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of the Judicial Council of the Supreme Court

The image shows the exterior of the Supreme Court State of Louisiana building. The building is a modern, multi-story structure with a light-colored, textured facade. The text "SUPREME COURT STATE OF LOUISIANA" is prominently displayed on the wall in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The building features a curved section on the left side with large windows and a series of vertical columns. The sky is a clear, deep blue.

**SUPREME COURT
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE LOUISIANA SUPREME COURT

The year 2001 will forever be marked by the tragedy of September 11th. Perhaps no other event in recent history has so affected each and every one of us. Our country's response renewed my faith in our people and institutions, and it reminded me what is important—our loved ones and our responsibilities. The people of our State have trusted judges with an awesome responsibility. We should strive every day to fulfill that responsibility to the utmost of our abilities.

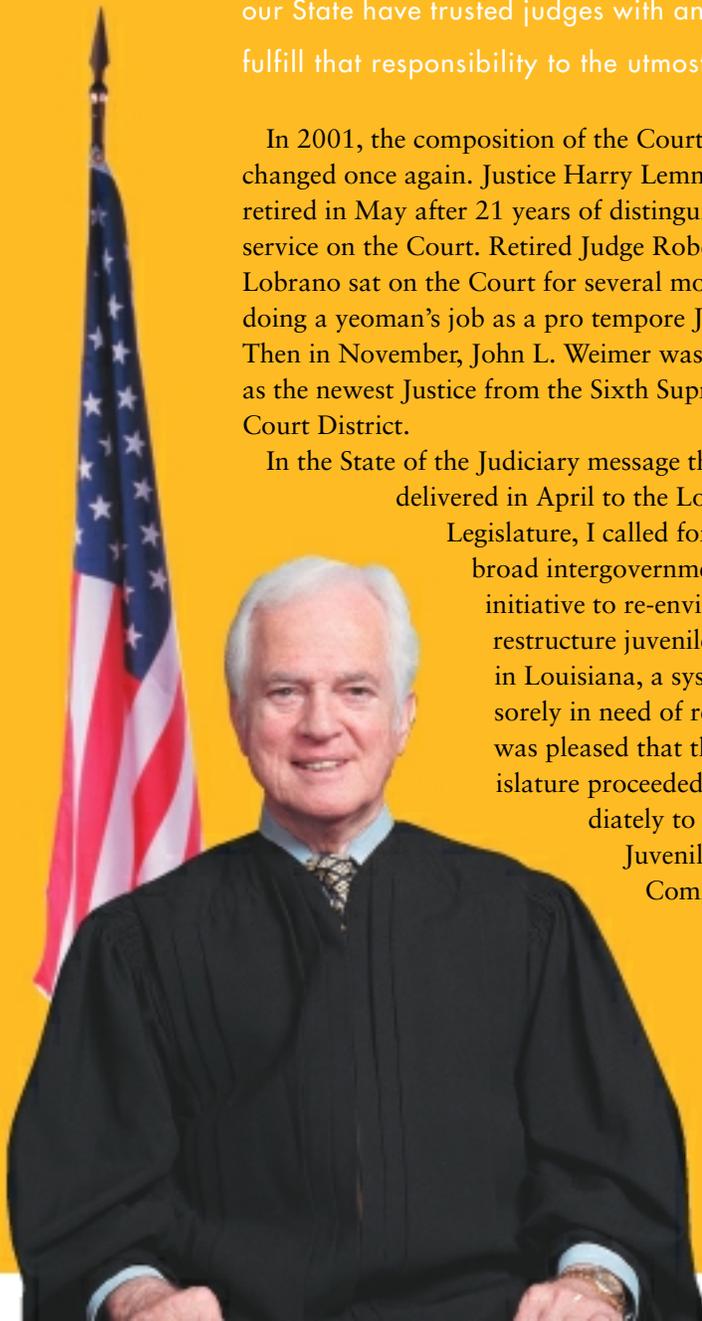
In 2001, the composition of the Court changed once again. Justice Harry Lemmon retired in May after 21 years of distinguished service on the Court. Retired Judge Robert Lobrano sat on the Court for several months, doing a yeoman's job as a pro tempore Justice. Then in November, John L. Weimer was elected as the newest Justice from the Sixth Supreme Court District.

In the State of the Judiciary message that I delivered in April to the Louisiana

Legislature, I called for a broad intergovernmental initiative to re-envision and restructure juvenile justice in Louisiana, a system sorely in need of reform. I was pleased that the Legislature proceeded immediately to create a Juvenile Justice Commission,

chaired by State Representative Mitchell Landrieu. The Commission has already taken important steps to improve the lives of our children. In November, I addressed more than 100 people who attended the organizational meeting of the Commission and its Advisory Board—including the Governor, several legislators, judges, other elected officials, and those involved in the system. Public hearings throughout the state followed; the information from them is being compiled and analyzed. The Commission shows how much can be achieved through the collaboration of all branches of State government and the involvement of local government, the stakeholders in the system, and the public.

In response to the Louisiana Legislature's request that funding for state drug courts be channeled through the Supreme Court, we created a Supreme Court Drug Court Office. The office works to support and improve drug court operations through disbursing state funds to the



Chief Justice Pascal F. Calogero, Jr.

I support the establishment of a Judicial Campaign Oversight Committee as a major step forward for the judiciary in our legitimate governance of judicial campaigns. It is in the best interest of the system and of the public.

district courts which operate them. Local courts have responded with enthusiasm, and I feel confident that our efforts will meet with continued success.

Months of study and deliberation on the issue of permanent disbarment culminated in the issuance of an Order codifying the Court's ability to disbar an attorney permanently in the most egregious cases, banning him or her from applying for readmission. In addition, long discussions about Court Rules for state district courts have come to fruition. These Rules and their appendices, to be effective April 1, 2002, are

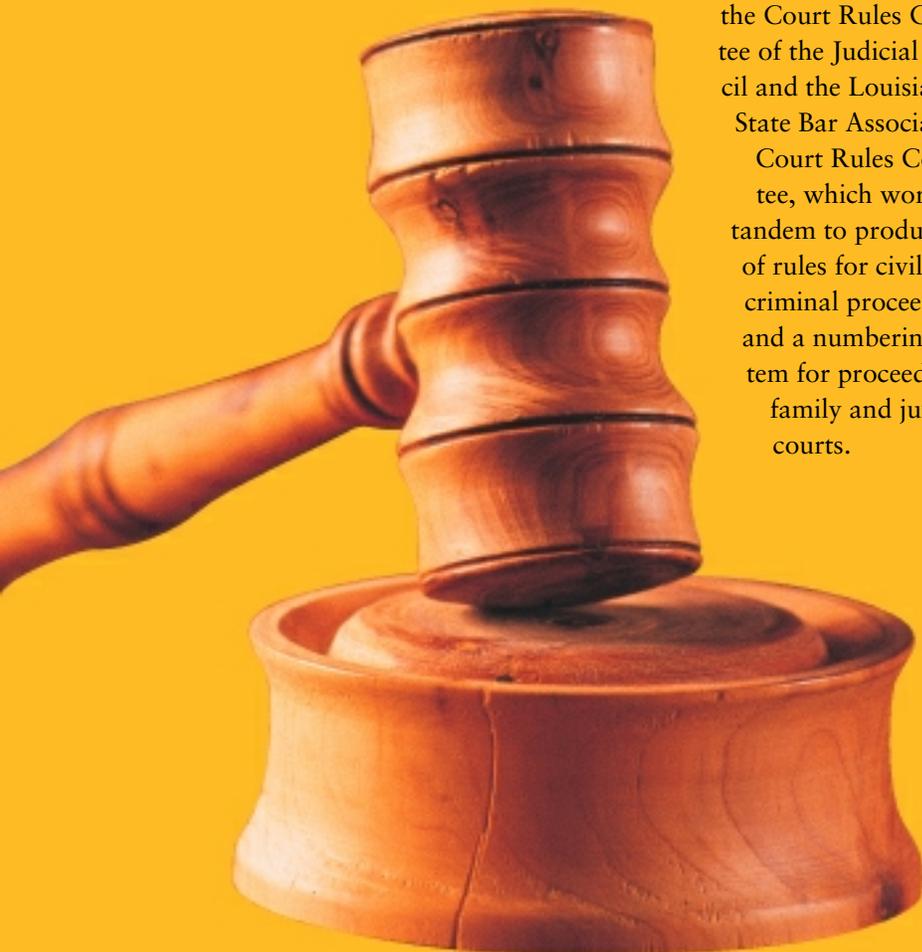
the combined efforts of the Court Rules Committee of the Judicial Council and the Louisiana State Bar Association

Court Rules Committee, which worked in tandem to produce a set of rules for civil and criminal proceedings and a numbering system for proceedings in family and juvenile courts.

Throughout 2001, we continued to consider the establishment of a permanent Judicial Campaign Oversight Committee. A blue-ribbon Ad Hoc Committee of judges, lawyers and citizen representatives recommended that the Court establish such an oversight committee. Among the duties the Ad Hoc Committee suggested for a Judicial Campaign Oversight Committee:

- to help judicial candidates understand their ethical obligations regarding campaigning;
- to create a Judicial Campaign Conduct Pledge and ask judicial candidates to sign it;
- to make public statements about unethical campaign practices, following a probable cause determination that an ethical violation has occurred and the respondent candidate is given notice and/or an opportunity to respond;
- to develop procedures for the expeditious handling of problems during the last two weeks of judicial campaigns.

The Ad Hoc Committee recommended that an autonomous Oversight Committee not be affiliated with the





Justice Catherine D. "Kitty" Kimball, Justice Jeannette Theriot Knoll, Justice Jeffrey P. Victory, Chief Justice Pascal F. Calogero, Jr., Justice Chet D. Traylor, Justice John L. Weimer, Justice Bernette J. Johnson

Judiciary Commission. The Oversight Committee as envisioned would have no formal cease and desist or disciplinary power. Rather, its power would emanate from the integrity of its members and the willingness of citizens to listen to its opinions. The Supreme Court Conference is reviewing the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee, and I expect that action will be taken on this matter in the first half of 2002.

In 2001, the Court also set about improving and upgrading our website. I invite you to visit www.lasc.org, and I welcome your feedback.

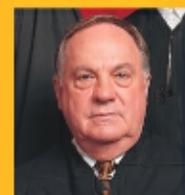
I have the distinct pleasure of submitting to the Supreme Court of Louisiana, to the Board of Governors of the Louisiana State Bar Association, to the citizens of Louisiana, and to other interested parties the Annual Report of the Supreme Court of Louisiana for 2001, including the reports of the Judicial

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 information from the Bar Admissions Committee and the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board, entities that operate under the auspices of the Supreme Court. I congratulate and thank all who were involved in our continuing efforts to improve judicial administration.

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



Pro Tempore Justice Robert L. Lobrano, Sixth Supreme Court District, May 17—Dec. 12, 2001.



Justice Harry T. Lemmon, Sixth Supreme Court District, retired on May 16, 2001.

CHIEF JUSTICE PASCAL F. CALOGERO, JR.

*First Supreme Court District—Jefferson, Orleans, St. Helena, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, and Washington Parishes.**

JUSTICE JEFFREY P. VICTORY

*Second Supreme Court District—Allen, Beauregard, Bossier, Caddo, DeSoto, Evangeline, Natchitoches, Red River, Sabine, Vernon and Webster Parishes.**

JUSTICE JEANNETTE THERIOT KNOLL

*Third Supreme Court District—Acadia, Avoyelles, Calcasieu, Cameron, Jefferson Davis, Lafayette, St. Landry and Vermilion.**

JUSTICE CHET D. TRAYLOR

*Fourth Supreme Court District—Bienville, Caldwell, Catahoula, Claiborne, Concordia, East Carroll, Franklin, Grant, Jackson, LaSalle, Lincoln, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Rapides, Richland, Tensas, Union, West Carroll and Winn Parishes.**

JUSTICE CATHERINE D. KIMBALL

*Fifth Supreme Court District—Ascension, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Iberville, Livingston, Pointe Coupee, West Baton Rouge and West Feliciana Parishes.**

JUSTICE HARRY T. LEMMON

Sixth Supreme Court District, retired on May 16, 2001.

JUSTICE JOHN L. WEIMER

Sixth Supreme Court District—Assumption, Iberia, Jefferson, Lafourche, Plaquemines, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Martin, St. Mary and Terrebonne Parishes. He took office December 13, 2001.*

JUSTICE BERNETTE J. JOHNSON

*Seventh Supreme Court District—Jefferson and Orleans Parishes.**

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A FOCUS ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

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. In 2001, the office and its staff maintained a dual focus on managing the Court's operations effectively and reaching out with initiatives that have a particular impact on the lives and well-being of children and their families. It's an investment in our future that will pay off through generations. Significant accomplishments are detailed in the following report; we plan to build on our successes during 2002.

In April, 2001, Chief Justice Calogero addressed the state legislature, asking for and receiving the support of its members "to examine the issue of the current state of the juvenile justice system and take bold steps to improve it."

Some of the actions the Court and its staff have undertaken to improve the status of children and their families in the system are outlined on the following pages. Through our programs to fight truancy and drug abuse, the Court Appointed Special Advocates system, the Families in Need of Service Assistance Program initiatives and other actions taken under the umbrella of the Court Improvement Program, we have made substantial progress.

The initiatives set into place by the Judicial Budget and Performance Accountability Act of 1999 are paying off in enhanced productivity. Our annual publication of our strategic plans and the steps we take to implement them is one way we are able to assure the citizens of Louisiana that the court system is an effective, user-friendly part of their government. We are using strategic planning, performance auditing and other tools to direct the future of the judiciary in the state and to encourage its continuous improvement.

We continue to take advantage of the newest, most efficient technologies. Our enhanced Court Management Information System is key to making sure our courts



have the information they need when they need it. It also helps us ensure, through the Louisiana Protective Order Registry, that protective orders are immediately available to protect the people who most need it.

We also rely on consistent community relations outreach. Our upgraded Web site provides more complete information and interactivity to users of the courts.

2001: A YEAR IN REVIEW

In 2001, key initiatives of the Judicial Council & Judicial Administrator's Office focused on ways to strengthen families who find themselves in the court system. We are working to improve the quality and integration of services to such families and to address the needs of neglected and abused children in a comprehensive manner. The goal: to improve the juvenile justice system overall. It is a proven strategy for preventing and reducing serious crime. We have also supported drug courts, which have shown significant success in solving substance abuse problems in the longer term.

SETTING THE STAGE FOR JUVENILE COURT REFORM

A revitalized juvenile justice system can only be built “upon a resolute, overarching commitment by Louisiana’s leaders and her people to truly put children first above other priorities, especially those children who are at risk of abuse and neglect, educational failure, social maladjustment and chronic criminal activity,” Chief Justice Calogero told the members of the Louisiana legislature as he called for a joint effort by all three branches of government to address the issue.

“I envision a juvenile justice system that emphasizes prevention, assessment, early intervention, treatment, rehabilitation, and the proper development of civic values, learning competencies and coping skills in children, rather than simply punishment,” Calogero said. “Where punishment is an appropriate and necessary remedy, we must have a system that ensures swift and effective justice.”

He noted that a new juvenile justice system must be built upon the comprehensive strategy advocated by the federal government. Such a strategy provides a framework for

assessing and treating all children who come under its jurisdiction, including those who are abused and neglected; status offenders; and serious, violent and chronic delinquent offenders.

Chief Justice Calogero called for quality, integrated services and graduated sanctions, including prevention, assessment, early intervention, secured detention, alternative sanctions, and long-term services for treating substance abuse, mental disorders and other matters affecting children and their families. “The system should link traditional juvenile justice elements with elements from the health, mental health, substance abuse, educational, child welfare and community-based systems,” he said. “And it should insist on meaningful communication, collaboration and data-sharing among all juvenile justice agencies.”

COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATES

The CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) program is designed to provide an advocate for every child in foster care in Louisiana, assisting courts in the timely placement of the children who come before them into permanent, safe and stable homes. At the conclusion of the 2001 regular session of the Louisiana legislature, the Supreme Court was asked to administer, and accepted responsibility for, \$3.6 million dollars in federal TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) funds to expand CASA programs. The

Court administers TANF-funded activities in 14 local CASA programs statewide, serving 24 judicial districts. Since its inception in October, 2001, CASA has provided advocates for 351 children and assisted in the return of over 140 children to safe and permanent families. The Supreme Court Judicial Administrator's Office works with the Louisiana legislature, the Department of Social Services and the Division of Administration to ensure compliance with federal and state TANF fund requirements, including program standards, budget guidelines, a financial reporting procedure, and a mechanism for program monitoring and oversight through the state Louisiana CASA Association.



teams, including education, law enforcement, courts and service providers, receive training and technical assistance to design effective TASC programs. This truancy-focused project is managed both at the state and local levels in conjunction with the FINS (Families in Need of Services) offices, opening a door to expanded programming to address the needs of status offenders screened and assessed through

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COMBATTING TRUANCY

The Court's initiative in Truancy Assessment and Services Centers (TASC) is designed to identify, assess and provide community-based services to at-risk children in kindergarten through grade six. During its 2001 regular session, the legislature expanded the number of pilot sites for TASC to 11 judicial districts in Louisiana and gave the Court programmatic and fiscal responsibility for the program (\$1.1 million in federal funding and \$2.785 million in state general funds). Local interagency

FINS. Louisiana State University Office of Social Service Research and Development provides monitoring, evaluation, and reporting for the program.

THE LOUISIANA COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Louisiana Court Improvement Program, a federally funded program for improving the adjudication of child abuse and neglect cases in the state and for collaborating with other areas of government and the private sector, ensures that abused and neglected children are provided permanent and safe homes as quickly as possible. 2001 Court Improvement Program accomplishments include:

- offering technical assistance for implementation of the Adoption and Safe Families Act of 1997. Resources include a benchbook of essential judicial functions, minute entry checklists, model forms, judicial and attorney training, and court site visits.
- joining collaboratively with the Louisiana Department of Social Services, Office of Community Services and the Louisiana State Bar association for an expanded "Justice for Children/Families in the Balance" Conference to be held in October, 2002. This partnership will enable nationally prominent speakers and an expanded conference agenda for a broader audience.
- receiving substantial grant funding for a pilot program in Orleans Parish Juvenile Court and Jefferson Parish Juvenile Court to address the issues of timely permanent placement of abused and neglected children through mediation. A "best practices" model will be developed and shared with other courts.

FAMILIES IN NEED OF SERVICES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Under the Families in Need of Services (FINS) Assistance Program, created in June 1999, the Judicial Administrator's Office manages the funds provided by the legislature to assist local FINS processes and assure fiscal and program accountability. A sort of pre-delinquency intervention, FINS provides interagency social work services to assist children and families, often signing contracts for school and family progress in lieu of court adjudication.

A juvenile proceeding for status offenders and their families, FINS is designed to prevent escalation of behavioral problems and family dysfunction into criminal activities and child abuse. A FINS intake officer designated by the court assesses the problem (such as truancy) that may bring a family into the system, identifies underlying problems (such as substance abuse) and, whenever possible, confects an agreement involving relevant family members and providers of needed services.

Among 2001 initiatives:

- The program required local FINS offices to create and continuously update a Data Dictionary; develop and modify program standards; develop, implement and now modify the FINS Software/Database System: *Guidance* and software and user manuals; and train staff in the application process, screening and intake, basic computer skills and the *Guidance* system.
- The Families in Need of Services Assistance Program (FINSAP) collaborates with the Louisiana FINS Association on conference planning, presentations, and information distribution, including supplemental funding opportunities for FINS offices. This partnership offers a forum to discuss issues and develop solutions and a “best practices” model for FINS officers and others throughout the state.
- FINSAP site visits offer program and fiscal management assistance, promote informal processes and help establish new services or programs.

- FINS officers receive ongoing technical assistance and support, as well as funding opportunities, for implementation of the FINSAP Program Standards.

DRUG TREATMENT COURTS

The Supreme Court took over the administration of state funding for drug treatment courts on July 1, 2001. The Court now funds 33 drug courts around the state, with four more in the process of being established. The existing courts serve over 2000 clients, with more coming into the system on a regular basis. The Supreme Court Drug Court Office, which has a staff of four, was awarded \$9.7 million in state money and an additional \$5 million in Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) money for 2001/2002.

The drug courts are widely considered a success. Non-violent drug offenders participate for at least a year and must stay clean and sober for four consecutive months to graduate. Programs couple the latest in computer drug testing technology with field case managers to provide

the accountability that helps keep offenders on track. Participants must also be employed or in school and be living in a stable environment.

LOUISIANA PROTECTIVE ORDER REGISTRY

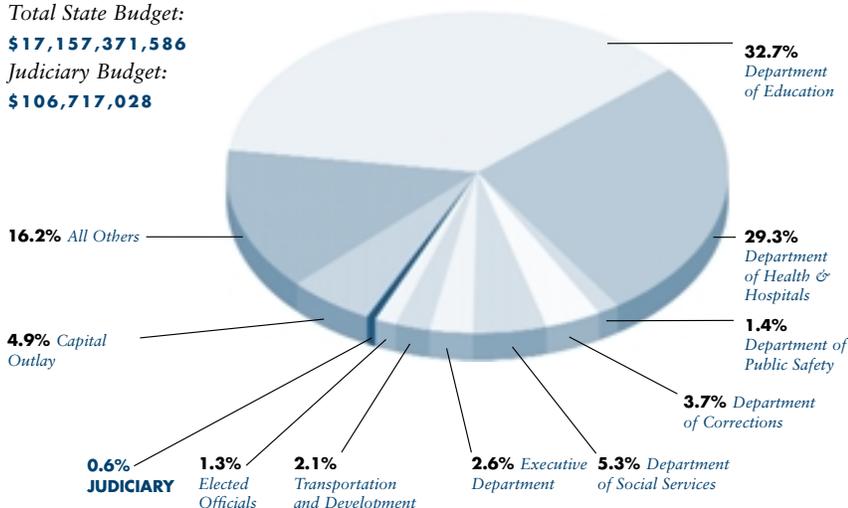
The Louisiana Protective Order Registry (LPOR) is a statewide repository for civil and criminal orders of protection issued by courts to prevent further threats and violence committed by one’s current or former spouse, intimate partner, dating partner, or family member against another.

The 2001 daily average of searches of the LPOR by law enforcement agencies and the courts was 4,376, with a search to hit ratio of 9.78%.

During the year, staff responded to 190 requests for order verification submitted by examiners with the FBI’s National Instant Background Check System, designed to prevent the sale of firearms and ammunition to those who are prohibited, including individuals who are the subject of a domestic violence restraining order.

LOUISIANA STATE BUDGET 2001-2002

Total State Budget:
\$17,157,371,586
 Judiciary Budget:
\$106,717,028



Significant changes in the laws required revision of the standardized order forms used by all courts. To disseminate the new version of the forms and interactive software, and to educate users about the changes, staff conducts regional seminars, conference presentations, workshops and joint training programs for attorneys and advocates who assist victims of domestic violence. More than 3,000 people have been trained since 1999.

- CMIS assists judges and courts in accessing state and federal criminal justice information systems—Computerized Criminal History, Louisiana Protective Order Registry (LPOR), Office of Motor Vehicles (OMV), and National Crime Information Center.
- Traffic dispositions from ten district and city courts have been placed on a server for retrieval by the Office of Motor Vehicles for attachment to OMV driver history records.

At the close of 2001, the LPOR contained 41,129 orders. Some 16,567 were entered in 2001, including 11,246 (68%) civil orders and 5,321 (32%) criminal stay-away orders.

COMPUTER MANAGEMENT & INFORMATION SERVICES

In addition to protective orders, state-of-the-art technology management influenced several other Court areas in 2001:

- 60 of 64 District Courts are reporting criminal filings; 59 of 64 District Courts are reporting criminal disposition data.
- Efforts are ongoing to bring electronic integrated criminal justice to Louisiana
- CMIS is working with the District Judges Association to create Uniform Commitment Documents for district judges to use when sentencing. A standardized form allows accurate data entry, and judicial training on sentencing and use of forms assists in accurate sentencing statewide.

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 2001, one judgeship and one commissioner were requested. Following consideration of the Committee's

recommendations, the Judicial Council recommended one new judgeship in the Twenty-Sixth Judicial District and one commissioner in the Twenty-Second Judicial District.

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, and the compensation of retired judges and ad hoc judges serving on a Louisiana bench on a temporary basis. The Judicial Budgetary Control Board, created in 1977 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 2001, 0.6% of the state's general fund was appropriated to defray the expenses of the state judiciary.

ENHANCING LEGAL INFORMATION SERVICE

Recognizing that the modern information environment requires the staff of the Law Library of Louisiana to be open to constant innovation while remaining sensitive to the needs of traditional book users, we launched a strategic planning process in 2001. Deputy Judicial Administrator Tony Gagliano provided valuable guidance as our facilitator.



Communicating to diverse constituency—the judiciary, the bar, and the public—what resources and services we offer and teaching them how to reap those benefits emerged as major priorities. Our Web site describes our collection and services and worldwide catalog access and guides for conducting research. A new brochure features “what’s in the library” and “what we can do for you.” We plan to intensify outreach efforts, including regular legal information and research instruction for court staff, attorneys, and interested citizens.

Over 2000 volumes, including 437 new titles, were added in 2001; the collection now numbers 213,000 volumes. A new free service to our public terminal users offers access to full-text digital images of back issues of a growing searchable database of law reviews. Many government document titles are migrating to an online format; our catalog will provide automatic links to them.

Clearly the library’s human resources are vital. We welcomed Greg Duhé to the Technical Services Department. Operations Manager Jason Kruppa was promoted to administrative assistant, while Public Services Associate Ruth Mahoney took on new responsibilities at our information desk. Public Services Head Marie Erickson handled a total of 310 interlibrary loan transactions. Technical Services Head Janice Shull created an exhibit highlighting luminaries and literature that shaped our state’s legal system. Director Carol Billings serves on a committee of the Louisiana State Law Institute to make recommendations on the Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act. Associate Director and court Web Master Catherine Lemann offered programs on legal information resources for bar groups and the national Legal Tech Conference.

Staff members serve as leaders in their profession. Georgia Chadwick heads the New Orleans Association of Law Librarians and Billings was elected chair of the Social Responsibilities Section/ American Association of Law Libraries. After a term on the AALL Government Relations Committee, Lemann joined its Professional Development Committee. A candidate for AALL national secretary, she coordinated two programs at the Annual Meeting. She also received two humanitarian awards for her outstanding work for AIDS Law of Louisiana, whose board she chairs.

SEMINARS EDUCATE, INFORM JUDICIARY

Topics including recent developments in juvenile law, recent developments in death penalty litigation, courts and the Internet, ethics, professionalism, and personalities and philosophies of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States were among the highlights of six continuing legal education programs sponsored by the Judicial College in 2001 for Louisiana's judges. Twenty-nine newly elected judges also attended a New Judges Orientation presented by the Judicial College. Over 800 members of the judiciary took part in Judicial College sessions, which featured some 100 speakers. The College continued its efforts to keep judges abreast of recent developments through publishing its *Criminal Law Newsletter*.

In 2001 sessions sponsored by the Judicial College, areas of focus included:

2001 CITY AND JUVENILE JUDGES MEETING

- recent developments-juvenile law
- proposed Children's Code amendments
- ASFA audits
- DOJ-DOC settlement
- city judges' panel
- roundtable discussion with city judges and clerks of court

NEW JUDGES' ORIENTATION

- recent developments-juvenile law
- transition from bar to bench
- personnel relations & management technique
- what makes a good judge
- ethics and professionalism
- Judiciary Commission
- civility
- how to avoid reversal
- defeating delay
- court collegiality
- recognition and awareness of bias

ANNUAL EVIDENCE AND PROCEDURE SEMINAR

- recent developments in Louisiana evidence and procedure in criminal law
- recent developments in death penalty litigation

ANNUAL SPRING JUDGES CONFERENCE

- courts and the Internet
- performance evaluation
- recent developments in criminal law and procedure
- ethics
- professionalism: recognition and awareness of bias
- accessing criminal history and protective order records

THE 2001 SUMMER SCHOOL FOR JUDGES

- professionalism
- ethics
- torts, civil procedure, evidence in civil trials
- professional education & professionalism
- retroactivity of law
- campaign oversight recommendations
- capital jury selection

- personalities and philosophies of Justices of the Supreme Court of the U.S.
- juvenile justice issues

2001 ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

- recent developments in judicial applications of electronic information systems
- 2001 child support guidelines
- recent developments in civil law and procedure
- annual memorial service and Red Mass

ANNUAL TORTS SEMINAR

- class action: anatomy of a procedure
- essential requisites of a class action
- pre-certification proceedings in class actions
- certification of the class action: subclasses
- management of class actions
- merits, trials and judgments in class actions
- litigation agreements in the 21st century: policy and practicality

In 2001, the Committee created a subcommittee to recommend improvements to the Bar Examination.

The testing committee will look at the substance of the exam, its structure and its procedural aspects.

REVIEWING A YEAR FOR CHANGE

In 2001, the Committee administered exams during the weeks of February 12, with a passage rate of 67% and July 23, with a passage rate of 71%. This compares to an average nationwide pass rate of 55% for February and 69% for July. Chief Justice Pascal F. Calogero, Jr. addressed 155 new attorneys on April 20, 2001 during admission ceremonies; Justice Catherine D. Kimball did the honors on October 5, 2001 when 357 new attorneys were admitted.

The examination is conducted by the Committee on Bar Admissions, comprised of 15 active members of the Louisiana State Bar Association appointed by the Supreme Court of Louisiana. Committee members may serve two consecutive five-year terms. Some 450 volunteer Assistant Examiners help in the grading process.

CHANGES IN THE PROCESS

In 2001, the Committee created a subcommittee to recommend improvements to the Bar Examination. The testing committee will look at the substance of the exam, its structure and its procedural aspects. The “Testing Committee” is composed of Scott T. Whittaker (Director), David E. Walle, and Rebecca L. Hudsmith. All are members of the Committee who have completed 10-year terms as Examiners.

The Committee has also recommended the Court continue to permit failing applicants to review their own exam papers as well as representative good answers.

Character and Fitness issues received closer scrutiny through investigation of applicants performed by the National Conference of Bar Examiners. The use of retired judges as Commissioners to hear applicant appeals on denial of eligibility has increased the timely consideration of appeals.

The Committee has increased participation in the Law School Registration Program by sending representatives to the four ABA-approved law schools in Louisiana to explain its importance.

The Committee has also reorganized its Equivalency Panel and has wiped out its backlog of applications for equivalency determinations by graduates from non-U.S. law schools.

The renovations of 400 Royal Street for the new home of the Court continue to progress. The final phase of construction was scheduled to begin in March, 2002, with the Court moving to the building at the end of 2003.

SUPPORTING THE COURT

Filings in the Office of the Clerk of Court were down from 2000 by 108. However, dispositions increased by 305. In 2000, the Court disposed of 3,028 cases, compared to 3,333 cases in 2001.

Of the cases reviewed in 2001, 111 or 3% were granted for argument; 182 or 5% were granted with order; 2,679 or 77% were denied and 36 or 1% were not considered. There was a marked increase in Bar Disciplinary filings, from 63 in 2000 to 101 in 2001. Criminal appeals dropped from 31 in 2000 to 16 in 2001.

The duties of the Office of the Clerk of Court include accepting and preparing all pleadings for consideration by the Court, communicating and distributing all Court actions, maintaining records from the Court's inception, providing security, and supporting justices and staff through the Business Services and Information Technology departments.

400 ROYAL STREET

The renovations of 400 Royal Street for the new home of the Court continue to progress. In 2001, the exterior lighting, stonework and fencing were completed.

Bids for the final major construction phase were opened on January 8, 2002. This phase was slated to begin in March 2002, with the court moving to the building late in 2003. The Louisiana Supreme Court Historical Society completed restoration of the portraits of the Court and is beginning to restore the frames.

TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCEMENTS

The Court's Web site continues to improve. A new search engine was installed allowing a search of the entire site. A committee lead by Justice Catherine "Kitty" Kimball is focused on upgrading the entire site, including interfacing the site with the case management system.



A newly restructured Web site—www.lasc.org—is designed to allow users to have easier access to case information as well as general information about the Court. Upgrades to the site continue in 2002.

Microfilming of court records continued in 2001. We have thus far filmed 300,000 documents, including records from 1921 to 1979. The court is involved in an electronic filing pilot project with the 24th Judicial Court District in Jefferson Parish and the 5th Circuit Court of Appeal. The results will help direct plans for electronic filing and data storage and retrieval.

MEETINGS & SITTINGS

In addition to its regular sittings, the Court heard oral arguments in three cases at Tulane University Law School in 2001. It also hosted some 61 meetings and events at its building on Loyola Avenue.

REGULATING THE PRACTICE OF LAW

During 2001, the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board recommitted itself to enhancing Louisiana's legal profession through more meaningful regulation of the practice of law. Responding to the Louisiana Supreme Court's leadership and guidance, the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board and its Office of Disciplinary Counsel launched educational efforts designed to assist solo practitioners and small firms as they identify areas of potential complaints and misconduct.

The Disciplinary Board's Office of Disciplinary Counsel received over 3,200 complaints during 2001. More than 2000 of these complaints resulted in full disciplinary investigations.

Statistically, categories with the highest number of complaints include family practitioners, personal injury attorneys, criminal defense attorneys and those who handle estate and succession matters. Failure to communicate, lack of diligence, neglect of legal matters and improper funds handling continue to lead the list of most common complaints.

About 90% of the Board's complaint-based investigative efforts involve small firms and solo practitioners. In 2001, the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board and its Office of Disciplinary Counsel launched a free six-hour continuing legal education ethics seminar

for solo practitioners and small firm members statewide, emphasizing the practical aspects of the practice of law and the most common areas of complaint. The seminars are designed to reduce garden-variety complaints, allowing the Board to focus on the more serious issues of the conversion of funds, runner-based solicitation and other areas of misconduct that harm the profession and erode the public confidence.

At the request of the Louisiana State Bar Association's House of Delegates and the Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board, the Louisiana Supreme Court amended its rule to recognize permanent resignation from the practice of law in lieu of discipline, and permanent disbarment without opportunity for readmission.

Louisiana's lawyer population has grown to over 19,000 attorneys, making it the 22nd largest jurisdiction in the country. The lawyer regulatory system adopted by the Louisiana Supreme Court in 1990 has proven to be an efficient and effective system of lawyer regulation. It is viewed by many across the country as a model of its kind.

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 2001, the Commission convened 11 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.

2001 ACTIVITY

The Judiciary Commission of Louisiana received and docketed 451 complaints against judges and justices of the peace in 2001. In addition, 109 complaints filed prior to 2001 were pending January 1, 2001.

Complaints are received from litigants, non-litigant citizens, attorneys, judges, judicial and non-judicial state/parish/city employees, public officials and anonymous sources. Some complaints are referred to the Commission by the lawyer 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 2001, the Commission’s Office of Special Counsel received over 590 requests for information, and the Commission Office received some 243 requests.

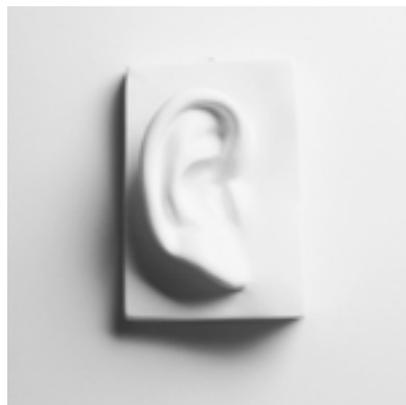
Of the 451 complaints filed and docketed in 2001, 274 were screened out as not within the jurisdiction of the Commission, or without merit or sufficient corroborating evidence. The remaining 177 cases were reviewed to consider the need for investigation. Eighty-one of the 177 cases required in-depth investigation.



In 2001, the Commission filed 28 formal charges against eight judges. One judge resigned after the filing of formal charges. Four matters in which formal charges were filed—all of which were filed before 2001—were resolved before the Commission. Formal hearings were conducted in six other cases. In one case, the Commission dismissed the formal charges after the hearing; two cases were resolved after the hearings. There was one case pending at the end of the year. In 2001, after formal hearings, the Commission submitted to the Supreme Court recommendations for discipline in two cases.

Also, during 2001, six judges made voluntary appearances for questioning by the Commission.

The Supreme Court suspended one justice of the peace from office



for six months and suspended a judge for 30 days.

As of December 31, 2001, there were no matters pending before the Supreme Court.

The Commission had 126 cases pending as of December 31, 2001, having disposed of 434 cases in 2001.

CONFIDENTIALITY

In accordance with Rule XXIII, Section 23 of the Rules of the Supreme Court, all documents filed, all evidence and all 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.

BEHIND THE COURTS' SUCCESS

Dozens of people, working together, have made the accomplishments of 2001 possible. Some of them are Court staff, some are members of councils and commissions. Their efforts have been invaluable to the progress of the Louisiana court system and of justice in the State.

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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 for the calendar year 2001.

We continue to take advantage of the newest, most efficient technologies. Our enhanced Court Management Information System is key to making sure our courts have the information they need when they need it.

SUPREME COURT

In 2001, there were 3,457 filings in the Supreme Court. The filings in 2001 were 3% lower than in 2000. There were 494 filings per justice. In 2001, the Louisiana Supreme Court rendered 286 opinions, an increase of 5.5% over the 2000 total.

COURTS OF APPEAL

In 2001, there were 9,659 filings in the Louisiana courts of appeal. This represents an increase of approximately 12% over the filings 10 years earlier. The 2001 filings were 9.3% lower than in 2000. Civil court cases accounted for more than 72% of the 3,733 appeals filed and 68% of the writs filed (except pro se). Of the total of 3,301 pro se writs, 2,995 concerned criminal cases. The average time interval from the filing of a civil appeal to its disposition was 415 days in the First Circuit, 190 days in the Second Circuit, 174 days in the Third Circuit, 377 days in the Fourth Circuit, and 248 days in the Fifth Circuit. The average time interval from the filing of a

criminal appeal to its disposition was 278 days in the First Circuit, 213 days in the Second Circuit, 196 days in the Third Circuit, 321 days in the Fourth Circuit, and 198 days in the Fifth Circuit. The appellate courts rendered a total of 3,541 opinions during 2001.

DISTRICT COURTS

During 2001, 704,043 cases were filed in district courts across the state, an increase of more than 11,000 or 1.6% over the 2000 statistic. During 2001, 166,428 were civil filings in the district courts, on a statistical par with the 2000 total of 167,111. In 2001, there were 179,706 criminal cases filed, up by 2% from 176,189 in 2000. Traffic cases filed also increased by 2%, from 325,626 in 2000 to 332,154 in 2001.

CITY AND PARISH COURTS

Filings in civil, criminal, traffic and juvenile matters in Louisiana city and parish courts increased by 5.2% from 1,052,482 filings in 2000 to 1,107,228 filings in 2001.

ADDITIONAL STATISTICS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE LOUISIANA SUPREME COURT WEB SITE, WWW.LASC.ORG.

	2000 Total	2001 Total	2001 Civil	2001 Criminal
APPEALS				
Appeals Filed	41	30	14	16
Dismissed	1	3	2	1
Opinions Rendered				
with written opinions	21	20	6	14
per curiams	34	4	3	1
WRITS				
Applications Filed (Except Prisoner Pro Se)	1,969	1,876	1,360	516
Prisoner Pro Se Writs	1,409	1,354	47	1,307
Granted	414	368	167	201
to be argued	121	109	73	36
with orders & transferred	293	259	94	165
Dismissed	27	48	27	21
Not Considered	45	36	30	6
Denied	2,392	2,678	1,133	1,545
Opinions Rendered	62	90	71	19
REHEARINGS				
Applied for	92	99	72	27
Granted	5	7	3	4
Denied/Dismissed	72	77	56	21
Opinions Rendered	1	0	0	0
ORIGINAL JURISDICTION				
Petitions Filed	144	197	197	0
Opinions Rendered	3	2	2	0
Other Actions	116	147	147	0
OTHER MATTERS				
Filed	2	0	0	0
Opinions Rendered	1	0	0	0
Other Actions	45	36	15	21
OTHER PER CURIAM OPINIONS RENDERED				
	149	170	128	42
TOTAL FILINGS				
	3,565	3,457	1,618	1,839
Per Justice	446	494	231	263
TOTAL OPINIONS RENDERED				
	271	286	210	76

In 2001, the Louisiana Supreme Court rendered 286 opinions, an increase of 5.5% over the 2000 total.

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*

Total appeals, motions and writs filed in the Louisiana State Courts of Appeal are about equally split between those arising from civil cases and those that come from criminal cases. Approximately four out of five of the 5,926 writs filed (including pro se) are refused by the Courts.

	2000 Total	2001 Total	2001 Civil	2001 Criminal
FIRST CIRCUIT				
Appeals Filed	1,305	1,301	1,027	274
Motions Filed	36	24	14	10
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)	703	786	534	252
Writs Refused*	558	652	449	203
Writs Granted	154	131	91	40
Pro Se Writs Filed	954	969	281	688
Pro Se Writs Refused*	748	835	222	613
Pro Se Writs Granted	104	98	17	81
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred	244	253	233	20
Consolidated Opinions	67	57	57	0
Opinions Rendered	943	949	638	311
Rehearings Acted Upon**	242	204	152	52
Appeals Pending	1,101	1,154	982	172
Argued But Not Decided	28	33	29	4
To Be Argued	1,073	1,121	953	168
SECOND CIRCUIT				
Appeals Filed	493	479	334	145
Motions Filed	21	20	16	4
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)	239	290	206	84
Writs Refused*	208	226	165	61
Writs Granted	60	71	48	23
Pro Se Writs Filed	464	378	0	378
Pro Se Writs Refused*	410	342	0	342
Pro Se Writs Granted	85	73	0	73
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred	47	52	42	10
Consolidated Opinions	20	19	19	0
Opinions Rendered	564	455	303	152
Rehearings Acted Upon**	107	61	43	18
Appeals Pending	239	205	136	69
Argued But Not Decided	35	49	37	12
To Be Argued	204	156	99	57
THIRD CIRCUIT				
Appeals Filed	732	733	574	159
Motions Filed	64	54	17	37
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)	491	431	314	117
Writs Refused*	344	323	239	84
Writs Granted	129	107	75	32
Pro Se Writs Filed	529	473	1	472
Pro Se Writs Refused*	311	506	2	504
Pro Se Writs Granted	147	111	0	111
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred	64	75	62	13
Consolidated Opinions	23	34	31	3
Opinions Rendered	746	675	507	168
Rehearings Acted Upon**	90	87	63	24
Appeals Pending	404	376	278	98
Argued But Not Decided	33	26	23	3
To Be Argued	371	350	255	95

* Includes writs denied, not considered or dismissed.
 ** Includes rehearings on writs.
 *** Reflects updated 2000 information received from the Fifth Circuit.

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

	2000 Total	2001 Total	2001 Civil	2001 Criminal
FOURTH CIRCUIT				
Appeals Filed	993	701	453	248
Motions Filed	15	9	7	2
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)	634	727	459	268
Writs Refused*	462	461	283	178
Writs Granted	410	425	248	177
Pro Se Writs Filed	1,159	974	20	954
Pro Se Writs Refused*	749	648	7	641
Pro Se Writs Granted	441	301	10	291
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred	93	92	72	20
Consolidated Opinions	40	76	69	7
Opinions Rendered	873	885	473	412
Rehearings Acted Upon**	156	171	134	37
Appeals Pending	970	699	528	171
Argued But Not Decided	148	211	175	36
To Be Argued	822	488	353	135
FIFTH CIRCUIT				
Appeals Filed	1,033	519	317	202
Motions Filed	19	20	13	7
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)***	379	391	261	130
Writs Refused*	303	294	193	101
Writs Granted	101	87	59	28
Pro Se Writs Filed***	537	507	4	503
Pro Se Writs Refused*	443	443	5	438
Pro Se Writs Granted	69	72	1	71
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred***	222	171	159	12
Consolidated Opinions	32	146	141	5
Opinions Rendered	414	577	359	218
Rehearings Acted Upon**	75	169	157	12
Appeals Pending***	630	269	165	104
Argued But Not Decided	96	62	48	14
To Be Argued***	534	207	117	90
TOTAL FOR ALL CIRCUITS				
Appeals Filed	4,556	3,733	2,705	1,028
Motions Filed	155	127	67	60
Writs Filed (except Pro Se)***	2,446	2,625	1,774	851
Writs Refused*	1,875	1,956	1,329	627
Writs Granted	854	821	521	300
Pro Se Writs Filed	3,643	3,301	306	2,995
Pro Se Writs Refused*	2,661	2,774	236	2,538
Pro Se Writs Granted	846	655	28	627
Appeals Dismissed/Transferred***	670	643	568	75
Consolidated Opinions	184	332	317	15
Opinions Rendered	3,745	3,541	2,280	1,261
Rehearings Acted Upon**	670	692	549	143
Appeals Pending***	3,344	2,703	2,089	614
Argued But Not Decided	340	381	312	69
To Be Argued***	3,166	2,322	1,777	545

The state's 52 City and Parish Courts disposed of a total of 942,696 civil, criminal, traffic and juvenile cases during 2001. In Louisiana's District Courts, civil jury trials decreased by 7.4% when compared with 2000. There were 10 fewer criminal jury trials in 2001 than in the previous year, decreasing from 1,205 in 2000 to 1,195 in 2001.

* Includes writs denied, not considered or dismissed
 ** Includes rehearings on writs.
 *** Reflects updated 2000 information received from the Fifth Circuit..

LOUISIANA DISTRICT COURTS *Two-Year Trend In Activity*

DISTRICT	PARISH	2000	2001	2001	2001	2001	2001	JURY TRIALS	
		Total Filed	Juvenile Filed	Civil Filed	Criminal Filed	Traffic Filed	Total Filed	Civil Filed	Criminal Filed
1	Caddo*	19,554	0	8,299	6,735	5,332	20,366		
	District Totals	19,554	0	8,299	6,735	5,332	20,366	19	60
2	Bienville	8,371	168	642	716	7,770	9,296		
	Claiborne*****	2,708	137	535	463	1,352	2,487		
	Jackson	2,693	88	1,126	860	2,358	4,432		
	District Totals	13,772	393	2,303	2,039	11,480	16,215	0	7
3	Lincoln	4,901	506	1,060	1,207	2,400	5,173		
	Union	2,891	294	850	928	1,509	3,581		
	District Totals	7,792	800	1,910	2,135	3,909	8,754	4	9
4	Morehouse	5,333	319	1,136	1,345	2,869	5,669		
	Ouachita	22,253	1,081	5,454	5,433	13,538	25,506		
	District Totals	27,586	1,400	6,590	6,778	16,407	31,175	11	30
5	Franklin	2,907	202	808	980	748	2,738		
	Richland	4,160	185	865	917	2,213	4,180		
	West Carroll	1,517	119	398	295	398	1,210		
	District Totals	8,584	506	2,071	2,192	3,359	8,128	2	8
6	East Carroll	1,715	150	276	241	1,695	2,362		
	Madison	6,627	226	427	815	3,353	4,821		
	Tensas	1,445	125	248	436	1,305	2,114		
	District Totals	9,787	501	951	1,492	6,353	9,297	0	2
7	Catahoula	2,990	157	420	460	1,216	2,253		
	Concordia	3,246	186	723	1,060	966	2,935		
	District Totals	6,236	343	1,143	1,520	2,182	5,188	1	3
8	Winn	4,023	106	777	879	3,573	5,335		
	District Totals	4,023	106	777	879	3,573	5,335	1	2
9	Rapides	19,380	2,148	5,103	6,653	10,313	24,217		
	District Totals	19,380	2,148	5,103	6,653	10,313	24,217	10	27
10	Natchitoches	14,836	1,220	1,440	2,476	11,911	17,047		
	District Totals	14,836	1,220	1,440	2,476	11,911	17,047	2	1
11	DeSoto	11,032	227	969	1,438	7,317	9,951		
	Sabine	5,860	150	1,024	1,586	4,343	7,103		
	District Totals	16,892	377	1,993	3,024	11,660	17,054	1	7
12	Avoyelles	7,649	323	1,970	1,585	2,679	6,557		
	District Totals	7,649	323	1,970	1,585	2,679	6,557	2	7
13	Evangeline**	3,331	388	1,216	1,611	0	3,215		
	District Totals	3,331	388	1,216	1,611	0	3,215	3	6
14	Calcasieu	25,231	1,150	7,459	6,950	9,666	25,225		
	District Totals	25,231	1,150	7,459	6,950	9,666	25,225	22	10
15	Acadia	7,762	359	1,828	2,108	3,216	7,511		
	Lafayette*****	22,679	1,625	7,331	5,399	7,043	21,398		
	Vermilion	6,786	355	1,713	1,580	2,121	5,769		
	District Totals	37,227	2,339	10,872	9,087	12,380	34,678	31	31
16	Iberia	12,478	1,254	2,493	1,835	4,828	10,410		
	St. Martin	13,412	639	1,691	808	12,591	15,729		
	St. Mary	12,461	991	1,935	2,327	6,935	12,188		
	District Totals	38,351	2,884	6,119	4,970	24,354	38,327	16	25
17	Lafourche	20,159	603	2,928	4,483	10,847	18,861		
	District Totals	20,159	603	2,928	4,483	10,847	18,861	8	5
18	Iberville	8,099	54	1,967	2,035	3,178	7,234		
	Pointe Coupee	2,447	255	840	921	907	2,923		
	W. Baton Rouge	5,559	106	919	903	2,912	4,840		
	District Totals	16,105	415	3,726	3,859	6,997	14,997	9	10
19	E. Baton Rouge*	43,071	0	14,100	8,930	21,326	44,356		
	District Totals	43,071	0	14,100	8,930	21,326	44,356	48	56
20	East Feliciana	3,489	489	958	1,154	1,299	3,900		
	West Feliciana**	1,215	34	508	807	0	1,349		
	District Totals	4,704	523	1,466	1,961	1,299	5,249	2	6

LOUISIANA DISTRICT COURTS *Two-Year Trend In Activity*

STATISTICAL DATA

DISTRICT	PARISH	2000	2001	2001	2001	2001	2001	JURY TRIALS	
		Total Filed	Juvenile Filed	Civil Filed	Criminal Filed	Traffic Filed	Total Filed	Civil Filed	Criminal Filed
21	Livingston	11,825	331	3,935	2,135	5,202	11,603		
	St. Helena	1,790	23	463	391	2,581	3,458		
	Tangipahoa	21,671	237	4,746	3,837	12,515	21,335		
	District Totals	35,286	591	9,144	6,363	20,298	36,396	19	24
22	St. Tammany	41,349	1,703	6,850	10,408	19,547	38,508		
	Washington	5,885	273	1,777	992	1,751	4,793		
	District Totals	47,234	1,976	8,627	11,400	21,298	43,301	16	107
23	Ascension*	4,642	575	2,706	1,186	0	4,467		
	Assumption	4,053	231	700	659	3,192	4,782		
	St. James**	6,388	176	1,011	3,234	0	4,421		
	District Totals	15,083	982	4,417	5,079	3,192	13,670	14	23
24	Jefferson*	21,281	0	13,777	6,772	0	20,549		
	District Totals	21,281	0	13,777	6,772	0	20,549	36	204
25	Plaquemines***	8,243	0	1,303	3,561	0	4,864		
	District Totals	8,243	0	1,303	3,561	0	4,864	1	17
26	Bossier	15,911	988	3,071	5,609	6,073	15,741		
	Webster	7,291	281	1,406	1,458	3,597	6,742		
	District Totals	23,202	1,269	4,477	7,067	9,670	22,483	8	16
27	St. Landry	26,810	504	2,871	1,966	25,547	30,888		
	District Totals	26,810	504	2,871	1,966	25,547	30,888	10	39
28	LaSalle	3,117	95	631	964	1,270	2,960		
	District Totals	3,117	95	631	964	1,270	2,960	0	2
29	St. Charles	21,593	642	2,129	2,792	19,263	24,826		
	District Totals	21,593	642	2,129	2,792	19,263	24,826	3	4
30	Vernon	15,085	316	1,769	2,070	7,658	11,813		
	District Totals	15,085	316	1,769	2,070	7,658	11,813	1	3
31	Jefferson Davis	9,935	179	1,052	666	10,537	12,434		
	District Totals	9,935	179	1,052	666	10,537	12,434	3	5
32	Terrebonne**	25,040	671	3,665	23,745	0	28,081		
	District Totals	25,040	671	3,665	23,745	0	28,081	17	41
33	Allen	6,986	230	790	1,004	5,817	7,841		
	District Totals	6,986	230	790	1,004	5,817	7,841	1	7
34	St. Bernard	17,727	603	2,800	6,270	8,981	18,654		
	District Totals	17,727	603	2,800	6,270	8,981	18,654	4	2
35	Grant	3,974	268	616	653	1,828	3,365		
	District Totals	3,974	268	616	653	1,828	3,365	1	5
36	Beauregard	8,616	178	1,275	911	4,937	7,301		
	District Totals	8,616	178	1,275	911	4,937	7,301	1	4
37	Caldwell**	2,687	80	449	2,163	0	2,692		
	District Totals	2,687	80	449	2,163	0	2,692	0	2
38	Cameron**	5,195	65	305	4,144	0	4,514		
	District Totals	5,195	65	305	4,144	0	4,514	1	0
39	Red River	5,482	140	495	2,306	2,692	5,633		
	District Totals	5,482	140	495	2,306	2,692	5,633	2	3
40	St. John	18,525	547	1,813	2,228	13,139	17,727		
	District Totals	18,525	547	1,813	2,228	13,139	17,727	4	11
	Orleans Civil*	20,365	0	21,587	0	0	21,587		
	Orleans Criminal*	7,146	0	0	8,223	0	8,223		
	District Totals	27,511	0	21,587	8,223	0	29,810	66	364
Statewide Totals		692,882	25,755	166,428	179,706	332,154	704,043	400	1,195

* 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.
 **** This court was unable to separate traffic from criminal filings and unable to provide Juvenile filings due to being destroyed by fire.
 ***** Updated 2000 information received during the year 2001.

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

Parish	Administrative Remedy				Detention		Petition		Pleas		Pre-Trial
	Refer In	Refer Out	Petitioned	Other	Hearings	Cases/DA	Children	Charges	Guilty	Not Guilty	Hearings
<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>
Caddo Parish Juvenile	2,927	0	1,393	1,572	836	1,304	1,262	1,507	537	170	3
E.B.R. Parish Juvenile	1,968	223	0	1,745	519	1,637	1,637	2,252	286	1,431	3,528
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	6,277	4,601	13	4,199	1,785	2,153	2,150	3,411	1,374	1,820	2,951
Orleans Parish Juvenile	936	0	103	85	1,115	1,929	2,153	2,586	920	941	1,120
TOTALS	12,108	4,824	1,509	7,601	4,255	7,023	7,202	9,756	3,117	4,362	7,602

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	Trials	
				Admit	Deny			Adjudicated	Dismissed
<i>Unit of Count = Children</i>									
Caddo Parish Juvenile	229	106	161	0	15	4	39	77	18
E.B.R. Parish Juvenile	200	180	142	0	98	46	56	55	6
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	594	215	1,185	9	225	58	296	148	10
Orleans Parish Juvenile	177	237	84	29	149	357	181	197	33
TOTALS	1,200	738	1,572	38	487	465	572	477	67

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	508	0	379	6	149	914	0
E.B.R. Parish Juvenile	1,246	118	915	2	601	488	5
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	1,095	159	160	0	722	1,335	122
Orleans Parish Juvenile	2,426	74	896	73	514	1,057	0
TOTALS	5,275	351	2,350	81	1,986	3,794	127

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	170	41	10	0	0	2	0	0	0	77	0	1	0
E.B.R. Parish Juvenile	96	65	3	1	2	23	2	0	0	114	4	5	1
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	162	2	5	0	5	5	0	0	0	140	188	0	0
Orleans Parish Juvenile	120	31	9	1	4	1	0	0	0	96	0	3	1
TOTALS	548	139	27	2	11	31	2	0	0	427	192	9	2

IAA w/ Petition	Dismissals	Waived Adult Cr	Pre-Trial Motions	Adjudications		LTI	Dispositions		IAA Cmpl	Contempt Hearings	Motions to Modify	Dispost'l Reviews
Children	Charges	Charges	Motions	Guilty	Dismissed	Charges	Charges	Charges	Charges	People	Motions	Cases
0	242	0	0	14	19	337	625	0	1	328	259	1,242
660	592	4	910	279	191	142	367	184	333	273	95	96
58	1,161	7	470	330	274	405	2,270	833	254	3,953	1,198	4,407
19	423	20	26	459	229	329	1,274	1,491	1	257	163	1,705
737	2,418	31	1,406	1,082	713	1,213	4,536	2,508	589	4,811	1,715	7,450

Initial Dispositions		Other	Contempt Hearings	Perm Plan (18-mo) Hearing	Review	Granted	Denied	Dismissed
Custody D.S.S.	Custody Parent							
81	55	66	10	47	1,330	550	27	15
36	12	26	1	195	283	152	2	18
182	0	496	85	154	1,832	223	15	47
645	95	226	0	21	1,497	26	0	72
944	162	814	96	417	4,942	951	44	152

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

Parish	Cases Filed	Guilty	Pleas		Trials	Consent Judgements	Rules	Jail	Sentences		Dismissed
			Not Guilty						Other		
<i>Unit of Count = Cases</i>											
Caddo Parish Juvenile	909	1	1	0	629	274	2	7	52		
E.B.R. Parish Juvenile	877	0	0	91	998	478	105	1,211	220		
Jefferson Parish Juvenile	3,161	0	115	1	1,659	23,729	84	6,301	390		
Orleans Parish Juvenile	0	86	0	1,056	101	1,073	88	532	59		
TOTALS	4,947	87	116	1,148	3,387	25,554	279	8,051	721		

FAMILY COURT FILINGS

Parish	New Cases Filed	Divorce	Separations (Covenant Marriage)	Family Violence	Paternity Cases and State Cases	Disavowal	Annulment	Rule Hearings	Judgements
EBR Family Court	3,719	1,692	1	867	2,616	1	1	4,790	2,455

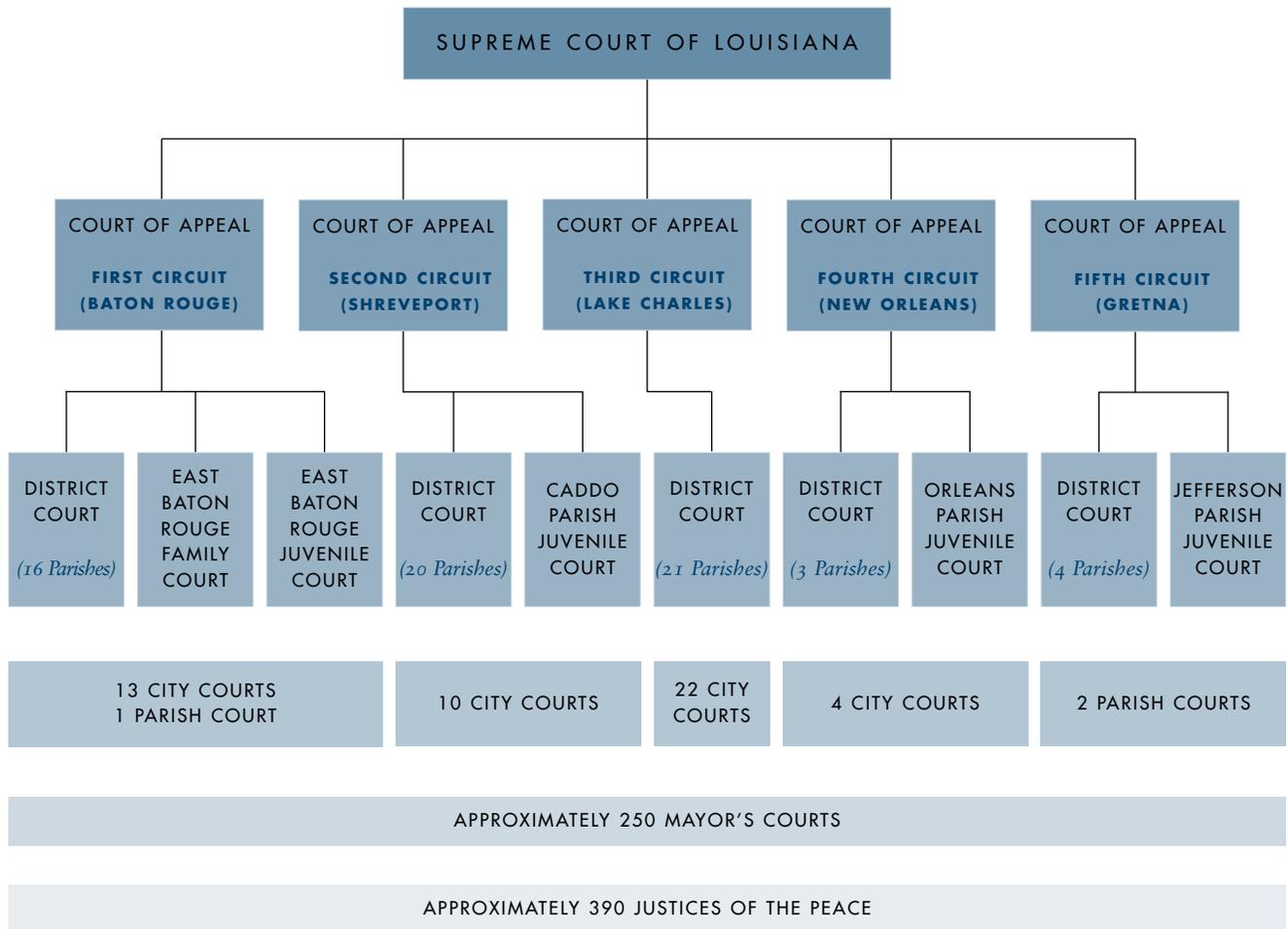
LOUISIANA CITY AND PARISH COURTS *Cases Processed*

CITY	Filed	Term.	Filed	Term.	Filed	Term.	Filed	Term.	Filed	Term.	OTHER
	CIVIL		CRIMINAL		TRAFFIC*		JUVENILE		TOTAL CASES		
Abbeville	289	226	537	435	1,709	1,722	241	268	2,776	2,651	0
Alexandria	1,741	1,093	6,038	5,029	12,669	12,151	0	0	20,448	18,273	0
Ascension	580	284	3,799	2,719	12,696	8,968	381	0	17,456	11,971	0
Baker	288	138	701	1,049	1,726	2,401	0	0	2,715	3,588	0
Bastrop	1,060	610	1,445	1,309	3,055	2,593	68	50	5,628	4,562	456
Baton Rouge	11,870	10,918	42,437	20,666	100,953	81,560	0	0	155,260	113,144	50,237
Bogalusa	285	256	1,406	1,015	1,577	1,221	381	387	3,649	2,879	2,528
Bossier City	2,013	1,190	5,397	5,080	6,315	5,125	1,119	1,122	14,844	12,517	322
Breaux Bridge	302	257	1,559	1,299	1,195	1,176	220	168	3,276	2,900	84
Bunkie	118	115	561	572	612	626	224	235	1,515	1,548	0
Crowley	357	264	2,789	1,402	894	1,073	365	297	4,405	3,036	0
Denham Springs	1,000	886	3,442	2,725	7,362	6,620	740	1,026	12,544	11,257	2,016
Eunice	358	304	2,867	3,074	3,376	3,680	372	391	6,973	7,449	0
Franklin	280	211	645	565	1,564	1,213	126	137	2,615	2,126	57
Hammond	1,706	1,521	4,218	2,998	13,624	10,526	1,360	810	20,908	15,855	0
Houma	2,101	1,613	2,808	2,699	7,795	8,301	2,275	1,937	14,979	14,550	604
Jeanerette	239	300	572	381	1,048	941	61	27	1,920	1,649	0
Jeff. 1st Parish Ct.	4,687	6,597	7,773	9,777	78,127	79,853	0	0	90,587	96,227	0
Jeff. 2nd Parish Ct.	3,710	5,170	11,506	12,227	66,046	62,422	0	0	81,262	79,819	0
Jennings	444	270	556	202	1,931	1,485	0	0	2,931	1,957	0
Kaplan	71	54	510	433	833	785	81	83	1,495	1,355	0
Lafayette	2,512	2,261	6,918	6,810	20,025	18,825	1,103	1,109	30,558	29,005	906
Lake Charles	2,511	1,923	3,697	3,035	10,333	11,958	160	213	16,701	17,129	0
Leesville	163	70	2,275	2,256	2,745	3,631	84	80	5,267	6,037	0
Marksville	314	261	479	288	865	635	84	83	1,742	1,267	0
Minden	392	430	665	609	687	780	218	216	1,962	2,035	112
Monroe	3,658	2,133	13,583	12,406	24,545	15,727	687	212	42,473	30,478	0
Morgan City	506	453	1,534	1,349	1,776	1,634	176	188	3,992	3,624	0
Natchitoches	475	329	1,258	954	6,270	5,150	263	212	8,266	6,645	161
New Iberia	888	765	2,897	3,061	6,777	6,761	473	422	11,035	11,009	0
N.O. 1st City Ct.	19,752	14,246	0	0	0	0	0	0	19,752	14,246	0
N.O. 2nd City Ct	2,671	1,444	0	0	0	0	0	0	2,671	1,444	151
N.O. Municipal	0	0	66,266	64,704	0	0	0	0	66,266	64,704	0
N.O. Traffic	0	0	4,973	3,724	280,282	211,304	0	0	285,255	215,028	0
Oakdale	252	251	1,138	981	1,314	1,743	168	154	2,872	3,129	40
Opelousas	551	479	2,976	4,268	4,723	6,502	600	626	8,850	11,875	258
Pineville	700	404	532	751	759	800	0	0	1,991	1,955	0
Plaquemine	331	331	1,031	985	2,163	2,150	205	190	3,730	3,656	0
Port Allen	270	144	496	423	5,383	5,273	154	96	6,303	5,936	0
Rayne	362	358	1,236	1,617	1,308	1,316	236	232	3,142	3,523	0
Ruston	744	493	1,472	843	3,190	2,413	0	0	5,406	3,749	461
Shreveport	8,731	6,601	11,903	10,495	34,870	30,820	0	0	55,504	47,916	23,709
Slidell	1,342	1,358	2,573	2,528	6,584	5,897	643	549	11,142	10,332	0
Springhill	206	185	1,722	1,295	873	883	257	221	3,058	2,584	145
Sulphur	823	628	2,461	2,888	10,975	10,101	256	64	14,515	13,681	249
Thibodaux	512	151	2,067	2,126	4,407	4,423	235	140	7,221	6,840	0
Vidalia	27	4	235	170	1,432	895	49	32	1,743	1,101	0
Ville Platte	800	381	1,516	1,166	1,199	1,041	260	239	3,775	2,827	0
West Monroe	1,167	1,078	1,848	1,489	4,616	4,707	383	142	8,014	7,416	172
Winnfield	110	128	392	204	199	121	0	0	701	453	0
Winnsboro	714	448	1,078	786	398	346	157	171	2,347	1,751	0
Zachary	296	214	499	300	1,993	1,494	0	0	2,788	2,008	0
STATE TOTALS	85,279	70,228	241,286	208,167	765,798	651,772	14,865	12,529	1,107,228	942,696	82,668

* DWI is included in the Criminal column.

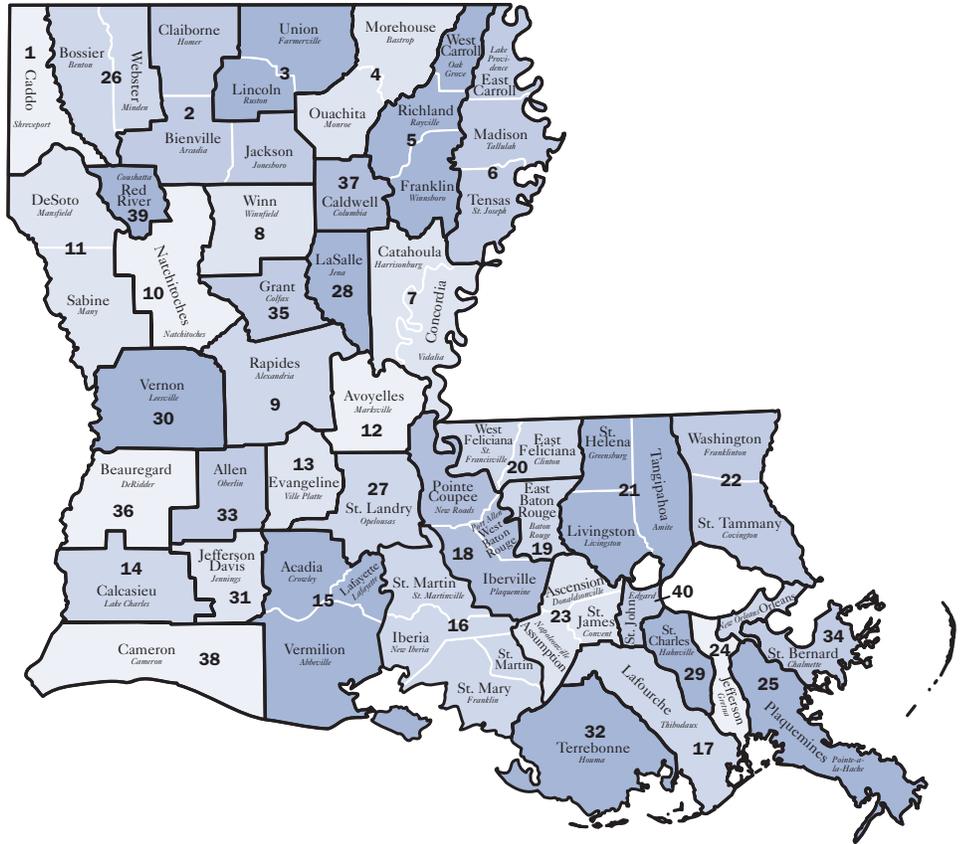
LOUISIANA COURT STRUCTURE

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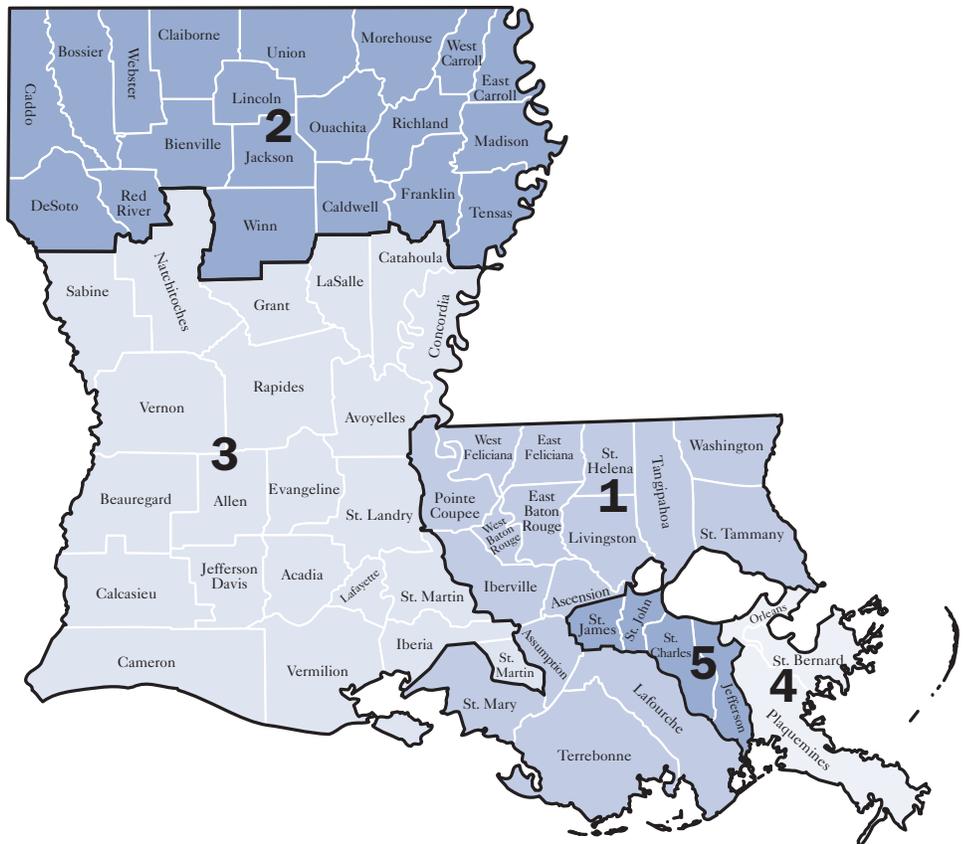


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 53 Courts of Appeal
 238 District, Family and Juvenile
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 73 City and Parish Courts
 371 Total

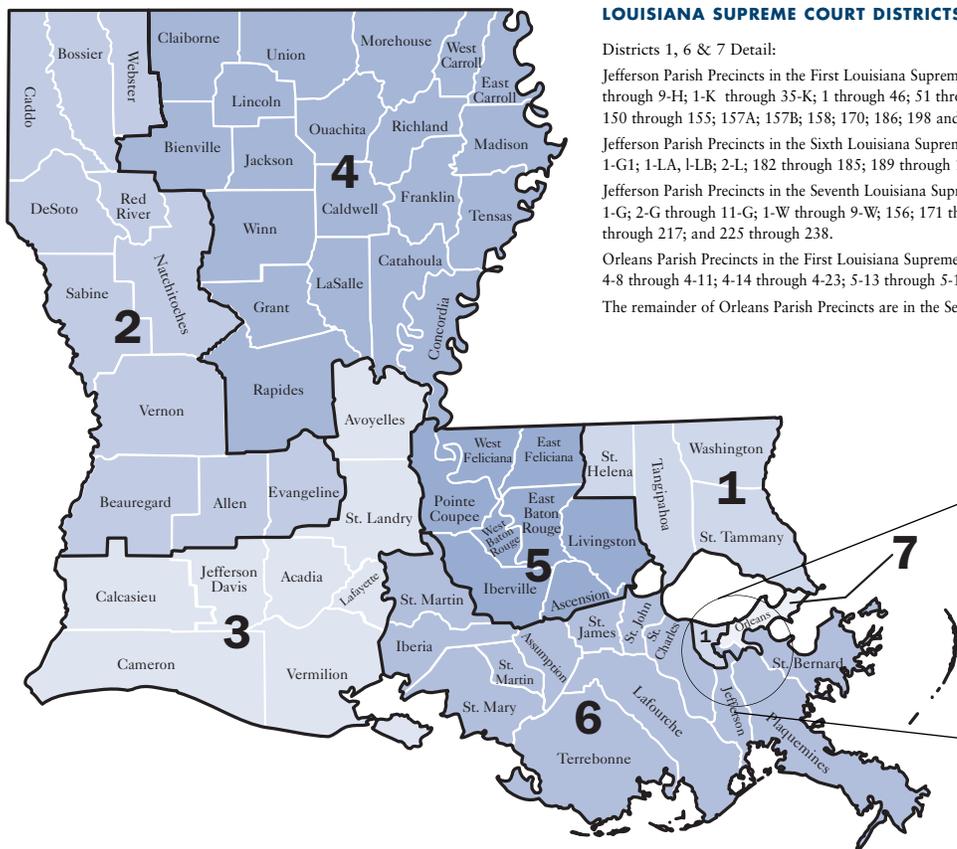
**LOUISIANA DISTRICT COURTS
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LOUISIANA SUPREME COURT DISTRICTS Effective January 1, 1999



Districts 1, 6 & 7 Detail:

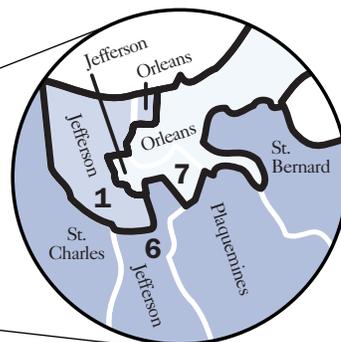
Jefferson Parish Precincts in the First Louisiana Supreme Court District are 1-H through 9-H; 1-K through 35-K; 1 through 46; 51 through 108; 115 through 138; 150 through 155; 157A; 157B; 158; 170; 186; 198 and 199.

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.

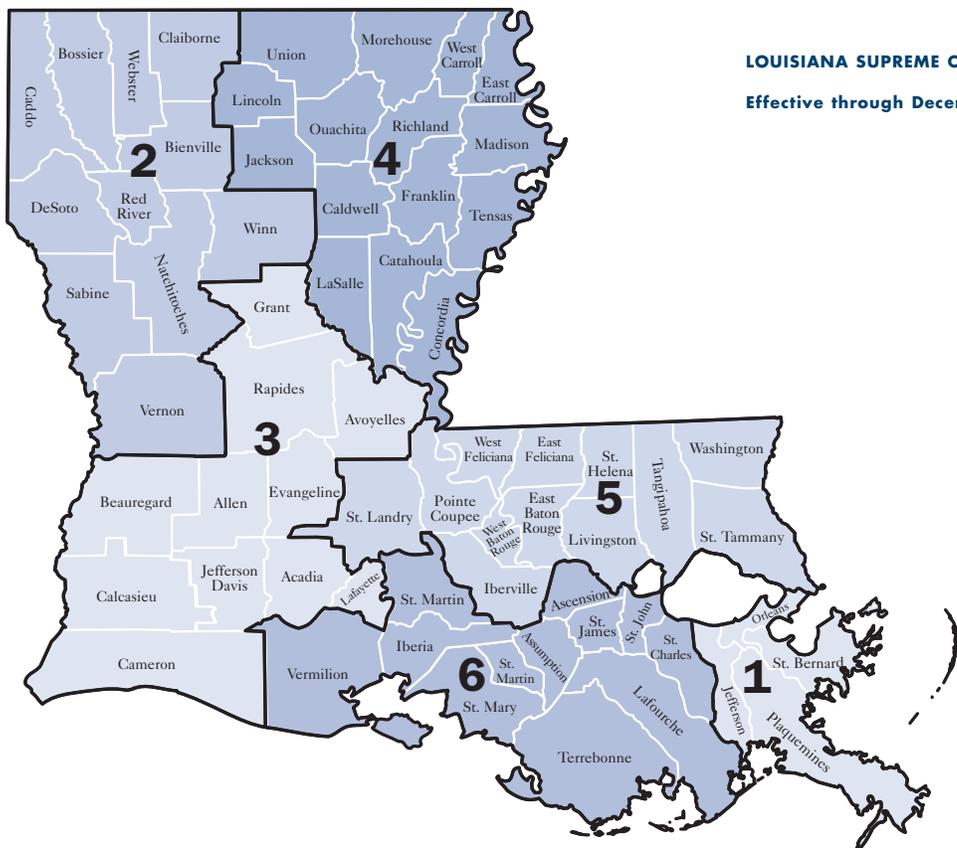
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The remainder of Orleans Parish Precincts are in the Seventh Louisiana Supreme Court District.



LOUISIANA SUPREME COURT DISTRICTS

Effective through December 31, 1998



THE LOUISIANA COURTS OF APPEAL

LOUISIANA COURTS OF APPEAL Opinions Rendered Per Judge by Circuit		
	2000	2001
First Circuit	75.4	66.6
Second Circuit	62.7	50.6
Third Circuit	62.2	56.3
Fourth Circuit	72.8	73.8
Fifth Circuit	51.8	72.1



Chief Judge
Burrell J. Carter

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

Judges	Domicile	District
Burrell J. Carter, Chief Judge	Greensburg	Third
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 ¹	Thibodaux	First
John T. Pettigrew	Houma	First
Robert D. Downing	Baton Rouge	Second

Clerk of Court: Christine L. Crow

Phone: (225) 342 1500



Chief Judge
William Norris, III

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

Judges	Domicile	District
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: Diana Pratt-Wyatt

Phone: (318) 227 3700

1. Elected to Louisiana Supreme Court effective December 13, 2001.

THE LOUISIANA COURTS OF APPEAL

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

Judges	Domicile	District
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 of Court: Kenneth J. deBlanc **Phone:** (337) 433 9403



Chief Judge
Ned Doucet, Jr.

FOURTH CIRCUIT (NEW ORLEANS)

Parishes: Orleans, Plaquemines, St. Bernard

Judges	Domicile	District
William H. Byrnes, III, Chief Judge	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
Patricia Rivet Murray	New Orleans	First
James F. McKay, III	New Orleans	At Large
Dennis R. Bagneris, Sr.	New Orleans	First
Michael E. Kirby	Empire	Second
Terri Fleming Love	New Orleans	First
Max N. Tobias, Jr.	New Orleans	First
David S. Gorbaty	Chalmette	Third

Clerk of Court: Danielle Schott **Phone:** (504) 568 4700



Chief Judge
William H. Byrnes, III

FIFTH CIRCUIT (GRETNA)

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

Judges	Domicile	District
Edward A. Dufresne, Jr., Chief Judge	Luling	Third
Sol Gothard	Metairie	First
James L. Cannella	Kenner	First
Thomas F. Daley	Laplace	Second
Susan M. Chehardy	River Ridge	First
Marion F. Edwards	Gretna	First
Clarence E. McManus	Metairie	First
Walter J. Rothschild	Metairie	First

Clerk of Court: Peter J. Fitzgerald, Jr. **Phone:** (504) 376-1400



Chief Judge
Edward A. Dufresne, Jr.

DISTRICT COURTS OF LOUISIANA

The initial phase of the grand restoration of the Royal Street Courthouse is complete. Significant improvements to the 1909 Beaux Arts building include interior work, windows and roof cornices, stone replacement of the Royal Street entrance steps, construction of the portico at the Chartres Street entrance, restoration of ornamental exterior lights, and construction of a wheelchair accessible entrance ramp.

FIRST DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Caddo	Shreveport	G. Loftin	(318) 226 6780
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Robert P. Waddell Ramona Emanuel Scott J. Crichton Leon L. Emanuel, III Frank H. Thaxton, III B. Woodrow Nesbitt, Jr. John D. Mosely, Jr. Eugene W. Bryson, Jr., Chief Judge Charles R. Scott Michael R. Walker Roy L. Brun		Thomas N. Williams	(318) 226 6821
CADDO PARISH JUVENILE COURT			
Judges		Parish Seat	
David N. Matlock, Chief Judge Paul Young Vernon Claville		Shreveport	
		Clerk of Court	Phone
		M. Gibson	(318) 226 6772
		Court Administrator	Phone
		H. Ted Cox	(318) 226 6759
SECOND DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Claiborne	Homer	J. P. Gladney	(318) 927 9601
Jackson	Jonesboro	A. B. Walsworth	(318) 259 2424
Bienville	Arcadia	J. Martin	(318) 263 2123
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Jenifer Ward Clason, Chief Judge Jimmy C. Teat Glenn Fallin		Leon H. Whitten	(318) 927 3550
THIRD DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Union	Farmerville	S. Buckley	(318) 368 3055
Lincoln	Ruston	L. Cook	(318) 251 5130
Judges		Court Administrators	Phone
Cynthia T. Woodard ¹ R. Wayne Smith, Chief Judge		Union: Sue Butler Lincoln: Susan Hollis	(318) 368 9734 (318) 255 4691
FOURTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Morehouse	Bastrop	C. Jones	(318) 281 3343
Ouachita	Monroe	W. J. Hodge	(318) 327 1444
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Jimmy N. Dimos Sharon Ingram Marchman D. Milton Moore, III John Larry Lolley Marcus R. Clark Michael S. Ingram Carl V. Sharp Benjamin Jones, Chief Judge Alvin R. Sharp		Scott F. Kadar	(318) 361 2252

1. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2002.

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FIFTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Franklin	Winnsboro	A. Johnson	(318) 435 5133
Richland	Rayville	R. N. Haire	(318) 728 4171
West Carroll	Oak Grove	K. Bolding	(318) 428 2381
Judges			
Glen W. Strong, Chief Judge Glynn D. Roberts E. Rudolph McIntyre, Jr. ¹			
SIXTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Madison	Tallulah	C. Caldwell	(318) 574 0655
East Carroll	Lake Providence	E. B. Brock	(318) 559 2399
Tensas	St. Joseph	E. L. Sikes	(318) 766 3921
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Michael E. Lancaster John D. Crigler, Chief Judge		Sandra Bishop	(318) 574 2635
SEVENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Catahoula	Harrisonburg	J. T. Payne	(318) 744 5497
Concordia	Vidalia	C. R. Webber, Jr.	(318) 336 4204
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Kathy J. Johnson Leo Boothe, Chief Judge		Yolanda E. McClure ²	(318)744 5888
EIGHTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Winn	Winnfield	D. E. Kelley	(318) 628 3515
Judge			
Jimmy W. Wiley, Chief Judge			
NINTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Rapides	Alexandria	C. J. Ryland	(318) 473 8153
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Donald T. Johnson Thomas M. Yeager F. Rae Swent W. Ross Foote B. Dexter Ryland, Chief Judge George C. Metoyer, Jr. Harry F. Randow		Hope LeFleur Belgard	(318) 443 6893

The completion of the last stage of the Royal Street Courthouse renovation, which awaits final state approval, is anticipated to take 18 months at a cost of \$20 million. Occupancy is scheduled for late 2003, with the justices of the Louisiana Supreme Court taking the bench at the Royal Street Courthouse for the first time in 45 years.

1. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2002.

2. Appointed—term of office began February 1, 2001.

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The Hammond City Court recently received a grant from the Children's Trust Fund to buy TVs, a VCR and educational videos that address family and juvenile issues. Parents and children will see the videos as they wait for court. "The televisions in the lobby provide one more channel for the Court to facilitate the education of families," said Judge Grace Bennett Gasaway.

TENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Natchitoches	Natchitoches	L. Bernard	(318) 352 8152

Judges

Eric R. Harrington
Monty L. Doggett, Chief Judge

ELEVENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Sabine	Many	D. M. Knippers	(318) 256 6223
DeSoto	Mansfield	O. L. Stone, Jr.	(318) 872 3110

Judges

Robert E. Burgess¹
Charles B. Adams
Stephen B. Beasley, Chief Judge

Court Administrator
Judith E. Christian (318) 872 1366

TWELFTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Avoyelles	Marksville	S. G. Couvillon	(318) 253 7523

Judges

Kerry L. Spruill¹
William J. Bennett, Chief Judge

THIRTEENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Evangeline	Ville Platte	W. Lee	(337) 363 5671

Judges

Preston N. Aucoin, Chief Judge
A. Gaynor Soileau

FOURTEENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Calcasieu	Lake Charles	J. R. Andrus	(337) 437 3550

Judges

D. Kent Savoie²
David Painter
Billy H. Ezell
Fred R. Godwin¹
Patricia H. Minaldi
Wilford D. Carter, Sr.
Mike Canaday
Alcide J. Gray, Chief Judge
Lilynn A. Cutrer

Court Administrator
W. P. Hastings (337) 437 3530

1. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2002.

2. Term of office began April 16, 2001.

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The Louisiana District Court Judges Association kicked off 2001 by establishing the Judges in the Classroom program. Judges in the Classroom is designed to assist district judges in creating partnerships with their local elementary, middle and high schools to promote better understanding of the law and the judiciary. The statewide program involves regular participation by district judges in classroom discussions and opens courthouse doors for class visits, mock trials and courtroom presentations.

FIFTEENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Acadia	Crowley	R. Barousse	(337) 788 8881
Lafayette	Lafayette	L. Perret	(337) 233 0150
Vermilion	Abbeville	T. Doré	(337) 898 1992
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
John D. Trahan		Tina LeMaire	(337) 269 5761
Jules D. Edwards, III ¹			
J. Byron Hebert			
Edward D. Rubin			
Herman C. Clause			
Glenn P. Everett, Chief Judge			
Durwood W. Conque			
Ronald D. Cox			
Thomas R. Duplantier			
Don Aaron, Jr.			
Patrick L. Michot			
Marilyn C. Castle			
Phyllis Montgomery Keaty			
Diana P. Simon, Commissioner			
SIXTEENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Iberia	New Iberia	M. Thibodeaux	(337) 365 7282
St. Martin	St. Martinville	A. Blanchard, Sr.	(337) 394 2210
St. Mary	Franklin	C. G. Dressel	(337) 828 4100
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Gerard B. Wattigny		Stephanie Richardson	(337) 369 4466
Paul J. deMahy			
John E. Conery, Chief Judge			
William D. Hunter ²			
Anne Lennan Simon ³			
Keith R. J. Comeaux ⁴			
Edward M. Leonard, Jr.			
Charles L. Porter			
Carl J. Williams ⁵			
SEVENTEENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Lafourche	Thibodaux	V. H. Rodrigue	(985) 447 4841
Judges			
John E. LeBlanc			
Jerome J. Barbera, III, Chief Judge			
John J. Erny, Jr. ⁶			
A. Bruce Simpson			
F. Hugh Larose ⁷			
EIGHTEENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Iberville	Plaquemine	J. G. Dupont, Jr.	(225) 687 5160
W. Baton Rouge	Port Allen	M. J. Graffeo	(225) 383 0378
Pointe Coupee	New Roads	L. S. Landry	(225) 638 9596
Judges			
James J. Best			
J. Robin Free			
Sarah Harris			
Jack T. Marionneaux, Chief Judge			

1. Became Chief Judge September 1, 2001.
 2. Became Chief Judge October 1, 2001.
 3. Retired July 3, 2001.
 4. Term of office began July 4, 2001.

5. Died January 19, 2002; election October, 2002.
 6. Retired October 1, 2001.
 7. New Judgeship—term of office began January 1, 2002.

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Ascension Parish has established a Litter Night Court to act as a deterrent to littering and to raise public awareness in the parish and beyond. A Litter Night Court awareness campaign, supported by litter-abatement grants, also began to keep the public informed about litter enforcement.

NINETEENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
E. Baton Rouge	Baton Rouge	J. D. Welborn	(225) 389 3960
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Todd Hernandez ¹		Jo Bruce	(225) 389 4744
Donald R. Johnson			
Louis R. Daniel			
Janice G. Clark, Chief Judge			
William A. Morvant			
Timothy E. Kelley			
Richard D. Anderson			
J. Michael McDonald			
R. Michael Caldwell			
Curtis A. Calloway			
Bonnie F. Jackson			
Michael R. Erwin			
Kay Bates			
Jewel E. Welch, Jr. ²			
Wilson Fields ³			
Allen J. Bergeron, Jr., Commissioner ⁴			
John Smart, Commissioner ⁵			
Rachael Pitcher Morgan, Commissioner			

FAMILY COURT FOR THE PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE			
Judges		Parish Seat	
Jennifer Luse, Chief Judge		Baton Rouge	
Luke A. LaVergne		Court Administrator	Phone
Toni M. Higginbotham		Ronald L. Bullion	(225) 389 4676
Annette M. Lassalle			

JUVENILE COURT FOR THE PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE			
Judges		Parish Seat	
Kathleen Stewart Richey		Baton Rouge	
Pamela Taylor Johnson		Court Administrator	Phone
Salvadore T. Mulé, Ret., Administrative Judge ⁶		Donna Carter	(225) 354 1215

TWENTIETH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
East Feliciana	Clinton	D. D. Hudnall	(225) 683 5145
West Feliciana	St. Francisville	M. N. Marchive	(225) 635 3794
Judges			
George H. Ware, Jr.			
Wilson R. Ramshur, Chief Judge			

TWENTY-FIRST DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Livingston	Livingston	T. Sullivan, Jr.	(225) 686 2216
Tangipahoa	Amite	J. J. Dahmer	(504) 549 1610
St. Helena	Greensburg	B. A. Gordon ⁷	(225) 222 4514
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Wayne Ray Chutz		Melissa Easley	(504) 748 9445
Bruce C. Bennett			
Robert H. Morrison, III, Chief Judge			
M. Douglas Hughes			
Brenda Bedsole Ricks			
Jefferson D. Hughes, III			
Ernest G. Drake, Jr.			
Zorraine M. "Zoey" Waguespack			

1. Term of office began April 23, 2001.
 2. Became Chief Judge July 1, 2001.
 3. New Judgeship—term of office began January 1, 2002.
 4. Retired December 31, 2001.

5. Appointed—term of office began January 1, 2002.
 6. Appointed Pro Tempore Administrative Judge effective February 14, 2001.
 7. Elected—term of office began November 17, 2001.

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TWENTY-SECOND DISTRICT

Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
St. Tammany	Covington	M. Prieto	(985) 898 2430
Washington	Franklinton	J. D. Crain	(985) 839 4663

Judges	Court Administrator	Phone
Raymond S. Childress Elaine W. Guillot Patricia T. Hedges Peter J. Garcia William J. Burris Martin E. Coady Larry J. Green, Chief Judge Donald M. Fendlason Reginald T. Badeaux, III James J. Gleason, Commissioner	Robert G. Tyler, Jr.	(985) 898 2569

TWENTY-THIRD DISTRICT

Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Assumption	Napoleonville	L. E. Bergeron	(504) 369 6653
Ascension	Donaldsonville	K. H. Bourque	(225) 473 9866
St. James	Convent	E. E. Kinler, Jr.	(225) 562 2270

Judges	Court Administrator	Phone
Ralph Tureau John L. Peytavin Guy Holdridge Pegram J. Mire, Jr., Chief Judge Alvin Turner, Jr. ¹		

TWENTY-FOURTH DISTRICT

Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Jefferson	Gretna	J. A. Gegenheimer	(504) 364 2914

Judges	Court Administrator	Phone
Joan Bengé ² Fredericka H. Wicker Alan J. Green Robert M. Murphy Greg Guidry Patrick J. McCabe Robert A. Pitre Kernan Hand Jo Ellen Grant Steve Windhorst Martha E. Sassone, Chief Judge Charles V. Cusimano, II Henry G. Sullivan, Jr. Ronald D. Bodenheimer Ross P. LaDart Melvin C. Zeno ¹ Caroline R. Kiff, Commissioner Jeffrey J. Hand, Commissioner Craig Cimo, Commissioner	Sandra Joaen Smith	(504) 364 3990

JEFFERSON PARISH JUVENILE COURT

Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Jefferson	Harvey	J. A. Gegenheimer	(504) 364 2914

Judges	Court Administrator	Phone
Ann Murry Keller Andrea Price Janzen Nancy Amato Konrad, Chief Judge	Scott Griffith	(504) 367 3500 ext. 250

Orleans Parish Juvenile Court is a brighter and more child-friendly environment, thanks to area businesses, a professional football player and an internationally recognized artist. Volunteers from Pan-American Life, Wendy's, WDSU-TV and the Court painted the main waiting room. Then artist David "LEBO" LeBatard created colorful, lively murals in an effort underwritten in part by the Ricky Williams Foundation and Wendy's.

1. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2002.

2. Term of office began June 1, 2001.

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A “Thirst for Justice” program to provide pro bono legal assistance in Baton Rouge was founded in June, 2001, in part through the efforts of Retired 1st Circuit Court of Appeal Judge Melvin Shortess, in cooperation with the Baton Rouge Bar Association and the St. Vincent DePaul Society. The program assisted over 100 clients in its first two months of operation.

TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Plaquemines	Pointe-a-la-Hache	S. M. Morel	(985) 333 4377
Judges			
Anthony D. Ragusa, Jr. William A. Roe, Chief Judge			
TWENTY-SIXTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerks of Court	Phone
Bossier	Benton	J. Carraway	(318) 965 2336
Webster	Minden	S. S. Frazier	(318) 371 0366
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Dewey E. Burchett, Jr. Ford E. Stinson, Jr. Cecil P. Campbell, II John M. Robinson Bruce M. Bolin, Chief Judge		Suzanne Stinson	(318) 965 2217
TWENTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
St. Landry	Opelousas	C. R. Jagneaux	(337) 942 5606
Judges			
James T. Genovese A. Frank McGee, III Alonzo Harris, Chief Judge Donald W. Hebert			
TWENTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
LaSalle	Jena	S. H. Crooks	(318) 992 2158
Judge		Court Administrator	Phone
J.P. Mauffray, Jr., Chief Judge		Bobby L. Wilson	(318) 992 8391
TWENTY-NINTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
St. Charles	Hahnville	C. J. Oubre, Jr.	(985) 783 6632
Judge			
Emile R. St. Pierre Kirk R. Granier, Chief Judge Robert A. Chaisson ¹			
THIRTIETH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Vernon	Leesville	W. Deon, Jr.	(337) 238 1384
Judges			
Vernon B. Clark John C. Ford, Chief Judge Lester Kees ²			
THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Jefferson Davis	Jennings	C. L. Duhon	(337) 824 1160
Judge			
Wendell R. Miller, Chief Judge			

1. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2002.

2. New Judgeship—term of office began January 1, 2002.

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THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Terrebonne	Houma	I. R. Boudreaux	(985) 868 5660
Judges		Court Administrator	Phone
Edward J. "Jimmy" Gaidry ¹ John R. Walker Timothy C. Ellender David W. Arceneaux Paul R. Wimbish, Chief Judge		Walton Dill	(985) 873 6589
THIRTY-THIRD DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Allen	Oberlin	G. Harrington	(337) 639 4351
Judge			
Joel G. Davis, Chief Judge			
THIRTY-FOURTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
St. Bernard	Chalmette	L. R. Torres	(504) 271 3434
Judges			
Robert A. Buckley Manny Fernandez ² Wayne G. Cresap, Chief Judge Kirk A. Vaughn ³ Jacques A. Sanborn			
THIRTY-FIFTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Grant	Colfax	J. E. Lemoine	(318) 627 3246
Judge		Court Administrator	Phone
Allen A. Krake, Chief Judge		Renee Megison	(318) 627 3244
THIRTY-SIXTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Beauregard	DeRidder	R. L. Nichols	(337) 463 8595
Judges			
Stuart S. Kay, Jr., Chief Judge Herman I. Stewart			
THIRTY-SEVENTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Caldwell	Columbia	E. Dunn	(318) 649 2272
Judge		Court Administrator	Phone
Ronald L. Lewellyan, Chief Judge		Marion L. Harrelson	(318) 649 6404
THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Cameron	Cameron	C. Broussard	(337) 775 5616
Judge			
H. Ward Fontenot, Chief Judge			
THIRTY-NINTH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
Red River	Coushatta	S. Shaw	(318) 932 6741
Judge			
Lewis O. Sams, Chief Judge			

1. Became Chief Judge July 1, 2001.
2. Term of office began June 1, 2001.

3. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2002.

In what has become a Law Day tradition, the Supreme Court Community Relations Department worked with judges around the state again in 2001 to flood the airwaves of local radio and television talk shows with information about the Courts' public awareness program, the Campaign for the Children, and to highlight initiatives by state courts designed to address foster care drift and the need for permanent adoption placement.

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Recently, the judges of Orleans Parish Criminal Court and probationers in the Court Intervention Service program worked side by side, broom-to-broom in a massive effort to clean up City Park in New Orleans. An alternative to putting non-violent, first- and second-time offenders in jail, the program has some 600 active "clients." The recidivism rate among graduates is 12.1%, the lowest reported in the United States.

FORTIETH DISTRICT			
Parishes Within District	Parish Seat	Clerk of Court	Phone
St. John the Baptist	Edgard	E. DeFrancesch	(985) 497 3331

Judges			
Madeline Jasmine ¹			
Mary Hotard Becnel			
J. Sterling Snowdy, Chief Judge			

ORLEANS PARISH CIVIL DISTRICT COURT

Judges	Division	Clerk of Court	Phone
Carolyn W. Gill-Jefferson	A	D. N. Atkins	(504) 592 9100
Rosemary Ledet	B		
Roland L. Belsome	C	Court Administrator	Phone
Lloyd J. Medley, Jr.	D	Michelle Rodney ⁶	(504) 592 9275
Gerald P. Fedoroff ²	E		
Madeleine Landrieu ³	E		
Yada T. Magee	F		
Robin Giarrusso	G		
Michael G. Bagneris, Chief Judge	H		
Piper Griffin ⁴	I		
Nadine M. Ramsey	J		
Richard J. Ganucheau	K		
Kern Reese ⁵	L		
C. Hunter King	M		
Ethel Simms Julien	N		

ORLEANS PARISH CRIMINAL DISTRICT COURT

Judges	Division	Clerk of Court	Phone
Charles L. Elloie	A	E. A. Lombard	(504) 827 3520
Patrick G. Quinlan	B		
Sharon K. Hunter	C	Court Administrator	Phone
Frank A. Marullo, Jr.	D	Elizabeth Stogner	(504) 827 3400
Calvin Johnson	E		
Dennis J. Waldron ¹	F		
Julian Parker	G		
Camille Buras	H		
Raymond C. Bigelow	I		
Leon A. Cannizzaro, Jr.	J		
Arthur L. Hunter, Jr.	K		
Terry Q. Alarcon	L		
Gerard J. Hansen, Chief Judge	Magistrate-Judge		
Marie Bookman	Commissioner		
Anthony J. Russo	Commissioner		
Joseph I. Giarrusso, Jr.	Commissioner		
Harry E. Cantrell, Jr.	Commissioner		

ORLEANS PARISH JUVENILE COURT

Judges	Division	Clerk of Court	Phone
Ernestine S. Gray, Chief Judge	A	M. D. Washington ⁷	(504) 565 7300
C. Hearn Taylor	B	R. L. Saizan ⁸	
Yvonne Hughes	C		
Lawrence L. Lagarde, Jr.	D	Court Administrator	Phone
Anita H. Ganucheau	E	Geri F. Flaum ⁹	(504) 565 7300
Mark Doherty	F	M. D. Washington ⁷	

1. Became Chief Judge January 1, 2002.

2. Retired July 2, 2001.

3. Term of office began July 3, 2001.

4. Term of office began April 25, 2001.

5. Term of office began May 21, 2001.

6. Appointed—term of office began August 26, 1999.

7. Appointed Court Administrator—term of office began April 15, 2001.

8. Appointed Clerk of Court—term of office began June 18, 2001.

9. Resigned April 13, 2001.

CITY AND PARISH COURTS OF LOUISIANA

ABBEVILLE	Parish		Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone
	Vermilion		Roger C. Sellers ¹ Ed Broussard ²	M. Hebert	(337) 893 1513
ALEXANDRIA	Parish		Judge	Clerk/Court Administrator	Phone
	Rapides		Edward E. Roberts, Jr. ³ Vacancy	Millie C. Ezernack	(318) 449 5146
ASCENSION PARISH			Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone
	Ascension		Marilyn M. Lambert	K. Bourque	(225) 473 9866
BAKER	Parish		Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone
	East Baton Rouge		John D. Engelsman	D. Pointer	(225) 778 1866
BASTROP	Parish		Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone
	Morehouse		Merwin M. Brandon, Jr.	B. Freeman	(318) 283 0257
BATON ROUGE	Parish	Division	Judges	Clerk/Court Administrator	Phone
	East Baton Rouge	A B C D E	Laura P. Davis, Admin. Judge Trudy M. White ⁴ Alex W. Wall Jr. Yvette Mansfield Alexander Suzan S. Ponder	Cynthia R. Gaudin ⁵ Lon Norris ⁶	(225) 389 5279 ext. 5
BOGALUSA	Parish		Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone
	Washington		Robert J. Black	A. Seal	(985) 732 6204
BOSSIER CITY	Parish		Judge	Clerk/Court Administrator	Phone
	Bossier		Michael E. Daniel	Julie B. Andrew	(318) 741-8587
BREAUX BRIDGE	Parish		Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone
	St. Martin		Randy P. Angelle	R. Simon ⁷ T. Gonsuron ⁸	(337) 332 4117
BUNKIE	Parish		Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone
	Avoyelles		James H. Mixon	H. Warner	(318) 346 7250
CROWLEY	Parish		Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone
	Acadia		Barrett Harrington	L. Nickel	(337) 788 4118
DENHAM SPRINGS	Parish		Judge	Clerk/Court Administrator	Phone
	Livingston		Charles W. Borde, Jr.	Peggy G. Hoover	(225) 665 1253
EUNICE	Parish		Judge	Clerk/Court Administrator	Phone
	St. Landry		Lynette Young Feucht	Cindy Fontenot	(337) 457 6535
FRANKLIN	Parish		Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone
	St. Mary		Terry G. Breaux	M. K. Thibodeaux	(337) 828 3858
HAMMOND	Parish		Judge	Clerk/Court Administrator	Phone
	Tangipahoa		Grace Bennett Gasaway	Guy Recotta, Jr.	(985) 542 3455
HOUMA	Parish		Judge	Clerk/Court Administrator	Phone
	Terrebonne		Jude T. Fanguy	Ernest duBois	(504) 868 4232
JEANERETTE	Parish		Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone
	Iberia		Cameron B. Simmons	J. T. Tate ⁹ C. Ardizone ¹⁰	(337) 276 5603

1. Retired November 23, 2001.

2. Term of office began November 24, 2001.

3. Died November 27, 2001; election October, 2002.

4. Became Administrative Judge January 1, 2002.

5. Retired March 1, 2002.

6. Appointed effective March 4, 2002.

7. Resigned July 20, 1999.

8. Appointed—term of office began July 21, 1999.

9. Resigned January 31, 2001.

10. Appointed February 1, 2001.

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JEFFERSON PARISH		Division	Judges	Clerk of Court	Phone	
Jefferson				J. A. Gegenheimer	(504) 367 3500	
1st Parish Court	A	Rebecca M. Olivier		Court Administrator Beatrice D. Tranchina-Parisi	(504) 736 8972	
	B	George W. Giacobbe, Senior Judge				
2nd Parish Court	A	Roy M. Cascio, Senior Judge		Court Administrator John Nobles	(504) 364 2800	
	B	Stephen Grefer ¹				
JENNINGS		Parish	Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone	
Jefferson Davis			C. Steve Gunnell	S. Broussard	(337) 821 5514	
KAPLAN		Parish	Judge	Clerk of Court	Phone	
Vermilion			Reule P. Bourque	E. Romero	(337) 643 6611	
LAFAYETTE		Parish	Judges	Clerk/Court Administrator	Phone	
Lafayette			Frances Moran Bouillion, Senior Judge Douglas J. Saloom	Fay Markham	(337) 291 8735	
LAKE CHARLES		Parish	Division	Judges	Clerks/Court Administrators	Phone
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