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THE SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA



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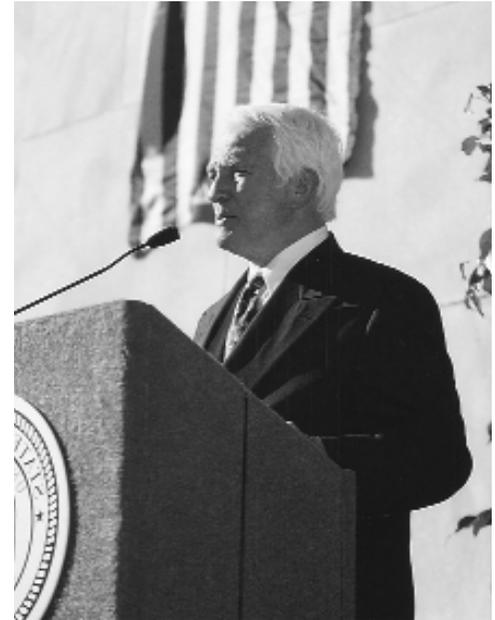
Cover: Details from the statue in front of the Court building of Edward Douglas White, the only Louisiana Justice to have become Chief Justice of the United States (1910-1921), and from the wall mosaic outside the courtroom.

BRINGING THE COURT INTO THE 21ST CENTURY

The Louisiana Supreme Court 1999

Excellence in judicial management calls for vision, creativity, and analysis in devising methods to manage the increasing complexity and volume of our caseload as well as our administrative responsibilities. I plan to devote the remaining years of my term of office to the continuing improvement of the administration of the judicial branch as well as its image, while maintaining the appropriate autonomy of our courts and improving the quality of our state judiciary.

In 1999, the Court continued its efforts to improve the administration of justice for the citizens of our state. I believe that the actions we took this year, as well as our efforts over the last decade, have prepared the Supreme Court and the state judiciary to enter the 21st century with a commitment to continued reform as well as a commitment to the children of Louisiana.



Chief Justice Pascal F. Calogero, Jr.

The efforts to improve the lawyer disciplinary system continue, focusing on preventing problems before they occur. We amended Louisiana Bar admission rules to require character and background investigations by the National Conference of Bar Examiners as a prerequisite for taking the bar examination. The Court also created a Committee to Prevent Lawyer Misconduct, composed of attorneys and legal educators from the four state law schools and chaired by Justice Chet D. Traylor.

Recommendations for improving public perception of judicial branch performance, based on the results of the first-ever comprehensive statewide consumer research study on Louisiana courts, came from the final report of the Advisory Committee for the Consumer Research

and Service Development Project. A distinguished cross-section of individuals active in the community, the Advisory Committee made recommendations to assure fairness and equal treatment in the operation of the court system, to reduce court delay, to improve the public perception that courts are "soft on crime," to improve access to the courts, to improve child support enforcement, and to educate the public on the court system. Other recommendations addressed ways to enhance public trust and confidence in the state judiciary. The Supreme Court has received the report and is taking appropriate action based on the recommendations.

The Consumer Research Project was one of the many initiatives of our Community Relations Department,



formed in 1997 to strengthen public confidence in the judiciary and to establish working relationships with other branches of government. The department earned the 1999 Partnership Program Award of Merit from the American Bar Association/West Group for its Chamber-to-Chamber judicial outreach program, pairing city and district court judges with delegations from local Chambers of Commerce for a half-day court visit.

We also continued development of the Louisiana Protective Order Registry (LPOR), the first court-based statewide computerized database for orders issued to prevent domestic violence. Developed by the Louisiana Supreme Court Judicial Administrator's Office, LPOR provides judges, prosecutors, probation, parole and law enforcement officers with timely access to the details of protective orders. Training sessions on use of the registry were held this year across the state.

The continued improvement in our juvenile justice system is one of the proudest achievements of the Court. Under the Louisiana Court Improvement Program, a federally funded initiative, we have assisted district courts in reducing delays in child abuse and neglect adjudications and in improving the overall process. The Orleans Parish Juvenile Court has used cutting-edge technology to help it dramatically improve processing of child abuse and neglect cases. Among its delay-reduction strategies are creation of a dedicated child protection division, development of an Integrated Juvenile Justice Information System, total quality management and customer service training for staff, and the implementation of new rules, forms and procedures to support these innovations. These improvements, carried out with assistance from Supreme Court staff, are supported by the New Orleans Collaborative for Timely Adoptions grant, a three-year federal adoptions opportunity grant.

The Supreme Court has also acted to improve the lives of children by accepting funding for and supervision of the Families in Need of Services (FINS) program after a study showed that lack

of central management, accountability and operating structures for FINS had impeded its progress. The Judicial Administrator's Office will provide uniform data collection and centralized management, as well as support for local FINS offices.

By adopting its own strategic plan and approving strategic plans for the courts of appeal and the district courts, the Supreme Court took a historic step to improve the state judiciary. The strategic plans are the fruit of tireless efforts from the staff and Justices of the Supreme Court, as well as judges and staff members throughout the state. I thank them for these efforts, as well as State Rep. Jerry Luke LeBlanc (D-Lafayette), chair of the House Appropriations Committee, for his assistance and encouragement.

I have the distinct privilege of submitting to the Supreme Court of Louisiana, to the Board of Governors of the Louisiana State Bar Association, to the citizens of Louisiana, and to other interested parties the Annual Report of the Supreme Court of Louisiana for 1999, including the reports of the Judicial Council, the Judicial Administrator's Office, the Clerk of Court, the Law Library of Louisiana, the Louisiana Judicial College, and the Judiciary Commission of Louisiana, as well as statistical information on the state judiciary reflecting the work of the past year. The report also includes statistical information from the Bar Admissions Committee and the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board, two entities that operate under the auspices of the Supreme Court.

I commend the work of all of these entities, and I thank everyone who participated in the preparation of this excellent and comprehensive report.

Pascal F. Calogero, Jr.
Chief Justice
Louisiana Supreme Court

Newly approved strategic plans:

- ~ provide guidance to all Louisiana courts for the continuous improvement of the judiciary and the practice of law;*
- ~ serve as practical tools for public accountability; and*
- ~ establish a strong framework for dialogue between the judiciary and the executive and legislative branches on performance budgeting and other issues.*

MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN A NEW MILLENNIUM

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The Judicial Administrator's office is the managerial arm of the Louisiana Supreme Court, serving as fiscal agent and staffing the Judicial Council and numerous court-appointed task forces and committees. The scope and services of the office have broadened with the innovations and reforms instituted by the Louisiana Supreme Court. As we enter a new millennium, we focus on improving the courts for all those who use them, supporting families and children who find themselves in need of court services, harnessing the beneficial power of technology, and educating the public. Significant progress is detailed in the following report; in the coming year, we hope to base further initiatives on this foundation.

The recommendations of our Consumer Research and Service Development Project give us excellent direction on achievable ways to strengthen public trust and confidence in the state judiciary while we improve the courts themselves. They address the areas of fairness and equality, court delay, "soft on crime" perceptions, access to courts, child support enforcement, public education and judicial independence.

The recommendations are another fruit of the labors of the Community Relations Department, which also introduced the CLASS program this year – Courting LA Students & Schools – to enhance understanding of the court system among high school students. With these programs and others, the department has become a national model.

Technology and its role in tracking and managing cases statewide through the Case Management Information System Department means protective orders can offer real protection, background checks are more effective, and drug courts have an enhanced tool to monitor progress.

We continue to be strong in our commitment to a brighter future for the children and families of Louisiana. A public awareness program called The Campaign for Children drew attention to adoption through many tools – and won a national educational television award in the process. The statewide Judge Advocates' Network develops strategies for improving juvenile justice and domestic court issues. And Families in Need of Services has become a more effective program, following the involvement of the Court.



Hugh M. Collins, Ph.D.
Judicial Administrator

1999: A YEAR IN REVIEW

Judicial Council & Judicial Administrator's Office

In 1999, initiatives of the Judicial Council & Judicial Administrator's Office made courts at every level in Louisiana more responsive to the needs of families and children; extended the public education outreach through television programs, public service announcements, toll-free numbers, web sites and Court publications; developed specific recommendations for improving the public perception of judicial branch performance; and adopted the most up-to-date technology in the service of efficient, effective, user-friendly court performance.



CONSUMER RESEARCH

The Consumer Research and Development Project is a two-year effort to gather opinions directly from Louisiana citizens on ways to improve the operations of state courts and to involve the public in a partnership with the judiciary in creating an agenda for change in the courts. It was one of the first programs of the Supreme Court's Community Relations Department. In 1998, 2,000 citizens – two-thirds of whom had used the court system – were surveyed on a variety of topics. In 1999, the project's 31-member Advisory Committee submitted the following recommendations.

- To assure fairness and equal treatment in the operation of the court system:

- create incentives for attorneys to engage in pro bono work and thus increase legal services for the poor.
- implement “complaint mechanisms” for users in every court.
- institute judicial education programs for court users.
- commission a formal study of the fairness and equity of criminal sentencing and civil awards.
- To reduce court delay:
 - seek necessary resources to improve case processing.
 - ensure that all state judges are taught delay-reduction strategies and comply with time and performance standards.
 - make cases involving children a priority in all delay-reduction measures.

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- To improve public perception that courts are soft on crime:

- provide public education programs on the role of the courts in the criminal justice system.

- increase judicial accountability on criminal case processing in the courts.

- enforce campaign conduct canons in the Code of Judicial Conduct against candidates who exploit “soft on crime” perceptions.

- improve sensitivity toward victims of crime by creating a victims’ rights checklist for judges and by instituting Judicial College seminars encouraging compliance with victims’ rights legislation.

- To improve access to the courts:

- adopt procedures and offer services to make it easy for citizens to obtain information.

- make the system easier for use by *pro se* litigants.

- disseminate information on availability of civil legal services for the poor.

- encourage interbranch discussions to lower court costs.

- To improve child support enforcement:

- establish a Judicial College education program on recent federal and state child support legislation.

- institute public education programs about the resources available to collect child support.

The report also emphasizes the need for the judiciary to take responsibility for educating the public on the court system, beginning at the elementary school level, and to study jury service reforms with a goal of making jury service more convenient.

It recommends that all court employees be trained in customer service skills, and that various information tools be created to help users of Louisiana courts better understand procedures.

In accepting the Advisory Committee’s report, Chief Justice Pascal F. Calogero, Jr. encouraged the Louisiana Supreme Court conference to take appropriate steps to enhance public trust and confidence in the state’s judicial system.

JUDICIAL OUTREACH

In addition to leading the Consumer Research Study, the Community Relations Department introduced a new outreach

program, continued several successful initiatives and was nationally recognized for its efforts.

- CLASS – Courting LA Students & Schools – is a new comprehensive, interactive multimedia program that puts high school students in the shoes of Supreme Court justices by providing video of attorney oral arguments, attorney briefs and lesson plans for classroom use. Each semester, a pending case from the Louisiana Supreme Court caseload is featured in the program. Briefs submitted by attorneys are posted on the Court’s web site (www.lasc.org) along with a lesson plan. Oral arguments are taped and aired on Louisiana Public Broadcasting statewide and are available from the Louisiana State Law Library.
- “Media and the Courts” was the topic of the Third Annual User-Friendly Courts Conference for judges, clerks of court, and court administrators in November.
- The quarterly *Court Column* newsletter, introduced in 1998, won second place for “best publication” in the Press Club of New Orleans awards competitions.
- The Chamber to Chamber program, giving business leaders a taste of a judge’s everyday life, earned the West Group 1999 Partnership Award of Merit.
- Continuing initiatives include a speakers’ bureau of more than 50 judges who offer presentations designed to explain in everyday language how the judicial system works and the Judicial Ride-Along program that pairs legislators with judges.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

The Court continues to focus on and improve the justice system for families and children in the state. In 1999, initiatives included:

- Through the Louisiana Court Improvement Program (LCIP) and the New Orleans Collaborative for Timely Adoptions (NOCTA), assistance to courts for improving child abuse and neglect processes. Delay-reduction strategies implemented under NOCTA include creation of a dedicated child protection division, development of an Integrated Juvenile Justice Information System, total quality management train-

ing for staff, the development of a permanency infant team, and the implementation of rules, forms, and procedures to support these innovations. The Louisiana Court Improvement Program collaborative efforts and provision of education, training and technical assistance have focused on system reforms, particularly state compliance with and successful implementation of new Adoption and Safe Families Act requirements.

- The Supreme Court acceptance of funding for and supervision over Louisiana informal Families in Need of Services (FINS) processes. The FINS Assistance Program (FINSAP) developed a data dictionary, FINS program standards, a software program for case management and data collection, and a reporting process for programmatic and fiscal accountability for all courts receiving funding. Intake and assessment and computer training sessions have been conducted across the state, and local FINS officers have begun using the database software. Through these efforts, FINSAP will develop a needs-based allocation formula for funding, provide oversight and assistance for local FINS processes, generate data for analysis, and provide public accountability for FINS statewide.
- The Campaign For Children, a public awareness program sponsored by the Louisiana Supreme Court as part of the Louisiana Court Improvement Program, a federally funded effort to improve the adjudication of child abuse and neglect cases in the state. Highlight of the campaign was a statewide airing of a half-hour documentary – “Adrift in the System: Louisiana’s Children in Crisis” – on Louisiana Public Broadcasting (LPB). The show earned a first-place National Educational Television Association Award for Community Service. Public service announcements raised awareness of “foster care drift,” a toll-free number (supported by the Dave Thomas Foundation) aided information calls, a 10-minute version of the documentary was produced for use in education and training programs, and a web site created by LPB gave informa-

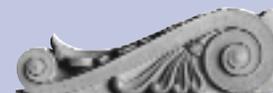
tion on foster care and how to obtain the videos. The April, 1999 issue of the *Louisiana Bar Journal* was also dedicated to issues in child abuse and neglect.

- Appointment of Judge Advocates for the Judge Advocate Network, a Supreme Court initiative to facilitate communication and coordination for courts exercising juvenile jurisdiction in regions across the state. The Judge Advocates met at the statewide Justice for Children Conference with regional representatives from the Office of Community Services (OCS) to discuss child abuse and neglect issues and provided a panel for discussion of relevant issues at the statewide FINS conference. Discussions with state and regional mental health service providers are currently underway.

THE CASE MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (CMIS)

A comprehensive system for tracking and managing cases statewide – criminal, protective order, civil, traffic and courts of appeal – and linking the systems with state and federal law enforcement agencies is the ultimate goal of CMIS, chaired by Justice Catherine D. Kimball. When fully implemented, CMIS will allow trial courts to manage cases more effectively and will provide other agencies with timely, accurate case data and statistical information previously available only in manual form. During 1999, CMIS oversaw several projects, including:

- The continuing development and maintenance of a court based Integrated Criminal Justice Information System (ICJIS), whereby criminal dispositions are electronically transmitted from district courts to CMIS and collected in a centralized database for eventual forwarding to the Louisiana State Police for inclusion in their Computerized Criminal History ‘rap sheet’ database. State Police will then forward dispositions to the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). This federal system allows instant background checks for name and vehicle status, firearm purchases and sex offender tracking.
- The Louisiana Protective Order Registry (LPOR), a centralized statewide computer repository to



“This is an extremely impressive body of work prepared by an equally impressive group of individuals. Each and every member should be proud of their contributions to the work of this Court and, foremost, to the citizens of Louisiana.”

*– Chief Justice
Pascal F. Calogero, Jr.
on the Advisory Committee
of the Consumer Research
and Development Project*





In 1999, one half of one percent of the state's general fund was appropriated to defray the expenses of the state judiciary.

collect civil and criminal protective orders – the stay away orders which provide relief from abuse or harassing behavior by a spouse, intimate partner or family member. Orders registered in the system at the end of 1999 totaled 10,891. CMIS will soon offer an interactive software

program that allows clerks and other agencies to generate completed forms ready for a judge's signature locally.

- The Management Information System for Drug Courts, in which treatment centers will electronically transmit information on an individual's progress in a court-ordered drug treatment program to the court that ordered the treatment. In 1999, CMIS selected and acquired High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA) software; courts will electronically transmit data to CMIS for statistical purposes and to meet state and federal reporting requirements.
- The creation of digital circuits, electronically connecting the majority of district courts to CMIS for viewing database information. The five appellate courts and Jefferson Parish courts are scheduled for connection soon. Courts not provided with a digital circuit will be provided a toll free number for connecting to the CMIS database.

NEW JUDGESHIPS

The Judicial Council's Committee to Evaluate Requests for the Creation of New Judgeships, chaired by Judge Charles R. Scott, investigates and evaluates requests for new judgeships prior to consideration by the legislature. This evaluation takes the creation of new judgeships out of the political arena, contains costs, and provides an objective system for determining the need for new judgeships. Before making recommendations, judges who are members of the committee, along with staff from the Judicial Administrator's office, conduct site visits, examine records, interview members of the court and the legal community in the area, and study the filing statistics of the requesting courts. In 1999, seven new judgeships were requested. Following consideration of the Committee's recommendations, the Judicial Council recommended one new judgeship for the Thirty-Fourth Judicial District Court (St. Bernard Parish).

JUDICIAL BUDGET

Louisiana does not have a unified state court funding system. The operations of district, parish and city courts are primarily funded by local governments in Louisiana. An annual legislative appropriation funds the operations of the Louisiana Supreme Court and the five circuit courts of appeal, as well as the salaries of Supreme Court justices, the salaries of the judges of the courts of appeal, and the salaries of the judges of the district courts, including family and juvenile courts. Also funded by the state is a portion of the salaries of the judges of the parish and city courts, the compensation of retired judges and ad hoc judges serving on a Louisiana bench on a temporary basis, and the pensions of the surviving spouses of justices and judges. The Judicial Budgetary Control Board, created in 1997 to establish rules and regulations to govern the expenditures of all funds appropriated by the legislature to the judiciary, presents a budget request to the Louisiana Supreme Court for approval prior to each legislative session. The Louisiana Supreme Court, in turn, presents the request to the Louisiana Legislature. In 1999, 0.5% of the state's general fund was appropriated to defray the expenses of the state judiciary.

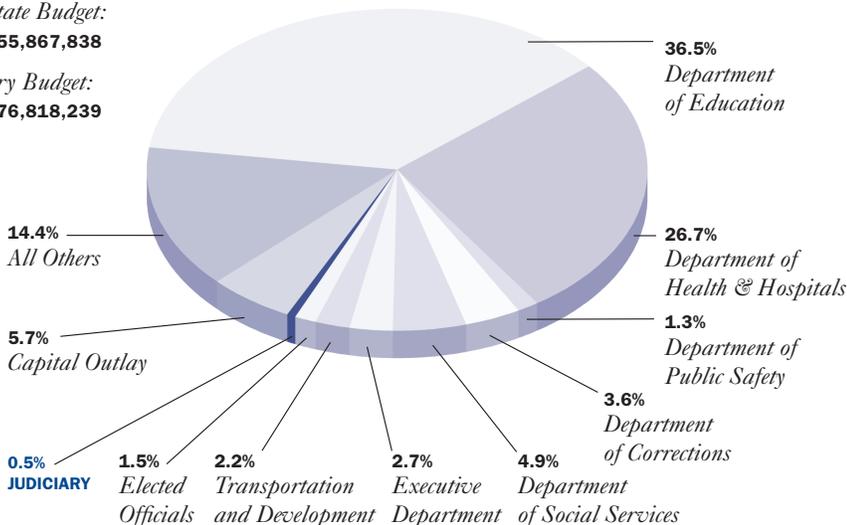
LOUISIANA STATE BUDGET 1999–2000

Total State Budget:

\$15,955,867,838

Judiciary Budget:

\$76,818,239



CAPTURING KNOWLEDGE

The Law Library of Louisiana



The staff keeps up with new developments and opportunities on the legal information scene by communicating daily via computer list-serve with colleagues in law libraries throughout the nation – and the world. They take advantage of professional literature, the Internet, and continuing education courses and conferences to expand knowledge.

Head of Technical Services Janice Shull has led the way in implementing the Graphical Library Automation System (GLAS), the library's operations software, for cataloging, acquisitions, serials control, binding and circulation. During 1999, the staff created automated check-in records for all periodicals and expect to complete the process for all continuing publications in the new year. Head Acquisitions/Serials Librarian Georgia Chadwick, Assistant Librarian Catherine Richards and Associate Ruth Mahoney have all worked hard to apply technological advances to the procedures in their department.

The staff continues to provide leadership in law library circles locally and nationally. For example, as members of a statewide committee, Chadwick and Richards also spearheaded a study of the document depository laws of the 50 states.

Providing the best legal information at the lowest cost is a challenge the six law librarians and three library associates confronted successfully in 1999.

In addition to assisting library patrons in choosing hardcopy materials, Electronic Resources Librarian Catherine Lemann and Public Services Librarian Marie Erickson search the Internet, commercial online services, and CD-ROM products for court staff, attorneys, and the public. Their extensive research experience enables them to find the most complete information in the quickest, most economical way. Catherine Lemann is also the Court's *de facto* webmaster, posting Supreme Court opinions and news releases on the web site (www.lasc.org).

The growing popularity of electronic research has gradually affected the library's collection and its expenditures. Cost of acquisitions in print and micro formats increased about 17% in each of the last two fiscal years; expenditures for online research grew by 34% in 1998 and 52% in 1999.

The number of volumes of continuing titles climbed by 2,271. 535 new titles were cataloged – the highest number in recent years – and 16,809 microfiches, mostly government documents. The ubiquity of computer access in the offices and homes of our patrons has caused requests for Westlaw and Lexis searches to decline to less than half the demand of a few years ago.

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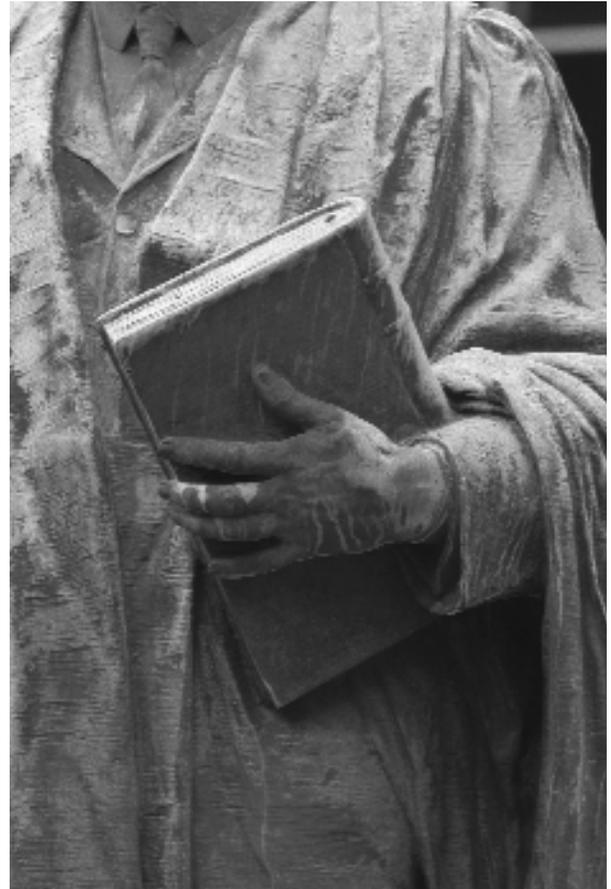


EDUCATING THE JUDICIARY

The Louisiana Judicial College

As lawyers, judges are required to attend a minimum of 15 hours of continuing legal education every year – one hour of which must be on legal ethics, professional responsibility and rules of conduct.

Topics ranging from improving the juvenile justice system to handling employment torts, from computers in the courtroom to families in need of services, from making a successful transition from bar to bench to making your case with the jury, from ethics to professionalism were highlights of seven continuing legal educa-



tion programs sponsored by the Judicial College in 1999 for Louisiana's judges. Almost 1,000 members of the judiciary took part in Judicial College sessions, which featured some 75 speakers. The College continued its efforts to keep judges abreast of recent developments through publishing its *Criminal Law Newsletter*, and it ended the year with a prototype design for a Judicial College web site, now online at www.law.lsu.edu/jc.



In sessions sponsored by the Judicial College this year, areas of focus included:
1999 City and Juvenile Judges Meeting

- Families in Need of Services Research Project
 - professionalism
 - computers in the courtroom
 - child development
 - the psychology of children who commit violent crimes
 - recent developments in juvenile law
- Annual Evidence and Procedure Seminar*
- recent developments in partial judgment, summary judgment and other civil procedure and evidence issues
 - recent developments in procedure and evidence in criminal law
 - a mock trial – a practical dramatic presentation on the most important current evidence and procedural issues with judges, law professors and prosecuting and defense attorneys

Annual Spring Judges' Conference

- important juvenile & criminal justice issues and trends
- mental health issues – identifying problems and accessing services
- special considerations in handling juveniles in adult criminal courts
- successful alternatives to incarceration for juveniles and adults

The 1999 Summer School for Judges

- making your case with the jury
- understanding psychiatric testimony
- The Louisiana Protective Order Registry
- nuts and bolts of civil & criminal appeals
- unauthorized practice of law
- “other acts” evidence and sex crimes
- torts panel
- campaign conduct
- professionalism

New Judges Orientation

- transition from bar to bench
- role of the judge
- personnel relations & management techniques
- ethics, professionalism & the Judiciary Commission
- civil issues
- criminal issues
- recognition & awareness of bias

The 1999 Fall Conference

- “The Top 10 Reasons Why No One Will Like You Now That You’re a Judge” (Ethics & Professionalism)
- enhancing pretrial negotiations – negotiations for settlement
- recent developments in Louisiana civil law and procedure
- the annual report on the Judicial College
- the annual memorial service and Red Mass

The Annual Torts Seminar

- sexual harassment and torts
- contemporary Louisiana tort issues
- mental distress and loss of consortium
- employment torts
- torts issues for the new millennium

For a complete listing of faculty at each Judicial College seminar, visit the Court web site at www.lasc.org.



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The Office of the Clerk of Court received a record-breaking 3,652 filings in 1999, 13% more than the previous year. The 3,531 certificates of good standing requested by and prepared for attorneys added up to the highest total reported in recent years. Bar matters and Judiciary Commission cases also set record levels.

The Office of the Clerk of Court has 44 full and part-time staff members. Its duties include accepting and preparing all pleadings for consideration by the Court. The office is responsible for accurate data entry of all filings into the Court Information Management System, a computer software system especially designed for case filings. Staff also ensures that mail is delivered in an accurate and timely fashion and serves as hosts for court visitors, dispensing information and directing them to the various offices in the Supreme Court Building.

The records department stores records, makes sure they reach the proper individuals at the proper times, and organizes the filings within each particular case. The Clerk of Court also operates an in-house microfilming section, a job previously performed by the State Archives. It



plans to move the records to a digital format, eventually allowing on-line access.

Security officers, couriers and interns are an intrinsic part of the Clerk of Court's operations. Security staff members are aided by a state-of-the-art, computer-enhanced security system. In 1999, court staff were issued new identification and access cards which allow entrance into and exit from the Supreme Court building and surrounding areas.

The renovations of 400 Royal Street into offices for the Supreme Court and its affiliates are continuing, with progress overseen by the Clerk of Court. In 1999, a contract for the interior structural and "life-safety" work was completed, including removing floors, pouring reinforced slabs, and providing additional enclosed stairwells. All renovations are scheduled to be completed before the end of 2002.



John Tarlton Olivier, JD
Clerk of Court

EMPHASIZING CHARACTER & ETHICS

Bar Admissions Committee

Each year, about 1,000 potential lawyers take the state bar examination seeking licensure to practice law in Louisiana. In 1999, bar examinations were administered during the week of February 22nd and the week of July 26th, with respective pass rates of 62% and 64%. Almost 600 new attorneys were admitted to practice.

The examination is conducted by the Committee on Bar Admissions, comprised of 14 active members of the Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) appointed by the Louisiana Supreme Court on the recommendation of the LSBA Board of Governors. Committee members may serve two consecutive five-year terms. In addition to the Committee members, 440 volunteer attorneys serve the Court as assistant examiners in the examination and admissions process.

CHANGES IN THE PROCESS

During 1999, the procedures governing admission to the Bar underwent substantial changes. The Committee presented and the Court approved major revisions to Sections 4 and 5 of the rules on admission.

Section 4 now contains a detailed discussion of the issues that the Committee considers in making character and fitness determinations.

Section 5 adopts the National Conference of Bar Examiners Law Student Registration Program, which requires all second-year law students who are enrolled in

Louisiana ABA-accredited schools to apply to take the Bar exam no later than the fall semester of the second academic year. This allows the character and background investigations by the National Conference of Bar Examiners that are now a prerequisite for those taking the bar examination.

The clearly delineated policies concerning character and fitness of those coming into the Bar, and the adoption of the comprehensive NCBE application system will assist the Committee on Bar Admission as it fulfills its duties to the Court.

1999 EXAM RESULTS

In 1999, the Committee administered exams during the weeks of February 22 and July 26. The passage rates were 62% for the February exam and 64% for the July exam.

Justice Jeffrey Victory presided at ceremonies on April 23 when 186 new attorneys were admitted to the Bar; Justice Bernette Johnson did the honors on October 15, when 409 new attorneys were admitted.

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REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF LAW

Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board

The Louisiana Supreme Court, through its Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board, continues to make significant strides in the regulation of the practice of law. Louisiana was one of the first states to embrace the American Bar Association's Model Rules for Disciplinary Enforcement; its Attorney Disciplinary System continues to be one of the top regulatory agencies in the nation.

The Disciplinary Board receives over 3,000 complaints against attorneys each year. After screening out matters falling outside the Board's jurisdiction, and after referring many minor matters to the recently created and very successful Louisiana State Bar Association (LSBA) Diversion Programs, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel investigates nearly 2,000 complaints a year.

Prior to 1997, the average caseload per disciplinary counsel ranged from 350 to almost 450 files. By 1999, the average caseload per counsel was approaching between 175 to 200 files, a mark very near the national target level of 150 per staff attorney. Historically, the investigative process in the discipline system could take between 18 and 24 months. By 1999, 80% of the files under investigation were less than 6 months old and 92.5% were less than one year old – a substantial reduction in the time delays.

Reduced caseloads and more professional investigative efforts permitted Louisiana's Attorney Discipline System

to uncover previously overlooked areas of misconduct and have resulted in more vigorous prosecutions. In 1995, only 33 formal charges were initiated, representing 56 underlying complaints. By 1997, that number had increased to 86 formal prosecutions; by 1998, 92 formal prosecutions representing nearly 238 underlying complaints; and by 1999, the Office of Disciplinary Counsel had initiated 130 formal prosecutions against Louisiana licensed attorneys representing nearly 350 underlying complaints. The Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary System initiated nearly four times more disciplinary prosecutions in 1999 than in 1995. Improvements in the process and manner of reviewing and investigating complaints of lawyer misconduct have resulted in a substantial increase in the number of occasions in which lawyers who are found to be unfit to practice law are disbarred.

The Louisiana Supreme Court and the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board remain committed to improving the ethical and professional standards which govern the legal profession.

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THE JUDICIARY COMMISSION OF LOUISIANA

The Judiciary Commission of Louisiana is a nine-member constitutional body, empowered to review allegations of judicial misconduct and to recommend to the Supreme Court that a judge be sanctioned when misconduct is proven by clear and convincing evidence.

In addition to their review of complaints about judicial behavior, the Commission members endeavor to inform the judiciary about proper applications of the Canons of the Code of Judicial Conduct and the ethical limitations placed upon judges, both professionally and personally. Commission members serve without pay but receive reimbursement for expenses incurred in attending to Commission business. Its members also act as case managers who attend status conferences and other meetings in connection with cases before the Commission. During 1999, the Commission convened nine meetings, requiring 12 days of business.

POWERS

On recommendation of the Judiciary Commission, the Supreme Court may censure, suspend with or without salary, remove from office, or involuntarily retire a judge. Sanctionable offenses include willful misconduct relating to his or her



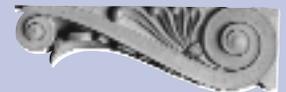
official duty, willful and persistent failure to perform his or her duty, persistent and public conduct prejudicial to the administration of justice that brings the judicial office into disrepute, and conduct while in office which would constitute a felony or conviction of a felony.

On recommendation of the Judiciary Commission, the Supreme Court may disqualify a judge from exercising any judicial function, without loss of salary, during pendency of disciplinary proceedings in the Supreme Court.

On recommendation of the Judiciary Commission, the Supreme Court may involuntarily retire a judge for disability that seriously interferes with the performance of his or her duties and that is or is likely to become permanent.

The Commission's jurisdiction includes justices and judges of all courts of this state, including commissioners, magistrates, justices of the peace, referees, special masters, judicially appointed hearing officers, and mayors who perform judicial functions.

The commission consists of nine members who serve four-year terms – three judges, three attorneys, and three citizens, who are not lawyers, judges or public officials.



The Judiciary Commission of Louisiana, created in 1968 by an amendment to Article IX, Constitution of 1921, is continued in existence by Article V, Section 25, Constitution of 1974.

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1999 ACTIVITY

The Judiciary Commission of Louisiana received and docketed 427 complaints against judges and justices of the peace in 1999. In addition, 105 complaints filed prior to 1999 were pending January 1, 1999.

Complaints are received from litigants, non-litigant citizens, attorneys, judges, non-judicial state/parish/city employees, non-judicial public officials and anonymous sources. Some complaints are referred to the Commission by the Disciplinary Board, and the Commission is authorized to review matters on its own motion, which may come from media reports of alleged judicial misconduct.

In 1999, the Commission's Office of Special Counsel received over 765 requests for information, and the Commission Office received more than 200 requests.

Of the 427 complaints filed and docketed in 1999, 279 were screened out as not within the jurisdiction of the Commission, or without merit or sufficient corroborating evidence. The remaining 148 cases were reviewed to consider the need for investigation. During 1999, 36 of these cases required in-depth investigation.

In 1999, the Commission filed 14 formal charges against eight judges. One judge resigned after the filing of charges. Two matters in which formal charges were filed – both prior to 1999 – were resolved privately before the Commission. Formal hearings were conducted in four other cases. Two cases remain pending with the Commission after hearings.

In 1999, after formal hearings, including hearings convened in 1998, the Commission submitted to the Supreme Court recommendations for discipline in three cases.

Also, during 1999, three judges made voluntary appearances for questioning by the Commission.

The Supreme Court issued two public censures in 1999 and declined to impose discipline in another case. As of December 31, 1999, one matter remains pending before the Supreme Court following oral argument and briefing and another case is scheduled for oral argument early in 2000.

The Commission had 120 cases pending as of December 31, 1999, having disposed of 412 cases in 1999.

CONFIDENTIALITY

In accordance with Rule XXIII, Section 23 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, all documents filed with and evidence and proceedings before the Commission are confidential unless and until the Commission files a recommendation for discipline or retirement with the Supreme Court. The record filed by the Commission with the Supreme Court and proceedings before the Supreme Court are not confidential. Once a recommendation is filed with the Supreme Court, it becomes public as is any case before the Court.

COMPLAINTS

Complaints may be made to the office of the Chief Executive Officer of the Commission, Hugh M. Collins, Ph.D., 1555 Poydras Street, Suite 1540, New Orleans, LA 70112, telephone (504) 568-5747. Complaints should be in writing and should allege judicial misconduct. Dissatisfaction with legal rulings, absent judicial misconduct, should be addressed through appeal. The Commission is not empowered to change a judicial ruling of any kind.



Philip J. McMahon, Esq.
Chair

STATISTICAL OVERVIEW

The statistical information in this section was compiled from data submitted to the Judicial Administrator's Office by the various courts of Louisiana during the calendar year 1999.

SUPREME COURT

In 1999, there were 3,652 filings in the Supreme Court. The filings in 1999 were 13.3% higher than in 1998.

COURTS OF APPEAL

In 1999, there were 11,113 filings in the Louisiana courts of appeal. This represents an increase of approximately 45% over the filings 10 years earlier. The 1999 filings were 5.7% higher than in 1998. The average time interval from the filing of a civil appeal to its disposition was 380 days in the First Circuit, 243 days in the Second circuit, 183 days in the Third Circuit, 262 days in the Fourth Circuit, and 191 days in the Fifth Circuit. The average time interval from the filing of a criminal appeal to its disposition was 306 days in the First Circuit, 212 days in the Second Circuit, 206 days in the Third Circuit, 489 days in the Fourth Circuit, and 185 days in the Fifth Circuit.

DISTRICT COURTS

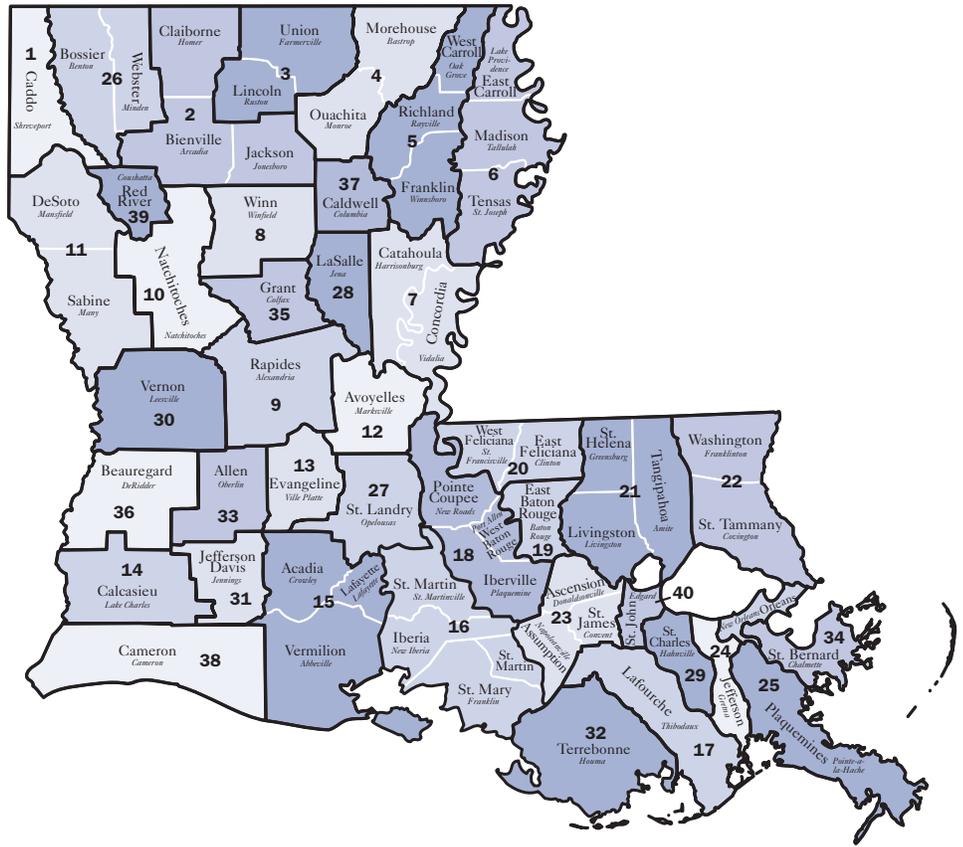
During 1999, there were 167,954 civil filings in the district courts, an increase of 1.0% when compared with 1998. During 1999, there were 481,347 criminal and traffic filings in the district courts, an increase of 3.0% over 1998. Civil jury trials decreased by 5.9% when compared with 1998 and criminal jury trials decreased by 9.2% when compared with 1998.

CITY AND PARISH COURTS

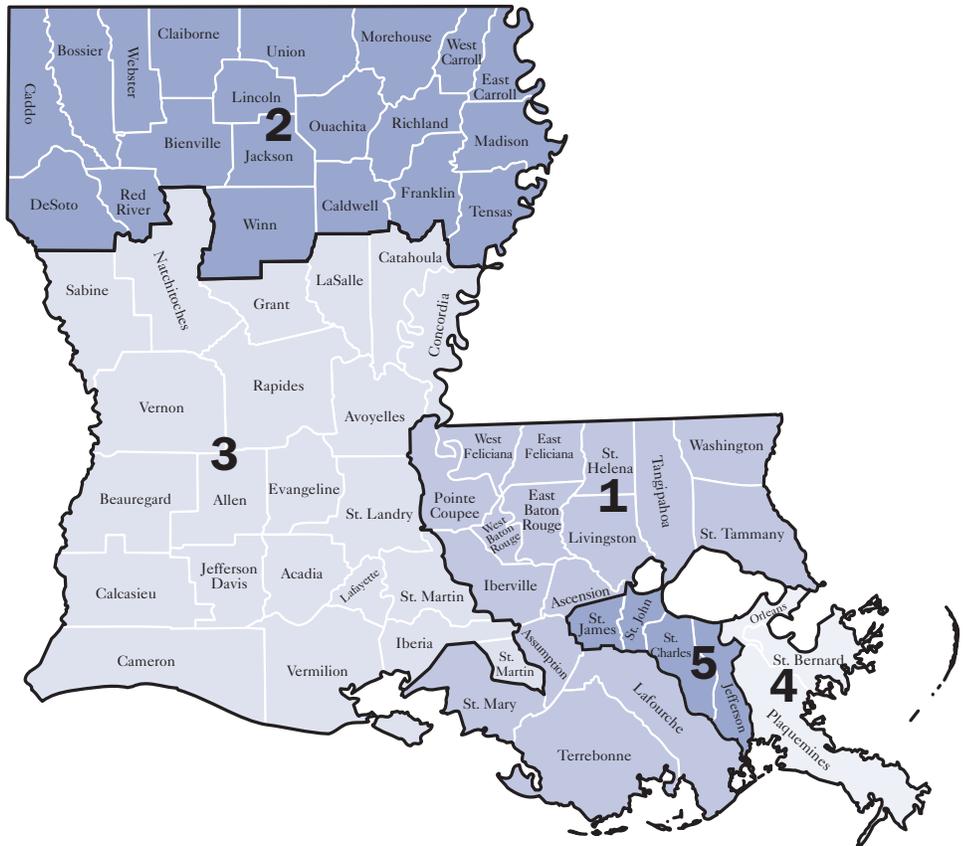
Filings in Louisiana city and parish courts increased by 3.1% from 1,000,728 filings in 1998 to 1,031,433 filings in 1999.

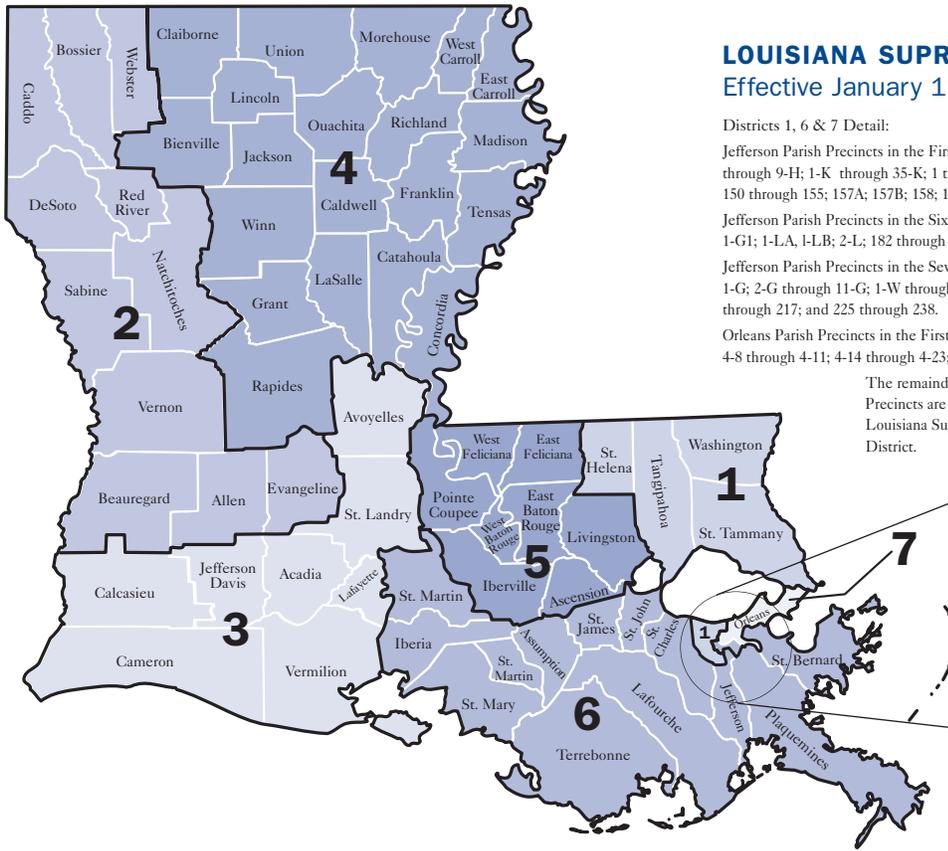
In 1999, filings in Louisiana city and parish courts totalled over one million – a record number, and an increase of more than 3% compared to 1998. In the last decade, filings in the Courts of Appeal have increased by almost one-half.

**LOUISIANA DISTRICT COURTS
JUDICIAL DISTRICTS**



**LOUISIANA COURTS
OF APPEAL CIRCUITS**





LOUISIANA SUPREME COURT DISTRICTS
Effective January 1, 1999

Districts 1, 6 & 7 Detail:

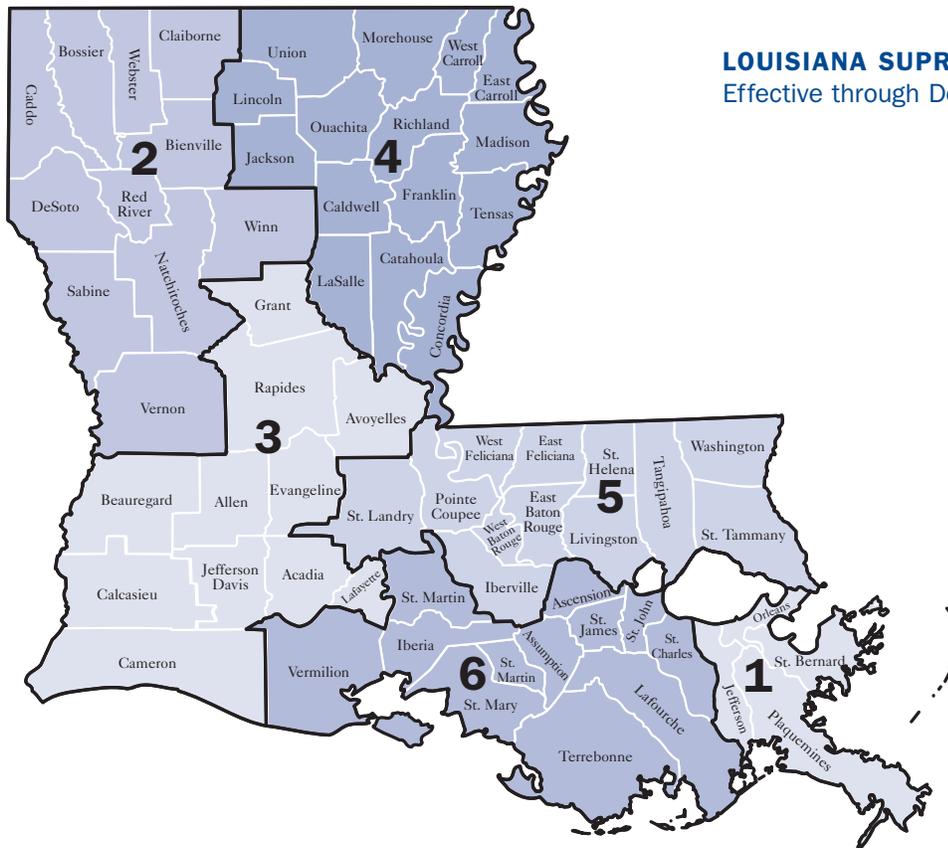
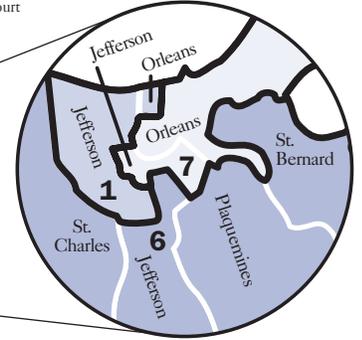
Jefferson Parish Precincts in the First Louisiana Supreme Court District are 1-H through 9-H; 1-K through 35-K; 1 through 46; 51 through 108; 115 through 138; 150 through 155; 157A; 157B; 158; 170; 186; 198 and 199.

Jefferson Parish Precincts in the Sixth Louisiana Supreme Court District are 1-G1; 1-LA, 1-LB; 2-L; 182 through 185; 189 through 197; and 246A through 250.

Jefferson Parish Precincts in the Seventh Louisiana Supreme Court District are 1-G; 2-G through 11-G; 1-W through 9-W; 156; 171 through 181; 187; 188; 210 through 217; and 225 through 238.

Orleans Parish Precincts in the First Louisiana Supreme Court District are 3-20; 4-8 through 4-11; 4-14 through 4-23; 5-13 through 5-18; and 17-17 through 17-21.

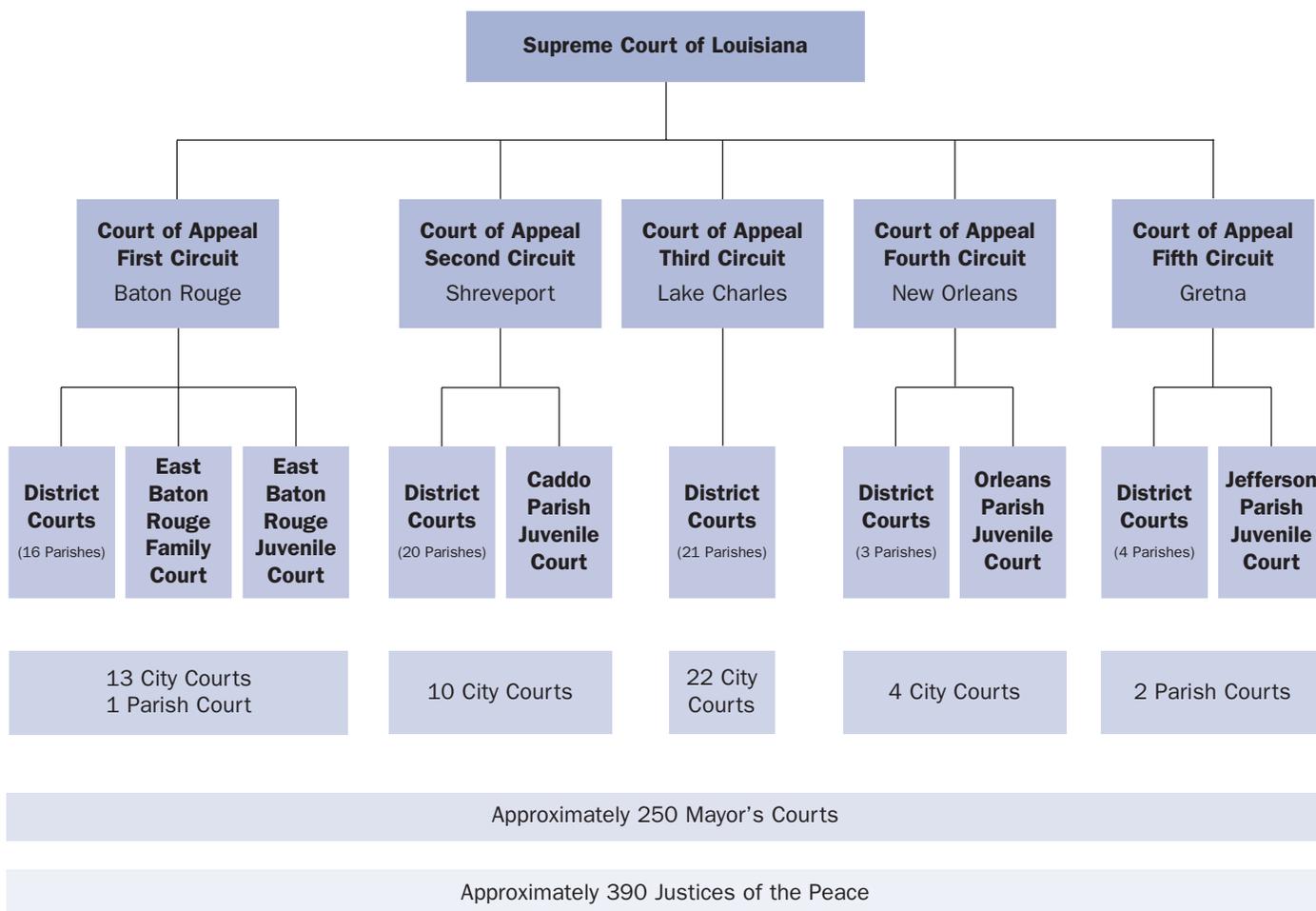
The remainder of Orleans Parish Precincts are in the Seventh Louisiana Supreme Court District.



LOUISIANA SUPREME COURT DISTRICTS
Effective through December 31, 1998

LOUISIANA COURT STRUCTURE

January 1, 2000



Number of Justices and Judges:	8	Supreme Court *
	54	Courts of Appeal
	235	District, Family and Juvenile (includes 11 Commissioners)
	73	City and Parish Courts
	370	Total

* Pursuant to a Consent Decree entered in federal court on August 21, 1992, the Louisiana Supreme Court consists of the seven elected justices, and an assigned justice, effective January 1, 1993.

Additional statistics are available on the Supreme Court web site, www.lasc.org.

SUPREME COURT OF LOUISIANA *Two-Year Trend In Activity*

	1998 Total	1999 Total	1999 Civil	1999 Criminal
Appeals:				
Filed	33	43	13	30
Dismissed	2	0	0	0
Opinions Rendered				
with written opinions	28	25	11	14
per curiams	3	2	1	1
Writs:				
Applications Filed (Except Prisoner Pro Se)	2,008	2,071	1,531	540
Prisoner Pro Se Writs	1,030	1,384	42	1,342
Granted	415	398	171	227
to be argued	105	74	47	27
with orders & transferred	310	324	124	200
Dismissed	32	33	22	11
Not Considered	69	57	47	10
Denied	2,733	2,612	1,262	1,350
Opinions Rendered	70	81	72	9
Rehearings:				
Applied for	81	87	72	15
Granted	5	14	12	2
Denied/Dismissed	64	73	57	16
Opinions Rendered	0	0	0	0
Original Jurisdiction:				
Petitions Filed	151	151	151	0
Opinions Rendered	6	4	4	0
Other Actions	107	119	119	0
Other Matters:				
Filed	1	3	3	0
Opinions Rendered	0	2	2	0
Other Actions	48	36	12	24
Other Per Curiam Opinions Rendered	142	160	123	37
Total Filings:	3,223	3,652	1,740	1,912
Per Justice	403	457	218	239
Total Opinions Rendered	249	274	213	61

The Supreme Court has exclusive original jurisdiction in cases involving disciplinary actions against lawyers and judges, appellate jurisdiction in capital cases where the death penalty has been imposed and in cases in which a law or ordinance has been declared unconstitutional, and supervisory jurisdiction over all courts.

LOUISIANA COURTS OF APPEAL *Two-Year Trend In Activity*

	1998 Total	1999 Total	1999 Civil	1999 Criminal
First Circuit				
Appeals Filed	1,222	1,338	939	399
Motions Filed	30	43	34	9
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)	765	779	595	184
Writs Refused*	613	573	416	157
Writs Granted	181	211	167	44
Pro Se Writs Filed	923	994	203	791
Pro Se Writs Refused*	799	835	193	642
Pro Se Writs Granted	105	132	18	114
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred	197	230	171	59
Consolidated Opinions	32	37	37	0
Opinions Rendered	1,032	1,024	699	325
Rehearings Acted Upon**	206	193	153	40
Appeals Pending	1,057	1,204	922	282
Argued But Not Decided	19	28	27	1
To Be Argued	1,038	1,176	895	281
Second Circuit				
Appeals Filed	579	571	368	203
Motions Filed	14	11	5	6
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)	297	361	214	147
Writs Refused*	273	254	141	113
Writs Granted	73	91	63	28
Pro Se Writs Filed	362	465	0	465
Pro Se Writs Refused*	390	443	0	443
Pro Se Writs Granted	30	23	0	23
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred	58	55	48	7
Consolidated Opinions	32	10	10	0
Opinions Rendered	492	585	356	229
Rehearings Acted Upon**	80	92	67	25
Appeals Pending	381	337	233	104
Argued But Not Decided	69	51	39	12
To Be Argued	312	286	194	92
Third Circuit				
Appeals Filed	868	882	653	229
Motions Filed	76	66	35	31
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)	493	466	314	152
Writs Refused*	342	327	223	104
Writs Granted	148	161	109	52
Pro Se Writs Filed	560	616	40	576
Pro Se Writs Refused*	374	394	24	370
Pro Se Writs Granted	152	183	12	171
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred	108	121	115	6
Consolidated Opinions	23	46	46	0
Opinions Rendered	751	805	630	175
Rehearings Acted Upon**	85	88	72	16
Appeals Pending	518	475	309	166
Argued But Not Decided	24	22	19	3
To Be Argued	494	453	290	163

LOUISIANA COURTS OF APPEAL (Con't) *Two-Year Trend In Activity*

	1998 Total	1999 Total	1999 Civil	1999 Criminal
Fourth Circuit				
Appeals Filed	941	909	527	382
Motions Filed	21	20	19	1
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)	717	848	560	288
Writs Refused*	439	558	397	161
Writs Granted	592	555	337	218
Pro Se Writs Filed	1,413	1,471	11	1,460
Pro Se Writs Refused*	895	905	7	898
Pro Se Writs Granted	513	571	5	566
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred	134	107	103	4
Consolidated Opinions	104	102	95	7
Opinions Rendered	779	842	459	383
Rehearings Acted Upon**	220	217	176	41
Appeals Pending	904	893	444	449
Argued But Not Decided	148	123	85	38
To Be Argued	756	770	359	411
Fifth Circuit				
Appeals Filed	526	513	344	169
Motions Filed	10	12	9	3
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)	349	399	256	143
Writs Refused*	225	313	214	99
Writs Granted	104	115	77	38
Pro Se Writs Filed	495	501	12	489
Pro Se Writs Refused*	441	435	7	428
Pro Se Writs Granted	59	67	7	60
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred	64	70	52	18
Consolidated Opinions	30	18	17	1
Opinions Rendered	447	476	288	188
Rehearings Acted Upon**	87	83	78	5
Appeals Pending	282	247	169	78
Argued But Not Decided	78	58	47	11
To Be Argued	204	189	122	67
Total For All Circuits				
Appeals Filed	4,136	4,213	2,831	1,382
Motions Filed	151	152	102	50
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)	2,621	2,853	1,939	914
Writs Refused*	1,892	2,025	1,391	634
Writs Granted	1,098	1,133	753	380
Pro Se Writs Filed	3,753	4,047	266	3,781
Pro Se Writs Refused*	2,899	3,012	231	2,781
Pro Se Writs Granted	859	976	42	934
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred	561	583	489	94
Consolidated Opinions	221	213	205	8
Opinions Rendered	3,501	3,732	2,432	1,300
Rehearings Acted Upon**	678	673	546	127
Appeals Pending	3,142	3,156	2,077	1,079
Argued But Not Decided	338	282	217	65
To Be Argued	2,804	2,874	1,860	1,014

* Includes writs denied, not considered or dismissed

** Includes rehearings on writs.

LOUISIANA DISTRICT COURTS *Two-Year Trend In Activity*

District	Parish	1998 Total Filed	1999 Juvenile Filed	1999 Civil Filed	1999*** Criminal Filed	1999 Traffic Filed	1999 Total Filed	JURY TRIALS	
								Civil	Criminal
1	Caddo*	20,920	0	9,386	5,886	4,754	20,026		
	District Totals	20,920	0	9,386	5,886	4,754	20,026	17	66
2	Bienville	6,631	197	645	785	6,011	7,638		
	Claiborne	2,539	177	519	554	1,438	2,688		
	Jackson	2,068	166	830	779	669	2,444		
	District Totals	11,238	540	1,994	2,118	8,118	12,770	1	4
3	Lincoln	5,497	428	996	1,215	2,220	4,859		
	Union	2,894	193	858	862	1,032	2,945		
	District Totals	8,391	621	1,854	2,077	3,252	7,804	4	12
4	Morehouse	4,640	286	969	1,339	3,124	5,718		
	Ouachita	21,687	1,235	5,535	4,762	11,251	22,783		
	District Totals	26,327	1,521	6,504	6,101	14,375	28,501	11	43
5	Franklin	3,313	215	865	868	1,113	3,061		
	Richland	3,725	202	758	878	1,895	3,733		
	West Carroll	1,361	114	395	332	417	1,258		
	District Totals	8,399	531	2,018	2,078	3,425	8,052	2	6
6	East Carroll	1,818	132	344	298	602	1,376		
	Madison	5,195	185	483	589	3,102	4,359		
	Tensas	1,640	106	170	446	925	1,647		
	District Totals	8,653	423	997	1,333	4,629	7,382	2	3
7	Catahoula	4,483	34	471	419	1,717	2,641		
	Concordia	2,396	385	722	916	1,025	3,048		
	District Totals	6,879	419	1,193	1,335	2,742	5,689	2	7
8	Winn	2,645	105	781	621	1,260	2,767		
	District Totals	2,645	105	781	621	1,260	2,767	0	1
9	Rapides	20,433	1,840	5,019	3,537	8,325	18,721		
	District Totals	20,433	1,840	5,019	3,537	8,325	18,721	11	30
10	Natchitoches	13,193	447	1,446	1,123	11,114	14,130		
	District Totals	13,193	447	1,446	1,123	11,114	14,130	5	5
11	DeSoto	10,450	427	1,055	1,448	8,335	11,265		
	Sabine	6,737	245	934	1,296	3,126	5,601		
	District Totals	17,187	672	1,989	2,744	11,461	16,866	4	22
12	Avoyelles	5,587	206	1,900	1,330	2,309	5,745		
	District Totals	5,587	206	1,900	1,330	2,309	5,745	2	3
13	Evangeline**	3,415	400	1,242	1,820	0	3,462		
	District Totals	3,415	400	1,242	1,820	0	3,462	3	6
14	Calcasieu	23,810	827	7,641	5,496	13,973	27,937		
	District Totals	23,810	827	7,641	5,496	13,973	27,937	28	17
15	Acadia	6,817	195	1,701	1,935	3,816	7,647		
	Lafayette	19,565	1,624	7,245	5,303	7,746	21,918		
	Vermilion	5,487	348	1,760	1,538	1,466	5,112		
	District Totals	31,869	2,167	10,706	8,776	13,028	34,677	34	29
16	Iberia	12,340	1,311	2,594	1,951	6,186	12,042		
	St. Martin	15,645	539	1,730	1,313	13,733	17,315		
	St. Mary	12,186	971	2,370	2,850	7,387	13,578		
	District Totals	40,171	2,821	6,694	6,114	27,306	42,935	26	34
17	Lafourche	16,129	808	2,857	4,515	10,740	18,920		
	District Totals	16,129	808	2,857	4,515	10,740	18,920	20	16
18	Iberville	4,465	204	1,735	2,556	3,512	8,007		
	Pointe Coupee	2,759	194	912	936	899	2,941		
	W. Baton Rouge	4,229	130	1,045	761	2,765	4,701		
	District Totals	11,453	528	3,692	4,253	7,176	15,649	9	7
19	E. Baton Rouge*	37,896	0	13,713	10,239	17,312	41,264		
	District Totals	37,896	0	13,713	10,239	17,312	41,264	42	78

LOUISIANA DISTRICT COURTS (Cont'd) *Two-Year Trend In Activity*

District	Parish	1998 Total Filed	1999 Juvenile Filed	1999 Civil Filed	1999*** Criminal Filed	1999 Traffic Filed	1999 Total Filed	JURY TRIALS Civil	Criminal
20	East Feliciana	3,582	229	911	691	2,421	4,252		
	West Feliciana	1,213	108	463	316	58	945		
	District Totals	4,795	337	1,374	1,007	2,479	5,197	0	14
21	Livingston	9,615	216	3,647	2,140	5,521	11,524		
	St. Helena	4,252	20	408	500	1,362	2,290		
	Tangipahoa	21,861	201	4,437	4,300	13,072	22,010		
	District Totals	35,728	437	8,492	6,940	19,955	35,824	9	20
22	St. Tammany	31,997	1,680	6,352	9,061	23,903	40,996		
	Washington	5,421	61	1,952	1,516	1,617	5,146		
	District Totals	37,418	1,741	8,304	10,577	25,520	46,142	14	112
23	Ascension*	3,979	412	2,776	1,011	0	4,199		
	Assumption	4,498	388	810	586	2,539	4,323		
	St. James**	2,918	256	1,062	4,842	0	6,160		
	District Totals	11,395	1,056	4,648	6,439	2,539	14,682	16	40
24	Jefferson*	22,184	0	14,371	8,236	0	22,607		
	District Totals	22,184	0	14,371	8,236	0	22,607	36	206
25	Plaquemines	8,804	241	1,370	2,501	4,127	8,239		
	District Totals	8,804	241	1,370	2,501	4,127	8,239	3	12
26	Bossier	17,369	857	3,036	7,214	6,285	17,392		
	Webster	7,853	332	1,301	1,473	3,816	6,922		
	District Totals	25,222	1,189	4,337	8,687	10,101	24,314	7	15
27	St. Landry	29,401	642	2,744	1,917	18,367	23,670		
	District Totals	29,401	642	2,744	1,917	18,367	23,670	12	28
28	LaSalle	3,274	105	557	940	1,206	2,808		
	District Totals	3,274	105	557	940	1,206	2,808	1	2
29	St. Charles	22,592	566	2,790	2,928	17,823	24,107		
	District Totals	22,592	566	2,790	2,928	17,823	24,107	7	10
30	Vernon	13,248	389	1,723	1,706	9,234	13,052		
	District Totals	13,248	389	1,723	1,706	9,234	13,052	1	9
31	Jefferson Davis	9,449	257	1,153	693	9,521	11,624		
	District Totals	9,449	257	1,153	693	9,521	11,624	3	1
32	Terrebonne**	22,646	591	3,982	17,610	0	22,183		
	District Totals	22,646	591	3,982	17,610	0	22,183	17	47
33	Allen	6,561	167	904	689	4,151	5,911		
	District Totals	6,561	167	904	689	4,151	5,911	6	10
34	St. Bernard	16,045	605	2,786	5,751	5,931	15,073		
	District Totals	16,045	605	2,786	5,751	5,931	15,073	16	8
35	Grant	3,577	211	710	637	1,856	3,414		
	District Totals	3,577	211	710	637	1,856	3,414	1	2
36	Beauregard	11,347	199	1,356	894	5,513	7,962		
	District Totals	11,347	199	1,356	894	5,513	7,962	0	5
37	Caldwell**	3,342	99	483	1,780	0	2,362		
	District Totals	3,342	99	483	1,780	0	2,362	1	4
38	Cameron**	5,675	66	554	4,022	0	4,642		
	District Totals	5,675	66	554	4,022	0	4,642	4	3
39	Red River**	1,928	151	472	1,988	0	2,611		
	District Totals	1,928	151	472	1,988	0	2,611	2	2
40	St. John	17,096	912	1,877	2,738	9,765	15,292		
	District Totals	17,096	912	1,877	2,738	9,765	15,292	3	12
	Orleans Civil*	22,438	0	21,341	0	0	21,341		
	Orleans Criminal*	9,562	0	0	7,784	0	7,784		
	District Totals	32,000	0	21,341	7,784	0	29,125	64	483
Statewide Totals		658,322	24,837	167,954	167,960	313,387	674,138	446	1,434

* Violations of Traffic, Misdemeanors and/or Juvenile/Family Laws are Processed by Parish, City and/or Juvenile/Family Courts.

** These courts were unable to separate traffic from criminal filings.

*** DWI is included in the criminal totals beginning in 1990.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY REPORT *Felony Charges, Misdemeanor Charges, FINS*

Parish	Administrative Remedy				Detention		Petition		Pleas		Pre-Trial Hearings	IAA w/ Petition
	Refer In	Refer Out	Petitioned	Other	Hearings	Cases/DA	Children	Charges	Guilty	Not Guilty		
<i>Unit of Count</i>	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Children</i>	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Children</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>Children</i>	<i>Children</i>
Caddo Parish Juvenile	2,728	24	1,929	854	364	1,554	1,488	1,774	1,008	184	2	0
E. B. R. Parish Juvenile	1,619	191	0	1,428	506	1,827	1,827	2,429	352	1,688	3,231	789
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	4,228	2,580	15	4,542	1,910	2,290	2,291	3,446	1,127	1,920	3,172	143
Orleans Parish Juvenile	973	0	102	0	1,454	2,018	2,421	2,947	1,203	2,305	978	0
Totals	9,548	2,795	2,046	6,824	4,234	7,689	8,027	10,596	3,690	6,097	7,383	932

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY REPORT (Cont'd) *Felony Charges, Misdemeanor Charges, FINS*

Parish	Dismissals	Waived Adult Crts	Pre-Trial Motions	Adjudications		LTI	Dispositions		IAA Cmpl	Contempt Hearings	Motions to Modify	Disposit'l Reviews
				Guilty	Dismissed		Probation	Other				
<i>Unit of Count</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>Motions</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>Charges</i>	<i>People</i>	<i>Motions</i>	<i>Cases</i>
Caddo Parish Juvenile	535	3	0	31	51	246	760	0	2	143	262	1,171
E. B. R. Parish Juvenile	684	4	726	48	84	210	223	139	357	237	99	104
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	741	1	617	385	351	381	2,374	968	291	4,117	1,265	4,410
Orleans Parish Juvenile	83	0	63	1,061	432	689	2,149	5,402	0	0	0	1,435
Totals	2,043	8	1,406	1,525	918	1,526	5,506	6,509	650	4,497	1,626	7,120

JUVENILE TRAFFIC REPORT *Except Title 14 Cases*

Parish	Cases Filed	Not Guilty Pleas	Guilty Pleas	Trials	Fines	Other	Contempt
<i>Unit of Count = Charges</i>							
Caddo Parish Juvenile	569	0	503	3	189	1,065	0
E. B. R. Parish Juvenile	1,238	126	1,000	9	810	628	8
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	961	175	237	8	889	1,387	240
Orleans Parish Juvenile	2,086	149	1,682	118	737	1,131	0
Totals	4,854	450	3,422	138	2,625	4,211	248

JUVENILE ADOPTION REPORT

Parish	Cases Filed	Surrenders Filed	Preplacement Approval	Opposition Granted	Hearings Denied	Interlocutory Decrees				Final Decrees				
						Uncontested Granted	Uncontested Denied	Contested Granted	Contested Denied	Uncontested Granted	Uncontested Denied	Contested Granted	Contested Denied	
<i>Unit of Count = Children</i>														
Caddo Parish Juvenile	164	55	4	0	0	8	0	0	0	82	0	1	0	
E. B. R. Parish Juvenile	117	115	6	0	3	23	0	0	0	203	1	2	1	
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	216	99	23	1	7	7	0	0	0	172	0	0	0	
Orleans Parish Juvenile	162	31	7	1	2	5	0	0	0	148	0	0	0	
Totals	659	300	40	2	12	43	0	0	0	605	1	3	1	

NON-DELINQUENCY REPORT *Abortion; Abuse/Neglect; Mental Health; Termination of Parental Rights; UCCAct; Voluntary Custody Transfer; Marriage Waivers*

Parish	Cases Filed	Continued Custody	Pre-Trial Hearings	Appearance Hearings		Stipulate	Motions	Adjudicated	Trials	
				Admit	Deny				Dismissed	
<i>Unit of Count = Children</i>										
Caddo Parish Juvenile	182	143	228	16	3	82	1	141		30
E. B. R. Parish Juvenile	174	193	149	0	125	64	82	39		7
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	589	202	528	30	424	108	200	271		6
Orleans Parish Juvenile	88	116	46	0	54	77	10	129		5
Totals	1,033	654	951	46	606	331	293	580		48

NON-DELINQUENCY REPORT (Cont'd) *Abortion; Abuse/Neglect; Mental Health; Termination of Parental Rights; UCCAct; Voluntary Custody Transfer; Marriage Waivers*

Parish	Initial Dispositions			Contempt Hearings	Perm Plan (18-mo) Hearing	Review	Granted	Denied	Dismissed	
	Custody D.S.S.	Custody Parent	Other							
<i>Unit of Count = Children</i>										
Caddo Parish Juvenile	36	16	30	0	0	1,079	551	12		20
E. B. R. Parish Juvenile	41	22	23	4	117	250	95	2		56
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	155	13	724	111	821	4,538	284	7		59
Orleans Parish Juvenile	1,619	91	553	0	40	1,032	102	4		30
Totals	1,851	142	1,330	115	978	6,899	1,032	25		165

ADULT NON-SUPPORT REPORT *Criminal Neglect; URESA; Title 46; Domestic Violence*

Parish	Cases Filed	Guilty	Pleas		Trials	Consent Judgements	Rules	Sentences		Dismissed
			Not Guilty					Jail	Other	
<i>Unit of Count = Cases</i>										
Caddo Parish Juvenile	877	5	0	0	0	683	252	2	24	70
E. B. R. Parish Juvenile	1,027	0	1	0	0	796	851	79	966	297
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	2,529	0	167	3	3	1,672	20,671	80	6,438	792
Orleans Parish Juvenile	0	2	1	0	0	248	791	11	2,771	0
Totals	4,433	7	169	3	3	3,399	22,565	172	10,199	1,159

FAMILY COURT FILINGS

Parish	New Cases Filed	Divorce	Family Violence	Paternity Cases and State Rules	Disavowal	Annulment	Rule Hearings	Judgements
EBR Family Court	3,881	1,948	611	2,475	6	1	4,637	2,674

LOUISIANA CITY AND PARISH COURTS *Cases Processed*

City	CIVIL		CRIMINAL		TRAFFIC*		JUVENILE		TOTAL CASES		Other Proceedings
	Filed	Term.	Filed	Term.	Filed	Term.	Filed	Term.	Filed	Term.	
Abbeville	360	408	562	631	1,669	1,578	336	425	2,927	3,042	0
Alexandria	1,882	1,103	7,127	5,868	11,099	10,369	0	0	20,108	17,340	0
Ascension	530	60	4,366	3,036	12,758	8,654	315	0	17,969	11,750	0
Baker	311	186	312	308	2,957	2,754	19	19	3,599	3,267	0
Bastrop	996	568	1,286	1,180	2,544	2,407	38	1	4,864	4,156	449
Baton Rouge	13,295	12,515	22,303	13,817	93,537	88,246	0	0	129,135	114,578	56,954
Bogalusa	335	291	1,618	1,190	1,887	1,454	344	299	4,184	3,234	2,539
Bossier City	1,880	1,125	4,854	4,389	6,707	5,241	1,015	780	14,456	11,535	409
Breaux Bridge	560	471	1,319	1,249	2,394	2,053	174	182	4,447	3,955	93
Bunkie	210	213	764	758	493	484	147	188	1,614	1,643	0
Crowley	389	287	3,007	1,425	1,068	1,279	339	296	4,803	3,287	0
Denham Springs	977	680	859	1,580	5,003	4,030	515	618	7,354	6,908	3,782
Eunice	359	312	1,542	1,431	1,831	1,825	383	397	4,115	3,965	0
Franklin	255	210	966	833	1,836	1,952	245	173	3,302	3,168	0
Hammond	1,612	1,435	5,172	2,965	7,308	4,749	1,412	957	15,504	10,106	0
Houma	2,339	2,141	3,034	3,200	6,485	6,039	3,187	2,663	15,045	14,043	804
Jeanerette	213	147	390	241	614	519	39	29	1,256	936	0
Jeff. 1st Parish	4,186	6,516	7,343	6,162	78,156	87,821	0	0	89,685	100,499	50,985
Jeff. 2nd Parish	3,667	5,015	7,604	7,316	46,869	47,276	0	0	58,140	59,607	54,530
Jennings	503	214	693	81	968	797	0	0	2,164	1,092	0
Kaplan	86	68	559	589	953	922	104	91	1,702	1,670	0
Lafayette	2,414	2,116	6,877	7,771	21,936	21,062	1,216	1,267	32,443	32,216	877
Lake Charles	3,324	2,610	5,957	3,850	11,045	10,291	159	239	20,485	16,990	0
Leesville	174	42	2,791	2,332	2,994	2,454	187	147	6,146	4,975	0
Marksville	318	189	896	526	1,142	752	87	21	2,443	1,488	0
Minden	393	469	670	728	1,075	1,190	146	172	2,284	2,559	106
Monroe	3,284	2,471	10,632	9,049	20,618	10,591	1,177	741	35,711	22,852	0
Morgan City	503	247	1,741	1,460	2,259	2,088	213	171	4,716	3,966	0
Natchitoches	457	293	1,631	1,194	8,118	6,145	270	244	10,476	7,876	151
New Iberia	786	703	3,379	3,572	5,779	5,610	406	414	10,350	10,299	145
N.O. 1st City Ct.	19,625	13,994	0	0	0	0	0	0	19,625	13,994	0
N.O. 2nd City Ct.	2,095	1,360	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,095	1,360	165
N.O. Municipal	0	0	62,282	60,907	0	0	0	0	62,282	60,907	0
N.O. Traffic	0	0	5,349	2,648	267,688	140,993	0	0	273,037	143,641	0
Oakdale	205	204	1,219	806	1,049	2,320	165	147	2,638	3,477	43
Opelousas	658	520	3,979	3,205	4,764	4,480	791	1,037	10,192	9,242	228
Pineville	535	853	683	966	1,116	1,382	0	0	2,334	3,201	0
Plaquemine	256	271	1,636	1,615	4,399	4,393	176	171	6,467	6,450	134
Port Allen	278	155	268	291	1,558	1,501	99	49	2,203	1,996	0
Rayne	404	364	1,306	1,289	1,136	1,019	222	268	3,068	2,940	0
Ruston	805	415	778	680	2,427	1,952	0	0	4,010	3,047	371
Shreveport	6,273	5,264	12,427	12,214	37,467	37,755	0	0	56,167	55,233	0
Slidell	1,451	1,473	3,845	3,020	5,314	5,258	576	582	11,186	10,333	0
Springhill	246	282	1,515	1,479	1,057	1,051	152	131	2,970	2,943	115
Sulphur	1,052	835	2,613	2,748	12,123	9,831	251	46	16,039	13,460	341
Thibodaux	458	166	2,117	1,710	3,073	2,807	312	171	5,960	4,854	0
Vidalia	33	13	268	186	1,721	1,164	9	6	2,031	1,369	0
Ville Platte	658	461	1,368	962	2,375	1,863	251	246	4,652	3,532	0
West Monroe	1,030	993	1,613	780	4,403	3,877	559	295	7,605	5,945	109
Winnfield	79	30	421	317	234	164	0	0	734	511	0
Winnsboro	719	449	985	754	417	428	207	222	2,328	1,853	0
Zachary	316	222	688	360	1,379	1,352	0	0	2,383	1,934	0
State Totals	83,774	71,429	215,614	185,668	715,802	564,222	16,243	13,905	1,031,433	835,224	173,330

* DWI is included in the Criminal column.

LOUISIANA COURTS OF APPEAL
Opinions Rendered Per Judge by Circuit

	1998	1999
First Circuit	79.4	78.8
Second Circuit	54.7	65.0
Third Circuit	62.6	67.1
Fourth Circuit	64.9	70.2
Fifth Circuit	55.9	59.5
All Circuits	64.8	69.1

THE LOUISIANA COURTS OF APPEAL *Roster of Judges and Clerks*

Judges	Domicile	District
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First CIRCUIT (Baton Rouge)

Parishes: Ascension, Assumption, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Lafourche, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, St. Helena, St. Mary, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Washington, West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana

Burrell J. Carter, Chief Judge	Greensburg	Third
Melvin A. Shortess ¹	Houma	First
Daniel W. LeBlanc	Baton Rouge	Second
Frank Foil	Baton Rouge	Second
Douglas M. Gonzales	Baton Rouge	Second
Vanessa Guidry-Whipple	Bourg	First
Kenneth J. Fogg	Denham Springs	Third
Randolph H. Parro	Thibodaux	First
Brady M. Fitzsimmons	Covington	Third
James E. Kuhn	Denham Springs	Third
John Michael Guidry	Baton Rouge	Second
John L. Weimer	Thibodaux	First
John T. Pettigrew	Houma	First

Clerk (225) 342 1500:

Christine L. Crow

SECOND CIRCUIT (Shreveport)

Parishes: Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Caldwell, Claiborne, DeSoto, East Carroll, Franklin, Jackson, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Red River, Richland, Tensas, Union, Webster, West Carroll, Winn

William Norris, III, Chief Judge	West Monroe	First
J. Jay Caraway	Shreveport	Second
Henry N. Brown, Jr.	Bossier City	Second
Felicia Toney Williams	Shreveport	Third
James E. Stewart, Sr.	Shreveport	Third
Gay Caldwell Gaskins	Shreveport	Third
Charles B. Peatross	Shreveport	Third
Robert W. Kostelka	Monroe	First
Harmon Drew, Jr.	Minden	Second

Clerk/Court Administrator

(318) 227 3700:

Diana Pratt-Wyatt



Chief Judge
 Burrell J. Carter



Chief Judge
 William Norris, III

1. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2000.

THE LOUISIANA COURTS OF APPEAL *Roster of Judges and Clerks (Cont'd)*

Judges **Domicile** **District**

THIRD CIRCUIT (Lake Charles)

Parishes: Acadia, Allen, Avoyelles, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron, Catahoula, Concordia, Evangeline, Grant, Iberia, Jefferson Davis, Lafayette, LaSalle, Natchitoches, Rapides, Sabine, St. Landry, St. Martin, Vermilion, Vernon

Ned E. Doucet, Jr., Chief Judge	Abbeville	Third
Henry L. Yelverton	Lake Charles	Second
Ulysses G. Thibodeaux	Lake Charles	Second
Sylvia R. Cooks	Lafayette	Third
John D. Saunders	Ville Platte	First
Billie Colombaro Woodard	Lake Charles	Second
Oswald A. Decuir	New Iberia	Third
Jimmie C. Peters	Jena	First
Marc T. Amy	Abbeville	Third
Michael G. Sullivan	Lafayette	Third
Glenn B. Gremillion	Ferriday	First
Elizabeth A. Pickett	Many	First

Clerk (337) 433 9403:

Kenneth J. deBlanc

FOURTH CIRCUIT (New Orleans)

Parishes: Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard

Robert J. Klees, Chief Judge	Meraux	Third
William H. Byrnes, III	New Orleans	At Large
Joan Bernard Armstrong	New Orleans	First
Steven R. Plotkin	New Orleans	First
Charles R. Jones	New Orleans	First
Miriam G. Waltzer	New Orleans	First
Moon Landrieu	New Orleans	First
Patricia Rivet Murray	New Orleans	First
James F. McKay, III	New Orleans	At Large
Dennis R. Bagneris, Sr.	New Orleans	First
Michael E. Kirby ¹	New Orleans	Second
Robert A. Katz ²	New Orleans	First

Clerk (504) 568 4700:

Danielle Schott

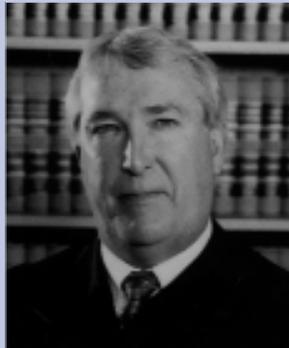
FIFTH CIRCUIT (Gretna)

Parishes: Jefferson, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist

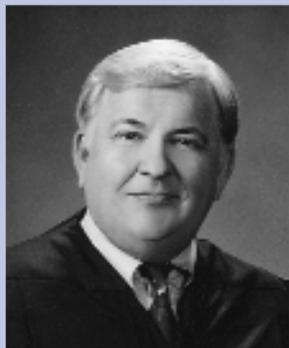
H. Charles Gaudin, Chief Judge ³	Metairie	First
Charles Grisbaum, Jr. ⁴	Gretna	First
Edward A. Dufresne, Jr.	Luling	Third
Sol Gothard	Metairie	First
James L. Cannella	Metairie	First
Thomas F. Daley	LaPlace	Second
Susan M. Chehardy	River Ridge	First
Marion F. Edwards	Barataria	First
Clarence E. McManus ⁵	Gretna	First

Clerk (504) 361 6396:

Peter J. Fitzgerald, Jr.



Chief Judge
Ned Doucet, Jr.



Chief Judge
Robert J. Klees



Chief Judge
H. Charles Gaudin

1. Term of office began March 11, 1999.
 2. Term of office began April 26, 1999.
 3. Retired November 30, 1999.
 4. Became Chief Judge November 30, 1999.
 5. Term of office began December 1, 1999.

DISTRICT COURTS OF LOUISIANA *Roster of Judges and Clerks*

Judges	Parishes Within Districts	Parish Seats	Clerks of Court	Clerk Phone No.
FIRST DISTRICT				
Robert P. Waddell Ramona Emanuel Scott J. Crichton Leon L. Emanuel, III Frank H. Thaxton, III Gary A. Bowers ³ John D. Mosely, Jr. Eugene W. Bryson, Jr., Chief Judge Charles R. Scott Michael R. Walker Roy L. Brun <i>Court Administrator</i> (318) 226 6821: Thomas N. Williams	Caddo	Shreveport	C. A. Warren ¹ G. Loftin ²	(318) 226 6780
CADDO PARISH JUVENILE COURT				
David N. Matlock ⁴ Paul Young ⁵ Andrew B. Gallagher, Chief Judge ⁶ Vernon Claville <i>Court Administrator</i> (318) 226 6759: H. Ted Cox			M. Gibson	(318) 226 6772
SECOND DISTRICT				
Jenifer Ward Clason ⁷ Leon H. Whitten ⁸ Jimmy C. Teat ⁹ Robert Y. Butler, Chief Judge ⁸	Claiborne Jackson Bienville	Homer Jonesboro Arcadia	J.P. Gladney A. B. Walsworth F. N. Joyner ¹ J. Martin ²	(318) 927 9601 (318) 259 2424 (318) 263 2123
THIRD DISTRICT				
Cynthia T. Woodard ⁷ R. Wayne Smith, Chief Judge <i>Court Administrator</i> Tonda Franklin ¹⁰ <i>Union Court Administrator</i> (318) 368 9734: Sue Butler ¹¹ <i>Lincoln Court Administrator</i> (318) 255 4691: Susan Hollis ¹²	Union Lincoln	Farmerville Ruston	S. Buckley L. Cook	(318) 368 3055 (318) 251 5130
FOURTH DISTRICT				
Jimmy N. Dimos ¹³ Charles E. Joiner, Chief Judge D. Milton Moore, III John Larry Lolley Marcus R. Clark Michael S. Ingram Carl V. Sharp Benjamin Jones Alvin R. Sharp <i>Court Administrator</i> (318) 361 2252: Scott F. Kadar	Morehouse Ouachita	Bastrop Monroe	C. Jones ² J. Patrick ¹⁴ W. J. Hodge	(318) 281 3343 (318) 327 1444
FIFTH DISTRICT				
Glen W. Strong Glynn D. Roberts, Chief Judge E. Rudolph McIntyre, Jr.	Franklin Richland West Carroll	Winnsboro Rayville Oak Grove	A. Johnson ² F. T. Elkin ¹ R. N. Haire K. Bolding	(318) 435 5133 (318) 728 4171 (318) 428 2369

1. Retires June 30, 2000.
2. Elected – term of office begins July 1, 2000.
3. Resigned January 1, 2000.
4. Became Chief Judge September 23, 1999.
5. Term of office began December 13, 1999.
6. Retired September 22, 1999.
7. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2000.
8. Retired January 2, 2000.

9. Term of office began March 24, 2000.
10. Resigned April 15, 1999.
11. Appointed Union Court Administrator – term of office began September 9, 1999.
12. Appointed Acting Court Administrator effective April 16, 1999; Appointed Lincoln Court Administrator – term of office began September 9, 1999.
13. Term of office began April 26, 1999.
14. Term ends June 30, 2000.

Preventing
Lawyer Misconduct

The Supreme Court hosted a Preventing Lawyer Misconduct Conference, bringing together for the first time all the players in the education and discipline of attorneys to discuss ways to prevent future ethical improprieties through better education for law students.

DISTRICT COURTS OF LOUISIANA *Roster of Judges and Clerks (Cont'd)*

Judges	Parishes Within Districts	Parish Seats	Clerks of Court	Clerk Phone No.
SIXTH DISTRICT				
Michael E. Lancaster ¹	Madison	Tallulah	C. Caldwell	(318) 574 0655
Charles R. Brackin ²	East Carroll	Lake Providence	E. B. Brock	(318) 559 2399
John D. Crigler, Chief Judge	Tensas	St. Joseph	E. Sikes, Sr.	(318) 766 3921
<i>Court Administrator</i> Sandra Bishop (318) 574 2635:				
SEVENTH DISTRICT				
Kathy J. Johnson	Catahoula	Harrisonburg	J.T. Payne	(318) 744 5497
Leo Boothe, Chief Judge	Concordia	Vidalia	C. R. Webber, Jr.	(318) 336 4204
EIGHTH DISTRICT				
Douglas H. Allen, Chief Judge	Winn	Winnfield	D. E. Kelley	(318) 628 3515
NINTH DISTRICT				
Donald T. Johnson	Rapides	Alexandria	C. J. Ryland	(318) 473 8153
Thomas M. Yeager				
F. Rae Swent				
W. Ross Foote				
B. Dexter Ryland, Chief Judge				
George C. Metoyer, Jr.				
Harry F. Randow				
<i>Court Administrator</i> Hope LeFleur (318) 443 6893:				
TENTH DISTRICT				
John B. Whitaker, Chief Judge ³	Natchitoches	Natchitoches	L. Bernard	(318) 352 8152
Eric R. Harrington ⁴				
Monty L. Doggett ⁵				
ELEVENTH DISTRICT				
Robert E. Burgess, Chief Judge	Sabine	Many	D. M. Knippers	(318) 256 6223
Charles B. Adams ⁶	DeSoto	Mansfield	O.L. Stone, Jr.	(318) 872 3110
Stephen B. Beasley				
<i>Court Administrator</i> Judith E. Christian (318) 872 1366:				
TWELFTH DISTRICT				
Kerry L. Spruill, Chief Judge	Avoyelles	Marksville	S. G. Couvillon	(318) 253 7523
William J. Bennett				
THIRTEENTH DISTRICT				
Preston N. Aucoin, Chief Judge	Evangeline	Ville Platte	W. Lee	(337) 363 5671
A. Gaynor Soileau				
FOURTEENTH DISTRICT				
Gregory D. Lyons, Chief Judge	Calcasieu	Lake Charles	J. R. Andrus	(337) 437 3550
David Painter				
Billy H. Ezell				
Fred R. Godwin				
Patricia H. Minaldi				
Wilford D. Carter, Sr.				
Charley Quienalty				
Aleide J. Gray ⁷				
Lilynn A. Cutrer ⁸				
<i>Court Administrator</i> W. P. Hastings (337) 437 3530:				

1. Term began December 1, 1999.

2. Retired June 1, 1999.

3. Retired October 31, 1999.

4. Term of office began December 28, 1999.

5. Became Chief Judge November 1, 1999.

6. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2000.

7. Became Chief Judge December 1, 1999.

8. New Judgeship – term of office began January 1, 2000.

Chamber to Chamber
A Citizen Says:

"It's not like Perry Mason. The average person, like me, doesn't get exposed to how the system works unless we are called for jury duty. I was impressed that the judge explained each procedure."

Richard Drexel,
River Parishes
Area Council,
New Orleans Regional
Chamber of Commerce

DISTRICT COURTS OF LOUISIANA *Roster of Judges and Clerks (Cont'd)*

Judges	Parishes Within Districts	Parish Seats	Clerks of Court	Clerk Phone No.
FIFTEENTH DISTRICT				
John D. Trahan	Acadia	Crowley	R. Barousse ¹	(337) 788 8881
Jules D. Edwards, III			J. A. Barousse ²	
J. Byron Hebert	Lafayette	Lafayette	O.C. Guilliot ³	
Edward D. Rubin			A. Ardoin ⁴	
Herman C. Clause			L. Perret ⁵	(337) 233 0150
Glenn P. Everett ⁷	Vermilion	Abbeville	S. H. Theriot ⁶	
Durwood W. Conque			T. Doré ¹	(337) 898 1992
Ronald D. Cox				
Thomas R. Duplantier, Chief Judge				
Don Aaron, Jr.				
Patrick L. Michot				
Marilyn C. Castle				
Phyllis Montgomery Keaty				
Diana P. Simon, Commissioner				
<i>Court Administrator</i>				
<i>(337) 269 5761:</i>				
Tina LeMaire ²				
SIXTEENTH DISTRICT				
Gerard B. Wattigny	Iberia	New Iberia	M. Thibodeaux	(337) 365 7282
Paul J. deMahy	St. Martin	St. Martinville	A. Blanchard, Sr.	(337) 394 2210
John E. Conery	St. Mary	Franklin	C. G. Dressel	(337) 828 4100
William D. Hunter				
Anne Lennan Simon				
Edward M. Leonard, Jr.				
Charles L. Porter, Chief Judge				
Carl J. Williams ⁸				
<i>Court Administrator</i>				
<i>(337) 369 4466:</i>				
Stephanie Richardson				
SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT				
John E. LeBlanc	Lafourche	Thibodaux	V. H. Rodrigue	(504) 447 4841
Jerome J. Barbera, III, Chief Judge				
John J. Erny, Jr.				
A. Bruce Simpson				
EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT				
James J. Best, Chief Judge	Iberville	Plaquemine	J. G. Dupont, Jr.	(504) 687 5160
J. Robin Free	W. Baton Rouge	Port Allen	T. J. LeBlanc ²	
Sharah Harris			M. J. Graffeo ¹	(504) 383 0378
Jack T. Marionneaux	Pointe Coupee	New Roads	I. G. Olinde ²	
			L.S. Landry ¹	(225) 638 9590
NINETEENTH DISTRICT				
Robert D. Downing	E. Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge	J. D. Welborn	(225) 389 3960
Donald R. Johnson ⁹				
Louis R. Daniel				
Janice G. Clark ¹⁰				
William A. Morvant				
Timothy E. Kelley				
Richard D. Anderson				
J. Michael McDonald				
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Chamber to Chamber:
A Judge Says:

“My goal is to explain a little about the workings of the court, then listen to their ideas of ways court procedures can be improved to better serve the public.”

Judge Rudolph E. McIntyre, Jr.,
Fifth Judicial District

1. Elected – term of office begins July 1, 2000.

2. Retires June 30, 2000.

3. Died January 4, 1999.

4. Interim Acting Clerk effective January 8, 1999.

5. Elected – term of office began November 24, 1999.

6. End of term June 30, 2000.

7. Became Chief Judge September 23, 1999.

8. Became Chief Judge November 9, 1999.

9. Term of office began March 7, 1999.

10. Became Chief Judge July 28, 1999.

DISTRICT COURTS OF LOUISIANA *Roster of Judges and Clerks (Cont'd)*

Judges	Parishes Within Districts	Parish Seats	Clerks of Court	Clerk Phone No.
NINETEENTH DISTRICT <i>(continued)</i>				
R. Michael Caldwell				
Curtis A. Calloway, Chief Judge				
Bonnie F. Jackson				
Michael R. Erwin				
Kay Bates				
Jewel E. Welch, Jr.				
Allen J. Bergeron, Jr., Commissioner				
Rachael Pitcher Morgan, Commissioner				
<i>Court Administrator</i>				
<i>(225) 389 4744:</i>				
R. Clifton Berry, Jr. ¹				
Jo Bruce ²				
FAMILY COURT FOR THE PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE				
Jennifer Luse, Chief Judge				
Luke A. Lavergne				
Toni M. Higginbotham				
Annette M. Lassalle				
<i>Court Administrator</i>				
<i>(225) 389 4676:</i>				
Ronald L. Bullion				
JUVENILE COURT FOR THE PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE				
Kathleen Stewart Richey ³				
Pamela Taylor Johnson, Chief Judge				
<i>Court Administrator</i>				
<i>(225) 354 1215:</i>				
Donna Carter				
TWENTIETH DISTRICT				
George H. Ware, Jr.	East Feliciana	Clinton	D. D. Hudnall	<i>(225) 683 5145</i>
Wilson R. Ramshur, Chief Judge	West Feliciana	St. Francisville	M. N. Marchive	<i>(225) 635 3794</i>
TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT				
Wayne Ray Chutz	Livingston	Livingston	T. Sullivan, Jr. ⁴	<i>(225) 686 2216</i>
Bruce C. Bennett, Chief Judge			L. W. Patterson ⁵	
Robert H. Morrison, III ³	Tangipahoa	Amite	J. J. Dahmer	<i>(504) 549 1610</i>
M. Douglas Hughes	St. Helena	Greensburg	H. C. Newell	<i>(504) 222 4514</i>
Brenda Bedsole Ricks				
Jefferson D. Hughes, III				
Ernest G. Drake, Jr.				
Zorraine M. "Zoey" Waguespack				
<i>Court Administrator</i>				
<i>(504) 748 9445:</i>				
Melissa Easley				
TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT				
Raymond S. Childress	St. Tammany	Covington	M. Prieto	<i>(504) 898 2430</i>
Elaine W. Guillot	Washington	Franklinton	J. D. Crain	<i>(504) 839 4663</i>
Patricia T. Hedges				
Peter J. Garcia				
William J. Burris				
Martin E. Coady, Chief Judge				
Larry J. Green				
Donald M. Fendlason				
Reginald T. Badeaux, III				
James J. Gleason, Commissioner				
<i>Court Administrator</i>				
<i>(504) 898 2569:</i>				
Robert G. Tyler, Jr.				

1. Retired June 30, 1999.

2. Appointed – term of office began January 1, 2000.

3. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2000.

4. Elected – term of office begins July 1, 2000.

5. Retires June 30, 2000.

A Fourth Circuit
Landmark, But...

The first
all-female
panel of the
Fourth Circuit
Court of Appeal
was chosen in
March, 1999.

The three judges,
randomly selected
from the pool of
12, are Judge
Joan Bernard
Armstrong,
Judge Patricia
R. Murray and
Judge Miriam
G. Waltzer.

DISTRICT COURTS OF LOUISIANA *Roster of Judges and Clerks (Cont'd)*

Judges	Parishes Within Districts	Parish Seats	Clerks of Court	Clerk Phone No.
TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT				
Ralph Tureau	Assumption	Napoleonville	L. E. Bergeron	(504) 369 6653
John L. Peytavin, Chief Judge	Ascension	Donaldsonville	K. H. Bourque	(225) 473 9877
Guy Holdridge ¹	St. James	Convent	E. E. Kinler, Jr.	(225) 562 2270
Pegram J. Mire, Jr.				
Alvin Turner, Jr.				
TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT				
Walter J. Rothschild	Jefferson	Gretna	J.A. Gegenheimer	(504) 364 2914
Fredericka H. Wicker				
Alan J. Green				
Robert M. Murphy				
Clarence E. McManus ²				
Patrick J. McCabe				
Robert A. Pitre				
Kernan Hand				
Jo Ellen Grant, Chief Judge				
Sheldon G. Fernandez ³				
Martha E. Sassone ¹				
Charles V. Cusimano, II				
Henry G. Sullivan, Jr.				
Ronald D. Bodenheimer ⁴				
Ross P. LaDart ⁵				
Melvin C. Zeno				
Caroline R. Kiff, Commissioner				
Jeffrey J. Hand, Commissioner				
Douglas A. Allen, Commissioner				
<i>Court Administrator</i>				
(504) 364 3990:				
Sandra Joaen Smith				
JEFFERSON PARISH JUVENILE COURT				
Ann Murry Keller				
Andrea Price Janzen, Chief Judge				
Nancy Amato Konrad				
<i>Court Administrator</i>				
(504) 367 3500 ext. 250:				
James Boulware ⁶				
Scott Griffith ⁷				
TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT				
Anthony D. Ragusa, Jr. ⁸	Plaquemines	Pointe-a-la-Hache	S. M. Morel	(504) 333 4377
Michael E. Kirby ⁹				
William A. Roe, Chief Judge				
TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT				
Dewey E. Burchett, Jr., Chief Judge	Bossier	Benton	J. Carraway	(318) 965 2336
Ford E. Stinson, Jr.	Webster	Minden	W. B. Brinkley ¹⁰	
Cecil P. Campbell, II			S.S. Frazier ¹¹	(318) 371 0366
John M. Robinson ¹²				
Bruce M. Bolin ¹				
<i>Court Administrator</i>				
(504) 525 1271:				
Suzanne Stinson				
TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT				
James T. Genovese	St. Landry	Opelousas	C.R. Jagneaux	(337) 942 5606
A. Frank McGee III				
Alonzo Harris, Chief Judge				
Robert Brinkman ¹³				
Donald W. Hebert ¹⁴				

1. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2000.

2. Elected to Court of Appeal, Fifth Circuit, effective December 1, 1999.

3. Died February 27, 2000.

4. Term of office began April 12, 1999.

5. Term of office began May 10, 1999.

6. Retires June 9, 2000.

7. Appointed – term of office begins June 10, 2000.

8. Term of office began November 19, 1999.

9. Elected to Court of Appeal, Fourth Circuit, effective March 11, 1999.

10. Retires June 30, 2000.

11. Elected – term of office begins July 1, 2000.

12. Term of office began December 1, 1999.

13. Retired August 1, 1999.

14. Term of office began November 24, 1999.

...the Third Circuit
Got There First

The first all-female three-judge panel in Louisiana, in November, 1997, came from the Third Circuit Court of Appeal. The women on the panel were Judge Sylvia R. Cooks, Judge Elizabeth A. Pickett and Judge Billie Colombaro Woodard.

DISTRICT COURTS OF LOUISIANA *Roster of Judges and Clerks (Cont'd)*

Judges	Parishes Within Districts	Parish Seats	Clerks of Court	Clerk Phone No.
TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT				
J.P. Mauffray, Jr., Chief Judge <i>Court Administrator</i> (318) 992 8391: Bobby L. Wilson	LaSalle	Jena	S.H. Crooks	(318) 992-2158
TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT				
Emile R. St. Pierre ¹ Kirk R. Granier Robert A. Chaisson, Chief Judge	St. Charles	Hahnville	C. J. Oubre, Jr.	(504) 783 6632
THIRTIETH DISTRICT				
Vernon B. Clark John C. Ford, Chief Judge	Vernon	Leesville	D. M. Perkins ² W. Deon, Jr. ³	(337) 238 1384
THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT				
Wendell R. Miller, Chief Judge	Jefferson Davis	Jennings	C. L. Duhon	(318) 824 1160
THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT				
Edward J. "Jimmy" Gaidry John R. Walker Timothy C. Ellender David W. Arceneaux ⁴ Paul R. Wimbish, Chief Judge <i>Court Administrator</i> (504) 873 6580: Walton Dill	Terrebonne	Houma	I. R. Boudreaux	(504) 868 5660
THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT				
Joel G. Davis, Chief Judge	Allen	Oberlin	G. Harrington	(337) 639 4351
THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT				
Robert A. Buckley, Chief Judge David S. Gorbaty ¹ Melvyn J. Perez ⁵ Wayne G. Cresap ⁶ Kirk A. Vaughn, Chief Judge Jacques A. Sanborn ⁷	St. Bernard	Chalmette	L. R. Torres	(504) 271 3434
THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT				
Allen A. Krake, Chief Judge <i>Court Administrator</i> (318) 627 3244: Brian Mosley	Grant	Colfax	J. E. Lemoine	(318) 627 3246
THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT				
Stuart S. Kay, Jr., Chief Judge Herman I. Stewart	Beauregard	DeRidder	R. L. Nichols	(337) 463 8595
THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT				
Ronald L. Lewellyan, Chief Judge <i>Court Administrator</i> (318) 649 6404: Shannon Maxwell	Caldwell	Columbia	E. Dunn	(318) 649 2272
THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT				
H. Ward Fontenot, Chief Judge	Cameron	Cameron	C. Broussard	(337) 775 5616
THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT				
Lewis O. Sams, Chief Judge	Red River	Coushatta	J. Huckabay ⁸ S. Shaw ³	(318) 932 6741
FORTIETH DISTRICT				
Madeline Jasmine, Chief Judge Mary Hotard Becnel ¹ J. Sterling Snowdy	St. John the Baptist	Edgard	H. L. Montegut, Jr. ² E. DeFrancesch ³	(504) 497-3331

1. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2000.

2. Retires June 30, 2000.

3. Elected – term of office begins July 1, 2000.

4. Term of office began December 30, 1999.

5. Died April 1, 1999.

6. Term of office began December 19, 1999.

7. New Judgeship – term of office began January 1, 2000.

8. Term ends June 30, 2000.

Hosting
International
Leaders

Justice Harry T. Lemmon gave five visiting Russian political and civic leaders a crash course in Louisiana law and basic operations of the Louisiana Supreme Court. Their August visit was sponsored by the federally funded Russian Leadership Program, operated by the Library of Congress.

DISTRICT COURTS OF LOUISIANA *Roster of Judges and Clerks (Cont'd)*

Judges	Division	Clerks of Court	Clerk Phone No.
ORLEANS PARISH CIVIL DISTRICT COURT			
Carolyn W. Gill-Jefferson	A	D. N. Atkins	(504) 592 9100
Robert A. Katz ¹	B		
Rosemary Ledet ²	B		
Lloyd J. Medley, Jr.	D		
Gerald P. Fedoroff	E		
Yada T. Magee	F		
Robin Giarrusso, Chief Judge	G		
Michael G. Bagneris	H		
Terri Fleming Love	I		
Nadine M. Ramsey	J		
Richard J. Ganucheau	K		
Max N. Tobias, Jr.	L		
C. Hunter King ³	M		
Ethel Simms Julien	N		
ORLEANS PARISH CRIMINAL DISTRICT COURT			
Charles L. Elloie	A	E. A. Lombard	(504) 827 3520
Patrick G. Quinlan	B		
Sharon K. Hunter	C		
Frank A. Marullo, Jr.	D		
Calvin Johnson	E		
Dennis J. Waldron	F		
Julian Parker	G		
Camille Buras	H		
Raymond C. Bigelow	I		
Leon A. Cannizzaro, Jr., Chief Judge	J		
Arthur L. Hunter, Jr.	K		
Terry Q. Alarcon	L		
Gerard J. Hansen ⁴	Magistrate-Judge		
Marie Bookman	Commissioner		
Anthony J. Russo	Commissioner		
Joseph I. Giarrusso, Jr.	Commissioner		
Harry E. Cantrell, Jr.	Commissioner		
<i>Court Administrator</i> (504) 827 3400: Elizabeth Stogner			
ORLEANS PARISH JUVENILE COURT			
Ernestine S. Gray, Administrative Judge	A	G. F. Flaum ⁵	(504) 565 7300
C. Hearn Taylor	B	F. Liberto ⁶	
Salvadore T. Mulé	C		
Lawrence L. Lagarde, Jr.	D		
Anita H. Ganucheau	E		
Mark Doherty ⁷	F		
<i>Court Administrator</i> (504) 565 7300: Frederick L. Chaplain ⁸ Geri F. Flaum ⁹			

1. Elected to Court of Appeal, Fourth Circuit, effective April 26, 1999.
 2. Term of office began October 18, 1999.
 3. Term of office began November 18, 1999.
 4. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2000.

5. Appointed Clerk effective June 28, 1999.
 6. Resigned May 6, 1999.
 7. Term of office began May 5, 1999.
 8. Resigned October 6, 1999.
 9. Appointed Acting Court Administrator effective October 7, 1999.

Stay On Court,
Not In Court

An innovative free program for kids who may not normally have access to tennis was set up by City Court Judge Ann McIntyre of Winnsboro, herself an avid tennis player. Fifty children, from kindergarten through 12th grade, have participated in the program in two years, getting lessons three times a week for four weeks. Judge McIntyre has even sentenced four youths who came before her for minor offenses to "serve time" in the clinic.

CITY AND PARISH COURTS OF LOUISIANA *Roster of Judges and Location of Courts*

Cities	Parishes	Judges
Abbeville	Vermilion	Roger C. Sellers
Alexandria <i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> (318) 449 5146: Millie C. Ezernack	Rapides	Edward E. Roberts, Jr.
Ascension Parish	Ascension	Marilyn M. Lambert
Baker	East Baton Rouge	John D. Engelsman
Bastrop	Morehouse	Merwin M. Brandon, Jr.
Baton Rouge <i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> (225) 389 5279: Cynthia R. Gaudin	East Baton Rouge Division A Division B Division B Division C Division D Division E	Byron Stringer Donald R. Johnson ¹ Trudy M. White ² Alex W. Wall Jr. ³ Yvette Mansfield Alexander, <i>Admin. Judge</i> ⁴ Suzan S. Ponder ⁵
Bogalusa	Washington	Robert J. Black
Bossier City <i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> (318) 741-8587: Julie B. Andrew	Bossier	Michael E. Daniel
Breaux Bridge	St. Martin	Randy P. Angelle
Bunkie	Avoyelles	James H. Mixon
Crowley	Acadia	Barrett Harrington
Denham Springs <i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> (225) 665 5505: Peggy G. Hoover	Livingston	Charles W. Borde, Jr.
Eunice <i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> (337) 457 6535: Cindy Fontenot	St. Landry	Lynette Young Feucht
Franklin	St. Mary	Terry G. Breaux
Hammond <i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> (504) 542 3455: Guy Recotta, Jr.	Tangipahoa	Grace Bennett Gasaway
Houma <i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> (504) 868 4232: Ernest duBois	Terrebonne	Jude T. Fanguy
Jeanerette	Iberia	Cameron B. Simmons
Jefferson Parish 1st Parish Court <i>Court Administrator</i> (504) 736 8972: Beatrice D. Tranchina-Parisi <i>(continued next page)</i>	Jefferson Division A Division B	Rebecca M. Olivier George W. Giacobbe, <i>Senior Judge</i>

1. Elected to Nineteenth Judicial District Court effective March 7, 1999.
2. Term began December 6, 1999.
3. Term began December 14, 1999.

4. Became Administrative Judge March 10, 1999.
5. Became Administrative Judge January 1, 2000.

The Courtly Kiss
HBO recently visited the Algiers Courthouse to film a "Best Place to Kiss" episode for a Canadian television show. The chosen site – the balcony of the courthouse, with a romantic view of the Mississippi River and the New Orleans skyline. The crew left a dividend behind – new light fixtures in the courtroom and second floor ball of the 1896 building.

CITY AND PARISH COURTS OF LOUISIANA *Roster of Judges and Location of Courts*

Cities	Parishes	Judges
Jefferson Parish <i>(continued)</i>	Jefferson	
2nd Parish Court	Division A Division B	Roy M. Cascio Calvin J. Hotard, Jr., <i>Senior Judge</i>
<i>Assistant Court Administrator</i> <i>(504) 364 2800:</i> Rodney M. de la Gardelle		
Jennings	Jefferson Davis	C. Steve Gunnell
Kaplan	Vermilion	Reule P. Bourque
Lafayette	Lafayette	Frances Moran Bouillion, <i>Senior Judge</i> Douglas J. Saloom
<i>Court Administrator</i> <i>(337) 291 8735:</i> Fay Markham		
Lake Charles	Calcasieu Division A Division B	Thomas P. Quirk, <i>Senior Judge</i> John S. Hood
Leesville	Vernon	S. Chris Smith, III
<i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> <i>(337) 238 1531:</i> Glenda F. Dowden		
Marksville	Avoyelles	Angelo J. Piazza, III
Minden	Webster	John C. Campbell
<i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> <i>(318) 377 4308:</i> Joan Luck		
Monroe	Ouachita	Larry D. Jefferson ¹ Scott Leehy James Garland Smith, <i>Admin. Judge</i>
<i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> <i>(318) 329 2580:</i> Carol D. Powell-Lexing		
Morgan City	St. Mary	Kim P. Stansbury
Natchitoches	Natchitoches	Fred S. Gahagan
<i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> <i>(318) 352 6666:</i> Rhonda Rogé		
New Iberia	Iberia	Robert L. Segura
New Orleans	Orleans	
1st City Court	Section A Section B Section C	Charles A. Imbornone, <i>Senior Judge</i> Angelique A. Reed Sonja M. Spears
2nd City Court		Mary “KK” Norman
Municipal Court	Section A Section B Section C Section D	John A. Shea, <i>Senior Judge</i> Bruce J. McConduit Sean P. Early Paul N. Sens
Traffic Court	Section A Section B Section C Section D	Dennis J. Dannel, <i>Senior Judge</i> Robert E. Jones, III Paul A. Bonin Ronald J. Sholes
<i>Court Administrator</i> <i>(504) 827 5025:</i> Mary Rome		

Kudos for Collins

Louisiana Supreme Court Administrator Hugh M. Collins has received the Glen R. Winters Award from the American Judges Association, an accolade that goes to a lay person who has made a substantial contribution to improving the image of the judiciary. His efforts have focused especially on community outreach, court improvement, and children within the judicial system.

1. Office vacated February 18, 2000.

CITY AND PARISH COURTS OF LOUISIANA *Roster of Judges and Location of Courts*

Cities	Parishes	Judges
Oakdale <i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> (318) 335 1121: Delora Lovejoy	Allen	Perrell Fuselier
Opelousas <i>Clerk/Court Administrator</i> (337) 948 2570: Ronnie Leger	St. Landry	Kenneth Boagni, Jr.
Pineville <i>Court Administrator</i> (318) 449 5656: Leslie F. Prestridge	Rapides	Phillip Terrell
Plaquemine <i>Court Administrator</i> (504) 687 7236: Orlan Gulotta	Iberville	William C. Dupont
Port Allen	West Baton Rouge	William T. Kleinpeter
Rayne	Acadia	James M. Cunningham
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