

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, COSHOCTON COUNTY

PROBATE & JUVENILE DIVISION

2009

ANNUAL REPORT

DAVID W. BURNS, JUDGE

LINDA H. WEBER, MAGISTRATE  
DOUG SCHONAUER, COURT ADMINISTRATOR  
KATHY JONES, CHIEF DEPUTY CLERK

## INTRODUCTION

The Coshocton County Common Pleas, Probate & Juvenile Court Division moved to its present location in August 2002 from the Main Courthouse. The Peoples Bank & Trust Building at 426 Main Street is most commonly recognized by locals as the “Hay Jewelers” Building, which was in operation until the 1970’s. From the 1970’s until renovation in 2001-2, the building had little use and was mainly vacant. Originally a bank building, as many as five various vaults were located in the building which did not have an elevator or handicapped accessibility to the upper or lower floor. Parts of the long, narrow building are still only accessible by stairs, but for all public functions the building is handicapped accessible. The main vault of the bank now serves as a juvenile holding cell, and is monitored by one of 26 cameras that can be viewed by staff at every workstation.

The Court staff consists of a Judge and Magistrate, 13 other fulltime staff, 3 part-time staff members, and a Sheriff’s Deputy for building security. In addition, the Court has 3 contract Guardian Ad Litem Investigators and an Adoption Assessor. The Court also utilized the services of a part-time Magistrate in 2009 and a volunteer for taking homework to Juvenile Detention.

The general operations of the Court focus on Probate and Juvenile issues, and the staff strive to serve the public in an efficient and effective manner. The Court operates under the philosophy that we are “open to all, trusted by all, and dispense justice for all” that fall within our jurisdiction. Community safety, competency development, and accountability, which includes protection and advice for the adults and youth that we serve is the primary focus of our operation. In addition to dispensing justice as a deterrent to criminal behavior, we keep official records, settle disputes, and rehabilitate those that are served by the Court.

Technology upgrades have also allowed the Court to keep pace with the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The Court has plans to utilize imaging for records retrieval and storage, GPS and electronic ankle monitoring, video conferencing for meetings and court hearings, and electronic calendar scheduling. In addition, Blackberry devices that are synchronized with the Court Computer system allow for probation staff to stay current with issues throughout the workday.

The adoption of Local Rules in 2009 and 2010 allow for those that use the services of the Court to have a guide as to how certain court functions are addressed locally.

*David W. Burns, Judge*

## General Court Information

Approximately 509 hearings were handled by the Judge and 357 by the Magistrate, for a total of 866. These do not reflect that actual number of cases heard, as many hearings, such as traffic and drug court have multiple cases in court at the same time.

The Child Support Attorney processed approximately 425 pretrial cases for child support.

Child Support Clerks processed 810 Title IV-D & Consent Judgment Entries.

Approximately 172 Private Entries were processed by the Child Support Clerks.

The Court pays 2 fulltime and one part-time employee out of Youth Services Grant Funds.

Calendar Year 2009 General Fund Budget was \$878,144

Calendar Year 2010 General Fund Budget is \$ 878,634

Juvenile Budget= \$749,837

Probate Budget= \$140,807

### **REVENUE (APPROXIMATE) GENERATED IN 2009 INCLUDES:**

INDIRECT COSTS = \$83,687

TANF CONTRACT = \$29,243

YOUTH SERVICES FY 2009 = \$147,413

PROBATE = \$56,006

JUVENILE = \$27,095

PLACEMENT = \$1151

FEES ON DEPOSIT (Approximate) = \$10,000

The Court contributed \$15,000 to Coshocton Alternative School in 2009

Court Staff have the following higher education degrees:

Doctorate = 2

Masters = 1

Bachelors = 4

Associate /any college = 2

**\*\* temporary & contract providers not included \*\***

*Local Probate Rules adopted and effective July, 2009*

*Local Juvenile Rules adopted and effective February, 2010*

The Court has contract agreements with:

Central Ohio Technical College

Supreme Court of Ohio (Ohio Courts Network)

Thompkins Adolescent Services

Coshocton Family & Children's First Council

Website for Court Information:

<http://www.coshoctoncounty.net/agency/probate/>



## Juvenile Court Staff, Programs, and Statistics

### Probation Staff:

Nicole Cox, Chief Probation Officer  
Shelby Miller, Diversion Director  
Kyle Myers, Probation Officer  
Steve Spaulding, Truancy Probation Officer  
Randy Stull, Community Service

### Deputy Clerks:

Sheri Landaker, Deputy Clerk – Abuse/Dependency/Neglect – Accounting  
Roberta Kiser, Deputy Clerk – Genealogy – Traffic - Unruly  
Kay Wilson, Deputy Clerk – Custody/ Support/ Visitation  
Jill Hoberg, Deputy Clerk – Child Support Assistant  
Billiejo Fechuch – Deputy Clerk – Contempt/ Child Support

**Community Service:** Youth are placed for work on an individual basis from delinquency cases. Most diversion youth complete 8 hours of community service, and other delinquent youth usually complete 16-24 hours.

**Work Sites utilized:** Habitat for Humanity, Fairgrounds, Mentoring Center, Animal Shelter, Higher Hopes Therapeutic Stables, Family & Children's First Council, Coshocton Behavioral Health, Shepherd's Christian Church, Kid's America, Grace United Methodist Church, Sacred Heart Church, Coshocton Library, Warsaw Park, Southlawn School, Coshocton Career Center, New Life Ministries and many other sites!

**Work Days / Projects:** RVHS Race for the Cure, Will's Creek Dam, Rainbow Children's Center, JFS Family Fun Day, Cancer Rally, Hopewell Gift Wrapping, and Kid's America

\*\*\***122 youth completed 1,551 hours of work**\*\*\*

\*\*\*At a minimum wage of \$7.00, this represents \$10,857.00 hours of free labor\*\*\*

**Juvenile Traffic Cases:** There were 150 total Juvenile Traffic cases in 2009 with 92 Court Appearances at 17 traffic court hearings. Of the total offenders, 23 were second offenders, 1 was a third offender, and 1 4<sup>th</sup> time offender.

### **Violation Breakdown is as follows**

|                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 45 Speeding                    | 28 Seat Belt Violations        |
| 11 Fail to Control             | 8 Assured Clear Distance Ahead |
| 7 Stop Sign Violation          | 6 Fail to Yield                |
| 5 Red Light Violation          | 5 No Operator's License        |
| 4 Left of Center               | 3 Reckless Operation           |
| 2 OMVI                         | 2 Wrong Side of Road           |
| 2 Pass School Bus              | 2 Improper Backing             |
| 2 Expired Plates               | 2 No License Plate Light       |
| 13 Other Individual Violations |                                |

**Traffic Safety Seminar:** First time juvenile traffic offenders are ordered to attend this 1.5 hour program with a parent at the Coshocton Career Center. The session focuses on safety issues for young drivers and responsible driving. Presenters include an Ohio State Highway Patrolman, Coshocton EMT, and accident survivor & Coshocton resident, Clayton Stone.

\*\*\***105 youth attended 5 seminars**\*\*\*

**Juvenile Traffic Bureau:** A new Court Program that allows first time traffic offenders with certain minor violations to enter a written plea and waive the appearance in Court as long as fines, costs, and traffic seminar attendance is met.

**\*\*\*41 youth participated in the Violations Bureau\*\*\***

**Alternatives to Jail:** A joint venture with Child Support Enforcement Agency looks at alternatives to jail as an option for Adult Child Support Cases that are behind on support payments. The program has agreements with 12 non-profit agencies and 3 private businesses to allow community service work at their sites.

**\*\*\*4 adults completed 90 hours\*\*\***

**School Truancy Program:** The School Truancy Program is a collaborative effort between the Juvenile Court, Coshocton Job & Family Services, and the Public School System in Coshocton County. The primary goal is to assist schools with compulsory education laws and to identify students with attendance issues. A series of notices are filed with the court and the family of the truant child in an effort to resolve attendance issues. Informal hearings are held in the schools to address attendance issues without having formal court of Job & family Services involvement. If these issues are not resolved, juveniles will have a School Truancy charge filed.

**August 2009 – December 2009**

**118 first notices, 54 second notices, 21 third notices**

33 informal meetings

10 Unruly complaints filed in Juvenile Court

2 Referrals for Neglect Investigations

**August 2008 – June, 2009**

**357 first notices, 159 second notices, 41 third notices**

109 informal hearings

15 Unruly complaints were filed in Juvenile Court

0 Referrals for Neglect Investigation

**August 2007 - June 2008**

**329 first notices, 127 second notices, 49 third notices**

70 informal hearings

18 Unruly Complaints were filed in Juvenile Court

3 Referrals for Neglect Investigation

**Juvenile Drug Court Program:** Started in 2002, the Coshocton County Juvenile Drug Court Program continues to work with identified offenders that have significant substance abuse histories. Weekly court hearings as well as treatment, mental health counseling, education, and family support are major components to this intensive non-traditional program. The four phase program takes participants one year minimum to complete.

Since its inception, **17 youth successfully graduated**

6 youth were terminated unsuccessfully

2 youth moved out of county

4 youth are currently enrolled in the program

**THANKS to the following committed Drug Court Team Members:**

Janette Hall – Coshocton Behavioral Health Choice

Norman Davitt – Attorney

Jason Given – Prosecutor's Office

Ed Gallagher – Thompkins Adolescent Services

Nancy Hatem & Darcy Gordon – Coshocton High School

Roger Moore – Coshocton Opportunity School

Coshocton Juvenile Court Probation Staff



**Friends of the Coshocton County Drug Court:** Started shortly after the Drug Court Program, this non-profit organization is affiliated to support the efforts of the Drug Court Program. They operate separately from the Court and maintain funds that encourage the efforts of youth and families in the program. In addition, they furnish refreshments and items for Graduation Ceremonies for each successful graduate of the program.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES:**

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| Nancy Hatem    | Coshocton City Schools                 |
| Becky Beiter   | Coshocton County Health Department     |
| Scott Thompson | Coshocton Behavioral Health Choices    |
| Anne Randles   | Coshocton County Job & Family Services |
| Nathan McNeal  | Coshocton Alternative School           |

**Muskingum County Juvenile Detention Center:** Coshocton County Juvenile Court contracts with the Muskingum County Juvenile Detention Center for use of beds. The Detention Facility is located at 1860 East Pike, Zanesville, Ohio and is a 48 bed state of the art secure detention facility, which has 4 pods of 12 youth, one of which is designated for females. The facility employs two fulltime nurses and contracts with Zanesville City Schools for educational staff. The Detention Facility is approximately 45 miles from Coshocton.

**2009**

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Total Number of Youth Detained           | 65             |
| Total Days of Care                       | 886            |
| Average Number of Days of Care per Youth | 13.63          |
| Average Daily Population                 | 2.37           |
| COST                                     | = \$114,916.55 |

**2008**

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Total Number of Youth Detained | 75           |
| Total Days of Care             | 876          |
| Average Days of Care per Youth | 11.68        |
| Average Daily Population       | 2.39         |
| COST                           | = \$ 120,830 |

**2007**

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Number of Youth Detained | 85          |
| Total Days of Care             | 1,476       |
| Average Days of Care per Youth | 17.36       |
| Average Daily Population       | 4.04        |
| COST                           | = \$134,662 |

**Video Detention Hearings:** The Juvenile Court purchased 3 laptop computers equipped with cameras in June, 2009. These computers allow the Court to conduct video detention hearings on those youth that were detained after-hours or on a weekend, thus saving on the burden of transportation by a sheriff's deputy both to and from the Juvenile Detention Facility in Zanesville, Ohio. Once a child is released from the detention facility, parents assume responsibility for transportation of their minor youth. Approximate cost savings per hearing held is \$275.00 to the County. 14 total hearings have been held since implementation for an estimated savings of \$3,850.

**Diversion Program:** Coshocton County Juvenile Court received a “Challenge Grant” in 1998 which has enabled the court to hire an employee to develop a Juvenile Diversion Program. The Diversion Officer continues to be paid out of Grant Funds. Diversion was implemented in January 1999. The Diversion Program is designed to give less serious first time offenders an opportunity to amend their wrong doing. This program has an average time period of 90-120 days. If the juvenile completes required programming they will not have a blemish on their record. However, if the juvenile does not complete the Diversion Program they will have their original charges filed against them in Juvenile Court.

**2009 Diversion Statistics**

51 youth entered the program

33 male & 18 female

45 Caucasian, 3 African American, 3 Hispanic

2 were officially filed charges against for noncompliance

3 had new charges filed

**2009 Diversion Offense Categories**

**\*\* 5 youth had multiple charges\*\***

16 Underage Consumption

15 Assault

8 Criminal Damaging

4 Disorderly Conduct

4 Petty Theft

4 Domestic Violence

3 Criminal Trespass

2 Arson

1 Falsification

1 Menacing

1 Public Indecency

**2008 Diversion Statistics**

80 youth entered the program

34 males

46 females

7 were officially filed charges against for noncompliance

3 had new charges filed

**2008 Diversion Offense Categories**

**\*\*7 youth had multiple charges\*\***

22 Petty Theft

5 Criminal Mischief

10 Assault

4 Aggravated Menacing

12 Underage Consumption

4 Possession of Paraphernalia

8 Domestic Violence

4 Disorderly Conduct

6 Possession of Marijuana

2 Complicity to Commit Theft

6 Criminal Damaging

1 Criminal Trespassing

5 Menacing

1 Inducing Panic

**Intensive Probation Program:** The court received funding from Coshocton Job & Family Services to continue a night monitoring program that has proven to be a valuable asset. Specialized populations of juvenile offenders including drug court youth, felony offenders, and youth with sexually acting-out behaviors were main focuses of the evening check program. Drug testing and accountability are key components to the success of the program.

**2009 calendar year, probation officers worked a total of 696.50 hours**

848 juvenile Contacts

257 Felony Contacts

591 Misdemeanor Contacts

48 Drug Tests Administered

4 positive tests for drugs



**2008 calendar year, probation officers worked a total of 959.25 hours**

1056 juvenile Contacts  
143 Felony Contacts  
913 Misdemeanor Contacts  
76 drug tests administered  
11 negative alcohol tests  
53 negative drug tests  
12 positive tests for drugs  
1 positive test for alcohol

**Juvenile Felony Cases:**

**25 felony charges were filed against 11 youth in 2009:**

7 Breaking & Entering (F-5)  
5 Vandalism (F-5)  
2 Theft (F-5)  
2 Complicity to Vandalism (F-5)  
2 Complicity to Theft (F-5)  
2 Rape (F-1)  
2 Gross Sexual Imposition (F-3)  
1 Theft (F-4)  
1 Inducing Panic (F-2)  
1 Burglary (F-3)

**15 felony charges were filed in 2008:**

5 Theft (F-5)  
2 Trafficking Marijuana (F-5)  
1 Possession of Cocaine (F-5)  
1 Illegal Possession of a Weapon (F-5)  
1 Disseminating Harmful Materials (F-4)  
1 Aggravated Assault (F-4)  
1 Burglary (F-4)  
1 Burglary (F-3)  
1 Gross Sexual Imposition (F-3)  
1 Fleeing and Eluding (F-3)

**Drug Testing:** As part of the court's probationary terms, most youth involved with the court are given random drug and alcohol tests.

**2009 = 176 total drug screens were collected**

135 negative screens  
36 positive for marijuana  
2 positive for alcohol  
2 positive for benzodiazepines  
1 diluted screen

**2008 = 281 total drug screens were collected**

220 negative screens  
54 positive for marijuana  
3 positive for alcohol  
4 positive for cocaine



**Anger Replacement Therapy:** The Court Diversion Director co-facilitated this anger management program with Thompkins Adolescent Services and at Coshocton High School. In 2009, 37 youth successfully completed this 11 week course.

**Juvenile Cases By Race:**

|   | White | Black or<br>African American | Hispanic or Latino |
|---|-------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Delinquency Cases Referred                | 159   | 2                            | 2                  |
| Cases Diverted from Court                 | 45    | 3                            | 3                  |
| Cases Involving Secure Detention          | 61    | 8                            |                    |
| Cases Resulting in Probation<br>Placement | 6     | 1                            |                    |
| Cases – Secure confinement                | 2     | 1                            |                    |

**Number of Hearings, By Type:**

| Type                | Number of<br>Hearings |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Dep/Neg/Abu/Custody |                       |
| Arrestment          | 27                    |
| Trial               | 21                    |
| Disposition         | 2                     |
| Review              | 2                     |
| ACR                 | 19                    |
| PPLA                | 9                     |
| ECO                 | 2                     |
| Other               | 21                    |
| Show Cause          | 15                    |
| <b>Total</b>        | <b>118</b>            |

| Type                           | Number<br>of<br>Hearings |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Delq./Unr/Tob/Traffic/Drug Ct. |                          |
| Delq. Arrestment               | 78                       |
| Delq. Pretrial                 | 19                       |
| Delq. Disposition              | 44                       |
| Delq. Trial                    | 16                       |
| Delq. Review                   | 6                        |
| JSO Review                     | 6                        |
| JSO Classification/Review      | 2                        |
| Change Plea                    | 5                        |
| Unruly Arrgn.                  | 17                       |
| Tobacco                        | 4                        |
| Traffic Arrestments            | 22                       |
| Traffic Trials                 | 3                        |
| Traffic Show Cause             | 3                        |
| Drug Court Hearings            | 41                       |
| <b>Total</b>                   | <b>266</b>               |

## 2009 JUVENILE COURT ADJUDICATIONS BY CASE TYPE

| <b>Violation</b>                         | <b>Male</b> | <b>Female</b> | <b>Total</b> |
|--|-------------|---------------|--------------|
| Aggravated Disorderly Conduct            | 2           | 3             | 5            |
| Arson                                    | 2           | 0             | 2            |
| Assault                                  | 7           | 2             | 9            |
| Breaking & Entering – Felony             | 7           | 0             | 7            |
| Breaking & Entering, Complicity – Felony | 2           | 0             | 2            |
| Burglary – Felony                        | 1           | 0             | 1            |
| Criminal Damaging                        | 9           | 2             | 11           |
| Curfew/Unruly                            | 0           | 1             | 1            |
| Disorderly Conduct                       | 3           | 3             | 6            |
| Domestic Violence                        | 3           | 1             | 4            |
| Domestic Violence by Threat              | 1           | 0             | 1            |
| Falsification                            | 1           | 0             | 1            |
| GSI – Felony                             | 2           | 0             | 2            |
| Inducing Panic – Felony                  | 1           | 0             | 1            |
| Injuring Animals                         | 2           | 0             | 2            |
| Littering                                | 1           | 0             | 1            |
| Menacing                                 | 1           | 2             | 3            |
| Petty Theft                              | 11          | 3             | 14           |
| Possession of Drug Paraphernalia         | 2           | 0             | 2            |
| Possession of Marijuana                  | 2           | 0             | 2            |
| Probation Violation                      | 11          | 1             | 12           |
| Rape – Felony                            | 2           | 0             | 2            |
| Receiving Stolen Property                | 0           | 1             | 1            |
| Theft – Felony                           | 3           | 0             | 3            |
| Tobacco                                  | 3           | 0             | 3            |
| Truancy/Unruly                           | 9           | 5             | 14           |
| Underage Consumption                     | 2           | 3             | 5            |
| Vandalism – Felony                       | 5           | 0             | 5            |
| Vandalism, Complicity – Felony           | 2           | 0             | 2            |
| Violation of Court Order                 | 1           | 0             | 1            |
| <b>Totals</b>                            | <b>98</b>   | <b>27</b>     | <b>125</b>   |



## JUVENILE COURT CASES FOR 2009

| MONTH        | DELINQUENT | TRAFFIC    | DEP/NEG<br>ABUSED | UNRULY        | ADULT    | PERM.<br>CUSTODY | CUSTODY/<br>VISITATION | SUPPORT    | PATERNITY | UIFSA    | OTHER    | TOTAL       |
|--------------|------------|------------|-------------------|---------------|----------|------------------|------------------------|------------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| JANUARY      | 12         | 15         | 1                 | 0             | 0        | 0                | 19                     | 53         | 2         | 0        | 0        | 102         |
| FEBRUARY     | 10         | 9          | 2                 | 1             | 0        | 0                | 10                     | 59         | 1         | 0        | 0        | 92          |
| MARCH        | 8          | 18         | 5                 | 4 (1)         | 0        | 0                | 22                     | 47         | 1         | 2        | 0        | 107         |
| APRIL        | 11         | 8          | 8                 | 4             | 0        | 1                | 8                      | 53         | 1         | 1        | 0        | 95          |
| MAY          | 10         | 12         | 0                 | 0             | 0        | 0                | 6                      | 42         | 0         | 0        | 0        | 70          |
| JUNE         | 13         | 22         | 10                | 0             | 0        | 0                | 19                     | 58         | 0         | 0        | 0        | 122         |
| JULY         | 10         | 12         | 6                 | 0             | 0        | 0                | 12                     | 45         | 3         | 0        | 0        | 88          |
| AUGUST       | 11         | 6          | 11                | 1             | 0        | 0                | 17                     | 61         | 1         | 2        | 0        | 110         |
| SEPTEMBER    | 16         | 10         | 2                 | 2 (1)         | 0        | 0                | 15                     | 48         | 4         | 0        | 1        | 98          |
| OCTOBER      | 14         | 15         | 5                 | 1             | 0        | 0                | 11                     | 48         | 1         | 0        | 0        | 95          |
| NOVEMBER     | 6          | 5          | 3                 | 3             | 0        | 0                | 22                     | 55         | 3         | 0        | 0        | 97          |
| DECEMBER     | 18         | 11         | 4                 | 8 (1)         | 0        | 0                | 4                      | 75         | 2         | 0        | 0        | 122         |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>139</b> | <b>143</b> | <b>57</b>         | <b>24 (3)</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>1</b>         | <b>165</b>             | <b>644</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>1198</b> |

\* (3) OF THE UNRULY CASES REFLECT TOBACCO TICKETS

| MONTH                              | DIVERSION<br>CASES | DETENTION<br>HEARINGS | VIDEO DETENTION<br>HEARINGS |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| JANUARY                            | 6                  | 6                     |                             |
| FEBRUARY                           | 4                  | 6                     |                             |
| MARCH                              | 2                  | 2                     |                             |
| APRIL                              | 3                  | 3                     |                             |
| MAY                                | 6                  | 4                     |                             |
| JUNE                               | 8                  | 3                     |                             |
| JULY                               | 5                  | 1                     | 1                           |
| AUGUST                             | 3                  | 3                     | 1                           |
| SEPTEMBER                          | 6                  | 1                     | 4                           |
| OCTOBER                            | 4                  | 3                     | 2                           |
| NOVEMBER                           | 4                  | 0                     | 2                           |
| DECEMBER                           | 0                  | 3                     | 4                           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                       | <b>51</b>          | <b>35</b>             | <b>14</b>                   |
| <b>Total Detention Hearings 49</b> |                    |                       |                             |

## COMPARISON OF JUVENILE COURT CASES BY YEAR

| YEAR | DELINQUENT | TRAFFIC | DEP/NEG<br>ABUSED | UNRULY  | ADULT | PERM.<br>CUSTODY | CUSTODY/<br>VISITATION | SUPPORT | PATERNITY | UIFSA | OTHER | TOTAL |
|------|------------|---------|-------------------|---------|-------|------------------|------------------------|---------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| 2000 | 220        | 265     | 20                | 20      | 0     | 4                | 53                     | 257     | 51        | 1     | 2     | 893   |
| 2001 | 281        | 262     | 37                | 47 (15) | 0     | 3                | 53                     | 311     | 42        | 6     | 0     | 1042  |
| 2002 | 301        | 272     | 51                | 53 (33) | 0     | 5                | 114                    | 408     | 40        | 8     | 0     | 1252  |
| 2003 | 236        | 258     | 50                | 29 (19) | 0     | 4                | 94                     | 393     | 43        | 10    | 0     | 1117  |
| 2004 | 268        | 186     | 40                | 24 (16) | 0     | 12               | 96                     | 486     | 64        | 10    | 0     | 1186  |
| 2005 | 182        | 165     | 32                | 28 (9)  | 0     | 0                | 81                     | 532     | 40        | 8     | 1     | 1069  |
| 2006 | 176        | 182     | 37                | 15 (1)  | 0     | 2                | 124                    | 508     | 16        | 10    | 5     | 1075  |
| 2007 | 207        | 156     | 37                | 37 (3)  | 0     | 1                | 136                    | 577     | 17        | 6     | 2     | 1176  |
| 2008 | 161        | 153     | 36                | 24 (4)  | 0     | 2                | 144                    | 535     | 11        | 4     | 5     | 1075  |
| 2009 | 136        | 143     | 57                | 24 (3)  | 0     | 1                | 165                    | 644     | 19        | 5     | 1     | 1198  |
| 2010 |            |         |                   |         |       |                  |                        |         |           |       |       |       |

(THE UNRULY CASES REFLECT TOBACCO TICKETS IN PARENTHESIS)

| YEAR | DIVERSION<br>CASES | DETENTION<br>HEARINGS |
|------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| 2000 | 81                 | 49                    |
| 2001 | 86                 | 97                    |
| 2002 | 80                 | 112                   |
| 2003 | 86                 | 105                   |
| 2004 | 67                 | 94                    |
| 2005 | 49                 | 62                    |
| 2006 | 71                 | 67                    |
| 2007 | 82                 | 73                    |
| 2008 | 79                 | 60                    |
| 2009 | 51                 | 49                    |
| 2010 |                    |                       |



**\*\*\* Other Court Accomplishments for 2009 \*\*\***

- \*\*\* 1 Staff attended National Conference on Juvenile Justice in Orlando, FL
- \*\*\* Court Staff continues to attend Regional Roundtable discussion on Sex Offender Programming in Akron, Ohio
- \*\*\* Court Staff continues to attend regular staff trainings and updates from the Supreme Court of Ohio and Ohio Department of Youth Services
- \*\*\* Court Administrator completed Court Management Program, a three-year curriculum sponsored by Supreme Court of Ohio and Center for State Courts
- \*\*\* Court Administrator serves on state committee to develop a statewide juvenile risk assessment tool, in cooperation with the University of Cincinnati and Ohio Department of Youth Services
- \*\*\* Court is a cooperating member of the local Family & Children First Council, and Care Team Collaborative
- \*\*\* Thompkins Child & Adolescent Services provides specialized Sex Offender Programming for probation youth.
- \*\*\* Court Staff assisted with Summer Careteam Program at Kids America
- \*\*\* Court Staff was trained and co-facilitates Anger Replacement Therapy programming for diversion and probation youth, as well as at Coshocton High School
- \*\*\* Court Staff Utilizes the Electronic Dispositional Investigation Reporting Device to transmit reports electronically to the Ohio Department of Youth Services
- \*\*\* Court joined the Ohio Delegation for Restitution and Community Service and attended its conference
- \*\*\* Court Staff received training and began use of Ohio Youth Assessment System, developed by University of Cincinnati for the State of Ohio
- \*\*\* Coshocton County Juvenile Court was recognized as a charter member of "Inter-Court Conference Committee", which celebrated 25 years in 2009.

**\*\*\* Court Staff serves on the following local committees and Boards\*\*\***

Good Beginnings Board of Directors  
Job & Family Services – Board Member  
Job & Family Services –Planning Committee- Family Fun Day  
Job & Family Services – WIA/TANF Community Youth Advisory Board  
Coshocton County Workforce Advisory Board  
Family & Children First Council Creative Options Funding Committee  
Family & Children First Council – F.A.S.T. Funding Committee  
Family & Children First Council Board of Directors  
Coshocton County Employer-Employee Advisory Committee  
Domestic Violence Network  
Big Brothers/Big Sisters – Side by Side Mentoring Board  
GRADS Advisory Board  
Coshocton Community Family Planning Committee  
Coshocton County Fatherhood Initiative  
United Way Board of Directors

**\*\*\* Court Staff serves on the following Regional / State Committees\*\*\***

Muskingum County Juvenile Detention Center Board  
Perry Multi-County Juvenile Community Corrections Facility Board  
Ohio Department of Youth Services – Reclaim Advisory Committee  
Ohio Department of Youth Services Risk Assessment – Pilot Project  
Ohio Department of Youth Services – Tracking Forms Pilot Project  
Ohio Association of Juvenile Judges Statewide Task Force  
Ohio Juvenile Justice Information System – Chairman  
Inter-court Conference Committee – Treasurer / Founding Director



## Probate Court Staff and Statistics

### Deputy Clerks:

Jennifer Tahyi – Deputy Clerk – Guardianship/ Adoption/ Name Change  
- Guardianship Investigator

Sara Hartsock – Deputy Clerk – Trusts/ Estates

Billiejo Fechuch – Deputy Clerk – Guardianship Investigator

| Type                    | Number of Hearings |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Estate-                 |                    |
| Appt. Admin             | 5                  |
| Wrongful Death          | 10                 |
| Exec. Claims/Claims     | 2                  |
| Insolvency              | 12                 |
| Miscellaneous/other     | 10                 |
| Remove Exec             | 3                  |
| Objections to Inventory | 2                  |
| Lost Will               | 1                  |
| Structured Settlement   | 3                  |
| Total                   | 48                 |

| Type                      | Number of Hearings |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Trust                     | 5                  |
| Guardianship              | 41                 |
| Guardianship Complaint/RE | 2                  |
| Minor Guardianship        | 5                  |
| Minor Settlement          | 1                  |
| Name Change Adult         | 8                  |
| Name Change Minor         | 5                  |
| Adoption/Placement        | 2                  |
| Adoption/Step-Parent      | 5                  |
| Adoption/JFS              | 2                  |
| Adoption/Foreign          | 1                  |
| Total                     | 77                 |

### New/Opened Probate Court Cases for 2008

| Date     | Estates | Minor Grd. | Incmp. Grd. | Conser-vatorship | Trusts | Civil Actions | Adoption | Mental Illness | Minors' Settlemnts | W/Death | Birth Reg/Cor | Name Change | Marriage Appl. | Totals |
|----------|---------|------------|-------------|------------------|--------|---------------|----------|----------------|--------------------|---------|---------------|-------------|----------------|--------|
| 03/31/08 | 50      | 1          | 2           | 0                | 0      | 2             | 2        | 1              | 0                  | 0       | 1             | 2           | 32             | 93     |
| 06/30/08 | 67      | 0          | 10          | 0                | 5      | 0             | 3        | 1              | 1                  | 0       | 1             | 2           | 78             | 168    |
| 09/30/08 | 54      | 1          | 4           | 0                | 2      | 2             | 6        | 1              | 0                  | 0       | 0             | 3           | 68             | 141    |
| 12/31/08 | 43      | 1          | 6           | 0                | 0      | 0             | 4        | 0              | 6                  | 0       | 0             | 1           | 48             | 109    |
| Totals   | 214     | 3          | 22          | 0                | 7      | 4             | 15       | 3              | 7                  | 0       | 2             | 8           | 226            | 511    |

### New/Opened Probate Court Cases for 2009

| Date     | Estates | Minor Grd. | Incmp. Grd. | Conser-vatorship | Trusts | Civil Actions | Adoption | Mental Illness | Minors' Settlemnts | W/Death | Birth Reg/Cor | Name Change | Marriage Appl. | Totals |
|----------|---------|------------|-------------|------------------|--------|---------------|----------|----------------|--------------------|---------|---------------|-------------|----------------|--------|
| 03/31/09 | 52      | 3          | 9           | 0                | 1      | 1             | 2        | 1              | 1                  | 0       | 2             | 7           | 38             | 117    |
| 06/30/09 | 52      | 3          | 4           | 0                | 0      | 2             | 2        | 0              | 0                  | 0       | 1             | 3           | 77             | 144    |
| 09/30/09 | 50      | 0          | 8           | 0                | 1      | 2             | 3        | 1              | 0                  | 0       | 0             | 1           | 85             | 151    |
| 12/31/09 | 46      | 2          | 10          | 0                | 0      | 3             | 1        | 0              | 1                  | 0       | 3             | 3           | 33             | 102    |
| Totals   | 200     | 8          | 31          | 0                | 2      | 8             | 8        | 2              | 2                  | 0       | 6             | 14          | 233            | 514    |

