

**PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL REPORT STATISTICS
FISCAL YEAR ENDING 2006**

DIVISIONS:	BARN	BERK	BRIS	DUKES	ESSE	FRAN	HAMD	HAMP	MIDD	NANT	NORF	PLYM	SUFF	WORC	TOTALS
PART I: TOTAL ORIGINAL ENTRIES															
All Complaints, Petitions, and Accounts Filed	7,347	4,010	13,134	466	18,118	2,240	16,865	3,134	25,653	322	13,955	12,812	16,001	20,539	154,596
PART II: PROBATE															
1. Administrations & Probate of Will															
Filed	1,439	665	1,553	132	2,229	319	1,627	530	4,671	57	2,468	1,598	1,819	2,609	21,716
Decrees	1,455	651	1,457	123	2,225	305	1,554	519	4,314	56	2,430	1,599	1,681	2,636	21,005
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	187	91	201	20	322	50	256	83	473	4	433	240	240	204	2,804
2. Trusteeships															
Filed	31	9	29	10	40	3	12	10	142	2	53	22	31	32	426
Decrees	38	11	29	6	37	4	12	20	117	5	53	28	10	35	405
3. Gdnshps of Minor															
Filed	176	74	525	7	488	65	857	79	511	5	333	332	661	634	4,747
Temp. Appointments	183	57	709	3	467	72	358	70	343	3	287	454	707	486	4,199
Decrees	163	74	373	8	415	91	740	63	301	4	261	233	457	368	3,551
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	155	60	399	4	401	56	778	56	373	1	265	269	535	523	3,875
4. Gdnshps of Mentally Ill															
Filed	121	80	279	5	248	50	290	52	602	6	320	216	405	444	3,118
Temp. Appointments	115	12	334	3	180	43	142	37	317	1	170	111	247	179	1,891
Dispositions	111	57	288	7	231	42	241	47	525	9	306	208	429	689	3,190
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	6	1	21	1	26	4	20	3	27	3	33	23	27	12	207
5. Gdnshps of Mentally Retarded															
Filed	24	17	99	0	90	10	48	24	247	1	106	71	119	140	996
Temp. Appointments	14	2	61	0	19	2	1	3	15	0	7	31	34	21	210
Decrees	46	15	100	0	95	14	84	25	260	1	123	77	133	192	1,165
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	6	0	23	0	22	1	14	3	22	0	15	13	4	14	137
6. Gdnshps of Incapacitated															
Filed	26	7	24	0	41	3	36	8	70	0	59	44	87	77	482
Temp. Appointments	23	2	31	0	35	4	15	5	39	0	24	38	61	52	329
Decrees	20	10	24	0	24	2	30	9	46	0	43	29	54	59	350
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	3	0	3	0	8	1	11	2	10	0	11	9	14	12	84
7. Gdnshps of Minor Entertainer															
Filed	4	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	3	0	0	0	14	0	24
Decrees	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	0	16
Number of filings where	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5

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Petitioner was pro se															
8. Proxy Guardianships															
Filed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	7	0	8
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9. Conservatorships															
Filed	7	5	7	1	12	2	9	7	18	0	15	7	15	7	112
Disposed	6	9	7	1	12	1	10	2	18	0	10	6	12	9	103
10. Accounts and Distributions															
Filed	1,109	390	1,111	50	1,913	251	1,359	334	3,334	41	2,001	1,038	1,406	1,396	15,733
Decreases	674	186	354	16	539	104	561	149	1,658	34	900	465	427	598	6,665
11. Real Estate Sales															
Filed	84	51	159	9	200	19	141	44	338	2	204	156	186	203	1,796
Decreases	78	35	134	5	188	17	100	36	322	1	166	134	129	177	1,522
12. All Other Probate Filed (Petitions)	188	33	262	24	366	38	293	25	512	4	282	320	353	350	3,050
PART III: EQUITY															
1. Complaints															
Paternity Equity	5	0	3	0	1	1	60	0	8	0	0	4	5	4	91
Other Equity Complaints	56	12	72	8	90	18	23	23	193	3	135	66	124	119	942
Judgments	59	17	47	7	55	13	16	25	136	6	103	67	85	72	708
2. Petitions to Partition															
Filed	43	12	19	8	28	8	14	0	44	2	21	25	17	41	282
Decreases	14	0	7	1	8	0	3	2	2	0	4	4	8	14	67
PART IV: CHANGE OF NAME															
1. Petitions for Change of Name															
Filed	103	64	148	13	318	59	192	78	683	10	284	174	364	366	2,856
Decreases	90	56	123	13	284	45	177	73	710	9	257	162	315	331	2,645
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	94	54	127	10	275	40	169	70	604	10	257	158	309	296	2,473

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PART V:															
ADOPTION															
1. Adoption Petitions															
Filed	75	41	132	2	179	35	96	53	247	0	164	129	112	239	1,504
Decreases	75	46	105	3	149	35	85	48	360	0	146	116	92	203	1,463
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	45	16	53	0	70	16	46	14	67	0	65	48	35	115	590
2. Petitions to Dispense with Parental Consent (c. 210, s. 3)															
Filed	1	0	15	0	7	0	6	1	18	0	4	1	22	4	79
Decreases	3	0	12	0	10	1	4	1	32	0	5	0	23	10	101
3. Care and Protection Petitions (c. 119, s. 23C)															
Filed	11	2	23	0	16	1	8	2	19	0	9	13	61	32	197
Decreases	3	1	8	0	0	0	4	0	5	0	0	1	26	19	67
Voluntary Placement (c. 119, s. 23A)															
Filed	2	1	9	0	7	0	0	1	4	0	5	2	5	6	42
Decreases	2	0	2	0	6	0	0	0	3	0	4	2	0	1	20
PART VI:															
Never Married Parents															
1. Paternity Complaints															
Filed	429	474	2,294	23	2,754	192	3,041	243	2,553	15	804	1,448	2,957	2,283	19,510
Judgments	394	459	1,227	15	1,970	371	3,878	597	2,415	14	747	1,170	2,957	2,376	18,590
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	111	254	1,292	2	887	172	739	203	24	3	311	603	658	729	5,988
2. Complaints for Contempt															
Filed	275	268	642	6	1,268	115	974	123	1,098	4	685	835	1,062	1,266	8,621
Judgments	28	201	118	4	350	139	121	134	259	2	535	250	260	567	2,968
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	n/a	54	546	4	532	n/a	569	81	370	n/a	n/a	601	743	n/a	3,500
3. Complaints for Modification															
Filed	468	347	680	6	1,209	186	2,675	248	1,120	8	753	952	1,702	1,959	12,313
Judgments	191	213	318	5	383	146	1,187	139	490	4	429	371	727	896	5,499
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	n/a	72	306	4	467	n/a	1,685	150	322	n/a	n/a	646	1,021	n/a	4,673

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PART VII:															
DOMESTIC RELATIONS															
1. Divorce															
Original Entries Filed (includes 1A and 1B)	774	523	1,829	79	2,266	325	1,604	448	4,188	63	1,735	1,639	2,049	2,962	20,484
Judgments Nisi	753	495	1,687	80	2,180	320	1,536	467	3,847	52	1,699	1,621	1,861	2,798	19,396
Findings Under 1A	378	223	699	44	946	152	581	187	1,919	36	785	673	725	1,211	8,559
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	365	253	773	29	1,054	175	882	189	2,068	35	743	806	538	1,008	8,918
Cases with minor children	326	226	975	25	1,127	134	773	224	2,028	23	913	869	770	1,529	9,942
2. Separate Support/ Civil Support															
Filed	47	38	165	1	295	13	199	28	238	1	101	151	151	243	1,671
Judgments	36	34	133	2	161	25	224	37	119	0	83	106	125	194	1,279
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	16	12	84	0	83	9	59	27	66	1	47	79	19	59	561
3. Complaints for Contempt															
Filed	608	335	1,158	53	1,842	182	837	286	2,253	27	1,615	1,434	863	2,029	13,522
Judgments	148	218	290	23	584	124	105	175	843	6	971	474	250	956	5,167
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	n/a	60	753	30	515	n/a	365	174	730	n/a	n/a	702	604	n/a	3,933
4. Complaints for Modification															
Filed	682	405	1,153	24	1,587	228	1,268	359	2,027	19	1,384	1,290	941	1,990	13,357
Judgments	426	236	677	23	842	198	565	239	1,226	11	857	680	433	1,185	7,598
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	n/a	59	749	15	733	n/a	437	210	721	n/a	n/a	775	658	n/a	4,357
5. Complaint for Protection from Abuse (c. 209A)															
Filed Plaintiff was pro se	410	107	581	1	321	80	983	90	210	0	325	697	312	736	4,853
6. Petitions for Marriage without Delay															
Filed	81	13	60	3	47	5	27	10	50	50	24	57	79	183	689
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	69	5	22	3	45	3	26	10	45	50	24	54	75	183	614
7. Petitions for Marriage of Minors															
Filed	7	0	4	0	17	1	14	1	7	0	2	3	10	17	83
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	5	0	2	0	15	0	13	1	7	0	2	3	10	17	75
8. All other Domestic Relations Complaints															
Filed	61	37	99	1	239	30	171	26	244	2	64	88	62	168	1,292
Judgments	31	40	67	2	130	12	152	26	135	1	49	38	41	84	808