

PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT STATISTICS FISCAL YEAR ENDING 2007

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	7,177	4,113	12,914	486	18,319	2,184	17,255	3,446	26,672	290	13,697	13,006	15,892	21,730	157,181
PART II: PROBATE															
1. Administrations & Probate of Will															
Filed	1,432	734	1,547	139	2,355	274	1,635	529	4,679	48	2,469	1,613	1,654	2,428	21,536
Decreases	1,439	688	1,581	132	2,428	278	1,658	501	4,520	49	2,389	1,594	1,598	2,317	21,172
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	168	85	246	24	328	61	255	82	532	5	428	209	358	254	3,035
2. Trusteeships															
Filed	48	14	28	3	19	4	13	15	140	2	38	32	16	33	405
Decreases	52	15	28	8	30	3	13	2	123	2	42	35	13	26	392
3. Gdnshps of Minor															
Filed	138	72	504	14	468	74	870	78	477	3	367	379	707	652	4,803
Temp. Appointments	203	69	819	11	493	67	396	66	334	11	323	563	761	500	4,616
Decreases	160	72	438	11	419	96	727	74	378	2	316	264	452	501	3,910
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	112	61	392	7	395	65	792	61	325	1	300	311	569	282	3,673
4. Gdnshps of Mentally Ill															
Filed	113	74	287	4	246	52	286	63	574	2	307	221	371	429	3,029
Temp. Appointments	126	21	272	9	205	52	170	71	353	0	156	153	183	200	1,971
Dispositions	136	73	289	4	217	61	248	52	550	4	316	198	420	578	3,146
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	6	3	28	1	26	6	23	5	15	0	27	27	41	10	218
5. Gdnshps of Mentally Retarded															
Filed	21	24	86	0	119	6	58	27	242	1	112	64	98	124	982
Temp. Appointments	8	1	92	0	40	6	8	7	13	0	11	58	28	17	289
Decreases	28	19	109	0	126	6	60	23	238	0	129	73	111	150	1,072
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	7	4	18	0	30	3	19	1	31	0	7	12	10	10	152
6. Gdnshps of Incapacitated															
Filed	19	18	25	0	46	9	39	9	75	0	57	37	116	92	542
Temp. Appointments	19	8	33	0	42	12	25	10	48	0	39	28	76	62	402
Decreases	17	10	19	0	33	7	24	8	51	0	33	25	67	57	351
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	7	4	5	0	13	5	12	1	11	0	15	8	34	9	124
7. Gdnshps of Minor Entertainer															

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Filed	2	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	2	16	0	25
Decreases	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	21
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	21
8. Proxy Guardianships															
Filed	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	2	0	0	1	3	1	12
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	3	6	1	11	3	12	6	32	0	20	14	15	6	136
Disposed	6	5	5	1	13	2	8	3	26	0	13	9	13	5	109
10. Accounts and Distributions															
Filed	1,001	341	1,053	76	1,868	259	1,444	334	2,941	37	1,625	956	1,401	1,646	14,982
Decreases	552	140	370	25	604	110	606	149	1,695	16	859	444	385	553	6,508
11. Real Estate Sales															
Filed	72	29	116	9	186	16	160	39	345	2	192	118	161	196	1,641
Decreases	71	23	93	3	155	16	122	33	314	1	155	103	118	144	1,351
12. All Other Probate															
Filed (Petitions)	211	50	286	17	339	39	344	45	537	4	252	307	420	309	3,160
PART III:															
EQUITY															
1. Complaints															
Paternity Equity	1	3	0	0	0	0	52	0	11	0	0	3	1	1	72
Other Equity Complaints	61	13	57	6	90	11	33	16	176	2	122	61	130	98	876
Judgments	69	14	57	8	132	15	25	24	214	2	159	89	86	92	986
2. Petitions to Partition															
Filed	24	6	18	2	21	2	17	7	25	3	12	29	21	33	220
Decreases	4	1	14	7	4	0	5	2	18	0	2	5	1	24	87
PART IV:															
CHANGE OF NAME															
1. Petitions for Change of Name															
Filed	124	79	190	19	308	66	182	102	746	10	363	157	427	353	3,126
Decreases	117	71	167	16	280	65	190	98	719	12	343	147	385	320	2,930
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	108	58	178	10	261	46	164	96	631	7	335	141	353	282	2,670

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PART V:															
ADOPTION															
1. Adoption Petitions															
Filed	53	37	98	6	235	27	106	73	349	2	175	104	134	211	1,610
Decreases	57	26	112	4	156	30	86	77	388	2	173	109	112	195	1,527
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	39	11	40	2	79	10	44	23	83	1	62	44	36	1	475
2. Petitions to Dispense with Parental Consent (c. 210, s. 3)															
Filed	1	1	5	0	22	0	6	1	48	0	3	7	13	9	116
Decreases	1	0	15	0	8	0	7	0	43	0	2	6	16	3	101
3. Care and Protection Petitions (c. 119, s. 23C)															
Filed	11	0	20	1	29	0	4	0	10	0	17	14	44	33	183
Decreases	2	0	10	0	4	0	5	0	2	0	1	3	28	10	65
Voluntary Placement (c. 119, s. 23A)															
Filed	3	1	10	0	10	0	2	0	7	0	8	1	13	28	83
Decreases	3	0	7	0	9	0	1	0	5	0	7	1	10	26	69
PART VI:															
Never Married Parents															
1. Paternity Complaints															
Filed	447	532	2,052	28	2,696	219	2,834	339	2,653	17	737	1,435	3,472	2,686	20,147
Judgments	476	623	1,738	39	2,382	313	4,085	697	3,005	7	902	1,157	3,538	3,732	22,694
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	207	364	1,146	3	967	195	702	297	500	4	344	702	1,207	773	7,411
2. Complaints for Contempt															
Filed	277	272	692	12	1,156	89	1,007	150	1,171	6	677	880	845	1,379	8,613
Judgments	43	285	167	7	407	191	225	148	205	2	581	280	178	729	3,448
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	119	64	693	7	502		608	132			561	620	676		3,982
3. Complaints for Modification															
Filed	406	367	775	9	1,286	218	2,980	265	1,352	10	840	1,046	1,511	2,387	13,452
Judgments	212	236	376	5	525	177	1,439	161	669	5	493	375	959	1,131	6,763
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	132	77	349	5	507		1,721	231			604	753	1,284		5,663

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PART VII:															
DOMESTIC RELATIONS															
1. Divorce															
Original Entries Filed (includes 1A and 1B)	828	451	1,878	65	2,434	297	1,685	502	4,401	50	1,725	1,729	2,133	2,968	21,146
Judgments Nisi	727	455	1,739	69	2,400	292	1,398	489	4,102	56	1,808	1,505	1,916	2,969	19,925
Findings Under 1A	399	229	765	39	1,100	133	565	227	2,244	31	833	676	812	1,279	9,332
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	423	248	805	23	1,256	157	970	223	2,241	21	865	884	1,239	1,146	10,501
Cases with minor children	362	197	1,022	19	1,125	158	814	255	1,972	28	881	918	721	1,523	9,995
2. Separate Support/ Civil Support															
Filed	40	65	141	1	316	14	186	26	236	0	93	152	214	248	1,732
Judgments	41	39	175	0	240	22	192	40	176	0	117	119	150	308	1,619
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	18	35	68	1	78	12	52	21	49	0	47	87	52	61	581
3. Complaints for Contempt															
Filed	660	314	1,133	42	1,787	165	900	282	2,737	26	1,629	1,457	723	2,119	13,974
Judgments	151	180	343	20	684	138	211	247	1,137	9	1,060	654	321	1,057	6,212
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	236	72	736	20	496		260	218			1,108	750	614		4,510
4. Complaints for Modification															
Filed	655	394	1,181	26	1,579	221	1,301	424	2,200	17	1,455	1,286	822	2,162	13,723
Judgments	396	272	775	18	901	199	675	283	1,475	12	910	741	503	1,375	8,535
Number of filings where Plaintiff was pro se	187	87	768	14	672		440	327			989	787	658		4,929
5. Complaint for Protection from Abuse (c. 209A)															
Filed	376	105	575	2	349	80	856	76	201	0	309	761	259	615	4,564
Plaintiff was pro se															
6. Petitions for Marriage without Delay															
Filed	98	23	52	1	44	2	34	19	29	44	20	58	72	280	776
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	75	8	22	0	32	2	33	19	22	27	19	39	30	130	458
7. Petitions for Marriage of Minors															
Filed	1	3	6	0	20	0	20	0	11	0	0	2	14	18	95
Number of filings where Petitioner was pro se	1	2	3	0	17	0	19	0	8	0	0	1	3	7	61
8. All other Domestic Relations Complaints															
Filed	47	87	93	3	278	36	184	19	265	4	72	80	66	186	1,420
Judgments	21	41	84	0	139	21	147	29	213	3	59	40	65	145	1,007