SEPT	6,952	25,967	20,289	8,135
OCT	6,855	25,844	21,654	11,337
NOV	7,349	26,955	22,867	8,673
DEC	8,437	27,502	23,212	8,505
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>94,885</b>	<b>335,432</b>	<b>232,492</b>	<b>116,779</b>

\*\* In June of 2008 the Summit County Adult Probation Offices moved permanently to the Safety Building.

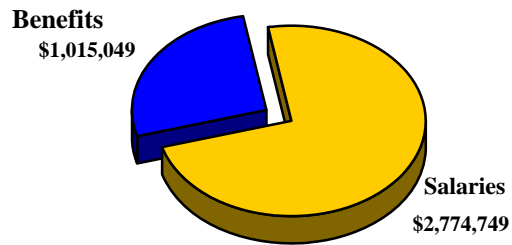
**COURT OF COMMON PLEAS GENERAL DIVISION  
2009 FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS**

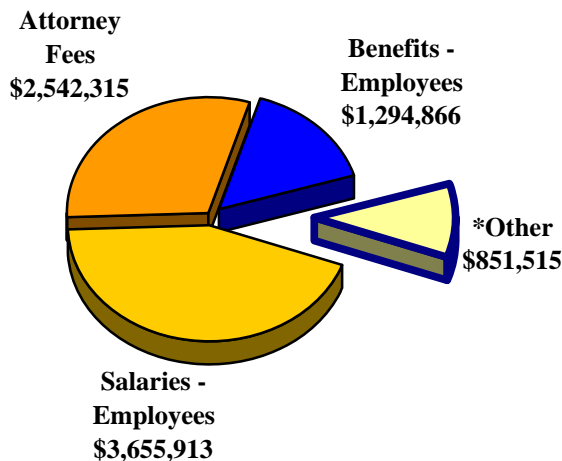
<b>Court Administration</b>	
Employee Salaries	\$ 3,655,913
Official Salaries	140,000
Benefits	1,294,866
Transcripts	162,517
Visiting Judges	20,668
Attorney Fees	2,542,315
Arbitrator Fees	-
Supplies	17,517
Professional Education	-
Contract Repairs	77,945
Other Expenses	42,424
Jury Maintenance	6,315
Witness Fees	1,407
Juror Fees	320,193
Equipment	-
Witness Fees (Grand Jury)	2,253
Juror Fees (Grand Jury)	60,276
<b>Total Administration</b>	<b>\$ 8,344,609</b>

<b>Adult Probation</b>	
Adult Probation Salaries	\$ 2,774,749
Security Salaries	-
Benefits	<u>1,015,049</u>
<b>Subtotal Adult Probation</b>	<b>\$ 3,789,798</b>
<b>Reimbursements</b>	
Domestic Violence Unit	46,805
<b>Total Adult Probation</b>	<b><u>\$ 3,742,993</u></b>

**ADULT PROBATION EXPENDITURES**



**COURT ADMINISTRATION EXPENDITURES**



<b>*Other</b>	
Salaries-Officials	\$ 140,000
Transcripts	162,517
Visiting Judges	20,668
Arbitrator Fees	-
Supplies	17,517
Travel	-
Contract Repair	77,945
Other Expenses	42,424
Jury Maintenance	6,315
Witness Fees	1,407
Juror Fees	320,193
Equipment	-
Witness Fees (Grand Jury)	2,253
Juror Fees (Grand Jury)	60,276
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 851,515</b>

**TOTAL COMMON PLEAS COURT GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES \$ 12,087,602**

## REVENUE ACCOUNTS

### Legal Research Fund

Revenues	\$	54,457
Expenditures		
Equipment & Services	\$	52,095

### Special Projects Fund

Revenues	\$	1,060,549
Expenditures		
Salaries	\$	367,188
Benefits		95,091
Equipment & Services		361,939

### Probation Service Fees

Revenues	\$	207,297
Expenditures		
Equipment, Training & Services	\$	253,438

<b>2009 Revenues</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,322,303</b>
<b>2009 Expenditures from Revenue</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,129,751</b>
<b>2009 Surplus from Revenue</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>192,552</b>

## GRANT FUND ACCOUNTS

### Adult Probation

<b>Intensive Supervision</b>		
Salaries	\$	236,873
Benefits		129,015
<b>Total Grant Adult Probation</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>365,888</b>

### Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic

<b>ADM Board State Grant</b>		
Salaries	\$	247,502
Benefits		76,648
Consulting Services		64,769
Supplies		3,085
Travel		931
Contract Services		706
Liability Insurance		529
Equipment		-
<b>Total Grant Psycho-Diagnostic</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>394,170</b>



# COURT OF COMMON PLEAS-GENERAL DIVISION

## 2009 ORGANIZATION PERSONNEL ROSTER

TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS	EMPLOYEE
<b><u>-ADMINISTRATION-</u></b>		
Administrative Specialist	3	Kay Scaffidi Denna Steiner Caroline Zito
Arbitration Clerk	1	Cora Dawkins
Assistant Court Executive Officer	1	Robert Gainer
Assistant Chief Court Reporter	1	Terri Sims
Chief Court Reporter	1	Margaret Wellemeyer
Civil Assignment Administrator	1	Cheryl Goldstein
Computer Help Desk	1	Donna Simone
Computer Network Manager	1	Jay Chapman
Computer Systems Engineer	1	James Rafferty
Court Executive Officer	1	Andrew Bauer
Court Executive Secretary	1	Debra Young
Court Reporter	10	Barbara Day Kristie Gowens Melissa Kaess Gary Maharidge Sandra Maxson Teresa Orlovsky LeAnn Orner Maxine Roberts Eric Smead Kelley Spears
Courtroom Bailiff	10	Kim Arnold Joan Arshinkoff Jill Coleman Shauna Corder Dorianne Denard Michelle Manchester Kenneth Masich Thomas McLaughlin Kathie Nelson Brian Scheetz
Criminal Assignment Administrator	1	Patricia Carillon
Drug Court Liaison	1	Ashley Frank

<b>TITLE</b>	<b>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</b>	<b>EMPLOYEE</b>
Human Resource Specialist	2	Monica Prexta-Siko Sue Roszkowski
Judicial Assistant	10	Jaclyn Darrah Shay Greven Shari Hower Paula McAviney Kimberly Miller Lillian Mitchell Christopher Piekarski Donna Slack Anna Stormer Bridget Walters
Judicial Attorney	14	Jason Adams Michael Altvater Jennifer Bouhall Matthew Dickinson Janet Dutt Patricia Himelrigh Dawn Humphrys Alan Medvick Michelle Neiman Elizabeth Ann Nemes Kandi O'Connor Matthew Rich Carrie Roush William Wellemeyer
Judicial Secretary	2	LeAnn Backer Cynthia Burkett
Jury Bailiff Assistant	1	Ashley Brown
Jury Commissioner	2	Frances Brooks Chester Thomas
Jury Department Supervisor/Bailiff	1	Deborah Ruggles
Magistrate	1	John Shoemaker
Magistrate Assistant	1	Sherri O'Brien
Foreclosure Specialist	1	Suzanne Stephens
Mediator	4	Frank Motz Norma Blank Cheryl Hollis Alison Pfeister
Mediation Secretary	1	Lynn Covert
Purchasing Agent	1	Corinne Sanders

<b>TITLE</b>	<b>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</b>	<b>EMPLOYEE</b>
Secretary II	12	Theresa Caprez Carolyn Deckert LeighAnn Fultz Julie Glinsky Marie Hillis Carol Hoover Kay Kinker Melissa Ludwig Polly McEndree-White Joan Mosley Theresa Skinner Deborah Smith
Special Projects Officer	1	Ruth Squires
<b><u>-PROBATION DEPARTMENT-</u></b>		
Clerk Typist II	2	Theresa Miller Nancy Palmer
Offender Services Director / Chief Probation Officer	1	Arian Davis
Pretrial Services Supervisor	1	Natalie Michailides
Pretrial Release Officer	6	Kelly Bowen William Daniels Kerri Defibaugh Ashley Frank Shiloh Geier Stephanie Theus
Probation Officer	41	Kelli Anderson Timothy Barrage Laurie Boyd Elaine Butler Elaine Cherry Paul Cielinski Renee Cooper Stephanie Crooms Jeffrey Cutler Lisa Davis Lorri Dunn Sandra Ferracane Tiffany Foxworth Brian Freyhaut Kristen Giles Jennifer Haviland Kimberly Humphrey Antalene Hunter

TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS	EMPLOYEE
Probation Officer (cont'd)		Shari Kastor Anthony King Lorette Long Melinda Masterson Colin Meeker Michael Mims Lisa Munoz Patricia Pfander Rudolph Polovich Anthony Rodgers Helen Rogerson Danielle Sampson Cynthia Schwarz Scott Scislo Rebecca Shepard David Siko Stacy Smith Clint Spencer Ashley Stewart Shannon Vaughn Kecia Wallace Jean White Robert Woods
Probation Secretary Supervisor	1	Debbie Rians
Probation Supervisor	5	Douglas Elliott Michael Klamut Michael Rick Laurie Ruhman Terry Strubbe
Secretary I	1	Cathy Cherico
Secretary II	8	Linda Backer Martha Beitel Christina Hartman Barbara Killian Patricia Marotto Karyn Rogers Lee Runkle Jackie Shannon
Support Staff Specialist	3	Helga Keller Michelle Fought Tamara Keefer
Work Release Coordinator / LEADS Operator	1	Michelle Kocian

<b>TITLE</b>	<b>NUMBER OF POSITIONS</b>	<b>EMPLOYEE</b>
<b><u>-PSYCHO-DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC-</u></b>		
Administrative Secretary	1	Vicki Manocchio
Interim Director	1	Brian O'Reilly, Ph.D.
Forensic Mental Health Specialist	1	Holly Trivett
Psychology Resident	1	Martin Sellbom
Psychology Assistant	3	Danielle Burchett Jude Chamberlain Carlo Veltri

**DEPARTMENTAL / GROUP PHOTOS OF GENERAL DIVISION PERSONNEL**



**COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

**First row, from left:** Ruth Squires, Kay Scaffidi, Debra Young  
**Second row, from left:** Denna Steiner, Sue Roszkowski  
**Third row:** Monica Prexta-Siko  
**Back row, from left:** Andrew Bauer – Court Executive Officer,  
Robert Gainer – Asst Court Executive Officer



**CIVIL DIVISION STAFF**

**First row, from left:** Cora Dawkins, LeAnn Backer  
**Second row, from left:** Norma Blank, Alison Pfeister, Carol Hoover  
**Third row, from left:** Lynn Covert, **Cheryl Goldstein - Division Commissioner**  
**Last row, from left:** Suzanne Stephens, Frank Motz, Cheryl Hollis



**CRIMINAL DIVISION STAFF**

**Front five, from left:** Carolyn Deckert, Terre Skinner, Julie Glinsky, Marie Hillis, Joan Mosley  
**Group of three, top left, from left:** Melissa Ludwig, LeighAnn Fultz, Polly White  
**Group of three, top right, from left:** Theresa Caprez, Deborah Smith,  
**Tish Carillon - Division Commissioner**



**COURT REPORTERS**

**Front row:** Melissa Kaess

**Second row, from left:** Maxine Roberts, Kelly Spears, Kristie Gowens

**Third row, from left:** Barbara Day, Terri Sims, Eric Smead

**Fourth row, from left:** **Peggy Wellemeyer – Chief Court Reporter,**  
Terry Orlovsky, Leann Orner, Sandy Maxson

**Last row:** Gary Maharidge



**COMPUTER DEPT.**

**From left:** James Rafferty, Donna Simone, **Jay Chapman – Dept. Manager**



**ADULT PROBATION – CLERICAL SUPPORT STAFF**

**Seated, from left:** Martha Beitel, Nancy Palmer, Lee Runkle, Christina Hartman  
**Standing, from left:** Theresa Miller, Cathy Cherico, Pat Marotto, **Debbie Rians – Supervisor**,  
Karyn Rogers, Linda Backer, Jackie Shannon.

**Not pictured:** Barbara Killian



**ADULT PROBATION OFFICERS**

**Seated, from left:** Danielle Sampson, Elaine Cherry, Renee Cooper, Kelli Anderson, Rudy Polovich  
**Standing, from left:** **Douglas Elliott – Supervisor**, Tony Rodgers, Kecia Wallace, Lisa Munoz,  
Sandra Ferracane





**ADULT PROBATION OFFICERS**

**Front row, from left: Laurie Fisher – Supervisor, Rebecca Shepard, Randy Vipperman**  
**Middle row, from left: Elaine Cherry, Ashley Stewart, Kristen Giles, Michelle Fought**  
**Back row, from left: Patricia Pfander, Kimberly Humphrey, Timothy Barrage**



**ADULT PROBATION OFFICERS**

**Front row, from left: Lorri Dunne, Clint Spencer, Michael Klamut – Supervisor**  
**Second row, from left: Jeff Cutler, David Siko, Stephanie Crooms**  
**Last row, from left: Helen Rogerson, Shannon Weitzel, Brian Freyhauf, Lori Long**



**ADULT PROBATION OFFICERS**

**Seated, from left:** Antalene Hunter, Jennifer Haviland, Lisa Davis, Melinda Masterson  
**Standing, from left:** Paul Cieslinski, Stacy Smith, Mike Rick – Supervisor, Laurie Boyd, Michael Mims, Tony King



**ADULT PROBATION OFFICERS**

**First row, from left:** Tiffany Smith, Michelle Fought  
**Second row, from left:** Shari Kastor, Scott Scislo  
**Third row, from left:** Cynthia Schwarz, Terry Strubbe – Supervisor  
**Last row, from left:** Colin Meeker, Robert Woods

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**Arian Davis – Offender Service Director / Chief Probation Officer**