# ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2013



# COURT OF COMMON PLEAS GENERAL DIVISION SUMMIT COUNTY OHIO

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# JUDGE MARY MARGARET ROWLANDS

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JUDGE AMY CORRIGALL JONES

JUDGE JANE M. DAVIS

JUDGE ALISON MCCARTY

JUDGE PAUL J. GALLAGHER

JUDGE TAMMY O'BRIEN

JUDGE JUDY HUNTER

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# SUMMIT COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS GENERAL DIVISION

#### 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
- ♦ 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
- Continuously ascertaining, shaping and responding to the needs and expectations of Court users and the community.

#### THE HONORABLE LYNNE S. CALLAHAN

Judge Lynne S. 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 reelected 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 bench 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 her current position on the Summit County Court of Common Pleas in November 2008 for the term beginning January 3, 2009. She also participates in the Summit County Common Pleas Court Re-Entry Court Program. Judge Callahan was chosen by the late Chief Justice Thomas Moyer to serve on the Ohio Supreme Court's Advisory Committee on Domestic Violence and she was recently chosen to mentor a newly-appointed judge.

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. Judge Callahan is actively involved with the Ohio student mock trial program and has coached middle school and high school students' mock trial teams for the past seven years. Judge Callahan 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 where she was president for two terms. 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 and her husband Michael have three children and one grandchild.



JUDGE CALLAHAN AND STAFF
From left: Jenna Bouhall, Brian Scheetz, Shari Hower

#### THE HONORABLE JANE M. DAVIS

Judge Jane M. Davis graduated summa cum laude from The University of Cincinnati with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics. She also earned a Master of Arts in Industrial Relations from the University of Cincinnati. Judge Davis received her Juris Doctorate, magna cum laude, from the University of Akron. She is admitted to the Ohio Bar and the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio.

Judge Davis spent three years as a law clerk and then judicial attorney with the Summit County Domestic Relations Court before entering private practice with an Akron law firm. She also served as a *guardian ad litem*, giving voice to children while practicing in Summit County.

Judge Davis joined a large Cleveland law firm where her practice focused on representing family law clients in highly contested hearings in various counties throughout northeast Ohio.

Eager to broaden her involvement in other areas of the law, Judge Davis became corporate counsel for a direct marketing company where she was responsible for ensuring compliance with federal and state regulations governing advertising. She was also responsible for contract negotiations, employment matters and managing outside counsel, including oversight of all litigation on a national scale.

To address a growing passion for research and writing, Judge Davis began a free-lance practice performing appellate services at the request of other lawyers. Judge Davis continued providing these services for approximately ten years while continuing her full-time practice.

Judge Davis has volunteered much of her recent time to helping those who cannot afford to hire counsel in family law, probate and consumer matters, including debt collection and foreclosure cases in counties throughout Ohio.

Judge Davis has resided in Summit County for twenty-seven years. She is a member of the Ohio State Bar and the Akron Bar Association. She is married and the mother of two children.

Judge Davis was appointed to Summit County Common Pleas Court General Division in July 2013.



**JUDGE JANE DAVIS** 

STAFF (NOT PICTURED): Kimberly Guldeman, Cindy Mitseff, William Wellemeyer

#### 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.

In 2011, Judge Gallagher was appointed by the Judges of the General Division to preside over Summit County's new felony Domestic Violence Court. As a result, all felony cases, except murder cases, involving crimes between intimate partners are now assigned to Judge Gallagher's Domestic Violence Court instead of being distributed among the ten General Division Judges. Non-domestic violence cases, except murder cases, which were normally assigned to Judge Gallagher, are now distributed to the other Judges. Murder cases are assigned to the ten Judges on a rotating basis by the Administrative Judge.



JUDGE GALLAGHER AND STAFF

From left: Michelle Manchester, Deputy David Bailey, Patricia Himelrigh, Bridget Walters

#### 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, and was elected in 2004 and re-elected in 2008. Judge Hunter served as the Administrative Judge of the General Division from October 2011 through December 2012. Since January 2012, she has also managed a Re-Entry Court caseload. 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: Ken Masich, Jan Panella, Jason Adams

#### THE HONORABLE AMY CORRIGALL JONES

Judge Amy Corrigall Jones graduated Summa Cum Laude from Kent State University with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology. She received her Juris Doctorate Degree from The University of Akron School of Law in 2001 and was thereafter admitted to the Ohio Bar and the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio. Judge Jones began her legal career in the private sector and her practice involved primarily civil litigation, both at the trial and appellate levels. She handled cases throughout the State of Ohio and across the Country in both State and Federal Courts.

In 2006, Judge Jones entered into private practice and represented clients involving both criminal defense matters and personal injury litigation. She also represented individuals in both Domestic Relations Court and Probate Court. Some of her most rewarding work was spent serving as a *guardian ad litem* for children, an Advocate for the mentally ill and as a Guardian for incompetent adults.

Judge Jones has been active in the community as a board member of the Public Defender's Commission and as President/Board Member of Akron's Dapper Dan Charity. In 2010-2011, she served as an Assistant Basketball Coach at Archbishop Hoban High School and she currently volunteers her time as a CYO Youth Basketball Coach and as an Assistant to the Mock Trial Team at her Alma Mater, St. Vincent St. Mary High School. She is a member of various other organizations including the Akron Bar Association and the League of Women Voters.

In January, 2012, Judge Jones was appointed to the Summit County Common Pleas Court General Division bench and was subsequently elected to a full term in November, 2012.



JUDGE CORRIGALL JONES AND STAFF

From left: Kandi O'Connor, Tammy Keefer, Maria Williams

#### THE HONORABLE ALISON McCarty

Judge Alison McCarty graduated from Wheaton College in Wheaton, Illinois, with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English, and obtained her Juris Doctorate Degree from Wake Forest University School of Law in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in 1987. She began her legal career as a Law Clerk in the Summit County Probate Court for Judge Bill Spicer. She then became a Staff Attorney for Judge William Baird of the Ninth District Court of Appeals. She started as a Summit County Assistant Prosecuting Attorney in 1989. 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 handled some of the most sensitive and high profile cases in our county. A seasoned trial veteran, Judge McCarty personally tried nearly one hundred jury trials, prosecuting murderers, robbers, rapists and child abusers, and obtained convictions in an overwhelming majority of those cases. While in the prosecutors' office, Judge McCarty specialized in handling child physical and sexual abuse cases, as well as sexual assault cases.

Judge McCarty was appointed to the Akron Municipal Court in May of 1999, where she served for nine years, having been elected in 1999 and re-elected in 2005. As an Akron Municipal Court Judge, she 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 Municipal Court in 2005. She was awarded 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 for her tough stances and innovative approaches to dealing with repeat drunk-driving offenders.

Judge McCarty has long been an advocate for victims, and has worked to protect particularly vulnerable populations, such as battered women, children, and the elderly. She serves on the Summit County Domestic Violence Coalition, the Summit County Child Fatality Review Committee, and is a former Chair of the Summit County Sexual Assault Coalition. She also co-chairs the Akron Bar Associations High School Mock Trial Committee, a position she has held for twelve years. Judge McCarty has twice been recognized by the Akron Bar Association as the "Outstanding Committee Chair of the Year" for her work on that Committee. She was appointed to the Governor's Task Force on the Investigation and Prosecution of Child Abuse, and has served on the Board of 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. She presides over serious felony matters and major civil lawsuits.

Judge McCarty also presides over a Re-Entry Court Program, which strictly monitors certain offenders after they are released from the prison system, to improve their chances of a successful transition to a law-abiding lifestyle. She has lectured on many topics over the years, including ethics and professionalism. She is a Bencher with the Scanlon/Bell Inns of Court, a collaborative program that promotes civility and ethical behavior within the profession and mentors young lawyers in the practice of Law.

She is on the board of the Summit County Choral Society. She sings in the choir at her church, and is very active, having previously taught Sunday School and just recently having served as an Elder.

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



From left: Shay Christopher, Judge McCarty, Lisa Nemes, Joan Arshinkoff

#### THE HONORABLE TAMMY O'BRIEN

Judge Tammy O'Brien was appointed to the Summit County Court of Common Pleas in 2011 and was then elected in 2012. Previously, she was elected to the State Board of Education in 2008 and 2010, where she represented the citizens of Summit, Portage, Trumbull and Ashtabula Counties.

Prior to taking the bench, Judge O'Brien was in the private practice of Law in Akron for nineteen years. From 1999-2011, she was a partner in the law firm of Roderick Linton Belfance LLP, practicing primarily in the areas of business and general civil litigation. She also had extensive experience in appellate practice and in tort and employment litigation and argued before the Supreme Court of Ohio and the Federal Courts of Appeals on numerous occasions.

In 1992, she began her career as a Judicial Law Clerk/Staff Attorney for the Honorable William R. Baird of the Court of Appeals of Ohio, Ninth Appellate District. She has also been an Adjunct Professor of Law at The University of Akron and, for many years, has been selected by the Supreme Court of Ohio to serve as a Reader of the State Bar Examination.

She is co-author of a legal treatise involving the introduction of evidence at trial. <u>Ohio Motions in Limine:</u> Evidence Exclusion Guide has been published annually by Thompson West since 2007.

Judge O'Brien also serves the community as a member of the Board of Trustees of the American Red Cross of Summit and Portage Counties. She is a graduate of Leadership Akron and past president of the Board of Trustees for H.M. Life Opportunity Services.

She graduated from The University of Akron in 1988 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Secondary Education and received her Juris Doctorate Degree from Cleveland-Marshall College of Law at Cleveland State University in 1992. Judge O'Brien is the mother of two teenage sons.



Staff (not pictured): Michelle Dimeff, Dawn Humphrys, Tiffany Morrison

#### 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 WITH STAFF

From left: Jaclyn Darrah, Judge Parker, Kathie Jeffers, Carrie Roush

#### THE HONORABLE MARY MARGARET ROWLANDS

Judge Rowlands was elected to the Common Pleas Court in 2008, after 19 years in private practice representing clients in a wide variety of civil and criminal matters in both state and federal courts throughout the country. In January, 2013, she was elected Presiding Judge by her colleagues in the General, Domestic Relations, Juvenile and Probate Divisions of the Court. In addition to her assigned docket of civil and criminal cases, Judge Rowlands supervises approximately 75 ex-felons who have recently been released from prison in her Re-entry Court program.

Judge 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., L.P.A., in Akron, Ohio. She became the chief legal counsel in the Summit County Fiscal Office in 2005.

Judge Rowlands is active in the community, serving on the boards of Akron Summit Community Action, Inc., the Civic Theater, and she is Chair of the Gay Community Endowment Fund Advisory Board. She 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 peers 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 is dedicated to furthering an understanding of the Law and related topics. She frequently speaks at community gatherings, as well as to lawyers, judges, journalists, law enforcement, teachers and students, in an effort to create dialog on these important issues.



JUDGE ROWLANDS AND STAFF

From left: Martha Hom, Dorianne Denard, Andrew DeLamatre

#### 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 Doctorate 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. 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, he 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, he 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 a Summit County Common Pleas Court Judge. He has been elected to serve as the Court's Presiding Judge for the years 2010, 2011 and 2012. His colleagues also elected Judge Teodosio as the Chairman of the Judicial Advisory Board.

In addition to his regular General Division Docket, Judge Teodosio presides over the Summit County Felony Drug Court — **renamed in July 2013** *The Turning Point Program*. The *Program* is a separate, specialized docket in which nonviolent, 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. Participants must have police and prosecutor approval prior to entering the program. Judge Teodosio has been successful in enhancing the programming that is available to the clients of this *Program* to include employment services, cognitive skills programming, mental health screening, crisis intervention counseling, anger management classes, family education programming and financial management classes. In order to graduate from *The Turning Point 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 is a member of the Ohio State and Akron Bar Associations, the National Association of Drug Court Professionals, the American Judges Association, and the Ohio Common Pleas Judges Association. He also serves on the Local Pro Bono Committee for the Ohio State Bar Association's Judicially Led Appellate District Pro Bono Project; the Ohio Judicial Conference (Specialized Dockets Committee member), the Supreme Court of Ohio's Advisory Committee on Interpreter Services, the Summit County Abandoned and Vacant Property Planning Committee and the Summit County Criminal Justice Advisory Board. He has served as a faculty member for the Supreme Court of Ohio Judicial College on the seminar topic Ethics and Professionalism and Access to Justice and Fairness in the Courts.

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. He is a Silver Life Member of the NAACP. 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 & Visitors 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 is an annual speaker at *Night Out Against Crime* events.

His 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."

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 two children, Christopher and Andrea Rose Teodosio.



JUDGE TEODOSIO AND STAFF
From left: Christopher Piekarski, Jill Coleman, Matthew Rich

#### 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-eight 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 starting in 1991. 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.

The Magistrate also conducts civil protection hearings for the General Division Judges to include ex parte and full hearings.

Below is a recap of data for the Magistrate's Office for the 2013 year.

CIVIL CASE ACTIVITIES				
Bench Trials Jury Trials	19			
Oral Hearings Including Civil Protection Orders Ex Parte and Full	581			
Status Conferences	47			
Total Activities	647			

CRIMINAL CASE ACTIVITIES					
Jailed Defendants Arraigned via Closed-Circuit Television 1,894					
Defendants Arraigned in Courtroom	2,758				
Total Defendants Arraigned	4,352				

# **VISITING JUDGES**

In 2013, the Summit County Common Pleas Court, General Division, continued its use of Visiting Judges to assist with the caseload. The Court used retired Judges to preside over a total of 241 days for the 2013 year.

# The following Judges presided over cases for the court during 2013:

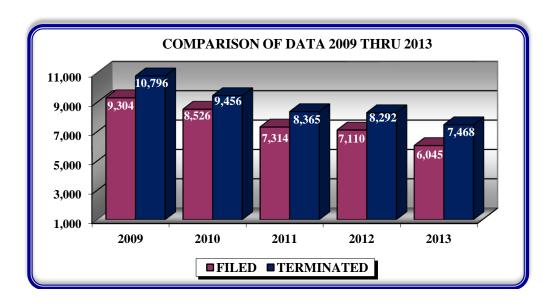
JUDGE	RETIRED FROM	DIVISION	
Robert J. Brown	Wayne County	Common Pleas Court	
Patricia A. Cosgrove	Summit County	Common Pleas Court	
Thomas P. Curran	8 <sup>th</sup> District	Court of Appeals	
Judith L. Hunter	Summit County	Common Pleas Court	
H. F. Inderlied, Jr.	Geauga County	Common Pleas Court	
R. Patrick Kelly	Cuyahoga County	Common Pleas Court	
Richard D. Reinbold, Jr.	Stark County	Common Pleas Court	
Marvin A. Shapiro	Summit County	Common Pleas Court	
Virgil Lee Sinclair	Stark County	Common Pleas Court	

COST OF VISITING J	UDGES FOR 2013
Payment by County	\$10,479.00
Payment by State	\$80,358.96
Total	\$90,837.96

#### CIVIL CASE ACTIVITY 2013

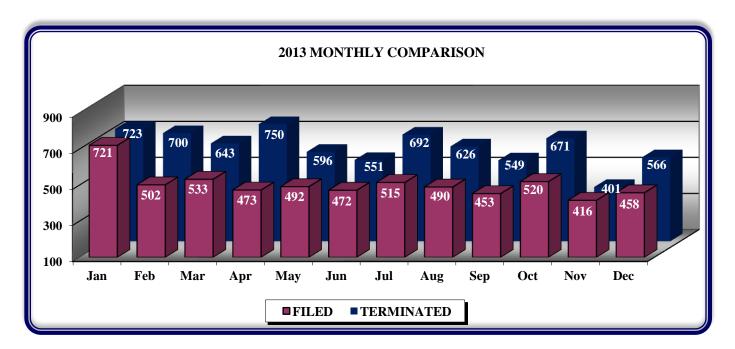
#### FIVE-YEAR COMPARISON: CIVIL CASES FILED AND TERMINATED

The total number or Civil Cases **Filed** in 2013 was 6,045. This reflects a five-year decrease of 3,259 cases from the 9,304 cases filed in 2009. The total number of Civil Cases **Terminated** in 2013 was 7,468, which indicates a five-year decrease of 3,228 cases from the 10,796 cases terminated in 2009.



#### MONTH-BY-MONTH ANALYSIS: CIVIL CASES FILED AND TERMINATED

The number of Civil Cases **Filed** in 2013 totaled 6,045. This reflects a decrease of 1,065 cases from the 7,110 cases filed in 2012. The number of Civil Cases **Terminated** in 2013 totaled 7,468, which indicates a decrease of 824 cases from the 8,292 cases terminated in 2012. The average Civil caseload per Judge, as of December 31, 2013 was 307 cases, compared to the average civil caseload per Judge on December 31, 2012, of 363 cases.



# CIVIL CASE ACTIVITY / SUPREME COURT ANNUAL REPORT

TYPE OF CASE	Professional Tort	Product Liability	Other Torts	Workers Compensation	Foreclosures	Administrative Appeal	Complex Litigation	Other Civil	TOTAL	Visiting Judge
Pending beginning of period	72	8	675	192	1,788	44	1	851	3,631	23
New cases filed	91	2	815	240	2,829	70	X	1,977	6,024	21
Transferred, reactivated or redesignated	16	0	82	42	515	6	0	152	813	26
TOTAL	179	10	1,572	474	5,132	120	1	2,980	10,468	70
TERMINATIONS BY:										
Jury trial	9	0	16	2	0	0	0	10	37	0
Court trial	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	11	16	0
Settled or dismissed prior to trial	25	2	427	115	136	8	0	259	972	9
Dismissal	22	2	164	51	683	18	0	373	1,313	11
Dismissal for lack of speedy trial (Criminal) or want of prosecution (Civil)	3	0	22	3	226	5	0	90	349	0
Magistrate	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	310	315	4
Diversion or Arbitration	0	0	131	61	55	0	0	41	288	2
Default (Civil)	1	0	11	1	1,805	0	0	529	2,347	1
Transfer to another Judge or Court	19	1	83	52	437	5	0	124	721	3
Referral to private Judge	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	0
Bankruptcy stay or interlocutory appeal	4	0	8	2	131	0	0	52	197	0
Other terminations	11	1	43	11	455	44	0	310	875	6
TOTAL	94	6	907	301	3,933	81	0	2,110	7,432	36
Pending end of period	85	4	665	173	1,199	39	1	870	3,036	34



CIVIL DIVISION STAFF

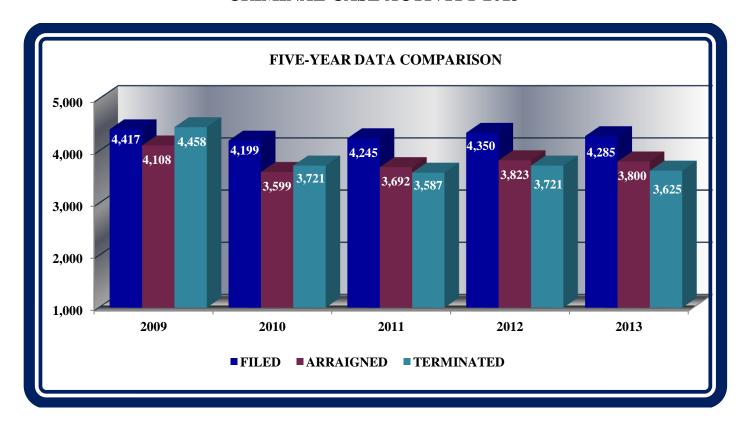
Back row, from left: Suzanne Stephens, Carol Hoover, Cora Dawkins, Lynn Covert Front row, from left: Cheryl Goldstein, Alison Pfeister, LeAnn Backer, Frank Motz (Chief Mediator), Cheryl Hollis

# 2013 CRIMINAL CASE ACTIVITY – FIVE YEAR HISTORY

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
CASES FILED	4,417	4,199	4,245	4,350	4,285
CASES ASSIGNED/ARRAIGNED	4,108	3,599	3,692	3,823	3,800
CASES TERMINATED	4,458	3,721	3,587	3,721	3,625
TRIALS:					
Jury	171	128	99	102	91
Court	36	27	20	16	15
FELONY CHARGES:					
Filed	8,021	7,843	8,070	6,614	6,944
Convictions	3,481	3,001	3,232	3,476	3,640
Dismissals	4,714	3,812	3,753	3,324	3,101
MISDEMEANOR CHARGES:					
Filed	3,219	3,366	3,329	1,385	2,326
Convictions	876	811	824	614	784
Dismissals	2,724	2,306	2,503	1,379	1,062
DISPOSITIONS:					
Ohio Dept. of Rehabilitation	1,159	1,009	958	978	1,030
Ohio State Reform. For Women	120	101	114	120	141
Community Control	2,254	1,800	1,844	1,942	1,816
Probation	233	202	182	174	135
Summit County Jail	50	28	46	29	39
Glenwood Jail	3	0	1	5	6
Halfway House	0	1	0	0	0
Community Service	2	0	1	0	0
Suspended Sentence	57	40	31	28	11
Dismissals	195	148	127	173	132
Fine/Costs	57	25	25	17	19
Restitution	2	0	2	3	1
Transfer to Another County	0	0	0	0	0
IILC Completion	114	151	90	98	119
PDP Completion	84	81	73	45	65
Drug Court Completions	78	85	66	81	69
Not Guilty Verdicts (Jury Trials)	26	28	12	11	16
Not Guilty Verdicts (Court Trials)	5	6	3	6	4
NGRI	7	4	3	5	9
Death Penalty	1	1	0	0	1
Remanded (back to Muni Court)	0	11	n/a	n/a	n/a

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
CHARGE/PLEA STATISTICS		2020			2020
Pled Guilty - Original Charge					
Felonies	3,507	2,896	3,126	3,099	3,111
Misdemeanors	835	706	703	550	585
Pled Guilty - Amended Charge	052	700	705	220	
Felonies	1,196	916	873	970	789
Misdemeanors	18	10	20	10	7
Pled No Contest	10	10	20	10	,
Felonies	41	35	29	58	46
Misdemeanors	18	11	13	14	10
Merged Counts	10	- 11	13	14	10
Felonies	26	5	10	14	16
Misdemeanors	3	3	0	1	10
Dismissals	3	3	U	1	1
Felonies	4,714	3,812	3,753	3,324	3,101
Misdemeanors		-			
	2,724	2,306	2,503	1,379	1,062
Jury Verdict - Guilty Felonies	226	152	178	171	171
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Misdemeanors  Lum Variety Carilly (Amandal)	39	35	29	29	19
Jury Verdict - Guilty (Amended)	14			0	4
Felonies	14	2	6	9	4
Misdemeanors	1	0	0	0	0
Jury Verdict - Not Guilty		0.5			26
Felonies	114	86	61	63	36
Misdemeanors	20	15	20	4	5
Court Verdict - Guilty					
Felonies	32	32	31	21	10
Misdemeanors	16	11	10	17	10
Court Verdict - Guilty (Amended)					
Felonies	12	4	3	1	5
Misdemeanors	1	0	0	1	0
Court Verdict - Not Guilty					
Felonies	32	19	11	24	16
Misdemeanors	12	12	6	5	0
Court Verdict - NGRI					
Felonies	13	7	7	16	17
Misdemeanors	10	2	1	1	3
Rule 29					
Felonies	20	10	2	4	1
Misdemeanors	0	5	0	2	2
Remanded					
Felonies	0	0	0	0	0
Misdemeanors	0	0	12	7	9

# **CRIMINAL CASE ACTIVITY 2013**





#### **CRIMINAL DIVISION STAFF**

Back row, from left: LeighAnn Fultz, Deborah Smith
Second row from left: Melissa Ludwig, Polly White, Theresa Caprez, Tish Carillon (Division Commissioner)
First row, from left: Carolyn Deckert, Terre Vance, Julie Risk, Marie Donofrio, Joan Mosley

#### **MEDIATION**

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. Cases can be selected by the assigned Judge or can be sent to mediation because all of the parties have consented.

In 2013, a total of 614 cases were settled after referral to Mediation.

#### DATA FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS

CASE STATUS	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Cases Pending Beginning of Year	424	708	640	431	421
Cases Referred	2,119	1,791	1,511	1,311	1,190
Returned to Court	506	700	571	418	364
Cases Settled	1,057	805	780	665	614
Removed prior to completion	295	354	336	238	224
Cases Pending End of Year	705	642	434	421	407



MEDIATION STAFF
From left: Cheryl Hollis, Alison Pfeister, Frank Motz (Chief Mediator)

#### 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 2313.07 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 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 2313.14. 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 2012, 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 2012-2013 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.

Below is the last five (5) years of data regarding Jury Management.

Petit Jury Data 2009 thru 2013

Year	Total Paid	Total Jurors	Average Days	Muni Court Days	Reimbursed By Muni Courts
2009	\$ 315,337	10,980	2.87	1,420	\$ 22,954
2010	\$ 1,950	9,627	1.45	1,340	\$ 360*
2011	\$ 225	8,394	1.63	1,002	\$ 0
2012	\$ 5,250	8,973	1.52	951	\$ 0
2013	\$ 3,420	9,379	1.47	1,178	\$ 0

Municipal Court dollars (2009) 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.

<sup>\*</sup>Stow Municipal Court only



From left: Paula McAvinew (Jury Bailiff), Dianne Drummond, Joyce Stull, Fran Brooks

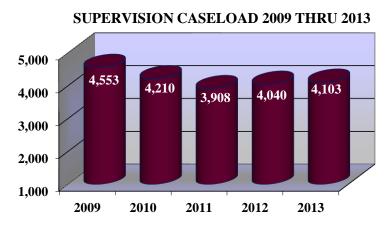
#### **ADULT PROBATION 2013**

#### MISSION STATEMENT

As a major partner in the justice system and a functional component of the Common Pleas Court, the Summit County Adult Probation Department strives to hold offenders accountable while promoting rehabilitation for positive behavioral change. Our mission is to reduce recidivism and the impact of crime on victims and the community through the use of services proven effective in Evidence Based Practices.

#### **SUPERVISION**

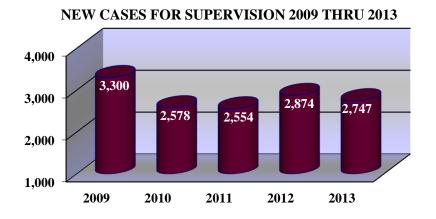
The number of offenders under supervision at the Adult Probation Department at the end of 2013 was 4,103 compared to 4,040 in 2012.



#### **NEW PROBATION REFERRALS**

The number of new cases in 2013 was 2,747 compared to 2,874 in 2012.

The following chart shows the number of the new cases referred to Probation over the past five years:

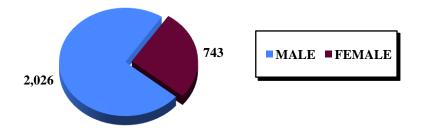


#### DEMOGRAPHICS FOR OFFENDER POPULATION

The demographic information for the new case placements in 2013 follows:

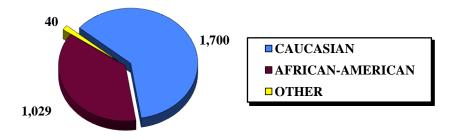
#### **BY GENDER**

In regard to Gender, there were 2,026 males placed on supervision in 2013. By contrast, the Court referred 743 females for supervision.



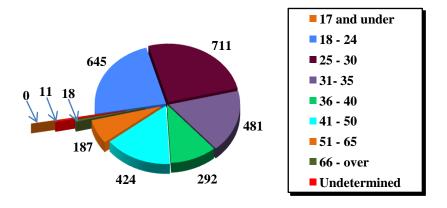
#### **BY RACE**

Caucasian referrals numbered 1,700 while African-Americans accounted for 1,029 of the offenders placed on supervision. There were 40 placements of various ethnicities, such as Hispanic or Asian descent.



#### **OFFENDERS BY AGE**

The following is a breakdown of Offenders by Age for 2013:



#### **INTENSIVE SUPERVISION UNIT (ISP)**

The Intensive Supervision Program (ISP) is a state funded program that was provided to the Adult Probation Department, in 1990, as an alternative to prison incarceration. In 2013, 180 felony offenders were diverted to ISP. The ISP consists of one (1) Supervisor and five (5) Probation Officers.

During 2013, there were 222 terminations from the ISP Unit. The following table contains the details of those Terminations.

Successful Terminations:  Reduced to Basic Supervision (42)  Released from Community Control (28)	70
Unsuccessful Technical Violations	67
Unsuccessful New Felonies	23
Unsuccessful New Misdemeanors	2
Administrative Releases	40
Terminations Designated as Other	20
TOTAL	222

#### TERMINATION OF SUPERVISION AND SENTENCING STATISTICS

During 2013, there were 1,113 supervision cases that were closed successfully, due to expiration. An additional 366 cases were closed successfully due to early termination, 75 graduated from Reentry Court and 10 closed for other reasons. Of the 119 Administrative Closings by the Court, 51 were returned courtesy supervisions, 32 were closed due to death, 17 transferred to Drug Court and 19 were closed for other reasons.

As a result of non-compliance with graduated sanctions, sometimes the end result has been incarceration at the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections for some offenders. In 2013, 476 cases were unsuccessfully terminated due to incarceration. Of those, 255 were due to new felonies, 218 for technical violations, and 3 for other reasons. The Department also had an additional 522 Supervision cases unsuccessfully terminated that were not incarcerated in prison. Of these 522 cases, 43 were terminated due to new felonies, 64 for technical violations, 399 for warrants and 16 due to other reasons.

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

The Pre-Sentence Investigation Unit writes all Pre-Sentence Investigation Reports for the Court. Currently, there are five (5) PSI Writers in the Unit. These writers do not carry a caseload and concentrate solely on writing the Pre-Sentence Reports. Within this Unit, there is one (1) Sex Offender Writer and one (1) Domestic Violence Writer. The Domestic Violence Writer's duties were expanded at the end of 2011 due to the addition of a new Court - Domestic Violence Court. Conducting screenings for the new program, as well as supervising some of the offenders placed in that program, are now part of the responsibilities.

Pre-Sentence Investigation Reports consist of several informational sections, such as, Circumstances of Offense, Prior Criminal History, Social History and Impressions/Recommendations. When required, the report also includes a Victim Impact Statement. The reports are researched and written using collateral sources such as law enforcement agencies, employment records, medical records and educational records.

In 2013, the Pre-Sentence Investigation Unit completed 592 Pre-Sentence Investigation Reports, with 350 Victim Impact Statements. There were 23 Domestic Violence Pre-Sentence Investigations and 35 Sex Offense Pre-Sentence Investigations included in those completed reports. The Domestic Violence Court Screens totaled 108.

#### FELONY OVI SUPERVISION

In 2013, the Felony OVI Unit supervised 22. Of these 22 offenders, 15 were male and five (5) were female. These offenders are required to maintain weekly contact via telephone, and once a month report in person. They are required to submit to random urine drug screen/alcohol breath testing, attend two 12-step/self help meetings per week, and they are subject to alternate sanctions and treatment.

In 2013, there were four (4) successful releases: two (2) early terminations and two (2) expired from Community Control as scheduled. There were two (2) unsuccessful releases, one (1) due to a new Felony Conviction and one (1) for a technical Violation of Community Control. One offender was arrested and charged with OVI. In the upcoming year this unit will continue to monitor offenders on a weekly basis and monitor compliance with the terms and conditions of their Community Control.

#### 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, 2013, 250 Domestic Violence category offenders were under the supervision of General Supervision Probation Officers and the Domestic Violence Unit Specialist Officer. Officers had over 6,000 contacts with offenders in the office, by phone and in the field. During 2013, the Unit showed 75 offenders had successfully completed Supervision. Officer Kelli Anderson and the Pre-Sentence Investigation Unit completed 106 specialized reports on domestic offenders.

In October 2011, the Department began a new initiative in conjunction with the Honorable Paul J. Gallagher and the Summit County Prosecutor's Officer. Judge Gallagher is presiding over the first felony level Domestic Violence Court in the State of Ohio. Under this model Officers David Siko and Kelli Anderson screen high-risk offenders for placement in an Intensive Supervision and Treatment Program. One of the Officers attempts to interview all victims at the time of their Grand Jury appearance, using a Domestic Violence Risk Questionnaire. A risk tool is then completed on each defendant. These cases are reviewed by the Prosecutor's Office, the Adult Probation Department, a Victim Advocate, Judge Gallagher, and consultation with the defendant's attorney for placement in Domestic Violence Court supervision.

If chosen for the Court, offenders see Judge Gallagher on a weekly basis as well as weekly contact with the Probation Officer. As offenders progress through the Program, these meetings become less frequent. The Victim Advocate and the Probation Officers are maintaining contact with the victim during this period of Supervision.

Summit Psychological Associates is conducting a 52-week Domestic Violence Conflict Resolution Program which is mandatory for all offenders to attend. As of December 31, 2013, the Domestic Violence Unit conducted 203 Evaluations and has 89 active participants. For the 2013 year, 47 new offenders were assigned to the Court and six (6) individuals were terminated – two (2) for new domestic violence offenses, one (1) for a technical violation of offensive conduct against the victim, two (2) for Program Rules Violations, and one (1) for new non-DV criminal behaviors.

#### KIOSK PROGRAM

In the Fall of 2011, the Courts and the Adult Probation Department were awarded a *Technology Grant*. A portion of this grant allowed for the implementation of a "Kiosk" reporting system. The Adult Probation Department and the General Division Computer Department embarked on the journey to create the new reporting system in 2012. Kiosks are currently located in five (5) strategic locations throughout the county: Stow Municipal Court lobby, Barberton Police lobby, Akron Police lobby, Springfield Township Police lobby and the Urban Ounce of Prevention Office at South Hawkins Avenue.

Kiosk reporting is designed for low-risk offenders and the program accommodates approximately 300 probationers. This tool provides a way that serves as a step down and/or incentive for an offender displaying a positive adjustment to Supervision and worthy of the considerations associated with being granted the ability to report to a kiosk. Some of these considerations are: less frequent reporting, availability of alternative reporting hours, decreased waiting time in a traditional waiting room setting, as well as relieving the offender of the costs of parking.

Moreover, the more significant benefit of Kiosk reporting is relative to the benefits realized by General Supervision Officers and the Courts. By reassigning approximately 300 offenders to two Kiosk-supervising officers, the balance of General Supervision Officers have been afforded the opportunity to spend more quality time with the balance of their offenders. This quality time is of ultimate benefit to the County as well as the State through a decrease in recidivism. The underlying philosophy is: If a General Supervision Officer can dedicate more time to the needs of offenders of *moderate* and *high risk* – these increased efforts, along with the Department's utilization of Evidence Based Practices, results in a decrease in recidivism.

#### 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 Courts have created a protocol to monitor the severely mentally ill offenders which, in part, can include regular court appearances for additional accountability. Lastly, said clients are being identified earlier in the court process and tracked throughout in order to better meet the needs of this population.

The Mental Health Unit consists primarily of two Probation Officers whose caseloads are determined by the functioning level of the individuals. This results in a smaller caseload for each Officer to deal with those requiring more intensive monitoring. The specialized Officers supervised a total of 251 mental health cases with 157 new offenders assigned to this unit in 2013. Furthermore, this unit had 132 terminations of which 88 cases were successfully released.

#### SEX OFFENDER UNIT

Probation Officers Scott Scislo and Paul Cieslinski currently supervise the Sex Offender Unit's 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 and Megan's Law, as well as ensuring the safety of the victims and the community.

The Sex Offender Specialists work closely with local law enforcement agencies, such as the Adult Parole Authority, the United States Marshals Service, the Akron Police Department, and the Summit County Sheriff's Office, as well as treatment providers such as, Summit Psychological Associates Inc., Portage Path Behavioral Health and the Oriana House, to assure compliance. In 2013, the Sex Offender Unit assisted the Summit County Sheriff's Office in verifying the addresses of 100 sex offenders in their county-wide Sex Offender Address Verification Sweeps.

The intensive nature of the Sex Offender Unit requires frequent contacts with the offenders. In 2013, this Unit conducted over 1,000 field visits to offenders' residences to ensure that the offenders were living at their registered addresses and to ensure that they were in compliance with their Probation Conditions. In 2013, over 2,000 collateral contacts were made, which can include, but are not limited to, contact with the offender's families, employer, or treatment providers.

This Unit also monitors offenders' compliance via office and telephone contacts. Over 1,200 office contacts were conducted and over 800 telephone contacts were made with offenders. At the end of 2013, the Unit supervised approximately 100 offenders.

Continuing education is vital to the supervision of sex offenders; therefore, the Sex Offender Unit also completed numerous hours of sex offender specific training throughout the year and conducted a number of trainings for treatment providers and the public on issues related to sex offender treatment, registration and supervision.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

New referrals accepted into the Community Service Program for the 2013 year totaled 410. Those individuals were interviewed by the Coordinator, placed in an appropriate agency and monitored through completion.

The statistics are as follows:

• Probation Department: 300 clients

Reentry Court: 65 clients

• Drug Court: 8 clients

Clients under Courtesy Supervision (for other counties): 27

• Clients in Prison or on Parole, supervised by the Coordinator: 10

#### **Court Ordered Sanction:**

Probation Department: 32 clients, 27 successful

Reentry Court: 29 clients, 22 successful

#### Community Service in Lieu of Paying Court Costs and/or Probation Fees:

Probation Department: 268 clients, 162 successful

Reentry Court: 36 clients, 19 successful Drug Court: 8 clients, all successful Medical terminations: 3 clients

The total number of Community Service hours worked in lieu of paying Court Costs and Probation Fees totaled 21,866 hours. At a base rate of \$8.00 per hour, this figure is equivalent to \$174,928.

Clients who chose to pay off their Court Costs and Probation Fees: 4

In 2013, **15 new agencies** were recruited and agreed to accept Community Service workers, for a total of 150 agencies.

The Coordinator paid a visit to three agencies in 2013: Habitat for Humanity Restore, Interval Brotherhood Home and United Way of Akron.

#### **VALOR COURT**

On September 17, 2013, Summit County Court of Common Pleas, in conjunction with Akron Municipal Court, held the opening ceremony for Valor Court. The purpose of this treatment Court is to address substance abuse and combat-related mental illness in collaboration with the local Veteran's Administration, as well as other community resources, for those veterans honorably released from the military.

Valor Court consists of one Supervisor and two Probation Officers who identify possible applicants early in the court process, in addition to screening referrals made by the Courts. Once accepted into Valor Court, all participants report to a Probation Officer weekly, in addition to other programming requirements. Lastly, the participants have court appearances approximately twice per month. As of its implementation in September of 2013, there were 15 screens completed and 9 offenders accepted into the Program.

Valor Court has submitted an application to the Ohio Supreme Court for Certification and has received Precertification. Final Certification is expected in 2014. Judge Amy Corrigall Jones presides over the Summit County Court of Common Pleas <u>Valor Court.</u>

#### FELONY DRUG COURT - RENAMED "THE TURNING POINT PROGRAM" IN 2013

In an effort to achieve Certification from the Ohio Supreme Court, the Summit County Felony Drug Court underwent restructuring in 2013. The program no longer operates as a diversionary program that focuses on capturing drug offenders at arrest. Rather, the program is aimed toward rehabilitating offenders already involved in the Criminal Justice System at the Common Pleas level. "*The Turning Point Program*" received its Pre-certification from the Ohio Supreme Court in December 2013.

To embrace our new mission, Judge Thomas A. Teodosio and the Treatment Team **re-titled Felony Drug** Court to "The Turning Point Program". The mission of the Summit County Turning Point Program is to improve the overall quality of life in our community by providing a court-supervised Program for substance dependent offenders to enhance public safety, reduce crime, hold offenders accountable, reduce cost to the community and provide an opportunity for offenders to transform into positive, contributing community members.

The Program is comprised of two Tracks. <u>Track 1</u> - Participants enter the Program after having been identified as noncompliant with Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (IILC). These participants are eligible for a dismissal of the charges according to the IILC statute. <u>Track 2</u> - Participants are probationers. Both Track 1 and Track 2 participants have been identified as having a chemical dependency issue and meet a minimum Ohio Risk Assessment Score.

Listed separately below is the data for the first half of the year (**Felony Drug Court**) and the second half of the year (**The Turning Point Program**).

Felony Drug Court (now known as The Turning Point Program) for the time period of January through June 2013.

Defendants Screened for Felony Drug Court								
Male Female Total Screened African-American Caucasian Other								
448	165	613	217	393	3			

Defendants <u>Entered</u> Felony Drug Court					
Male	Female	Total Entered	African-American	Caucasian	Other
29	16	45	7	38	0

Defendants <u>Completed</u> Felony Drug Court			
Successful	Unsuccessful	Success Rates	
69	30	70%	

Reason for Ineligibility for Felony Drug Court	
On Parole/ Post Release Control or Community Control	49
Trafficking Conviction	68
Trafficking Arrest within Last 10 Years	9
Contempt History	7
Police Deny	11
Current Charge is F-1, F-2 or F-3	46
Prior Felonies	6
Capiases Pending	10
Other Court Involvement (felony or misdemeanor pending)	65
History of Violence	15
Rejected by Prosecutor	32
Current Specialty Court (Drug Court, FVC, MHC, DRP, or Reentry Court, etc).	20
Prior Treatment Based Diversion Program (Drug Court, IILC, etc)	31
Failure to Appear for Drug Court Screening	1
Co-defendant	68
Rejected by Defendant	7
Companion Charge Disqualifies	129
Drug of Choice unable to be screened	2
Tier III Sex Offender or Sexual Predator	1
Rejected by the Victim	1

# The Turning Point Program for the time period of July through December 2013.

Defendants Screened for 'The Turning Point Program'					
Male	Female	Total Screened	African-American	Caucasian	Other
66	31	97	19	77	1

Defendants Entered 'The Turning Point Program' - Track 1						
Male	Female	Total Entered Track 1	African-American	Caucasian	Other	
6	6	12	3	9	0	

Defendants Entered 'The Turning Point Program' - Track 2						
Male	Female	Total Entered Track 2	African-American	Caucasian	Other	
24	10	34	4	30	0	

The Turning Point Program Completions					
Successful	Unsuccessful	Administrative			
0	1	2			

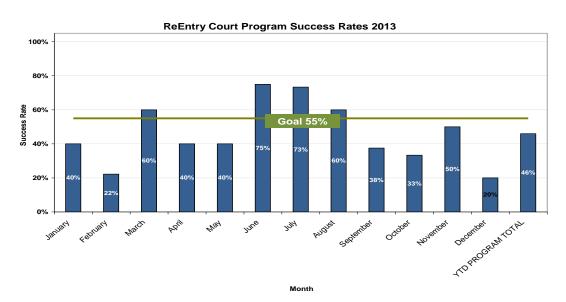
Reasons for Denying Entry into 'The Turning Point Program'			
ORAS Score did not meet minimum requirement	0		
Chemical Dependency Level of Care did not meet minimum requirement	2		
Did not meet legal criteria			
Defendant declined opportunity to participate in Program	10		
Judge denied placement based on recommendation of the Treatment Team	16		
Assigned Court declined to place defendant into Program			
Failed to appear for screening process			

#### **RE-ENTRY COURT**

The Re-Entry Court Program is a collaborative effort between the Court of Common Pleas, the Adult Probation Department and Oriana House, Inc. To enter the Program, an offender, or his/her attorney, submits a letter/motion to the Court expressing a desire to be considered for the Re-Entry Court Program. The Court then makes a decision to bring the offender back for Judicial Release/Re-Entry Court consideration. Once the person is ordered to be returned, he/she is screened by a Probation Officer using the Ohio Risk Assessment System-Supplemental Re-entry Tool (ORAS-SRT).

If granted Judicial Release into one of the three (3) Re-Entry Courts, the offender is either released from custody or transferred to a residential facility operated by the Oriana House, depending on their ORAS-SRT risk level. Clients are then assigned a Re-Entry Court caseworker through Oriana House who helps them throughout the Program. They meet with their caseworker on a regular basis and are required to submit random/frequent Alco-sensor tests and urine drug screens. Their caseworker initiates their programming and monitors compliance while they are in the Program. Clients appear in court on a regular basis for progress reviews and sanctions. A court appearance is also required when graduation from the Program is achieved. Clients can expect to graduate from the Re-Entry Court Program in one (1) year, unless they run into sanctions, which can prolong their placement.

<u>The Summit County Re-Entry Court Program</u> has a current retention rate of 73 percent. In 2013, there were 226 active clients in the Program and 52 successful graduations. The participating Re-Entry Court Judges were the Honorable Lynne Callahan, the Honorable Judy Hunter (retired July 2013), the Honorable Alison McCarty and the Honorable Mary Margaret Rowlands.



#### LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTOMATED DATA SYSTEM (L.E.A.D.S.)

Per documentation from records compiled in Columbus, LEADS operators in the Adult Probation Department made 29,287 request inquiries, and received 59,506 criminal and BMV records back for the 2013 year. These totals are approximately 3,000 more records than in 2012.

- The Pretrial Officers located at the Summit County Jail, made 20,343 requests from their terminal, and received 40,700 records back. This is approximately the same amount as in 2012.
- All of the information was requested by and furnished to the Adult Probation Officers and Supervisors, Pretrial Department, Court Officials, ReEntry and Drug Courts, Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic, Magistrate Shoemaker's Court, and Probate Court.

The Terminal Agency Coordinator (TAC) for the L.E.A.D.S. Department is Michelle Kocian.

#### SEALING SPECIALIST

A Sealing Specialist is responsible for the processing of all Sealing Applications filed with the Clerk of Courts. These Specialists schedule and conduct all interviews with sealing applicants and perform 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 2013, there were 404 applications filed with the Clerk. The Departmental Sealing Specialists completed 378 reports.

#### INTERVENTION IN LIEU OF CONVICTION (IILC) UNIT

Offenders are granted Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (IILC) after being found in danger of being drug dependent, chronically mentally ill, or as otherwise defined in House Bill 86. These individuals are ordered by the Court to comply with mandated treatment and upon the successful completion, as defined by the Ohio Revised Code, the offenders are eligible for the dismissal of their pending charge.

The IILC Unit consists primarily of three (3) Probation Officers who supervised a total of 479 cases in 2013. The Unit received 352 new referrals and recorded 178 terminations, of which 112 were successful in 2013.

#### **RISK ASSESSMENTS**

The ORAS Risk Assessment is completed on all offenders who have a Pre-Sentence Investigation completed or are placed on Community Control as one of the steps to implement Evidenced Based Practices. This Tool enables the Officers to provide the appropriate level of supervision to an offender based on the Risk Score. At present, there are three (3) full time Assessment Officers who complete the Assessments on those offenders. New offenders placed on Community Control are scheduled to complete an Assessment within five (5) working days of being placed on Supervision. Once a Risk Score is determined, cases are assigned to a Probation Officer according to the Risk Level. This Department completed 1,576 full Assessments during the 2013 calendar year.

#### QUALITY AND OUTCOME IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

#### **GOALS OF THE COMMITTEE:**

To reduce recidivism and increase public safety, as well as improve the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the Adult Probation Department.

The Quality and Outcome Improvement Committee was formed, in 2008, for the purpose of integrating the use of Evidence Based Practices to improve the quality of services provided to Probationers, the Court and the community. In 2013, the Committee consisted of 11 volunteer members, including two (2) Co-chairs, Adult Probation Officers and Unit Supervisors, who formed four (4) Subcommittees: Motivational Interviewing (MI), Rewards, Programming and Field Safety.

In 2013, the Committee was very active. A trainer was brought in for Motivational Interviewing, in August and September, and the Staff attended Training during three separate sessions. The Committee consisted of 12 staff members (including Supervisors, Probation Officers and Pretrial Officers), trained in facilitating the *Thinking For A Change Program* in August and September. In November, the first *Thinking For A Change* Group was held and the goal was to start at least one (1) group per month. The Committee also implemented a Rewards Policy and was able to secure rewards through donations and probation fees collected by probationers, to give rewards for probationers that achieve large milestones in their supervision.

The members of the Committee in 2013 were as follows:

**Co-chairs:** Paul Cieslinski and Cynthia Schwarz

**Members:** Terry Strubbe, Michael Rick, Kelli Anderson, Danielle Sampson, David Siko, Kimberly

Humphrey, Michelle Fought, Robert Woods, Kerri Defibaugh.

In 2014, the Committee will be exploring '**train the trainer**' sessions to have in-house trainers for Motivational Interviewing, train more Officers in the *Thinking For A Change Program* and options for Field Safety.

# THE BRENDA BURNHAM UNRUH (BBU) EMPLOYMENT READINESS PROGRAM



This Program began in 2010. Named in honor of the late Judge Brenda Burnham Unruh, it was developed and facilitated by Probation Officers Michelle Fought, Cindy Schwarz, Rebecca Shepard and Stacy Smith. Probation Supervisor Terry Strubbe is the Program Consultant. The summer of 2013 ended with Stacy Smith leaving the Department and the addition of Probation Officer facilitators, Scott Scislo and Stephanie Crooms.

The BBU Program is now being offered three times a year to clients of the Adult Probation Department. Each Program targets a specific gender and, as deemed appropriate, a specific age group. The program consists of an Orientation Session and one 2 ½ hour weekly class, held for eight to ten weeks. In accordance with Evidence Based Practices, "rewards" are utilized throughout the Program. Upon completion of the Program, a graduation luncheon and Certificates of Completion and Perfect Attendance are provided to participants.

<u>The Employment Readiness</u> portion of the Program has focused on knowing your skills, personal presentation, job searching, applications, resumes, interviewing, "answering the felony question" on applications and during interviews, and job retention. Sealing of the Record and Certificate of Qualification for Employment information was provided, as well as job leads and Job Fair information on a weekly basis. Speakers from local agencies and companies as well as the Court's Human Resources Department, provided presentations regarding training and educational opportunities, employment opportunities, the Federal Bonding Program, the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), the Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC) and local employment assistance agencies. Mock interviews were conducted.

<u>The Life Skills</u> portion of the Program addressed such topics as basic banking skills, educational and training opportunities, child support, paternity testing, family services, substance abuse recovery, co-dependency, parenting, domestic violence, sexual offenders, healthy relationships and breast cancer awareness. Presentations were given by the Child Support Enforcement Agency, Planned Parenthood, the Department of Jobs and Family Services, Battered Women's Shelter, Community Health Center, Akron University, Children's Hospital, Fathers and Sons, Man to Man, PNC Bank and the Adult Probation Department. Free medical and dental service information was also provided.

Speakers from the Court, (Judge Alison McCarty and Judge Tom Parker), Human Resources Department (Monica Siko), and Adult Probation Department (Chief Probation Officer Michael Rick, Officers Elaine Cherry, David Siko, Scott Scislo, Probation Intern Matt Snyder and Clerical Support Lee Runkle) addressed the groups regarding the various topics.

### SUPPORT STAFF AND DNA COLLECTION

Martha Beitel, Staci Board, Lee Runkle and Jackie Shannon are Support Staff LEADS operators. Karyn Rogers was recertified as the LEADS ATAC, in October 2013, and continues to be LEADS Practitioner.

Between January 1<sup>st</sup> and December 31<sup>st</sup>, the Probation Support Staff helped to enter 11,578 Urine Drug Screens onto the Drug Test tab in the **S**ummit **C**ounty **O**nline **R**ecord **S**ystem (SCORS).

Probation Intake Personnel went through some changes in 2013.

- New Assignment and SCORS procedures were created for the Assessment Officers, Valor Court, and The Turning Point Program - A box was added to the Probation Maintenance Screen in the SCORS Application, to designate any gun-related charges.
- Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS) Score was added to the Values tab for Courtesy Supervision cases.

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 Identification (BCI). Intake Personnel perform DNA tests Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m., from all persons reporting to Intake for the first time, who meet the criteria, and have not previously submitted DNA. Intake Secretaries Chris Hartman and Jackie Shannon perform the majority of the DNA tests, with the help of Karyn Rogers and Staci Board.

In 2013, Intake collected 352 DNA Samples.

### SATURDAY REPORTING

During the 2013 year, the number of offenders scheduled for Saturday Reporting totaled 141. The actual number that reported on Saturdays totaled 97. This figure consists of 92, or 65%, who reported as scheduled and five (5) who reported and were not scheduled. Forty-nine of those scheduled did not report.

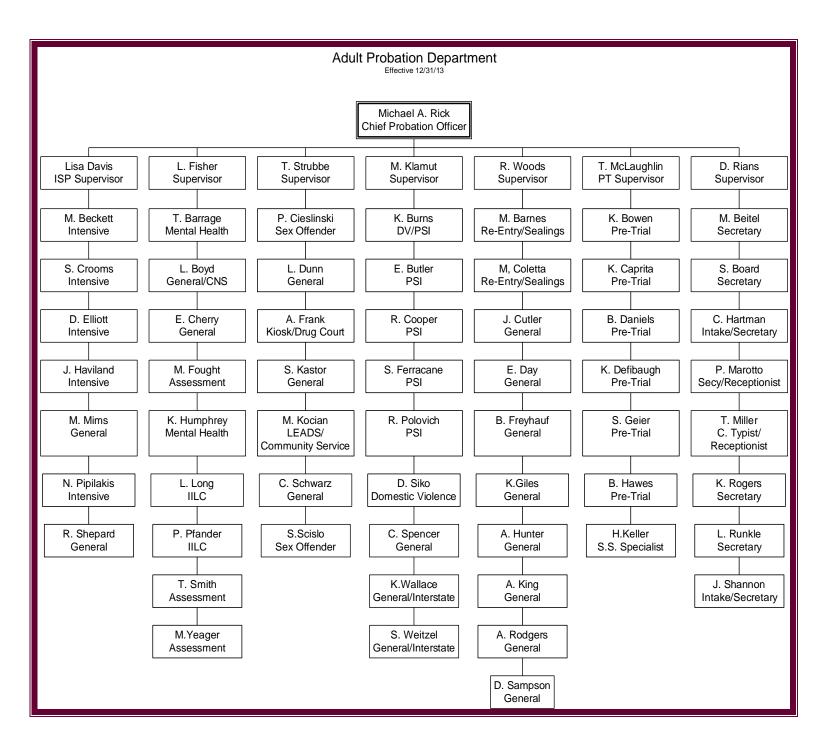
## **INTERNS**

The Adult Probation Department makes regular use of College Interns. Students from The University of Akron and Kent State University worked as interns with the Department in 2013. Probation supports and encourages college interns by exposing them to all aspects of Offender Supervision. Typically, there are two to three students in the Adult Probation Department each semester. Three Officers in Probation were Interns through this program, prior to being hired by the Court of Common Pleas, and we have had a number of students who have contacted us when they have gone to work with other local corrections agencies. Officer Renee Cooper is the Intern Coordinator.

#### SUMMIT COUNTY ADULT PROBATION PERSONNEL

At the end of 2013, the Staff of the Adult Probation Department consisted of the following Personnel:

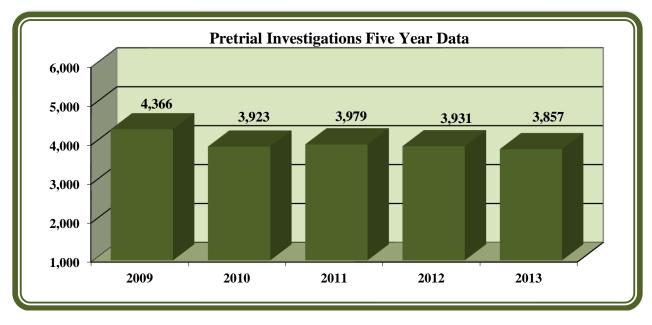
- 1 Director/Chief Probation Officer
- 5 Probation Supervisor
- 41 Probation Officer (ISP, IILC, PSI, General, Re-Entry, Assessment)
- 1 Community Service Coordinator / L.E.A.D.S.
- 1 Pretrial Supervisor
- 7 Pretrial Officer
- 1 Pretrial Support Staff Specialist
- 1 Clerical Supervisor
- 8 Clerical Specialist

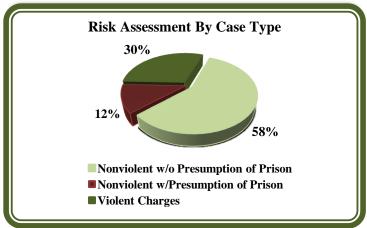


## PRETRIAL SERVICES 2013 SUMMARY

This year the Summit County Pretrial Services Program continued to promote pretrial justice, and reduce jail overcrowding, 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. 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.

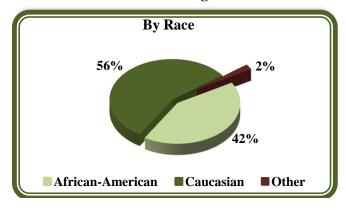
In 2013, Pretrial Services completed 3,857 Investigations and 137 Bond reviews. Approximately 24% (1,172) of defendants investigated were placed on Pretrial Supervision as a condition of bond. The supervision component of bond is subcontracted to Oriana House, Inc under the Pretrial Supervision Program. The successful closure rate for those defendants released to the Program was 77%, in 2013. For defendants that were on supervision 10% were closed due to failure to appear, 4% due to technical violations and 7% due to new charges. In the remaining 2% of the population, Pretrial Supervision was removed as a condition of bond, bond was not posted, or the defendant was sentenced to prison on an unrelated case.

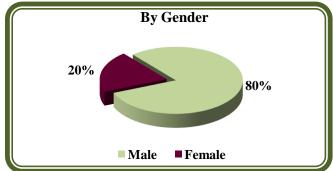


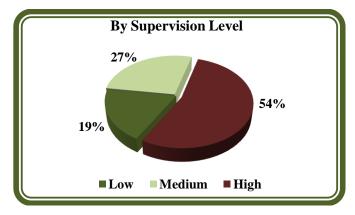


<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Pretrial Justice-The honoring of the presumption of innocence, the right to bail that is not excessive, and all other legal and constitutional rights afforded to accused persons awaiting trial while balancing these individual rights with the need to protect the community, maintain 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:**









## PRETRIAL SERVICES STAFF

Back row, from left: Ashley Frank, Kelly Bowen, Shiloh Geier, Brian Hawes
Front row, from left: Bill Daniels, Katie Caprita, Helga Keller, Thomas McLaughlin – Supervisor
Not Pictured: Kerri Defibaugh

## PSYCHO-DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC 2013 REPORT

The Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic has been providing quality forensic evaluations for nearly four decades. It is one of ten certified forensic centers funded by the Ohio Department of Mental Health to serve the Common Pleas Courts of Summit, Stark, Portage, Medina, and Geauga Counties. The Clinic also provides evaluations to the Summit County Court of Common Pleas and to other courts in Summit County through limited funding by the County of Summit Alcohol, Drug Addiction, and Mental Health Services Board. Evaluations are also provided to other Courts in the five-county area on a fee-for-service basis.

The Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic has continued to increase awareness and understanding of forensic psychological evaluations by providing training seminars for defense attorneys and prosecutors. In 2013, Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic Director Arcangela Woods, Psy.D., and Chief Psychologist Lynn A. Luna Jones, Ph.D., ABPP (Forensic) presented seminars entitled *Determining Competency to Stand Trial* and *Assessing Mental Condition at the Time of the Offense Charged* to the Stark County Bar Association. This presentation followed a 2012 seminar, *Mental Health Issues for Criminal Defendants, which* was presented at the Akron Bar Association. In addition, a program titled *Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity: Assessing Mental Condition at the Time of the Offense Charged* was presented to the Summit County Prosecutors Office in 2014.

A detailed list of all Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic staff, students, and consultants appears in **TABLE 1**.

#### COURT ORDERED EVALUATIONS

The Clinic conducted 890 court-ordered evaluations in 2013. This represented an 18% increase in the number of evaluations performed in 2012, a 35% increase in the number of evaluations performed in 2011, and a 54% increase in the number of evaluations performed in 2010. Seventy-eight percent (78%) of these evaluations were provided for the Summit County Common Pleas Court. Fourteen percent (14%) were ordered by Stark, Medina, Portage, and Geauga County Common Pleas Courts combined. Five percent (5%) of the Clinic evaluations were completed for Municipal Courts in Summit County. The remaining two percent (2%) of the evaluations were completed for other Courts. Clinic referrals by Referral Source over the past five years are summarized in Table 2.

<u>TABLE 3</u> contains a breakdown of Referrals to the Clinic by Referral Type over the past four years. These evaluations include Competency to Stand Trial (22%), Sanity at the Time of the Act (14%), Commitment and Non-Secured Status of defendants found Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity or Incompetent-Nonrestorable committed under Court jurisdiction (4%), and Mitigation of Penalty or Post-Sentence (Mentally Ill/Mentally Retarded Probationer) evaluations (3%) during 2013. In 2013, 510 Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (IILC) Evaluations were conducted by the Clinic, representing 57% of the total referrals.

## RESEARCH AND TRAINING

The Clinic continued to collaborate in research and training activities with Kent State University Department of Psychology, the Ohio Department of Mental Health, and Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED), formerly known as the Northeastern Ohio Universities Colleges of Medicine and Pharmacy (NEOUCOM). Two doctoral students from the American Psychological Association (APA)-approved training program in clinical psychology at Kent State University provided services under supervision in 2013.

Four (4) psychiatry residents from NEOMED completed forensic rotations at the Clinic as part of their medical training. These future psychologists and psychiatrists provide service to the Clinic and the Courts while receiving valuable professional training.

TABLE 1 – CLINIC PERSONNEL

PSYCHO-DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC STAFF AND CONSULTANTS			
CLINICAL DIRECTOR	Arcangela S. Wood, Psy.D., Illinois School of Professional Psychology		
CHIEF PSYCHOLOGIST	Lynn Luna Jones, Ph.D., ABPP (Forensic), Temple University		
CLINICAL STAFF	Holly Trivett, B.A., University of Akron		
	Randy Vipperman, LISW-S, Case Western Reserve University		
PSYCHOLOGY ASSISTANTS	Anthony Tarescavage, M.A., Kent State University Michael Alosco, M.A., Kent State University		
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SUPPORT STAFF	Michelle Longoria		
CONSULTANTS	Galit Askenazi, Ph.D., ABPP (Forensic & Neuropsychology), Case Western Reserve University		
	Michael Biscaro, Psy.D., ABPP (Forensic), Xavier University		
	Andrea Loucaides, Ph.D., University of Akron		
	Brian O'Reilly, Ph.D., Kent State University		
	Gary Sales, M.D., J.D., Wright State University and Ohio State University		
	Sara West, M.D., <i>University of Virginia</i>		

TABLE 2 – REFERRALS BY SOURCE

Source	2013	2012	2011	2010	2009
Summit Common Pleas Court	698	563	480	370	212
Stark Common Pleas Court	75	74	58	86	49
Medina Common Pleas Court	37	30	31	22	13
Portage Common Pleas Court	12	16	17	21	18
Geauga Common Pleas Court	7	5	7	3	6
Akron Municipal Court	35	36	42	54	49
Stow Municipal Court	2	4	3	1	1
Barberton Municipal Court	6	6	9	4	7
Medina County Municipal Courts	11	15	12	10	5
Stark County Municipal Courts	0	0	0	1	3
Portage County Municipal Courts	0	0	1	0	0
Geauga County Municipal Courts	2	0	1	4	5
Other Courts	5	7	0	0	0
Total	890	756	661	576	368

TABLE 3 - REFERRALS BY TYPE

ТҮРЕ	2013	2012	2011	2010
Competency to Stand Trial	194	192	203	211
Not Guilty by Reason of Insanity (NGRI)	127	97	95	90
Intervention in Lieu of Conviction (IILC)	510	398	303	218
Mitigation of Penalty	26	42	34	36
Non-Secured Status	12	9	4	9
Commitment-NGRI	19	7	8	4
Mentally Ill/Mentally Retarded Probationer (Post-Sentence Evaluations)	2	9	12	8
Other Forensic Evaluations	0	2	2	0
Total	890	756	661	576



PSYCHO-DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC STAFF

**Back row, from left:** Michael Alosco, Anthony Tarescavage, Holly Trivett, Randy Vipperman **Front row, from left:** Dr Lynn A. Jones, Dr. Arcangela Wood (Director), Michelle Longoria



## COUNTY OF SUMMIT COURTHOUSE SECURITY

### **SUMMIT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

In 2013, 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 Prisoner Transportation, Incident Reporting, and Security Screening Checkpoints.

PRISONER TRANSPORTATION BY COURT ORDER	2010	2011	2012	2013
Convey To / From Prisons	1,821	1,562	1,646	1,557
Convey To Juvenile Facility/Prison	207	210	211	223
Convey To / From Common Pleas Courts	7,497	8,271	9,186	9,730
Convey To / From *Local Facilities/Other County Jails	1,084	460	260	399
New Prisoners From Court	1,037	885	592	724
CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION (CCTV)	1,805	1,906	2,627	2,306
TOTALS	13,470	13,294	14,522	14,949

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.

The table above reflects a 1% INCREASE in Prisoner movement from the 2012 year.

COURTHOUSE INCIDENT REPORT OVERVIEW	2010	2011	2012	2013
Assaults	*9	*10	5	3
Bomb Threat Or Suspicious Package	**1	1	0	1
CPO w/ Weapons	14	0	0	0
Property Damaging	1	0	1	0
Disorderly / Menacing	***11	11	2	1
Domestic	1	0	1	0
Drugs (Confiscated)	2	1	0	0
Fire Alarm	2	2	1	2
Medical / Illness/ Injury	9	14	12	20
Miscellaneous	6	7	18	24
Sex Offense	****1	0	0	0
Theft / Tampering with Records / Forgery	3	1	4	2
Warrant Arrest By Court Deputy	18	10	1	2
Counterfeit Money	0	1	0	0
Child Abuse	0	0	1	0
Arrests	0	0	5	0
Alarms	0	0	2	0
TOTALS	78	58	53	55

<sup>\*</sup> Assaults at Juvenile Detention

<sup>\*\*</sup> Suspicious Package

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Menacing at Juvenile Detention

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>Sex Offense - Dissemination of Matter Harmful to Juveniles - Juvenile Court Security

## SECURITY SCREENING CHECKPOINTS - METAL DETECTORS

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

2013 BUILDING ATTENDANCE

MONTH	SAFETY BLDG. & PROBATION	Courthouse	DOMESTIC COURT	JUVENILE COURT
JAN	6,598	29,321	31,005	9,754
FEB	6,325	31,890	28,765	8,387
MAR	7,610	30,456	29,876	9,276
APR	8,256	29,450	30,298	8,743
MAY	8,120	30,871	31,902	9,732
JUNE	8,397	32,744	32,053	6,534
JULY	8,754	32,809	34,012	9,843
AUG	8,935	31,678	34,508	9,345
SEPT	8,788	35,001	35,972	9,312
ОСТ	8,654	34,320	36,871	9,276
Nov	8,867	32,990	33,254	9,621
DEC	8,329	32,925	31,704	10,722
TOTAL	97,632	384,455	390,220	113,045

The total number of persons entering the Common Pleas Court and Juvenile Court Buildings for 2013 is 985,352.

The table above reflects a 1.9 % INCREASE in Building Attendance from 2012.



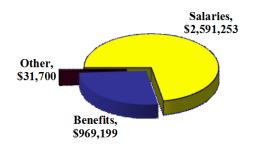
## COURT OF COMMON PLEAS GENERAL DIVISION 2013 FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## **GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS**

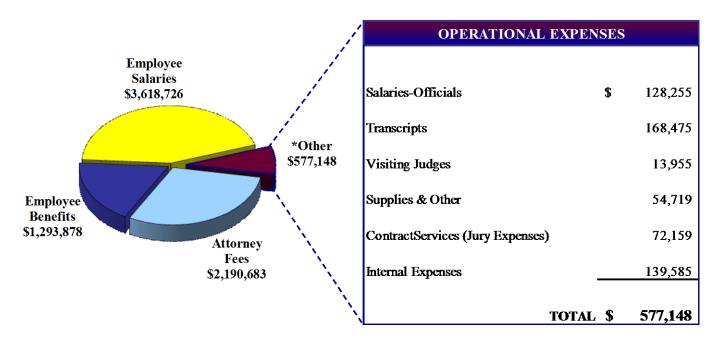
Court Administration			
Employee Salaries	\$	3,618,726	
Benefits		1,293,878	
Attorney Fees		2,190,683	
Operational Expenses		577,148	
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Total Administration	\$	7,680,435	

Adult Probation			
Adult Probation Salaries	\$	2,591,253	
Benefits		969,199	
Internal Expenses		31,700	
Total Adult Probation	\$	3,592,152	

### ADULT PROBATION EXPENDITURES



## **COURT ADMINISTRATION EXPENDITURES**



## **REVENUE ACCOUNTS 2013**

Legal Research Fund			
Revenues	\$	71,211	
Expenditures Equipment, Training, Services	\$	27,894	

Probation Service Fees			
Revenues	\$	283,834	
Expenditures  Equipment, Training, Services	\$	154,222	

Special Projects Fund				
Revenues		\$	975,158	
Expenditures	Salaries	\$	317,741	
	Benefits		86,544	
	Equipment		125,282	
	Supplies		7,507	
	Contracts		112,632	
	Professional Education		47,966	
	<b>Professional Services</b>		4,680	
	Other Expense		45,752	
	Capital Outlay		166,842	
		\$	914,946	

Revenues	\$ 1,330,203
<b>Expenditures from Revenue</b>	\$ 1,097,062
<b>Surplus from Revenue</b>	\$ 233,141

## **GRANT FUND ACCOUNTS 2013**

Adult Probation		
<b>Intensive Supervision</b> Salar Benef	+	247,546 105,389
Total Grant Adult Probation	<u>\$</u>	352,935

Psycho-Diagnostic Clinic			
ADM Board State Grant			
Salaries	\$	252,031	
Benefits		99,300	
Consulting Services		46,838	
Supplies		1,598	
Travel		3,497	
Contract Services		1,340	
Equipment		-	
Total Grant Psycho-Diagnostic	\$	404,604	

# COURT OF COMMON PLEAS-GENERAL DIVISION 2013 PERSONNEL ROSTER

TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS	EMPLOYEE
-ADMINISTRATION-		
Administrative Specialist	2	Kay Scaffidi Denna Steiner
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 Division Manager	1	Carol Hoover
Computer Help Desk	1	Donna Simone
Computer Network Manager	1	Jay Chapman
Computer Systems Apprentice	1	Brian Kuts
Court Executive Officer	1	Andrew Bauer
Court Executive Secretary	1	Debra Young
Court Reporter	10	Barbara Day Kristie Gowens Melissa Kaess Gary Maharidge Teresa Orlovsky LeAnn Orner Maxine Roberts Tracy Rowland Eric Smead Kelley Spears
Courtroom Bailiff	10	Joan Arshinkoff Jill Coleman Dorianne Denard Kimberly Guldeman Kathie Jeffers Michelle Manchester Kenneth Masich Tiffany Morrison Brian Scheetz Maria Williams
Criminal Division Manager	1	Patricia Carillon
Drug Court Liaison	1	Ashley Frank
Human Resource Specialist	2	Monica Prexta-Siko Sue Roszkowski

TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS	EMPLOYEE
Judicial Assistant	10	Shay Christopher Jaclyn Darrah Andrew DeLamatre Michelle Dimeff Shari Hower Tamara Keefer Cynthia Mitseff Jan Panella Christopher Piekarski Bridget Walters
Judicial Attorney	13	Jason Adams Jennifer Bouhall Matthew Dickinson Janet Dutt Patricia Himelrigh Martha Hom Dawn Humphrys Michelle Neiman Elizabeth Ann Nemes Kandi O'Connor Matthew Rich Carrie Roush William Wellemeyer
Judicial Secretary	1	Leann Backer
Jury Bailiff Assistant	1	Dianne Drummond
Jury Commissioner	2	Frances Brooks Joyce Stull
Jury Department Supervisor/Bailiff	1	Paula McAvinew
Magistrate	1	John Shoemaker
Magistrate Assistant	1	Sherri O'Brien
Foreclosure Specialist	1	Suzanne Stephens
Mediator	3	Frank Motz Cheryl Hollis Alison Pfeister
Mediation Secretary	1	Lynn Covert
Secretary II	10	Theresa Caprez Carolyn Deckert LeighAnn Fultz Julie Risk Marie Donofrio Melissa Ludwig Polly McEndree-White

TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS	EMPLOYEE
Secretary II (cont'd)		Joan Mosley Theresa Skinner Deborah Smith
Special Projects Officer	1	Ruth Squires
-PROBATION DEPARTMENT-		
Chief Probation Officer/Offender Services Director	1	Michael Rick
Clerk Typist II	1	Theresa Miller
Pretrial Services Supervisor	1	Thomas McLaughlin
Pretrial Release Officer	7	Kelly Bowen Katherine Caprita William Daniels Drew Davidson Kerri Defibaugh Ashley Frank Shiloh Geier Brian Hawes
Probation Officer	39	Kelli Anderson Maria Barnes Timothy Barrage Laurie Boyd Elaine Butler Elaine Cherry Paul Cieslinski Marc Coletta Renee Cooper Stephanie Crooms Jeffrey Cutler Lorri Dunn Douglas Elliott Sandra Ferracane Michelle Fought Brian Freyhauf Kristen Giles Jennifer Haviland Kimberly Humphrey Antalene Hunter Shari Kastor Anthony King Lorette Long Michael Mims Lisa Munoz Patricia Pfander Nickie Pipilakis Rudolph Polovich Anthony Rodgers Danielle Sampson

TITLE	NUMBER OF POSITIONS	EMPLOYEE
Probation Officer (cont'd)		Cynthia Schwarz Scott Scislo Rebecca Shepard David Siko Stacy Smith Tiffany Smith Clint Spencer Shannon Vaughn Kecia Wallace Martha Yeager
Probation Secretary Supervisor	1	Debbie Rians
Probation Supervisor	5	Lisa Davis Michael Klamut Laurie Ruhman Terry Strubbe Robert Woods
Secretary II	8	Martha Beitel Staci Board Christina Hartman Patricia Marotto Karyn Rogers Lee Runkle Jackie Shannon
Support Staff Specialist	1	Helga Keller
Work Release Coordinator / L.E.A.D.S. Operator	1	Michelle Kocian

-PSYCHO-DIAGNOSTIC CLINIC-		
Administrative Secretary	1	Michelle Longoria
Chief Psychologist	1	Lynn Luna Jones, Ph.D.
Director	1	Arcangela S. Wood, Psy.D.
Forensic Mental Health Specialist	1	Holly Trivett
IILC Assessment Officer	1	Randy Vipperman
Psychology Assistant	1	Michael Alosco

## DEPARTMENTAL / GROUP PHOTOS OF GENERAL DIVISION PERSONNEL

**NOTE:** When space allowed, Group Photos were with their specific departments in previous sections.



## **COURT EXECUTIVE OFFICE**

Back row, from left: Andrew Bauer (Court Executive Officer), Robert Gainer (Asst. Court Executive Officer)

Third row: Monica Prexta-Siko

**Second row, from left:** Denna Steiner, Sue Roszkowski **First row, from left:** Ruth Squires, Kay Scaffidi, Debra Young



**COMPUTER DEPARTMENT** 

From left: Brian Kuts, Donna Simone, Jay Chapman (MIS Manager)



## **COURT REPORTERS**

Back row, from left: Barbara Day, Maxine Roberts, Tracy Rowland
Third row, from left: Peggy Wellemeyer (Chief Court Reporter), Gary Maharidge, Melissa Kaess
Second row, from left: Leann Orner, Terri Sims, Kristie Gowens
Front row, from left: Kelley Spears, Eric Smead, Terry Orlovsky



## **ADULT PROBATION CLERICAL SUPPORT STAFF**

Back row, from left: Christina Hartman, Lee Runkle, Debbie Rians (Supervisor)
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