

2006-2007 Court of the Judiciary Case Load Report

**COMPLAINTS FILED 330
THROUGH 07-31-2007**

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| Complaints filed | 330 | |
| Summary Dismissals & Dismissals after PI | 275 | 83% |
| Dismissed by Panel after Appeal | 22 | 7% |
| Total Summary Dismissals | 297 | 90% |

**AVERAGE COMPLAINTS PER
MONTH**

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NATURE OF COMPLAINTS

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|--------------------------------|------------|-----|
| Failure to comply with the Law | 123 | 37% |
| Bias, prejudice, unfairness | 78 | 24% |
| Discourtesy | 17 | 5% |
| Abuse of Office | 47 | 14% |
| Conflict of interest | 13 | 4% |
| Delay | 38 | 12% |
| <i>Ex parte</i> communication | 6 | 2% |
| Disability | 0 | 0% |
| Political violation | 4 | 1% |
| Miscellaneous | 4 | 1% |
| TOTAL | 330 | |

DISPOSITIONS 331 THROUGH 07/31/2007

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| Dismissal by Disciplinary Counsel | 240 | 73% |
| Dismissal after preliminary investigation | 35 | 11% |
| Dismissal with warning after preliminary investigation | 12 | 4% |
| Dismissal after appeal of summary dismissal | 22 | 7% |
| Dismissal after full investigation | 0 | 0% |
| Dismissal with warning after full investigation | 1 | 0% |
| Deferred Discipline Agreement | 2 | 1% |
| Private Letter Reprimand | 10 | 3% |
| Private Censure | 0 | 0% |
| Public Reprimand | 2 | 1% |
| Public Censure | 1 | 0% |
| Other | 7 | 2% |

TOTAL

PENDING CASES AS OF 07/31/2007

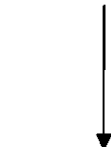
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ACCUSED JUDGE

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|---|------------|-----|
| Criminal (80.33%) were filed by inmates (98) | 121 | 37% |
| Circuit | 56 | 17% |
| Chancery | 27 | 8% |
| General Sessions | 57 | 17% |
| Juvenile | 13 | 4% |
| Municipal | 8 | 2% |
| Referee | 6 | 2% |
| Commissioner | 3 | 1% |
| Probate | 2 | 1% |
| Appellate | 18 | 5% |
| Special Judge | 10 | 3% |
| Other | 9 | 3% |
| TOTAL | 330 | |

Complaint Flow Chart

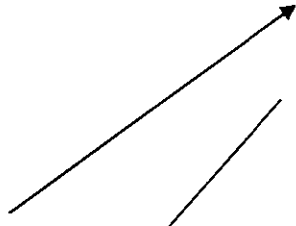
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D.C.
Review



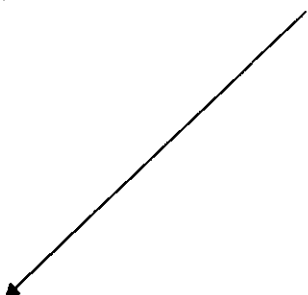
Complaint
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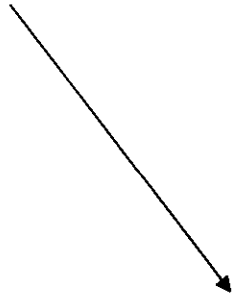
D.C. Preliminary Investigation



Recommendation to
Investigative Panel



Direct D.C. to
take different
action



Authorize a Full
Investigation

Full Investigation



Report to Investigate
Panel who Decides to:

Dismiss

Approve D.C.
Recommendation of
Settlement

Modify D.C.
Recommendation to
Settle

Authorize Formal
Charges and Trial

Application of the Code of Judicial Conduct

- A. Judges and Judicial candidates are subject to the code
- B. The standard for review of a complaint is that the complaint must “allege specific facts, not conclusions, which would cause a reasonable person to believe that there is a substantial probability. . .of violation”