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# PROVINCIAL COURT OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

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Part 1 Chief Judge's Review

#### CHIEF JUDGE'S REVIEW

#### Chief Judge's Year In Review

There have been a number of significant changes to the judicial administration at the Provincial Court during the last fiscal year. In addition to the appointment of a new Chief Judge, the Honourable Robert B. Hyslop was appointed as Associate Chief Judge and the Honourable Gregory O. Brown was appointed Senior Coordinating Judge for St. John's. The roles and responsibilities of the administrative judges are detailed in a later section of this report. Vacancies in judicial positions in St. John's, Harbour Grace and Gander were filled by the Honourable Lois J. Skanes, the Honourable Jacqueline M. Brazil and the Honourable Michael A. Madden respectively. Judge Colin Flynn transferred his judicial duties to St. John's.

During the year the process of implementing the recommendations of the Task Force on Criminal Justice Efficiencies (2008) was begun. Of particular significance is the introduction of the case assignment and retrieval (CAAR) scheduling system. It is anticipated that a substantial reduction in case processing times will be realized. This would result in a more effective use of the time required of counsel, witnesses, staff and judges on even the most routine matters. There are also plans to increase the utilization of telephonic appearances for counsel through the services of a U.S. based company known as CourtCall. The establishment of a video link between Her Majesty's Penitentiary and the court will enable those in custody to appear using this technology. This will increase convenience and reduce cost and the dangers of transporting prisoners. The official opening of the new Courthouse in Corner Brook will take place on May 3, 2010. This modern facility will serve all courts and enhance the quality of service we are able to offer on the west coast of the island.

Under the leadership of the Director of Court Services our staff has performed at the highest level of professionalism and continues to strive for excellence each and every day. Using pandemic planning as a springboard our managers were successful in completing a comprehensive Business Continuity Plan using information and assistance from the National Center for State Courts in the United States as well as experiences of other Provincial Courts across Canada. This plan outlines the essential services that we can offer the public in the event of an interruption due to natural disasters, infrastructure failures and other emergencies.

While progress has been made on so many fronts during this year, much remains to be done. Our therapeutic courts continue to work closely with our justice partners and community stakeholders to refine processes and procedures to meet the challenges of mental illness and family violence. We look forward to a refinement and computerization of the court scheduling process as well as the continued use of modern technologies to improve the efficiency of our operations. Training of staff and judicial education efforts will continue with new vigor and the quality of service we are able to offer to the people of the province of Newfoundland and Labrador will improve as a result.

# Part 2 Overview of the Court

#### OVERVIEW OF THE COURT

#### Values

Governed by the Constitution of Canada and the rule of law, we are an independent, impartial, and accessible judicial system.

We are committed to the provision of quality service through the effective management of available resources and the continuous professional development of the Judiciary and Court Staff.

#### Mission

The Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador exists to uphold and preserve the fundamental values of society by judging legal disputes, conducting inquiries, and providing quality service to the public.

#### Vision

To recognize the value of Staff and Judiciary in achieving our mission.

To operate the Court with highly qualified personnel and judiciary.

To provide access to justice to everyone and be sensitive to social and cultural diversity.

To encourage the use of dispute resolution alternatives that respond to the changing needs of society. To emphasize the effective use of technology and decentralized administrative decision making.

#### Jurisdiction

The jurisdiction of the Provincial Court extends to criminal, youth, civil, traffic, and family matters. More specifically:

**Criminal:** all summary conviction offences under federal and provincial statutes; indictable offences, except where excluded under the Criminal Code, i.e. murder.

Youth: the court hears all criminal matters involving young offenders.

**Civil:** all civil actions where the amount does not exceed \$5,000. The court has no jurisdiction over cases in which title to land is brought into question or malicious prosecution, false imprisonment and defamation, or against a justice or other public official for anything done while executing the duties of office.

**Traffic:** all highway traffic matters.

**Family:** outside the St. John's area, the court has jurisdiction over custody, support maintenance, child welfare, legitimacy, paternity, adoption, and inter-spousal Criminal Code offences. It does not deal with divorce or division of property under the Family Law Act. Family Justice Services Division, a division of both Provincial and Supreme Courts, provides parent education sessions, mediation and counselling, to all family applications filed in either level of court.

#### **Court Service Locations**

There are 10 court centres in locations throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. In addition to sitting in its principal locations, the Court conducts circuits to various rural and remote communities.

LOCATION	JUDGE(s)	STAFF	CIRCUIT(s)
St. John's	1 CJ, 1ACJ, 1 SCJ, & 6 Judges	24	None
Harbour Grace	1	3	Placentia
	1	2	Descripto
Clarenville	1	3	Bonavista
Grand Bank	1	3	None
Gander	2	5	None
Corner Brook	3	9	Port aux Choix, St. Anthony, Plum Point, Baie Verte, Rocky Harbour
Grand Falls-Windsor	2	5	Hr. Breton, Bay D'Espoir, Conne River, Springdale
Stephenville	1	4	Port aux Basques, Burgeo
H.V. Goose Bay	2	7	Hopedale, Nain, Makkovik, Postville, Rigolet, Natuashish, Sheshatshiu
Wabush	1	2	Port Hope Simpson, Cartwright, L'Anse au Clair
TOTAL	23	65	23 Circuits

In addition to these court locations, there is also a Court Services Division, headquartered in the St. John's Provincial Court. At March 31, 2010, it had eight staff.

## SUPPORT TO THE COURTS

#### Registries

There are ten registries in the ten court centres throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. Registries provide registry services to the Provincial Courts and are staffed permanently. The key functions of the registries are:

- to provide information and advice about court procedures, services and forms;
- to process cases by providing administrative services in accordance with due process;
- to ensure that automated case management systems are accurately updated and maintained;
- to enhance community confidence and respect by responding to clients' needs and assisting with making the court experience a more positive one; and
- to ensure that the records of the court are preserved and managed from initiation of files to archiving.

#### **Courtroom Clerks**

The smaller court centres have staff who work in both the registries and the courtrooms, exchanging roles and duties on an as needed basis. Staff in the larger centres have staff who are assigned to either a registry or courtroom function. The key functions of the courtroom staff are:

- to attend sittings of court;
- to operate digital recording equipment and ensures proceedings of the court are recorded;
- to operate video conference unit and closed circuit TV unit (used for vulnerable witnesses);
- to mark and take possession of documents and exhibits for continuity and safekeeping; and
- to type accurate and complete verbatim transcripts of court proceedings and certifiy same to be the official record of the court.

#### **E-filing**

The Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador has been working towards finalizing its soon-to-be released Small Claims E-filing application. Currently, Small Claims users have to file an application at the registry of Provincial Court or by mail. As a result of this E-filing initiative, any person in the province wishing to file a small claims application with Provincial Court will have the option to file the claim and pay the related fees online. E-filing will be the Provincial Court's first experience with this alternative method of service delivery for one of its lines of business. The development of this new application involved a considerable commitment of time and resources and was not developed in isolation. This project involved engag-

ing some of the Court's most frequent Small Claims filers to review and test the application at various stages to ensure its user-friendliness. As well, the Office of the High Sheriff provided a gateway through its Judgment Enforcement Remote Registry for people to register to become Small Claims E-filers.

Public information sessions are being planned for each of the ten court locations in the province. Local bar and frequent small claims filers will be invited to attend these sessions. The Small Claims E-filing initiative supports the Provincial Court's strategic direction of improving access to



justice by alternative service delivery models. Newfoundland and Labrador will be the second province in the country to offer Small Claims E-filing. British Columbia is currently the only province in Canada which provides online filing for Small Claims.

The Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador's online service will provide many help boxes throughout the E-filing process to help users become more familiar with the application. An email address and a toll free help line (1-888-729-1569) will also be made available to users during normal business hours and a voice mail service will be provided. The public will be able to access the E-filing process at: www.court.nl.ca/provincial/smallclaims.

#### **Corner Brook Law Courts**



The 2009/2010 fiscal year saw the continuation of the construction of the new courthouse in Corner Brook. The courthouse, which will be called the Corner Brook Law Courts, will be home to both Provincial Court and Supreme Court.

The building is three stories with a partial basement and has a gross floor area of approximately 50,000 square feet. There are seven courtrooms and two conference rooms which will be shared by both levels of courts. The third

floor is dedicated to the Family Division of the Supreme Court and represents an expansion of this court. In the basement there is a sally port which provides for a discrete and secure entrance for prisoners. This area also has seven holding cells and interview space for counsel to meet with in-custody clients. It was anticipated that construction would be completed by December, 2009; however, delays pushed this date forward. The completion date is now expected in April 2010 and plans are being made for an official opening in May 2010.

#### Family Violence Intervention Court

The Family Violence Intervention Court (FVIC) pilot project has been operating in St. John's since March 25, 2009. It sits every second Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. alternating with the Mental Health Court. It is a specialized criminal court intended to address the complex issue of family violence. For the purposes of the pilot project, family violence has been defined as Criminal Code offences committed by the accused arising from or related to his or her relationship with a significant partner or ex-partner. The key component is the relationship between the accused and the victim and co-habitation is not a determining factor. The goal of the Court is to prevent and reduce incidents of family violence. Through a collaborative approach, access to support services and intervention programs is accelerated. The FVIC focuses on enhancing victim safety as well as emphasizing offender accountability and treatment for moderate risk offenders.

Implementation of the FVIC has resulted in a number of procedural changes for the St. John's Provincial Court. For example, people interested in participating in the FVIC can be directly referred from First Appearance Court. However, if a person wishes to be referred to the Court from a trial court, then a formal written application must be brought before the FVIC. This supports the Court's goal of early intervention and ensures that decisions are made within a timely manner.

Another procedural change is that the St. John's Provincial Court requested that the RCMP and the RNC schedule all first appearances for domestic violence charges (where the accused has been released) for Thursday afternoons in First Appearance Court. This provides an opportunity for the dedicated FVIC team, including the Legal Aid defence counsel, to discuss the Court with potential participants and to immediately schedule risk assessments for those who express interest.

During the last fiscal year (09/10), 36 people appeared in the FVIC on a total of 87 charges. The types of offences ranged from mischief relating to property, uttering threats, assault, assault causing bodily harm, and assault with a weapon. Charges also included breaches of undertakings, recognizances, and probation orders. One case involved a breach of an emergency protection order and this matter was transferred back to regular court as it was determined it was not appropriate for the FVIC. In another case, the Crown withdrew the charge. Of the remaining number (34) of accused, 12 (35.29%) were not interested in participating and 6 (17.65%) were not eligible to participate.

A total of 16 people (47.06%) agreed to participate in the FVIC, entered guilty pleas and were referred to family violence programming offered by the John Howard Society. Of those people, 1 (6.25%) was unable to complete the programming, 11 (68.75%) successfully completed the programming, and 4 (25.00%) were awaiting programming at the end of the fiscal year. The person who did not complete the counseling was sentenced to a period of incarceration. The sentences for those who did complete the counseling ranged from a conditional discharge to a conditional sentence of three months, along with varying periods of probation, victim fine surcharges, discretionary DNA orders, and weapons prohibitions.

The Department of Justice engaged a consultant to conduct an evaluation of the first year of operation of the FVIC. Although the statistical data is limited at this point, the consultant noted that early indications are positive. One of the recommendations included the expansion of the Court's mandate to include all risk levels.

The Department of Justice is reviewing this option through community and other stakeholder discussions.

As part of the 10/11 Budget, the Department of Justice successfully secured funding from the Poverty Reduction Strategy for the FVIC pilot project until March 2011. The St. John's Provincial Court welcomes the opportunity to continue supporting this important initiative.

#### Mental Health Court

The Mental Health Court has been operating in St. John's since 2005 and it sits every second Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. alternating with the Family Violence Intervention Court. The Court is designed to provide an increased level of support, both medical and community-based, to accused persons appearing before it. The Mental Health Court is based on the recognition that certain offenders who suffer from a mental disorder may commit offences as a consequence of their mental disorder or due to lifestyle issues related to their mental disorder such as inadequate or inappropriate housing, lack of employment, lack of support, noncompliance with medications and inappropriate self medication with alcohol or drugs. Health care professionals and corrections personnel provide medical support and community-based support to the individuals who are accepted into the Court.

During the last fiscal year (2009/2010), 72 people appeared in Mental Health Court in relation to 212 initiated cases and 61 pending cases as of April 1, 2009, for an overall total of 273 cases. The types of offences ranged from causing a disturbance, mischief, theft under \$5,000, and uttering threats to break and entering, assault, and arson with disregard for human life. A total of 95 cases (34.80%) were referred from Mental Health Court to the traditional system, for reasons such as the accused wished to plead not guilty or the accused did not meet the eligibility criteria. An additional 52 cases (19.05%) were pending as of March 31, 2010, resulting in a clearance rate of 107.7.

It may take a little longer for cases to reach a resolution in Mental Health Court, as there can be lengthy adjournment to allow time for community supports to be put in place and to give the accused an opportunity to demonstrate that these supports are working and that additional intervention is not required. At the end of the adjournment period, if there have been no new offences, the Crown may exercise its discretion to withdraw or stay the charges. In 2009/2010, 126 cases (46.15%) were concluded in Mental Health Court. The charges were withdrawn in 32 cases (25.40%), representing a significant decrease from 89 cases (54.90%) in the previous fiscal year. The charges were withdrawn and peace bonds were ordered in 4 cases (3.17%). The Crown stayed the charges in 30 cases (23.81%). The Court dismissed 1 case (0.80%) and made findings of not criminally responsible in 4 cases (3.17%).

In the 55 cases (43.65%) where the Crown did not withdraw or stay the charges, the sentences included the following: absolute discharge (3 cases); conditional discharge (13 cases); suspended sentence (10 cases), conditional sentence (5 cases) and jail (24 cases). Periods of probation, ranging in length from 4 months to 2 years, were ordered in 33 cases. The jail terms ranged from 14 days time served to 2 years plus a day. While there appears to be a significant increase in the number of jail terms when compared to 10 cases in the previous fiscal year, it should be noted that 23 of 24 cases related to two accused.

#### Lunch with a Judge Program

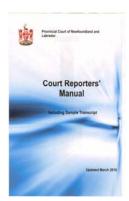
The "Lunch with a Judge" program continues to be a success. In fact, other court centres across the province have taken the initiative to begin the program in the 10/11 school year. This program targets students who may be "at risk" of becoming involved in the youth criminal justice system. However, participation is offered to <u>all</u> students; therefore eliminating the possibility of "singling out" students who may already feel alienated from their peers. The program has gotten positive responses from the participating schools both from teachers and students. The following chart shows the numbers of students who have participated in the (St. John's) program for the past six years.

	TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED St. John's							
FY 04/05	FY 05/06	FY 06/07	FY 07/08	FY 08/09	FY 09/10			
64	68	68	69	71	56			

Happy Valley - Goose Bay began their "Lunch with a Judge" program in January 2010. By all accounts it was a great success. The chart below indicates the number of children who participated in the program.

TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO PARTICIPATED Happy Valley-Goose Bay							
FY 04/05	FY 05/06	FY 06/07	FY 07/08	FY 08/09	FY 09/10		
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	24		

#### **Court Reporters' Manual**



A Committee was put together in early 2009 to revise the existing Court Reporters' Manual by updating it and making it more user friendly. The purpose of the manual is to ensure that all court centres across the province are following the same guidelines and promoting transcript uniformity. The manual will serve as a learning resource and reference guide for new and present transcriptionists.

The committee members met at various stages over the past year and a half via videoconference and polycom to discuss the content of the manual. Research was conducted on various other court manuals used across Canada and the United States to assist in determining the most effective layout for the manual and to ensure all pertinent information was included in the manual.

The final revisions were made to the manual in March of 2010 and the newlyrevised manual is ready for distribution to all court centres.

The manual is very indepth and covers a wide variety of topics such as:

- Court Reporting Procedures (procedures to follow prior to opening court; making the record; monitoring the record; swearing the witnesses; interrupting the court; playing back from the record; and handling exhibits);
- Transcript Format (template, paper size, copies, specifications for margins, line numbers, speaker identification, font, citations, incomplete sentences, and punctuation and spelling.);
- Content and Organization;
- Decision Format;
- Turnaround Time for Transcripts; and
- Types of Transcript Requests (appeal, preliminary inquiry, etc).

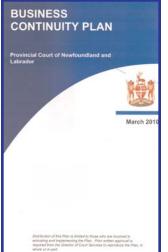
The manual also includes a List of References to assist with things such as case law, medical terminology, and Latin Maxims. Sample transcripts are included in the appendix section.

Transcript preparation will be monitored initially to ensure compliance and uniformity across the province.

The committee consists of Patricia Ricketts (Chair - St. John's), Tonya Bishop (Clarenville), Doreen Marshall (St. John's), and Deborah LeMoine (Corner Brook) who worked on the initial review and has since moved on to another position.

#### Part 2

#### **Business Continuity Plan**



Business Continuity Planning is an emergency planning process that enables the Court to continue essential services in the event of a disruption.

The Business Continuity Working Group was formed in July 2009 with a goal of developing a Business Continuity Plan for the Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Working Group met in-person for the first time on September 14, 2009. Prior to that several teleconferences were held to determine what was involved in developing continuity plans. During the Fall of 2009, H1N1 was very much on the minds of everyone and, as a result, the first goal of the Working Group was to develop a Pandemic Plan to deal specifically with an influenza pandemic.

The Pandemic Plan was presented for approval to the Chief Judge and the Director of Court Services in November 2009. Separate information sessions were held for all Court Administrators and provincial stakeholders on November 16, 2009, outlining the Plan and the Court Centres' responsibilities.

In December 2009 a work plan was developed to complete the remaining components of an All Hazards Continuity of Operations Plan. Bi-weekly teleconferences and in-person meetings were held throughout the New Year and the Working Group proudly presented a completed Business Continuity Plan for approval on March 22, 2010.

It is recognized that every employee of the Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador has a responsibility to be prepared to deal with an emergency. The Working Group worked hard to make the Plan clear and concise and has divided it into six sections:

- 1. Emergency Preparedness Guidelines
- 2. All Hazards Continuity of Operations Plan Purpose, Assumptions and Implementation Process
- 3. Guidance to deal with specific disruptions
- 4. Appendices providing direction and specific activities to be followed
- 5. Pandemic Plan
- 6. Local protocols and procedures

The Plan has been distributed to each Court Centre and training sessions on how to use the Plan will be delivered in the Spring. The Working Group will review the plan annually and will update it as required.

The working group consists of Shelley Organ, Executive Lead (St. John's) Ethel Chaulk Co-Chair (Corner Brook), Steve Burt Co-Chair (Grand Bank), Joanne Spurrell (St. John's) and Georgina Allen (Goose Bay).

#### Information Management

Information Management (IM) activities at the Provincial Court increased significantly in 09/10, in keeping with the recommendations of the Information Management Capacity Assessment Tool (IMCAT) Plan for 08/11. The timeliness indicated in this plan were somewhat affected by the delayed recruitment of the Information Manager, as well as the delay in filling the half-time position shared with Supreme Court.

A new filing system was established for Adult and Youth Criminal Court records and implemented in St. John's and Corner Brook. This system, intended to standardize the labeling, organization and use of these files across Provincial Court locations, will be rolled out to all other centres throughout the summer of 2010. To accommodate this system, new shelving units and lateral filing cabinets were purchased and installed in the majority of court locations.

As a part of the move to the new Courthouse in Corner Brook, IM staff spent several weeks there relabeling, refoldering, and boxing up court records. This process included the appraisal of records for eventual transfer to semi-active storage at the Provincial Records Centre. IM staff also spent considerable time preparing the Stephenville Family Court records for transfer to the custody of the Supreme Court in Corner Brook, Family Division in accordance with the transfer of family jurisdiction on the west coast, from Port aux Basques to St. Anthony inclusive.

The Adult Criminal records retention schedule was approved as a pilot for the St. John's Provincial Court. However, it was used as a guideline in locations across the province, resulting in the transfer of many records to semi-active storage. A retention schedule for Small Claims records was approved by the Government Records Committee in 2009 and has been successfully utilized by staff in St. John's to manage the records of that court. Other centres will soon begin work on their Small Claims files.

The decision was made to centralize the location of all provincial adoption records, and these records were moved to St. John's from Harbour Grace, Grand Bank, Stephenville and Corner Brook. Records from other court centres will be transferred in the coming year.

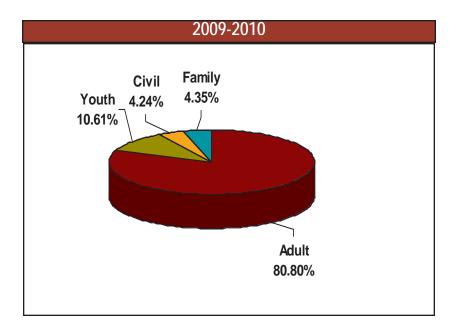
#### Victim Fine Surcharge Overpayment

In May of 2007, it was discovered through data cleansing that there were a number of surcharges added to offences for which the legislation did not allow. Errors were uncovered in all court centres. These errors amounted to \$42,737.54.

In February 2010, Provincial Court received Treasury Board's approval to refund those incorrect surcharges which had been paid. Refunds were issued by the end of March 2010. Accounting adjustments were made for those surcharges which were still outstanding.

# Part 3 Report on Performance

#### COURT PERFORMANCE



#### Total Caseload is Increasing

In 09/10, 1,728 additional cases were initiated in the Provincial Court, as compared to the previous year. This translated into an annual increase in total caseload of 6.0% for 09/10. An increase of 8.9% in Adult Criminal cases (+2,003) was primarily responsible for the added caseload and to a lesser extent a 14.2% increase in Family cases (+164) also contributed to the increase. In 09/10, Youth cases declined by 11.8% (-430) and Civil cases declined by less than 1% (-9).

#### Changes in Caseload by Court Centre

Examining the individual court caseload for 09/10 reveals that seven of the ten courts experienced overall increases over the previous year. These centres include (in order of highest to lowest percentage): Wabush (37.9%, 224 cases); Stephenville (26.4%, 422 cases); Grand Falls-Windsor (16.5%, 277 cases); Gander (7.5%, 121 cases); St. John's (7.2%, 947 cases); Harbour Grace (5.2%, 74 cases); and Grand Bank (1.8%, 19 cases). The remaining three court centres experienced an annual decline in 09/10: Clarenville (-11.7%, -119 cases); Happy Valley-Goose Bay (-6.0%, -195 cases) and Corner Brook (-1.2%, -42 cases).

#### Changes in Caseload by Case Type

In reviewing the individual case types by Court Centre the following patterns emerge:

- Adult Criminal Cases: increased for all courts with the exception of: Clarenville (-56 cases); Corner Brook (-249 cases); and Happy Valley -Goose Bay (-116 cases).
- Youth Cases increased for all courts with the exception of: St. John's (-348 cases); Happy Valley-Goose Bay (-190 cases); Clarenville (-103 cases); Grand Falls-Windsor (-49 cases); and Harbour Grace (-17 cases).
- Civil cases increased for all the courts with the exception of : St. John's (-69 cases), Grand Bank (-13 cases), Stephenville (-13 cases), and Wabush (-4 cases).
- Family cases increased for all courts with the exception of: Grand Bank (-11 cases); Wabush (-7 cases); Harbour Grace (-6 cases); and Stephenville (-4 cases). St. John's does not handle Family cases.

#### Increased Adult Criminal Appearances and Decreased Youth Appearances

The significant increase of 8.9 % in 09/10 in the Adult Criminal caseload is strongly reflected in the appearance data for 09/10. There was an increase of 16.2% or 17,984 additional Adult Criminal appearances in 09/10. The decline of 11.8% in Youth caseload for 09/10 is also evident from the appearance data which indicates a 13.8% decrease, which translates into 2,288 fewer youth appearances.

#### Five Year Trends

Over the most recent five-year period, 05/06- 09/10 caseload has been steadily increasing with the exception of 06/07. Caseload initially stood at 27,076, followed by a decline of 590 cases in 06/07, followed by three years of consecutive increases of: 1,090, 1,068 and 1,728. The court has seen its caseload grow from 27,076 to 30,372 in five-years, a 12.2% increase.

#### St. John's Court

During the same period the largest court centre, St. John's, shared the same caseload trend. In 05/06 the total caseload stood at 11,454; in 06/07 there were 103 fewer cases, followed by three years of consecutive increases: 429, 1,291, and 947. This translates into a significant increase of 22.4%, from 11,454 to 14,018 cases in just five years.

#### **Corner Brook Court**

Caseload since 05/06 has followed a somewhat different pattern. In 05/06 Corner Brook's caseload was 3,727, followed by two successive years of decline: - 425 cases in 06/07 and -191 in 07/08 with an increase of 262 cases in 08/09 and then a small decrease of -42 cases in 09/10. Corner Brook over the most recent five-year period has experienced a decline of 10.7% from 3,727 to 3,327 cases.

#### Stephenville Court

This court saw its caseload see-saw back and forth from 05/06 to 09/10. Initially Stephenville's caseload was 2,018 cases; this was followed by a decrease of 303 cases in 06/07 and then an increase of 477 cases in 07/08. In the next year caseload dropped by 592 cases to be followed in 09/10 by an increase of 422 cases to reach a total caseload of 2,022 cases, just four cases more than in 05/06.

#### Happy Valley-Goose Bay

This court's caseload stood at 2,470 in 05/06 to be followed in the next year by a significant increase of 655 cases putting its total caseload at 3,125 in 06/07. In 07/08 caseload reached a peak of 3,365 cases to be followed by two successive years of declining caseload: 3,258 and 3,063. While Happy-Valley Goose Bay experienced a significant increase (24%) of 593 cases from 05/06 to 09/10, most of the increase occurred in 06/07 and despite some slight variation has remained fairly constant.

#### Wabush

A full-time judge was appointed to Wabush in 07/08. Prior to 07/08, the Happy Valley-Goose Bay judges included Wabush as one of their circuit court locations. In 05/06 Wabush had a total caseload of 375 cases which was considerably below the caseload Wabush had experienced in the years prior to this. In the next year caseload rebounded to 582 cases, followed by a dip of 152 cases to 430 caseload in 07/08. In 08/09 caseload once again rebounded to 591 cases and by 09/10 it stood at 815 cases. Within a five-year span there was a very significant increase (+117%), from 375 cases to 815 cases. Some of this increase comes from the south coast circuits, which are currently under the jurisdiction of Wabush Provincial Court.

#### **Grand Falls-Windsor**

This centrally-located court initially had an annual caseload of 1,650 cases in 05/06. In the next two years caseload declined to 1,513 cases in 06/07 and 1,494 cases in 07/08. This was followed by two years of successive increases, with a caseload of 1,674 cases in 08/09 and 1,951 cases in 09/10. In a period of five years caseload had increased by 18.2 %, from 1,650 cases to 1,951, an increase of 301 additional cases.

#### Gander

Similar to Grand Falls-Windsor, Gander's caseload in 05/06 stood at 1,609 cases but during the next two years experienced declines in caseload with 1,527 cases in 06/07 and 1,524 cases in 07/08. In 08/09 caseload rose to 1,608 cases and in 09/10 it reached a peak of 1,729 cases. Over a five-year interval caseload increased by 7.5%, a difference of 120 additional cases.

#### Harbour Grace

In 05/06 total caseload stood at 1,083 cases, followed by a slight increase to 1,115 cases in 06/07. The next year saw a decline to 1,095 cases followed by two years of successive increases of 1,245in 08/09 and 1,490 in 09/10. Over a five-year span the caseload for Harbour Grace has increased significantly by 37.6%, from 1,083 cases to 1,490 cases. However, some of this increase comes from the closure of the Placentia court, which is now a circuit of Harbour Grace.

#### Grand Bank

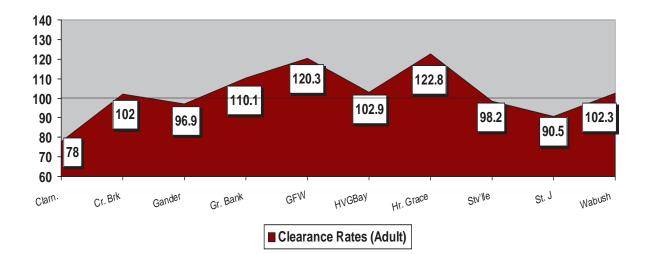
There were 1,177 cases processed in 05/06 in Grand Bank. In the year that followed caseload dipped to 979 cases and then recovered to 1,185 cases in 07/08. This was followed by a decrease in 08/09 to 1,036 cases and then a small increase in 09/10 to 1,055 cases. From 05/06 to 09/10 caseload declined by 10.4%, from 1,177 to 1,055.

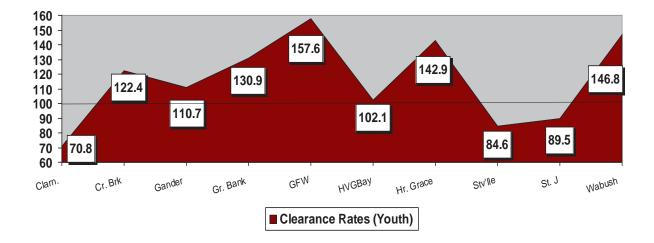
#### Clarenville

In 05/06 Clarenville had an annual caseload of 1,137 cases, which declined to 1,004 cases in 06/07 and was followed by an increase in 07/08 to 1,218 cases. In the next year caseload dipped to 1,021 and in the year that followed, 09/10, it was reduced again to 902 cases. Within five years Clarenville's caseload has declined by 20.7%, a significant decrease from 1,137 to 902 cases.

#### **Clearance Rates**

The Court aims for a minimum clearance rate of 100 percent—that is to finalize cases at the same rate that new cases begin. A rate higher than 100 percent indicates that the Court is reducing cases that were filed in previous years, thereby, reducing the backlog of pending cases; a rate under 100 percent indicates that the number of pending cases is increasing.





# Pending Cases

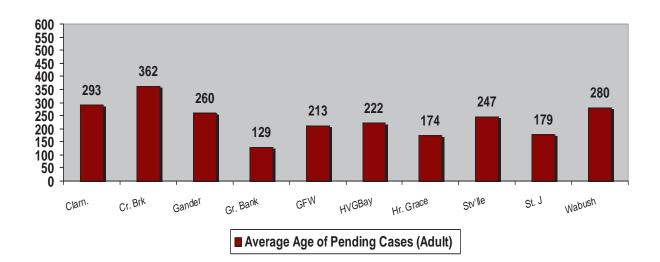
	ADULT COURT								
COURT	U		Concluded Cases During the Year	Pending Cases March 31/10	Clearance Rates				
Clarenville	368	705	550	523	78.0				
Corner Brook	1735	1854	1891	1698	102.0				
Gander	1008	1136	1101	1043	96.9				
Grand Bank	306	645	710	241	110.1				
Grand Falls-Windsor	957	947	1139	765	120.3				
H. V. Goose Bay	1337	1928	1983	1282	102.9				
Harbour Grace	579	773	949	403	122.8				
Placentia	95	0	0	95	0				
Stephenville	1339	1219	1197	1361	98.2				
St. John's	7096	11375	10299	8172	90.5				
Wabush	462	511	523	450	102.3				
TOTAL	15,282	21,093	20,342	16,033	96.4				

YOUTH COURT								
COURT		Initiated Cases During the Year	Concluded Cases During the Year	Pending Cases March 31/10	Clearance Rates			
Clarenville	35	89	63	61	70.8			
Corner Brook	266	407	498	175	122.4			
Gander	162	140	155	147	110.7			
Grand Bank	76	110	144	42	130.9			
Grand Falls-Windsor	137	118	186	69	157.6			
H. V. Goose Bay	167	374	382	159	102.1			
Harbour Grace	84	77	110	51	142.9			
Placentia	5	0	0	5	0			
Stephenville	122	175	148	149	84.6			
St. John's	422	1,330	1,193	559	89.7			
Wabush	73	62	91	44	146.8			
TOTAL	1,549	2,882	2,970	1,461	103.1			

#### Age of Active Pending Cases

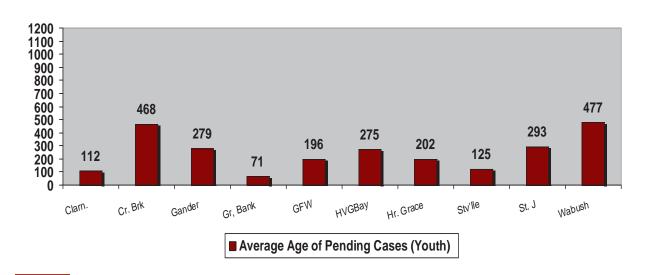
#### Adult

The Court aims to keep the number of old cases to a minimum and to maximize the proportion of younger cases. The nature of high-conflict and complex cases inevitably means that those case types will take longer to progress through to conclusion. The average age in days of Active Pending Adult Criminal Cases as of March 31, 2010, ranged from a high of 362 days for Corner Brook to a low of 129 days for Grand Bank.



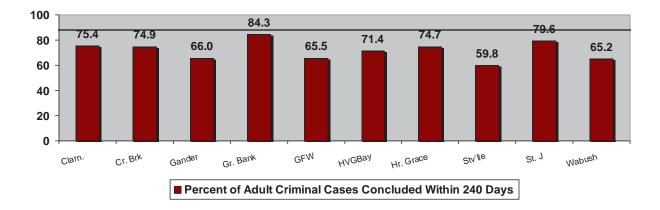
#### Youth

The average in days of Active Pending Youth Cases as of March 31, 2010, ranged from a high of 477 days in Wabush to a low of 71 days in Grand Bank.

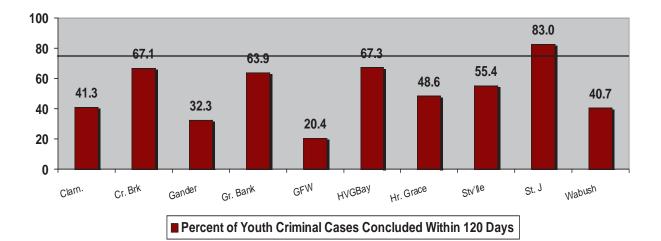


#### Percentage of Cases Concluded

The Court has based the target for time to disposition on its experience of previous cases and the case management process applied to its cases. The Court's target, based on the 07-09 Strategic Plan, is to dispose of 87% of adult criminal cases within 240 days. In 09/10 none of the ten court centres met this target. The averages ranged from 59.8% for Stephenville to 84.3% for Grand Bank.



The Court's target, based on the 07-09 Strategic Plan, is to dispose of 78% of all youth cases within 120 days or less. The time to disposition for youth cases in 09/10 varied from 20.4% for Grand Falls-Windsor to 83% for St. John's. St. John's was the only court centre to meet and exceed the 78% target.

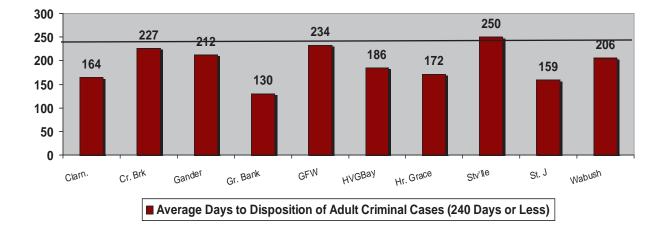


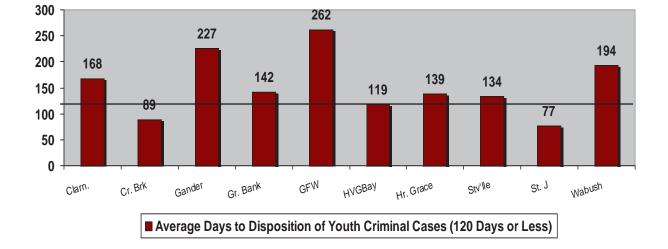
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#### Time to Disposition

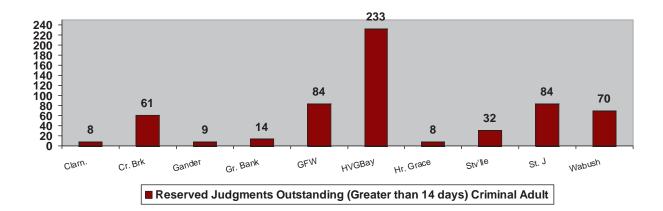
The time it takes for cases and applications to be finalized is a major focus of the Court. The Court aims to have adult criminal cases concluded within 240 days (8 months). The Court aims to have youth cases concluded within 120 days (4 months). The charts below compare individual court centres against the stated goal.

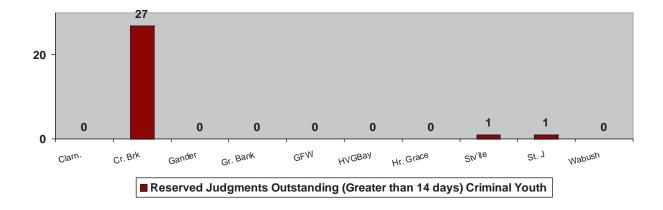




#### Age of Reserved Judgments Outstanding

When parties proceed to trial, sometimes judges reserve their decisions to consider the evidence and to deliver written reasons for their decision. The number of outstanding criminal adult and youth judgments that are greater than 14 days at the end of 09/10 is indicated in the charts below.





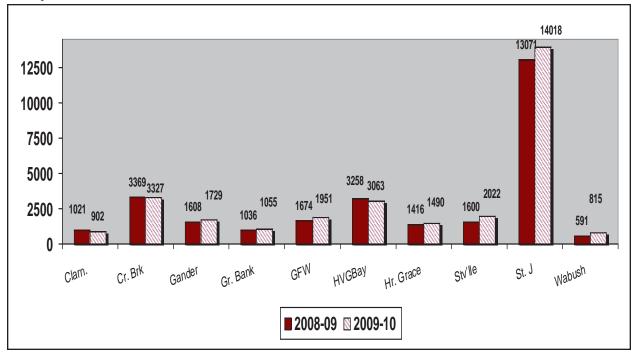
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#### **STATISTICS**

#### **Combined Caseload Statistics**

Court Centre	Total Adult		Total Youth		New Civil		New Family		Total Cases	
	08/09	09/10	08/09	09/10	08/09	09/10	08/09	09/10	08/09	09/10
Clarenville	770	714	163	60	44	78	44	50	1021	902
Corner Brook	2654	2405	353	510	174	176	188	236	3369	3327
Gander	1260	1314	126	160	69	92	153	163	1608	1729
Grand Bank	789	821	139	150	57	44	51	40	1036	1055
Gr. Falls-Windsor	1121	1413	245	196	88	103	220	239	1674	1951
H. V. Goose Bay	2460	2344	569	379	32	34	197	306	3258	3063
Hr. Grace	1078	1161	133	116	88	102	117	111	1416	1490
Stephenville	1285	1697	149	176	44	31	122	118	1600	2022
St. John's	10693	12057	1704	1356	674	605	0	0	13071	14018
Wabush	428	615	71	119	28	24	64	57	591	815
OVERALL TOTAL	22,538	24,541	3,652	3,222	1,298	1,289	1,156	1,320	28,644	30,372
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This table shows the increase or decrease in the caseload of each court centre compated to the previous fiscal year.



# Court Appearances 08/09 & 09/10

COURT	ADULT		YOUTH		CIV	/IL	FAMILY		
	08/09	09/10	08/09	09/10	08/09	09/10	08/09	09/10	
Clarenville	2537	2743	462	327	34	32	61	98	
Corner Brook	10857	10297	1385	2215	184	199	396	500	
Gander	5219	6013	610	952	88	89	172	231	
Grand Bank	2005	2156	533	340	36	33	43	50	
Grand Falls-Windsor	5432	6929	1271	766	89	86	406	415	
H.V. Goose Bay	14142	15083	3213	2167	23	35	587	612	
Harbour Grace	4551	4288	427	543	28	48	83	70	
St. John's	57073	69653	7516	5735	758	656	0	0	
Stephenville	6181	6910	667	818	47	29	223	177	
Wabush	3004	4914	489	422	47	35	166	185	
TOTAL	111,001	128,986	16,573	14,285	1,334	1,242	2,137	2,338	



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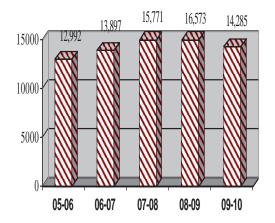
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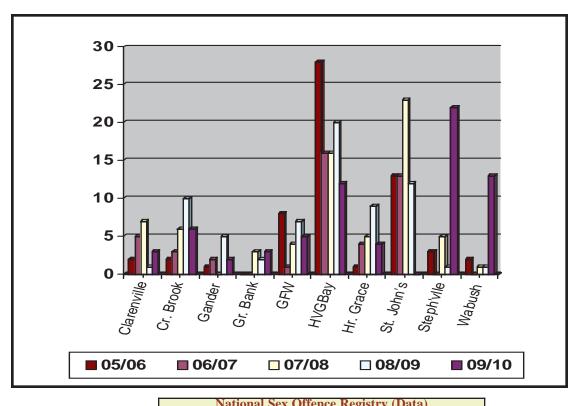
COURT	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10
Clarenville	1376	1112	1222	1184	1441
Corner Brook	3496	3533	3424	4001	4211
Gander	2449	2678	2729	2957	3469
Grand Bank	1040	1053	1224	1278	1405
Grand Falls-Windsor	2590	2647	2928	3343	4314
H. V. Goose Bay	1627	1586	1433	1632	2062
Harbour Grace	1347	1366	1590	1785	2465
Placentia*	674	533	580	512	0
St. John's	8027	6950	7937	9646	10789
Stephenville	1563	1736	1912	1975	2256
Wabush	443	491	504	684	513
TOTAL	24,632	23,685	25,483	28,997	32,925

(\* Placentia is now a circuit of Harbour Grace Court)

# Video Conferencing (Three Year Period)

	07/08		08/09		09/10	
Video-Conference Site	Total # of <u>Sessions</u>	Total # of <u>Hours</u>	Total # of <u>Sessions</u>	Total # of <u>Hours</u>	Total # of <u>Sessions</u>	Total # of <u>Hours</u>
Outside Court Network	N/A	N/A	140	167.0	77	108.0
Clarenville	4	11.5	28	37.5	33	40.0
Corner Brook	13	34	50	66.75	54	83.15
Gander	0	0	17	27.0	42	68.15
Harbour Grace	0	0	4	8.0	16	20.0
Stephenville	5	10	66	98.0	38	58.75
H.V. Goose Bay	52	59.25	186	220.5	153	224.4
St. John's	34	61	117	172.0	120	196.5
Grand Bank	1	1	22	40.25	29	38.0
Grand Falls-Windsor	0	0	17	25.25	26	35.15
Wabush	20	23.25	63	84.5	69	110.40
TOTAL	129	200	710	946.75	657	982.5

National Sex Offender Registry (Five Year Period)



National Sex Offence Registry (Data)							
COURT	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10		
Clarenville	2	5	7	1	3		
Corner Brook	2	3	6	10	6		
Gander	1	2	0	5	2		
Grand Bank	0	0	3	2	3		
Grand Falls-Windsor	8	1	4	7	5		
H.V. Goose Bay	28	16	16	20	12		
Hr. Grace	1	4	5	9	4		
Placentia	1	0	0	0	0		
Stephenville	3	0	5	1	22		
St. John's	13	13	23	12	13		
Wabush	2	0	1	1	0		
TOTAL	61	44	70	68	70		

National Sex Offence Registry (Data)

#### Summary Offence Tickets

COURT	TICKETS P	ROCESSED	TICKETS TO TRIAL		
COURT CENTRE	08/09	09/10	08/09	09-10	
Clarenville	2030	2252	12	29	
Corner Brook	8917	8823	133	133	
Gander	4569	4033	143	90	
Grand Bank	1426	1819	5	18	
Grand Falls-Windsor	3295	3397	74	59	
H.V. Goose Bay	1540	1318	7	8	
Harbour Grace	2872	2248	73	53	
Stephenville	3430	4354	65	64	
St. John's	120682	126687	410	466	
Wabush	711	1266	7	17	
TOTAL	149,472	156,197	929	937	

# Transcribed Pages

COURT CENTRE	# Pages Typed 08/09	# Pages Typed 09/10		
Clarenville	761	1225		
Corner Brook	925	2867		
Gander	1556	2215		
H.V. Goose Bay	1558	1191		
Grand Bank	233	490		
Grand Falls-Windsor	1493	2285		
Hr. Grace	850	705		
Stephenville	128	3652		
St. John's	5953	10621		
Wabush	121	483		
Court Services (St. John's)	6320	6764		
TOTAL	19,898	32,498		

# Provincial Court Staff Training 09/10

	TRAINING COURSE	NUMBER OF ATTENDEES
1	New Legislation-Bill C-25	52
2	Court Call	52
3	Small Claims Training	47
4	Family Training	32
5	Victim Fine Surcharge (Fed/Prov)	31
6	Critical Incident Debriefing	30
7	Updating IPCIS on Courtroom Time and Appearance Outcome	26
9	Courtroom and Bail Procedures	25
9	Criminal Records and Pardons	24
10	Stepping Up to Supervisor Role	20
11	Search Warrants	19
12	Compassion Fatigue	16
13	Emergency Protection Orders	12
14	Workplace Violence	10
15	Time Management	10
16	Problem Solving	7
17	Quilaw	6
18	Daily Deposits	6
19	Business Writing	6
20	Dealing with Vulnerable Witnesses	5
20	Polycom Phone Refresher	5
22	Respectful Workplace	5
22	Writing Dynamics	4
23 24	Pandemic Planning	3
24 25	Microsoft Word 1 and 2	3
23 26	Job Evaluation Survey	3
20 27	Occupational Health and Safety Seminar	2
27 28	Cabinet Decision Making Process	
	Pre-Retirement Seminar	2
29		2
30 31	Bail and Sureties Technical Report Writing	2
31 32		2
32 33	Critical Thinking	1
33 34	Joint Problem Solving Communication Writing Fundamentals	1
34 35	Project Management Essentials	1
35 36	H1N1 Conference	
30 37	Court Technology Conference	
37 38	International Association of Court Administration Conference	1
30 39	Selection Board Chair Conference	<u> </u>
40	Developing a Human Resources Plan	1
41	Management of Ethics and Values	1
42	Job Evaluation Training	1
43	Employment Law for Managers	1
44	Microsoft Power Point	1
45	Microsoft Excel	1
46	ECMS Training (Electronic Travel Claims)	1
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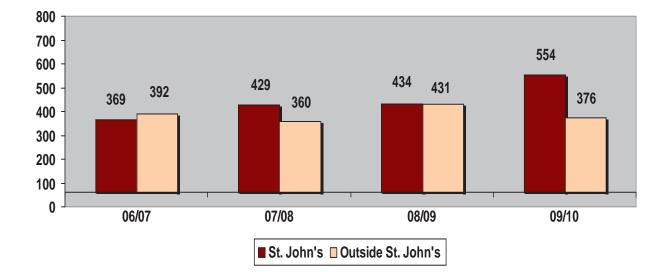
TOTAL ATTENDEES

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#### WASH Court (Weekend and Statutory Holiday Court)

The Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador has developed an on-call Judge system to respond to Section 503of the Criminal Code, which provides that an accused must appear before a justice within 24 hours of arrest for the provision of remand/release services. In the province of Newfoundland and Labrador, a justice means a Provincial Court judge.

In order for the 23 Provincial Court judges to fulfill the Code requirement, the judges provide a rotational weekly schedule, commencing at 4:30 p.m. Friday to 4:30 p.m. the following Friday. The judge could be from any jurisdiction in the province. However, all court proceedings are funnelled through Provincial Court in St. John's with a clerk, crown, and duty counsel present. Court will begin sitting at 11 a.m. on these days. Proceedings will be held via telephone conference call. The annual schedule of judges is available on the Provincial Court website and is password protected. This information is available to authorized law enforcement and other justice agencies only.



#### WASH Court Statistics 09/10

#### Ten Most Common Offences 09/10

ТҮРЕ	ADULT	ТҮРЕ	YOUTH	
Breach of Court Orders	5827	Breach of Court Orders	1436	
Assault	2359	Assault	324	
Impaired Driving	1854	Break and Enters	225	
Theft	1491	Theft	222	
Fraud	1250	Mischief	207	
Uttering Threats	1096	Fraud	120	
Firearm Offences	858	Uttering Threats	54	
Fisheries Offences	797	Sexual Offences	44	
Mischief	794	Drug Offences	41	
Drug Offences	642	Obstruction	36	

# **Emergency Protection Orders**

	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10
Number of Applications <b>Received</b> Provincially	80	230	219	223
Number of EPOs <b>Granted</b>	63	186	169	171
Number of EPOs <b>Denied</b>	10	30	35	31
Number of EPOs <b>Pending</b>	1	0	0	0
Number of EPOs dealt with by <b>Other</b> means i.e. Withdrawn, Peace Bonds etc.	6	14	15	21

# FINANCIAL

# Budget Expenditures 09/10

CATEGORY	BUDGET	ACTUAL	VARIANCE
Salaries	8,709,500	8,032,933	+676,567
Employee Benefits	53,700	62,537	-8,837
Transportation & Communication	359,600	437,285	-77,685
Supplies	63,400	81,105	-17,705
Professional Services	25,200	47,476	-22,276
Purchased Services	1,114,300	1,029,944	+84,356
Property,Furniture & Equipment	26,700	42,691	-15,991
Grants & Subsidies	3,000		
TOTAL	10,355,400	9,741,971	+613,429

STAFF OVERTIME Time Off In Lieu (TOIL)							
Carried Forward TOIL from March 31/09	881 hrs.						
Balance as of March 31/10	922 hrs.						

	STS OF Exchange*						
FY 07/08	\$21,881.91						
FY 08/09	\$30,079.15						
FY 09/10	\$47,323.06						
Judicial Exchange occurs when a judge has conflict at his or her court centre; subse-							

a conflict at his or her court centre; subsequently, another judge is brought in from a centre nearby to hear the matter.

#### **Revenue Collected and Distributed**

	07/0	8	08/	/09	09/10		
Distribution	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	
CCC & Provincial Statutes	332,186	12.21	395,479	9.48	389,070	12.1	
Federal Statutes	479,637	17.64	1,103,050	26.47	648,253	20.3	
Liquor Control Act	3,778	.14	34,740	.83	9,660	0	
Municipal Acts	2,155	.08	660	.02	2,455	0	
Highway Traffic Act	1,066,212	39.20	1,274,386	30.57	1,217,209	38.0	
Fees and Costs	321,528	11.82	329,285	7.90	353,997	11.0	
Victim Fine Surcharge	70,064	2.58	96,014	2.30	81,869	3.3	
Prov. Victim Fine Surcharge	4,101	.16	4,321	.10	4,337	0	
Maintenance Compensation	144,842	5.33	305,179	7.32	104,305	3	
Civils (Third Party)	48,198	1.77	66,065	1.59	60,176	1.9	
Bail/Bonds Sureties	140,541	5.16	428,778	10.28	124,060	3.9	
Cross Court Payments	67,182	2.46	109,407	2.62	140,818	4.3	
Bank Interest	3,202	.12	785	.02	0	0	
HST	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Other (Third Party)*	36,167	1.33	21,232	.50	72,506	2.2	
TOTAL	2,719,793	100.00	4,169,381	100.00	3,208,715	100.00	

\*Note: Includes Judgment Enforcement Act Fees of \$10,455 for the F/Y 07/08, \$4,455 for F/Y 08/09 and \$10,050 for F/Y 09/10 under Other (Third Party).

# **Fines Imposed Summary**

	07/0	8	08/	09	09/10				
Distribution	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent			
CCC/PROV	1,364,818	39.81	1,380,946	47.31	1,588,954	50.8			
FED	1,369,269	39.94	936,292	32.07	1,067,238	34.1			
LCA	49,255	1.44	5,355	.18	12,035	.4			
VFS	160,871	4.69	203,689	6.98	180,688	5.8			
PVFS	9,806	.29	13,215	.45	11,310	.4			
TMS	466,733	13.61	378,410	12.96	261,575	8.4			
3RD PARTY	7,700	.22	1,300	.05	4,105	.1			
TOTAL	3,428,452	100.00	2,919,207	100.00	3,125,905	100.0			
CCC - Criminal Code Canada VFS - Victim Fine Surcharge									

PROV - Provincial Statutes FED - Federal Statutes PVFS -TMS - Prov. Victim Fine Surcharge Ticket Management System

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LCA - Liquor Control Act

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# **Operational Costs of Circuit Court**

<b>Court Centre</b>	Circuit	Total 07/08	Total 08/09	Total 09/10
Clarenville	Bonavista	1,543.48	1,316.53	1,330.49
	TOTAL CLARENVILLE	1,543.48	1,316.53	1,330.49
Corner Brook	Baie Verte	5,639.77	3,420.02	4,428.42
	Roddickton/St. Anthony	8,635.20	7.090.28	9,612.09
	Port aux Choix/Plum Point	6,973.48	9,774.83	11,956.64
	Rocky Harbour	4,722.33	4,581.08	5,250.78
	TOTAL CORNER BROOK	25,970.78	24,866.21	31,247.93
Happy Valley-	Judge/Clerk sent to help with Circuit Court	9.317.91	25,587.18	22,945.86
Goose Bay	Nain	34,809.71	34,241.81	34,726.21
	Makkovik/Postville/Rigolet/Hopedale	40,402.71	45,944.13	42,961.02
	Natuashish	17,817.21	38,798.81	24,510.95
	Sheshatshiu	0	2,771.41	8,827.48
	TOTAL HAPPY VALLEY-GOOSE BAY	102,347.54	147,343.34	133,971.52
Wabush*	Port Hope Simpson/Forteau	40,409.02	18,955.56	15,995.63
	Cartwright/L'Anse Au Clair	16,754.25	32,054.20	21,263.93
	TOTAL WABUSH	57,163.27	51,009.76	37,259.56
Grand Falls-Windsor	Bay D'Espoir/Hr. Breton/Conne River	8,547.73	6,669.84	5,887.54
	Springdale	14,895.41	14,764.77	17,135.40
	TOTAL GRAND FALLS-WINDSOR	23,443.14	21,434.61	23,022.94
Harbour Grace	Placentia	3,825.78	1,015.87	2,105.82
	TOTAL PLACENTIA	3,825.78	1,015.87	2,105.82
Stephenville	Port aux Basques	4,729.09	2,515.58	4,368.29
	Burgeo	958.59	381.64	844.16
	TOTAL STEPHENVILLE	5,687.68	2,897.22	5,212.45
	OVERALL TOTALS	219,981.67	249,883.54	234,150.71
* Wabush took over cit	rcuits of Port Hope Simpson, Cartwright and			

# Frequency of Circuit Court

<u>Clarenville</u>	Scheduled	Actual	Hr. Grace	Scheduled	Actual	Wabush	Scheduled	Actual
Bonavista	8	8	Placentia	12	12	P. H. Simpson	16	9
						Cartwright	13	9.5
Corner Brook			<u>Happy Vall</u>	<u>ey-Goose Bay</u>		Lanse Au Clair	9	3
Port aux Choix	23	21	Hopedale	32	25			
Plum Point	11.5	10.5	Nain	49	41	Grand Falls-Wi	ndsor	
Rocky Harbour	18	15	Makkovik	5	5	Harbour Breton	6	6
St. Anthony	30	18	Postville	8	8	Head Bay D'Espe	oir 8	8
Baie Verte*	17	10	Rigolet	5	5	Conne River	7	6
			Natuashish	59	52	Springdale	27	23
			Sheshatshiu	58	49			
						<u>Stephenville</u>		
						Port aux Basques	23	17
						Burgeo	5	3

Part 4 Management and Accountability

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

#### Roles and Responsibilities of Administrative Judges

The administration of the Provincial Court of Newfoundland and Labrador is divided among the Chief Judge (CJ), the Associate Chief Judge (ACJ) and the Senior Coordinating Judge (SCJ). They comprise the judicial administrative infrastructure of the Provincial Court province-wide. This includes not only the twenty-three judges of the Court, but the Court Clerks, Justices of the Peace and support staff working at the Provincial Court. The administrative judges, in conjunction with the Director of Court Services, make policy decisions on a short, medium and long-term basis and carry out planning and strategic planning functions to ensure the effective and efficient running of the entire court system.

Duties of the Chief Judge are set out in the Provincial Court Act. These involve having charge at all times of the general policy of the Court in judicial matters, the assignment of duties and request for exchange of duties among judges, the coordination and apportionment of the work of judges as well as the transfer of judges within the province. The Chief Judge is also empowered to make recommendations to the Minister respecting all matters affecting the general administration and operation of the Court. Examples of this include the conduct and implementation of policies involving specialized, therapeutic courts such as Family Violence Intervention Court and Mental Health Court. It is the responsibility of the Chief Judge to maintain and revise where necessary the rules of practice and procedure of the Provincial Court and to prepare Practice Notes and Memoranda to Judges and Counsel appearing at the Bar.

The regular administrative duties of the Chief Judge include: overseeing the scheduling of the sittings of the Court, the budgetary process and working in conjunction with the Director of Court Services who reports to the Chief Judge on judicial administrative matters and has supervisory responsibility for approximately one hundred court staff members. The Chief Judge liaises with agencies such as police and other investigative organizations, the Public Prosecution Service of the Province and of Canada, the Newfoundland and Labrador Legal Aid Commission, and the private bar either through the Law Society or the Canadian Bar Association, all for the purpose of maintaining and improving the delivery of justice services. He must also respond to media inquiries. The Chief Judge serves as the Court's contact with the Minister of the Department of Justice and senior executives of the Department of Justice as well as other agencies throughout the province and the country.

On the national scene, the Chief Judge, along with the Associate Chief, participates in the semi-annual meetings of the Canadian Council of Chief Judges (CCCJ), a national organization which is dedicated to the promotion of public confidence in the justice system and to ensuring the effective administration of Provincial and Territorial Courts in Canada by providing accessible, timely, independent and impartial justice for all. This organization's mandate is to develop and maintain relationships with the Federal Department of Justice, Provincial Departments of Justice, and national organizations such as the Canadian Bar Association and the Canadian Association of Provincial Court Judges in order to share information and perspectives and to present the approaches and opinions of the Provincial and Territorial Courts of Canada.

The CCCJ also works to develop an on-going, collaborative working relationship with the Canadian Judicial Council and the National Judicial Institute.

In addition to this, the Chief Judge has the primary responsibility for ensuring that there is continuing education for all judges especially those who are newly appointed and arranging for leave, replacement of judges in cases where a conflict of interest might arise and the judge is unable to hear a case that has normally been scheduled before him or her. The conduct of public inquiries is one of the responsibilities of the Court and must be coordinated through the Office of the Chief Judge. Regular travel throughout the province is required as well as the Administration of the Oath of Office to newly appointed judges and the supervision of all Justices of the Peace working at the Provincial Court.

The administrative judges are not only the representatives of the Court within the justice system but often act as a visible face of the Court when attending a variety of meetings and official functions. The Chief Judge organizes and sets the agenda for the Annual Conference of Judges and consults with the executive of the Provincial Court Judges Association on common issues.

The Chief Judge is also required to coordinate the delivery of justice services with the Chief Justices of the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador as well as the Chief Justice of Newfoundland (Court of Appeal). The administrative judges are involved in the various inter-jurisdictional initiatives with the goal of improving the delivery of justice services across Canada. Administrative judges have a sitting schedule similar to the puisne judges except that the sitting duties of the Chief Judge and the Associate Chief Judge may be reduced to accommodate these other responsibilities.

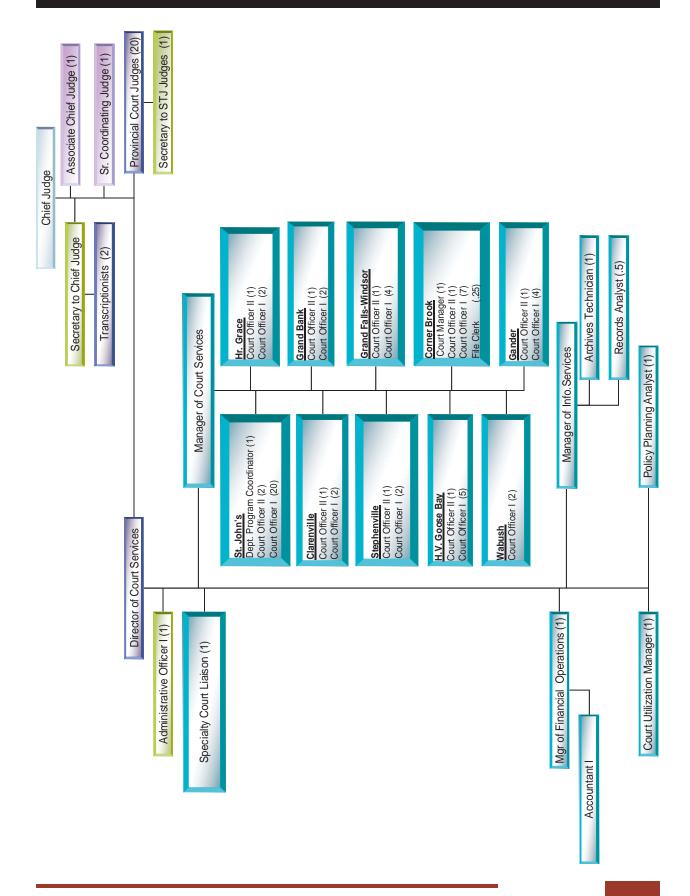
The Chief Judge may be also required to perform additional duties that may be prescribed by the Act or the Regulations and can be called upon to advise the Minister of Justice on matters concerning the administration of justice in the province. A recent example of this is the report which was produced by the Task Force on Criminal Justice Efficiencies. This task force was established by the Minister of Justice and was co-chaired by the Chief Judge of the Provincial Court. Arising from this report were a number of significant recommendations involving reducing the time between arrest and trial and an overhaul of the practices and procedures related to scheduling of trials and applications in the Provincial Court at St. John's. The implementation of this report is being carried out by the current Chief Judge and its effects are expected to be far reaching.

The Chief Judge also has responsibilities as Chair of the Judicial Council. The role as Chair of the Judicial Council is a new responsibility for the Chief Judge. The powers and responsibilities of the Judicial Council can be particularly important especially where they relate to the selection of candidates to be recommended for appointment to the Court. Recently this process has been completely revised and the Council has instituted elaborate guidelines for a broad-based consultative screening process to ensure that only excellent candidates are recommended to the Minister for appointment as Judges of the Court. A mechanism to ensure judicial transfers are made on an equitable basis has also been put in place. An initiative is underway to prepare and revise, in consultation with the Judges of the Court, a Code of Ethics.

The Associate Chief Judge performs the duties assigned to him or her by the Chief Judge. Where the Chief Judge is unable to perform his or her duties, the Associate Chief Judge performs them. The practice

of the current Chief Judge is to fully utilize the administrative capacity of the Associate Chief Judge to assist with all of the activities outlined above.

The Senior Coordinating Judge has the primary responsibility for the daily and immediate coordination of the sitting duties (assignment and reassignment of cases) for all judges on the Avalon Peninsula and must work closely with the Court Utilization Manager under the direction of the Chief Judge and Associate in this respect. The Senior Coordinating Judge is consulted on administrative and policy issues impacting the work of the court in the region. These responsibilities have been increasing as new initiatives are under-taken in St. John's.



# **Judicial Officers**



The Honourable D. Mark Pike

## Chief Judge

Called to the Bar: Appointed Associated Chief Judge: Appointed Chief Judge: April 9, 1984 November 17, 2008 September 25, 2009

# Associate Chief Judge

Called to the Bar: Appointed Judge: Appointed Associate Chief Judge: April 13, 1976 May 23, 1989 March 31, 2010

The Honourable Robert Hyslop



The Honourable Greg Brown

## Senior Coordinating Judge

Called to the Bar: Appointed Judge: Appointed Senior Coordinating Judge: April 12, 1978 February 28, 1992 April 1, 2010

# Judiciary

Judges	Date Appointed	Currently Assigned to
The Honourable Randolph Whiffen	1977 April 11	Grand Falls-Windsor
The Honourable Kymil Howe	1993 March 11	Corner Brook
The Honourable David Power	1993 March 11	St. John's
The Honourable David Orr	1994 August 25	St. John's
The Honourable Gloria Harding	1998 March 20	St. John's
The Honourable William English	2000 Nov. 9	Happy Valley-Goose Bay
The Honourable Wayne Gorman	2000 Nov. 9	Corner Brook
The Honourable Colin Flynn	2001 April 30	St. John's
The Honourable Patrick Kennedy	2001April 11	Clarenville
The Honourable Harold Porter	2001 Oct. 12	Grand Bank
The Honourable Timothy Chalker	2002 April 26	Grand Falls-Windsor
The Honourable Lynn Spracklin	2002 May 1	St. John's
The Honourable Catherine Allen-Westby	2002 Oct. 28	Corner Brook
The Honourable Wynn Anne Trahey	2007 June 8	Wabush
The Honourable Bruce Short	2003 Nov. 1	Gander
The Honourable John Joy	2006 Aug. 1	Happy Valley-Goose Bay
The Honourable Jacqueline Jenkins	2008 Sept. 24	Stephenville
The Honourable Jacqueline Brazil	2010 Feb. 3	Harbour Grace
The Honourable Michael Madden	2010 Feb. 3	Gander
The Honourable Lois Skanes	2010 Feb. 15	St. John's

#### **Senior Management**



Pamela Ryder Lahey Director of Court Services

## **Director of Court Services**

This is the senior non-judicial management position in the Provincial Court, and is accountable for planning, organizing, directing, and controlling the operations of the Provincial Court throughout the province of Newfoundland and Labrador. This position is appointed subject to Section 26(1) of the Provincial Court Act. This position provides leadership in strategic management, policy development, program development and evaluation, caseflow management, financial operations, human resource development and management, legislation, and the adaption of information technology. Generally, this position is advisor to the Chief Judge on all matters affecting the management and administration of the Court. Decisions taken by the position affect other justice agencies.



Shelley Organ Manager of Court Services

#### Manager of Court Services

This position is a responsible management position which is accountable for managing and directing the operations of the Provincial Court provincially, and for ensuring the efficient operation of all court centres. The Manager of Court Services provides leadership in the application of policy and procedures and will ensure that the directives of senior management are carried out by all front-line staff. A primary function of this position is human resource management including staffing and development, staff relations, and performance evaulations.



#### Manager of Strategic Planning

This position is primarily responsible for the development of policies and procedures regarding a wide range of court issues and is accountable for the development, management and ongoing monitoring of the Court's Strategic and Operational Plans.

Louise Daley Manager of Strategic Planning



Krista Hill Manager of Information Management

#### Manager of Information Management

This position is accountable for planning, recommending, implementing, and managing the internal information resources of the Provincial Court. This responsibility includes the provision of province-wide quality Information Management services, and managing the progression and ongoing advancement of the Court's records management into an IM environment. The latter is achieved by introduction of new initiatives, management processes, appropriate policies and procedures and, in consultation, with the Court's Information Technology Committee, appropriate technology solutions.

#### MANAGEMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

#### An Overview

In 09/10, the Provincial Court continued its focus on strategic and operational human resources. This included recruitment and retention, workforce planning and development, performance management, workplace relations, and occupational health and safety.

Employee turnover settled down somewhat from 08/09. Consequently, there were less job competitions. Two, new management positions were approved and recruited, and some employees availed of maternity and education leaves, which resulted in staffing action.

#### Workforce Planning

In the last number of years several supervisory and specialized positions were vacant due to retirements. Nearly all of these positions were filled by external candidates as there was limited qualified internal staff to fill these positions. As a result, towards the end of 2009, Court Services stepped up its efforts in work-force planning and began working on the development of a comprehensive Succession Plan. Despite the high retirement rate in key positions over the past few years, another 25 percent of the existing staff will become eligible for retirement within the next five years.

In January a Co-op student from Memorial University's Commerce Program was hired to research and assist in the initial stages of the Succession Plan. This involved conducting an informal environment scan, an analysis of the current and future workforce, an analysis of the gap between the supply and demand, and a focus group of junior and senior court employees. In addition, linchpin positions were identified and competencies were developed for these positions. By the end of March a draft plan had been prepared. This plan will be rolled out across the Province by the end of fiscal year 10/11.

#### **Retention Strategies**

The Court continued to focus on recruitment and retention strategies such as participating in job fairs and visiting post-secondary institutions highlighting what the Provincial Court had to offer.

In addition, committees such as a province-wide New Employee Orientation (NEO) Committee and local Respectful Workplace (RWP) Committees continue to promote an informative and respectful workplace. Once the the NEO Manual had been updated, the NEO Committee moved to the next stage of their mandate and began working on a formal NEO training program to be provided to all new employees.

Furthermore, initiatives such as Performance Coaching and continued promotion of training and development opportunities play a role in the Court's retention strategy.

#### Balancing Work and Personal Life

The Provincial Court recognizes the need to balance its operational needs with the personal lives of its employees. Where possible, its employment arrangements offer staff flexible working arrangements including flextime, compressed time, job sharing, time off in lieu, overtime and un-paid education leave.

Court Services has also worked closely with Respectful Workplace (RWP) and Employee Assistance Program (EAP) Coordinators to provide emotional and other assistance to employees as needed. During the fiscal year several EAP and RWP workshops were presented to Provincial Court staff. These included topics such as Compassionate Fatigue, RWP and EAP Overviews, Stress Management, and Dealing with Workplace Conflict. Supervisory staff also attended a Conflict Management for Managers Seminar.

#### A Safe and Healthy Workplace

The Provincial Court provides a family-friendly and non-discriminatory work environment and follows Government's policies on harassment and bullying. Occupational Health and Safety (OH & S) Committees continue to meet regularly and address OH & S issues at local and provincial levels. Other healthy work environment strategies include working closely with EAP and RWP.

#### Workforce Turnover

During 09/10 seven employees left the Provincial Court resulting in an annual turnover rate of 9.3 % (down from 15% the previous year). Of those, four were long-term employees (more than 10 years). These were as a result of retirements and promotions.

#### **Staffing Profile**

As of March 31, 2010, the Provincial Court had a workforce of 75 employees. Sixty-eight were bargaining unit employees covered by the General Service Collective Agreement. Seven were non-bargaining, five of which were managers, and two of these were new management positions. In addition, one Co-op student, six summer students and one summer placement were hired temporarily.

#### **Performance Management**

All new hires are subject to a probationary period where supervisors provide job performance expectations at the beginning of their employment and monitor the employee's progress to determine whether or not the new hire meets job expectations. This is the beginning of performance management. In addition to informal coaching and mentoring, Provincial Court employees have an Annual Performance Coaching session with their immediate supervisor to discuss their strengths and weakness, areas that need improvement, and short and long-term career goals. A combination of organizational and personal performance goals for the following 12 months are then decided on. A report is prepared and signed by both the supervisor and employee. Follow-up progress sessions are then scheduled at least once during this period and informal occasions are used to check progress as well. By March 31, 2010, a total of 55 employees took part in performance coaching resulting in approximately 220 goals being set.

#### Learning and Development

During the 09/10 fiscal year, five Provincial Court employees attended the College of the North Atlantic or Memorial University part-time by distance or in-person. Three of these employees received tuition reimbursement through the Centre for Learning and Development, Public Service Secretariat. In addition, two managers also attended Leadership and Management Development training at Memorial University's Gardiner Centre.

Ten employees registered learning plans with Court Services and the Centre for Learning and Development, and 30 employees took advantage of training offered by the Centre. In 2010 it will be mandatory for all Provincial Court employees to register Learning Plans with the Centre for Learning and Development and some training will also be mandatory.

The Certificate in Court Administration Program continued into 09/10 and two sessions were delivered in October 2010. Approximately 30 employees took part in these sessions.

Cross-training is an integral part of employee development. All Court Officer I's are expected to know and perform duties necessary for the Court to provide quality service in all of its divisions. Cross-training is an ongoing process and is most effective when court officers switch or rotate duties periodically to stay up-todate with changes and remain efficient in the court officer role. In the past year, eight of the ten centres provided cross training opportunities for employees. This will increase to all ten centres in 10/11.

Monthly training and refresher sessions on operational topics and information systems were also offered (via video conference) to all Court Centres in 09/10. These sessions were primarily developed to promote consistency across the Province, but have proven to be very beneficial to both junior and senior court employees. The training received overwhelmingly positive feedback and will continue.

#### Performance Reporting and Review

Guidance for the staff is contained in the following documents, which are available to all staff either through the Court's webpage, government's intranet or hard-copy manuals:

- Administration policies and procedural documents including guidelines, procedures and manuals
- Policy and Procedures Manual
- Business Continuity Plan
- Court Reporters' Manual
- Customer Service Best Practices
- New Employee Orientation Manual
- IPCIS Manual
- E-filing Manual
- CCMS Manual
- FCMS Manual

The Court's geographically dispersed staff and judiciary are informed of significant changes and events through the following:

- Chief Judge's E-Message
- Director of Court Services E-Messages
- Manager of Court Services E-Messages
- Policy and Procedure Instructions

### **Judicial Committees**

Administrative Judges' Committee Small Claims Rules Committee Family Rules Committee Canadian Council of Chief Judges (CCCJ) Various Canadian Association of Provincial Court Judges Committees (CAPCJ)

#### Senior Management Committees

Strategic Planning Committee Association of Canadian Court Administrators (ACCA) Publications and Communications Committee ACCA Research Committee ACCA Education Committee

## **Corporate and Operational Planning**

Business Continuity Committee E-Filing Committee Court Reporters' Manual Committee Small Claims & Traffic Manual Committee New Employee Orientation Committee Corner Brook Courthouse Planning Committee Customer Services Best Practices Committee Respectful Workplace Committee Occupational Health and Safety Committee

# APPENDICES

PROVINCIAL COURT OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR ANNUAL REPORT 2009-2010

Court	Fiscal Year	Adult	Youth	Civil New	Civil Follow-up	Family* New	Family Concluded	TOTAL	SOTs Procs'd	SOTs Trials
Clarenville	2000-01	826	88	297	340	127	0	1338	1759	N/A
	2001-02	672	119	266	437	84	0	1141	2016	N/A
	2002-03	557	73	241	387	92	0	963	3609	N/A
	2003-04	747	99	182	451	45	30	1073	2107	47
	2004-05	962	115	187	389	62	8	1326	1418	96
	2005-06	935	73	67	214	62	15	1137	1815	-
	2006-07	783	105	84	122	32	7	1004	1867	26
	2007-08	944	119	113	196	42	4	1218	1991	23
	2008-09	770	163	44	105	44	37	1021	2030	
	2009-10	714	60	78	124	50	38	902	2252	29

	Fiscal			Civil	Civil	Family*	Family		SOTs	SOTs
Court	Year	Adult	Youth	New	Follow-up	New	Concluded	TOTAL	Procs'd	Trials
Corner	2000-01	2138	437	488	735	1490	0	4553	8615	N/A
Brook	2001-02	1941	479	358	1296	1421	0	4199	8615	N/A
	2002-03	1780	520	290	936	1237	0	3827	9228	N/A
	2003-04	2213	446	361	1215	538	517	3558	6856	164
	2004-05	2271	452	176	860	358	460	3257	7164	183
	2005-06	2533	505	150	534	539	709	3727	8165	209
	2006-07	2239	553	118	617	388	543	3298	6975	161
	2007-08	2347	428	169	619	163	310	3107	6652	156
	2008-09	2654	353	174	520	188	216	3369	8917	133
	2009-10	2405	510	176	663	236	499	3327	8823	133

	Fiscal			Civil	Civil	Family*	Family		SOTs	SOTs
Court	Year	Adult	Youth	New	Follow-up	New	Concluded	TOTAL	Procs'd	Trials
Gander	2000-01	1119	185	252	574	226	0	1782	2859	N/A
	2001-02	1022	297	218	851	238	0	1775	2904	N/A
	2002-03	1160	314	197	824	381	0	2052	2888	N/A
	2003-04	1053	337	235	879	218	149	1843	2991	38
	2004-05	973	231	104	393	202	120	1510	2513	43
	2005-06	1172	218	81	226	138	161	1609	3319	208
	2006-07	1102	185	78	280	162	125	1527	3441	87
	2007-08	1180	154	53	329	137	91	1524	3538	131
	2008-09	1260	126	69	283	153	130	1608	4569	143
	2009-10	1314	160	92	255	163	153	1729	4033	90

	Fiscal			Civil	Civil	Family*	Family		SOTs	SOTs
Court	Year	Adult	Youth	New	Follow-up	New	Concluded	TOTAL	Procs'd	Trials
Grand	2000-01	680	155	75	173	111	0	1021	753	N/A
Bank	2001-02	657	232	83	232	126	0	1098	618	N/A
	2002-03	979	235	111	289	129	0	1454	875	N/A
	2003-04	869	137	88	197	57	72	1151	787	5
	2004-05	1023	164	45	167	84	38	1316	767	6
	2005-06	839	204	52	115	82	24	1177	1524	
	2006-07	767	93	54	262	65	55	979	1176	207
	2007-08	970	123	44	295	48	22	1185	1195	11
	2008-09	789	139	57	158	51	39	1036	1426	_
	2009-10	821	150	44	130	40	58	1055	1819	18

Court	Fiscal Year	Adult	Youth	Civil New	Civil Follow-up	Family* New	Family Concluded	TOTAL	SOTs Procs'd	SOTs Trials
Grand	2000-01	745	266	0	184	366	0	1377	4187	N/A
Falls-	2001-02	1108	573	7	92	359	0		3987	N/A
Windsor	2002-03	1011	467	0	73	357	0	1835	3145	N/A
	2003-04	1096	254	29	59	169	51		3361	81
	2004-05		_	147	492				3721	76
	2005-06		247	218			182		3331	68
	2006-07	992	207	96	358	218	166	1513	2672	79
	2007-08	1125	132	69	312	168	123	1494	3343	71
	2008-09	1121	245	88	356	220	164	1674	3295	74
	2009-10	1413	196	103	317	239	239	1951	3397	59

Court	Fiscal Year	Adult	Youth	Civil New	Civil Follow-up	Family* New	Family Concluded	TOTAL	SOTs Procs'd	SOTs Trials
Harbour	2000-01	814	164	193	233	129	0	1300	1927	N/A
Grace	2001-02	680	196	203	277	115	0	1194	1970	N/A
	2002-03			213			•	1369	892	N/A
	2003-04			187			43		672	22
	2004-05			92					791	33
	2005-06		-	72	176				713	
	2006-07	787	182	52	125	94	77	1115	953	32
	2007-08	763	194	68	131	70	49		2367	28
	2008-09	958	102	82	146	103	74	1245	2622	64
	2009-10	1161	116	102	196	111	92	1490	2248	53

	Fiscal			Civil	Civil	Family*	Family		SOTs	SOTs
Court	Year	Adult	Youth	New	Follow-up	New	Concluded	TOTAL	Procs'd	Trials
H.Valley-	2000-01	1512	451	107	180	214	0	2284	1239	N/A
Goose	2001-02	1954	368	305	143	316	0	2943	669	N/A
Bay	2002-03	1811	529	150	312	286	0	2776	706	
	2003-04	1999	350	79	188	100	69	2528	739	0
	2004-05	2110	476	62	145	237	112	2885	435	5
	2005-06	1863	352	49	135	206	71	2470	625	15
	2006-07	2311	473	43	150	298	191	3125	892	15
	2007-08	2634	449	50	130	232	126	3365	1142	4
	2008-09	2460	569	32	89	197	139	3258	1540	
	2009-10	2344	379	34	105	306	127	3063	1318	8

	Fiscal			Civil	Civil	Family*	Family		SOTs	SOTs
Court	Year	Adult	Youth	New	Follow-up	New	Concluded	TOTAL	Procs'd	Trials
Placentia**	2000-01	790	202	45	58	77	0	1114	852	N/A
	2001-02	614	234	33	91	59	0	940	752	N/A
	2002-03	532	210	31	63	48	0	821	467	N/A
	2003-04	526	200	52	114	9	26	787	449	18
	2004-05	511	88	22	36	16	9	637	553	10
	2005-06	275	82	6	52	13	13	376	228	6
	2006-07	238	19	5	12	15	16	277	371	14
	2007-08	132	36	8	13	10	8	186	345	0
	2008-09	120	31	6	17	14	8	171	250	9
	2009-10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Court	Fiscal Year	Adult	Youth	Civil New	Civil Follow-up	Family* New	Family Concluded	TOTAL	SOTs Procs'd	SOTs Trials
Springdale**	2000-01	315	28	690	1640	148	0	1181	1361	N/A
	2001-02	342	79	656	1992	215	0	1292	1147	N/A
	2002-03	203	92	581	2172	178	0	1054	768	N/A
	2003-04	300	94	685	2264	32	42	1111	590	54
	2004-05	68	5	83	255	18	12	174	285	0
	2005-06	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2006-07	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2007-08	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2008-09	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2009-10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

\*\*NOTE: As of August 2004, Springdale Court became a Circuit Court. of Grand Falls-Windsor Prov. Court and as of January 2009, Placentia Court became a Circuit Court of Harbour Grace

	Fiscal			Civil	Civil	Family*	Family		SOTs	SOTs
Court	Year	Adult	Youth		Follow-up	New	Concluded	TOTAL	Procs'd	Trials
Stephenville	2000-01	1620	356	249	625	198	0	2423	2120	N/A
-	2000-01	1478	298	185	621	170	0	2123	2219	N/A
	2001-02		258	103	381	134	0	1737	2373	N/A
	2003-04		239	140	437	84	71	1658	1739	34
	2004-05		172	73	265	50	23	1605	1593	35
	2005-06	1643	244	43	198	88	11	2018	1681	26
	2006-07	1265	370	45	217	35	13	1715	1641	31
	2007-08	1575	303	47	188	267	194	2192	2096	35
	2008-09		149	44	175	122	118	1600	3430	65
	2009-10	1697	176	31	125	118	182	2022	4354	64
	Fiscal			Civil	Civil	Family*	Family		SOTs	SOTs
Court	Year	Adult	Youth		Follow-up	New	Concluded	TOTAL	Procs'd	Trials
St. John's	2000-01	7885	1869	1927	3050	0	0	11681	103479	N/A
	2001-02	8532	2254	1605	4403	0	0	12391	133726	N/A
	2002-03		2427	1741	4904	0	0	12446	142722	N/A
	2003-04		2496	1545	4616		0	13360	131783	1021
	2004-05		1833	865	3003		0	12165	120316	792
	2005-06		1487	728	2301	0	0		130136	814
	2006-07	9089	1603	659	3053		0	11351	113331	624
	2007-08		1687	687	2764	4	1	11780	112656	417
	2008-09		1704	674	2846		0	13071 14018	120682 126687	410 466
	2009-10	12057	1356	605	2139	0	0	14018	120007	-00
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