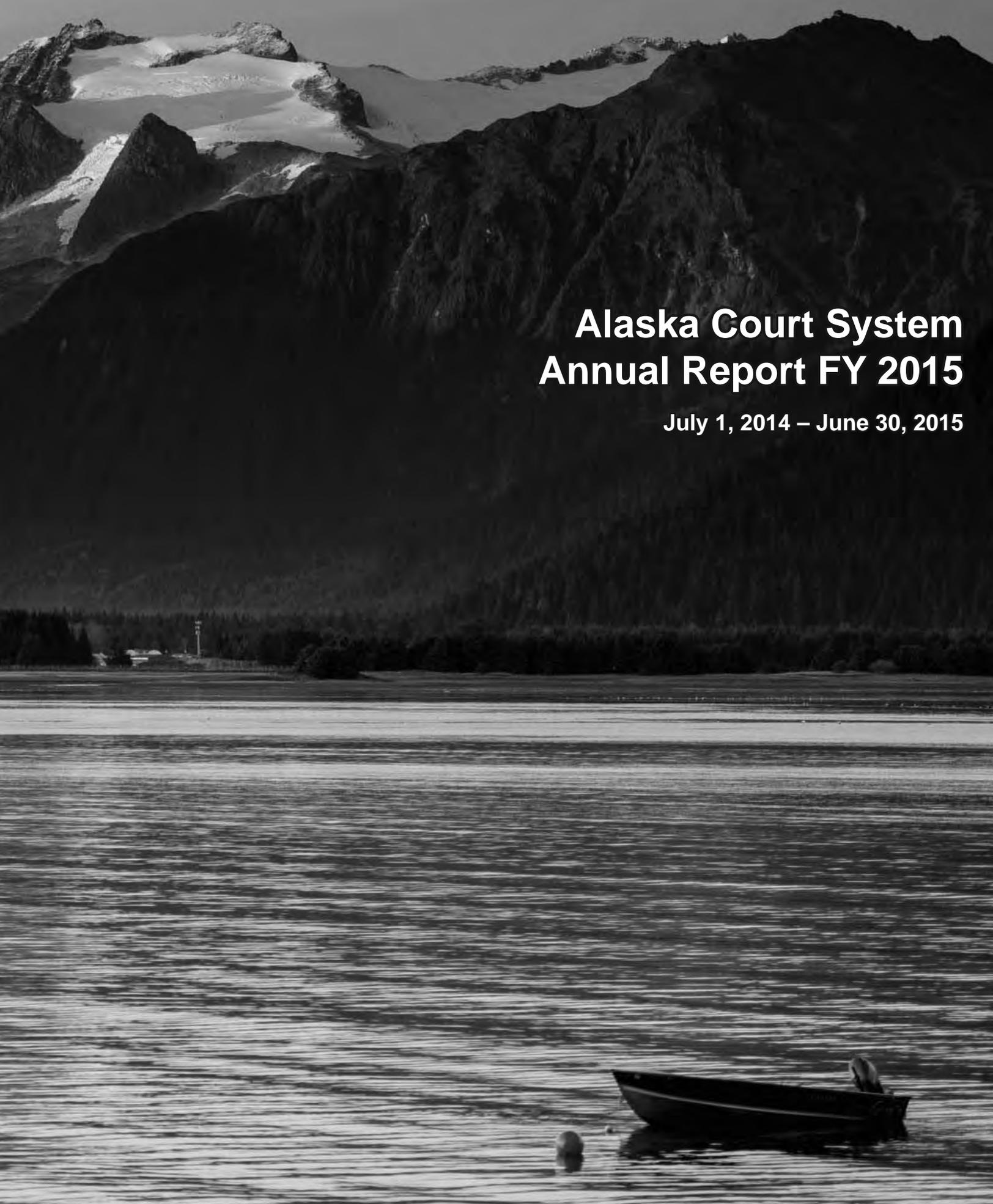


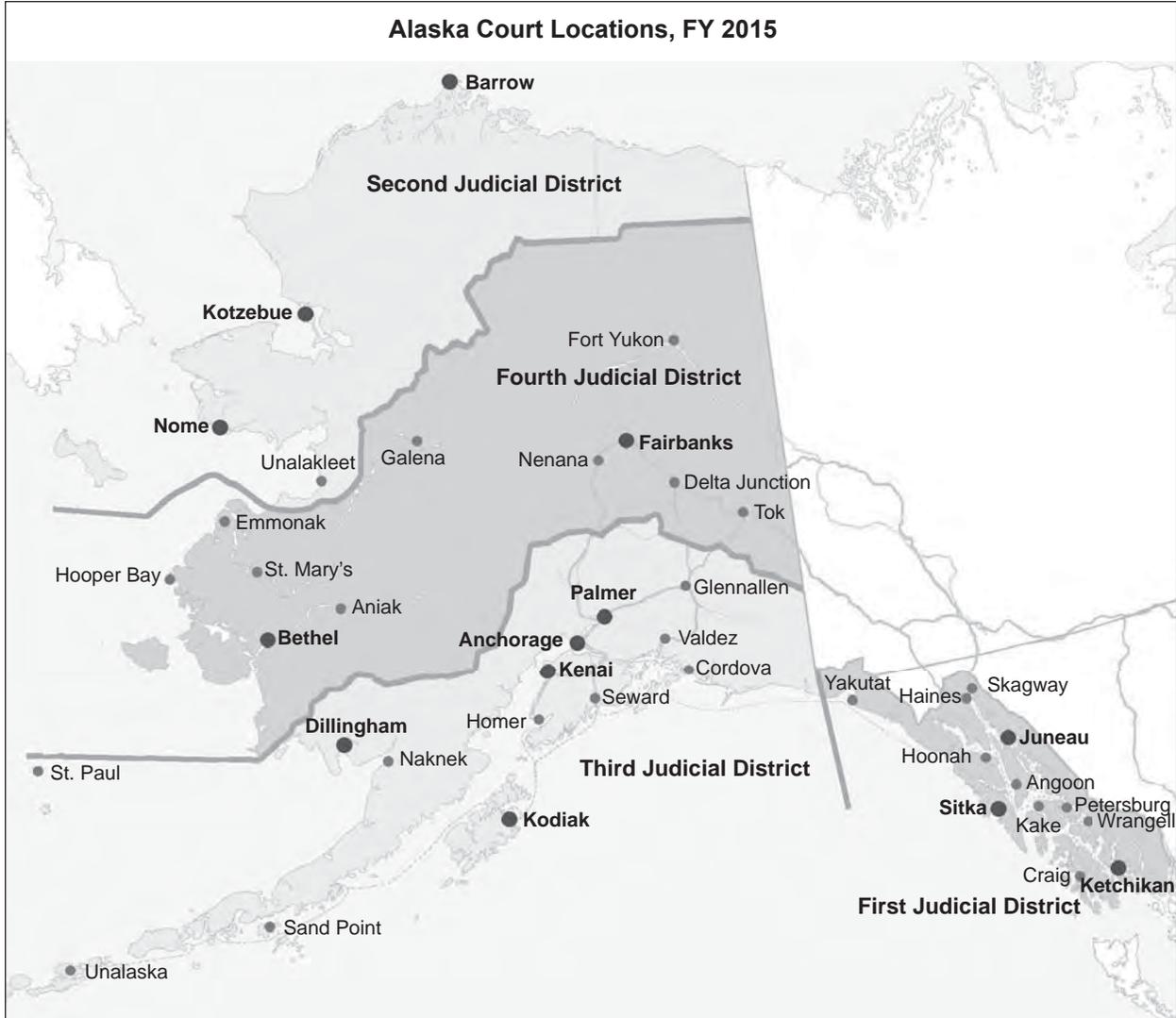


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The Alaska Court System is pleased to present its FY 2015 annual report. We design this yearly report to serve as a resource for everyone interested in the work of the court system. As a series the annual reports provide a history of judicial work in Alaska over several decades and serve as a reference source for legislators, other government officials, researchers, the media, and the general public.

In the report you will find quantitative data on civil and criminal cases, summary budget information, and highlights of court administrative operations. We also include the names and photographs of judicial officers and primary court administrators who served Alaska during FY 2015 and maps of court locations in the four judicial districts.

In this period of severe budget constraints the court system is continuing its careful stewardship of public resources. We are working to maintain the vitality and effectiveness of the system that has been built over the five and half decades of statehood. We feel that this annual report offers insight into that work through FY 2015.

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Caribou, Steese National Conservation Area (Fourth Judicial District)

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Introduction to the Alaska Court System



Moose in the Kobuk River (Second Judicial District)



Great Seal of the State of Alaska, Boney Courthouse lobby, Anchorage (Third Judicial District)

Introduction to the Alaska Court System

The government of the State of Alaska is divided into three separate but equal branches: the *executive*, the *legislative*, and the *judicial*. By providing for checks and balances, this division prevents the concentration of governmental power in one or another function. The federal government and the governments of most other states are also structured in this way.

Although the terms *judicial branch* and *court system* are often used interchangeably, in fact, the Alaska judicial branch contains three separate entities: the *Alaska Court System*, the *Alaska Judicial Council*, and the *Alaska Commission on Judicial Conduct*, each with a function established in the state constitution.

Alaska has a unified, centrally-administered court system, totally funded by the state. Municipal governments do not maintain separate court systems. There are four levels of courts in the Alaska Court System, each with different powers, duties, and responsibilities. The *Superior Court* and *District Court* are *trial courts*, which initially hear and decide court cases. The *Supreme Court* and *Court of Appeals* are *appellate courts*, which review and decide appeals from decisions made by the trial courts. Title 22 of the Alaska Statutes sets out the jurisdiction and responsibilities of each court.

The Supreme Court and the Superior Court were established in the state constitution. In 1959, the legislature created a District Court for each

judicial district and granted power to the Supreme Court to increase or decrease the number of District Court judges. In 1980, the legislature created the Court of Appeals.

The Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court is the administrative head of the Alaska Court System. An administrative director is appointed by the chief justice with concurrence of the Supreme Court. The director supervises the administration of all courts in the state.

The Supreme Court sets out the rules governing the administration of all courts and the rules of practice and procedure for civil and criminal cases.



Detail, Great Seal of the State of Alaska

What is a Court Case?

A court case is a dispute that goes to court. The court is asked to decide (1) what the facts are and (2) how the laws of Alaska apply to the facts. There are two main kinds of cases: civil cases and criminal cases.

Civil law deals with relationships between *individuals*. (A corporation is an “individual” under the law.) The word *suit* simply refers to a civil court case and *to sue* means to start a civil lawsuit. The State of Alaska, just like an individual, can bring a civil action. An example of a civil case is a suit resulting from an automobile accident.

One person sues another person for damages to the car or for personal injury due to the accident. Other examples of civil cases are suits to collect money, suits for divorce, and suits to recover property.

Criminal law deals with cases brought by the federal, state, city, or borough government against a person who has done something against the interest of all people in the community. The government charges an individual with violating a criminal law and brings a court action to decide guilt and impose a punishment. The charging of

a person with a crime and bringing that person to trial is called a *prosecution*. The prosecution for all cases under criminal law must be brought in the name of the federal, state, city, or borough government, even though the case may be started by the complaint of a private person — called the *complainant*. Some examples of crimes are murder, assault, disorderly conduct, and driving under the influence.

An event or action can result in both criminal and civil cases. For example, a person who steals and wrecks a snowmachine could be prosecuted by the state for the crime of theft and also sued for damages in a civil action by the owner. The criminal case might result in punishment through a fine or a term of imprisonment. The civil case might result in money being awarded to the owner as compensation for the loss of the machine.



Glennallen Courthouse (Third Judicial District)

How are Judges Chosen?

The Alaska constitution provides for the selection of judges by merit; that is, judges are selected on the basis of their qualifications, rather than on their political or social connections. Alaska was one of the first states to adopt merit selection of judges. Today, over thirty other states select some or all of their judges in this way.

The Alaska Judicial Council, an independent citizens' commission, investigates and evaluates applicants for judicial positions for all courts except magistrate judge courts. The council sends the names of the most qualified applicants to the governor. The governor must make an appointment from this list. (Magistrate judges are selected according to a different process.)

After serving for a specified period of time, all justices and judges in Alaska must stand periodically for approval by voters on a non-partisan ballot in a general election. This is called *retention*. The Judicial Council evaluates the performance of judicial officers standing for retention election. The evaluation includes a survey of attorneys, peace and probation officers, court employees, and others regarding the conduct of individual judges. Prior to the election date, the council provides detailed information from this evaluation to the public and makes recommendations regarding the retention of individual judges.

Other Justice System Participants

Many persons who *are not* part of the court system are also involved with the larger justice system. For example:

A *plaintiff* is the person (or group, or corporation, etc.) who first brings a case to court and starts the court action.

A *defendant* is the person (or group, or corporation, etc.) who is on the other side of the dispute that the plaintiff has brought to court.

A *peace officer* or *law enforcement officer* (for example, a police officer or state trooper) is a person who is responsible for maintaining order, enforcing the law, and preventing and detecting crime. A peace officer is *not* employed by the judicial system, but instead works in the executive branch of government in the Department of Public Safety or for a city government.

A *lawyer* (also called an *attorney*, *counsel*, or *counselor*) is a person who is trained in legal matters

and licensed to practice law. A lawyer acts on behalf of other people in legal matters — *clients*. A lawyer's main duty is to his or her client, although the lawyer must also meet other obligations. (For example, a lawyer cannot knowingly make a false statement in court, even at a client's request.)

Some lawyers have special titles. In general, a lawyer who represents the State of Alaska in a criminal case is an *assistant district attorney*, and a lawyer who represents the state in a civil case is an *assistant attorney general*. Any lawyer who represents state or local government in a criminal case may be called the *prosecutor* or the *prosecuting attorney*. A lawyer appointed by the court to represent a defendant in a criminal case because the defendant cannot afford to hire his or her own lawyer is usually employed by the Public Defender Agency and is referred to as an *assistant public defender*.



Rabinowitz Courthouse, Fairbanks (Fourth Judicial District)

The Alaska Supreme Court

The Alaska Supreme Court is the highest level of state court in Alaska. It hears appeals from lower state courts and also administers the state's judicial system.

The Supreme Court includes the chief justice and four associate justices. The five justices, by majority vote, select one of their members to be the chief justice. The chief justice holds that office for three years and may not serve consecutive terms.

The Supreme Court hears oral argument in cases on a monthly basis in Anchorage, approximately once each quarter in Fairbanks and Juneau, and on occasion in other Alaska communities. The court prefers to hear oral argument in the judicial district where the case was originally heard by the trial court.

The court meets biweekly to confer on cases argued orally and cases submitted *on the briefs* — that is, without oral argument. The court decides the cases and publishes its decisions in one of three ways — as an *Opinion*, a *Memorandum Opinion and Judgment (MO&J)*, or an *Order*. Opinions explain in detail the legal reasoning supporting the decision. They are published officially in the *Pacific Reporter* and *Alaska Reporter*. Memorandum Opinions and Judgments also explain the legal reasoning but are not published in the official reporters. Orders rule summarily on the merits of cases or dismiss them, do not report legal reasoning, and are not published in the official reporters.

Although MO&Js and most Orders are not published, they are available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk of the Appellate Courts. Current MO&Js are also available on the Alaska Court System website at <http://www.state.ak.us/courts> and through some subscription legal research services.

Under the state constitution, the Supreme Court establishes rules for the administration of all courts in the state and for practice and procedure in civil and criminal cases. The Supreme Court also adopts rules for the practice of law in Alaska. The legislature may change the court's procedural rules by passing an act expressing its intent to do so with a two-thirds majority of both houses.

Supreme Court Jurisdiction

The term *jurisdiction* means a court's legal power and authority to hear particular types of cases. The Supreme Court has final state appellate jurisdiction in civil and criminal matters as follows:

Appeals — The Supreme Court must accept appeals from final decisions by the Superior Court in civil cases (including cases that originated in administrative agencies).

Discretionary Matters — The Supreme Court may exercise its discretion to accept:

Petitions for Hearing of final appellate decisions of the Court of Appeals (criminal) or Superior Court (civil);

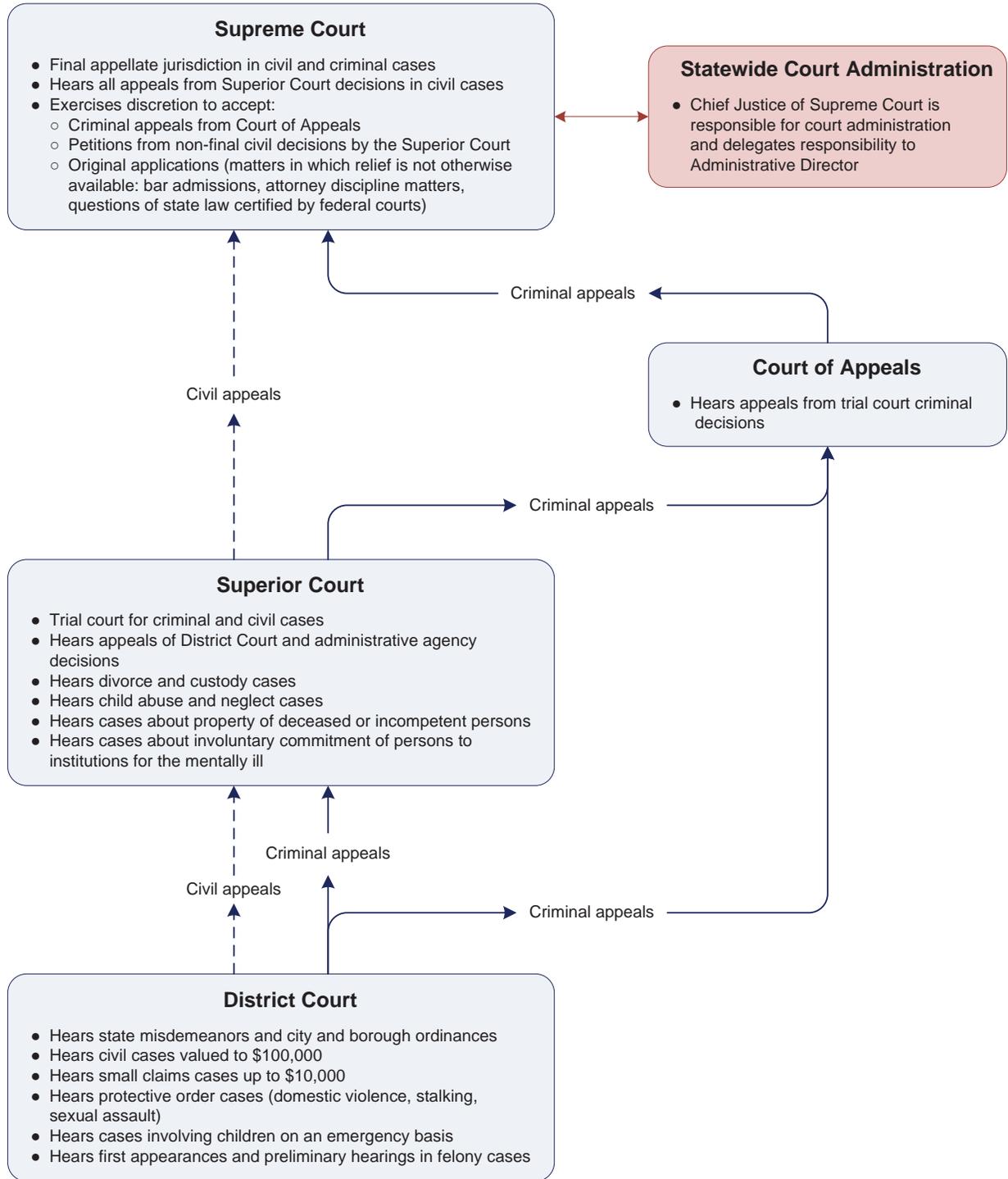
Petitions for Review of non-final orders by the Court of Appeals in criminal cases and the Superior Court in civil cases; and

Original Applications in matters for which relief is not otherwise available, including bar admission and attorney discipline matters and questions of state law certified from the federal courts.



"Alaska Skies" by Suzanne Donazetti, Supreme Court courtroom, Boney Courthouse, Anchorage

Figure A. Alaska Court System Structure and Flow of Civil and Criminal Appeals



Court of Appeals

The Court of Appeals is a three-judge court consisting of a chief judge and two associate judges. The Court of Appeals was created in 1980 by the Alaska Legislature. The chief judge of the Court of Appeals is appointed by the chief justice to serve a two-year term.

Court of Appeals Jurisdiction

The Court of Appeals has jurisdiction to hear appeals in cases involving criminal prosecutions, post-conviction relief, juvenile delinquency, extradition, *habeas corpus*, probation and parole, bail, and the excessiveness or leniency of a sentence, as follows:

Appeals — The Court of Appeals must accept appeals from final decisions by the Superior

Court or the District Court in criminal cases. These include *merit appeals* (issues concerning the merits of a conviction) and *sentence appeals* (issues concerning the excessiveness or leniency of a sentence).

Discretionary Matters — The Court of Appeals may exercise its discretion to accept:

Petitions for Review of non-final orders from the Superior Court or the District Court;

Petitions for Hearing of final appellate decisions of the Superior Court on review of the District Court's decisions; and

Original Applications in matters for which relief cannot be obtained from the court through one of the above procedures.

Trial Courts

Trial courts hear cases when they are initiated and render decisions on the law and facts of cases that fall within their jurisdiction. The two levels of trial court in the Alaska Court System are the Superior Court and the District Court.

The trial courts in Alaska are divided among four judicial districts, with boundaries that are defined by statute. In January of each year, the chief justice designates a Superior Court judge from each of Alaska's four judicial districts

to serve as presiding judge for a term of one calendar year. The presiding judge, in addition to regular judicial duties, is responsible for the administration of the trial courts within the district, including assignment of cases, supervision of court personnel, efficient handling of court business, and appointment of magistrate judges. Assisting the presiding judge with administrative responsibilities for each judicial district are the area court administrators.

Superior Court

The Superior Court is the trial court of general jurisdiction. There are forty-two Superior Court judgeships throughout the state. The Superior Court has the authority to hear civil and criminal cases properly brought before the state courts, with the very limited exception of matters taken directly to the Supreme Court. As a matter of practice, however, the Superior Court does not routinely hear cases that may be brought in the District Court, a court of limited jurisdiction.

Superior Court Jurisdiction

The Superior Court:

- is a trial court for both criminal and civil cases;

- serves as an appellate court for appeals from civil and criminal cases which have been tried in the District Court;
 - hears cases involving children who have committed crimes (juvenile delinquency) or who are abused or neglected (child in need of aid);
 - hears cases involving the property of incompetent or deceased persons;
 - hears cases involving involuntary commitment of persons to institutions for the mentally ill;
 - handles domestic relations matters; and
 - handles guardianships and conservatorships.
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District Court

The District Court is a trial court of limited jurisdiction. Its powers are narrower than those of the Superior Court. At the time of statehood in 1959, the legislature created a District Court for each judicial district and granted the Supreme Court the authority to increase or decrease the number of District Court judges within each judicial district. There are currently twenty-three District Court judgeships, serving three of the four judicial districts.

Magistrate judges are judicial officers of the District Court whose authority is more limited than that of a District Court judge. They preside over certain types of cases in areas of the state where the services of a full-time District Court judge are not required. Some magistrate judges serve more than one court location. Magistrate judges also serve in metropolitan areas to handle routine matters and ease the workload of the District Court judges. A magistrate judge is not required to be a lawyer.

District Court Judge Jurisdiction

A District Court judge may:

- hear state misdemeanors and minor offenses and violations of city and borough ordinances;
- issue summonses, arrest warrants, and search warrants;
- hear first appearances and preliminary hearings in felony cases;
- hear civil cases involving claims not to exceed a value of \$100,000 per defendant;
- hear small claims cases (\$10,000 maximum



Nome Courthouse (Second Judicial District)



Haines Courthouse (First Judicial District)

for most cases; \$20,000 for wage claims brought by the Department of Labor);

- handle cases involving children on an emergency basis;
- hear domestic violence cases; and
- handle inquests and presumptive death hearings.

Magistrate Judge Jurisdiction

A magistrate judge may:

- hear trials of municipal ordinance violations, state traffic infractions, and other minor offenses;
- hold trials and enter judgments in state misdemeanors if a defendant agrees in writing to be tried by a magistrate judge;
- issue summonses, arrest warrants, and search warrants;
- preside over preliminary hearings in felony cases;
- hear formal civil cases (\$10,000 maximum);
- hear small claims cases (\$10,000 maximum for most cases; \$20,000 for wage claims brought by the Department of Labor);
- handle cases involving children on an emergency basis;

- hear domestic violence cases;
- handle inquest and presumptive death hearings;
- issue writs of *habeas corpus* (challenges to the legality of a person's confinement);
- solemnize marriages and perform notary public duties;
- act as a hearing officer to review an administrative revocation of a driver's license;
- enter a judgment of conviction if a defendant pleads guilty or no contest to any state misdemeanor; and
- conduct extradition (fugitive from justice) proceedings.



Bog saxifrage, Andreafsky Wilderness, Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge (Fourth Judicial District)



Trans-Alaska Pipeline, northern Brooks Range (Second Judicial District)



Boney Courthouse, Anchorage (Third Judicial District)

Year in Review

We are pleased once again to present our annual overview of the Alaska Court System. The courts serve all state residents, in several hundred communities, from the urban hubs to the smallest, most remote villages. The Alaska population is truly an American population in its diversity and promise. Despite our differences in background, education, origin, wealth, and goals, under the state and federal constitutions we have a structure for living together. At the court system, we work to ensure that everyone who comes into contact with the courts receives fair, equitable, and considered attention, no matter what the reason behind the contact.

In this Year in Review section of the annual report, we have tried to give you a sense of our work in FY 2015, both inside the courtroom and beyond. Included are brief overviews of jury service administration, the state law library, relations with tribal courts, developments in our use of technology, management of court facilities, and court community outreach. We also present summary budget information.

In a time of reduced resources, the court system continues to work closely with other govern-

ment entities to make certain the justice system is functioning as efficiently as possible — while still meeting our unique responsibilities. A number of the programs and initiatives described in this report detail these inter-agency efforts.

We have also presented summaries of some of our efforts to ensure that the most vulnerable members of the community — children, the disabled, the elderly — receive protection under law.

As in previous years, the last portion of this annual report contains FY15 data on court operations throughout the state. The data, combined with the figures from earlier annual reports, provide a long-term record of the day-to-operation of the courts. We believe that these statistics provide useful management information for legislators, government employees, academic researchers, the media, and the general public.

...our justice system in Alaska rose over time through a calm and rational process of incremental growth and improvement, marked by strong support from all arms of government at the highest levels.

*— Chief Justice Dana A. Fabe,
State of the Judiciary, Feb. 11, 2015*

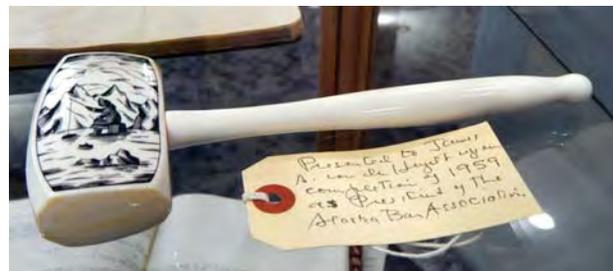
Highlights of Court System Work

Alaska Criminal Justice Commission

The Alaska Criminal Justice Commission was created by statute on July 1, 2014, with a three-year mandate to propose recommendations for improvements to the criminal justice system. The commission comprises thirteen commissioners from the executive, legislative and judicial branches. The court system's representatives include two judges and a retired Supreme Court justice. Commissioners have been meeting monthly to study all aspects of the criminal justice system in Alaska.

In its first year, the commission forwarded four recommendations to the legislature, including a suggested change to the structure for

the suspended imposition of sentence. It also received technical assistance from researchers and analysts with the Pew Charitable Trusts about ways to decrease Alaska's prison population without impacting public safety. The commission



Scrimshaw gavel, Alaska State Law Library, Anchorage

then crafted evidence-based recommendations for changes to criminal laws and practices. These recommendations, scheduled for presentation in FY 2016, will propose significant changes to pretrial decision making, criminal sentencing, and the handling of probation violations. Their goal is to reduce Alaska's prison population significantly over the next decade.

In their third and final year, the commissioners will continue studying how to decrease barriers for offenders re-entering society and how to improve criminal justice in rural areas. They will also assess the effectiveness of sanctions in Title 28 (DUI offenses). The Alaska Judicial Council is providing staffing for the work of the commission.

The overall policy recommendations that will emerge from the work of the Criminal Justice Commission will have a direct impact on the work of the Criminal Justice Working Group (CJWG) described in the next section.



Dimond Courthouse, Juneau (First Judicial District)

Criminal Justice Working Group

The court system's participation in the Criminal Justice Working Group (CJWG) is one of its most important ways of working with the other branches of state government to administer the criminal justice process. The CJWG brings together representatives from all parts of the criminal justice system to discuss inter-agency issues and make the system more efficient through shared planning and problem solving. A Supreme Court justice and the state attorney general co-chair the group, and the administrative director of the court system and the deputy director are members, along with senior administrators of other agencies.

The CJWG usually meets monthly to discuss pragmatic inter-agency administrative issues. The group's discussion reflects the practical, operational side of the policy questions being examined by the Alaska Criminal Justice Commission discussed in the previous segment.

Among other issues, in 2015 the group

looked at how domestic violence cases were being handled in rural areas; how to enhance working relationships with tribal courts; how to fine-tune the 24/7 pretrial release program; and what might be done to reduce pretrial detention lengths. In FY15, the group also sharpened its focus on programs and administrative approaches that foster more efficient use of funds.

The CJWG is also awaiting the results of a number of studies that will affect future planning for the court system and other parts of the justice system. One is a sentencing study being conducted by the Alaska Judicial Council that will present a detailed picture of criminal sentences imposed in 2012 and 2013. Another is a review of civil commitment and legal competency practices and research. This study, which was funded by the Mental Health Trust Authority, anticipates revising Alaska laws and procedures to reflect advances in law and medicine in the handling of mental illness.

Alaska State Court Law Library

The Alaska State Court Law Library marked several important changes in FY15. Foremost was the completion of the remodeling of the main library in the Boney Courthouse in Anchorage. The renovated facilities include expanded storage and shelving space, new office space, upgraded power connections for users, a more centrally located reference desk, and a new reading area on the mezzanine level. Unpacking and re-shelving will be completed in FY 2016. In addition, in FY15 the library system also began navigating to a new management system — an Integrated Library System (ILS) that accommodates all aspects of the library's administration through one software platform: acquisitions, circulation, cataloging, administrative reports, and user interfaces. The library also continued its move toward greater integration of electronic resources, providing access to eBooks through the Lexis Digital Library and upgrading to WestlawNext for court staff and the public.

The library serves the legal information needs of the entire state and all its residents — judicial officers, attorneys, government employees, and members of the general public. It is the only legal library in the state that is open for general use, with reference assistance available to all. Because it is the primary source for legal information and research in Alaska, the library administration emphasizes providing broad public access to its holdings. The gradual expansion of the library's electronic resources is making a wide variety of legal research tools available in even the most remote communities in the state.

The library system includes the main library and administrative offices in Anchorage and fifteen branch offices throughout the state. The Anchorage library and the branch libraries in Juneau and Fairbanks are staffed with knowledgeable librarians and assistants present



Alaska State Court Law Library, Boney Courthouse, Anchorage

to provide help. Users at the other branches and elsewhere can use a toll-free number to receive help from reference librarians in Anchorage.

From October 2014 through May 2015, the Anchorage reference librarians fielded an average of 470 requests per month either in person or by phone or email. The library's web page, which has been reorganized and received a facelift as part of the court system's redesign of its entire website, received an average of over 700 page views monthly from October 2014 through May 2015.

The library publishes a list of its new acquisitions three times a year. The list is available on the web page.



Alaska State Court Law Library, Boney Courthouse, Anchorage

Jurors and Juries

Just over 30,000 people appeared for jury duty at court locations throughout Alaska in FY 2015. This total includes numbers for both trial and grand juries (see sidebar). From this group, over 4,700 were selected to sit on trial juries. Trials took place in all four judicial districts, with jurors coming from communities of all sizes.

During FY15 the court system began to use an online jury questionnaire in its selection process. The court notifies individuals by postcard that they are being summoned for service. The postcard provides instructions on how to fill out the questionnaire online. The postcard also includes instructions for those who are not able to use the internet and will need a paper questionnaire. The online questionnaire was introduced in Bethel, Juneau, Kenai, Ketchikan, Nome, Palmer, and Kotzebue. The court system plans to extend its use to all trial locations in FY 2016. The online questionnaire will make the summoning process more convenient and it will also reduce data entry costs.

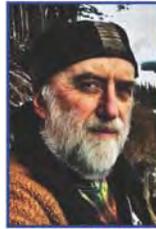
A Jury Management Committee that includes judges and court administrators is currently working on other ways to improve the overall jury selection process and to contain rising costs.

People are called to jury service on a numerically random basis structured by state statutes and

the Alaska Rules of Court. To serve, an individual must be at least eighteen years old, a U.S. citizen, an Alaska resident, of sound mind, and able to speak or read English. In general, qualified residents of communities within fifty miles of the trial site can be summoned. Residents of villages lying outside this fifty-mile radius usually are not summoned, although the court may expand this boundary to increase the size of the jury pool or to ensure that the pool reflects a fair cross-section of the community where the crime occurred.

In FY15, total jury payments came

Thank you Alaska Jurors!



Ray Troll, Artist - Juror



Katherine Gottlieb, President and CEO, Southcentral Foundation - Juror



Peter Kaiser, Iditarod Dog Musher - Juror



Sophie Minich, President and CEO, Cook Inlet Region Incorporated - Juror



Aly Zirkle, Iditarod Dog Musher - Juror



Kirsten Kingak-Friday, Associate General Counsel, Callista Corporation - Juror



John R. "Jack" Roderick, Former Anchorage Borough Mayor, Author - Juror



Shirley Mae Springer Staten, Events Coordinator/Performer - Juror



Eric Strabel, Ski Coach/Realtor - Juror



Holly Brooks, Professional Ski Racer/Community Health Advocate - Juror



Herman Walker, Attorney - Juror



Maria Downey, Channel 2 News Anchor - Juror

You're in good company.



Courtroom, Nesbett Courthouse, Anchorage (Third Judicial District)

to over \$1.7 million, somewhat less than in FY14. Juror pay totaled over \$1 million; and travel, lodging, meals, and mileage reimbursement costs came to around \$704 thousand. Travel in the Fourth Judicial District, where a large number of prospective jurors must travel by plane from small villages, accounted for a significant portion

of the travel costs.

The court system has also completed a new jury orientation video that is now being shown to prospective jurors during the selection process. The video provides an overview of jury service through the eyes of judges and former jurors from all over the state.

Grand Juries

In FY 2015, just over 3,700 people across the state appeared for consideration for grand jury duty.

A grand jury serves a different function than a trial jury. Whereas a trial jury decides whether an individual is **guilty** of a crime, a grand jury decides whether there is enough evidence to **charge** a person with a crime. By ensuring that a person will face serious criminal charges only if a group of private citizens decides the evidence warrants a trial, the grand jury provides an important constitutional check on the power of government.

Grand juries sit in twelve court locations throughout the state: Anchorage, Barrow, Bethel, Fairbanks, Juneau, Kenai, Ketchikan, Kodiak, Kotzebue, Nome, Palmer, and Sitka. Jurors are usually chosen from the population residing within fifty miles of the grand jury site. The qualifications for serving on a grand jury are the same as those for a trial jury. A grand jury will have twelve to eighteen jurors and alternates. The jury usually sits for a period of time varying from one to four months, or until dismissed by the presiding judge. It will consider a number of cases over that period.



Flying to Point Hope (Second Judicial District)

Fairness and Access Commission

The Alaska Fairness and Access Commission, which was established through the leadership of the Alaska Supreme Court, has received national designation from the American Bar Association

... if those who follow us can inherit a system that remains strong, stable, and dedicated to equal justice long after we are gone, we will have met the truest measure of our success.

— Chief Justice Dana A. Fabe,
State of the Judiciary, Feb. 11, 2015

(ABA) as an Access to Justice Commission for its work in fostering access to civil justice for all state residents. The commission seeks to ensure that individuals of limited economic means, self-represented

litigants, and members of minority groups all have access to the courts for civil matters. This designation by the American Bar Association links the Alaska commission to similar commissions in other states and will permit the Alaska group to apply for funding from the ABA to support its work.

The Alaska commission's membership includes representatives from both urban and rural areas throughout the state, the court system, the Alaska bar, and legal aid agencies. Notable among its accomplishments have been the promotion of a new court rule establishing pro-



Meadow bistort, Andreafsky Wilderness, Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge (Fourth Judicial District)



Bald eagle, Point Baker, Prince of Wales Island (First Judicial District)

cedures under which criminal cases may be referred to restorative justice programs for input into sentencing (Criminal Rule 11i) and co-sponsorship with tribal courts of judicial education and training programs. In addition, the commission has promoted the work of the court system's Family Law Self-Help Center in assisting self-represented litigants.

The commission carries out its work through two committees: the Fairness, Access, and Diversity Committee and the Access to Civil Justice Committee.

Elder Task Force

For several years, Alaska has had the fastest-growing senior population in the country. With this growth has come an increase in demand for court services. For example, the number of petitions filed each year for appointment of a guardian or conservator has grown steadily, nearly doubling in the last seven years. As demographic projections indicate continued rapid growth of Alaska's elder population, the demand for court services is likely to continue to grow as well. In recognition of this anticipated growth, the court system has created an Elder Task Force. Its goal is to ensure that the legal needs of elder Alaskans and other vulnerable adults are being met.

The task force includes judicial officers, court administrators, attorneys, public guardians, court visitors, and representatives of social service agencies and the Alaska Mental Health Trust

Authority. The group will look at the adult guardianship and conservatorship system in particular. It will study how to better monitor guardianships and conservatorships. It will also make recommendations for educating judges and court staff on issues related to elder abuse. Another important focus will be developing information for the general public on a spectrum of aging-related issues. Among those related to court services will be how to petition the court for appointment of a guardian or conservator for a vulnerable person, what to expect during the court process, how to make decisions to care for the protected person, and how to meet the legal reporting requirements.

...the elderly deserve the full support of laws designed to keep them safe and fairly treated.

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Yukon River between Pilot Station and St. Mary's (Fourth Judicial District)

Family Law Self-Help Center

The vast majority of domestic relations cases involve people representing themselves. The Family Law Self-Help Center (FLSHC) assists this population by providing education about court procedures and forms for most situations that arise in divorce and custody cases. During FY 2015, the FLSHC added more self-help website material on a number of topics, including probate issues as well as guardianships and conservatorships.

The center does not give legal advice; rather it provides guidance about court procedures, forms, and legal and non-legal options. The center uses a telephone helpline and web-based materials to serve its customers. The helpline receives over 7,000 calls a year from throughout the state. There are English, Spanish, and Tagalog speakers on the staff.

Through its web pages, which can be reached from the Alaska Court System home page (courts.alaska.gov), the FLSHC offers educational materials for many common legal problems, including divorce and dissolution, child custody, child support, guardianship, and domestic violence. Information on court fees, links to proper forms, and information on finding an attorney are also provided.

The center's web pages are among the most frequently visited on the court system's site.

In addition to its web resources and the telephone helpline, the center has also produced a number of videos on common problems, including a series on various aspects of divorce and custody. Some of the videos are available in Spanish and Tagalog versions, in addition to English. Links to the videos are found on the website.



Serpentine Hot Springs, Bering Land Bridge National Preserve (Second Judicial District)

Early Resolution Program

Through the use of mediation and negotiation, the Early Resolution Program (ERP) — which is administered through the Family Law Self-Help Center — offers a path for avoiding lengthy, expensive trials in divorce and custody cases for people representing themselves. The program began in Anchorage in 2009 and has since expanded to Palmer; to southeast Alaska, with cases heard in Juneau; and in FY 2015, to the Kenai Peninsula, with cases heard in Kenai. There are plans to adapt parts of the program for Kotzebue in FY 2016. With the availability of telephonic and videoconference appearances by parties, program administrators are increasingly able to reach more locations. Over fifty percent of divorce cases involving two self-represented parties are handled through the ERP.

Program administrators review newly-filed divorce and custody cases to identify those which are suited to this approach. With the assistance of volunteer attorneys, court mediators, or settlement judges, the parties negotiate their disputes in an informal session. When agreement is reached,

a judge reviews and approves the terms. Final paperwork is issued at a hearing. Because there is usually only one court appearance and no trial, this approach reduces the expense of handling a case as well as the stress and uncertainty for program participants, and it allows the court system to reallocate the time of judicial officers and staff to other matters.

As the accompanying table shows, approximately eighty percent of the cases accepted for the ERP have reached complete settlement through informal negotiation. Others reached partial settlement.

The number of attorneys who work with the program on a volunteer basis continues to grow. In FY15, fifty-seven attorneys from across the state assisted with negotiations. The Alaska Pro Bono Program works with court staff to provide the attorneys.

Identifying early where an individual case is likely to fall along the conflict continuum allows court services to be targeted more closely to litigants' needs, in a much more timely way.

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Early Resolution Program (ERP) Statistics, Dec 2010–Jun 2015

Program start	Anchorage		Palmer		Juneau		Total	
	Dec 2010		Feb 2012		Apr 2012			
	N	Percent	N	Percent	N	Percent	N	Percent
Settled fully	532	79.6 %	153	77.3 %	100	79.4 %	785	79.1 %
Partially settled	22	3.3	8	4.0	—	—	30	3.0
Sent to assigned judge	86	12.9	24	12.1	22	17.5	132	13.3
Continued to second ERP hearing	3	0.4	2	1.0	3	2.4	8	0.8
At least one party failed to appear	14	2.1	9	4.5	1	0.8	24	2.4
Other	11	1.6	2	1.0	—	—	13	1.3
Total cases heard in ERP	668		198		126		992	

Source of data: Family Law Self-Help Center, Alaska Court System



Fox near Toolik Field Station, Brooks Range (Second Judicial District)

Child Custody

In FY 2015 the court system began to review the child custody process, with the goal of reducing conflict and damage to children by identifying the appropriate approach for resolution in individual cases. The adversarial nature of the trial process, by heightening differences, often adds to the

It is our hope that this new trial option will allow families to not only resolve their disputes more quickly and efficiently, but to do so in a manner that is less mystifying, combative, and frustrating to all concerned.

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stress of all parties in these cases. Protracted litigation in divorce and custody cases also consumes court resources, especially when parties return to court frequently for further hearings over unsettled issues. In the majority of cases involving child custody, one or both parties are self-represented.

In late winter 2014 a child custody summit that called together judicial officers, court administrators, attorneys, and mental health professionals examined how to improve the ways in which divorce cases involving children and custody cases between unmarried parents are handled. The court system has begun to put in place some of the ideas which emerged from the summit. It is moving gradually toward a comprehensive service model for handling these cases — one that makes better use of existing resources and avoids unnecessary litigation.

Complete implementation of the plan that emerged from the summit will span several years. Eventually, the court system will channel a new divorce and custody case onto one of several tracks based on the specific issues present in that case. There will be different ways of resolving cases, with substantially fewer needing to go to

formal trial. An uncomplicated, low-conflict case, for example, might be resolved through a mediation or negotiation approach, such as the one already being used in the Early Resolution Program described above.

A case in which the issues are more complicated might be channeled to a judge for an informal trial. The procedures in such trials differ from those in formal trials. Rather than opposing parties doing the questioning, the judge asks the questions, and evidence is submitted according to less formal rules. These differences lessen the adversarial nature of the trial. A rule authorizing the informal trial process went into effect in April 2015.

There is also interest in expanding the custody investigators' role in these cases to include more proactive assistance, such as mediation and education to facilitate the development of detailed parenting plans.

To address the problem of custody cases returning repeatedly to court after the final judgment the court may begin to schedule an early post-judgment follow-up hearing. This hearing will permit the judge to assess whether parties are meeting their responsibilities under the initial agreement and provide an opportunity for the parties to bring up unresolved or unforeseen problems before they escalate. Again, the emphasis is on reducing the opportunities for conflict and saving court resources.

Another post-judgment tool — one currently being used in a pilot program in Anchorage — is the use of parenting coordinators (PC) to work with high-conflict parents in implementing parenting plans ordered by the judge. The parenting coordinator initially attempts to mediate disputes that arise between the parties. If mediation is unsuccessful the PC has authority to make a decision in specific areas designated by the assigned judge. Initial results from this program show a reduction in the number of post-judgment motions filed by the parties in high-conflict cases. The program will soon expand to other court locations.



Wild geraniums, Squirrel Creek (Third Judicial District)

Children's Issues and the Alaska Court System

In FY 2015 the Alaska Court System continued to improve the handling of Child in Need of Aid (CINA) cases. These cases tend to be complex and sensitive, involving the interests of many parties, including the children themselves; parents or guardians; other family members; and — in cases with Alaska Native or American Indian children — tribes. When the Office of Children's Services files a case to assume custody of a child, all of these parties may be involved.

To refine the handling of this type of case, the court system is developing a core training curriculum for judges, attorneys, and other professionals. The curriculum will include eight modules to be offered at regularly scheduled training conferences. The modules will cover legal issues; family well-being; services and resources; the Indian Child Welfare Act; information sharing; creative advocacy in CINA cases; community and culture; and education law. The first statewide conference, covering legal issues, was held in April 2014. The second, in October 2014, presented the modules on the Indian Child Welfare Act, family well-being, and services and resources. Over fifty CINA stakeholders from throughout the state attended this second multi-disciplinary conference. The remaining modules will be offered for the first time in FY16.

The court is advancing its work on CINA cases in coordination with an inter-agency committee assembled as part of the federally-funded CINA Court Improvement Program (CIP). The

committee facilitates regular communication among the many agencies involved in the CINA process. In addition to judges and administrators from the court system, the committee includes representatives from the Office of Children's Services, the Division of Behavioral Health, the Public Defender, the Office of Public Advocacy, Alaska Native organizations, and social service agencies. CIP provided travel funding for participants in the April 2014 and October 2014 core curriculum training conferences.

The court system is also participating in the Children's Justice Act (CJA) Taskforce. The multi-disciplinary taskforce, which is funded by the federal government, is examining how to improve the state's response to the maltreatment — particularly, sexual abuse — of children. In the past year the taskforce has focused on enhancing online training for mandatory reporters of child abuse. A Superior Court judge and an administrative attorney represent the court system on the taskforce.



Chocolate lily, Turnagain Pass (Third Judicial District)

CINA Therapeutic Court

To better assure the welfare of children and parents in cases in which one or both parents or custodians exhibit a substance abuse problem, the court system has established a new CINA (Child in Need of Aid) therapeutic court. The court began operating at the beginning of FY15. A case in CINA Therapeutic Court (CTC) runs parallel to the original court case, with communication addressing participant progress regularly shared between the CTC

and the regular CINA track. With this dual-tracking, the courts seek to promote participant recovery from substance abuse while also addressing the other problems that arise in a child welfare case. As with other therapeutic courts, the CINA Therapeutic Court has a dedicated team: judge, assistant attorney general, guardian ad litem, parent attorney, social worker and treatment provider.

Veterans Court

The Alaska Veterans Court is a specialized court designed on a therapeutic model to promote rehabilitation for veterans in both felony and misdemeanor cases. Recognizing that many veterans appearing in criminal cases display medical, behavioral, or social problems associated with their military service backgrounds, the court system established Veterans Court in 2004. The court employs alternative sentencing agreements and judicial monitoring to provide eligible veter-

ans with incentives to engage and succeed in their own rehabilitation. The Veterans Administration, prosecutors, and defense attorneys work with the court system to link eligible veterans to housing, employment, rehabilitation and treatment services.

Veterans Court has a capacity of twenty-five. In the last six months of FY 2015, it operated at well over seventy-five percent capacity. From FY11 through FY15, sixty-one participants graduated from the court.



"In Search of Truth" detail



"In Search of Truth" detail



"In Search of Truth" by Susie Qimmiqsak Bevins-Ericsen, Nesbett Courthouse, Anchorage (Third Judicial District)

PACE

As a result of legislation passed in 2014, more court locations are participating in the PACE program. PACE — Probation Accountability with Certain Enforcement — requires the immediate imposition of a sanction for certain types of probation or parole violations, primarily those related to drug or alcohol. Research indicates that penalties imposed as soon as possible after a violation are more effective in forestalling recidivism than those imposed after more delay. The program, which follows the design of a similar program in Hawaii, requires on-going coordination among the several branches of the justice system — the Alaska Court System, the Departments of Corrections and Law, defense attorneys, and law enforcement agencies — to facilitate the fast processing of probation or parole violations. The program is now in place in Anchorage, Palmer, Kenai, and Juneau. It is expanding to Bethel, Fairbanks, and Ketchikan in FY16.

The Department of Corrections selects participants for PACE from among sentenced felons who indicate a drug or alcohol problem and are evaluated as medium-to-high risk for recidivism. (An offender's usual place of residence

is also a factor, since it can be impossible for offenders in rural villages to appear for the randomly scheduled tests which are an important part of the program.) Selected offenders cannot opt out of the program. At an initial court hearing after an offender is selected for PACE, the judge explains the ways in which probation will be monitored: regular meetings with the probation officer and frequent, randomly scheduled drug or alcohol tests. Failure to pass a test, appear for a test, or make an appointment triggers immediate arrest or the issuing of an arrest warrant.

Police give priority to these warrants. If the court finds a violation, it imposes an immediate sanction — usually two to three days in jail. A second violation also results in an immediate sanction. Further violations lead to even closer monitoring and, since continued violations may indicate a chronic problem with drugs or alcohol, possible consideration of mandatory treatment.

PACE receives funding from both the state and federal governments. Along with the FY15 expansion of the program, data retention has been standardized across the state for use in future program evaluations.



Mendenhall Lake (First Judicial District)

Meeting the Needs of Alaskans with Limited Proficiency in English

During FY 2015, the court system continued to improve interpretation and translation services for cases in which a participant displays limited English proficiency. As the adjoining table shows, in FY15 the requests for language interpreters spanned all types of cases.

The number of languages for which interpretation is necessary has grown noticeably. In FY14, there were interpreter requests for twenty-nine different languages. In FY15, the court provided interpreters for forty-five different languages. By far, Spanish was the most frequently requested, accounting for thirty-six percent of interpreter requests. Other languages frequently requested were Tagalog, Korean, Russian, Hmong, Samoan, and Yup'ik.

The need arises throughout the state: courts in twenty communities, scattered across all four districts, requested the assistance of an interpreter at least once in FY15. A statewide interpreter services coordinator now assists judges, staff, attorneys, and others in locating and scheduling interpreters trained for courtroom proceedings.

The court system meets interpretation needs through the statewide Language Interpreter Center located in Anchorage; through Language Line Services, a national telephonic interpreter service; and with court-certified and court-credentialed interpreters from other state courts. Alaska has two resident court-certified Spanish interpreters, with several others working toward certification. Because court interpretation demands knowledge of specialized legal and judicial language and procedures, achieving certification as an interpreter requires lengthy training.

The court system also provides sign language interpreters for cases in which there is a deaf or hard-of-hearing participant. These interpreters are certified through the Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf (RID) — a national certification entity.

As the need for interpreters in many different languages has grown throughout the entire country, state courts have created a network of resources for locating trained court interpreters who can provide services to Alaska in-person,

Use of Interpreters in Court Proceedings, FY15

By language						By case type	
Language	Number of requests	Language	Number of requests	Language	Number of requests	Case type	Number of requests
Spanish	271	Albanian	4	Ukrainian	2	Criminal	300
Tagalog	61	Amharic	4	Uzbek	2	Civil	284
Korean	60	French	4	Burmese	1	Minor offense	47
Russian	60	Cambodian	3	Cantonese	1	CINA cases	37
Hmong	38	Cebuano	3	Czech	1	Probate	19
Samoan	38	Japanese	3	Finnish	1	Delinquency	14
Yup'ik	34	Tigrinya	3	German	1	Small claims	9
Somali	29	Tongan	3	Hausa	1	Training	3
Laotian	24	Dinka	2	Inupiat	1	Translation	3
Arabic	22	Indonesian	2	Mien	1	No case type	43
Mandarin	16	Nepali	2	Moldavan	1		
Thai	16	Nuer	2	Serbian	1	Total	759
Vietnamese	16	Romanian	2	Swahili	1		
Ilocano	9	Slovak	2	Tagrinya	1		
Polish	7	Sudanese	2	Visayan	1		
		Arabic	2				
				Total	759		



Wind turbines, Selawik (Second Judicial District)

telephonically, or through video remote technology, depending on the complexity of the case.

The growing availability and refinement of video exchanges has also enhanced the Alaska Court System's ability to provide interpretation to remote court locations. Use of video technology enables the smaller, more isolated court locations to receive the same quality of interpretation available in the larger communities. In addition, the National Center for State Courts is developing a specialized video capacity that will provide court-trained interpreters for rarer languages — for example, Nuer and Somali — to courts across

the country, including in Alaska.

The court system provides language assistance to customers at the front counter using telephonic interpreter services and trained bilingual employees known as Language Assistants. Currently, the Language Assistants represent seven spoken languages plus American Sign Language (ASL).

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Interpretation in Alaska Native languages, particularly Yup'ik, received special attention in FY 2015. The court began work on a new arraignment rights video in Yup'ik for use in criminal cases. The video will be available early in 2016. (An older video is currently in use.) Court administrators are also working with two Yup'ik-speaking specialists to build a Yup'ik-English legal glossary that will help to build a standard vocabulary for Yup'ik interpreters for court and other legal situations. In addition, a Bethel court employee began training to become a professional courtroom interpreter in Yup'ik.



Arctic Alpine forget-me-not, Bering Land Bridge National Preserve (Second Judicial District)

Relations with Tribal Courts

The court system is continuing to work with tribal courts and other village entities to improve the administration of justice at the local level in rural Native communities. The court system recognizes that addressing

We need to weave a stronger role for local dispute mechanisms, including tribal courts, into the fabric of our state's justice system. Today, this goal is more important than ever as the state system endeavors to do more with less, and the use of local dispute mechanisms when appropriate presents an opportunity for significant cost savings.

— Chief Justice Dana A. Fabe,
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problems at the village level as immediately as possible is often the best way to handle cases, particularly those involving juveniles. Following changes in both criminal and delinquency rules that support greater involvement in restorative justice programs, the court has developed formal frame-

works with several tribes for local participation in sentencing decisions. In Kodiak and Sand Point, agreements to refer certain types of criminal cases to tribal restorative justice programs are now in place; and District Courts in Sitka, Kenai, and

Cordova now will work with tribal courts in those communities to divert minor consuming alcohol cases to tribal programs. The court system is also discussing similar plans with tribes in other communities. Also during FY 2015 the court system modified its Child in Need of Aid (CINA) rules to set forth procedures for the registration, confirmation, and enforcement of tribal court orders from child custody proceedings held under the Indian Child Welfare Act.

In another joint court system and tribal project, the Kenaitze Tribe in Kenai and state court judges are working together to establish a dual-jurisdiction wellness court. The project, which is still in the planning stages, is receiving technical guidance from the U.S. Bureau of Justice Assistance. This therapeutic court will focus on felony defendants with substance abuse problems in cases where CINA or custody issues are also involved, as well as on younger first-time felony offenders. State and tribal judges will jointly preside over hearings.



Fishing vessel along the Mendenhall River (First Judicial District)

Court Employee Developments

Clerks Conference

The annual Alaska Clerks Conference took place in Anchorage in May 2015. Judicial officers, senior court administrators, clerks, and a guest speaker provided training and overviews on a spectrum of court responsibilities and issues involving the clerks. Among the topics covered in the various sessions conducted were: the rule of law, due process, equal protection; interdependence and leadership; legal research; ethics; the legislative process and the budget picture; post-judgment accounting; CINA case

management; guardianship, and conservatorship cases; the Americans with Disabilities Act; language services; active shooter preparedness; and personal safety and awareness. There were also sessions on stress management and community outreach.

Nearly fifty clerks of court, rural court training assistants, and area court administrators from throughout the state attended the four-day conference. It was held in the Snowden Training Center in Anchorage.



Rainforest, Douglas Island (First Judicial District)

Employee Advisory Committee

The Employee Advisory Committee (EAC), established in 2000, is a channel for communication between senior court administrators and court employees. The committee meets periodically throughout the year with the administrative director of the court system and other administrators to discuss workplace issues. Its members represent all four judicial districts. They are selected by their peers and serve two-year terms. They provide senior administrators with vital information on concerns that arise in day-to-day work in the trial courts and with customer service. Since in their daily work court employees are often meeting with other government employees as well as with the general public, their perceptions help with cross-agency issues as well as internal court considerations. Committee members raise questions, make suggestions, and help to identify employee concerns and training needs, and they carry information from the administration to their co-workers at court

locations throughout the state.

In FY 2015 the EAC received regular briefings on the state budget situation and its implications for court system operations and were asked to gather ideas from their co-workers on ways to reduce expenditures while maintaining the quality of court services.

Employee concerns regarding benefits are regularly an important topic for discussion by the EAC. In response to suggestions from the committee, in 2010 the court administration established a Health Care Advocacy program. Senior staff attorneys serve as advocates to help employees understand and navigate their medical insurance and health care benefits. The advocates have assisted with solving complicated insurance issues. In FY15, the Health Care Advocates periodically briefed the EAC to clarify benefit changes and procedures. Members of the committee then report back to other employees in their particular court location.



Salmon Creek Trail, Juneau (First Judicial District)

Employee Awards

The Customer Service Awards recognize employees who have demonstrated exemplary communication skills, excellence in teamwork, projected a professional image, and assisted in fulfilling the mission of the Alaska Court System. Awards are presented for service to both internal and external customers.

Customer Service — Internal Customers

Michael Hendricks, Deputy Clerk of Court,
Anchorage
Kim Wood, Administrative Assistant,
Fairbanks

Customer Service — External Customers

Kimberly Barron, Deputy Clerk of Court,
Kotzebue

Merri Duby, Deputy Clerk of Court, Kenai
James Kwon, Clerk of Court, Kotzebue
Joy Mendenhall, Deputy Clerk of Court,
Kotzebue
Paul Shapiro, Deputy Clerk of Court, Juneau

The Employee Achievement Award recognizes employees who have initiated improvements, timesaving techniques, or other changes that increase efficiency.

Employee Achievement Awards

Connie Budahl, Payroll Supervisor, Anchorage
Denise Bruneau, Human Resources Generalist, Anchorage



Shishaldin Volcano, Aleutian Islands (Third Judicial District)

Civic Education and Court System Outreach

Judicial officers and administrative employees of the Alaska Court regularly participate in community activities designed to deepen public understanding of the work of the judicial branch

and contribute to the effectiveness of the justice system as a whole. Several programs undertaken in FY15 deserve special note.

Supreme Court LIVE

Since 2010 the Alaska Supreme Court has arranged to hear oral arguments in actual cases at various high schools around the state as a way of making the work of the court system more immediate to young students. In advance of the hearings volunteer attorneys from the community provide students with an overview of the court process and introduce them to the specific legal issues raised in the cases being argued.

In FY 2015 the court heard arguments at Ketchikan High School in the case *State of*

Alaska, Patrick Galvin, Comm. et al v. Central Council of Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes (Supreme Court No. S-14935). Around 800 students and teachers attended the hearing, which was followed by a discussion open to the audience.

The Supreme Court LIVE sessions are also broadcast through KTOO's Gavel-to-Gavel program, with the background educational materials for each case available on the court system's website.



Tongass National Forest (First Judicial District)

Color of Justice

Color of Justice is an education program founded by the National Association of Women Judges to encourage members of minority groups and women to consider careers as lawyers and judges. In autumn 2014, students from Mt Edgecumbe High School in Sitka, who come from communities throughout the state, and other Sitka students participated in a two-

day conference designed to introduce them to opportunities for law-related careers. Professors from law schools in the Pacific Northwest joined Alaska judges and attorneys in leading workshops and other activities on the nature of work in the legal and judicial arena. Former Mt. Edgecumbe students who are now pursuing careers in law also participated.

Law Day

2015 marked 800 years since the signing of the Magna Carta in England. Since this document is commonly recognized as one of the most important in the history of the rule of law, it was given special prominence in the celebration of

2015 Law Day, May 1. Throughout the state local courts participated in a variety of activities that focused on the importance of the rule of law as embodied in the Magna Carta, including visits to schools, speeches and other presentations.

“Justice for All” Art Contest

Each year the Alaska Court System sponsors an art contest open to students from kindergarten through eighth grade. In FY15 contestants submitted artworks answering the question “Fairness, diversity, equality: Our justice system depends on them. What do they mean to you?”

Entries were grouped by the grade levels of the contestants. Representatives from the court system and the Alaska Bar Association selected the winners. The winning pictures have been used in court public education posters distributed throughout the state.



Poster titled “This picture is the Alaskan Moose of Justice” — first place winner in K–4 category of the 2015 “Justice for All” art contest. Artist Ian Smith, Delta Junction, with Judge Michael P. McConahy.

Success Inside and Out

In FY 2015 the court system again presented the Success Inside and Out conferences in collaboration with the Department of Corrections. The day-long conferences, which were held in autumn 2014 in Anchorage and spring 2015 in Juneau, provide guidance to prison inmates who will be reentering the community within a year. The Anchorage conference focuses on women inmates at Hiland Mountain Correctional Center, while the Juneau program is aimed at both women and men at the Lemon Creek Center.

The Success program seeks to help inmates with the challenges of the transition back into the wider community. Professionals from various

arenas conduct sessions on how to navigate possibly difficult areas — addictions and mental health issues; probation and parole; housing; health; banking; legal services; employment; education; and family. The program also draws upon the experiences of former inmates who have made successful transitions.

Recognizing that inmates will be returning to rural and urban communities all over the state, conference planners design the program to address the different resources and situations found in villages and cities.

Success Inside and Out has been offered annually in Anchorage since 2006 and in Juneau for eight years.

Bench-Press

In June 2015, the court system sponsored a bench-press conference for members of the media. Participating judges covered points in criminal procedure that would be particularly helpful to reporters in understanding criminal cases: arraignments, bail, indictments, plea agreements, and sentencing. The specialized nature of the various therapeutic courts was also

explained. Court administrators discussed the types and number of case filings throughout the state.

The court offers these bench-press sessions on an occasional basis to develop media understanding of court operations. Reporters from both print and broadcast outlets attended the June presentation.



Tanana River bridge at Big Delta, Richardson Highway (Fourth Judicial District)

Developments in Technology

E-Filing — Lynx



Canadian Lynx (Third Judicial District)

The court system is continuing its transition to an electronic document management system that will replace paper case files. Files will be handled electronically. They will progress through the system automatically based on rules built into the system. Complete implementation of this project, which is entitled Lynx, will require several years, with the software being tailored to the specific needs of Alaska's courts.

The planning for implementation of the system has involved working with other agencies on computer system interfaces to ensure the ability of one agency to transmit information to another without compromising the integrity of either system. This will be achieved through

standards-based global reference data exchange architecture.

In FY 2015, the court system conducted successful tests of the new software in Anchorage, Kenai, and Kotzebue. This testing focused on civil protective order filings. These three sites were chosen because they present a cross-section of the types of issues encountered in data system management in the state as a whole.

In addition the Municipality of Anchorage and the court system are moving forward with testing the electronic transmission of charging data for misdemeanors.

In the next phase of the rollout, the Lynx project will concentrate on filings in minor offense cases. Such cases form a significant portion of the court system workload.

All the servers needed to host the database, applications, and documents associated with e-filing are now in place, along with the initial software load and setup. The court will continue to add components to the infrastructure as necessary to insure a high level of availability and redundancy.

So we are probably more mindful than ever of the adage that change is the only constant. And that keeping up with change is what we do, and have always done.

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Copper River Delta (Third Judicial District)

Court System Website

The website continues to be one of the main channels through which the Alaska Court System can reach all state residents in need of its services. In FY 2105, work continued on the renovation of the site.

The home page is often the first point of contact that an individual has with the court system. In FY15, this page registered close to 110,000 unique page views each month. Most people go to the website to check trial court cases on Court View. The pages of the Family Law Self-Help Center, the law library, and those associated with the work of the trial courts are among the most frequently visited within the court's site.

Also in FY 2015, under a new Supreme Court order, the website became available for publishing legal notices for cases in which public notification is required—such as change of name cases. Over 2,000 such notices were posted. Making the site available in this way saves the cost and time previously needed for publishing the notice in a newspaper.

The website also includes photographs of some of the art works held in court locations around the state as part of the state's Percent for Art in Public Places program. Presenting them on the website makes it possible for a wider audience to appreciate these public holdings.

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NOTICE TO ABSENT PARENT: CHILD'S NAME CHANGE
Notice to absent parent in change of name cases
Updated daily at 6:15 A.M.

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Video Technology

The size of Alaska has long made using video a practical approach for certain court tasks. With the increasing availability of low-cost video-conferencing software, such as VSee, the court system can now better connect its locations and bring necessary services to more isolated communities, with savings in travel costs

and staff time. By permitting people from more court locations to participate in discussions and training, the technology broadens the impact of talent and ideas. The use of video software has also made providing language interpreters for trials and other proceedings much more efficient.

Court System Facilities

The remodeling of the Boney Courthouse in Anchorage was completed during FY15. The renovation encompassed the entire building. Some of the most important modifications involved strengthening security and safety features of the building, which was originally constructed in the early 1970s. The main entrance to the building shifted from K Street to Fourth Avenue on the plaza, and the main lobby and public spaces on all floors were renovated. A new mezzanine level with a balcony now provides dedicated space for grand juries. Law library facilities were modernized; courtrooms, jury rooms, and public restrooms were refurbished, and windows were added, along with modifications to structural supports.

Improvements and modifications to other court facilities throughout the state also took place in FY15, many involving security upgrades. The Judicial Services area in the Palmer Courthouse was expanded to allow better supervision of prisoners. A security upgrade project for the Kenai

Courthouse began, along with minor security modifications in court facilities in Ketchikan, Nome, Fairbanks, Kotzebue, and Kodiak.

Work continued on leased space in Dillingham and Galena, with completion scheduled for FY 16. In addition, initial work began for a new facility in Klawock, where the Craig court will move when it is completed.

The court system itself owns seven buildings — the Nesbett Courthouse, the Snowden Administrative Building, two other smaller buildings in Anchorage, and the courthouses in Fairbanks, Palmer, and Kenai. It occupies space in eleven other government buildings, and it leases space in twenty-six buildings from municipalities, Native corporations, and private landlords.



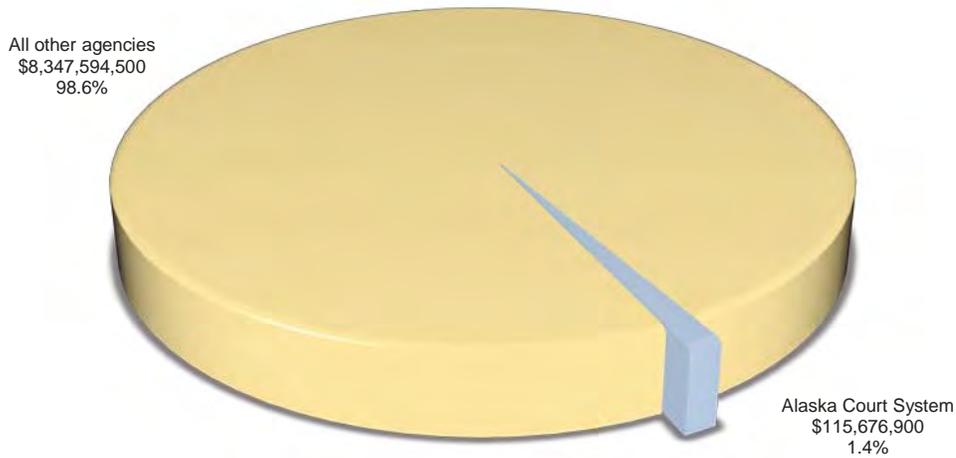
Calendar boards in Boney Courthouse lobby (Third Judicial District)



Boney Courthouse lobby, Anchorage (Third Judicial District)

Budgetary Overview

Figure B. Alaska Court System Budget within State of Alaska FY15 Operating Budget



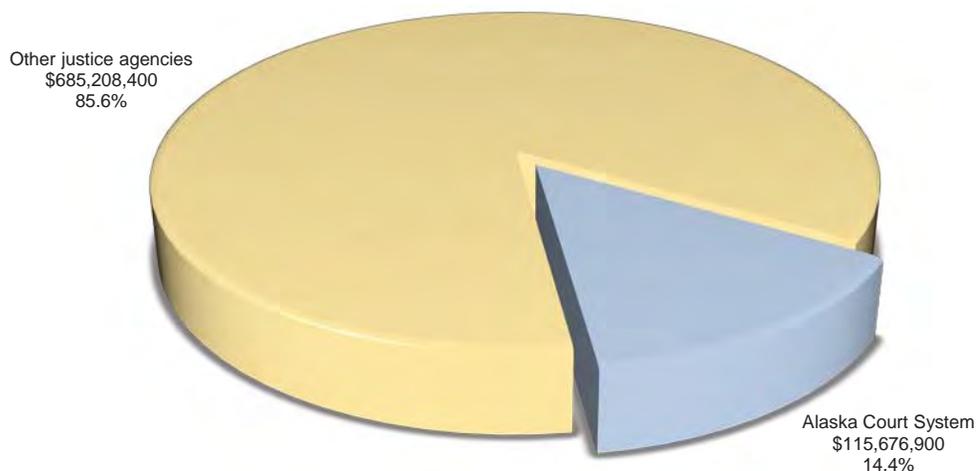
FY15 State of Alaska Operating Budget by Agency

Agency	Amount	Percentage of budget
Alaska Court System*	\$115,676,900	1.4 %
Alaska Legislature	\$77,360,100	0.9
Department of Administration	\$348,183,500	4.1
Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development	\$212,912,800	2.5
Department of Corrections	\$333,040,500	3.9
Department of Education and Early Development	\$1,698,061,900	20.1
Department of Environmental Conservation	\$87,330,800	1.0
Department of Fish and Game	\$215,272,600	2.5
Department of Health and Social Services	\$2,690,553,500	31.8
Department of Labor and Workforce Development	\$185,086,300	2.2
Department of Law	\$93,401,400	1.1
Department of Military and Veteran Affairs	\$60,337,700	0.7
Department of Natural Resources	\$176,912,900	2.1
Department of Public Safety	\$206,438,800	2.4
Department of Revenue	\$376,050,900	4.4
Department of Transportation and Public Facilities	\$629,036,800	7.4
Office of the Governor	\$32,748,900	0.4
University of Alaska	\$924,865,100	10.9
Total	\$8,463,271,400	100.0 %

* Alaska Court System budget figure includes Alaska Judicial Council and Alaska Commission on Judicial Conduct.

Source of data: Alaska Legislative Finance Division, 2014 Legislature — Operating Budget: Agency Summary, <http://www.legfin.state.ak.us/BudgetReports/LY2014/Operating/Enacted/2015-AgencySummary.pdf>

Figure C. Alaska Court System Budget in Total Justice-Related Operating Budget, FY15



FY15 Alaska Justice Agencies Operating Budgets

Agency	Amount	Percentage of budget
Alaska Court System*	\$115,676,900	14.4 %
Department of Corrections	\$333,040,500	41.6
Department of Law	\$93,401,400	11.7
Department of Public Safety	\$206,438,800	25.8
Public Defender Agency	\$26,937,000	3.4
Office of Public Advocacy	\$25,390,700	3.2
Total	\$800,885,300	100.0 %

* Alaska Court System budget figure includes Alaska Judicial Council and Alaska Commission on Judicial Conduct.

Source of data: Alaska Legislative Finance Division, 2014 Legislature — Operating Budget: Agency Summary, <http://www.legfin.state.ak.us/BudgetReports/LY2014/Operating/Enacted/2015-AgencySummary.pdf>; 2014 Legislature — Operating Budget: Transaction Detail (Department of Administration), <http://www.legfin.state.ak.us/BudgetReports/LY2014/Operating/Enacted/2015-AgencySummary.pdf>



Delta Wild and Scenic River Watershed (Fourth Judicial District)



**Judges and Court
Administrative Staff
July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015**

Caribou, Gates of the Arctic National Park and Preserve (Second Judicial District)



Muskeg along the Dalton Highway (Second Judicial District)

Judges and Court Administrative Staff: July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015

Alaska Supreme Court

Chief Justice Dana Fabe has served three terms as chief justice of the Alaska Supreme Court, from 2000–2003; 2006–2009; and 2012–2015. She is the second justice in the court’s history to serve three terms. Appointed to the Supreme Court in 1996, she is the first woman to serve on the court and as chief justice. She clerked for Justice Edmond W. Burke of the Alaska Supreme Court in 1976–1977; served as a staff attorney for the Alaska Public Defender Agency from 1977–1981; and served as chief public defender for Alaska from 1981–1988, by appointment of the governor. In 1988, she was appointed to the Superior Court in Anchorage where she served as deputy presiding judge and training judge. She cochairs the Alaska Fairness and Access Commission and is chair of its Fairness, Diversity, and Equality Committee. She serves as co-chair of the Advisory Committee of the Center for Judicial Ethics at the National Center for State Courts. She has served on the board of directors and twice as second vice-president of the Conference of Chief Justices. She is a past president of the National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ) and founded Success Inside and Out, an NAWJ reentry program for women prisoners, as well as Mentor Jet, an NAWJ mentoring program for students on careers in law. Justice Fabe is the recipient of the 2012 Distinguished Service Award from the National Center for State Courts, the 2012 Justice Vaino Spencer Leadership Award from the National Association of Women Judges. She was named a Woman of Achievement by the YWCA in 2002. She is a Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation and a sustaining elected member of the American Law Institute. She received her B.A. from Cornell University and her J.D. from Northeastern University School of Law. She is married to Randall Simpson; the couple has a daughter.



Chief Justice Dana A. Fabe
Appointed 1996



Justice Craig Stowers
Appointed 2009

Justice Craig Stowers was appointed to the Alaska Supreme Court by Governor Sean Parnell in 2009 and was elected to serve as chief justice beginning in July 2015. He was raised in Yorktown, Virginia. He majored in biology and received a bachelor’s degree with honors from Blackburn College in 1975. He was a park ranger at Colonial National Historical Park and transferred to Mount McKinley National Park in 1977, where he worked first as the East District Naturalist and then as the West District Ranger. Justice Stowers earned his J.D. in 1985 from the University of California Davis School of Law (Order of the Coif). While in law school, he was employed for two years by Professor Daniel Fessler and the Alaska Code Revision Commission to research and prepare drafts of what became the Alaska Corporations Code, the Alaska Nonprofit Corporation Act, and the official commentary to those acts. He served as a judicial law clerk for Judge Robert Boochever of the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in Juneau and clerked for Justice

Warren Matthews of the Alaska Supreme Court in Anchorage. He was a partner with Atkinson, Conway & Gagnon and subsequently co-founded the Anchorage-Fairbanks law firm, Clapp, Peterson & Stowers. His law practice included trial practice, medical and attorney malpractice defense, business and insurance law, and complex civil litigation. Justice Stowers was appointed to the Alaska Superior Court in Anchorage in 2004. During his legal and judicial career, he has served on various Alaska Bar Association committees, including the Law Examiners Committee, and various Alaska Supreme Court committees, including chairing the Child In Need of Aid Rules Committee and the Alaska Court System Security Committee. He is also a member of the Appellate Rules and the Continuing Judicial Education Committees. Justice Stowers is a Commissioner on the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws and a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation. He also has served on several nonprofit corporation boards, including terms as board president of the Alaska National History Association (now known as Alaska Geographic) and board president of Christian Health Associates. He is married to Monique Stowers.



Justice Daniel E. Winfree
Appointed 2007

Justice Daniel E. Winfree was appointed to the Alaska Supreme Court in November 2007. Born in the Territory of Alaska, he is a third generation Fairbanksan. Between 1975–1978, he was a truck driver and warehouseman, working on the construction of the trans-Alaska pipeline and related projects on the North Slope, in pipeline camps, and at Prudhoe Bay. Justice Winfree earned a B.S. in Finance from the University of Oregon in 1977 and earned M.B.A. and J.D. degrees from the University of California Berkeley in 1981. He was admitted to the Alaska bar in 1982 and spent twenty-five years in private practice in Anchorage, Valdez, and Fairbanks, working with large and small firms and as a sole practitioner. Justice Winfree served on the Alaska Bar Association’s Board of Governors for nine years, including as president in 1994–1995, with related service as president of the Western States Bar Conference in 1997–1998. He also served a term on the Alaska Bar Association’s Ethics Committee and several terms on its Fee Arbitration Committee. The Alaska Bar Association presented him with its Distinguished Service Award in 2007. After his final term on the Board of Governors, he joined the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Bar Foundation and served as its president for two years. Justice Winfree is married to another Fairbanks-born, third-generation Alaskan, Cathleen Ringstad Winfree. They have two children.

Justice Peter J. Maassen was appointed to the Alaska Supreme Court in August 2012. Born and raised in Michigan, Justice Maassen received a B.A. from Hope College in 1977 and a J.D. from the University of Michigan in 1980. Other than a two-year stint in Washington, D.C., where he worked in the General Counsel's Office of the U.S. Department of Commerce and then for a private firm with a federal administrative practice, Justice Maassen spent most of his 30-year career in private practice in Anchorage. He was a partner of Burr, Pease & Kurtz, P.C. In 1994 he became a founding member of Ingaldson, Maassen & Fitzgerald, P.C. His civil litigation practice was varied and included many appeals. From 1994–2000 he served as editor-in-chief of the *Alaska Bar Rag*, the official publication of the Alaska Bar Association, and he was Alaska editor of the American Bar Association's Survey of State Class Action Law in 2003 and 2004. In 2006 he received the Professionalism Award from the Alaska Bar Association's Board of Governors. He was a member of the Board of Governors from 2009–2012, serving as treasurer, president-elect, and discipline liaison. He continues to serve on the board of the Anchorage Youth Court, an alternative, peer-driven justice system for young offenders. He is a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation. He was a long-time member of the Supreme Court's Civil Pattern Jury Instruction Committee and now chairs the Supreme Court's Access to Justice Committee and its Judicial Conference Planning Committee. He is married to Kay Gouwens; the couple has a daughter, Lillian.



Justice Peter J. Maassen
Appointed 2012



Justice Joel H. Bolger
Appointed 2013

Justice Joel H. Bolger was appointed to the Alaska Supreme Court in January 2013. Born and raised in Iowa, he received a B.S. in Economics from the University of Iowa in 1976 and a J.D. in 1978. He came to Alaska as a VISTA attorney with Alaska Legal Services Corporation (ALSC) in Dillingham and later became the supervising attorney for ALSC in Kodiak. Justice Bolger served as an assistant public defender in Barrow and then returned to Kodiak to join the firm of Jamin Ebell Bolger & Gentry. He worked as a private attorney from 1982–1997. He served on the Board of Directors for ALSC from 1984–1987. Justice Bolger was appointed to the District Court in Valdez in 1997; to Superior Court in Kodiak in 2003; and to the Alaska Court of Appeals in 2008. He serves as co-chair of the Criminal Justice Working Group and has also served on the Judicial Conference Planning Committee; the Appellate Rules Committee; the Criminal Pattern Jury Instructions Committee; the Fairness, Diversity, and Equality Committee; the Family Law Rules Committee; the Child Support Review Committee; the Alaska Bar

Association Continuing Legal Education and Convention Steering Committees, as a magistrate training judge; and as an alternate on the Three-Judge Sentencing Panel. Justice Bolger is married to Cheryl Bolger; they have two children, Stephanie and Jackson.

Statewide Court Administration



Christine Johnson
Administrative Director

Christine Johnson became Administrative Director of the Alaska Court System in 2009. She was Deputy Director of Operations 2000–2009 and Court Rules Attorney 1990–2000. She received a B.A. in 1979 from Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania and a J.D. cum laude in 1986 from the University of Michigan Law School, where she served as executive editor of the *Yearbook of International Legal Studies*. She also studied at the Princeton Theological Seminary. She was in private practice with Davis Wright and Jones in Anchorage 1986–1989 and worked with the House Research Agency, Alaska Legislature 1979–1983.



Doug Wooliver
Deputy Administrative Director

Doug Wooliver was appointed Deputy Administrative Director in July 2011 and has served the Alaska Court System since 1995. Prior to his appointment as deputy director he served as the court system’s administrative attorney. Since 1997 he has also served as a liaison between the Alaska Court System and the Alaska Legislature. In 1993 and 1994 he served as legal counsel to the House Majority Caucus in the Alaska Legislature. He has a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology from the University of Northern Colorado (1981) and a J.D. from the University of Washington (1992).

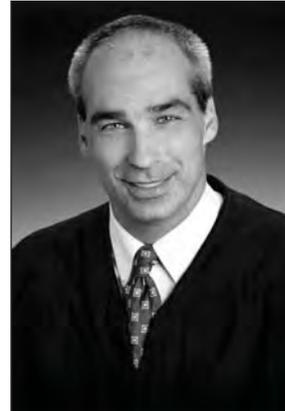
Court of Appeals



**Chief Judge
David Mannheimer**
Appointed 1990



Judge Marjorie K. Allard
Appointed 2012



Judge Douglas H. Kossler
Appointed 2013

Clerk of the Appellate Courts



Marilyn May
Clerk of the Appellate Courts
Appointed 1998

Trial Courts

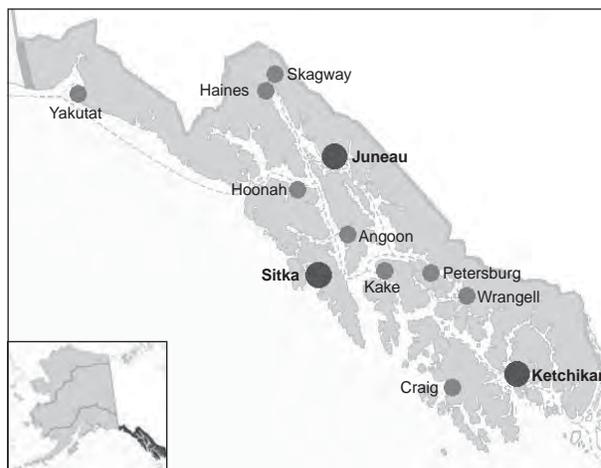
First Judicial District



**Presiding Judge
Trevor N. Stephens**
Ketchikan Superior Court
Appointed 2000



Neil Nesheim
Area Court Administrator
First Judicial District



With twelve court locations, the First Judicial District stretches more than 500 miles along the Southeast Alaska panhandle. Superior Court judges, District Court judges, and magistrate judges serve in Juneau and Ketchikan. A Superior Court judge and District Court magistrate judge serve in Sitka. Nine communities—Angoon, Craig, Haines, Hoonah, Kake, Petersburg, Skagway, Wrangell, and Yakutat—are served by resident District Court magistrate judges.

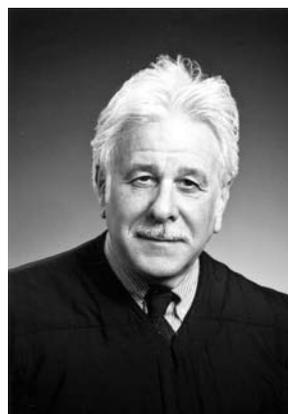
Superior Court, First Judicial District



Judge William B. Carey
Ketchikan Superior Court
Appointed 2008



Judge David V. George
Sitka Superior Court
Appointed 2007



Judge Louis J. Menendez
Juneau Superior Court
Appointed 2011



Judge Philip M. Pallenberg
Juneau Superior Court
Appointed 2007

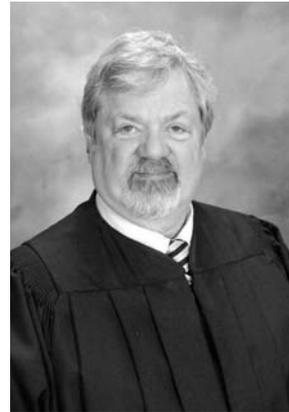
District Court, First Judicial District



Judge Keith B. Levy
Juneau District Court
Appointed 2005



Judge Kevin G. Miller
Ketchikan District Court
Appointed 1999



Judge Thomas G. Nave
Juneau District Court
Appointed 2010

Magistrate Judges, First Judicial District



**Magistrate Judge
Desiree Burrell**
Petersburg
Appointed 2011



**Magistrate Judge
Kay Clark**
Craig
Appointed 2004



**Magistrate Judge
James Curtain**
Juneau
Appointed 2012



**Magistrate Judge
Christine P. Ellis**
Wrangell
Appointed 1987



**Magistrate Judge
Mary Kay Germain**
Yakutat
Appointed 2010, 2013



**Magistrate Judge
John Hutchins**
Haines
Appointed 2002



**Magistrate Judge
Elaine Jack**
Angoon
Appointed 2007



**Magistrate Judge
Mike Jackson**
Kake
Appointed 1990

*Magistrate Judges, First Judicial District
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**Magistrate Judge
Billie Miller**
Hoonah
Appointed 2014



**Magistrate Judge
Susan Reed**
Skagway
Appointed 2003



**Magistrate Judge
Amanda Schulz**
Ketchikan
Appointed 2010

Second Judicial District



**Presiding Judge
Paul A. Roetman**
Kotzebue Superior Court
Appointed 2010



Tracey Buie
Area Court Administrator
Second Judicial District



The Second Judicial District begins at the northern end of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta and runs north and east along the coasts of the Bering, Chukchi, and Beaufort Seas to the Canadian border. The district's three largest communities are Nome, founded during the gold rush on the banks of Norton Sound; Kotzebue, an ancient arctic trading hub located twenty-nine miles above the Arctic Circle; and Barrow, the northernmost community in the United States. Resident Superior Court judges and District Court magistrate judges serve in each of these communities. A resident District Court magistrate judge also serves in the village of Unalakleet.

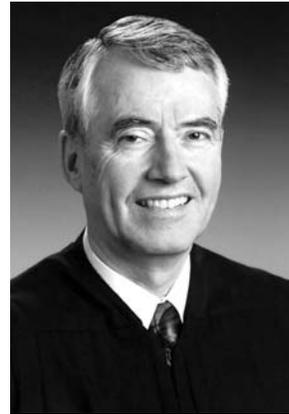
Superior Court, Second Judicial District



Judge Timothy D. Dooley
Nome Superior Court
Appointed 2013



Judge Angela Greene
Barrow Superior Court
Appointed 2014



Judge Michael I. Jeffery
Barrow Superior Court
Appointed 1982, 2008
(retired 2014)

Magistrate Judges, Second Judicial District



**Magistrate Judge
Stephan D. Brady**
Kotzebue
Appointed 2010



**Magistrate Judge
Heidi Ivanoff**
Unalakleet
Appointed 1998



**Magistrate Judge
Robert D. Lewis**
Nome
Appointed 2014



**Magistrate Judge
David Roghair**
Barrow
Appointed 2010



**Magistrate Judge
Mary N. Treiber**
Barrow
Appointed 2006
(retired 2014)

Not pictured:

**Magistrate Judge
Brooke Alowa**
Nome
Appointed 2010
(retired 2014)

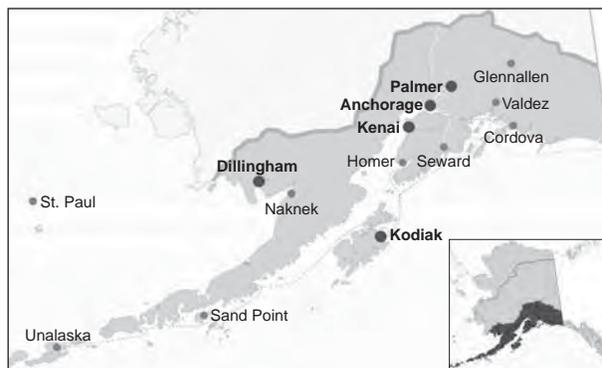
Third Judicial District



**Presiding Judge
William F. Morse**
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2002



Carol McAllen
Area Court Administrator
Third Judicial District



The Third Judicial District covers Southcentral Alaska, the southern region of Southwest Alaska, the Aleutian Chain, and the Pribilof Islands. It extends from the Canadian border nearly to the Russian Far East. The district includes fourteen

court sites, ranging in size from single magistrate judge locations to the Anchorage court site, which alone handles almost half the workload of the statewide court system. Both Superior Court and District Court judges serve in Anchorage, Kenai, and Palmer; and Superior Court judges serve in Dillingham and Kodiak. Resident magistrate judges also serve in each of these communities. District Court judges are located in Homer and Valdez; and District Courts served by resident magistrate judges are located in Cordova, Glenallen, Naknek, Seward, and Unalaska. Itinerant court sites served by judicial officers from other communities are maintained in Sand Point and St. Paul.

Superior Court, Third Judicial District



Judge Eric A. Aarseth
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2005



Judge Carl J. Bauman
Kenai Superior Court
Appointed 2007



Judge Steve W. Cole
Kodiak Superior Court
Appointed 2009



Judge Patricia L. Douglass
Dillingham Superior Court
Appointed 2011

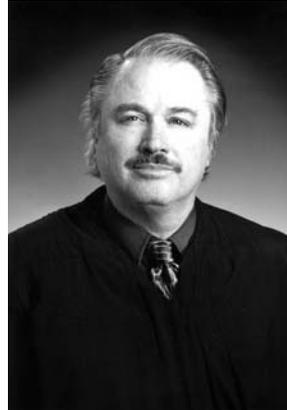
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Judge Catherine M. Easter
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2012



Judge Andrew Guidi
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2010



Judge Gregory L. Heath
Palmer Superior Court
Appointed 2009



Judge Charles T. Huguelet
Kenai Superior Court
Appointed 2003



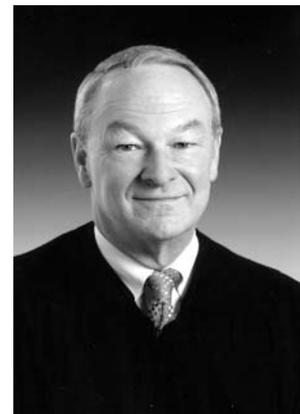
Judge Kari Kristiansen
Palmer Superior Court
Appointed 2006



Judge Erin B. Marston
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2012



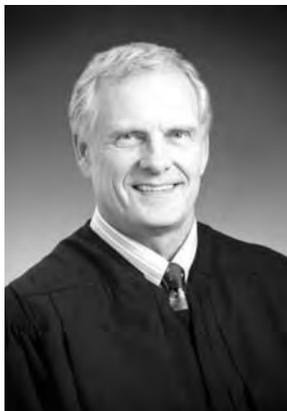
Judge Patrick J. McKay
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2005



Judge Gregory A. Miller
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2011



Judge Anna M. Moran
Kenai Superior Court
Appointed 2007



Judge Paul E. Olson
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2012



Judge Frank A. Pfiffner
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2009



Judge Mark Rindner
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2000

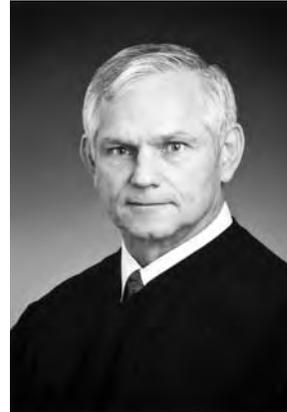
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Judge Kevin M. Saxby
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2012



Judge Eric Smith
Palmer Superior Court
Appointed 1996



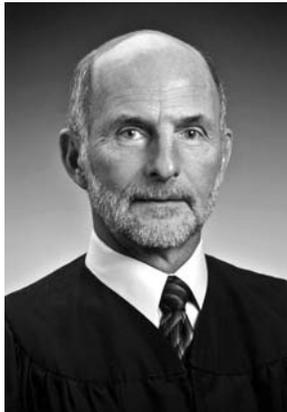
Judge Jack W. Smith
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2006



Judge Michael R. Span
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2006



Judge John Suddock
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2002



Judge Philip R. Volland
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 2002



Judge Vanessa H. White
Palmer Superior Court
Appointed 2006



Judge Michael L. Wolverson
Anchorage Superior Court
Appointed 1996

District Court, Third Judicial District



Judge Jo-Ann M. Chung
Anchorage District Court
Appointed 2011



Judge Brian K. Clark
Anchorage District Court
Appointed 2003



Judge Leslie Dickson
Anchorage District Court
Appointed 2012



Judge William L. Estelle
Palmer District Court
Appointed 2003

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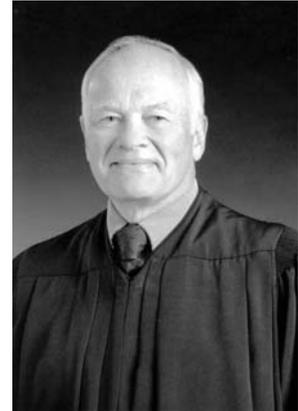
Judge J. Patrick Hanley
Anchorage District Court
Appointed 2005



**Judge Jennifer Stuart
Henderson**
Anchorage District Court
Appointed 2012



Judge Sharon A.S. Illsley
Kenai District Court
Appointed 2007



Judge Gregory J. Motyka
Anchorage District Court
Appointed 1991



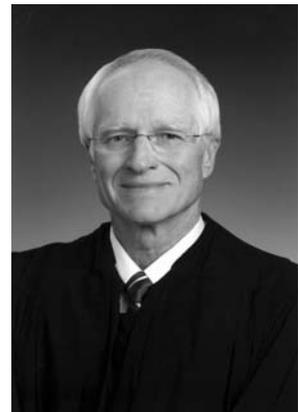
Judge Margaret L. Murphy
Homer District Court
Appointed 2005



Judge Stephanie Rhoades
Anchorage District Court
Appointed 1992



Judge Daniel Schally
Valdez District Court
Appointed 2005



Judge Alex M. Swiderski
Anchorage District Court
Appointed 2005



Judge David R. Wallace
Anchorage District Court
Appointed 2009



**Judge Pamela S.
Washington**
Anchorage District Court
Appointed 2010



Judge John W. Wolfe
Palmer District Court
Appointed 2004



Judge David L. Zwink
Palmer District Court
Appointed 2010

Magistrate Judges, Third Judicial District



**Magistrate Judge
Kay Adams**
Cordova
Appointed 2009



**Magistrate Judge
David Bauer**
Anchorage
Appointed 2011



**Magistrate Judge
Sidney Billingslea**
Anchorage
Appointed 2013



**Magistrate Judge
Carmen Clark**
Anchorage
Appointed 2008
(retired 2015)



**Magistrate Judge
Suzanne Cole**
Anchorage
Appointed 1997



**Magistrate Judge
Craig Condie**
Palmer
Appointed 2010



**Magistrate Judge
Kathleen Doherty**
Anchorage
Appointed 2014



**Magistrate Judge
John E. (Jack) Duggan**
Anchorage
Appointed 1991
(retired 2015)



**Magistrate Judge
Martin Fallon**
Kenai
Appointed 2014



**Magistrate Judge
Michael Franciosi**
Anchorage
Appointed 2014



**Magistrate Judge
Una Gandbhir**
Anchorage
Appointed 2013



**Magistrate Judge
Tara Logsdon**
Anchorage
Appointed 2014

*Magistrate Judges, Third Judicial District
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**Magistrate Judge
Kari McCrea**
Anchorage
Appointed 2015



**Magistrate Judge
Donna McCready**
Anchorage
Appointed 2013



**Magistrate Judge
Jane Pearson**
Unalaska
Appointed 2009



**Magistrate Judge
George Peck**
Seward
Appointed 1976



**Magistrate Judge
Peter Ramgren**
Anchorage
Appointed 2012



**Magistrate Judge
Christina Reigh**
Dillingham
Appointed 2014



**Magistrate Judge
Catherine Rogers**
Anchorage
Appointed 2011



**Magistrate Judge
Michael Smith**
Anchorage
Appointed 2015



**Magistrate Judge
James Stanley**
Anchorage
Appointed 2011

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**Magistrate Judge
Christina Teaford**
Anchorage
Appointed 2008



**Magistrate Judge
Jennifer Wells**
Kenai
Appointed 1994



**Magistrate Judge
Dawson Williams**
Kodiak
Appointed 2007

Not pictured:

**Magistrate Judge
Danika Swanson**
Anchorage
Appointed 2012
(retired 2014)

**Magistrate Judge
Jean Wilkinson**
Glennallen
Appointed 1990
(retired 2014)

Fourth Judicial District



Presiding Judge
Michael A. MacDonald
Fairbanks Superior Court
Appointed 2007

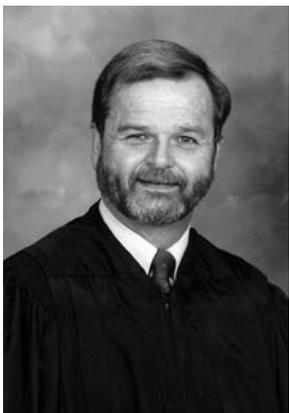


Ronald J. Woods
Area Court Administrator
Fourth Judicial District



The Fourth Judicial District covers Interior Alaska and the northern region of Southwest Alaska. It extends from the Canadian border on the east to the Bering Sea on the west. The vast size of this region makes it the largest state trial court judicial district in the United States. Combined Superior and District Court locations are located in Bethel, at the mouth of the Kuskokwim River, and in Fairbanks, the regional hub of the Interior. Resident Superior Court judges, District Court judges and magistrate judges serve these communities. District Courts served by magistrate judges are located in nine other communities in the region: Aniak, Delta Junction, Emmonak, Ft. Yukon, Galena, Hooper Bay, Nenana, St. Mary's, and Tok. Itinerant court sites served by judicial officers from other communities are maintained in Chevak, McGrath, and Tanana.

Superior Court, Fourth Judicial District



Judge Douglas L. Blankenship
Fairbanks Superior Court
Appointed 2006



Judge Bethany Spalding Harbison
Fairbanks Superior Court
Appointed 2012



Judge Jane F. Kauvar
Fairbanks Superior Court
Appointed 2013



Judge Paul R. Lyle
Fairbanks Superior Court
Appointed 2008

*Superior Court, Fourth Judicial District
(continued)*



Judge Michael P. McConahy
Fairbanks Superior Court
Appointed 2009



Judge Dwayne W. McConnell
Bethel Superior Court
Appointed 2012



Judge Charles W. Ray, Jr.
Bethel Superior Court
Appointed 2012

District Court, Fourth Judicial District



Judge Matthew Christian
Fairbanks District Court
Appointed 2013



Judge Patrick S. Hammers
Fairbanks District Court
Appointed 2009



Judge Nathaniel Peters
Bethel District Court
Appointed 2013



Judge Benjamin A. Seekins
Fairbanks District Court
Appointed 2012

Magistrate Judges, Fourth Judicial District



**Magistrate Judge
D. Dacho Alexander**
Fort Yukon
Appointed 2005



**Magistrate Judge
Tracy L. Blais**
Delta Junction
Appointed 1985
(retired 2014)



**Magistrate Judge
Romano D. DiBenedetto**
Fairbanks
Appointed 2012



**Magistrate Judge
Brian Fisher**
Nenana
Appointed 2005

*Magistrate Judges, Fourth Judicial District
(continued)*



**Magistrate Judge
Darlene Johnson-Edwards**
Emmonak
Appointed 2000



**Magistrate Judge
John McConaughy**
Aniak
Appointed 2013



**Magistrate Judge
Christopher McLain**
Galena
Appointed 2008



**Magistrate Judge
Michael Osborne**
Hooper Bay
Appointed 2015



**Magistrate Judge
Nancy Phillips**
St. Mary's
Appointed 2007



**Magistrate Judge
Alicemary Rasley**
Fairbanks
Appointed 1991



**Magistrate Judge
Nikole V. Schick**
Fairbanks
Appointed 2009



**Magistrate Judge
Bruce G. Ward**
Bethel
Appointed 2012

Not pictured:

**Magistrate Judge
Lorraine Tomoganuk-Moses**
Appointed 2014
(retired 2014)

FY15 Pro Tem Judges

Retired justices and judges often continue to serve the state by filling temporary judicial vacancies and helping to manage caseloads. Alaska's senior justices and judges step in to handle trials that would otherwise be delayed. They also conduct settlement conferences for parties who cannot afford private mediation; and they train new judicial officers. Their experience is a valuable asset for the court system.

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Larry D. Card	Donald D. Hopwood
Robert G. Coats	Michael I. Jeffery
Dale O. Curda	Warren W. Matthews
Beverly Cutler	Nancy J. Nolan
Robert L. Eastaugh	Randy M. Olsen
Ben Esch	Niesje J. Steinkruger
Natalie K. Finn	Mark I. Wood
William H. Fuld	

Clerks of Court and Rural Court Training Assistants



2015 Statewide Conference of Clerks, Alaska Court System

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Anchorage

Natalie Alexie
Bethel

Lisa Anderson
Valdez

Brandy Boggs
Petersburg

Lauren Burnham
Tok

Jonie Calhoun
Sitka

Raul Calvillo
Fourth Judicial District

Denise Chappell
Kenai

Deirdre Cheek
Kenai

Barbara Cloud
Palmer

Suzanne Cowley
Kodiak

Annalisa DeLozier
Fourth Judicial District

Sandra Dighton
Delta Junction

Rebecca Duffy
Unalaska

Jean Ekemo
Aniak

Stacey Hallstrom
Ketchikan

Bonnie Hedrick
Haines

Sharon Heidersdorf
Juneau

Nycol Jardine
Ketchikan

Regina Johnson
Bethel

Clayton Jones
First Judicial District

Brodie Kimmel
Nome

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Kotzebue

Cynthia Lee
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Naknek

Ruth Meier
Fairbanks

Debbie Miller
Palmer

Tonya O'Connor
Dillingham

Carol Peterson
Juneau

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Galena

Kimberly Rice
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Linda Rios
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Seward

Leanna Splinter
Wrangell

Samantha Thompson
Nenana

Darcey Tredway
Barrow

Sherry Trigg
Second Judicial District

Billy Westlock
Emmonak

Linda Woodcock
Glennallen

Winifred Xavier
St. Mary's



Yellow daisies (*Packera* sp.), Kobuk Valley National Park (Second Judicial District)



Wetlands along the Kobuk River (Second Judicial District)



Boy Scout Beach, Eagle Beach State Recreation Area (First Judicial District)

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Katmai Crater, Katmai National Park and Preserve (Third Judicial District)

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Tracy Arm Fjord (First Judicial District)



Hoonah (First Judicial District)

Appellate Courts

Supreme Court Activity

Filings

During FY 2015, 362 cases were filed in the Supreme Court. The number of appeals filed was down 9 percent from the previous year, while petitions for hearing increased by 5 percent and petitions for review decreased by 32 percent. The category that includes bar matters, federal certification matters, and original applications was down 21 percent from the previous year. For details about filings in various categories of cases from FY 2011 through FY 2015, see page 75.

Dispositions

The Supreme Court disposed of 373 cases in FY 2015, a 17 percent decrease from FY 2014. The court issued 95 full opinions, 40 MO&Js, and 3 published orders. For details about dispositions by case type in FY 2015, see page 76. For comparisons of dispositions by case type from FY 2011 through FY 2015, see page 75.

Pending Caseload

On June 30, 2015, 347 cases were pending, a 2 percent decrease from the end of FY 2014. About 57 percent of these pending cases were at a stage prior to submission to the court (filing pending, awaiting settlement conference, awaiting record or transcripts, awaiting briefs, awaiting argument or conference, or awaiting response to a petition). About ten percent were stayed or were awaiting rehearing or record return prior to closing, and the remaining 33 percent were under advisement (submitted to the court but awaiting circulation of a draft opinion, publication of an opinion, or decision on a petition). For a comparison of cases pending at year's end according to case type from FY 2011 through FY 2015, see page 75. For the status of cases pending at the end of FY 2015 according to case type, see page 76.

Time Required for Disposition of Cases

In 50 percent of appeals decided by opinion or MO&J, the time from submission (usually the date of oral argument or conference on the briefs) to publication of a decision was 3.7 months or less. Fifty percent of petitions, bar matters, and original applications were completed (from opening to closing) in 1.9 months or less. Additional information about time to disposition can be found at page 77.

Court of Appeals Activity

Filings

During FY 2015, 323 cases were filed in the Court of Appeals, an 18 percent decrease from the total filed in FY 2014. Merit appeal filings decreased by 18 percent from the previous year, while sentence appeal filings were up 8 percent. Petition for review and petition for hearing filings decreased by 23 percent, and original application and bail appeal filings were up 50 percent from FY 2014. For a comparison of filings in various case categories from FY 2011 through FY 2015, see page 79.

Dispositions

The Court of Appeals disposed of 300 cases in FY 2015. This was a 39 percent increase from FY 2014. Merit appeal dispositions were up 44 percent, and sentence appeal dispositions increased by 62 percent. Petition dispositions were up 5 percent, and 67 percent more bail appeals and original applications were disposed of in FY 2015 than in FY 2014. The court issued 41 full opinions and 131 memorandum opinions. For details about the types and caseload composition of dispositions in FY 2015, see page 80. For comparisons of dispositions by case type from FY 2011 through FY 2015, see page 79.

Pending Caseload

On June 30, 2015, 744 cases were pending before the Court of Appeals. Sixty-seven percent of these cases were at a stage prior to submission to the court (filing pending, awaiting record, awaiting briefing, awaiting oral argument, or awaiting response to a petition). Four percent were awaiting rehearing or record return prior to closing, and the remaining 29 percent were under advisement (submitted to the court but awaiting circulation of a draft opinion, publication of an opinion, or a decision on a petition). For a comparison of cases pending at year's end according to case type from FY 2011 through FY 2015, see page 79. For the status of cases pending at the end of FY 2015 according to case type, see page 80.

Note for Researchers

Readers and researchers should be aware that occasional changes in the manner in which cases are reported or recorded by the Alaska Court System may account for some changes over time in case filing totals for specific courts or jurisdictions. While the court system attempts to make the data tables in the annual report as consistent as possible from year to year, care is necessary, especially when discerning trends or making comparisons between time periods.

Alaska Supreme Court

**Table 1.01. Alaska Supreme Court — Case Filings & Dispositions,
FY 2011–2015**

	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15
Filings					
Civil appeals	256	202	232	233	213
Petitions for hearing	98	129	90	74	78
Petitions for review	75	70	60	77	52
Bar/original applications	19	27	24	24	19
Total	448	428	406	408	362
Dispositions					
Civil appeals	194	218	228	271	222
Petitions for hearing	93	125	108	71	72
Petitions for review	69	73	46	81	62
Bar/original applications	19	29	17	25	17
Total	375	445	399	448	373
Published					
Full opinions	82	117	103	124	95
Memorandum opinions	21	38	38	42	40
Published orders	2	0	1	5	3
Total	105	155	142	171	138
Pending end-of-year					
Civil appeals	337	323	330	288	281
Petitions for hearing	42	46	27	28	35
Petitions for review	25	25	36	29	19
Bar/original applications	9	5	11	10	12
Total	413	399	404	355	347

**Table 1.02. Alaska Supreme Court — Motions and Petitions for Rehearing,
FY 2011–2015**

	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15
Filings					
Petitions for rehearing	19	26	23	39	27
Full court motions	69	73	56	58	77
Individual justice motions	1,298	1,349	1,416	1,459	1,056
Routine (clerk) motions	761	857	856	646	602
Total	2,147	2,305	2,351	2,202	1,762
Dispositions					
Petitions for rehearing	18	26	24	35	14
Full court motions	58	68	59	62	58
Individual justice motions	1,271	1,448	1,354	1,475	1,047
Routine (clerk) motions	741	701	827	609	585
Total	2,088	2,243	2,264	2,181	1,704
Pending end-of-year					
Petitions for rehearing	4	3	1	5	4
Full court motions	8	8	0	0	5
Individual justice motions	60	54	35	64	75
Routine (clerk) motions	14	15	27	50	32
Total	86	80	63	119	116

Table 1.03. Alaska Supreme Court — Caseload Summary, FY 2015

	Civil appeals	Petitions for hearing	Petitions for review	Bar/original applications	Total
Pending beginning of year	288	28	29	10	355
Filings	213	78	52	19	362
Dispositions	222	72	62	17	373
Pending end of year	281	35	19	12	347

Table 1.04. Alaska Supreme Court — Dispositions by Manner of Disposition, FY 2015

	Civil appeals	Petitions for hearing	Petitions for review	Bar/ original application/ federal certified questions	Total all cases
Dispositions by published opinions					
Affirmed	48	2	0	0	50
Reversed or vacated	16	1	6	0	23
Affirmed in part/reversed in part	14	3	1	0	18
Other (remanded, dismissed, etc.)	9	0	0	1	10
Total	87	6	7	1	101
Summary dispositions on merits (memorandum opinions & summary orders)					
Affirmed	39	0	0	0	39
Reversed or vacated	2	0	0	0	2
Affirmed in part/Reversed in part	2	0	0	0	2
Other (remanded, etc.)	3	0	0	0	3
Total	46	0	0	0	46
Petitions/applications granted		1	2	12	15
Total dispositions on merits	133	7	9	13	162
Petition denials/orders not on merits	n/a	55	39	3	97
Dismissals					
Stipulated to or by Appellant	61	4	3	0	68
On Motion of Appellee	4	0	2	0	6
<i>Sua Sponte</i> *	24	6	9	1	40
Total dispositions not on merits	89	65	53	4	211
Total dispositions	222	72	62	17	373

* *Sua Sponte* means orders issued by the court without motion by a party.

Table 1.05. Alaska Supreme Court — Status of Cases Pending End of Year, FY 2015

	Civil appeals	Petitions for hearing	Petitions for review	Bar/ original application/ federal certified questions	Total all cases
Filing pending	19	6	2	1	28
Awaiting settlement conference	0	0	0	0	0
Awaiting records/transcript	26	0	0	2	28
Awaiting briefs	93	3	1	1	98
Awaiting argument/conference	30	1	2	0	33
Awaiting draft opinion	58	3	1	0	62
Draft opinion circulating	30	3	1	1	35
Awaiting petition response	0	9	2	1	12
Awaiting petition decision	0	8	7	3	18
Awaiting rehearing/record return	14	1	1	2	18
Stayed or remanded	11	1	2	1	15
Total	281	35	19	12	347

Table 1.06. Alaska Supreme Court — Time to Disposition, FY 2015

Appeals decided by opinion or memorandum opinion & judgment (MO&J)*				Petitions, bar matters, original applications***			
	Percentile	Days	Months		Percentile	Days	Months
Pre-submission to Court				File open — file closed	50%	58	1.9
Notice of appeal to record certification	50%	41	1.4	75%	88	2.9	*** This includes all petitions, bar matters, and original applications closed during the FY, whether by regular order or dismissal, except those that were granted and thereafter went through the full briefing process.
	75%	58	1.9	90%	127	4.2	
	90%	98	3.3				
Record certification to last brief	50%	217	7.2				
	75%	280	9.3				
	90%	368	12.3				
Last brief to submission**	50%	79	2.6				
	75%	111	3.7				
	90%	175	5.8				
Subtotal: Number of days/month before submission to the court	50%	350	11.7				
	75%	471	15.7				
	90%	560	18.7				
Submission to publication							
Submission to circulation of draft opinion or recommendation	50%	59	2.0				
	75%	130	4.3				
	90%	170	5.7				
Circulation of draft opinion or recommendation to publication	50%	43	1.4				
	75%	61	2.0				
	90%	121	4.0				
Subtotal: Number of days/months from submission to publication	50%	110	3.7				
	75%	197	6.6				
	90%	285	9.5				
Post-publication motions							
Publication to closing	50%	24	0.8				
	75%	36	1.2				
	90%	75	2.5				
Total time from open to close							
	50%	530	17.7				
	75%	727	24.2				
	90%	912	30.4				

* This includes appeals closed during the FY that resulted in a published opinion or memorandum opinion & judgment; appeals that ended by dismissal or other closure are not included.

** "Submission" is usually the date of oral argument or conference on the case, but can be later in circumstances such as reassignment to a different chamber, or reconference by the court.

Alaska Court of Appeals

**Table 2.01. Alaska Court of Appeals — Case Filings & Dispositions,
FY 2011–2015**

		FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15
Filings						
Merit appeals	228	189	212	243	297	243
Sentence appeals	143	22	18	24	38	41
Petitions	48	32	31	30	47	36
Original applications	3	6	4	3	2	3
Total	422	249	265	300	384	323
Dispositions*						
Merit appeals	213	198	205	163	153	220
Sentence appeals	142	14	22	13	21	34
Petitions	53	34	27	28	39	41
Original applications	3	7	3	3	3	5
Total	411	253	257	207	216	300
Published						
Full opinions	77	45	47	30	26	41
Memorandum opinions	212	102	140	99	107	131
Total	700	147	187	129	133	172
Pending end-of-year						
Merit appeals	318	411	423	499	642	668
Sentence appeals	124	26	23	36	52	61
Petitions	10	6	10	11	19	13
Original applications	1	1	1	1	1	2
Total	453	444	457	547	714	744

**Table 2.02. Alaska Court of Appeals — Motions and Petitions for Rehearing,
FY 2011–2015**

	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15
Filings					
Petitions for rehearing	11	13	7	14	22
Full court motions	51	58	43	37	55
Individual judge motions	1,304	1,211	1,431	1,484	1,192
Routine (clerk) motions	677	667	734	753	1,036
Total	2,043	1,949	2,215	2,288	2,305
Dispositions					
Petitions for rehearing	11	13	8	14	14
Full court motions	52	57	47	31	53
Individual judge motions	1,275	1,209	1,386	1,213	1,170
Routine (clerk) motions	659	654	719	1,008	997
Total	1,997	1,933	2,160	2,266	2,234
Pending end-of-year					
Petitions for rehearing	1	1	0	0	8
Full court motions	4	6	1	2	5
Individual judge motions	42	22	23	25	64
Routine (clerk) motions	7	8	13	25	59
Total	54	37	37	52	136

Table 2.03. Alaska Court of Appeals — Caseload Summary, FY 2015

	Merit appeals	Sentence appeals	Petitions	Bail appeals/ original applications	Total
Pending beginning of year	642	52	19	1	714
Filings	243	41	36	3	323
Dispositions	220	34	41	5	300
Pending end of year	669	61	13	1	744

Table 2.04. Alaska Court of Appeals — Dispositions by Manner of Disposition, FY 2015

	Merit appeals	Sentence appeals	Petitions	Bail appeals/ original applications	Total
Dispositions by published opinions					
Affirmed	39	1	0	0	40
Reversed or vacated	7	1	4	1	13
Affirmed in part/reversed in part	1	0	0	0	1
Other (remanded, dismissed, etc.)	1	0	0	0	1
Total	48	2	4	1	55
Summary dispositions on merits (memorandum opinions & summary orders)					
Affirmed	86	17	0	0	103
Reversed or vacated	13	2	4	1	20
Affirmed in part/Reversed in part	5	0	0	0	5
Other (remanded, etc.)	5	1	0	1	7
Total	109	20	4	2	135
Petitions/applications granted					
			4	0	4
Total dispositions on merits	157	22	12	3	194
Petition denials/orders not on merits	0	0	23	1	24
Dismissals					
Stipulated to or by appellant	45	12	1	0	58
On motion of appellee	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Sua Sponte</i> *	18	0	5	1	24
Total dispositions not on merits	63	12	29	2	106
Total dispositions	220	34	41	5	300

* *Sua Sponte* means orders issued by the court without motion by a party.

Table 2.05. Alaska Court of Appeals — Status of Cases Pending End of Year, FY 2015

	Merit appeals	Sentence appeals	Petitions	Bail appeals/ original applications	Total
Filing pending	14	1	3	1	19
Awaiting records/transcript	22	4	0	0	26
Briefing stage	401	26	0	0	427
Awaiting argument/conference	21	3	0	1	25
Awaiting draft opinion	104	19	5	0	128
Draft opinion circulating	81	5	3	0	89
Awaiting petition response	0	0	1	0	1
Awaiting petition decision	0	0	1	0	1
Awaiting rehearing/record return	21	2	0	0	23
Stayed or remanded	4	1	0	0	5
Total	668	61	13	2	744

Statewide Trial Courts



Tongass National Forest near Ketchikan (First Judicial District)



Fungi, Eagle Beach State Recreation Area (First Judicial District)

Statewide Trial Courts

Trial Court Activity

Filings

During FY15, 135,324 cases were filed in the trial courts, an increase of 2.5 percent from 132,032 filings in FY14.

The FY15 Superior Court filings were 23,259, an increase of 3 percent from 22,523 filings in FY14. Felony filings remained consistent with FY14. The CINA caseload increased by 37 percent. The probate caseload increased by 6 percent. The delinquency caseload decreased by 3 percent, domestic relations filings decreased by 4 percent, and general civil filings in the Superior Courts decreased by 4 percent.

The FY15 District Court filings were 112,065 — an increase of 2 percent from 109,509 filings in FY14. The general civil caseload in the District Courts remained consistent with the FY14 caseload. Minor Offense filings increased by 7 percent, Small Claims filings increased by 6 percent and Civil Protective Order cases increased by 1 percent. Misdemeanor filings decreased by 8 percent.

Dispositions

The trial courts disposed of 133,637 cases in FY15, an increase of 2 percent over the 131,352 dispositions reported in FY14. To avoid a backlog of cases awaiting disposition, courts aspire to have a clearance rate of 100 percent or higher, meaning that they have cleared (i.e., disposed of) at least as many cases as were filed during the period. The clearance rate for trial court cases was 99 percent in FY15.

Explanatory Notes

Felony Filings

Most felony cases are initiated in District Court and then transferred to Superior Court after indictment by a grand jury or the filing of an information. Since most of the activity in a felony case typically occurs in the Superior Court, felony cases are reported as Superior Court filings regardless of whether they were initiated in District Court or in the Superior Court. A table showing the number of felony cases initiated in the District Court is provided for informational purposes (page 136). To avoid double counting, these filings are not included in the District Court filing totals, but should be considered when evaluating the workload of a District Court.

Criminal Case Categorization

Criminal cases are categorized based on the most serious charge at filing. For example, if a defendant is charged with a felony and two misdemeanors, the case is counted as a felony. If the felony charge is subsequently reduced to a misdemeanor, the case type does not change; the case is still categorized as a felony for reporting purposes.

Reopened Cases

The criminal filing statistics in this report include only new case filings and do not include petitions to revoke probation or other proceedings that cause the court to reopen a criminal case. Likewise,

the domestic relations filing statistics include only new case filings and do not include post-judgment motions to modify custody, support or visitation. Because this post-judgment activity significantly impacts the trial court workload, tables showing this activity are provided for informational purposes. The number of petitions to revoke probation in felony and misdemeanor cases can be found on pages 102 and 137. The number of filings of motions to modify custody, support, or visitation can be found on page 110.

Civil Protective Order Cases

The Civil Protective Order case group includes petitions for domestic violence, stalking and sexual assault protective orders. These cases may be filed in either District or Superior Court, but District Courts handle the vast majority. Because readers and researchers often want to know the total number of civil protective order cases that were filed, domestic violence, stalking, and sexual assault protective order cases filed in the Superior Court are counted with the District Court cases.

Note for Researchers

Readers and researchers should be aware that occasional changes in the manner in which cases are reported or recorded by the Alaska Court System may account for some changes over time in case filing totals for specific courts or jurisdictions. While the court system attempts to make the data tables in the annual report as consistent as possible from year to year, care is necessary, especially when discerning trends or making comparisons between time periods.

Statewide Trial Courts

**Table 3.01. Total Statewide Trial Court Case Filings
FY 15**

Court	Superior Court		District Court				Total	
	Filings	% of Superior Court total	Non-minor offense filings	Minor offense filings	Total filings	% of District Court total	Filings	% of statewide total
Anchorage	10,921	47.0%	21,443	15,066	36,509	32.6%	47,430	35.1%
Anoon	4	0.0%	21	9	30	0.0%	34	0.0%
Aniak	89	0.4%	183	24	207	0.2%	296	0.2%
Barrow	295	1.3%	579	156	735	0.7%	1,030	0.8%
Bethel	752	3.2%	1,270	173	1,443	1.3%	2,195	1.6%
Chevak	2	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%	2	0.0%
Cordova	35	0.2%	123	57	180	0.2%	215	0.2%
Craig	67	0.3%	424	572	996	0.9%	1,063	0.8%
Delta Junction	27	0.1%	127	1,108	1,235	1.1%	1,262	0.9%
Dillingham	179	0.8%	600	247	847	0.8%	1,026	0.8%
Emmonak	52	0.2%	217	6	223	0.2%	275	0.2%
Fairbanks	2,882	12.4%	5,779	6,967	12,746	11.4%	15,628	11.6%
Fort Yukon	21	0.1%	64	4	68	0.1%	89	0.1%
Galena	22	0.1%	77	13	90	0.1%	112	0.1%
Glennallen	66	0.3%	151	584	735	0.7%	801	0.6%
Haines	11	0.0%	110	134	244	0.2%	255	0.2%
Homer	307	1.3%	718	1,710	2,428	2.2%	2,735	2.0%
Hoonah	1	0.0%	67	46	113	0.1%	114	0.1%
Hooper Bay	57	0.2%	354	0	354	0.3%	411	0.3%
Juneau	1,158	5.0%	2,549	3,655	6,204	5.5%	7,362	5.4%
Kake	4	0.0%	24	24	48	0.0%	52	0.0%
Kenai	1,324	5.7%	2,643	6,727	9,370	8.4%	10,694	7.9%
Ketchikan	621	2.7%	1,179	898	2,077	1.8%	2,698	2.0%
Kodiak	308	1.3%	875	1,065	1,940	1.7%	2,248	1.7%
Kotzebue	404	1.7%	814	51	865	0.8%	1,269	0.9%
McGrath	1	0.0%	2	0	2	0.0%	3	0.0%
Naknek	71	0.3%	256	241	497	0.4%	568	0.4%
Nenana	39	0.2%	182	2,267	2,449	2.2%	2,488	1.8%
Nome	362	1.6%	967	399	1,366	1.2%	1,728	1.3%
Palmer	2,381	10.2%	5,472	16,411	21,883	19.5%	24,264	17.9%
Petersburg	83	0.4%	118	123	241	0.2%	324	0.2%
Sand Point	26	0.1%	95	10	105	0.1%	131	0.1%
Seward	140	0.6%	389	2,613	3,002	2.7%	3,142	2.3%
Sitka	242	1.0%	488	268	756	0.7%	998	0.7%
Skagway	1	0.0%	23	24	47	0.0%	48	0.0%
St. Marys	45	0.2%	194	21	215	0.2%	260	0.2%
St. Paul	9	0.0%	33	3	36	0.0%	45	0.0%
Tanana	1	0.0%	0	0	0	0.0%	1	0.0%
Tok	40	0.2%	106	473	579	0.5%	619	0.5%
Unalakleet	39	0.2%	145	4	149	0.1%	188	0.1%
Unalaska	52	0.2%	223	129	352	0.3%	404	0.3%
Valdez	85	0.4%	274	149	423	0.4%	508	0.4%
Wrangell	30	0.1%	131	37	168	0.1%	198	0.2%
Yakutat	3	0.0%	44	64	108	0.1%	111	0.1%
Total	23,259	100.0%	49,533	62,532	112,065	100.0%	135,324	100.0%
1st District	2,225	9.6%	5,178	5,854	11,032	9.8%	13,257	9.8%
2nd District	1,100	4.7%	2,505	610	3,115	2.8%	4,215	3.1%
3rd District	15,904	68.4%	33,295	45,012	78,307	69.9%	94,211	69.6%
4th District	4,030	17.3%	8,555	11,056	19,611	17.5%	23,641	17.5%



Elfin Cove (First Judicial District)



Steese National Conservation Area (Fourth Judicial District)



Marsh Fork, Canning River, North Slope Borough (Second Judicial District)

**Table 4.01. Total Superior Court Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	11,034	10,670	10,921	-1%	2%
Angeon	5	2	4	N/S	N/S
Aniak	48	45	89	85%	98%
Barrow	326	283	295	-10%	4%
Bethel	633	647	752	19%	16%
Chevak	21	3	2	N/S	N/S
Cordova	53	42	35	-34%	-17%
Craig	107	106	67	-37%	-37%
Delta Junction	36	18	27	-25%	50%
Dillingham	229	196	179	-22%	-9%
Emmonak	42	56	52	24%	-7%
Fairbanks	2,709	2,830	2,882	6%	2%
Fort Yukon	16	20	21	31%	5%
Galena	32	40	22	-31%	-45%
Glennallen	53	71	66	25%	-7%
Haines	10	5	11	N/S	N/S
Homer	348	315	307	-12%	-3%
Hoonah	6	1	1	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	36	45	57	58%	27%
Juneau	1,062	1,069	1,158	9%	8%
Kake	1	3	4	N/S	N/S
Kenai	1,155	1,130	1,324	15%	17%
Ketchikan	639	601	621	-3%	3%
Kodiak	312	313	308	-1%	-2%
Kotzebue	337	385	404	20%	5%
McGrath	4	7	1	N/S	N/S
Naknek	68	73	71	4%	-3%
Nenana	30	40	39	30%	-2%
Nome	378	375	362	-4%	-3%
Palmer	2,242	2,337	2,381	6%	2%
Petersburg	63	74	83	32%	12%
Sand Point	49	32	26	-47%	-19%
Seward	92	105	140	52%	33%
Sitka	228	218	242	6%	11%
Skagway	1	2	1	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	50	64	45	-10%	-30%
St. Paul	21	17	9	N/S	N/S
Tanana	2	9	1	N/S	N/S
Tok	16	14	40	150%	186%
Unalakleet	14	34	39	179%	15%
Unalaska	64	83	52	-19%	-37%
Valdez	91	78	85	-7%	9%
Wrangell	71	58	30	-58%	-48%
Yakutat	6	7	3	N/S	N/S
Total	22,740	22,523	23,259	2%	3%
1st District	2,199	2,146	2,225	1%	4%
2nd District	1,055	1,077	1,100	4%	2%
3rd District	15,811	15,462	15,904	1%	3%
4th District	3,675	3,838	4,030	10%	5%

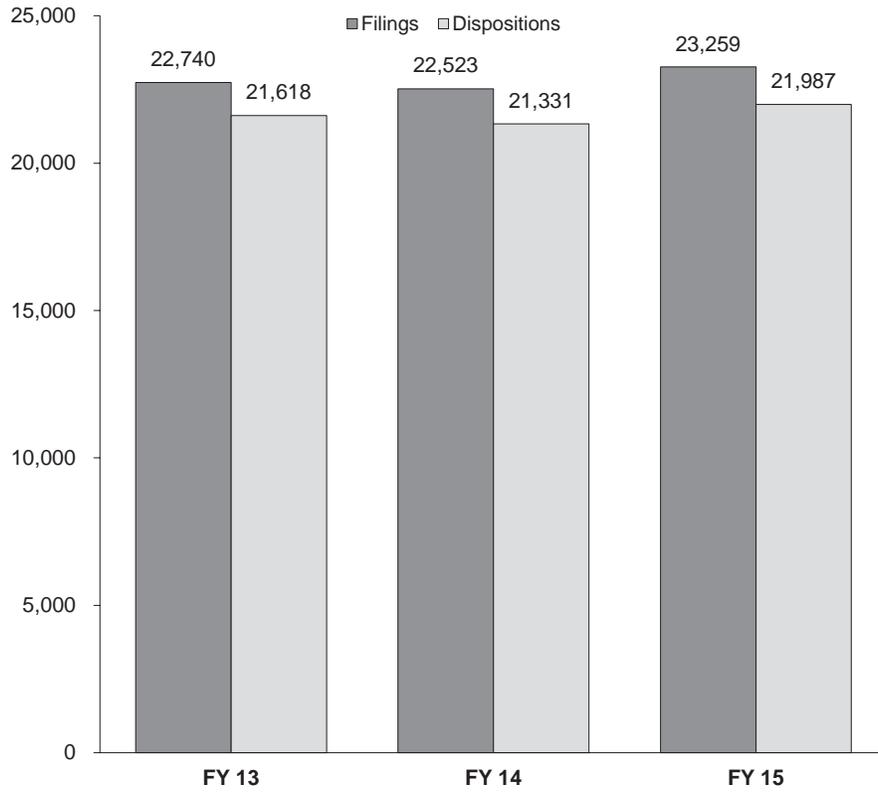
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**Table 4.02. Total Superior Court Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	10,574	10,252	10,229	-3%	0%
Angeon	7	3	2	N/S	N/S
Aniak	44	34	71	61%	109%
Barrow	250	304	335	34%	10%
Bethel	671	614	732	9%	19%
Chevak	26	15	3	N/S	N/S
Cordova	60	43	47	-22%	9%
Craig	87	86	80	-8%	-7%
Delta Junction	28	25	25	-11%	0%
Dillingham	246	189	183	-26%	-3%
Emmonak	65	38	51	-22%	34%
Fairbanks	2,526	2,557	2,778	10%	9%
Fort Yukon	17	22	16	-6%	-27%
Galena	25	34	29	16%	-15%
Glennallen	68	58	66	-3%	14%
Haines	6	6	10	N/S	N/S
Homer	312	290	282	-10%	-3%
Hoonah	4	3	2	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	24	29	53	121%	83%
Juneau	925	1,052	1,105	19%	5%
Kake	1	0	4	N/S	N/S
Kenai	1,160	1,108	1,224	6%	10%
Ketchikan	622	601	625	0%	4%
Kodiak	257	268	322	25%	20%
Kotzebue	350	365	359	3%	-2%
McGrath	10	2	5	N/S	N/S
Naknek	66	72	67	2%	-7%
Nenana	31	29	34	10%	17%
Nome	317	367	329	4%	-10%
Palmer	2,143	2,062	2,111	-1%	2%
Petersburg	70	72	71	1%	-1%
Sand Point	39	43	32	-18%	-26%
Seward	80	104	103	29%	-1%
Sitka	214	229	248	16%	8%
Skagway	2	1	1	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	40	50	61	53%	22%
St. Paul	25	19	10	N/S	N/S
Tanana	2	3	2	N/S	N/S
Tok	23	15	29	26%	93%
Unalakleet	15	21	45	200%	114%
Unalaska	55	85	66	20%	-22%
Valdez	70	97	88	26%	-9%
Wrangell	58	57	48	-17%	-16%
Yakutat	3	7	4	N/S	N/S
Total	21,618	21,331	21,987	2%	3%
1st District	1,999	2,117	2,200	10%	4%
2nd District	932	1,057	1,068	15%	1%
3rd District	15,155	14,690	14,830	-2%	1%
4th District	3,532	3,467	3,889	10%	12%

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**Figure 4.01. Superior Court Filing and Disposition Trends
FY 13 – FY 15**



**Table 4.03. Superior Court Clearance Rates
FY 14 – FY 15**

Court	Filings		Dispositions		Clearance rates	
	FY 15	Change from FY 14	FY 15	Change from FY 14	FY 14	FY 15
Anchorage	10,921	2%	10,229	0%	96%	94%
Angoon	4	N/S	2	N/S	N/S	N/S
Aniak	89	98%	71	109%	76%	80%
Barrow	295	4%	335	10%	107%	114%
Bethel	752	16%	732	19%	95%	97%
Chevak	2	N/S	3	N/S	N/S	N/S
Cordova	35	-17%	47	9%	102%	134%
Craig	67	-37%	80	-7%	81%	119%
Delta Junction	27	50%	25	0%	139%	93%
Dillingham	179	-9%	183	-3%	96%	102%
Emmonak	52	-7%	51	34%	68%	98%
Fairbanks	2,882	2%	2,778	9%	90%	96%
Fort Yukon	21	5%	16	-27%	110%	76%
Galena	22	-45%	29	-15%	85%	132%
Glennallen	66	-7%	66	14%	82%	100%
Haines	11	N/S	10	N/S	N/S	N/S
Homer	307	-3%	282	-3%	92%	92%
Hoonah	1	N/S	2	N/S	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	57	27%	53	83%	64%	93%
Juneau	1,158	8%	1,105	5%	98%	95%
Kake	4	N/S	4	N/S	N/S	N/S
Kenai	1,324	17%	1,224	10%	98%	92%
Ketchikan	621	3%	625	4%	100%	101%
Kodiak	308	-2%	322	20%	86%	105%
Kotzebue	404	5%	359	-2%	95%	89%
McGrath	1	N/S	5	N/S	N/S	N/S
Naknek	71	-3%	67	-7%	99%	94%
Nenana	39	-2%	34	17%	73%	87%
Nome	362	-3%	329	-10%	98%	91%
Palmer	2,381	2%	2,111	2%	88%	89%
Petersburg	83	12%	71	-1%	97%	86%
Sand Point	26	-19%	32	-26%	134%	123%
Seward	140	33%	103	-1%	99%	74%
Sitka	242	11%	248	8%	105%	103%
Skagway	1	N/S	1	N/S	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	45	-30%	61	22%	78%	136%
St. Paul	9	N/S	10	N/S	112%	N/S
Tanana	1	N/S	2	N/S	N/S	N/S
Tok	40	186%	29	93%	107%	73%
Unalakleet	39	15%	45	114%	62%	115%
Unalaska	52	-37%	66	-22%	102%	127%
Valdez	85	9%	88	-9%	124%	104%
Wrangell	30	-48%	48	-16%	98%	160%
Yakutat	3	N/S	4	N/S	N/S	N/S
Total	23,259	3%	21,987	3%	95%	95%
1st District	2,225	4%	2,200	4%	99%	99%
2nd District	1,100	2%	1,068	1%	98%	97%
3rd District	15,904	3%	14,830	1%	95%	93%
4th District	4,030	5%	3,889	12%	90%	97%

Clearance rate measures whether a court is keeping up with its incoming caseload. Courts aspire to clear (i.e., dispose of) at least as many cases as have been filed in a period by having a clearance rate of 100 percent or higher.

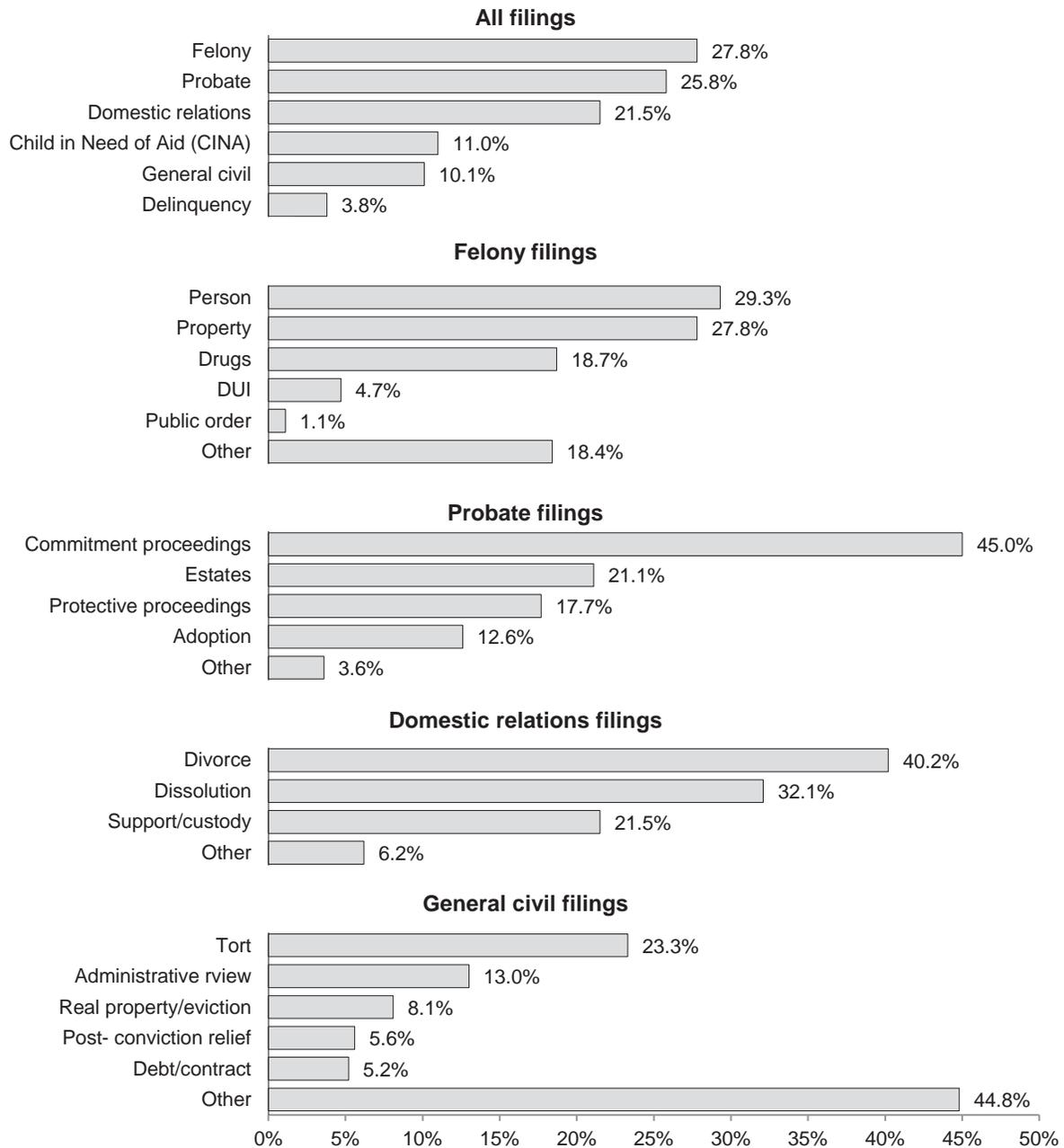
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**Table 4.04. Superior Court Filings by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Felony	CINA	Delinquency	Domestic relations	General civil	Probate	Total
Anchorage	2,726	1,180	286	2,282	1,163	3,284	10,921
Angeon	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Aniak	53	21	14	1	0	0	89
Barrow	85	32	16	46	46	70	295
Bethel	205	88	82	132	86	159	752
Chevak	0	0	2	0	0	0	2
Cordova	10	8	1	2	5	9	35
Craig	27	5	8	15	7	5	67
Delta Junction	11	0	1	14	0	1	27
Dillingham	76	9	16	28	18	32	179
Emmonak	29	22	1	0	0	0	52
Fairbanks	691	335	64	777	270	745	2,882
Fort Yukon	17	0	4	0	0	0	21
Galena	16	0	4	2	0	0	22
Glennallen	26	8	2	20	2	8	66
Haines	11	0	0	0	0	0	11
Homer	79	42	9	59	44	74	307
Hoonah	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hooper Bay	50	6	1	0	0	0	57
Juneau	210	120	60	224	174	370	1,158
Kake	2	2	0	0	0	0	4
Kenai	498	103	52	278	123	270	1,324
Ketchikan	162	41	43	107	54	214	621
Kodiak	121	13	19	58	27	70	308
Kotzebue	187	44	45	65	16	47	404
McGrath	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Naknek	22	14	3	14	5	13	71
Nenana	37	0	0	1	1	0	39
Nome	120	44	59	42	23	74	362
Palmer	668	367	58	654	229	405	2,381
Petersburg	13	12	8	25	4	21	83
Sand Point	21	3	1	0	0	1	26
Seward	72	13	1	28	11	15	140
Sitka	61	23	6	58	21	73	242
Skagway	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
St. Mary's	29	6	10	0	0	0	45
St. Paul	7	0	0	1	0	1	9
Tanana	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Tok	15	2	0	5	5	13	40
Unalakleet	39	0	0	0	0	0	39
Unalaska	32	0	1	15	4	0	52
Valdez	18	8	4	30	7	18	85
Wrangell	2	0	0	8	5	15	30
Yakutat	3	0	0	0	0	0	3
Total	6,457	2,571	883	4,991	2,350	6,007	23,259
% of total	27.8	11.0	3.8	21.5	10.1	25.8	100.0
1st District	497	203	125	437	265	698	2,225
2nd District	431	120	120	153	85	191	1,100
3rd District	4,376	1,768	453	3,469	1,638	4,200	15,904
4th District	1,153	480	185	932	362	918	4,030

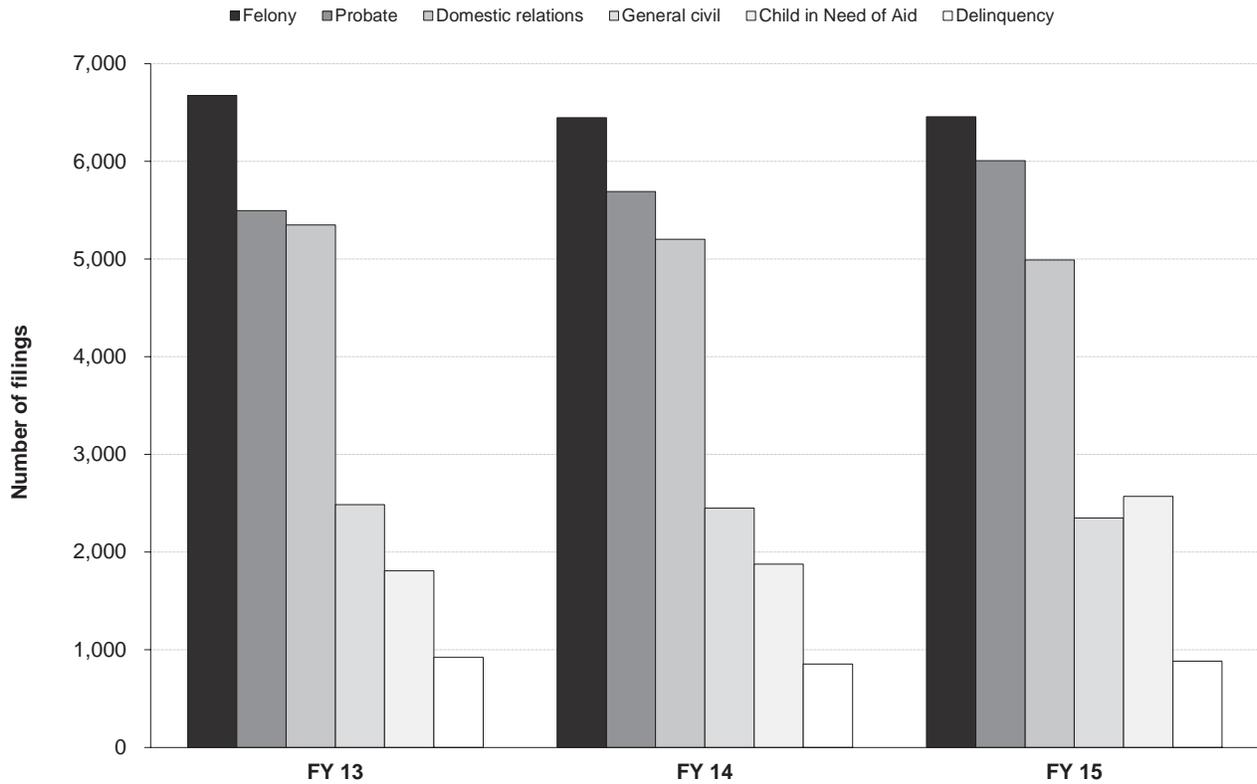
**Figure 4.02. Composition of Superior Court Filings
FY 15**

Percentages within categories.



This chart analyzes the types of cases filed in Superior Court during FY15. Felony case filings are the major case filing type, comprising 27.8% of total case filings. Probate cases are second with 25.8% of the filings.

**Figure 4.03. Superior Court Filing Trends by Case Type
FY 13 – FY 15**



Filing Type	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	FY 13 to FY 15 change	FY 14 to FY 15 change
Felony	6,675	6,448	6,457	-3%	0%
Probate	5,496	5,691	6,007	9%	6%
Domestic relations	5,348	5,202	4,991	-7%	-4%
General civil	2,487	2,449	2,350	-6%	-4%
Child in Need of Aid	1,810	1,877	2,571	42%	37%
Delinquency	924	856	883	-4%	3%
Total	22,740	22,523	23,259	2%	3%

**Table 4.05. Superior Court Dispositions by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Felony	CINA	Delinquency	Domestic relations	General civil	Probate	Total
Anchorage	2,807	755	206	2,400	1,199	2,862	10,229
Angeon	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Aniak	50	13	7	1	0	0	71
Barrow	116	17	17	43	50	92	335
Bethel	227	90	57	136	64	158	732
Chevak	1	0	2	0	0	0	3
Cordova	11	4	4	5	6	17	47
Craig	47	0	11	17	2	3	80
Delta Junction	9	0	2	12	0	2	25
Dillingham	88	1	17	26	19	32	183
Emmonak	34	9	6	1	0	1	51
Fairbanks	692	231	63	730	295	767	2,778
Fort Yukon	12	0	4	0	0	0	16
Galena	23	0	4	2	0	0	29
Glennallen	29	9	3	17	3	5	66
Haines	10	0	0	0	0	0	10
Homer	92	36	6	60	40	48	282
Hoonah	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Hooper Bay	44	3	6	0	0	0	53
Juneau	173	84	70	242	181	355	1,105
Kake	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Kenai	444	112	57	278	121	212	1,224
Ketchikan	155	25	39	121	57	228	625
Kodiak	138	18	14	55	32	65	322
Kotzebue	180	9	47	67	14	42	359
McGrath	4	0	1	0	0	0	5
Naknek	25	8	0	15	8	11	67
Nenana	31	0	0	1	2	0	34
Nome	110	35	52	45	24	63	329
Palmer	669	204	63	604	214	357	2,111
Petersburg	11	5	12	25	4	14	71
Sand Point	26	1	1	1	2	1	32
Seward	60	1	0	26	6	10	103
Sitka	48	23	5	60	29	83	248
Skagway	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
St. Mary's	36	6	19	0	0	0	61
St. Paul	5	4	0	0	0	1	10
Tanana	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Tok	11	2	0	3	5	8	29
Unalakleet	45	0	0	0	0	0	45
Unalaska	39	0	0	18	7	2	66
Valdez	26	0	2	29	11	20	88
Wrangell	11	0	5	16	4	12	48
Yakutat	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Total	6,553	1,705	803	5,056	2,399	5,471	21,987
% of total	29.8	7.8	3.6	23.0	10.9	24.9	100.0
1st District	468	137	142	481	277	695	2,200
2nd District	451	61	116	155	88	197	1,068
3rd District	4,459	1,153	373	3,534	1,668	3,643	14,830
4th District	1,175	354	172	886	366	936	3,889

**Table 4.06. Felony Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	3,013	2,763	2,726	-10%	-1%
Angeon	5	2	4	N/S	N/S
Aniak	39	37	53	36%	43%
Barrow	142	119	85	-40%	-29%
Bethel	193	195	205	6%	5%
Chevak	15	2	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	19	12	10	N/S	N/S
Craig	42	48	27	-36%	-44%
Delta Junction	18	9	11	-39%	N/S
Dillingham	112	83	76	-32%	-8%
Emmonak	27	39	29	7%	-26%
Fairbanks	608	623	691	14%	11%
Fort Yukon	13	13	17	31%	31%
Galena	28	33	16	-43%	-52%
Glennallen	11	19	26	136%	37%
Haines	10	5	11	N/S	N/S
Homer	135	117	79	-41%	-32%
Hoonah	6	1	1	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	25	33	50	100%	52%
Juneau	218	187	210	-4%	12%
Kake	1	3	2	N/S	N/S
Kenai	427	404	498	17%	23%
Ketchikan	169	176	162	-4%	-8%
Kodiak	130	113	121	-7%	7%
Kotzebue	145	177	187	29%	6%
McGrath	4	6	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	38	34	22	-42%	-35%
Nenana	28	29	37	32%	28%
Nome	133	101	120	-10%	19%
Palmer	635	743	668	5%	-10%
Petersburg	11	19	13	18%	-32%
Sand Point	35	22	21	-40%	-5%
Seward	59	40	72	22%	80%
Sitka	35	45	61	74%	36%
Skagway	1	2	1	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	34	35	29	-15%	-17%
St. Paul	14	7	7	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	8	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	7	8	15	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	14	34	39	179%	15%
Unalaska	30	57	32	7%	-44%
Valdez	24	26	18	-25%	-31%
Wrangell	16	12	2	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	6	7	3	N/S	N/S
Total	6,675	6,448	6,457	-3%	0%
1st District	520	507	497	-4%	-2%
2nd District	434	431	431	-1%	0%
3rd District	4,682	4,440	4,376	-7%	-1%
4th District	1,039	1,070	1,153	11%	8%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 4.07. Felony Filings by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Person	Property	Drugs	Weapon	Public order	DUI	Reckless driving	Motor vehicle — other	Protective order violation	Fish & Game	Other	Total
Anchorage	799	732	448	59	26	118	0	47	0	0	497	2,726
Angoon	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Aniak	34	10	2	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	53
Barrow	50	18	6	2	1	2	0	5	0	0	1	85
Bethel	112	42	7	3	11	9	0	6	0	0	15	205
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	2	4	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	10
Craig	8	5	10	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	27
Delta Junction	4	2	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	11
Dillingham	32	17	6	1	4	6	0	5	0	0	5	76
Emmonak	19	4	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	1	29
Fairbanks	165	199	106	16	3	34	0	28	0	0	140	691
Fort Yukon	8	4	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	17
Galena	10	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	16
Glennallen	14	7	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	26
Haines	3	3	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	11
Homer	13	26	16	6	0	6	0	4	0	0	8	79
Hoonah	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Hooper Bay	38	3	0	1	1	3	0	1	0	0	3	50
Juneau	33	71	47	2	1	8	0	4	0	0	44	210
Kake	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Kenai	83	190	128	14	0	20	0	16	0	0	47	498
Ketchikan	28	38	79	1	1	5	0	4	0	0	6	162
Kodiak	28	30	43	3	0	2	0	3	0	0	12	121
Kotzebue	98	43	11	2	11	4	0	1	0	0	17	187
McGrath	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Naknek	13	6	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	22
Nenana	15	6	4	2	0	2	0	2	0	0	6	37
Nome	62	29	16	2	4	1	0	1	0	0	5	120
Palmer	114	202	210	18	3	51	0	28	0	0	42	668
Petersburg	1	7	3	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	13
Sand Point	7	11	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	21
Seward	19	25	14	3	0	5	0	0	0	0	6	72
Sitka	12	9	29	1	1	5	0	0	0	0	4	61
Skagway	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
St. Mary's	10	7	1	0	5	1	0	4	0	0	1	29
St. Paul	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	8	4	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	15
Unalakleet	23	12	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	39
Unalaska	11	14	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32
Valdez	4	4	4	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	18
Wrangell	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Yakutat	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
Total	1,892	1,792	1,208	143	73	306	0	165	0	0	878	6,457
% of total	29.3	27.8	18.7	2.2	1.1	4.7	0.0	2.6	0.0	0.0	13.6	100.0
1st District	91	137	168	7	3	23	0	9	0	0	59	497
2nd District	233	102	33	6	16	10	0	8	0	0	23	431
3rd District	1,145	1,269	883	106	33	216	0	104	0	0	620	4,376
4th District	423	284	124	24	21	57	0	44	0	0	176	1,153

**Table 4.08. Felony Case Types
FY 15**

Person	Public Order
Homicide	Riot
Assault	Disorderly Conduct
Reckless Endangerment	Harassment
Kidnapping	Indecent Viewing or Photography
Custodial Interference	Possess or Distribute Child Pornography
Human Trafficking	Cruelty to Animals
Sex Offenses	Recruiting Gang Members
Robbery	Gambling
Extortion	Alcohol Licensing Laws
Coercion	
	Motor Vehicle DUI
Property	Motor Vehicle Reckless Driving
Theft	
Burglary	Motor Vehicle Other
Criminal Trespass	
Vehicle Theft	Protection Order Violation
Arson	
Criminal Mischief	Fish and Game
Business and Commercial Offenses	
	Other
Drugs	Offenses against Public Administration
Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance	Offenses against Family and
Manufacture, Delivery or Possession of	Vulnerable Adults
Imitation Controlled Substance	All other offenses, including cases in which
	a charging document was never filed
Weapons	
Misconduct Involving Weapons	
Criminal Possession of Explosives	
Unlawful Furnishing of Explosives	

Criminal cases typically contain multiple charges. The Alaska Court System categorizes cases for reporting purposes based on the most serious charge.

In FY07 the Alaska Court System changed the way it categorizes criminal cases for annual reporting. The categories now conform to the National Center for State Courts' national model for caseload statistical reporting. This change is intended to make Alaska statistics easier to compile, understand, and compare to those of other jurisdictions.

**Table 4.09. Felony Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	2,780	2,745	2,807	1%	2%
Anagoon	7	3	2	N/S	N/S
Aniak	36	27	50	39%	85%
Barrow	112	138	116	4%	-16%
Bethel	197	161	227	15%	41%
Chevak	18	11	1	N/S	N/S
Cordova	20	16	11	-45%	-31%
Craig	32	31	47	47%	52%
Delta Junction	15	11	9	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	99	96	88	-11%	-8%
Emmonak	33	31	34	3%	10%
Fairbanks	628	516	692	10%	34%
Fort Yukon	13	17	12	-8%	-29%
Galena	21	27	23	10%	-15%
Glennallen	13	14	29	123%	107%
Haines	6	6	10	N/S	N/S
Homer	101	127	92	-9%	-28%
Hoonah	4	3	2	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	22	26	44	100%	69%
Juneau	181	188	173	-4%	-8%
Kake	1	0	4	N/S	N/S
Kenai	393	413	444	13%	8%
Ketchikan	165	181	155	-6%	-14%
Kodiak	138	103	138	0%	34%
Kotzebue	174	164	180	3%	10%
McGrath	4	2	4	N/S	N/S
Naknek	33	39	25	-24%	-36%
Nenana	24	28	31	29%	11%
Nome	123	126	110	-11%	-13%
Palmer	650	587	669	3%	14%
Petersburg	12	21	11	-8%	-48%
Sand Point	24	35	26	8%	-26%
Seward	50	39	60	20%	54%
Sitka	36	39	48	33%	23%
Skagway	2	1	1	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	24	37	36	50%	-3%
St. Paul	14	11	5	N/S	N/S
Tanana	1	3	1	N/S	N/S
Tok	10	7	11	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	15	21	45	200%	114%
Unalaska	23	61	39	70%	-36%
Valdez	18	23	26	44%	13%
Wrangell	9	13	11	N/S	-15%
Yakutat	3	7	4	N/S	N/S
Total	6,284	6,155	6,553	4%	6%
1st District	458	493	468	2%	-5%
2nd District	446	475	495	11%	4%
3rd District	4,356	4,309	4,459	2%	3%
4th District	1,024	878	1,131	10%	29%

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**Table 4.10. Felony Case Dispositions by Manner of Disposition
FY 15**

Court	Stage of disposition									
	At/before arraignment		Between arraignment and trial			Court trial		Jury trial		Total
	Dismiss	Pled guilty	Dismiss	Pled guilty	Other	Guilty	Not guilty	Guilty	Not guilty	
Anchorage	231	24	620	1,808	9	9	0	96	10	2,807
Angoon	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Aniak	3	1	5	37	0	0	0	3	1	50
Barrow	0	0	30	84	0	1	0	1	0	116
Bethel	3	18	35	159	0	0	0	5	7	227
Chevak	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cordova	0	0	1	9	0	0	0	1	0	11
Craig	0	0	15	26	1	0	0	3	2	47
Delta Junction	1	0	2	5	0	0	0	1	0	9
Dillingham	3	0	17	67	0	0	0	1	0	88
Emmonak	0	1	8	25	0	0	0	0	0	34
Fairbanks	103	3	123	448	4	1	0	6	4	692
Fort Yukon	0	1	3	8	0	0	0	0	0	12
Galena	7	0	2	14	0	0	0	0	0	23
Glennallen	0	0	9	19	0	0	0	0	1	29
Haines	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	1	0	10
Homer	0	0	13	75	0	0	0	2	2	92
Hoonah	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Hooper Bay	1	4	4	34	0	0	0	1	0	44
Juneau	0	0	28	135	1	0	0	7	2	173
Kake	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Kenai	9	11	65	345	2	1	1	7	3	444
Ketchikan	0	1	28	122	0	0	0	3	1	155
Kodiak	0	0	39	97	0	0	0	1	1	138
Kotzebue	0	4	26	143	2	0	0	5	0	180
McGrath	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Naknek	0	0	4	20	0	0	0	1	0	25
Nenana	6	0	6	19	0	0	0	0	0	31
Nome	2	1	18	85	0	0	0	4	0	110
Palmer	4	2	125	509	3	1	0	22	3	669
Petersburg	0	0	3	6	1	0	0	1	0	11
Sand Point	0	0	6	20	0	0	0	0	0	26
Seward	1	1	11	45	0	1	0	1	0	60
Sitka	0	0	5	40	0	0	0	2	1	48
Skagway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
St. Mary's	0	0	9	27	0	0	0	0	0	36
St. Paul	0	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	5
Tanana	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tok	0	0	4	7	0	0	0	0	0	11
Unalakleet	0	0	3	42	0	0	0	0	0	45
Unalaska	0	1	12	26	0	0	0	0	0	39
Valdez	0	0	2	22	0	0	0	1	1	26
Wrangell	0	0	1	8	0	0	0	1	1	11
Yakutat	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4
Total	374	74	1,284	4,565	23	14	1	178	40	6,553
% of total	5.7	1.1	19.6	69.7	0.4	0.2	0.0	2.7	0.6	100.0
1st District	0	1	81	357	3	0	0	19	7	468
2nd District	2	5	77	354	2	1	0	10	0	451
3rd District	248	40	925	3,065	14	12	1	133	21	4,459
4th District	124	28	201	789	4	1	0	16	12	1,175

**Table 4.11. Post-judgment Filings: Felony Petitions to Revoke Probation
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	2,160	1,931	1,881	-13%	-3%
Angeon	3	5	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	38	33	31	-18%	-6%
Barrow	46	48	60	30%	25%
Bethel	199	185	141	-29%	-24%
Chevak	33	18	8	N/S	N/S
Cordova	4	5	7	N/S	N/S
Craig	18	25	35	94%	40%
Delta Junction	3	6	8	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	93	64	81	-13%	27%
Emmonak	19	34	23	21%	-32%
Fairbanks	486	440	443	-9%	1%
Fort Yukon	2	5	11	N/S	N/S
Galena	15	12	12	-20%	0%
Glennallen	7	9	12	N/S	N/S
Haines	0	0	1	N/S	N/S
Homer	71	76	74	4%	-3%
Hoonah	0	2	1	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	2	10	21	N/S	N/S
Juneau	120	108	219	83%	103%
Kake	1	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	391	353	427	9%	21%
Ketchikan	76	150	161	112%	7%
Kodiak	77	86	109	42%	27%
Kotzebue	102	103	112	10%	9%
McGrath	2	1	3	N/S	N/S
Naknek	23	41	27	17%	-34%
Nenana	11	18	15	36%	-17%
Nome	106	102	93	-12%	-9%
Palmer	541	607	723	34%	19%
Petersburg	8	8	7	N/S	N/S
Sand Point	7	18	13	N/S	-28%
Seward	36	38	31	-14%	-18%
Sitka	49	24	26	-47%	8%
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	25	23	22	-12%	-4%
St. Paul	4	3	3	N/S	N/S
Tanana	1	1	2	N/S	N/S
Tok	6	11	4	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	9	7	16	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	19	13	12	-37%	-8%
Valdez	12	14	16	33%	14%
Wrangell	7	2	17	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	0	1	3	N/S	N/S
Total	4,832	4,640	4,911	2%	6%
1st District	282	325	470	67%	45%
2nd District	263	260	281	7%	8%
3rd District	3,445	3,258	3,416	-1%	5%
4th District	842	797	744	-12%	-7%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 4.12. Probate Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	3,049	3,131	3,284	8%	5%
Angoon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Barrow	48	53	70	46%	32%
Bethel	157	170	159	1%	-6%
Chevak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	13	12	9	N/S	N/S
Craig	18	10	5	N/S	N/S
Delta Junction	0	1	1	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	36	42	32	-11%	-24%
Emmonak	0	1	0	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	658	732	745	13%	2%
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Galena	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	13	10	8	N/S	N/S
Haines	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Homer	79	73	74	-6%	1%
Hoonah	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Juneau	306	346	370	21%	7%
Kake	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	181	213	270	49%	27%
Ketchikan	226	188	214	-5%	14%
Kodiak	53	57	70	32%	23%
Kotzebue	58	46	47	-19%	2%
McGrath	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	14	6	13	-7%	N/S
Nenana	1	0	0	N/S	N/S
Nome	45	73	74	64%	1%
Palmer	372	368	405	9%	10%
Petersburg	22	20	21	-5%	5%
Sand Point	7	1	1	N/S	N/S
Seward	10	29	15	N/S	-48%
Sitka	71	67	73	3%	9%
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	3	0	1	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	4	0	13	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	13	3	0	N/S	N/S
Valdez	13	16	18	38%	13%
Wrangell	26	23	15	-42%	-35%
Yakutat	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Total	5,496	5,691	6,007	9%	6%
1st District	669	654	698	4%	7%
2nd District	151	172	191	26%	11%
3rd District	3,856	3,961	4,200	9%	6%
4th District	820	904	918	12%	2%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 4.13. Probate Filings by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Adoptions	Estates	Commitment proceedings	Protective proceedings ¹	Minor proceedings ²	Other	Total
Anchorage	323	605	1,743	474	96	43	3,284
Angoon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aniak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barrow	0	13	46	10	1	0	70
Bethel	3	12	84	38	22	0	159
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	1	1	1	6	0	0	9
Craig	1	1	1	2	0	0	5
Delta Junction	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Dillingham	4	4	16	8	0	0	32
Emmonak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fairbanks	146	201	235	138	14	11	745
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Galena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glennallen	2	2	1	3	0	0	8
Haines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Homer	12	27	19	15	1	0	74
Hoonah	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Juneau	21	69	217	60	2	1	370
Jake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kenai	52	103	45	67	3	0	270
Ketchikan	22	41	117	32	1	1	214
Kodiak	15	17	29	8	1	0	70
Kotzebue	7	5	24	11	0	0	47
McGrath	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Naknek	3	1	5	4	0	0	13
Nenana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Nome	7	4	38	25	0	0	74
Palmer	109	115	39	130	12	0	405
Petersburg	1	10	7	2	0	1	21
Sand Point	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Seward	5	1	5	3	1	0	15
Sitka	21	22	17	11	0	2	73
Skagway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Mary's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Paul	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	0	3	2	8	0	0	13
Unalakleet	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unalaska	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Valdez	3	6	5	4	0	0	18
Wrangell	0	6	4	5	0	0	15
Yakutat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	759	1,269	2,702	1,064	154	59	6,007
% of total	12.6	21.1	45.0	17.7	2.6	1.0	100.0
1st District	66	149	363	112	3	5	698
2nd District	14	22	108	46	1	0	191
3rd District	529	882	1,910	722	114	43	4,200
4th District	150	216	321	184	36	11	918

1. Guardianships, conservatorships, etc.

2. Minor settlements, emancipations, etc.

**Table 4.14. Probate Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	2,968	3,031	2,862	-4%	-6%
Angoon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Barrow	41	59	92	124%	56%
Bethel	159	168	158	-1%	-6%
Chevak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	15	12	17	13%	42%
Craig	14	14	3	N/S	N/S
Delta Junction	0	0	2	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	56	34	32	-43%	-6%
Emmonak	0	0	1	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	560	671	767	37%	14%
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Galena	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	12	9	5	N/S	N/S
Haines	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Homer	81	67	48	-41%	-28%
Hoonah	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Juneau	270	329	355	31%	8%
Kake	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	240	176	212	-12%	20%
Ketchikan	210	191	228	9%	19%
Kodiak	35	41	65	86%	59%
Kotzebue	50	42	42	-16%	0%
McGrath	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	11	11	11	0%	0%
Nenana	2	0	0	N/S	N/S
Nome	41	63	63	54%	0%
Palmer	325	300	357	10%	19%
Petersburg	18	24	14	-22%	-42%
Sand Point	7	1	1	N/S	N/S
Seward	4	36	10	N/S	N/S
Sitka	49	69	83	69%	20%
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	2	0	1	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	4	0	8	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	11	3	2	N/S	N/S
Valdez	7	27	20	N/S	-26%
Wrangell	24	24	12	-50%	-50%
Yakutat	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Total	5,216	5,402	5,471	5%	1%
1st District	585	651	695	19%	7%
2nd District	132	164	197	49%	20%
3rd District	3,774	3,748	3,643	-3%	-3%
4th District	725	839	936	29%	12%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 4.15. Domestic Relations Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	2,543	2,491	2,282	-10%	-8%
Anagoon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	0	0	1	N/S	N/S
Barrow	31	41	46	48%	12%
Bethel	80	103	132	65%	28%
Chevak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	12	10	2	N/S	N/S
Craig	32	29	15	-53%	-48%
Delta Junction	12	5	14	17%	N/S
Dillingham	29	25	28	-3%	12%
Emmonak	0	1	0	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	850	850	777	-9%	-9%
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Galena	1	0	2	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	17	17	20	18%	18%
Haines	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Homer	65	52	59	-9%	13%
Hoonah	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Juneau	243	227	224	-8%	-1%
Kake	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	298	261	278	-7%	7%
Ketchikan	136	126	107	-21%	-15%
Kodiak	77	68	58	-25%	-15%
Kotzebue	55	56	65	18%	16%
McGrath	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	8	9	14	N/S	N/S
Nenana	1	1	1	N/S	N/S
Nome	49	48	42	-14%	-12%
Palmer	659	629	654	-1%	4%
Petersburg	13	21	25	92%	19%
Sand Point	1	1	0	N/S	N/S
Seward	14	23	28	100%	22%
Sitka	58	55	58	0%	5%
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	0	1	1	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	5	3	5	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	15	16	15	0%	-6%
Valdez	29	19	30	3%	58%
Wrangell	15	14	8	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Total	5,348	5,202	4,991	-7%	-4%
1st District	497	472	437	-12%	-7%
2nd District	135	145	153	13%	6%
3rd District	3,767	3,622	3,469	-8%	-4%
4th District	949	963	932	-2%	-3%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 4.16. Domestic Relations Filings by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Divorce	Dissolution	Support/ custody	Other	Total
Anchorage	928	759	502	93	2,282
Angoon	0	0	0	0	0
Aniak	0	1	0	0	1
Barrow	14	9	11	12	46
Bethel	45	15	27	45	132
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	0	1	0	1	2
Craig	6	1	8	0	15
Delta Junction	0	13	1	0	14
Dillingham	9	2	9	8	28
Emmonak	0	0	0	0	0
Fairbanks	400	215	140	22	777
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	0	0
Galena	0	2	0	0	2
Glennallen	3	2	7	8	20
Haines	0	0	0	0	0
Homer	25	22	10	2	59
Hoonah	0	0	0	0	0
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	0	0
Juneau	72	85	54	13	224
Kake	0	0	0	0	0
Kenai	108	106	56	8	278
Ketchikan	33	36	28	10	107
Kodiak	17	25	15	1	58
Kotzebue	10	5	19	31	65
McGrath	0	0	0	0	0
Naknek	4	5	3	2	14
Nenana	0	1	0	0	1
Nome	14	11	12	5	42
Palmer	274	210	133	37	654
Petersburg	7	11	7	0	25
Sand Point	0	0	0	0	0
Seward	4	13	8	3	28
Sitka	16	25	13	4	58
Skagway	0	0	0	0	0
St. Mary's	0	0	0	0	0
St. Paul	0	1	0	0	1
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	3	1	1	0	5
Unalakleet	0	0	0	0	0
Unalaska	5	9	1	0	15
Valdez	10	12	6	2	30
Wrangell	2	3	2	1	8
Yakutat	0	0	0	0	0
Total	2,009	1,601	1,073	308	4,991
% of total	40.2	32.1	21.5	6.2	100.0
1st District	136	161	112	28	437
2nd District	38	25	42	48	153
3rd District	1,387	1,167	750	165	3,469
4th District	448	248	169	67	932

**Table 4.17. Domestic Relations Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	2,580	2,341	2,400	-7%	3%
Angoon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	0	0	1	N/S	N/S
Barrow	20	45	43	115%	-4%
Bethel	79	73	136	72%	86%
Chevak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	14	8	5	N/S	N/S
Craig	32	28	17	-47%	-39%
Delta Junction	11	8	12	9%	N/S
Dillingham	33	22	26	-21%	18%
Emmonak	0	0	1	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	807	784	730	-10%	-7%
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Galena	1	0	2	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	17	17	17	0%	0%
Haines	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Homer	69	45	60	-13%	33%
Hoonah	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Juneau	224	234	242	8%	3%
Kake	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	303	270	278	-8%	3%
Ketchikan	124	136	121	-2%	-11%
Kodiak	56	66	55	-2%	-17%
Kotzebue	61	50	67	10%	34%
McGrath	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	3	10	15	N/S	N/S
Nenana	3	0	1	N/S	N/S
Nome	42	46	45	7%	-2%
Palmer	636	641	604	-5%	-6%
Petersburg	18	13	25	39%	92%
Sand Point	0	0	1	N/S	N/S
Seward	19	17	26	37%	53%
Sitka	64	55	60	-6%	9%
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	1	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	0	1	0	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	8	7	3	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	16	17	18	13%	6%
Valdez	26	25	29	12%	16%
Wrangell	11	10	16	45%	N/S
Yakutat	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Total	5,278	4,969	5,056	-4%	2%
1st District	473	476	481	2%	1%
2nd District	123	141	155	26%	10%
3rd District	3,772	3,480	3,534	-6%	2%
4th District	910	872	886	-3%	2%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

Table 4.18. Domestic Relations Case Dispositions by Manner of Disposition FY 15

Court	Stage of disposition				Total
	Dismissed	Dissolution/ divorce hearing	Trial	Other	
Anchorage	455	1,342	345	258	2,400
Anagoon	0	0	0	0	0
Aniak	0	1	0	0	1
Barrow	5	11	3	24	43
Bethel	24	52	3	57	136
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	0	3	1	1	5
Craig	2	10	4	1	17
Delta Junction	0	12	0	0	12
Dillingham	4	7	4	11	26
Emmonak	0	1	0	0	1
Fairbanks	121	489	58	62	730
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	0	0
Galena	0	2	0	0	2
Glennallen	2	6	1	8	17
Haines	0	0	0	0	0
Homer	8	44	4	4	60
Hoonah	0	0	0	0	0
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	0	0
Juneau	34	151	25	32	242
Kake	0	0	0	0	0
Kenai	51	172	33	22	278
Ketchikan	18	58	25	20	121
Kodiak	5	35	10	5	55
Kotzebue	14	11	8	34	67
McGrath	0	0	0	0	0
Naknek	3	10	1	1	15
Nenana	0	1	0	0	1
Nome	9	22	2	12	45
Palmer	102	397	45	60	604
Petersburg	3	17	2	3	25
Sand Point	0	1	0	0	1
Seward	4	16	0	6	26
Sitka	5	39	10	6	60
Skagway	0	0	0	0	0
St. Mary's	0	0	0	0	0
St. Paul	0	0	0	0	0
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	0	2	0	1	3
Unalakleet	0	0	0	0	0
Unalaska	4	11	3	0	18
Valdez	6	18	3	2	29
Wrangell	0	10	4	2	16
Yakutat	0	0	0	0	0
Total	879	2,951	594	632	5,056
% of total	17.4	58.4	11.7	12.5	100.0
1st District	62	285	70	64	481
2nd District	28	44	13	70	155
3rd District	644	2,062	450	378	3,534
4th District	145	560	61	120	886

**Table 4.19. Post-judgment Filings: Motions to Modify Custody,
Support or Visitation
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	1,044	1,073	942	-10%	-12%
Angeon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Barrow	8	7	10	N/S	N/S
Bethel	15	15	12	-20%	-20%
Chevak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	4	3	2	N/S	N/S
Craig	12	7	4	N/S	N/S
Delta Junction	2	0	0	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	2	2	1	N/S	N/S
Emmonak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	286	258	267	-7%	3%
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Galena	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	1	6	8	N/S	N/S
Haines	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Homer	9	28	18	N/S	-36%
Hoonah	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Juneau	67	72	68	1%	-6%
Kake	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	132	125	140	6%	12%
Ketchikan	80	89	69	-14%	-22%
Kodiak	10	22	30	N/S	36%
Kotzebue	19	9	17	-11%	N/S
McGrath	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	5	2	2	N/S	N/S
Nenana	0	1	0	N/S	N/S
Nome	20	13	15	-25%	15%
Palmer	238	288	305	28%	6%
Petersburg	7	4	0	N/S	N/S
Sand Point	0	0	1	N/S	N/S
Seward	4	2	2	N/S	N/S
Sitka	26	29	25	-4%	-14%
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	2	3	2	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	0	1	0	N/S	N/S
Valdez	6	12	11	N/S	-8%
Wrangell	7	0	8	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Total	2,006	2,071	1,959	-2%	-5%
1st District	199	201	174	-13%	-13%
2nd District	47	29	42	-11%	45%
3rd District	1,455	1,564	1,462	0%	-7%
4th District	305	277	281	-8%	1%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 4.20. Superior Court General Civil Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	1,271	1,240	1,163	-8%	-6%
Angoon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Barrow	68	31	46	-32%	48%
Bethel	77	59	86	12%	46%
Chevak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	2	6	5	N/S	N/S
Craig	7	3	7	N/S	N/S
Delta Junction	1	2	0	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	25	28	18	-28%	-36%
Emmonak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	295	322	270	-8%	-16%
Fort Yukon	1	0	0	N/S	N/S
Galena	0	2	0	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	4	5	2	N/S	N/S
Haines	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Homer	43	44	44	2%	0%
Hoonah	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Juneau	142	142	174	23%	23%
Kake	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	113	113	123	9%	9%
Ketchikan	46	48	54	17%	13%
Kodiak	26	43	27	4%	-37%
Kotzebue	15	20	16	7%	-20%
McGrath	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	5	6	5	N/S	N/S
Nenana	0	10	1	N/S	N/S
Nome	38	27	23	-39%	-15%
Palmer	226	224	229	1%	2%
Petersburg	10	8	4	N/S	N/S
Sand Point	1	1	0	N/S	N/S
Seward	9	12	11	N/S	-8%
Sitka	36	33	21	-42%	-36%
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tanana	1	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	0	2	5	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	5	5	4	N/S	N/S
Valdez	13	11	7	N/S	N/S
Wrangell	7	2	5	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Total	2,487	2,449	2,350	-6%	-4%
1st District	248	236	265	7%	12%
2nd District	121	78	85	-30%	9%
3rd District	1,743	1,738	1,638	-6%	-6%
4th District	375	397	362	-3%	-9%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 4.21. Superior Court General Civil Filings by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Adminis- trative review	Debt/ contract	Tort	Real property/ eviction	Post- conviction relief	Other	Total
Anchorage	134	69	321	78	58	503	1,163
Angoon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aniak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barrow	3	2	4	0	3	34	46
Bethel	9	0	24	4	8	41	86
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	0	0	1	0	0	4	5
Craig	0	2	3	0	1	1	7
Delta Junction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dillingham	0	0	3	1	4	10	18
Emmonak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fairbanks	33	9	56	32	13	127	270
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Galena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glennallen	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
Haines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Homer	4	2	8	8	1	21	44
Hoonah	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Juneau	62	12	17	14	9	60	174
Kake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kenai	13	6	41	8	5	50	123
Ketchikan	4	5	9	7	2	27	54
Kodiak	2	3	5	2	2	13	27
Kotzebue	0	0	4	0	4	8	16
McGrath	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Naknek	0	2	0	0	2	1	5
Nenana	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Nome	1	2	2	5	1	12	23
Palmer	36	3	44	22	17	107	229
Petersburg	0	0	0	1	0	3	4
Sand Point	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Seward	2	0	2	0	0	7	11
Sitka	1	1	1	6	1	11	21
Skagway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Mary's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Paul	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	0	0	0	0	0	5	5
Unalakleet	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unalaska	0	0	0	1	0	3	4
Valdez	1	2	1	0	1	2	7
Wrangell	1	2	0	0	1	1	5
Yakutat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	306	122	547	190	133	1,052	2,350
% of total	13.0	5.2	23.3	8.1	5.6	44.8	100.0
1st District	68	22	30	28	14	103	265
2nd District	4	4	10	5	8	54	85
3rd District	192	87	427	121	90	721	1,638
4th District	42	9	80	36	21	174	362

**Table 4.22. Superior Court General Civil Case Types
FY 15**

Administrative Review	Eviction/Real Property
Administrative Appeal	Foreclosure
Appeal from District Court	Quiet Title
Petition for Review	Condemnation
	Forcible Entry and Detainer
	Real Estate Matter
Debt/Contract	Application for Post-conviction Relief
Debt — General	
Other Contract	
Tort	Other
Personal Injury — Auto	Change of Name
Personal Injury — Other	Election Contest or Recount Appeal
Wrongful Death	Injunctive Relief
Property Damage — Auto	Habeas Corpus
Property Damage — Other	Registration of Foreign Judgment
Medical Malpractice	Coroner
Legal Malpractice	Order to Show Cause
Other Malpractice	Contempt
	Other

**Table 4.23. Superior Court General Civil Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	1,271	1,244	1,199	-6%	-4%
Angoon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Barrow	61	26	50	-18%	92%
Bethel	93	78	64	-31%	-18%
Chevak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	4	5	6	N/S	N/S
Craig	3	5	2	N/S	N/S
Delta Junction	1	1	0	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	29	24	19	-34%	-21%
Emmonak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	293	325	295	1%	-9%
Fort Yukon	2	0	0	N/S	N/S
Galena	0	3	0	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	4	5	3	N/S	N/S
Haines	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Homer	38	33	40	5%	21%
Hoonah	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Juneau	127	140	181	43%	29%
Kake	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	107	122	121	13%	-1%
Ketchikan	49	45	57	16%	27%
Kodiak	10	36	32	N/S	-11%
Kotzebue	16	22	14	-12%	-36%
McGrath	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	6	5	8	N/S	N/S
Nenana	1	1	2	N/S	N/S
Nome	35	33	24	-31%	-27%
Palmer	225	195	214	-5%	10%
Petersburg	14	8	4	N/S	N/S
Sand Point	0	0	2	N/S	N/S
Seward	7	12	6	N/S	N/S
Sitka	37	36	29	-22%	-19%
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tanana	1	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	1	0	5	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	5	3	7	N/S	N/S
Valdez	12	11	11	-8%	0%
Wrangell	7	3	4	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Total	2,459	2,421	2,399	-2%	-1%
1st District	237	237	277	17%	17%
2nd District	112	81	88	-21%	9%
3rd District	1,718	1,695	1,668	-3%	-2%
4th District	392	408	366	-7%	-10%

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**Table 4.24. Superior Court General Civil Case Dispositions
by Manner of Disposition
FY 15**

Court	Stage of disposition						Total
	Dismiss/ settle	Default judgment	Summary judgment	Court trial	Jury trial	Other	
Anchorage	654	24	81	10	18	412	1,199
Angoon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aniak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Barrow	11	0	16	0	0	23	50
Bethel	24	1	3	0	0	36	64
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	4	0	0	0	0	2	6
Craig	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Delta Junction	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dillingham	12	0	1	1	0	5	19
Emmonak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fairbanks	133	12	32	5	0	113	295
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Galena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glennallen	1	1	0	0	0	1	3
Haines	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Homer	14	2	5	1	1	17	40
Hoonah	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Juneau	81	5	13	1	0	81	181
Kake	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kenai	64	5	4	1	0	47	121
Ketchikan	19	4	2	3	1	28	57
Kodiak	14	1	1	0	0	16	32
Kotzebue	6	0	0	0	0	8	14
McGrath	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Naknek	5	1	0	0	0	2	8
Nenana	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Nome	7	2	2	1	0	12	24
Palmer	93	8	11	3	1	98	214
Petersburg	1	0	1	0	0	2	4
Sand Point	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Seward	2	0	1	0	0	3	6
Sitka	7	0	4	1	1	16	29
Skagway	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Mary's	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Paul	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	0	0	1	0	0	4	5
Unalakleet	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unalaska	1	0	2	0	0	4	7
Valdez	6	0	2	0	0	3	11
Wrangell	2	0	1	0	0	1	4
Yakutat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	1,165	66	183	27	22	936	2,399
% of total	48.6	2.8	7.6	1.1	0.9	39.0	100.0
1st District	111	9	21	5	2	129	277
2nd District	24	2	18	1	0	43	88
3rd District	872	42	108	16	20	610	1,668
4th District	158	13	36	5	0	154	366

**Table 4.25. CINA Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	827	763	1,180	43%	55%
Anagoon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	6	5	21	N/S	N/S
Barrow	22	18	32	45%	78%
Bethel	85	81	88	4%	9%
Chevak	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	2	0	8	N/S	N/S
Craig	5	5	5	N/S	N/S
Delta Junction	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	10	6	9	N/S	N/S
Emmonak	9	8	22	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	227	254	335	48%	32%
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Galena	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	8	14	8	N/S	N/S
Haines	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Homer	17	21	42	147%	100%
Hoonah	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	9	1	6	N/S	N/S
Juneau	78	94	120	54%	28%
Kake	0	0	2	N/S	N/S
Kenai	85	88	103	21%	17%
Ketchikan	38	46	41	8%	-11%
Kodiak	12	21	13	8%	-38%
Kotzebue	29	35	44	52%	26%
McGrath	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	0	16	14	N/S	-12%
Nenana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Nome	43	78	44	2%	-44%
Palmer	272	286	367	35%	28%
Petersburg	1	4	12	N/S	N/S
Sand Point	2	2	3	N/S	N/S
Seward	0	1	13	N/S	N/S
Sitka	12	8	23	92%	N/S
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	0	8	6	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	3	9	0	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	0	0	2	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	0	2	0	N/S	N/S
Valdez	6	3	8	N/S	N/S
Wrangell	2	0	0	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Total	1,810	1,877	2,571	42%	37%
1st District	136	157	203	49%	29%
2nd District	94	131	120	28%	-8%
3rd District	1,244	1,232	1,768	42%	44%
4th District	336	357	480	43%	34%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 4.26. Delinquency Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	331	282	286	-14%	1%
Angoon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	3	3	14	N/S	N/S
Barrow	15	21	16	7%	-24%
Bethel	41	39	82	100%	110%
Chevak	6	1	2	N/S	N/S
Cordova	5	2	1	N/S	N/S
Craig	3	11	8	N/S	N/S
Delta Junction	5	1	1	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	17	12	16	-6%	33%
Emmonak	6	7	1	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	71	49	64	-10%	31%
Fort Yukon	2	7	4	N/S	N/S
Galena	3	5	4	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	0	6	2	N/S	N/S
Haines	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Homer	9	8	9	N/S	N/S
Hoonah	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	2	11	1	N/S	N/S
Juneau	75	73	60	-20%	-18%
Kake	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	51	51	52	2%	2%
Ketchikan	24	17	43	79%	153%
Kodiak	14	11	19	36%	73%
Kotzebue	35	51	45	29%	-12%
McGrath	0	1	1	N/S	N/S
Naknek	3	2	3	N/S	N/S
Nenana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Nome	70	48	59	-16%	23%
Palmer	78	87	58	-26%	-33%
Petersburg	6	2	8	N/S	N/S
Sand Point	3	5	1	N/S	N/S
Seward	0	0	1	N/S	N/S
Sitka	16	10	6	N/S	N/S
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	16	21	10	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	1	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tanana	1	1	1	N/S	N/S
Tok	0	1	0	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	1	0	1	N/S	N/S
Valdez	6	3	4	N/S	N/S
Wrangell	5	7	0	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Total	924	856	883	-4%	3%
1st District	129	120	125	-3%	4%
2nd District	120	120	120	0%	0%
3rd District	519	469	453	-13%	-3%
4th District	156	147	185	19%	26%

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**Table 4.27. CINA and Delinquency Filings by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Child in Need of Aid	Petitions to terminate parental rights		Total	Delinquency	Petitions to revoke probation		Total
Anchorage	853	327		1,180	223	63		286
Angeon	0	0		0	0	0		0
Aniak	21	0		21	9	5		14
Barrow	22	10		32	13	3		16
Bethel	88	0		88	75	7		82
Chevak	0	0		0	0	2		2
Cordova	8	0		8	1	0		1
Craig	3	2		5	4	4		8
Delta Junction	0	0		0	1	0		1
Dillingham	9	0		9	8	8		16
Emmonak	22	0		22	1	0		1
Fairbanks	200	135		335	48	16		64
Fort Yukon	0	0		0	2	2		4
Galena	0	0		0	4	0		4
Glennallen	4	4		8	2	0		2
Haines	0	0		0	0	0		0
Homer	30	12		42	9	0		9
Hoonah	0	0		0	0	0		0
Hooper Bay	6	0		6	1	0		1
Juneau	80	40		120	54	6		60
Kake	2	0		2	0	0		0
Kenai	72	31		103	38	14		52
Ketchikan	29	12		41	24	19		43
Kodiak	11	2		13	18	1		19
Kotzebue	43	1		44	29	16		45
McGrath	0	0		0	0	1		1
Naknek	12	2		14	3	0		3
Nenana	0	0		0	0	0		0
Nome	19	25		44	37	22		59
Palmer	278	89		367	48	10		58
Petersburg	12	0		12	6	2		8
Sand Point	1	2		3	1	0		1
Seward	13	0		13	1	0		1
Sitka	21	2		23	6	0		6
Skagway	0	0		0	0	0		0
St. Mary's	6	0		6	9	1		10
St. Paul	0	0		0	0	0		0
Tanana	0	0		0	0	1		1
Tok	2	0		2	0	0		0
Unalakleet	0	0		0	0	0		0
Unalaska	0	0		0	1	0		1
Valdez	6	2		8	2	2		4
Wrangell	0	0		0	0	0		0
Yakutat	0	0		0	0	0		0
Total	1,873	698		2,571	678	205		883
% of total	72.9	27.1		100.0	76.8	23.2		100.0
1st District	147	56		203	94	31		125
2nd District	84	36		120	79	41		120
3rd District	1,297	471		1,768	355	98		453
4th District	345	135		480	150	35		185

District Court Activity



Willow ptarmigan near Toolik Field Station, Brooks Range (Second Judicial District)



Broad Pass (Third Judicial District)

**Table 5.01. Total District Court Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	42,987	37,392	36,509	-15%	-2%
Angeon	33	24	30	-9%	25%
Aniak	158	164	207	31%	26%
Barrow	1,098	836	735	-33%	-12%
Bethel	1,689	1,356	1,443	-15%	6%
Chevak	161	21	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	225	169	180	-20%	7%
Craig	660	916	996	51%	9%
Delta Junction	1,434	1,213	1,235	-14%	2%
Dillingham	745	904	847	14%	-6%
Emmonak	313	190	223	-29%	17%
Fairbanks	14,750	13,688	12,746	-14%	-7%
Fort Yukon	108	47	68	-37%	45%
Galena	129	116	90	-30%	-22%
Glennallen	1,707	963	735	-57%	-24%
Haines	261	209	244	-7%	17%
Homer	1,998	2,025	2,428	22%	20%
Hoonah	72	132	113	57%	-14%
Hooper Bay	176	301	354	101%	18%
Juneau	6,657	5,659	6,204	-7%	10%
Kake	50	64	48	-4%	-25%
Kenai	7,907	8,638	9,370	19%	8%
Ketchikan	2,034	2,240	2,077	2%	-7%
Kodiak	1,719	1,754	1,940	13%	11%
Kotzebue	911	1,014	865	-5%	-15%
McGrath	18	28	2	N/S	N/S
Naknek	389	354	497	28%	40%
Nenana	2,569	3,077	2,449	-5%	-20%
Nome	1,535	1,472	1,366	-11%	-7%
Palmer	16,546	18,030	21,883	32%	21%
Petersburg	211	224	241	14%	8%
Sand Point	147	152	105	-29%	-31%
Seward	2,974	3,163	3,002	1%	-5%
Sitka	1,047	835	756	-28%	-9%
Skagway	57	35	47	-18%	34%
St. Mary's	201	174	215	7%	24%
St. Paul	62	79	36	-42%	-54%
Tanana	13	14	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	667	590	579	-13%	-2%
Unalakleet	113	190	149	32%	-22%
Unalaska	492	391	352	-28%	-10%
Valdez	764	439	423	-45%	-4%
Wrangell	179	125	168	-6%	34%
Yakutat	76	102	108	42%	6%
Total	116,042	109,509	112,065	-3%	2%
1st District	11,337	10,565	11,032	-3%	4%
2nd District	3,657	3,512	3,115	-15%	-11%
3rd District	78,662	74,453	78,307	0%	5%
4th District	22,386	20,979	19,611	-12%	-7%

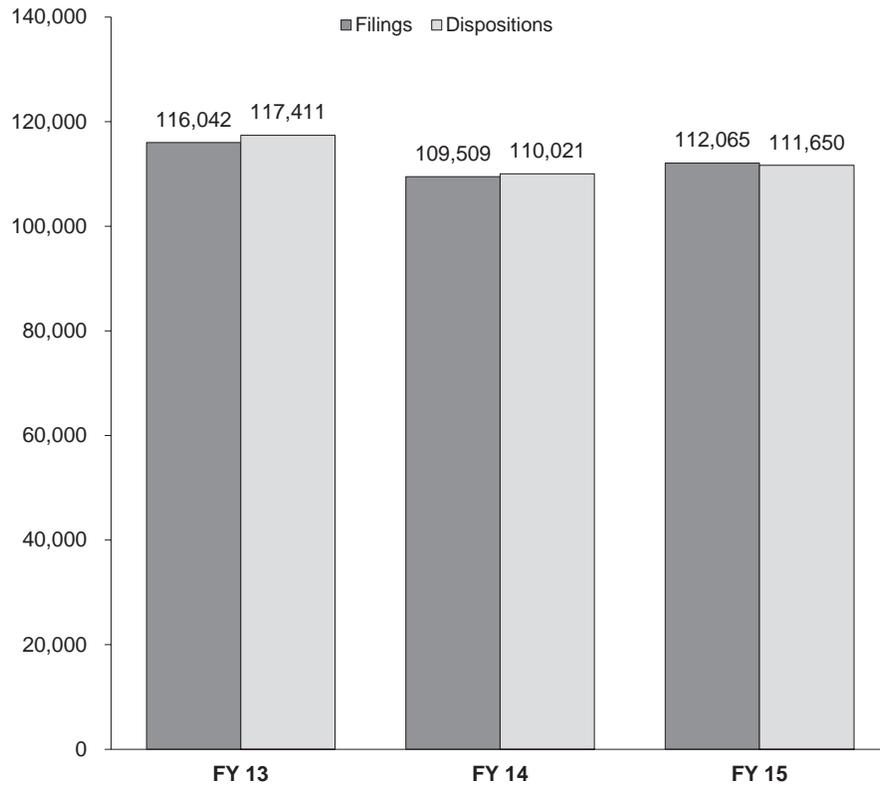
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**Table 5.02. Total District Court Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	42,996	38,839	35,534	-17%	-9%
Angeon	37	26	35	-5%	35%
Aniak	150	154	199	33%	29%
Barrow	1,033	897	764	-26%	-15%
Bethel	1,750	1,418	1,444	-17%	2%
Chevak	160	31	3	N/S	N/S
Cordova	249	196	168	-33%	-14%
Craig	673	906	976	45%	8%
Delta Junction	1,436	1,309	1,206	-16%	-8%
Dillingham	664	1,138	902	36%	-21%
Emmonak	296	199	211	-29%	6%
Fairbanks	15,055	13,333	13,252	-12%	-1%
Fort Yukon	127	65	72	-43%	11%
Galena	114	117	93	-18%	-21%
Glennallen	1,769	1,086	688	-61%	-37%
Haines	255	215	245	-4%	14%
Homer	2,167	2,021	2,328	7%	15%
Hoonah	67	118	108	61%	-8%
Hooper Bay	157	290	339	116%	17%
Juneau	7,016	5,419	6,130	-13%	13%
Kake	40	46	39	-2%	-15%
Kenai	7,906	8,556	9,211	17%	8%
Ketchikan	2,284	2,270	2,007	-12%	-12%
Kodiak	1,668	1,795	1,853	11%	3%
Kotzebue	1,050	1,023	868	-17%	-15%
McGrath	21	22	8	N/S	N/S
Naknek	402	339	478	19%	41%
Nenana	2,706	3,101	2,454	-9%	-21%
Nome	1,542	1,434	1,368	-11%	-5%
Palmer	16,625	17,061	22,207	34%	30%
Petersburg	220	228	233	6%	2%
Sand Point	145	147	126	-13%	-14%
Seward	2,922	3,123	3,189	9%	2%
Sitka	1,174	899	713	-39%	-21%
Skagway	70	35	50	-29%	43%
St. Mary's	199	160	228	15%	43%
St. Paul	60	78	40	-33%	-49%
Tanana	13	12	5	N/S	N/S
Tok	640	561	637	0%	14%
Unalakleet	122	148	168	38%	14%
Unalaska	498	400	381	-23%	-5%
Valdez	680	565	425	-37%	-25%
Wrangell	170	139	154	-9%	11%
Yakutat	83	102	111	34%	9%
Total	117,411	110,021	111,650	-5%	1%
1st District	12,089	10,403	10,801	-11%	4%
2nd District	3,747	3,502	3,168	-15%	-10%
3rd District	78,751	75,344	77,530	-2%	3%
4th District	22,824	20,772	20,151	-12%	-3%

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**Figure 5.01. District Court Filing and Disposition Trends
FY 13 – FY 15**



**Table 5.03. District Court Clearance Rates
FY 14 – FY 15**

Court	Non-minor offense filings		Minor offense filings		Total filings		Clearance rates	
	FY 15	Change from FY 14	FY 15	Change from FY 14	FY 15	Change from FY 14	FY 14	FY 15
Anchorage	21,443	-1%	15,066	-5%	36,509	-2%	104%	97%
Angeon	21	50%	9	N/S	30	25%	108%	117%
Aniak	183	37%	24	-20%	207	26%	94%	96%
Barrow	579	-9%	156	-22%	735	-12%	107%	104%
Bethel	1,270	5%	173	19%	1,443	6%	105%	100%
Chevak	0	N/S	0	N/S	0	N/S	148%	N/S
Cordova	123	54%	57	-36%	180	7%	116%	93%
Craig	424	-5%	572	21%	996	9%	99%	98%
Delta Junction	127	-10%	1,108	3%	1,235	2%	108%	98%
Dillingham	600	1%	247	-20%	847	-6%	126%	106%
Emmonak	217	20%	6	N/S	223	17%	105%	95%
Fairbanks	5,779	-4%	6,967	-9%	12,746	-7%	97%	104%
Fort Yukon	64	36%	4	N/S	68	45%	138%	106%
Galena	77	-25%	13	-7%	90	-22%	101%	103%
Glennallen	151	-24%	584	-23%	735	-24%	113%	94%
Haines	110	31%	134	7%	244	17%	103%	100%
Homer	718	-3%	1,710	33%	2,428	20%	100%	96%
Hoonah	67	3%	46	-31%	113	-14%	89%	96%
Hooper Bay	354	18%	0	N/S	354	18%	96%	96%
Juneau	2,549	6%	3,655	12%	6,204	10%	96%	99%
Kake	24	-23%	24	-27%	48	-25%	72%	81%
Kenai	2,643	0%	6,727	12%	9,370	8%	99%	98%
Ketchikan	1,179	-10%	898	-3%	2,077	-7%	101%	97%
Kodiak	875	-6%	1,065	29%	1,940	11%	102%	96%
Kotzebue	814	-7%	51	-62%	865	-15%	101%	100%
McGrath	2	N/S	0	N/S	2	N/S	79%	N/S
Naknek	256	-3%	241	168%	497	40%	96%	96%
Nenana	182	-24%	2,267	-20%	2,449	-20%	101%	100%
Nome	967	-18%	399	35%	1,366	-7%	97%	100%
Palmer	5,472	-10%	16,411	37%	21,883	21%	95%	101%
Petersburg	118	-29%	123	112%	241	8%	102%	97%
Sand Point	95	-26%	10	N/S	105	-31%	97%	120%
Seward	389	-17%	2,613	-3%	3,002	-5%	99%	106%
Sitka	488	-2%	268	-20%	756	-9%	108%	94%
Skagway	23	-12%	24	N/S	47	34%	100%	106%
St. Mary's	194	32%	21	-22%	215	24%	92%	106%
St. Paul	33	-55%	3	N/S	36	-54%	99%	111%
Tanana	0	N/S	0	N/S	0	N/S	86%	N/S
Tok	106	-39%	473	14%	579	-2%	95%	110%
Unalakleet	145	1%	4	N/S	149	-22%	78%	113%
Unalaska	223	1%	129	-25%	352	-10%	102%	108%
Valdez	274	-6%	149	1%	423	-4%	129%	100%
Wrangell	131	41%	37	16%	168	34%	111%	92%
Yakutat	44	-15%	64	28%	108	6%	100%	103%
Total	49,533	-3%	62,532	7%	112,065	2%	100%	100%
1st District	5,178	0%	5,854	9%	11,032	4%	98%	98%
2nd District	2,505	-12%	610	-10%	3,115	-11%	100%	102%
3rd District	33,295	-3%	45,012	12%	78,307	5%	101%	99%
4th District	8,555	-2%	11,056	-10%	19,611	-7%	99%	103%

Clearance rate measures whether a court is keeping up with its incoming caseload. Courts aspire to clear (i.e., dispose of) at least as many cases as have been filed in a period by having a clearance rate of 100 percent or higher.

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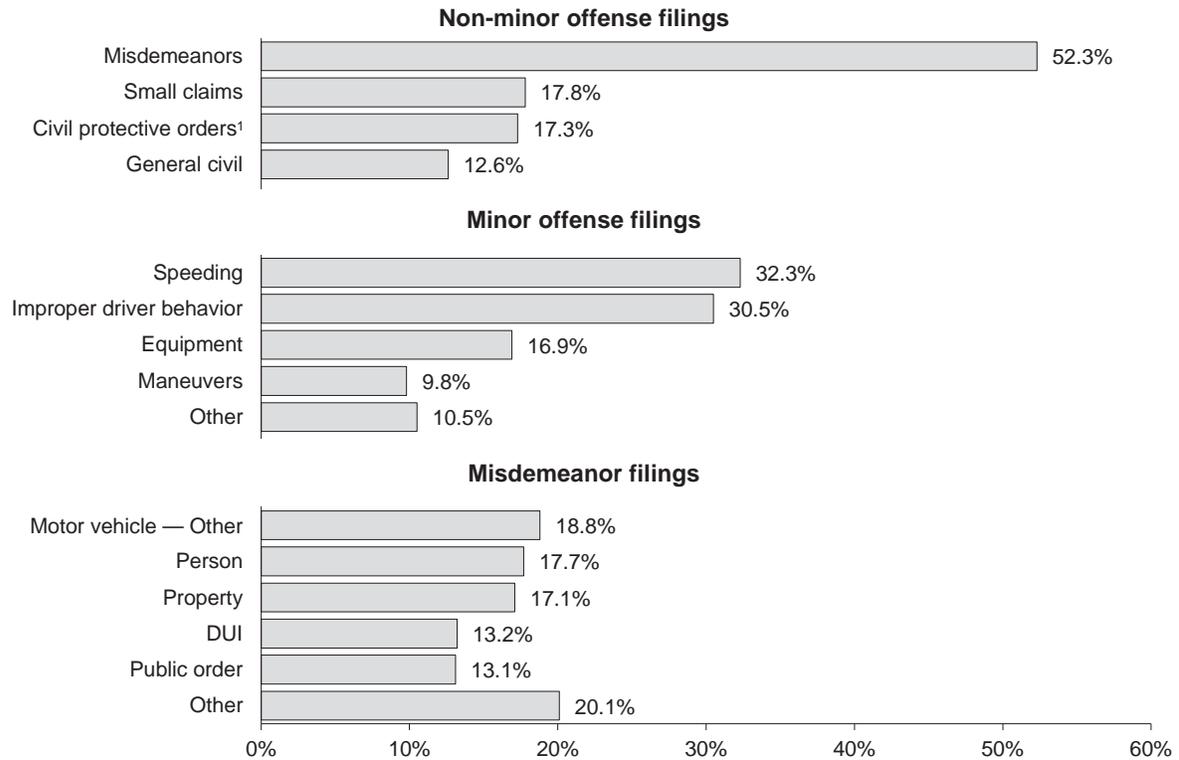
**Table 5.04. District Court Filings by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Misde-meanor	Minor offense	Civil			Total
			Small claims	Civil protective orders ¹	General civil	
Anchorage	9,164	15,066	4,772	3,909	3,598	36,509
Angoon	17	9	1	3	0	30
Aniak	143	24	2	38	0	207
Barrow	393	156	41	130	15	735
Bethel	780	173	63	378	49	1,443
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	67	57	41	8	7	180
Craig	327	572	20	61	16	996
Delta Junction	65	1,108	21	29	12	1,235
Dillingham	472	247	21	95	12	847
Emmonak	176	6	1	40	0	223
Fairbanks	2,773	6,967	1,251	978	777	12,746
Fort Yukon	44	4	0	20	0	68
Galena	54	13	7	13	3	90
Glennallen	123	584	11	16	1	735
Haines	49	134	17	35	9	244
Homer	467	1,710	81	103	67	2,428
Hoonah	30	46	35	2	0	113
Hooper Bay	320	0	5	29	0	354
Juneau	1,253	3,655	727	403	166	6,204
Take	18	24	0	6	0	48
Kenai	1,601	6,727	338	441	263	9,370
Ketchikan	653	898	183	221	122	2,077
Kodiak	647	1,065	57	115	56	1,940
Kotzebue	665	51	27	110	12	865
McGrath	2	0	0	0	0	2
Naknek	221	241	11	13	11	497
Nenana	153	2,267	12	13	4	2,449
Nome	662	399	54	222	29	1,366
Palmer	2,924	16,411	817	848	883	21,883
Petersburg	62	123	29	21	6	241
Sand Point	85	10	3	4	3	105
Seward	310	2,613	21	36	22	3,002
Sitka	323	268	32	88	45	756
Skagway	8	24	4	10	1	47
St. Mary's	162	21	7	24	1	215
St. Paul	29	3	2	2	0	36
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	67	473	6	31	2	579
Unalakleet	137	4	1	6	1	149
Unalaska	200	129	10	8	5	352
Valdez	158	149	37	54	25	423
Wrangell	65	37	24	30	12	168
Yakutat	18	64	19	5	2	108
Total	25,887	62,532	8,811	8,598	6,237	112,065
% of total	23.1	55.8	7.8	7.7	5.6	100.0
1st District	2,823	5,854	1,091	885	379	11,032
2nd District	1,857	610	123	468	57	3,115
3rd District	16,468	45,012	6,222	5,652	4,953	78,307
4th District	4,739	11,056	1,375	1,593	848	19,611

1. The Civil Protective Order case group includes petitions for domestic violence, stalking, and sexual assault protective orders.

**Figure 5.02. Composition of District Court Case Filings
FY 15**

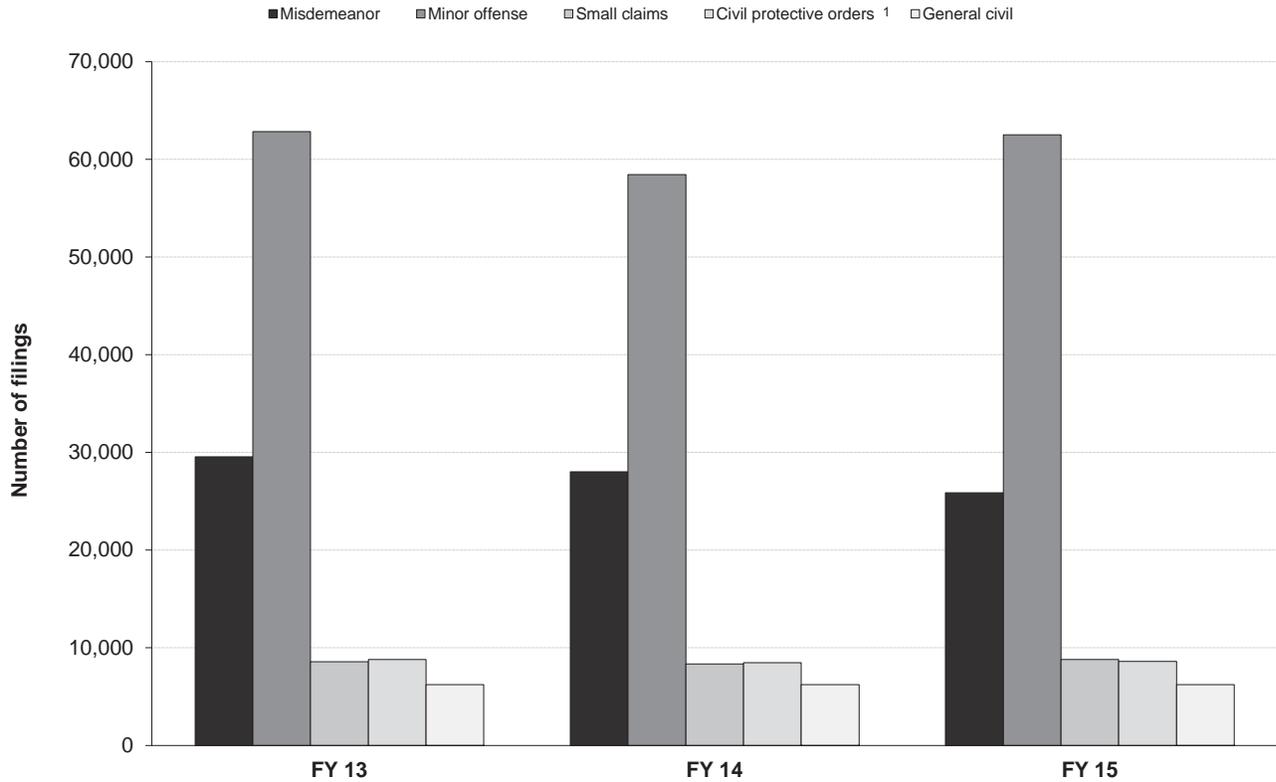
Percentages within categories.



This chart analyzes the composition of cases filed in District Court during FY15. Misdemeanor cases represent approximately 52.3% of the non-minor offense caseload. Approximately 32.6% of all misdemeanor cases involve driving while intoxicated or another criminal traffic violation (for example, driving with suspended license).

1. The Civil Protective Order case group includes petitions for domestic violence, stalking and sexual assault protective orders.

**Figure 5.03. District Court Filing Trends by Case Type
FY 13 – FY 15**



Filing Type	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	FY 13 to FY 15 change	FY 14 to FY 15 change
Misdemeanor	29,562	28,009	25,887	-12%	-8%
Minor offense	62,848	58,458	62,532	-1%	7%
Small claims	8,590	8,338	8,811	3%	6%
Civil protective orders ¹	8,811	8,487	8,598	-2%	1%
General civil	6,231	6,217	6,237	0%	0%
Total	116,042	109,509	112,065	-3%	2%

1. The Civil Protective Order case group includes petitions for domestic violence, stalking, and sexual assault protective orders.

**Table 5.05. District Court Dispositions by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Misde- meanor	Minor offense	Civil			Total
			Small claims	Civil protective orders ¹	General civil	
Anchorage	9,335	14,978	3,975	3,857	3,389	35,534
Anoon	21	10	1	3	0	35
Aniak	133	25	4	36	1	199
Barrow	405	185	35	131	8	764
Bethel	827	176	32	368	41	1,444
Chevak	1	0	2	0	0	3
Cordova	62	60	38	5	3	168
Craig	319	569	21	55	12	976
Delta Junction	61	1,091	19	28	7	1,206
Dillingham	479	289	18	99	17	902
Emmonak	163	7	1	40	0	211
Fairbanks	3,042	7,639	984	934	653	13,252
Fort Yukon	49	1	1	20	1	72
Galena	65	14	1	13	0	93
Glennallen	131	528	14	14	1	688
Haines	51	139	11	38	6	245
Homer	510	1,550	119	94	55	2,328
Hoonah	36	52	17	3	0	108
Hooper Bay	305	0	5	29	0	339
Juneau	1,301	3,574	688	413	154	6,130
Kake	18	16	0	4	1	39
Kenai	1,683	6,659	230	438	201	9,211
Ketchikan	662	852	156	219	118	2,007
Kodiak	715	926	45	102	65	1,853
Kotzebue	661	60	27	113	7	868
McGrath	6	1	1	0	0	8
Naknek	250	197	9	11	11	478
Nenana	176	2,247	12	14	5	2,454
Nome	658	393	79	221	17	1,368
Palmer	2,874	16,819	725	836	953	22,207
Petersburg	61	121	28	19	4	233
Sand Point	103	14	3	3	3	126
Seward	319	2,800	18	35	17	3,189
Sitka	320	247	17	83	46	713
Skagway	13	23	3	10	1	50
St. Mary's	162	29	9	26	2	228
St. Paul	32	3	3	2	0	40
Tanana	5	0	0	0	0	5
Tok	84	514	6	27	6	637
Unalakleet	128	4	28	6	2	168
Unalaska	193	164	8	10	6	381
Valdez	155	157	38	55	20	425
Wrangell	64	37	15	30	8	154
Yakutat	20	59	24	5	3	111
Total	26,658	63,229	7,470	8,449	5,844	111,650
% of total	23.9	56.6	6.7	7.6	5.2	100.0
1st District	2,886	5,699	981	882	353	10,801
2nd District	1,852	642	169	471	34	3,168
3rd District	16,841	45,144	5,243	5,561	4,741	77,530
4th District	5,079	11,744	1,077	1,535	716	20,151

1. The Civil Protective Order case group includes petitions for domestic violence, stalking, and sexual assault protective orders.

**Table 5.06. District Court Non-Minor Offense Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	24,087	21,610	21,443	-11%	-1%
Anagoon	24	14	21	-12%	50%
Aniak	138	134	183	33%	37%
Barrow	723	637	579	-20%	-9%
Bethel	1,516	1,211	1,270	-16%	5%
Chevak	160	20	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	129	80	123	-5%	54%
Craig	396	444	424	7%	-5%
Delta Junction	222	141	127	-43%	-10%
Dillingham	494	595	600	21%	1%
Emmonak	261	181	217	-17%	20%
Fairbanks	5,703	6,012	5,779	1%	-4%
Fort Yukon	100	47	64	-36%	36%
Galena	121	102	77	-36%	-25%
Glennallen	223	200	151	-32%	-24%
Haines	131	84	110	-16%	31%
Homer	695	740	718	3%	-3%
Hoonah	52	65	67	29%	3%
Hooper Bay	173	300	354	105%	18%
Juneau	2,330	2,397	2,549	9%	6%
Kake	30	31	24	-20%	-23%
Kenai	2,837	2,640	2,643	-7%	0%
Ketchikan	1,462	1,310	1,179	-19%	-10%
Kodiak	834	926	875	5%	-6%
Kotzebue	830	880	814	-2%	-7%
McGrath	10	25	2	N/S	N/S
Naknek	282	264	256	-9%	-3%
Nenana	261	239	182	-30%	-24%
Nome	1,188	1,176	967	-19%	-18%
Palmer	5,188	6,052	5,472	5%	-10%
Petersburg	157	166	118	-25%	-29%
Sand Point	128	128	95	-26%	-26%
Seward	479	468	389	-19%	-17%
Sitka	540	500	488	-10%	-2%
Skagway	23	26	23	0%	-12%
St. Mary's	183	147	194	6%	32%
St. Paul	59	73	33	-44%	-55%
Tanana	11	11	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	148	175	106	-28%	-39%
Unalakleet	91	143	145	59%	1%
Unalaska	225	220	223	-1%	1%
Valdez	351	292	274	-22%	-6%
Wrangell	142	93	131	-8%	41%
Yakutat	57	52	44	-23%	-15%
Total	53,194	51,051	49,533	-7%	-3%
1st District	5,344	5,182	5,178	-3%	0%
2nd District	2,832	2,836	2,505	-12%	-12%
3rd District	36,011	34,288	33,295	-8%	-3%
4th District	9,007	8,745	8,555	-5%	-2%

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**Table 5.07. District Court Non-Minor Offense Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	23,821	22,379	20,556	-14%	-8%
Anagoon	29	17	25	-14%	47%
Aniak	128	128	174	36%	36%
Barrow	655	683	579	-12%	-15%
Bethel	1,561	1,242	1,268	-19%	2%
Chevak	160	29	3	N/S	N/S
Cordova	156	100	108	-31%	8%
Craig	401	448	407	1%	-9%
Delta Junction	229	145	115	-50%	-21%
Dillingham	418	683	613	47%	-10%
Emmonak	246	189	204	-17%	8%
Fairbanks	5,756	5,850	5,613	-2%	-4%
Fort Yukon	125	46	71	-43%	54%
Galena	106	103	79	-25%	-23%
Glennallen	235	208	160	-32%	-23%
Haines	136	87	106	-22%	22%
Homer	720	696	778	8%	12%
Hoonah	49	64	56	14%	-12%
Hooper Bay	155	288	339	119%	18%
Juneau	2,516	2,336	2,556	2%	9%
Kake	27	26	23	-15%	-12%
Kenai	2,762	2,696	2,552	-8%	-5%
Ketchikan	1,580	1,395	1,155	-27%	-17%
Kodiak	772	957	927	20%	-3%
Kotzebue	914	895	808	-12%	-10%
McGrath	13	20	7	N/S	N/S
Naknek	286	248	281	-2%	13%
Nenana	236	225	207	-12%	-8%
Nome	1,133	1,153	975	-14%	-15%
Palmer	5,278	5,487	5,388	2%	-2%
Petersburg	165	175	112	-32%	-36%
Sand Point	130	121	112	-14%	-7%
Seward	414	521	389	-6%	-25%
Sitka	563	550	466	-17%	-15%
Skagway	25	22	27	8%	23%
St. Mary's	181	139	199	10%	43%
St. Paul	58	74	37	-36%	-50%
Tanana	11	9	5	N/S	N/S
Tok	156	169	123	-21%	-27%
Unalakleet	104	92	164	58%	78%
Unalaska	213	224	217	2%	-3%
Valdez	304	330	268	-12%	-19%
Wrangell	135	106	117	-13%	10%
Yakutat	68	47	52	-24%	11%
Total	53,130	51,402	48,421	-9%	-6%
1st District	5,694	5,273	5,102	-10%	-3%
2nd District	2,806	2,823	2,526	-10%	-11%
3rd District	35,567	34,724	32,386	-9%	-7%
4th District	9,063	8,582	8,407	-7%	-2%

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**Table 5.08. Misdemeanor Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	11,281	9,785	9,164	-19%	-6%
Anagoon	16	9	17	6%	N/S
Aniak	111	118	143	29%	21%
Barrow	534	495	393	-26%	-21%
Bethel	1,067	854	780	-27%	-9%
Chevak	134	18	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	103	57	67	-35%	18%
Craig	276	306	327	18%	7%
Delta Junction	135	96	65	-52%	-32%
Dillingham	402	465	472	17%	2%
Emmonak	194	140	176	-9%	26%
Fairbanks	3,063	3,296	2,773	-9%	-16%
Fort Yukon	87	36	44	-49%	22%
Galena	98	84	54	-45%	-36%
Glennallen	186	152	123	-34%	-19%
Haines	71	49	49	-31%	0%
Homer	467	482	467	0%	-3%
Hoonah	40	57	30	-25%	-47%
Hooper Bay	148	266	320	116%	20%
Juneau	1,202	1,192	1,253	4%	5%
Kake	26	23	18	-31%	-22%
Kenai	1,713	1,628	1,601	-7%	-2%
Ketchikan	822	741	653	-21%	-12%
Kodiak	595	694	647	9%	-7%
Kotzebue	637	714	665	4%	-7%
McGrath	8	22	2	N/S	N/S
Naknek	246	244	221	-10%	-9%
Nenana	233	213	153	-34%	-28%
Nome	912	799	662	-27%	-17%
Palmer	2,820	3,124	2,924	4%	-6%
Petersburg	113	123	62	-45%	-50%
Sand Point	113	116	85	-25%	-27%
Seward	407	383	310	-24%	-19%
Sitka	338	326	323	-4%	-1%
Skagway	20	18	8	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	141	117	162	15%	38%
St. Paul	57	71	29	-49%	-59%
Tanana	9	11	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	77	100	67	-13%	-33%
Unalakleet	85	104	137	61%	32%
Unalaska	182	184	200	10%	9%
Valdez	247	188	158	-36%	-16%
Wrangell	113	76	65	-42%	-14%
Yakutat	33	33	18	-45%	-45%
Total	29,562	28,009	25,887	-12%	-8%
1st District	3,070	2,953	2,823	-8%	-4%
2nd District	2,168	2,112	1,857	-14%	-12%
3rd District	18,819	17,573	16,468	-12%	-6%
4th District	5,505	5,371	4,739	-14%	-12%

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**Table 5.09. Misdemeanor Filings by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Person	Property	Drugs	Weapon	Public order	DUI	Reckless driving	Motor vehicle — other	Protective order violation	Fish & Game	Other	Total
Anchorage	1,562	1,991	140	94	1,198	1,154	46	1,778	28	9	1,164	9,164
Angoon	6	4	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	3	17
Aniak	60	14	0	2	8	18	1	6	1	9	24	143
Barrow	118	20	13	3	91	30	4	18	9	9	78	393
Bethel	265	99	6	7	170	95	2	33	9	9	85	780
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	10	13	3	0	11	7	1	11	1	3	7	67
Craig	40	26	7	2	33	30	3	68	2	9	107	327
Delta Junction	8	1	1	0	2	12	0	17	0	11	13	65
Dillingham	87	62	5	2	98	36	1	44	9	52	76	472
Emmonak	77	11	0	3	40	24	0	2	1	0	18	176
Fairbanks	387	500	38	24	289	423	19	463	51	20	559	2,773
Fort Yukon	16	1	0	1	4	11	0	1	1	3	6	44
Galena	18	11	1	0	4	5	2	1	0	1	11	54
Glennallen	22	8	3	4	22	18	5	23	0	7	11	123
Haines	6	6	0	0	2	5	2	9	3	12	4	49
Homer	38	77	11	5	30	77	1	147	6	36	39	467
Hoonah	9	2	0	0	5	4	0	2	0	1	7	30
Hooper Bay	149	21	0	2	69	39	1	3	10	0	26	320
Juneau	257	287	16	7	240	152	9	58	44	14	169	1,253
Kake	7	3	0	0	1	4	0	2	1	0	0	18
Kenai	170	208	67	13	118	247	6	472	35	72	193	1,601
Ketchikan	80	111	19	3	144	63	0	94	11	13	115	653
Kodiak	90	112	4	2	125	61	2	125	10	23	93	647
Kotzebue	237	122	0	2	143	41	2	26	20	6	66	665
McGrath	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Naknek	16	3	9	0	12	20	0	10	0	140	11	221
Nenana	23	7	26	1	8	28	0	39	0	6	15	153
Nome	179	76	4	6	146	44	3	61	12	4	127	662
Palmer	323	458	105	22	182	484	28	1,063	38	35	186	2,924
Petersburg	15	10	1	1	11	6	0	5	0	5	8	62
Sand Point	20	8	3	0	9	16	2	20	0	1	6	85
Seward	32	25	29	2	35	64	3	82	2	14	22	310
Sitka	29	38	12	1	26	53	0	73	5	23	63	323
Skagway	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	8
St. Mary's	84	11	0	0	28	24	0	0	1	2	12	162
St. Paul	12	3	0	0	5	3	1	0	0	0	5	29
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	7	11	0	2	3	7	1	24	3	3	6	67
Unalakleet	66	15	0	5	17	12	1	1	0	3	17	137
Unalaska	21	38	1	0	24	40	4	26	1	18	27	200
Valdez	26	10	0	2	32	46	0	24	1	2	15	158
Wrangell	9	8	4	1	16	4	0	10	1	1	11	65
Yakutat	0	0	0	0	1	6	1	6	0	2	2	18
Total	4,585	4,431	528	219	3,403	3,414	151	4,855	316	578	3,407	25,887
% of total	17.7	17.1	2.0	0.9	13.1	13.2	0.6	18.8	1.2	2.2	13.2	100.0
1st District	460	495	59	15	480	328	15	335	67	80	489	2,823
2nd District	600	233	17	16	397	127	10	106	41	22	288	1,857
3rd District	2,429	3,016	380	146	1,901	2,273	100	3,825	131	412	1,855	16,468
4th District	1,096	687	72	42	625	686	26	589	77	64	775	4,739

**Table 5.10. Misdemeanor Case Types
FY 15**

Person	Public Order
Homicide	Riot
Assault	Disorderly Conduct
Reckless Endangerment	Harassment
Kidnapping	Indecent Viewing or Photography
Custodial Interference	Possess or Distribute Child Pornography
Human Trafficking	Cruelty to Animals
Sex Offenses	Recruiting Gang Members
Robbery	Gambling
Extortion	Alcohol Licensing Laws
Coercion	
	Motor Vehicle DUI
Property	Motor Vehicle Reckless Driving
Theft	
Burglary	Motor Vehicle Other
Criminal Trespass	
Vehicle Theft	Protection Order Violation
Arson	
Criminal Mischief	Fish and Game
Business and Commercial Offenses	
	Other
Drugs	Offenses against Public Administration
Misconduct Involving a Controlled Substance	Offenses against Family and
Manufacture, Delivery or Possession of	Vulnerable Adults
Imitation Controlled Substance	All other offenses, including cases in which
	a charging document was never filed
Weapons	
Misconduct Involving Weapons	
Criminal Possession of Explosives	
Unlawful Furnishing of Explosives	

Criminal cases typically contain multiple charges. The Alaska Court System categorizes cases for reporting purposes based on the most serious charge.

In FY07 the Alaska Court System changed the way it categorizes criminal cases for annual reporting. The categories now conform to the National Center for State Courts' national model for caseload statistical reporting. This change is intended to make Alaska statistics easier to compile, understand, and compare to those of other jurisdictions.

**Table 5.11. Misdemeanor Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	11,519	10,065	9,335	-19%	-7%
Angeon	21	9	21	0%	N/S
Aniak	102	113	133	30%	18%
Barrow	472	527	405	-14%	-23%
Bethel	1,120	857	827	-26%	-4%
Chevak	131	27	1	N/S	N/S
Cordova	130	79	62	-52%	-22%
Craig	253	307	319	26%	4%
Delta Junction	131	97	61	-53%	-37%
Dillingham	337	494	479	42%	-3%
Emmonak	184	145	163	-11%	12%
Fairbanks	3,068	3,184	3,042	-1%	-4%
Fort Yukon	97	37	49	-49%	32%
Galena	91	85	65	-29%	-24%
Glennallen	178	164	131	-26%	-20%
Haines	72	52	51	-29%	-2%
Homer	483	483	510	6%	6%
Hoonah	36	60	36	0%	-40%
Hooper Bay	131	258	305	133%	18%
Juneau	1,252	1,191	1,301	4%	9%
Kake	26	21	18	-31%	-14%
Kenai	1,607	1,666	1,683	5%	1%
Ketchikan	972	738	662	-32%	-10%
Kodiak	580	677	715	23%	6%
Kotzebue	711	718	661	-7%	-8%
McGrath	9	18	6	N/S	N/S
Naknek	251	225	250	0%	11%
Nenana	213	199	176	-17%	-12%
Nome	860	816	658	-23%	-19%
Palmer	2,774	2,863	2,874	4%	0%
Petersburg	114	136	61	-46%	-55%
Sand Point	114	112	103	-10%	-8%
Seward	349	423	319	-9%	-25%
Sitka	350	351	320	-9%	-9%
Skagway	18	14	13	-28%	-7%
St. Mary's	138	113	162	17%	43%
St. Paul	55	72	32	-42%	-56%
Tanana	8	9	5	N/S	N/S
Tok	86	90	84	-2%	-7%
Unalakleet	98	86	128	31%	49%
Unalaska	174	182	193	11%	6%
Valdez	234	206	155	-34%	-25%
Wrangell	104	86	64	-38%	-26%
Yakutat	39	33	20	-49%	-39%
Total	29,692	28,088	26,658	-10%	-5%
1st District	3,257	2,998	2,886	-11%	-4%
2nd District	2,141	2,147	1,852	-13%	-14%
3rd District	18,785	17,711	16,841	-10%	-5%
4th District	5,509	5,232	5,079	-8%	-3%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 5.12. Misdemeanor Case Dispositions by Manner of Disposition
FY 15**

Court	Stage of disposition									Total
	At/before arraignment		Between arraignment and trial			Court trial		Jury trial		
	Dismiss	Pled guilty	Dismiss	Pled guilty	Other	Guilty	Not guilty	Guilty	Not guilty	
Anchorage	802	1,875	2,319	4,271	3	5	0	42	18	9,335
Angeon	0	2	6	13	0	0	0	0	0	21
Aniak	0	52	25	55	0	0	0	0	1	133
Barrow	1	10	248	145	0	0	0	0	1	405
Bethel	0	392	213	216	1	2	0	2	1	827
Chevak	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Cordova	1	25	12	21	2	0	0	1	0	62
Craig	0	45	103	161	0	0	0	5	5	319
Delta Junction	0	14	23	24	0	0	0	0	0	61
Dillingham	1	138	149	187	0	0	0	0	4	479
Emmonak	0	50	43	70	0	0	0	0	0	163
Fairbanks	151	649	1,057	1,162	8	0	0	11	4	3,042
Fort Yukon	1	2	23	23	0	0	0	0	0	49
Galena	3	5	24	33	0	0	0	0	0	65
Glennallen	0	22	37	70	1	0	0	1	0	131
Haines	0	6	16	29	0	0	0	0	0	51
Homer	0	154	143	207	0	1	0	1	4	510
Hoonah	0	7	8	20	0	0	0	1	0	36
Hooper Bay	1	136	73	95	0	0	0	0	0	305
Juneau	0	29	451	804	5	0	0	9	3	1,301
Kake	0	2	5	9	0	0	0	1	1	18
Kenai	0	430	529	702	8	2	2	7	3	1,683
Ketchikan	1	95	240	312	3	1	1	5	4	662
Kodiak	0	177	308	224	0	0	0	3	3	715
Kotzebue	0	97	146	416	2	0	0	0	0	661
McGrath	0	1	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	6
Naknek	0	59	65	126	0	0	0	0	0	250
Nenana	14	23	79	60	0	0	0	0	0	176
Nome	10	86	267	291	0	0	0	3	1	658
Palmer	3	231	1,042	1,546	10	4	2	24	12	2,874
Petersburg	0	17	19	24	0	1	0	0	0	61
Sand Point	0	19	40	44	0	0	0	0	0	103
Seward	0	76	77	166	0	0	0	0	0	319
Sitka	0	42	88	188	0	0	0	1	1	320
Skagway	0	3	4	5	0	0	0	1	0	13
St. Mary's	0	70	46	43	0	0	0	1	2	162
St. Paul	0	4	15	13	0	0	0	0	0	32
Tanana	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	5
Tok	1	21	33	28	0	0	0	0	1	84
Unalakleet	0	26	38	64	0	0	0	0	0	128
Unalaska	0	54	85	54	0	0	0	0	0	193
Valdez	0	47	33	74	0	0	0	1	0	155
Wrangell	0	21	9	34	0	0	0	0	0	64
Yakutat	0	3	5	11	0	1	0	0	0	20
Total	990	5,217	8,153	12,044	43	17	5	120	69	26,658
% of total	3.7	19.6	30.6	45.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.4	0.3	100.0
1st District	1	272	954	1,610	8	3	1	23	14	2,886
2nd District	11	219	699	916	2	0	0	3	2	1,852
3rd District	807	3,311	4,854	7,705	24	12	4	80	44	16,841
4th District	171	1,415	1,646	1,813	9	2	0	14	9	5,079

Table 5.13. Felony Filings in District Court¹
FY 13 – FY 15

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	2,982	2,727	2,655	-11%	-3%
Angeon	2	2	4	N/S	N/S
Aniak	32	29	39	22%	34%
Barrow	133	100	83	-38%	-17%
Bethel	147	155	181	23%	17%
Chevak	12	2	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	18	12	10	N/S	N/S
Craig	27	31	17	-37%	-45%
Delta Junction	13	6	10	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	98	80	69	-30%	-14%
Emmonak	24	36	29	21%	-19%
Fairbanks	453	430	450	-1%	5%
Fort Yukon	11	11	13	18%	18%
Galena	26	26	15	-42%	-42%
Glennallen	11	17	22	100%	29%
Haines	8	5	11	N/S	N/S
Homer	132	111	71	-46%	-36%
Hoonah	4	1	1	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	22	31	41	86%	32%
Juneau	141	147	142	1%	-3%
Kake	1	3	2	N/S	N/S
Kenai	379	367	448	18%	22%
Ketchikan	136	154	145	7%	-6%
Kodiak	95	94	105	11%	12%
Kotzebue	142	161	171	20%	6%
McGrath	4	3	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	32	32	20	-37%	-37%
Nenana	24	24	27	13%	13%
Nome	116	90	113	-3%	26%
Palmer	532	568	525	-1%	-8%
Petersburg	10	17	13	N/S	-24%
Sand Point	35	22	21	-40%	-5%
Seward	57	38	62	9%	63%
Sitka	26	36	50	92%	39%
Skagway	1	2	1	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	27	32	22	-19%	-31%
St. Paul	14	6	7	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	5	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	4	8	14	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	14	34	38	171%	12%
Unalaska	29	56	32	10%	-43%
Valdez	16	17	16	0%	-6%
Wrangell	8	8	2	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	6	7	3	N/S	N/S
Total	6,004	5,743	5,700	-5%	-1%
1st District	370	413	391	6%	-5%
2nd District	405	385	405	0%	5%
3rd District	4,430	4,147	4,063	-8%	-2%
4th District	799	798	841	5%	5%

1. This chart is for information purposes only. The totals are not included in the District Court totals. Felony cases are reported as Superior Court cases, regardless of where the case was initiated.

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**Table 5.14. Post-judgment Filings:
Misdemeanor Petitions to Revoke Probation
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	2,113	1,338	1,237	-41%	-8%
Angeon	4	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	35	35	33	-6%	-6%
Barrow	41	23	5	N/S	N/S
Bethel	215	234	163	-24%	-30%
Chevak	109	70	25	-77%	-64%
Cordova	4	4	0	N/S	N/S
Craig	16	10	20	25%	N/S
Delta Junction	16	12	14	-12%	17%
Dillingham	100	131	174	74%	33%
Emmonak	70	77	34	-51%	-56%
Fairbanks	1,021	839	845	-17%	1%
Fort Yukon	21	2	4	N/S	N/S
Galena	40	19	31	-22%	63%
Glennallen	2	8	19	N/S	N/S
Haines	8	13	4	N/S	N/S
Homer	87	64	65	-25%	2%
Hoonah	3	2	2	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	20	92	106	430%	15%
Juneau	398	476	464	17%	-3%
Kake	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	512	455	421	-18%	-7%
Ketchikan	168	150	69	-59%	-54%
Kodiak	100	144	112	12%	-22%
Kotzebue	161	215	243	51%	13%
McGrath	1	2	1	N/S	N/S
Naknek	12	22	30	150%	36%
Nenana	19	19	20	5%	5%
Nome	248	235	197	-21%	-16%
Palmer	512	617	395	-23%	-36%
Petersburg	4	10	8	N/S	N/S
Sand Point	13	11	18	38%	64%
Seward	51	80	87	71%	9%
Sitka	83	50	49	-41%	-2%
Skagway	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	46	54	37	-20%	-31%
St. Paul	1	2	1	N/S	N/S
Tanana	3	4	1	N/S	N/S
Tok	25	15	14	-44%	-7%
Unalakleet	22	19	19	-14%	0%
Unalaska	7	1	6	N/S	N/S
Valdez	12	20	24	100%	20%
Wrangell	32	13	24	-25%	85%
Yakutat	3	4	0	N/S	N/S
Total	6,358	5,591	5,021	-21%	-10%
1st District	719	728	640	-11%	-12%
2nd District	472	492	464	-2%	-6%
3rd District	3,526	2,897	2,589	-27%	-11%
4th District	1,641	1,474	1,328	-19%	-10%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 5.15. Small Claims Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	5,297	4,918	4,772	-10%	-3%
Anagoon	3	0	1	N/S	N/S
Aniak	7	4	2	N/S	N/S
Barrow	29	32	41	41%	28%
Bethel	35	40	63	80%	58%
Chevak	2	2	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	9	12	41	N/S	242%
Craig	15	13	20	33%	54%
Delta Junction	23	8	21	-9%	N/S
Dillingham	18	16	21	17%	31%
Emmonak	25	7	1	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	797	904	1,251	57%	38%
Fort Yukon	5	6	0	N/S	N/S
Galena	3	0	7	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	12	10	11	-8%	N/S
Haines	11	6	17	55%	N/S
Homer	55	110	81	47%	-26%
Hoonah	4	1	35	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	2	2	5	N/S	N/S
Juneau	543	612	727	34%	19%
Kake	1	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	333	296	338	2%	14%
Ketchikan	199	169	183	-8%	8%
Kodiak	56	40	57	2%	43%
Kotzebue	31	24	27	-13%	13%
McGrath	0	1	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	13	2	11	-15%	N/S
Nenana	9	10	12	N/S	N/S
Nome	74	157	54	-27%	-66%
Palmer	801	741	817	2%	10%
Petersburg	11	15	29	164%	93%
Sand Point	0	1	3	N/S	N/S
Seward	29	27	21	-28%	-22%
Sitka	41	33	32	-22%	-3%
Skagway	0	3	4	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	6	8	7	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	0	1	2	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	11	9	6	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	2	33	1	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	14	13	10	N/S	N/S
Valdez	43	37	37	-14%	0%
Wrangell	2	3	24	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	19	12	19	0%	58%
Total	8,590	8,338	8,811	3%	6%
1st District	849	867	1,091	29%	26%
2nd District	136	246	123	-10%	-50%
3rd District	6,680	6,224	6,222	-7%	0%
4th District	925	1,001	1,375	49%	37%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 5.16. Small Claims Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	4,840	5,398	3,975	-18%	-26%
Anagoon	0	2	1	N/S	N/S
Aniak	9	1	4	N/S	N/S
Barrow	31	31	35	13%	13%
Bethel	35	39	32	-9%	-18%
Chevak	5	1	2	N/S	N/S
Cordova	8	11	38	N/S	245%
Craig	33	11	21	-36%	91%
Delta Junction	28	6	19	-32%	N/S
Dillingham	13	64	18	38%	-72%
Emmonak	21	11	1	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	730	891	984	35%	10%
Fort Yukon	18	6	1	N/S	N/S
Galena	2	2	1	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	18	6	14	-22%	N/S
Haines	12	8	11	-8%	N/S
Homer	57	70	119	109%	70%
Hoonah	5	0	17	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	1	3	5	N/S	N/S
Juneau	652	537	688	6%	28%
Kake	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	324	311	230	-29%	-26%
Ketchikan	181	185	156	-14%	-16%
Kodiak	26	94	45	73%	-52%
Kotzebue	38	30	27	-29%	-10%
McGrath	2	0	1	N/S	N/S
Naknek	16	1	9	N/S	N/S
Nenana	9	8	12	N/S	N/S
Nome	73	118	79	8%	-33%
Palmer	769	729	725	-6%	-1%
Petersburg	12	11	28	133%	155%
Sand Point	0	0	3	N/S	N/S
Seward	16	38	18	13%	-53%
Sitka	39	57	17	-56%	-70%
Skagway	1	2	3	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	7	5	9	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	1	0	3	N/S	N/S
Tanana	1	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	9	12	6	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	2	1	28	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	9	11	8	N/S	N/S
Valdez	22	52	38	73%	-27%
Wrangell	4	2	15	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	23	6	24	4%	N/S
Total	8,102	8,771	7,470	-8%	-15%
1st District	962	821	981	2%	19%
2nd District	144	180	169	17%	-6%
3rd District	6,119	6,785	5,243	-14%	-23%
4th District	877	985	1,077	23%	9%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 5.17. Small Claims Case Dispositions by Manner of Disposition
FY 15**

Court	Stage of disposition					Total
	Dismiss	Default judgment	Judgment on the pleadings	Trial	Other	
Anchorage	1,454	1,991	188	137	205	3,975
Angeon	1	0	0	0	0	1
Aniak	1	2	0	1	0	4
Barrow	13	17	4	1	0	35
Bethel	4	19	7	1	1	32
Chevak	0	1	0	0	1	2
Cordova	8	17	12	0	1	38
Craig	8	4	4	5	0	21
Delta Junction	11	2	3	3	0	19
Dillingham	7	9	1	1	0	18
Emmonak	1	0	0	0	0	1
Fairbanks	440	418	74	41	11	984
Fort Yukon	1	0	0	0	0	1
Galena	0	1	0	0	0	1
Glennallen	8	3	1	2	0	14
Haines	3	0	3	5	0	11
Homer	64	23	18	10	4	119
Hoonah	4	11	2	0	0	17
Hooper Bay	1	3	1	0	0	5
Juneau	331	304	33	12	8	688
Kake	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kenai	84	77	33	29	7	230
Ketchikan	41	67	27	16	5	156
Kodiak	20	13	10	2	0	45
Kotzebue	7	12	5	3	0	27
McGrath	1	0	0	0	0	1
Naknek	4	3	0	2	0	9
Nenana	5	7	0	0	0	12
Nome	39	30	8	2	0	79
Palmer	182	430	36	68	9	725
Petersburg	19	5	3	1	0	28
Sand Point	1	0	2	0	0	3
Seward	8	8	0	1	1	18
Sitka	7	4	2	3	1	17
Skagway	2	0	0	1	0	3
St. Mary's	4	4	1	0	0	9
St. Paul	1	0	2	0	0	3
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	2	3	0	1	0	6
Unalakleet	10	17	1	0	0	28
Unalaska	5	1	1	1	0	8
Valdez	11	14	4	7	2	38
Wrangell	2	10	3	0	0	15
Yakutat	11	12	1	0	0	24
Total	2,826	3,542	490	356	256	7,470
% of total	37.8	47.4	6.6	4.8	3.4	100.0
1st District	429	417	78	43	14	981
2nd District	69	76	18	6	0	169
3rd District	1,857	2,589	308	260	229	5,243
4th District	471	460	86	47	13	1,077

**Table 5.18. Civil Protective Order¹ Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	3,922	3,729	3,909	0%	5%
Angeon	5	5	3	N/S	N/S
Aniak	18	12	38	111%	217%
Barrow	127	104	130	2%	25%
Bethel	370	281	378	2%	35%
Chevak	20	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	13	5	8	N/S	N/S
Craig	95	112	61	-36%	-46%
Delta Junction	48	29	29	-40%	0%
Dillingham	54	100	95	76%	-5%
Emmonak	38	34	40	5%	18%
Fairbanks	1,003	1,017	978	-2%	-4%
Fort Yukon	8	5	20	N/S	N/S
Galena	20	17	13	-35%	-24%
Glennallen	16	35	16	0%	-54%
Haines	38	26	35	-8%	35%
Homer	114	97	103	-10%	6%
Hoonah	6	3	2	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	23	32	29	26%	-9%
Juneau	400	445	403	1%	-9%
Kake	2	6	6	N/S	N/S
Kenai	542	497	441	-19%	-11%
Ketchikan	314	291	221	-30%	-24%
Kodiak	127	141	115	-9%	-18%
Kotzebue	145	135	110	-24%	-19%
McGrath	2	2	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	12	10	13	8%	N/S
Nenana	13	11	13	0%	18%
Nome	174	195	222	28%	14%
Palmer	812	793	848	4%	7%
Petersburg	20	22	21	5%	-5%
Sand Point	8	8	4	N/S	N/S
Seward	27	37	36	33%	-3%
Sitka	113	103	88	-22%	-15%
Skagway	1	3	10	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	34	21	24	-29%	14%
St. Paul	1	1	2	N/S	N/S
Tanana	2	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	53	59	31	-42%	-47%
Unalakleet	4	6	6	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	13	11	8	N/S	N/S
Valdez	41	33	54	32%	64%
Wrangell	13	12	30	131%	150%
Yakutat	0	2	5	N/S	N/S
Total	8,811	8,487	8,598	-2%	1%
1st District	1,007	1,030	885	-12%	-14%
2nd District	450	440	468	4%	6%
3rd District	5,702	5,497	5,652	-1%	3%
4th District	1,652	1,520	1,593	-4%	5%

1. The Civil Protective Order case group includes petitions for domestic violence, stalking, and sexual assault protective orders.

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**Table 5.19. Civil Protective Order¹ Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	3,857	3,692	3,857	0%	4%
Angeon	7	5	3	N/S	N/S
Aniak	16	13	36	125%	177%
Barrow	125	108	131	5%	21%
Bethel	361	286	368	2%	29%
Chevak	21	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	13	4	5	N/S	N/S
Craig	99	114	55	-44%	-52%
Delta Junction	50	29	28	-44%	-3%
Dillingham	41	93	99	141%	6%
Emmonak	38	32	40	5%	25%
Fairbanks	1,010	995	934	-8%	-6%
Fort Yukon	8	3	20	N/S	N/S
Galena	13	15	13	0%	-13%
Glennallen	20	35	14	-30%	-60%
Haines	41	23	38	-7%	65%
Homer	112	94	94	-16%	0%
Hoonah	5	2	3	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	23	27	29	26%	7%
Juneau	414	432	413	0%	-4%
Kake	1	3	4	N/S	N/S
Kenai	536	508	438	-18%	-14%
Ketchikan	320	289	219	-32%	-24%
Kodiak	123	141	102	-17%	-28%
Kotzebue	145	137	113	-22%	-18%
McGrath	2	2	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	10	12	11	N/S	-8%
Nenana	10	14	14	N/S	0%
Nome	174	193	221	27%	15%
Palmer	791	781	836	6%	7%
Petersburg	23	21	19	-17%	-10%
Sand Point	8	8	3	N/S	N/S
Seward	28	37	35	25%	-5%
Sitka	109	105	83	-24%	-21%
Skagway	1	3	10	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	33	20	26	-21%	30%
St. Paul	0	2	2	N/S	N/S
Tanana	2	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	56	60	27	-52%	-55%
Unalakleet	4	5	6	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	10	11	10	N/S	N/S
Valdez	38	32	55	45%	72%
Wrangell	11	14	30	173%	114%
Yakutat	0	2	5	N/S	N/S
Total	8,709	8,402	8,449	-3%	1%
1st District	1,031	1,013	882	-14%	-13%
2nd District	448	443	471	5%	6%
3rd District	5,587	5,450	5,561	0%	2%
4th District	1,643	1,496	1,535	-7%	3%

1. The Civil Protective Order case group includes petitions for domestic violence, stalking, and sexual assault protective orders.

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**Table 5.20. District Court General Civil Case Filings
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	3,587	3,178	3,598	0%	13%
Angeon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	2	0	0	N/S	N/S
Barrow	33	6	15	-55%	N/S
Bethel	44	36	49	11%	36%
Chevak	4	0	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	4	6	7	N/S	N/S
Craig	10	13	16	N/S	23%
Delta Junction	16	8	12	-25%	N/S
Dillingham	20	14	12	-40%	-14%
Emmonak	4	0	0	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	840	795	777	-7%	-2%
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Galena	0	1	3	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	9	3	1	N/S	N/S
Haines	11	3	9	N/S	N/S
Homer	59	51	67	14%	31%
Hoonah	2	4	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Juneau	185	148	166	-10%	12%
Kake	1	2	0	N/S	N/S
Kenai	249	219	263	6%	20%
Ketchikan	127	109	122	-4%	12%
Kodiak	56	51	56	0%	10%
Kotzebue	17	7	12	-29%	N/S
McGrath	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	11	8	11	0%	N/S
Nenana	6	5	4	N/S	N/S
Nome	28	25	29	4%	16%
Palmer	755	1,394	883	17%	-37%
Petersburg	13	6	6	N/S	N/S
Sand Point	7	3	3	N/S	N/S
Seward	16	21	22	38%	5%
Sitka	48	38	45	-6%	18%
Skagway	2	2	1	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	2	1	1	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	1	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	7	7	2	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	1	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	16	12	5	N/S	N/S
Valdez	20	34	25	25%	-26%
Wrangell	14	2	12	-14%	N/S
Yakutat	5	5	2	N/S	N/S
Total	6,231	6,217	6,237	0%	0%
1st District	418	332	379	-9%	14%
2nd District	78	38	57	-27%	50%
3rd District	4,810	4,994	4,953	3%	-1%
4th District	925	853	848	-8%	-1%

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 5.21. District Court General Civil Filings by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Eviction/ real property	Debt/ contract	Post- conviction relief	Other	Total
Anchorage	1,872	1,441	5	280	3,598
Angeon	0	0	0	0	0
Aniak	0	0	0	0	0
Barrow	2	10	0	3	15
Bethel	15	32	2	0	49
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	2	3	0	2	7
Craig	8	5	1	2	16
Delta Junction	5	7	0	0	12
Dillingham	6	4	0	2	12
Emmonak	0	0	0	0	0
Fairbanks	252	344	9	172	777
Fort Yukon	0	0	0	0	0
Galena	0	0	0	3	3
Glennallen	0	0	0	1	1
Haines	4	5	0	0	9
Homer	19	45	0	3	67
Hoonah	0	0	0	0	0
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	0	0
Juneau	74	76	0	16	166
Kake	0	0	0	0	0
Kenai	100	151	2	10	263
Ketchikan	41	71	0	10	122
Kodiak	21	33	0	2	56
Kotzebue	2	8	1	1	12
McGrath	0	0	0	0	0
Naknek	1	8	0	2	11
Nenana	2	2	0	0	4
Nome	17	11	1	0	29
Palmer	207	632	0	44	883
Petersburg	2	2	1	1	6
Sand Point	0	3	0	0	3
Seward	11	6	0	5	22
Sitka	18	19	0	8	45
Skagway	1	0	0	0	1
St. Mary's	0	1	0	0	1
St. Paul	0	0	0	0	0
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	0	2	0	0	2
Unalakleet	0	0	0	1	1
Unalaska	1	4	0	0	5
Valdez	9	13	1	2	25
Wrangell	2	8	1	1	12
Yakutat	1	1	0	0	2
Total	2,695	2,947	24	571	6,237
% of total	43.2	47.2	0.4	9.2	100.0
1st District	151	187	3	38	379
2nd District	21	29	2	5	57
3rd District	2,249	2,343	8	353	4,953
4th District	274	388	11	175	848

**Table 5.22. District Court General Civil Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	3,605	3,224	3,389	-6%	5%
Anagoon	1	1	0	N/S	N/S
Aniak	1	1	1	N/S	N/S
Barrow	27	17	8	N/S	N/S
Bethel	45	60	41	-9%	-32%
Chevak	3	1	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	5	6	3	N/S	N/S
Craig	16	16	12	-25%	-25%
Delta Junction	20	13	7	N/S	N/S
Dillingham	27	32	17	-37%	-47%
Emmonak	3	1	0	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	948	780	653	-31%	-16%
Fort Yukon	2	0	1	N/S	N/S
Galena	0	1	0	N/S	N/S
Glennallen	19	3	1	N/S	N/S
Haines	11	4	6	N/S	N/S
Homer	68	49	55	-19%	12%
Hoonah	3	2	0	N/S	N/S
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Juneau	198	176	154	-22%	-12%
Kake	0	2	1	N/S	N/S
Kenai	295	211	201	-32%	-5%
Ketchikan	107	183	118	10%	-36%
Kodiak	43	45	65	51%	44%
Kotzebue	20	10	7	N/S	N/S
McGrath	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Naknek	9	10	11	N/S	N/S
Nenana	4	4	5	N/S	N/S
Nome	26	26	17	-35%	-35%
Palmer	944	1,114	953	1%	-14%
Petersburg	16	7	4	N/S	N/S
Sand Point	8	1	3	N/S	N/S
Seward	21	23	17	-19%	-26%
Sitka	65	37	46	-29%	24%
Skagway	5	3	1	N/S	N/S
St. Mary's	3	1	2	N/S	N/S
St. Paul	2	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tanana	0	0	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	5	7	6	N/S	N/S
Unalakleet	0	0	2	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	20	20	6	N/S	N/S
Valdez	10	40	20	N/S	-50%
Wrangell	16	4	8	N/S	N/S
Yakutat	6	6	3	N/S	N/S
Total	6,627	6,141	5,844	-12%	-5%
1st District	444	441	353	-20%	-20%
2nd District	73	53	34	-53%	-36%
3rd District	5,076	4,778	4,741	-7%	-1%
4th District	1,034	869	716	-31%	-18%

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**Table 5.23. District Court General Civil Case Dispositions
by Manner of Disposition
FY 15**

Court	Stage of disposition						Total
	Dismiss/ settle	Default judgment	Summary judgment	Court trial	Jury trial	Other	
Anchorage	2,391	743	165	26	3	61	3,389
Angeon	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Aniak	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Barrow	5	2	1	0	0	0	8
Bethel	14	7	17	0	0	3	41
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	1	0	1	0	0	1	3
Craig	5	1	4	1	1	0	12
Delta Junction	2	4	1	0	0	0	7
Dillingham	5	5	5	0	0	2	17
Emmonak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fairbanks	428	149	50	7	4	15	653
Fort Yukon	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Galena	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Glennallen	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Haines	2	1	3	0	0	0	6
Homer	29	16	9	1	0	0	55
Hoonah	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Juneau	74	34	32	3	2	9	154
Kake	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kenai	106	51	30	8	2	4	201
Ketchikan	60	34	9	6	1	8	118
Kodiak	41	12	12	0	0	0	65
Kotzebue	5	1	1	0	0	0	7
McGrath	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Naknek	6	1	4	0	0	0	11
Nenana	3	2	0	0	0	0	5
Nome	14	2	1	0	0	0	17
Palmer	547	319	68	2	3	14	953
Petersburg	1	1	2	0	0	0	4
Sand Point	1	2	0	0	0	0	3
Seward	9	1	6	1	0	0	17
Sitka	25	10	10	0	1	0	46
Skagway	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
St. Mary's	1	1	0	0	0	0	2
St. Paul	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	3	3	0	0	0	0	6
Unalakleet	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Unalaska	2	2	2	0	0	0	6
Valdez	12	4	1	1	0	2	20
Wrangell	4	2	1	0	0	1	8
Yakutat	1	0	2	0	0	0	3
Total	3,801	1,411	437	56	18	121	5,844
% of total	65.0	24.1	7.5	1.0	0.3	2.1	100.0
1st District	173	84	63	10	5	18	353
2nd District	25	5	3	0	1	0	34
3rd District	3,150	1,156	303	39	8	85	4,741
4th District	453	166	68	7	4	18	716

**Table 5.24. Minor Offense Case Dispositions
FY 13 – FY 15**

Court	FY 13	FY 14	FY 15	Change	
				FY 13 to FY 15	FY 14 to FY 15
Anchorage	19,175	16,460	14,978	-22%	-9%
Anagoon	8	9	10	N/S	N/S
Aniak	22	26	25	14%	-4%
Barrow	378	214	185	-51%	-14%
Bethel	189	176	176	-7%	0%
Chevak	0	2	0	N/S	N/S
Cordova	93	96	60	-35%	-37%
Craig	272	458	569	109%	24%
Delta Junction	1,207	1,164	1,091	-10%	-6%
Dillingham	246	455	289	17%	-36%
Emmonak	50	10	7	N/S	N/S
Fairbanks	9,299	7,483	7,639	-18%	2%
Fort Yukon	2	19	1	N/S	N/S
Galena	8	14	14	N/S	0%
Glennallen	1,534	878	528	-66%	-40%
Haines	119	128	139	17%	9%
Homer	1,447	1,325	1,550	7%	17%
Hoonah	18	54	52	189%	-4%
Hooper Bay	2	2	0	N/S	N/S
Juneau	4,500	3,083	3,574	-21%	16%
Kake	13	20	16	23%	-20%
Kenai	5,144	5,860	6,659	29%	14%
Ketchikan	704	875	852	21%	-3%
Kodiak	896	838	926	3%	11%
Kotzebue	136	128	60	-56%	-53%
McGrath	8	2	1	N/S	N/S
Naknek	116	91	197	70%	116%
Nenana	2,470	2,876	2,247	-9%	-22%
Nome	409	281	393	-4%	40%
Palmer	11,347	11,574	16,819	48%	45%
Petersburg	55	53	121	120%	128%
Sand Point	15	26	14	-7%	-46%
Seward	2,508	2,602	2,800	12%	8%
Sitka	611	349	247	-60%	-29%
Skagway	45	13	23	-49%	77%
St. Mary's	18	21	29	61%	38%
St. Paul	2	4	3	N/S	N/S
Tanana	2	3	0	N/S	N/S
Tok	484	392	514	6%	31%
Unalakleet	18	56	4	N/S	N/S
Unalaska	285	176	164	-42%	-7%
Valdez	376	235	157	-58%	-33%
Wrangell	35	33	37	6%	12%
Yakutat	15	55	59	293%	7%
Total	64,281	58,619	63,229	-2%	8%
1st District	6,395	5,130	5,699	-11%	11%
2nd District	941	679	642	-32%	-5%
3rd District	43,184	40,620	45,144	5%	11%
4th District	13,761	12,190	11,744	-15%	-4%

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**Table 5.25. Minor Offense Case Dispositions by Case Type
FY 15**

Court	Equipment	Speeding	Improper driver behavior	Maneuvers	Alcohol/ drugs	Fish & Game	Other	Total
Anchorage	2,514	4,504	4,820	2,603	52	207	278	14,978
Angeon	0	3	1	1	0	5	0	10
Aniak	0	0	0	0	0	21	4	25
Barrow	10	13	7	35	0	11	109	185
Bethel	0	8	28	16	0	22	102	176
Chevak	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cordova	1	1	4	1	1	42	10	60
Craig	128	144	185	10	2	67	33	569
Delta Junction	158	565	293	35	2	36	2	1,091
Dillingham	49	2	69	30	2	30	107	289
Emmonak	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	7
Fairbanks	1,655	2,112	2,250	904	91	95	532	7,639
Fort Yukon	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Galena	0	0	0	0	0	12	2	14
Glennallen	25	324	65	23	2	80	9	528
Haines	7	69	36	5	0	15	7	139
Homer	340	445	461	55	9	188	52	1,550
Hoonah	5	0	6	4	1	17	19	52
Hooper Bay	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Juneau	367	407	1,629	248	3	197	723	3,574
Kake	0	1	5	0	0	9	1	16
Kenai	1,144	2,197	2,046	389	28	694	161	6,659
Ketchikan	136	106	320	35	8	66	181	852
Kodiak	146	67	510	45	6	90	62	926
Kotzebue	5	5	6	3	0	13	28	60
McGrath	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Naknek	36	12	43	5	1	71	29	197
Nenana	101	1,712	314	70	4	42	4	2,247
Nome	34	3	116	31	1	42	166	393
Palmer	3,690	5,448	5,199	1,440	62	491	489	16,819
Petersburg	9	8	32	3	0	59	10	121
Sand Point	1	4	2	3	0	2	2	14
Seward	309	1,751	527	115	7	73	18	2,800
Sitka	7	22	86	20	3	77	32	247
Skagway	0	12	11	0	0	0	0	23
St. Mary's	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	29
St. Paul	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	3
Tanana	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tok	78	295	106	12	1	22	0	514
Unalakleet	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	4
Unalaska	11	34	43	23	1	24	28	164
Valdez	8	35	51	20	1	24	18	157
Wrangell	1	1	3	1	0	28	3	37
Yakutat	5	1	8	3	0	40	2	59
Total	10,981	20,312	19,283	6,189	289	2,913	3,262	63,229
% of total	17.4	32.1	30.5	9.8	0.4	4.6	5.2	100.0
1st District	665	774	2,322	330	17	580	1,011	5,699
2nd District	50	21	129	69	1	66	306	642
3rd District	8,274	14,825	13,840	4,753	173	2,016	1,263	45,144
4th District	1,992	4,692	2,992	1,037	98	251	682	11,744

**Table 5.26. Minor Offense Case Types
FY 15**

Equipment Equipment / Vehicles - Registrations, Defects and Misuse	Alcohol and Drug Controlled Substance Violations
Speeding	Fish and Game
Improper Driver Behavior Duties Failed — Requirements Not Met	Other Offenses Tickets with zero points added to record
Maneuvers — Illegal or Improper Failure to Obey Following Improperly Improper Lane or Location Passing Reckless, Careless or Negligent Driving Failure to Yield Failure to Signal Improper Turns Wrong Way or Side Miscellaneous Maneuvers	Littering Duty Failure Curfew Dog Tickets Tobacco Boat Safety

In FY07 the Alaska Court System changed the way it categorizes minor offenses for annual reporting. The traffic categories now conform to the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) Code Dictionary. This change is intended to make Alaska statistics easier to compile, understand, and compare to those of other jurisdictions.



Blue saxifrage, National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska (Second Judicial District)

Other Activity



Nunapitchuk (Fourth Judicial District)



Red pixie cup lichen, Andreafsky Wilderness, Yukon Delta National Wildlife Refuge (Fourth Judicial District)

**Table 6.01. Population Trends
FY 15**

Court	Community population			Change 2000–2014		Change 2010–2014		% of statewide total
	2000 (U.S. Census rev. 1/1/03)	2010 (U.S. Census, rev. 4/1/10)	2014 (U.S. Census, 7/1/14 est.)	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
	Anchorage	261,634	293,376	302,054	40,420	15.4%	8,678	
Angoon	572	459	416	-156	-27.3%	-43	-9.4%	0.1%
Aniak	2,296	1,167	1,160	-1,136	-49.5%	-7	-0.6%	0.2%
Barrow	7,385	9,430	9,711	2,326	31.5%	281	3.0%	1.3%
Bethel	13,353	16,512	16,270	2,917	21.8%	-242	-1.5%	2.2%
Chevak	2,257	1,421	2,704	447	19.8%	1,283	90.3%	0.4%
Cordova	2,454	2,239	2,286	-168	-6.8%	47	2.1%	0.3%
Craig	4,483	4,008	4,105	-378	-8.4%	97	2.4%	0.6%
Delta Junction	3,942	4,920	4,907	965	24.5%	-13	-0.3%	0.7%
Dillingham	4,922	4,847	5,044	122	2.5%	197	4.1%	0.7%
Emmonak	2,185	2,212	2,404	219	10.0%	192	8.7%	0.3%
Fairbanks	83,074	97,781	98,157	15,083	18.2%	376	0.4%	13.3%
Fort Yukon	1,289	1,165	1,112	-177	-13.7%	-53	-4.5%	0.1%
Galena	2,016	1,587	1,593	-423	-21.0%	6	0.4%	0.2%
Glennallen	3,231	2,862	2,723	-508	-15.7%	-139	-4.9%	0.4%
Haines	2,531	2,603	2,621	90	3.6%	18	0.7%	0.4%
Homer	12,736	13,899	14,054	1,318	10.3%	155	1.1%	1.9%
Hoonah	1,011	892	904	-107	-10.6%	12	1.3%	0.1%
Hooper Bay	1,071	1,093	1,178	107	10.0%	85	7.8%	0.2%
Juneau	31,365	31,967	33,748	2,383	7.6%	1,781	5.6%	4.6%
Take	710	557	626	-84	-11.8%	69	12.4%	0.1%
Kenai	31,365	35,902	37,171	5,806	18.5%	1,269	3.5%	5.0%
Ketchikan	15,635	14,969	15,396	-239	-1.5%	427	2.9%	2.1%
Kodiak	13,913	13,592	13,797	-116	-0.8%	205	1.5%	1.9%
Kotzebue	7,208	7,523	7,774	566	7.9%	251	3.3%	1.1%
McGrath	602	505	470	-132	-21.9%	-35	-6.9%	0.1%
Naknek	3,081	2,628	2,614	-467	-15.2%	-14	-0.5%	0.3%
Nenana	3,280	3,045	2,974	-306	-9.3%	-71	-2.3%	0.4%
Nome	6,694	6,934	7,401	707	10.6%	467	6.7%	1.0%
Palmer	59,322	88,995	98,063	38,741	65.3%	9,068	10.2%	13.3%
Petersburg	3,506	3,266	3,278	-228	-6.5%	12	0.4%	0.4%
Sand Point	952	976	946	-6	-0.6%	-30	-3.1%	0.1%
Seward	5,539	5,483	5,795	256	4.6%	312	5.7%	0.8%
Sitka	9,111	9,041	9,197	86	0.9%	156	1.7%	1.2%
Skagway	862	968	1,031	169	19.6%	63	6.5%	0.1%
St. Mary's	2,586	2,733	2,935	349	13.5%	202	7.4%	0.4%
St. Paul	684	581	528	-156	-22.8%	-53	-9.1%	0.1%
Tanana	308	246	229	-79	-25.6%	-17	-6.9%	0.0%
Tok	2,232	2,012	1,957	-275	-12.3%	-55	-2.7%	0.3%
Unalakleet	2,502	2,558	2,723	221	8.8%	165	6.5%	0.4%
Unalaska	5,494	6,007	6,241	747	13.6%	234	3.9%	0.8%
Valdez	4,242	4,239	4,267	25	0.6%	28	0.7%	0.6%
Wrangell	2,488	2,369	2,406	-82	-3.3%	37	1.6%	0.3%
Yakutat	808	662	631	-177	-21.9%	-31	-4.7%	0.1%
Total	626,931	710,231	735,601	108,670	17.3%	25,370	3.6%	100.0%
1st District	73,082	71,761	74,359	1,277	1.7%	2,598	3.6%	10.1%
2nd District	23,789	26,445	27,609	3,820	16.1%	1,164	4.4%	3.7%
3rd District	409,569	475,626	495,583	86,014	21.0%	19,957	4.2%	67.4%
4th District	120,491	136,399	138,050	17,559	14.6%	1,651	1.2%	18.8%

**Table 6.02. Distribution of Population, Police and Lawyers
FY 15**

Court	Population, U.S. Census 2015 (7/1/14)	Police		Lawyers	
		Total number	Number per thousand population	Total number	Number per thousand population
Anchorage	302,054	892	3.0	1,671	5.5
Angeon	416	0	0.0	0	0.0
Aniak	1,160	6	5.2	1	0.9
Barrow	9,711	37	3.8	12	1.2
Bethel	16,270	30	1.8	35	2.2
Chevak	2,704	0	0.0	0	0.0
Cordova	2,286	8	3.5	3	1.3
Craig	4,105	9	2.2	0	0.0
Delta Junction	4,907	6	1.2	3	0.6
Dillingham	5,044	16	3.2	9	1.8
Emmonak	2,404	2	0.8	0	0.0
Fairbanks	98,157	156	1.6	208	2.1
Fort Yukon	1,112	1	0.9	0	0.0
Galena	1,593	3	1.9	0	0.0
Glennallen	2,723	6	2.2	0	0.0
Haines	2,621	7	2.7	4	1.5
Homer	14,054	21	1.5	14	1.0
Hoonah	904	7	7.7	0	0.0
Hooper Bay	1,178	2	1.7	0	0.0
Juneau	33,748	65	1.9	209	6.2
Kake	626	0	0.0	0	0.0
Kenai	37,171	72	1.9	71	1.9
Ketchikan	15,396	46	3.0	39	2.5
Kodiak	13,797	33	2.4	24	1.7
Kotzebue	7,774	13	1.7	10	1.3
McGrath	470	1	2.1	0	0.0
Naknek	2,614	10	3.8	0	0.0
Nenana	2,974	7	2.4	0	0.0
Nome	7,401	19	2.6	13	1.8
Palmer	98,063	106	1.1	107	1.1
Petersburg	3,278	12	3.7	2	0.6
Sand Point	946	4	4.2	0	0.0
Seward	5,795	13	2.2	5	0.9
Sitka	9,197	19	2.1	24	2.6
Skagway	1,031	3	2.9	0	0.0
St. Mary's	2,935	4	1.4	0	0.0
St. Paul	528	3	5.7	0	0.0
Tanana	229	0	0.0	0	0.0
Tok	1,957	5	2.6	1	0.5
Unalakleet	2,723	4	1.5	1	0.4
Unalaska	6,241	13	2.1	0	0.0
Valdez	4,267	12	2.8	5	1.2
Wrangell	2,406	8	3.3	1	0.4
Yakutat	631	3	4.8	0	0.0
Total	735,601	1,684	2.3	2,472	3.4
1st District	74,359	179	2.4	279	3.8
2nd District	27,609	73	2.6	36	1.3
3rd District	495,583	1,209	2.4	1,909	3.9
4th District	138,050	223	1.6	248	1.8

Police statistics were obtained from the Department of Public Safety and individual police departments (September 2015) and lawyer statistics were obtained from the Alaska Bar Association (August 2015).

**Table 6.03. Authorized Judicial Positions
FY 15**

Court	Superior Court judges	District Court judges	Magistrate judges	Total ¹	% of statewide total ²
Anchorage	17	10	13	40	34.2%
Angoon			1	1	0.9%
Aniak			1	1	0.9%
Barrow	1		1	2	1.7%
Bethel	2	1	1	4	3.4%
Chevak				0	0.0%
Cordova			1	1	0.9%
Craig			1	1	0.9%
Delta Junction			1	1	0.9%
Dillingham	1		1	2	1.7%
Emmonak			1	1	0.9%
Fairbanks	6	3	3	12	10.3%
Fort Yukon			1	1	0.9%
Galena			1	1	0.9%
Glennallen			1	1	0.9%
Haines			1	1	0.9%
Homer		1		1	0.9%
Hoonah			1	1	0.9%
Hooper Bay			1	1	0.9%
Juneau	2	2	1	5	4.3%
Kake			1	1	0.9%
Kenai	3	1	2	6	5.1%
Ketchikan	2	1	1	4	3.4%
Kodiak	1		1	2	1.7%
Kotzebue	1		1	2	1.7%
McGrath		Served by Aniak			0.0%
Naknek		Served by Anchorage			0.0%
Nenana			1	1	0.9%
Nome	1		1	2	1.7%
Palmer	4	3	2	9	7.7%
Petersburg			1	1	0.9%
Sand Point		Served by Seward			0.0%
Seward			1	1	0.9%
Sitka	1			1	0.9%
Skagway			1	1	0.9%
St. Mary's			1	1	0.9%
St. Paul		Served by Seward			0.0%
Tanana		Served by Galena			0.0%
Tok			1	1	0.9%
Unalakleet			1	1	0.9%
Unalaska			1	1	0.9%
Valdez		1		1	0.9%
Wrangell			1	1	0.9%
Yakutat			1	1	0.9%
Other ³			1	1	0.9%
Total	42	23	52	117	100.0%
1st District	5	3	11	19	16.2%
2nd District	3	0	4	7	6.0%
3rd District	26	16	24	66	56.4%
4th District	8	4	13	25	21.4%

1. Does not include temporary positions used for *pro tem* judges.

2. Rounded percentages do not equal the summed total.

3. Magistrate judge positions authorized for communities currently served by judicial officers from other court locations.

**Table 6.04. Authorized Non-Judicial Positions
FY 15**

Court	Positions by range (includes part-time positions)				Total	% of statewide total ¹
	Below 10	10–12	13–16	Over 16		
Anchorage	3	152	51	22	228	43.2%
Angoon					0	0.0%
Aniak		1			1	0.2%
Barrow		4	3		7	1.3%
Bethel		13	4	2	19	3.6%
Chevak					0	0.0%
Cordova			1		1	0.2%
Craig		2	1		3	0.6%
Delta Junction		1			1	0.2%
Dillingham		4	2		6	1.1%
Emmonak		1			1	0.2%
Fairbanks	4	46	19	7	76	14.4%
Fort Yukon					0	0.0%
Galena		1			1	0.2%
Glennallen		1	1		2	0.4%
Haines		1			1	0.2%
Homer		4	1		5	0.9%
Hoonah		1			1	0.2%
Hooper Bay		1			1	0.2%
Juneau		23	5	3	31	5.9%
Kake					0	0.0%
Kenai		21	5	1	27	5.1%
Ketchikan		12	4	3	19	3.6%
Kodiak		6	2		8	1.5%
Kotzebue		6	2		8	1.5%
McGrath					0	0.0%
Naknek		1			1	0.2%
Nenana		1	1		2	0.4%
Nome		7	3	1	11	2.1%
Palmer		38	7	1	46	8.7%
Petersburg		2			2	0.4%
Sand Point					0	0.0%
Seward		4			4	0.8%
Sitka		5	2		7	1.3%
Skagway					0	0.0%
St. Mary's		1			1	0.2%
St. Paul					0	0.0%
Tanana					0	0.0%
Tok		1			1	0.2%
Unalakleet					0	0.0%
Unalaska		2			2	0.4%
Valdez		1	1		2	0.4%
Wrangell		2			2	0.4%
Yakutat					0	0.0%
Other ²					0	0.0%
Total	7	366	115	40	528	100.0%
1st District	0	48	12	6	66	12.5%
2nd District	0	17	8	1	26	4.9%
3rd District	3	234	71	24	332	62.9%
4th District	4	67	24	9	104	19.7%

1. Rounded percentages do not equal the summed total.

2. Other authorized court locations.

**Table 6.05. Operating Costs
FY 15**

Thousands of dollars

Court	Personnel	Other ¹	Total ²	% of statewide total	Dollar cost per case filed	
					All filings	Non-traffic filings
Anchorage	\$27,148.1	\$6,507.4	\$33,655.5	37.8%	\$710	\$1,040
Angoon	\$46.6	\$36.4	\$83.0	0.1%	\$2,441	\$3,320
Aniak	\$250.1	\$180.9	\$431.0	0.5%	\$1,456	\$1,585
Barrow	\$1,283.1	\$706.2	\$1,989.3	2.2%	\$1,931	\$2,276
Bethel	\$3,278.4	\$1,820.7	\$5,099.1	5.7%	\$2,323	\$2,522
Chevak	\$0.0	\$1.6	\$1.6	0.0%	\$800	\$800
Cordova	\$134.8	\$149.3	\$284.1	0.3%	\$1,321	\$1,798
Craig	\$392.2	\$147.2	\$539.4	0.6%	\$507	\$1,099
Delta Junction	\$247.8	\$33.8	\$281.6	0.3%	\$223	\$1,829
Dillingham	\$1,108.5	\$525.2	\$1,633.7	1.8%	\$1,592	\$2,097
Emmonak	\$260.9	\$172.1	\$433.0	0.5%	\$1,575	\$1,610
Fairbanks	\$9,407.3	\$2,143.2	\$11,550.5	13.0%	\$739	\$1,334
Fort Yukon	\$118.0	\$30.4	\$148.4	0.2%	\$1,667	\$1,746
Galena	\$256.1	\$395.6	\$651.7	0.7%	\$5,819	\$6,583
Glennallen	\$271.0	\$151.7	\$422.7	0.5%	\$528	\$1,948
Haines	\$205.7	\$93.0	\$298.7	0.3%	\$1,171	\$2,469
Homer	\$559.1	\$467.6	\$1,026.7	1.2%	\$375	\$1,002
Hoonah	\$107.9	\$32.1	\$140.0	0.2%	\$1,228	\$2,059
Hooper Bay	\$171.9	\$190.3	\$362.2	0.4%	\$881	\$881
Juneau	\$3,860.7	\$1,468.2	\$5,328.9	6.0%	\$724	\$1,438
Kake	\$106.8	\$39.9	\$146.7	0.2%	\$2,821	\$5,239
Kenai	\$3,334.0	\$712.8	\$4,046.8	4.6%	\$378	\$1,020
Ketchikan	\$2,524.5	\$274.9	\$2,799.4	3.1%	\$1,038	\$1,555
Kodiak	\$1,194.2	\$210.2	\$1,404.4	1.6%	\$625	\$1,187
Kotzebue	\$1,328.9	\$283.7	\$1,612.6	1.8%	\$1,271	\$1,324
McGrath	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	0.0%	\$0	\$0
Naknek	\$110.8	\$110.5	\$221.3	0.3%	\$390	\$677
Nenana	\$317.8	\$164.6	\$482.4	0.5%	\$194	\$2,183
Nome	\$1,624.1	\$783.7	\$2,407.8	2.7%	\$1,393	\$1,812
Palmer	\$5,535.9	\$1,084.2	\$6,620.1	7.4%	\$273	\$843
Petersburg	\$220.1	\$176.4	\$396.5	0.4%	\$1,224	\$1,973
Sand Point	\$0.0	\$16.8	\$16.8	0.0%	\$128	\$139
Seward	\$481.2	\$87.9	\$569.1	0.6%	\$181	\$1,076
Sitka	\$1,010.9	\$131.7	\$1,142.6	1.3%	\$1,145	\$1,565
Skagway	\$56.2	\$31.6	\$87.8	0.1%	\$1,829	\$3,658
St. Mary's	\$258.1	\$52.5	\$310.6	0.4%	\$1,195	\$1,300
St. Paul	\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0	0.0%	\$0	\$0
Tanana	\$0.0	\$2.0	\$2.0	0.0%	\$2,000	\$2,000
Tok	\$160.2	\$163.8	\$324.0	0.4%	\$523	\$2,219
Unalakleet	\$182.8	\$25.5	\$208.3	0.2%	\$1,108	\$1,132
Unalaska	\$394.4	\$358.3	\$752.7	0.9%	\$1,863	\$2,737
Valdez	\$560.7	\$53.7	\$614.4	0.7%	\$1,209	\$1,711
Wrangell	\$284.4	\$110.8	\$395.2	0.4%	\$1,996	\$2,455
Yakutat	\$85.1	\$47.6	\$132.7	0.1%	\$1,195	\$2,823
Total²	\$68,879.3	\$20,176.0	\$89,055.3	100.0%	\$658	\$1,223
1st District	\$8,901.1	\$2,589.8	\$11,490.9	12.9%	\$867	\$1,552
2nd District	\$4,418.9	\$1,799.1	\$6,218.0	7.0%	\$1,475	\$1,725
3rd District	\$40,832.7	\$10,435.6	\$51,268.3	57.6%	\$544	\$1,042
4th District	\$14,726.6	\$5,351.5	\$20,078.1	22.5%	\$849	\$1,595

1. Includes contractual services, travel, equipment, and supplies.

2. Total excludes \$306,600 in grant funds and \$396,300 for interagency receipts which are not allocable to a specific court location.

**Table 6.06. Distribution of Population, Costs, Judicial Positions, Filings, and Dispositions
FY 15**

Court	Percentage of statewide statistics				
	Population	Operating costs	Judicial positions ¹	Case filings	Case dispositions
Anchorage	41.1%	37.8%	34.2%	35.1%	34.2%
Angoon	0.1%	0.1%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%
Aniak	0.2%	0.5%	0.9%	0.2%	0.2%
Barrow	1.3%	2.2%	1.7%	0.8%	0.8%
Bethel	2.2%	5.7%	3.4%	1.6%	1.6%
Chevak	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Cordova	0.3%	0.3%	0.9%	0.2%	0.2%
Craig	0.6%	0.6%	0.9%	0.8%	0.8%
Delta Junction	0.7%	0.3%	0.9%	0.9%	0.9%
Dillingham	0.7%	1.8%	1.7%	0.8%	0.8%
Emmonak	0.3%	0.5%	0.9%	0.2%	0.2%
Fairbanks	13.3%	13.0%	10.3%	11.6%	12.0%
Fort Yukon	0.1%	0.2%	0.9%	0.1%	0.1%
Galena	0.2%	0.7%	0.9%	0.1%	0.1%
Glennallen	0.4%	0.5%	0.9%	0.6%	0.6%
Haines	0.4%	0.3%	0.9%	0.2%	0.2%
Homer	1.9%	1.2%	0.9%	2.0%	2.0%
Hoonah	0.1%	0.2%	0.9%	0.1%	0.1%
Hooper Bay	0.2%	0.4%	0.9%	0.3%	0.3%
Juneau	4.6%	6.0%	4.3%	5.4%	5.4%
Kake	0.1%	0.2%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%
Kenai	5.0%	4.6%	5.1%	7.9%	7.8%
Ketchikan	2.1%	3.1%	3.4%	2.0%	2.0%
Kodiak	1.9%	1.6%	1.7%	1.7%	1.6%
Kotzebue	1.1%	1.8%	1.7%	0.9%	0.9%
McGrath	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Naknek	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%	0.4%	0.4%
Nenana	0.4%	0.5%	0.9%	1.8%	1.9%
Nome	1.0%	2.7%	1.7%	1.3%	1.3%
Palmer	13.3%	7.4%	7.7%	17.9%	18.2%
Petersburg	0.4%	0.4%	0.9%	0.2%	0.2%
Sand Point	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Seward	0.8%	0.6%	0.9%	2.3%	2.5%
Sitka	1.2%	1.3%	0.9%	0.7%	0.7%
Skagway	0.1%	0.1%	0.9%	0.0%	0.0%
St. Mary's	0.4%	0.4%	0.9%	0.2%	0.2%
St. Paul	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Tanana	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Tok	0.3%	0.4%	0.9%	0.5%	0.5%
Unalakleet	0.4%	0.2%	0.9%	0.1%	0.2%
Unalaska	0.8%	0.9%	0.9%	0.3%	0.3%
Valdez	0.6%	0.7%	0.9%	0.4%	0.4%
Wrangell	0.3%	0.4%	0.9%	0.2%	0.2%
Yakutat	0.1%	0.1%	0.9%	0.1%	0.1%
Other ²	—	—	0.9%	—	—
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
1st District	10.1%	12.9%	16.2%	9.8%	9.7%
2nd District	3.7%	7.0%	6.0%	3.1%	3.2%
3rd District	67.4%	57.6%	56.4%	69.6%	69.1%
4th District	18.8%	22.5%	21.4%	17.5%	18.0%

1. Rounded percentages do not equal the summed total.

2. Magistrate positions authorized for communities currently served by judicial officers from other court locations.

**Table 6.07. Filings per Judicial Position
FY 15**

Court	Superior Court	District Court	Total	% of statewide total	Filings per judicial position
Anchorage	10,921	36,509	47,430	35.1%	1,185.8
Angoon	4	30	34	0.0%	34.0
Aniak	89	207	296	0.2%	296.0
Barrow	295	735	1,030	0.8%	515.0
Bethel	752	1,443	2,195	1.6%	548.8
Chevak	2	0	2	0.0%	N/S
Cordova	35	180	215	0.2%	215.0
Craig	67	996	1,063	0.8%	1,063.0
Delta Junction	27	1,235	1,262	0.9%	1,262.0
Dillingham	179	847	1,026	0.8%	513.0
Emmonak	52	223	275	0.2%	275.0
Fairbanks	2,882	12,746	15,628	11.6%	1,302.3
Fort Yukon	21	68	89	0.1%	89.0
Galena	22	90	112	0.1%	112.0
Glennallen	66	735	801	0.6%	801.0
Haines	11	244	255	0.2%	255.0
Homer	307	2,428	2,735	2.0%	2,735.0
Hoonah	1	113	114	0.1%	114.0
Hooper Bay	57	354	411	0.3%	411.0
Juneau	1,158	6,204	7,362	5.4%	1,472.4
Take	4	48	52	0.0%	52.0
Kenai	1,324	9,370	10,694	7.9%	1,782.3
Ketchikan	621	2,077	2,698	2.0%	674.5
Kodiak	308	1,940	2,248	1.7%	1,124.0
Kotzebue	404	865	1,269	0.9%	634.5
McGrath	1	2	3	0.0%	N/S
Naknek	71	497	568	0.4%	N/S
Nenana	39	2,449	2,488	1.8%	2,488.0
Nome	362	1,366	1,728	1.3%	864.0
Palmer	2,381	21,883	24,264	17.9%	2,696.0
Petersburg	83	241	324	0.2%	324.0
Sand Point	26	105	131	0.1%	N/S
Seward	140	3,002	3,142	2.3%	3,142.0
Sitka	242	756	998	0.7%	998.0
Skagway	1	47	48	0.0%	48.0
St. Mary's	45	215	260	0.2%	260.0
St. Paul	9	36	45	0.0%	N/S
Tanana	1	0	1	0.0%	N/S
Tok	40	579	619	0.5%	619.0
Unalakleet	39	149	188	0.1%	188.0
Unalaska	52	352	404	0.3%	404.0
Valdez	85	423	508	0.4%	508.0
Wrangell	30	168	198	0.2%	198.0
Yakutat	3	108	111	0.1%	111.0
Total	23,259	112,065	135,324	100.0%	1,156.6
1st District	2,225	11,032	13,257	9.8%	697.7
2nd District	1,100	3,115	4,215	3.1%	602.1
3rd District	15,904	78,307	94,211	69.6%	1,427.4
4th District	4,030	19,611	23,641	17.5%	945.6

N/S: Numbers 10 or less are not compared statistically.

**Table 6.08. Dispositions per Judicial Position
FY 15**

Court	Superior Court	District Court	Total	% of statewide total	Dispositions per judicial position
Anchorage	10,229	35,534	45,763	34.2%	1,144.1
Angeon	2	35	37	0.0%	37.0
Aniak	71	199	270	0.2%	270.0
Barrow	335	764	1,099	0.8%	549.5
Bethel	732	1,444	2,176	1.6%	544.0
Chevak	3	3	6	0.0%	N/S
Cordova	47	168	215	0.2%	215.0
Craig	80	976	1,056	0.8%	1,056.0
Delta Junction	25	1,206	1,231	0.9%	1,231.0
Dillingham	183	902	1,085	0.8%	542.5
Emmonak	51	211	262	0.2%	262.0
Fairbanks	2,778	13,252	16,030	12.0%	1,335.8
Fort Yukon	16	72	88	0.1%	88.0
Galena	29	93	122	0.1%	122.0
Glennallen	66	688	754	0.6%	754.0
Haines	10	245	255	0.2%	255.0
Homer	282	2,328	2,610	2.0%	2,610.0
Hoonah	2	108	110	0.1%	110.0
Hooper Bay	53	339	392	0.3%	392.0
Juneau	1,105	6,130	7,235	5.4%	1,447.0
Kake	4	39	43	0.0%	43.0
Kenai	1,224	9,211	10,435	7.8%	1,739.2
Ketchikan	625	2,007	2,632	2.0%	658.0
Kodiak	322	1,853	2,175	1.6%	1,087.5
Kotzebue	359	868	1,227	0.9%	613.5
McGrath	5	8	13	0.0%	N/S
Naknek	67	478	545	0.4%	N/S
Nenana	34	2,454	2,488	1.9%	2,488.0
Nome	329	1,368	1,697	1.3%	848.5
Palmer	2,111	22,207	24,318	18.2%	2,702.0
Petersburg	71	233	304	0.2%	304.0
Sand Point	32	126	158	0.1%	N/S
Seward	103	3,189	3,292	2.5%	3,292.0
Sitka	248	713	961	0.7%	961.0
Skagway	1	50	51	0.0%	51.0
St. Mary's	61	228	289	0.2%	289.0
St. Paul	10	40	50	0.0%	N/S
Tanana	2	5	7	0.0%	N/S
Tok	29	637	666	0.5%	666.0
Unalakleet	45	168	213	0.2%	213.0
Unalaska	66	381	447	0.3%	447.0
Valdez	88	425	513	0.4%	513.0
Wrangell	48	154	202	0.2%	202.0
Yakutat	4	111	115	0.1%	115.0
Total	21,987	111,650	133,637	100.0%	1,142.2
1st District	2,200	10,801	13,001	9.7%	684.3
2nd District	1,068	3,168	4,236	3.2%	605.1
3rd District	14,830	77,530	92,360	69.1%	1,399.4
4th District	3,889	20,151	24,040	18.0%	961.6

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