

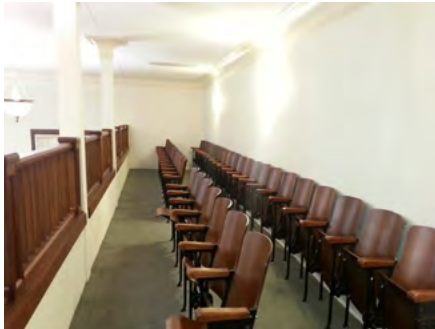
TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA

ANNUAL REPORT 2020 & 2021



CIRCUIT COURT
COUNTY COURT
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS
SERVING FIVE COUNTIES IN SOUTHWEST FLORIDA: CHARLOTTE COUNTY,
COLLIER COUNTY, GLADES COUNTY, HENDRY COUNTY AND LEE COUNTY

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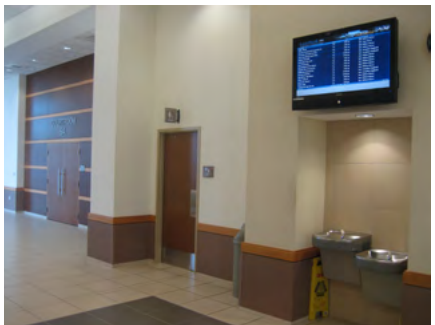
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The Twentieth Judicial Circuit of Florida includes five counties in Southwest Florida:

- LEE COUNTY
- CHARLOTTE COUNTY
- COLLIER COUNTY
- HENDRY COUNTY
- GLADES COUNTY

Our Mission

The mission of the Administrative Office of the Courts is to provide the highest level of professional services with integrity, equality, and respect that supports the judiciary in their efforts to protect rights and liberties, ensure access to justice for all citizens, and provide for the peaceful resolution of disputes in a fair and timely manner.



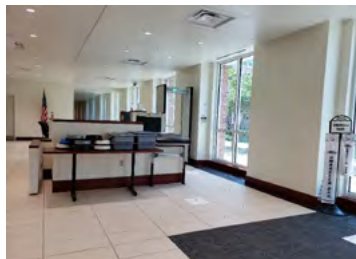
20TH CIRCUIT COURT OVERVIEW

CIRCUIT COURT

Each county is served by the circuit court and the county court. The circuit court is the court of general jurisdiction and has responsibility for probate matters (wills), civil actions in which the disputed amount exceeds \$30,000, and felony criminal cases which includes cases punishable by more than one year in state prison. Circuit court also hears cases in equity such as domestic relations (divorce, child custody, and injunctions for protection), juvenile proceedings and petitions for writs. The circuit court hears appeals from county court. Circuit judges are either elected or appointed and serve six year terms. Circuit judges are assigned throughout the Circuit as needed to handle the caseloads in the respective counties.

COUNTY COURT

County court is a limited jurisdiction court which hears misdemeanors (criminal offenses punishable by up to one year in county jail), violations of county and municipal ordinances, traffic matters, civil actions in which the amount in dispute does not exceed \$30,000 and small claims disputes (small claims court hears civil disputes in which the amount in dispute is \$8,000 or less). County court also hears all landlord and tenant proceedings relating to the right of possession. County judges are elected or appointed to six year terms and serve within the county of their election. County judges can be authorized under certain circumstances to handle circuit court cases.



Our Vision

The Administrative Office of the Courts will provide professional, efficient, effective service to the Courts focusing on our core businesses:

Be fair, equitable, and conduct business with integrity.

Uphold the principles of judicial independence and accountability.

Be accessible, convenient, understandable and timely.

Be effective.

Be responsive and anticipate the needs of those we serve.



CORE MISSION AND PERFORMANCE GOALS

EXPEDITION AND TIMELINESS

THE TWENTIETH CIRCUIT WILL SEEK TO REDUCE UNNECESSARY DELAYS AND WILL SEEK TO RESOLVE ALL CASES IN A TIMELY WAY CONSISTENT WITH STATE PERFORMANCE STANDARDS.

ACCESS TO JUSTICE

THE TWENTIETH CIRCUIT WILL SEEK TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO AND THE AFFORDABILITY OF JUSTICE IN ALL CASE TYPES.

INDEPENDENCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

THE TWENTIETH CIRCUIT WILL SEEK TO PROVIDE EFFECTIVE AND TRANSPARENT MANAGEMENT OF ITS PUBLIC RESOURCES AND WILL SEEK TO MAINTAIN THE HIGHEST STANDARDS OF FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY.

EQUALITY AND FAIRNESS

THE TWENTIETH CIRCUIT WILL SEEK TO ENSURE INTEGRITY AND FAIRNESS IN INDIVIDUAL CASES AND WILL PROMOTE AND IMPLEMENT ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION, DIVERSION AND TREATMENT ALTERNATIVES.

Message from the Chief Judge



THE HONORABLE MICHAEL MCHUGH

On behalf of Florida's 20th Judicial Circuit, I am proud to present the 2020-2021 Annual Report. The information in this Report provides a look of some of our departments and programs in each of our five counties and a look at statistical data from one year to the other. Even though the pandemic years brought lockdowns, Florida's courts remained open. This Annual Report looks at the challenges we faced, how we overcame them, and what we can improve moving forward.

The pandemic caused a shift in what is normally a very slow process. However, communication from the Supreme Court was fast-moving. This included pivoting toward the use of technology. Considering the Courts are not a work-from-home organization everyone seemed to adapt to the temporary way of working while continuing to provide access to justice. We embraced the use of technology allowing hearings to be conducted via Zoom. Not only was Zoom essential for court proceedings, it also ensured everyone remained connected. Technology was also necessary to give the public access to courts. As trials resumed throughout the Circuit, live streaming was also made available for people to watch in real time.

Five new judges were welcomed to our Circuit in these two years. Circuit Judges Shannon McFee and Kyle Cohen took the bench in Collier County in 2020. In Lee County, Circuit Judge Gilberto Perez joined us as a dependency court judge. In 2021, Lee County Judge Nicole Mirra filled the seat created by the retirement of Judge James Adams. While, Lee County Judge Erik Leontiev was appointed by the Governor to fill a new Lee County Judicial vacancy. Since taking the bench, these judges have been an incredible asset to the judiciary. Each of them are highly qualified and have made an immediate positive impact on the dockets they have been assigned.

Outside of the courtroom, there are many accomplishments we made in our Circuit in spite of the pandemic. In October 2020, the Lee County Criminal Division was awarded their fifth accreditation before the Florida Corrections Accreditation Commission. They were the first agency to go through an accreditation via virtual means and are able to help shape future assessments. Hendry County held its first Drug Court graduation after re-implementing the program in 2018. At time of writing, we have 13 participants in the program. Also, our Collier County Drug Court was awarded as a national Mentor Court. This award, shared by only a handful of other jurisdictions in the country, will result in other drug court programs from around the United States coming to Collier County to observe and gain insight.

I'm proud of the accomplishments we have made and the changes we implemented in response to the pandemic. As a result, the way our Circuit operates has been forever changed. Please take a few moments to read over this report and learn more about the work we have done in 2020 and 2021.

Our strategic goals remain focused on improving our circuit's ability to meet our fundamental mission, most clearly outlined in the Florida Supreme Court's Long Range Plan for the Florida Judicial Branch for 2016-2021:

To be accessible, the Florida justice system will be convenient, understandable, timely, and affordable to everyone.

To be fair, the Florida justice system will respect the dignity of every person, regardless of race, class, gender or other characteristic, apply the law appropriately to the circumstances of individual cases, and include judges and court staff who reflect the community's diversity.

To be effective, the Florida justice system will uphold the law and apply rules and procedures consistently and in a timely manner, resolve cases with finality, and provide enforceable decisions.

To be responsive, the Florida justice system will anticipate and respond to the needs of all members of society, and provide a variety of dispute resolution methods.

To be accountable, the Florida justice system will use public resources efficiently and in a way that the public can understand.

THE JUDICIARY SERVING CHARLOTTE COUNTY

DONALD MASON
CIRCUIT JUDGE

CIRCUIT AND
COUNTY
ADMINISTRATIVE
JUDGE FOR
CHARLOTTE COUNTY



SCOTT CUPP
CIRCUIT JUDGE



MARY EVANS
CIRCUIT JUDGE



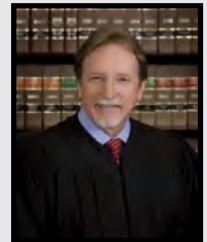
GEOFFREY GENTILE
CIRCUIT JUDGE



PAUL ALESSANDRONI
COUNTY JUDGE



JOHN L. BURNS
COUNTY JUDGE



PETER B. BELL
COUNTY JUDGE



JOSEPH FOSTER
CIRCUIT JUDGE

CIRCUIT
ADMINISTRATIVE
JUDGE FOR
COLLIER COUNTY



ROB CROWN
COUNTY JUDGE

COUNTY
ADMINISTRATIVE
JUDGE FOR
COLLIER COUNTY

THE JUDICIARY SERVING COLLIER COUNTY



LAUREN L. BRODIE
CIRCUIT JUDGE



KYLE COHEN
CIRCUIT JUDGE



HUGH D. HAYES
CIRCUIT JUDGE



ELIZABETH KRIER
CIRCUIT JUDGE



RAMIRO MANALICH
CIRCUIT JUDGE



SHANNON H. MCFEE
CIRCUIT JUDGE



JOHN MCGOWAN
CIRCUIT JUDGE

THE JUDICIARY SERVING COLLIER COUNTY



BLAKE ADAMS
COUNTY JUDGE



MICHAEL BROWN
COUNTY JUDGE



JANEICE T. MARTIN
COUNTY JUDGE



TAMARA LYNNE NICOLA
COUNTY JUDGE

NOT PICTURED: COUNTY JUDGE MICHAEL J. PROVOST

THE JUDICIARY SERVING GLADES COUNTY

JACK LUNDY
COUNTY JUDGE
CIRCUIT AND
COUNTY
ADMINISTRATIVE
JUDGE FOR
GLADES COUNTY



JAMES SLOAN
CIRCUIT JUDGE

THE JUDICIARY SERVING HENDRY COUNTY

JAMES D. SLOAN
CIRCUIT JUDGE
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JUDGE FOR
HENDRY COUNTY



DARRELL R. HILL
COUNTY JUDGE

THE JUDICIARY SERVING LEE COUNTY

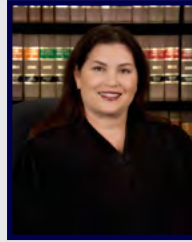


MICHAEL T. MCHUGH
CHIEF JUDGE



JOHN S. CARLIN
CIRCUIT JUDGE

FAMILY
ADMINISTRATIVE
JUDGE FOR
LEE COUNTY



ALANE LABODA
CIRCUIT JUDGE

CIVIL
ADMINISTRATIVE
JUDGE FOR
LEE COUNTY



J. FRANK PORTER
CIRCUIT JUDGE

CRIMINAL
ADMINISTRATIVE
JUDGE FOR
LEE COUNTY



TARA PALUCK
COUNTY JUDGE

COUNTY
ADMINISTRATIVE
JUDGE FOR
LEE COUNTY



ELISABETH ADAMS
CIRCUIT JUDGE



ROBERT BRANNING
CIRCUIT JUDGE



JOSEPH C. FULLER
CIRCUIT JUDGE



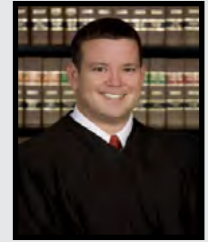
AMY HAWTHORNE
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BRUCE KYLE
CIRCUIT JUDGE



KEITH R. KYLE
CIRCUIT JUDGE



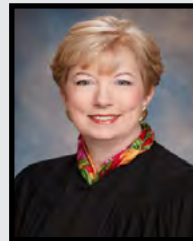
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CIRCUIT JUDGE



LISA S. PORTER
CIRCUIT JUDGE



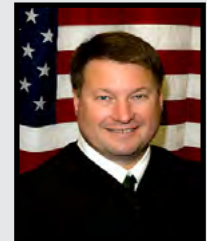
LEE A. SCHREIBER
CIRCUIT JUDGE



MARGARET STEINBECK
CIRCUIT JUDGE

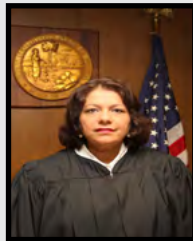


CAROLYN SWIFT
CIRCUIT JUDGE



NICHOLAS THOMPSON
CIRCUIT JUDGE

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JOSEPHINE GAGLIARDI
COUNTY JUDGE



DEVIN S. GEORGE
COUNTY JUDGE



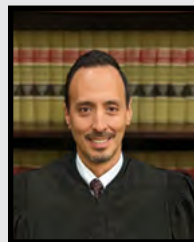
ZACHARY M. GILL
COUNTY JUDGE



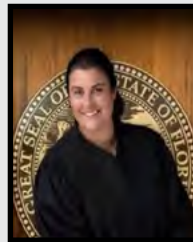
MARIA E. GONZALEZ
COUNTY JUDGE



ARCHIE HAYWARD
COUNTY JUDGE



ERIK LEONTIEV
COUNTY JUDGE



NICOLE LYNN MIRRA
COUNTY JUDGE



H. ANDREW SWETT
COUNTY JUDGE



20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

The Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) is organized based on functional responsibilities that are rooted in judicial administration and court operations areas. Although these responsibilities are carried out across the organization, certain roles and activities are department specific.

Court Administration Functions

- Caseflow Management
- Due Process Management
- Mediation/ADR Programs
- Diversion/Alternative Sanctions Programs
- Operations/Administration (Budget, HR, Technology, Court Facility Planning and Management)
- Pretrial Release
- Probation Services
- Public Guardian
- Court Security
- Staff Attorney Services



The AOC's Three Core Businesses

Adjudication

The 20th Judicial Circuit will fairly and timely resolve disputes brought before it

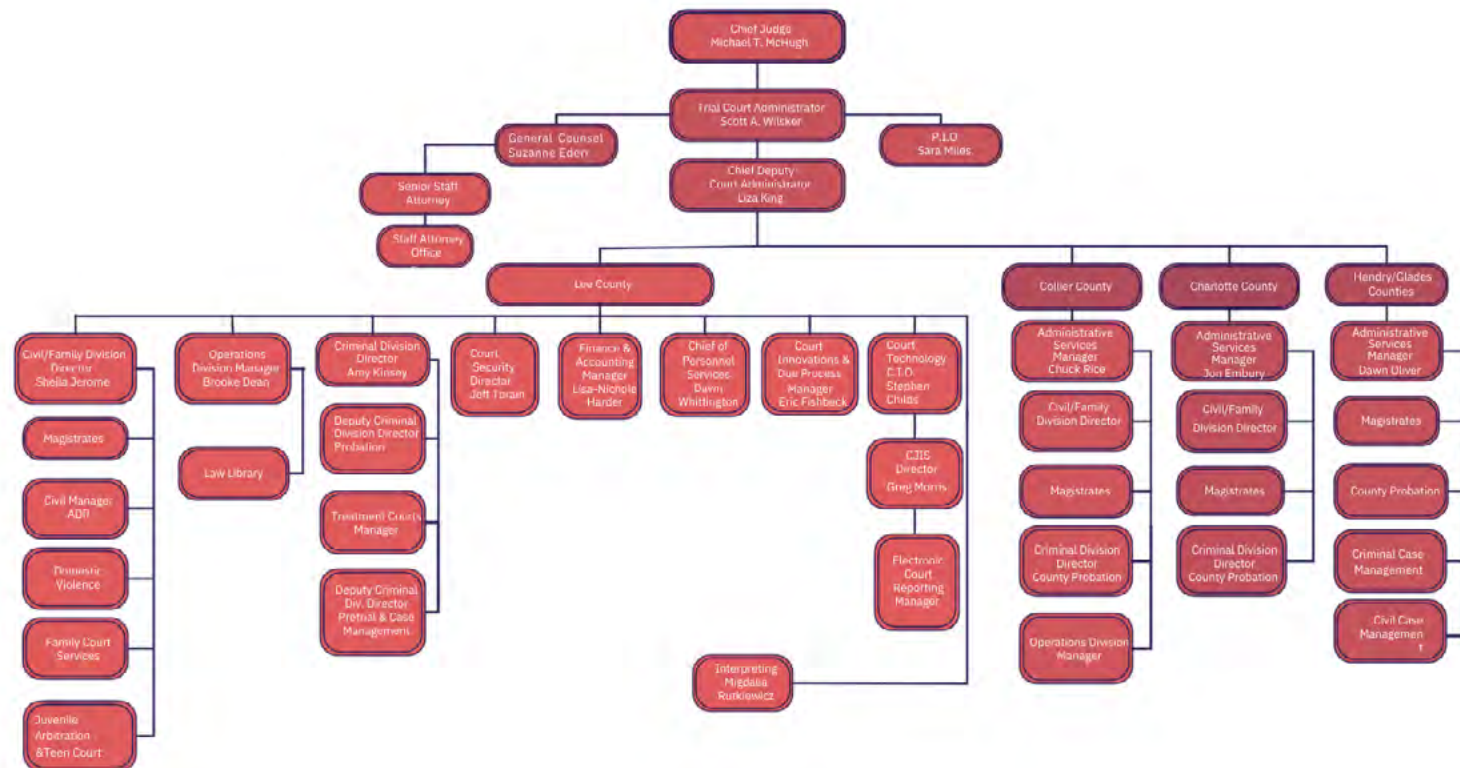
Due Process Services

The 20th Judicial Circuit will seek and secure adequate resources to support the needs to the court

Governance

The 20th Judicial Circuit will account for the prudent and efficient use of all allocated resources

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



20TH CIRCUIT COURT LOCATIONS OVERVIEW



Lee Justice Center

East Entrance
1700 Monroe Street
Fort Myers, FL 33901

South Entrance
2075 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd
Fort Myers, FL 33901

Charlotte Justice Center

350 E. Marion Avenue
Punta Gorda, FL 33950



Collier Government Complex

3315 Tamiami Trail East
Naples, FL 34112

Hendry Courthouse

25 E. Hickpochee Ave.
LaBelle, FL 33935



Glades Courthouse

Rt 27, 500 Avenue "J"
Moore Haven, FL 33471

LEE COUNTY COURT OPERATIONS OVERVIEW

Americans with Disabilities Act

The Court Connect American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Webpage and phone line are actively used by the circuit to record ADA requests for assistance. With the ever-evolving challenges related to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is important to be mindful of compliance with the American with Disabilities Act (ADA). We have strived to ensure all persons have access to the courts but providing ASL and CART services via Zoom and educating the staff and public on ADA issues during this time.



There were a total of 82 ADA Requests for Assistance in Lee County in 2020 & 2021.

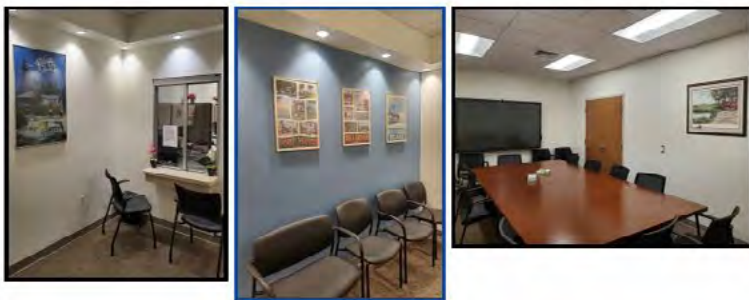
Services Requested in Lee Co.	Total
C.A.R.T	8
HEARING DEVICE	5
SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER	65
MAGNIFIER	0
LUMBAR CHAIR	4

Committed to Excellence

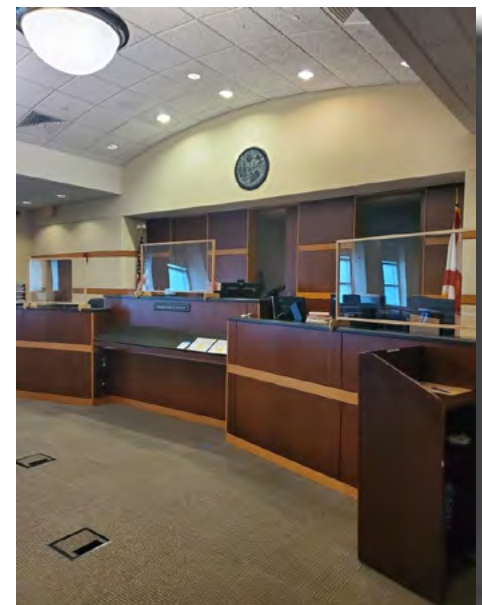
The Operations Division consists of Court Interpreter Services, Facilities Services, Senior Judge and Judicial Support Services, Judge Lynn Gerald Law Library, and Information Desks/ Volunteers devoted to the unified service of the Court.

Deposition Room Scheduling	Total
2020 - Law Library	8
2020 - 2nd Floor Annex	5
2021 - Law Library	0
2021 - 2nd Floor Annex	4

In addition to scheduling depositions for the Law Library conference room, The Operations Department has taken on scheduling of the newly renovated deposition rooms located on the 2nd floor of the Justice Center Annex.



In 2020, the old Jury Room in Lee County was transformed into the Mediation Department on the 2nd Floor of the Justice Center. No longer are our mediators and arbitrators located in a separate building. There are plenty of conference rooms, a new waiting room, and office spaces.



20TH CIRCUIT COURT INTERPRETER SERVICES

Mission Statement

We are a team of professionally trained, certified court interpreters, and support personnel. We work in conjunction with each other, to carry out our common mission which is enabling the faithful and accurate interpretation of court proceedings, and in so doing, to facilitate the mission of the judicial branch, by placing those who use our services on equal footing within the court with those that speak the English language.

Circuit Wide Court Interpreter Services

Type of Proceeding	2019	2020	2021
Spanish	13893	9380	14124
Creole	772	431	756
Other Languages	371	349	482
American Sign Language	58	73	78

Circuit Criminal, County Criminal, Family Court - Dependency/CINS/FINS, Family Court - Delinquency, Baker/Marchman/Guardianship, Domestic Violence Injunctions, GM/CSEHO for Family Court - All Other Title IV-D, and Other Case Types

Interpreting via Zoom

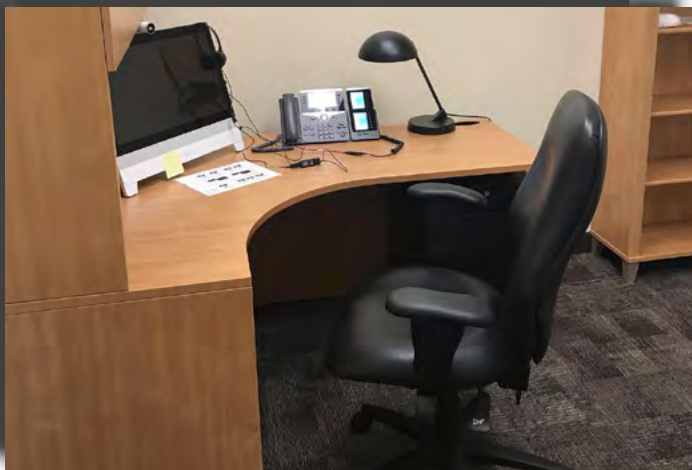
Following COVID-19 social distancing guidelines, at the end of March 2020, the Interpreting office started offering services via Zoom. Staff interpreters received in-house training in addition to participating in online webinars in order to learn how to use the system. Some of the contractors participated in distance training provided by the office so that they could provide interpreting services via Zoom. A couple of trials were done in the simultaneous mode in Lee County and some hearings were also held via Zoom in Collier. Domestic violence injunctions were held in person due to the nature of the proceedings. Some trials were scheduled in Lee County and staff interpreters and contractors have been providing these services in person.

Languages Provided Circuit Wide
(Other than Spanish, Haitian-Creole and Sign Language)

Aguacateco*	Chuj*	Japanese
Akateko*	Croatian	K'iche*
Albanian	French	Lao
Arabic	German	Mixteco Alto*
Bengali	Hindi	Mixteco Bajo*
Bosnian	Indonesian	Otomi*
Cantonese	Italian	Russian
Chalchiteco*	Ixil	Romanian
Mandarin	Jacalteco*	Q'Anjobal*
Mam	Polish	Portuguese
Serbian	Poqomchi*	Thai
Vietnamese	Q'eqchi*	Western Popti

New Office Location

On December 2021, the Interpreter Services Department moved the 6th floor of the Lee County Justice Center. Another video remote interpreting system has been added to provide remote services to Hendry and Glades County. A Library room was set up to provide a space where interpreters can work as teams to get ready for trials and other court sessions. They also have a new reception area and a room for contractors who cover some of our courtroom assignments.





LEE COUNTY CRIMINAL DIVISION OVERVIEW

Overview and Organization

The Lee County Criminal Division, including the Pretrial Services and County Probation Departments, provides case management support to the thirteen judges in the criminal division. Both departments have unique objectives but work together collaboratively under the direction of the Trial Court Administrator and the Criminal Division Director.

County Probation

The Lee County Probation Department was established in 1975. The mission is to promote public safety by enforcing court orders, supervising probationers and motivating positive behavioral change. The vision is to be a leader by enhancing working relationships with our criminal justice partners and utilizing evidence based practices and advancements in technology to proactively supervise, educate and redirect probationers to reduce recidivism. The deputy director oversees day-to-day operations for the department.

3,157 total defendants ordered on county probation in 2020



2,423 total defendants ordered on county probation in 2021

PROBATION STATS



9,501 hours of community service completed in 2020

4,719 hours of community service completed in 2021



66% success rate in 2020

73% success rate in 2021

Pretrial Services

The Lee County Pretrial Services Department was established in 1988. It is comprised of Intake and Investigation, Case Supervision and Case Management. The mission is to provide comprehensive case management services to the courts, from case inception through case closure, via professional staff committed to the highest standards of excellence. The vision is to be a leader within the court system by developing an empowered workforce that embodies integrity, excellence, and accountability delivering the highest quality of services. The deputy director oversees day-to-day operations for the department.

2,423 defendants placed on pretrial supervision in 2020



2,363 defendants placed on pretrial supervision in 2021

PRETRIAL SERVICES NUMBERS



50 days was the average length of supervision in 2020

52 days was the average length of supervision in 2021



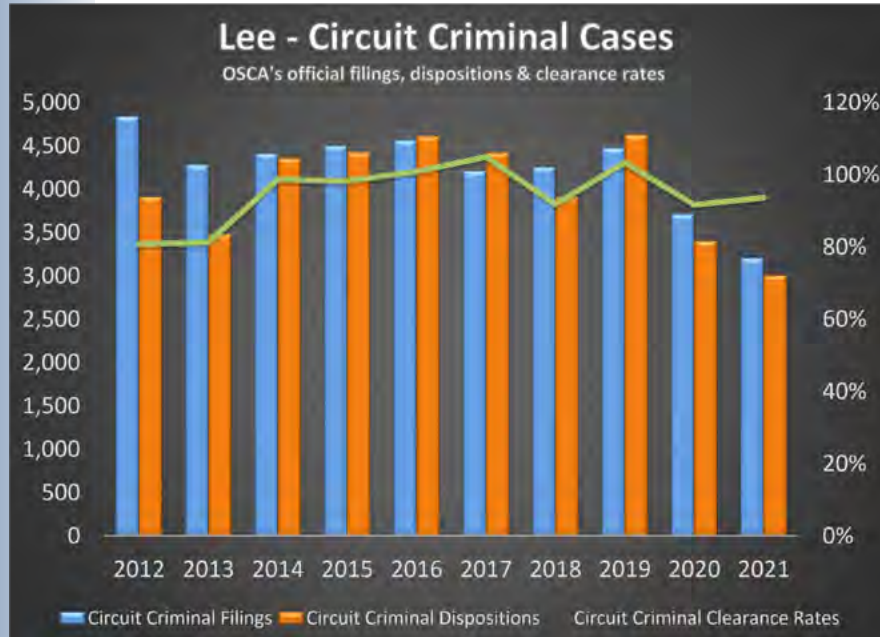
94% supervised defendants were not charged with new offense during pretrial stage in 2020.

In 2021, that number increased by one percentage point to

95%

LEE COUNTY

OVERVIEW OF CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS, DISPOSITION & CLEARANCE RATES



Case Management: Court Performance Outcome Measures

Time to Disposition - Time to disposition measures the percentage of cases disposed or otherwise resolved within established time frames and assesses the length of time it takes a court to process cases. In the 20th Judicial Circuit, time goals are established under Administrative Order 3.25. The goal is to resolve 90% of expedited cases within 180 days from the arrest date, standard cases within 240 days and complex cases within 360 days. According to the Lee Clerk of Court's Odyssey System, Lee County met 88% of expedited cases, 93% of standard cases and 88% of complex cases for time goals in FY 2019-20. In FY 2020-21, Lee County met 88% of expedited cases, 82% of standard cases and 88% of complex cases for time goals. Due to the pandemic and Supreme Court Orders, trials and in person hearings were limited.

Circuit Criminal Cases

Through 06/30/2020

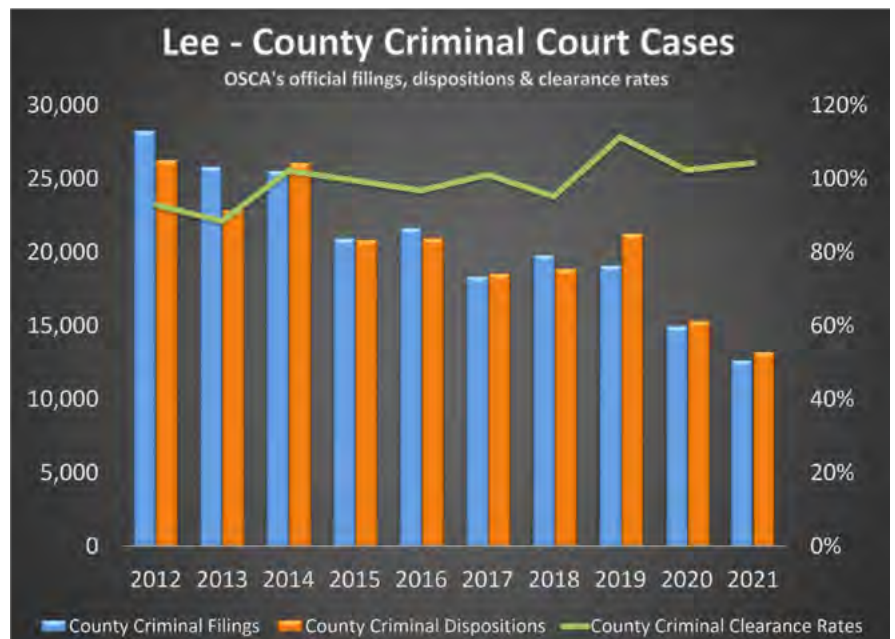
3,401
cases were disposed
92%
clearance rate

Circuit Criminal Cases

Through 06/30/2021

3,206
cases were filed
3,003
cases were disposed
94%
clearance rate

(This includes Capital Murder, Violent Crimes, Against Persons, Against Property, and Drug Crimes)



LEE COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION OVERVIEW

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) has been utilized by the Florida Court System to resolve disputes for over 25 years. It is comprised of Arbitration, Citizens Dispute Settlement, and Mediation. Arbitration is a dispute resolution process whereby a neutral third person or panel, called an arbitrator or arbitration panel, considers the facts and arguments presented by the parties and renders a decision, which may be binding or nonbinding. When people are not able to solve their own problems, the Citizen Dispute Settlement (CDS) Program offers a viable alternative to resolving the issue prior to filing a court action. Mediation is a way to settle disputes and law suits prior to or after the filing of a law suit which may avoid the need for a trial.



We honor our circuit's volunteers every year at the Annual Appreciation Dinner, thanking them for their many years of service - from 5 years to 15. Our last dinner was in March 2020. Pictured are Chief Judge McHugh and Judge Paluck with a longtime volunteer.

Teen Court and Juvenile Arbitration

Juvenile Arbitration is a program where juveniles who have committed certain relatively minor offenses can be dealt with in a speedy and informal manner without having to appear before a Judge in Juvenile Court. The Programs attempt to reduce the ever-increasing problems associated with juvenile crime by allowing the Courts to deal with crimes of a more serious nature.

Teen Court differs from Juvenile Arbitration in that the cases are heard in a Courtroom by a Jury of their Peers. Teen Court Cases are presented by Teen Court members who assume the roles of Defense Attorney, Prosecution Attorney and Clerk of Courts. A practicing Attorney serves as Judge to insure all legal proceedings are valid and in accordance with legal procedures. One specific sanction of Teen Court is that all defendants must serve as part of the Jury to better understand the law and to understand that there are consequences and implications to their actions. Other sanctions may include but are not limited to: workbooks, apology letters, or Community Service.

Total Referrals to Juv. Arb. and Teen Court

73 in 2020 **46** in 2021

Teen Court Volunteer Hours

2,329 in 2020 **1,904** in 2021

Teen Court Success Rate

94% in 2020 **100%** in 2021

Civil Case Management

The Civil Case Management Program monitors all circuit civil cases with the exception of family matters. These are cases with damages in excess of \$30,000 filed by a business, individual, or other organization. Some examples of case types that fall under the circuit civil category of cases are residential foreclosures, contract disputes, malpractice matters, tort actions, and products liability.



2021 Guardianship Hearings

479 referrals

472 hearings held and disposed

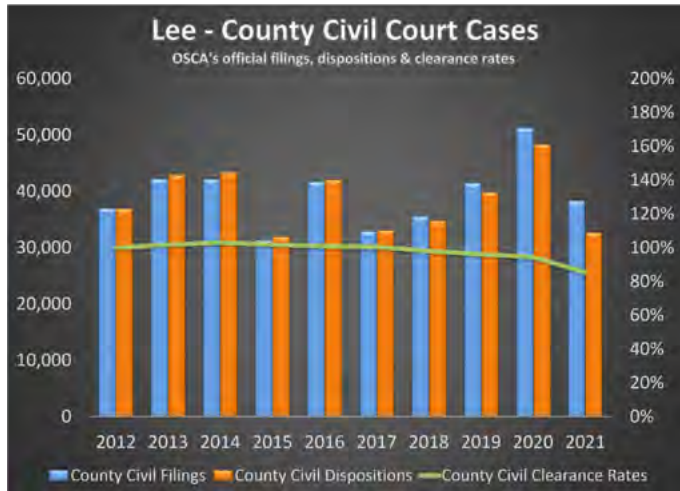
2021 Baker Act Hearings

1,193 referrals

532 hearings held

661 withdrawn or cancelled by facility

LEE COUNTY OVERVIEW OF CIVIL CASE FILINGS, DISPOSITION & CLEARANCE RATES



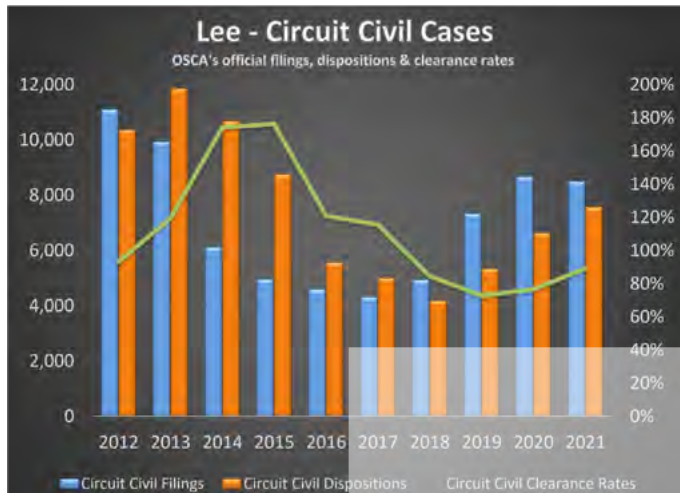
The overall clearance rate for all County Civil cases, with the exception of family cases, was approximately 94% through June 30, 2020 and 85% through June 30, 2021.

(This includes small claims, civil, other civil, evictions, and civil traffic infractions.)

Total County Civil Filings: **51,218** through 06/30/2020
38,233 through 06/30/2021

Total County Civil Dispositions: **48,320** through 06/30/2020
32,627 through 06/30/2021

2,482 petitions for Domestic Violence filed in 2021
(DV, DV w/Kids, Repeat, Sexual Dating, and Stalking)

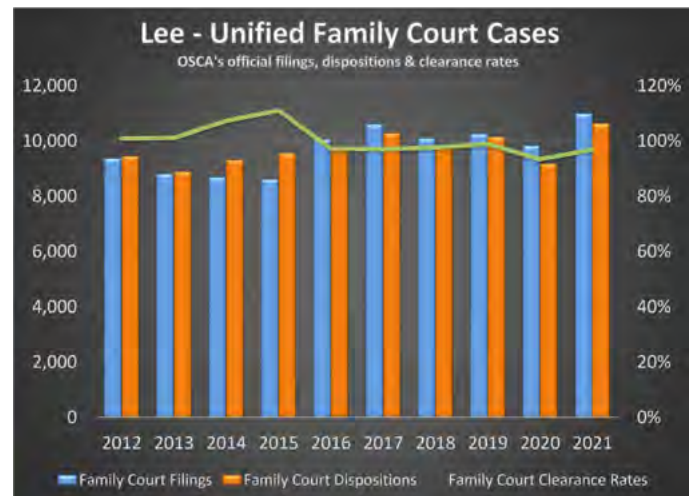


The overall clearance rate for all Circuit Civil cases, with the exception of family cases, was approximately 77% through June 30, 2020 and 89% through June 30, 2021.

Total Circuit Civil Filings: **8,671** through 06/30/2020
8,508 through 06/30/2021

Total Circuit Civil Dispositions: **6,633** through 06/30/2020
7,571 through 06/30/2021

(This includes Prof. Malpractice & Prod. Liability, Auto & Other Negligence, Contracts & Real Property, and Other cases.)



Total number of hearings/trials referred to a Family Magistrate

1,654 **4% increase from 2020**

Total number of hearings/trials held by a Family Magistrate

1,381 **9% increase from 2020**

CHARLOTTE COUNTY CRIMINAL DIVISION OVERVIEW

Committed To Excellence

The Charlotte County Criminal Division consists of 16 employees devoted to the unified service of the Court as it pertains to enforcing the Court's orders while delivering fair and consistent treatment to defendants and a noticeable and positive contribution to the Charlotte County area.

Pretrial Services

The Pretrial Services Department is comprised of an Intake and Investigation Unit which works at the Charlotte County Jail, a Criminal Circuit Case Management Unit, a Diversion Unit, a Court Presenter/Pretrial Release Unit, a Specialty Court Coordinator and a Secretary. Each unit has specific core functions and work collaboratively to support the department's mission.

Pretrial Services' Mission

The mission of the Charlotte County Pretrial Services Department is to provide quality and timely information to the criminal courts, which will support the judicial decision to release or detain at the earliest feasible opportunity. Our efforts are intended to promote equitable treatment of the accused, to provide protection to the community, to assist in the fair administration of justice, to comply with Florida statutes, rules and regulations, and to reduce in-custody costs.

PRETRIAL SERVICES NUMBERS

5,446

FY 2019-20

5,737

FY 2020-21

defendants screened for
first appearance.

95%

FY 2019-20

97%

FY 2020-21

of defendants did not commit a new
law violation while on supervision

County Probation

The Charlotte County Probation Department is comprised of Probation Officers and Clerical Support Staff. The Probation Officers are encouraged to follow a rehabilitative supervision model while monitoring their assigned cases. The Clerical Staff plays a pivotal role in the department's ongoing progression. This process begins at intake; as the defendant enters the department for the first time. The tone is set at this juncture through an exchange of information that culminates in the preparation of the probation file. The information contained therein is constantly updated by the Probation Officer as the defendant completes their Court-ordered conditions.

Probation's Mission

The mission of the Charlotte County Probation Department is to enforce the orders of the Court in supervising defendants placed on probation as part of their case adjudication. The overall goal of the department is to assist probation clients in complying with conditions set by the Court to achieve a successful probation outcome.

PROBATION STATS

1,134

FY 2019-20

1,022

FY 2020-21

total number of new
probation cases

77%

FY 2019-20

81%

FY 2020-21

defendants completed probation
successfully

CHARLOTTE COUNTY

OVERVIEW OF CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS, DISPOSITION & CLEARANCE RATES

2020 & 2021 Statistics

2,615

Criminal Felony Cases filed in Charlotte County in 2020

2,431

Criminal Felony Cases filed in Charlotte County in 2021

55%

Continuance rate for cases at case management conferences in 2020

64%

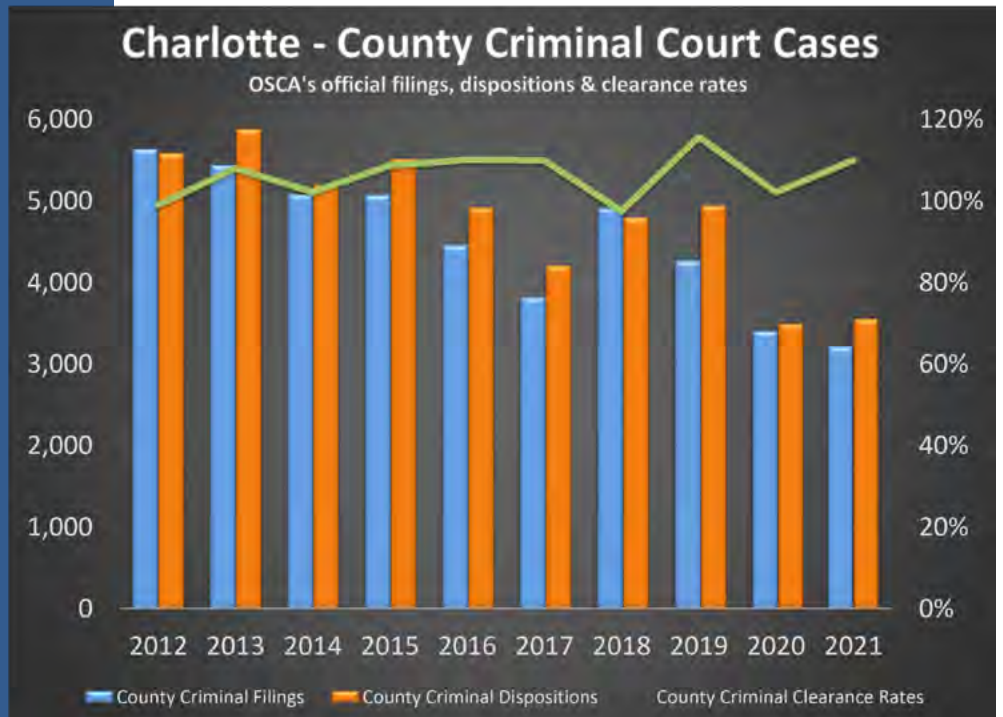
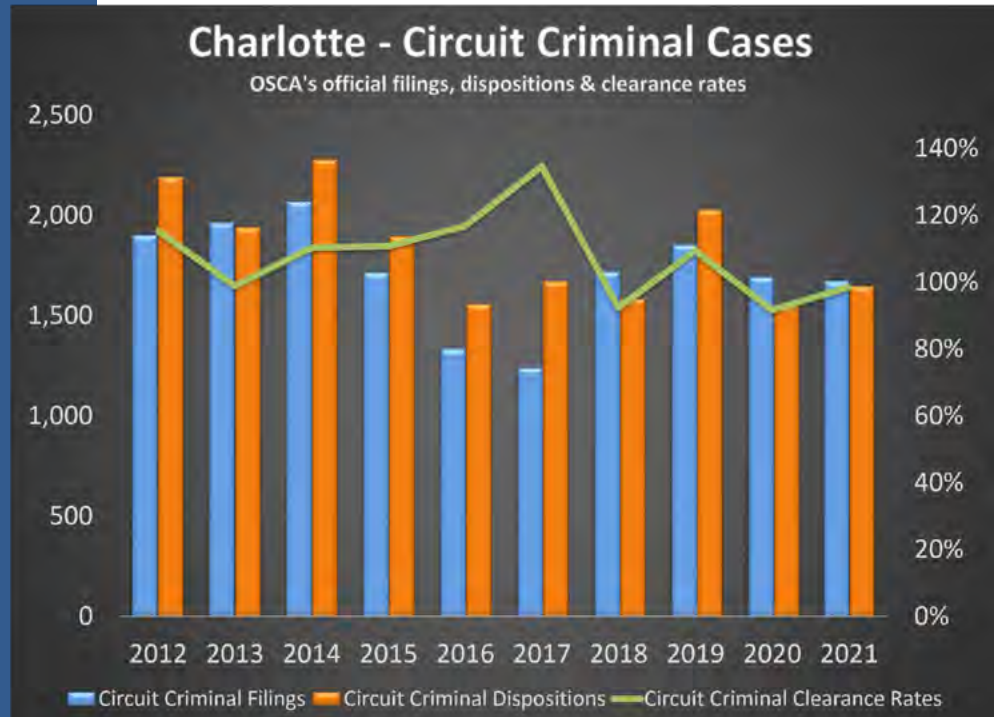
Continuance rate for cases at case management conferences in 2021

47%

Continuance rate for cases at pretrial conferences in 2019

55%

Continuance rate for cases at pretrial conferences in 2019



CHARLOTTE COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION OVERVIEW

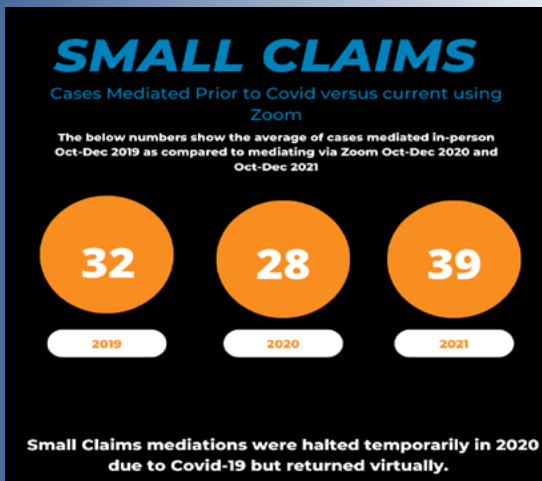
Alternative Dispute Resolution & Court Mediation Programs

The Charlotte County Civil/Family division consists of the Civil Division Director, 11 Full time employees dedicated to assisting the Judiciary with moving cases through the system within the time periods set through unified courts.

Total Court Ordered Mediations



Located in the Administrative Office of the Courts, the Court Mediation Program coordinates the Citizens Dispute Settlement Program and Court Ordered Mediation services to associated litigants utilizing Certified Volunteer and Professional Mediators. Professional mediators have signed a Vendor Contract with the State of Florida and are paid at the State mandated determined rate. Although not all cases can be completely resolved through mediation, the benefit of mediation before a trial is that many of the issues HAVE BEEN resolved, cutting down on Court's time needed to determine the outcome of the unresolved issues.



Court Mediation Programs:

- Citizens Dispute Settlement Program
- Small Claims Mediation
- Family Mediation Program
- Circuit and County Court Mediation

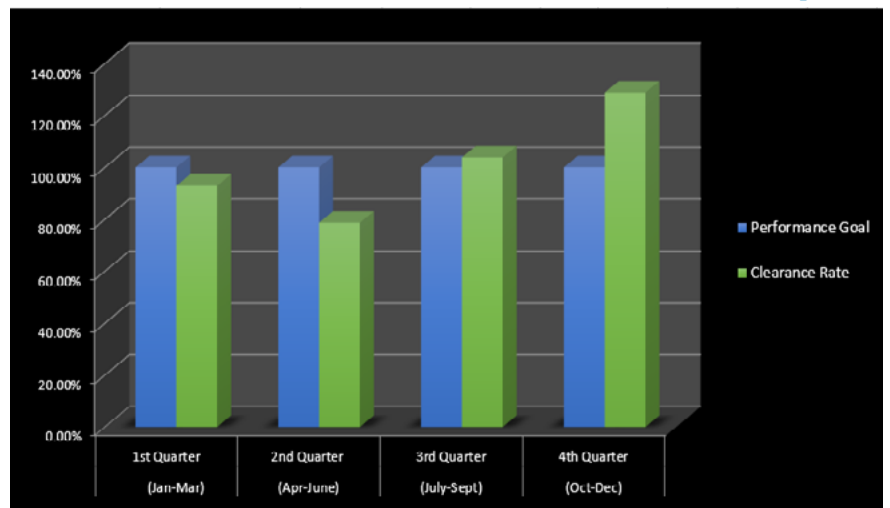
Family Case Management

In Charlotte County, the Family Law Case Management Team provides both Self-Help services and case management for the court. The role of the case manager is to ensure that cases move quickly and efficiently to a final disposition while providing pro se litigants with the resources they need to proceed in their cases. The case managers work closely with the Family Division Judge and Magistrate.

Family Case Management 2021 Clearance Report

In 2020, 742 Family Law cases identified in the Charlotte County Civil/Family Case Management Database were opened and 738 cases in the same year were disposed. This generated a clearance rate of 99% of the cases that were managed by the Family Law Case Managers in 2020 assigned to Judge Mary Evans.

In 2021, 700 Family Law cases identified in the Charlotte County Civil/Family Case Management Database were opened and 684 cases in the same year were disposed.



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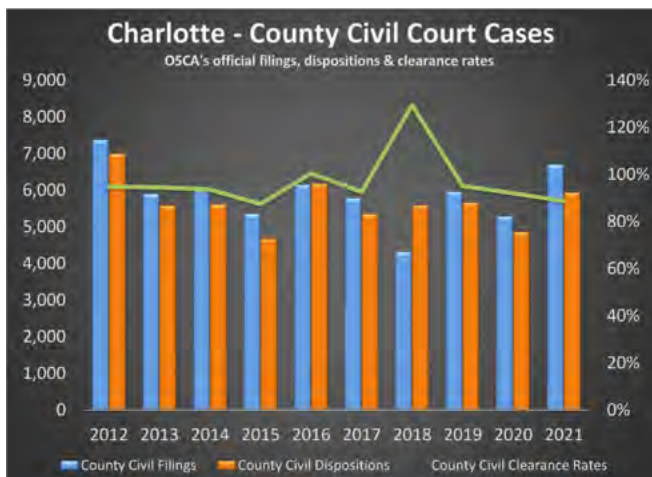
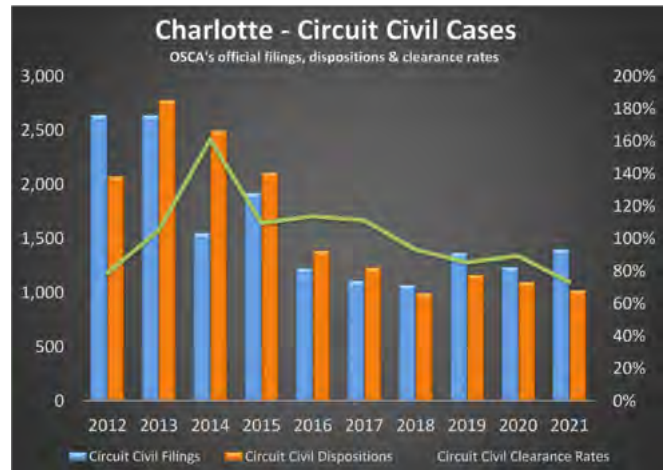
OVERVIEW OF CIVIL CASE FILINGS, DISPOSITION & CLEARANCE RATES

The overall clearance rate for all Circuit Civil cases, with the exception of family cases, was approximately 89% through June 30, 2020 and 73% through June 30, 2021.

Total Circuit Civil Filings: **1,236** through 06/30/2020
1,402 through 06/30/2021

Total Circuit Civil Dispositions: **1,104** through 06/30/2020
1,026 through 06/30/2021

(This includes Prof. Malpractice & Prod. Liability, Auto & Other Negligence, Contracts & Real Property, and Other cases.)

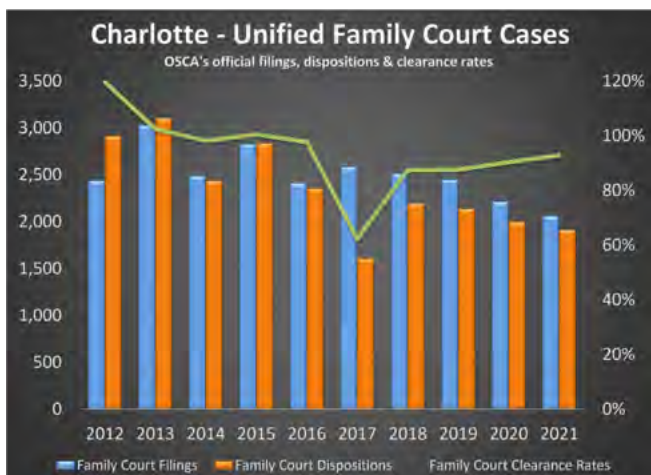


The overall clearance rate for all County Civil cases, with the exception of family cases, was approximately 92% through June 30, 2020 and 89% through June 30, 2021.

(This includes small claims, civil, other civil, evictions, and civil traffic infractions.)

Total County Civil Filings: **5,281** through 06/30/2020
6,691 through 06/30/2021

Total County Civil Dispositions: **4,859** through 06/30/2020
5,934 through 06/30/2021



In 2021, there were 654 Domestic Violence Petitions filed, this is an increase from 625 filed in 2020. The increases were with Domestic Violence with children, Sexual, Dating and Repeat but a decrease in Domestic Violence without children. This year 2020 had a slight increase in filings due mostly to on-going pandemic. Due to the Family Judge reviewing all petitions, those not granted a temporary injunction, are usually set for a hearing.

COLLIER COUNTY CRIMINAL DIVISION OVERVIEW

County Probation

The mission of the Collier County Probation Department is protecting the community by intervening in the lives of the offenders, holding them accountable and serving as a catalyst for positive change. Believing in the inherent dignity of all human beings, we respect one another, our correctional clients, others whom we serve and the public. We act in collaboration with the community and other justice partners. We provide services to the courts, give victims a voice in the justice system and help strengthen families.



1,098 people were on probation in 2020

1,853 people were on probation in 2021

INCREASE ON CASES ORDERED INTO SUPERVISION

OVERALL DEPARTMENTAL GROWTH CAN BE MEASURED BY THE NUMBER OF NEW CASES ASSIGNED.

Deferred Prosecution

The Probation Department serves as Administrator for the State Attorney's Deferred Prosecution Program; otherwise known as Diversion. The program is generally made available to first time offenders and, in most cases, takes three months for the participant to complete. When the participant completes the program successfully, the State Attorney's Office does not file the original charge with the Clerk of Court. Should the participant fail to complete their requirements; the case is brought before the Court and a Judge determines the outcome.

Felony Case Management

Differentiated Case Management (DCM) was instituted in Collier County on July 1, 2014 to address the backlog of felony criminal cases by encouraging meaningful court dates for all cases and goal date compliance as determined through the DCM system. Cases are split into three tracks based on projected disposition date. Complex (360 days), Expedited (180 days) or Standard (240 days).

IN 2020...



1,451 cases were terminated

80% of defendants completed their conditions

IN 2021...

952

cases were terminated



74% of defendants completed their conditions



The deferred prosecution program averaged **76%** compliance rate in 2020

77% compliance rate in 2021

During the 2021 calendar year, a review of track goal compliance for closed cases within the division revealed...

Expedited

235

cases resolved within the 180 day time goal compared to **281** in 2020

Standard

825

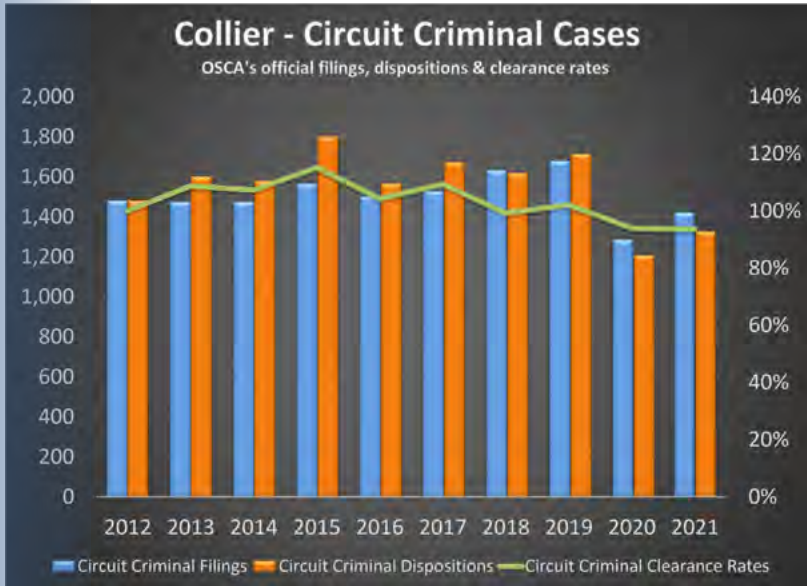
resolved within the 240 day time goal compared to **780** in 2020

Complex

45

cases resolved within the 360 day time goal which is the **same** as in 2020

COLLIER COUNTY OVERVIEW OF CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS, DISPOSITION & CLEARANCE RATES



A review of the Felony Criminal Division pending cases as of December 31, 2021, reflects a total number of 1148 pending cases. The age of case breakdown is as follows: 560 (49%) cases have been pending for less than 180 days, 281 (24%) cases have been pending between 181-365 days, 307 (27%) cases have been pending over 365 days.

Collectively a total of 2,248 cases were filed and 2,236 cases were disposed in the Circuit Criminal Division during the CY 2021, for a combined clearance rate of 99.46%

For the year, Felony tried 24 cases and misdemeanor division tried 22 cases.

Circuit Criminal Cases

Calendar Year 2020

1,933
cases were filed

1,738
cases were disposed

Pending Divisional Cases as of 12-31-21

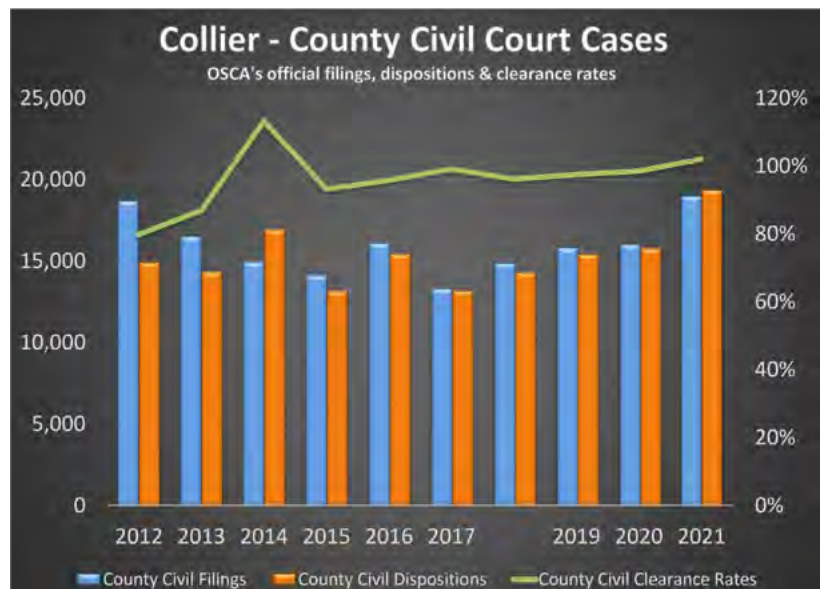


Circuit Criminal Cases

Calendar Year 2021

2,248
cases were filed

2,236
cases were disposed



COLLIER COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION OVERVIEW

Unified Family Court

Unified Family Court includes Domestic Relations, Family Law Cases, Names Changes, Adoptions, Domestic Violence Cases, Dependency Cases and Delinquency Cases.

One Family, One Judge

530 2021 JUDICIAL CASE
MANAGEMENT
CONFERENCES

2,617 2021 FAMILY
CASE FILINGS

This is an 8% increase in filings
from 2020

Court Mediation Programs

3,600
cases referred to
mediation in 2021,
which is an increase
of 46% from the
previous year.

192 Family mediations
were held in 2021.

1,031
Small Claims
mediations were
facilitated resulting in a
58% increase from
the previous
year

53%
of the mediations
facilitated reached
settlement in 2021,
which is a slight
increase from 2020.

Civil Case Management

Circuit Civil cases are filed for amounts in excess of \$30,000. The Standing Order filed in all Circuit Civil Cases require the parties to file an agreed case management plan which outlines deadlines of the case and trial readiness dates. Most civil cases are on an 18 month "standard" track. The Case Managers review all the new filings on a monthly basis to ensure an Agreed Case Management Plan has been filed, if not it will be set for a Case Management Conference. Case Managers track timelines, review filings, conduct civil case management conferences as well as assist the judge in court and prepare court paperwork. The Court began utilizing Zoom video conferencing to manage the ongoing dockets. This was initially implemented during the Covid-19 pandemic. Zoom is a valuable tool getting all hearings held to get parties to trial readiness as well as a cost savings for the attorneys to travel to court.

Overview and Organization

The Civil and Family Division recently added of the new position of Program Coordinator. This position will oversee the Unified Family Division ("UFC") along with bringing all of the Problem-Solving Courts (which now include Early Childhood Court "ECC") and Teen Court, under the umbrella of the Civil/Family Division overseen by the Division Director. In addition, the Civil/Family Division assumed the responsibility of the Domestic Violence Court as of January 1, 2021. The caseload the division supports mostly is three Civil Circuit Judges and three Unified Family Circuit Judges. In addition, the Magistrates cover throughout the year, ALL Baker Acts and Marchman Acts which fall under the responsibility of the Duty Judge.

Court Mediation Programs:

Small Claims Mediation

Family Mediation Program

Dependency Mediation

County Civil Mediation

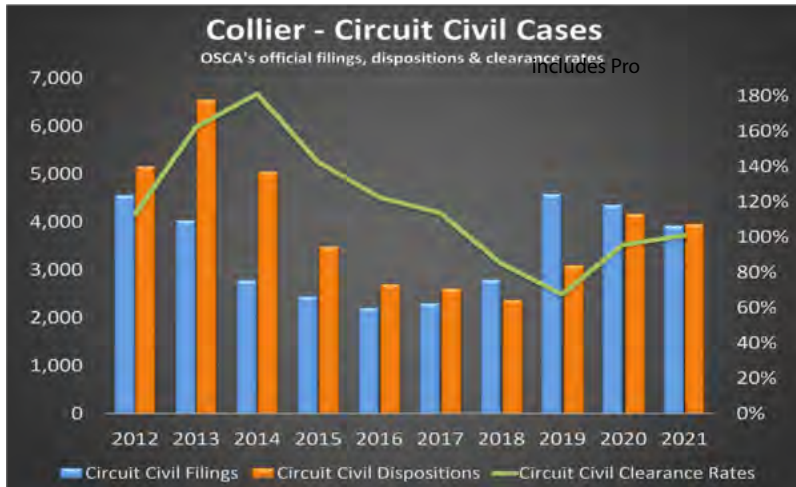
The Court mediation program in Collier County continues to provide effective alternative dispute resolution to Collier County residents with one full-time Mediation Coordinator. The program empowers parties to seek resolution of their disputes without judicial intervention. Cases are referred to the Court- program by the Judiciary or by agreement of the parties to participate in mediation.

✓ 2,649 CMC's were
scheduled in
2020.

2,579 CMC's were
scheduled in
2021.

There was a **7%** increase
in disposed cases prior to the
settlement hearing in 2021
compared to **72%** in 2020.

COLLIER COUNTY OVERVIEW OF CIVIL CASE FILINGS, DISPOSITION & CLEARANCE RATES



The overall clearance rate for all Circuit Civil cases, with the exception of family cases, was approximately 96% through June 30, 2020 and 101% through June 30, 2021.

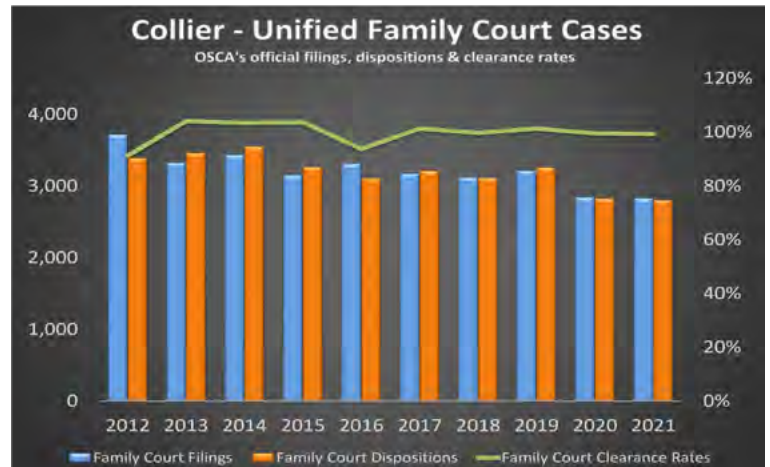
Total Circuit Civil Filings: 4,357 through 06/30/2020
3,923 through 06/30/2021

Total Circuit Civil Dispositions: 4,168 through 06/30/2020
3,956 through 06/30/2021

(This includes Prof. Malpractice & Prod. Liability, Auto & Other Negligence, Contracts & Real Property, and Other cases.)

Dependency
Zoom
Proceedings

2020 1,321
2021 1,237

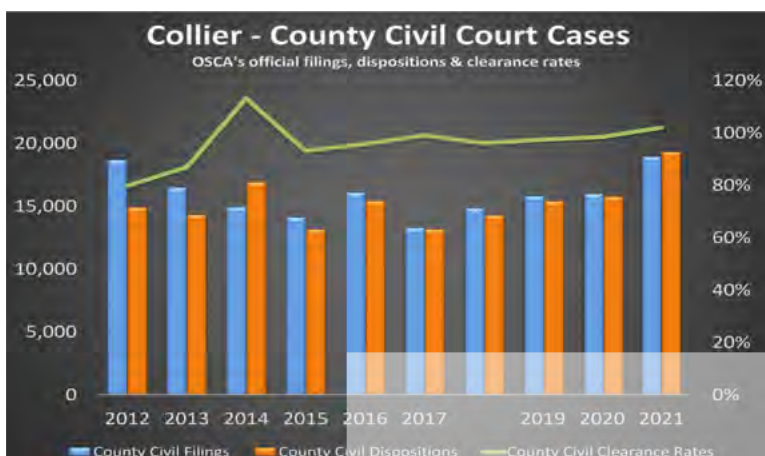


The overall clearance rate for all County Civil cases, with the exception of family cases, was approximately 99% through June 30, 2020 and 102% through June 30, 2021.

(This includes small claims, civil, other civil, evictions, and civil traffic infractions.)

Total County Civil Filings: 15,992 through 06/30/2020
18,942 through 06/30/2021

Total County Civil Dispositions: 15,754 through 06/30/2020
19,325 through 06/30/2021



HENDRY COUNTY CRIMINAL DIVISION OVERVIEW

Felony Case Management

Hendry Circuit Criminal Court utilizes differentiated Case Management methods to monitor and track all felony cases. The Criminal Case Manager maintains detailed case notes regarding all on-going discovery issues and assists in identifying cases that could be deferred into early intervention programs. Felony cases are managed based on time goals differing depending on the case's complexity. The DCM Model of case management ensures early disposition in appropriate cases and allows for adequate time for trial preparation in the more complex cases.

In 2021, the average pending caseload for Circuit Felony cases was **440** cases.

Before the pandemic in January 2020, the average was **279** cases.

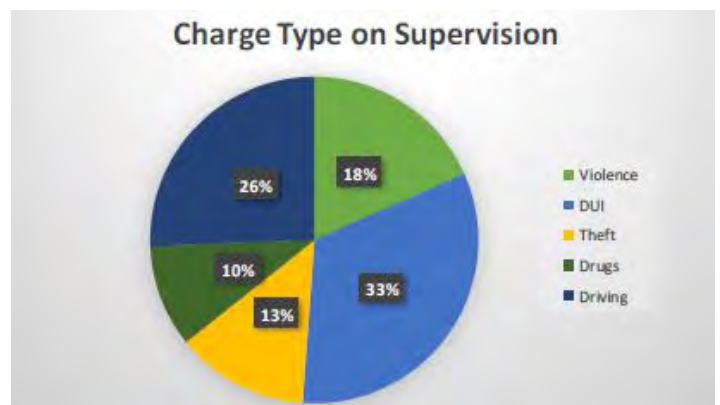
In 2021, the average daily caseload including diversion and probation cases was approximately **174** offenders.

Probation Department

The Hendry County Probation Department provides services to offenders adjudicated of misdemeanors who are court ordered to comply with conditions of probation. The Hendry County Probation Department has two locations, one office is in LaBelle and the other is in Clewiston. Due to the vast land area within Hendry County, probationers are supervised depending on where they reside. Currently, the office is comprised of two Probation Officers and a Secretary for support. One of the officers is designated as the team lead and oversees the day to day operations of the department. The Hendry County Probation Department has one Spanish-English bilingual officer.

\$68,845 collected in probation fees in 2021.

Since January 2021, **244** defendants were referred to the diversion program, which was a **40.5%** increase from 2020.



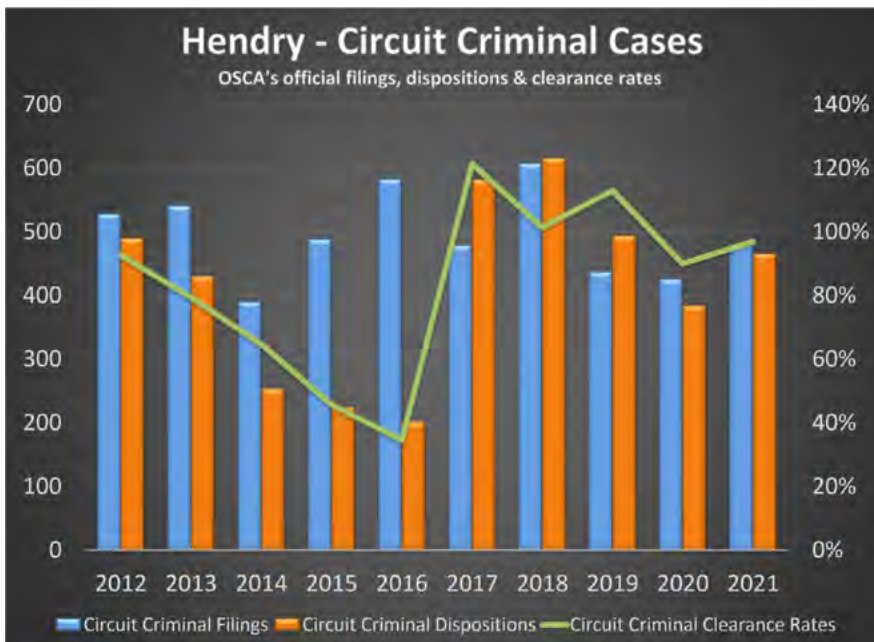
This graph describes the types of cases that were referred to probation in 2021.

Misdemeanor Pretrial Diversion

The Misdemeanor Pretrial Diversion Program is a voluntary deferred prosecution option that allows first time offenders charged with misdemeanors to complete conditions and if successfully completed, these cases are not prosecuted further. This cooperative effort between the State's Attorney's Office and Hendry County Probation helps to expedite cases through the judicial system while holding defendants accountable for their actions.

HENDRY COUNTY

OVERVIEW OF CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS, DISPOSITION & CLEARANCE RATES



The overall clearance rate for all Circuit Criminal cases was approximately 97% through June 30, 2021.

Total Circuit Criminal Filings: 426 through 06/30/2020
480 through 06/30/2021

Total Circuit Criminal Dispositions: 383 through 06/30/2020
465 through 06/30/2021

(This includes Capital Murder, Violent Crimes, Against Persons, Against Property, and Drug Crimes)

Circuit Criminal Cases

Calendar Year 2020

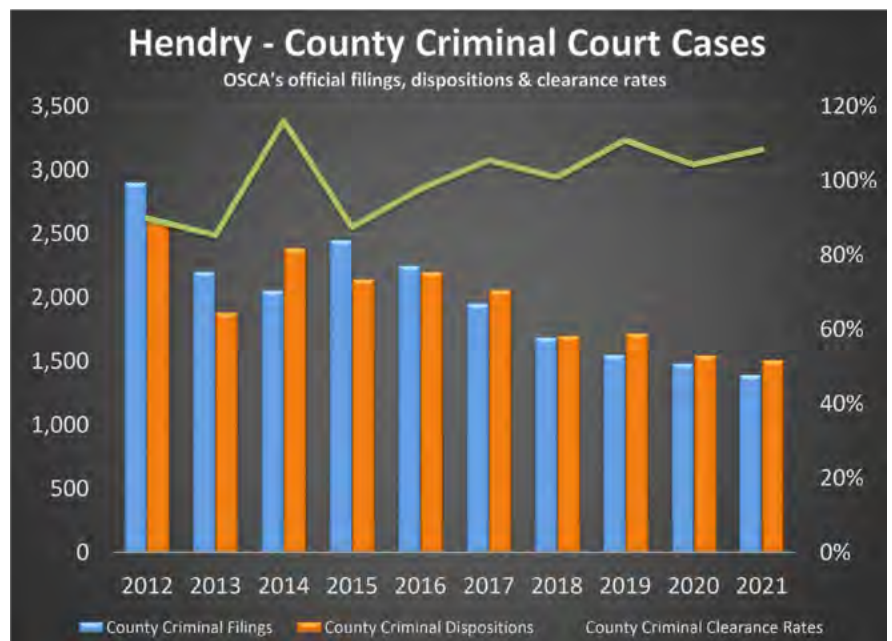
704 cases were filed
651 cases were disposed
92% clearance rate

Circuit Criminal Cases

Calendar Year 2021

641 cases were filed
651 cases were disposed
102% clearance rate

The Hendry County criminal case filings decreased again in 2021. A reduction of 8.9% was experienced in the Hendry Circuit Court felony caseload. However, the courts were able to bring a total of 651 felony cases to a disposition in 2021 creating a clearance rate of 102%. 397 felony cases were disposed of by plea and 8 cases were presented to a jury. Hendry County misdemeanor filings have experienced a significant decrease of 51% since 2019. In 2021, 669 misdemeanor cases were brought to disposition creating clearance rate of 165%. 770 misdemeanor and criminal traffic cases were disposed of by plea and 5 cases were presented to a jury. Newly filed criminal traffic infractions also experienced a decrease of 15% since 2019.



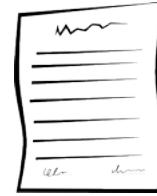
HENDRY COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION OVERVIEW



The Family Court Program Magistrates conducted **485** court hearings and assisted in closing **181** newly filed cases in 2021.

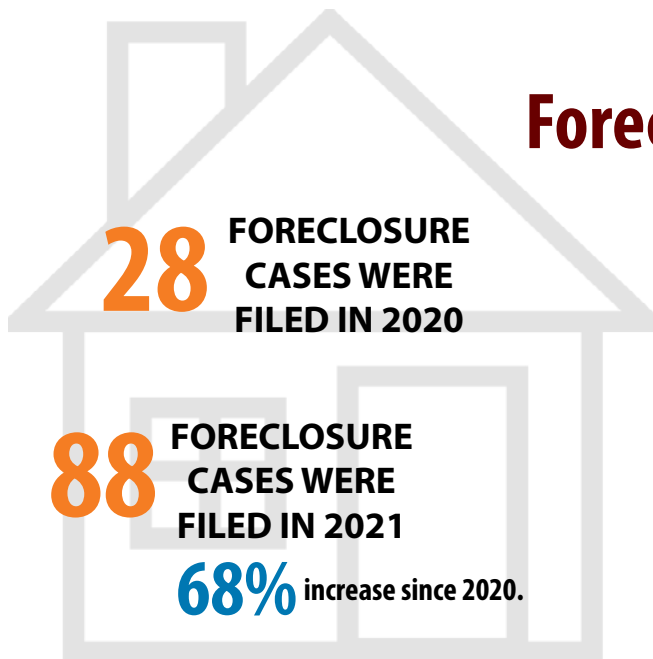
Family Court Program

The Family Court Program assists the Hendry Circuit Court Judge by case managing and hearing family law cases utilizing a Magistrate. Currently the Family Court Program is case managing and active caseload of approximately 206 cases. This number does not include Department of Revenue Child Support Cases. The Family Law Magistrate is a contractor managed by the Administrative Office of the Courts and only hears cases 5 days a month at the Hendry County Courthouse.



214 Family Law cases were filed (not including child support cases) in 2021.

14% increase since 2020.



Foreclosure Case Management

The Hendry County Foreclosure Case Management Program diligently works to reduce the number of pending foreclosure cases. The program's main focus is on disposing cases 18 months and older. These cases are heard by a Senior Judge every other month.

Senior Judge time has been allocated to the Hendry County Court to manage the foreclosure caseloads, the dependency docket, as well as some felony hearings to control the jail population. These hours are also utilized to case manage civil cases pending over 10 months without activity.

County Civil Mediation Program

In 2015, the Hendry County Court began offering a dispute resolution option for County Civil and Small Claims cases. The Mediation Program affords all parties the opportunity to reach an agreement without a trial. The Hendry Small Claims Mediation Program currently has three Florida Supreme Court Certified Volunteer County Court Mediators that assist in resolving disputes, free of charge.

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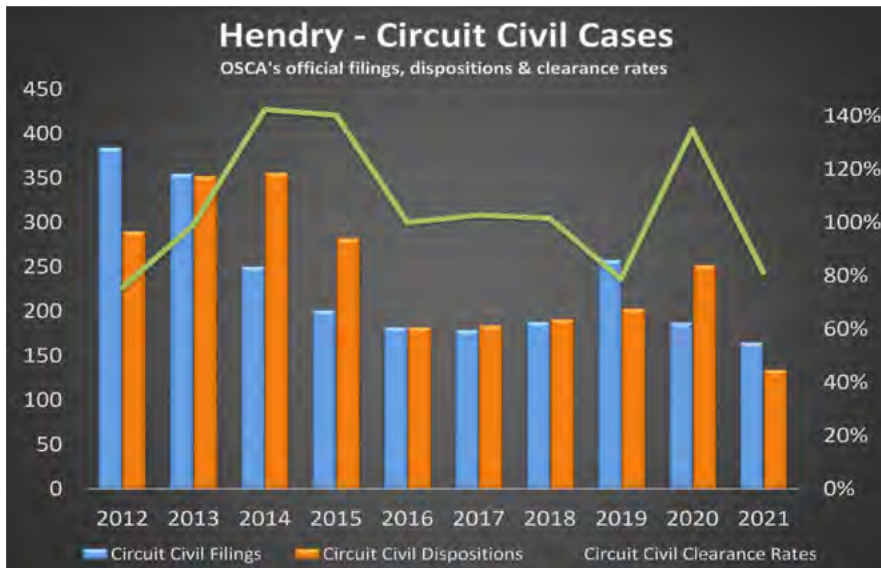
SMALL CLAIMS CASES WERE FILED IN 2021, WHICH IS A **29%** INCREASE SINCE 2020.

93 mediation was provided

26 resolved prior to trial

HENDRY COUNTY

OVERVIEW OF CIVIL CASE FILINGS, DISPOSITION & CLEARANCE RATES



2020 & 2021 statistics

187 Circuit Civil cases filed through June 2020 in Hendry County

Circuit Civil cases filed through June 2021 in Hendry County **165**

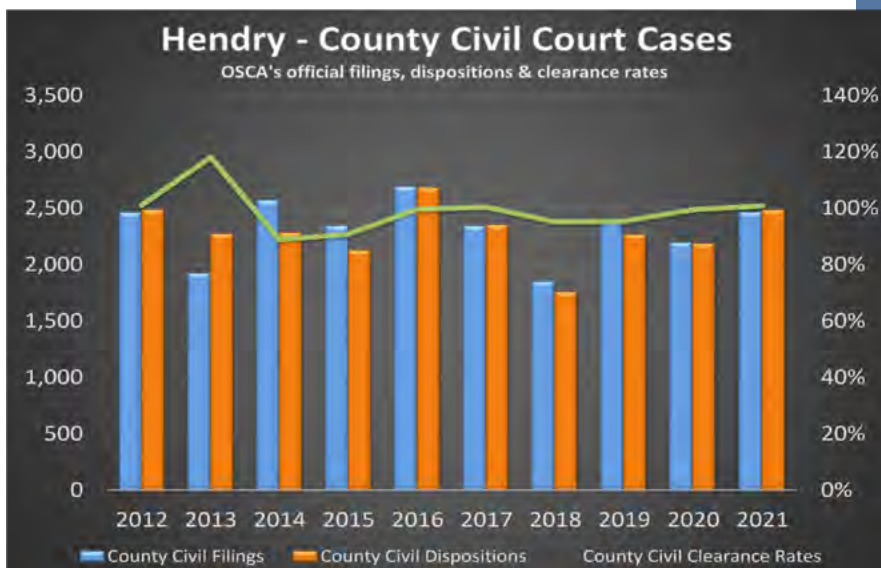
(This includes Prof. Malpractice & Prod. Liability, Auto & Other Negligence, Contracts & Real Property, and Other cases.)

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Circuit Civil cases disposed of through June 2021 in Hendry County, while in 2020 there were **252** cases disposed in Circuit Civil.

The Hendry County and Circuit Courts Civil Division processed over 1779 cases in 2021, which was an increase of 30% since 2020. In July of 2021, the Hendry County Courts Civil Divisions began case managing the active caseloads pursuant to Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.200(a), Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.545, Florida Supreme Court Administrative Order AOSC20-23(Amendment 12), and Administrative Order 1.13 (as amended) entered by the Chief Judge of this Circuit. This new process is an innovative means to further improve the fair, predictable, efficient, and timely disposition of civil cases.

The largest Circuit Civil caseload is the Family Law caseload. This caseload makes up an estimated 27% of all civil cases.



100% County Civil case clearance rate though June 2020 in Hendry County

County Civil case clearance rate though June 2021 in Hendry County **101%**

(This includes small claims, civil, other civil, evictions, and civil traffic infractions.)

GLADES COUNTY CRIMINAL OVERVIEW

Probation Department

The Glades County Probation Department provides services to offenders adjudicated of misdemeanors who are ordered to comply with conditions of probation. The Glades County Probation Department also provides supervision for defendants ordered to comply with pretrial diversion, a deferred prosecution option offered by the court. The Misdemeanor Pretrial Diversion Program is a voluntary deferred prosecution option that allows first time offenders charged with misdemeanors to complete conditions and if successfully completed, these cases are not prosecuted further. This cooperative effort between the State's Attorney's Office and the Glades County Probation Department helps to expedite cases through the judicial system while holding defendants accountable for their actions.

CRIMINAL CASE FILINGS, DISPOSITION & CLEARANCE RATES

In 2021 there were,

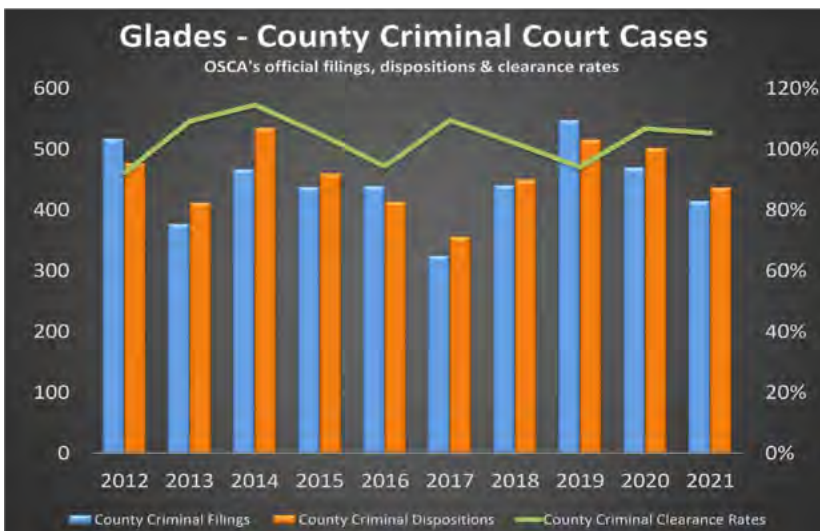
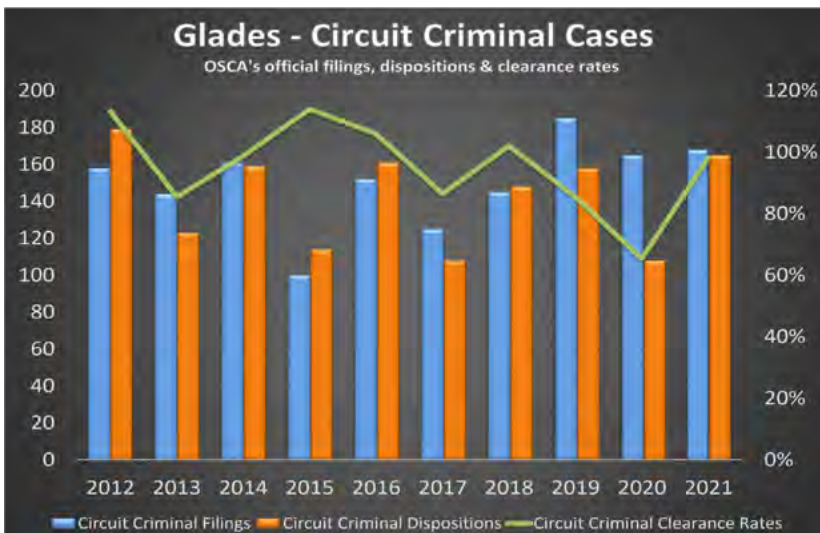
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new probation referrals. That reflects a



27%
increase from 2020.

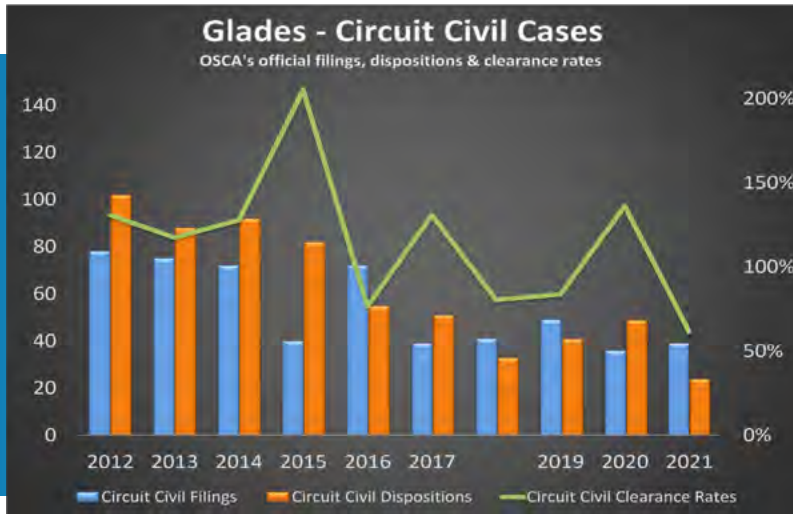


In April of 2021, the Glades County Circuit Criminal Court was able to conduct a capital murder case which took four weeks to resolve while adhering to the pandemic health and safety guidelines. Judge Sloan presided over the case.



GLADES COUNTY

CIVIL CASE FILINGS, DISPOSITION & CLEARANCE RATES



199 Total number of Circuit Civil cases filed in Glades County in 2020

Domestic Relations cases filed in Glades County in 2021 **115**

40 Circuit Civil cases filed in Glades County in 2021

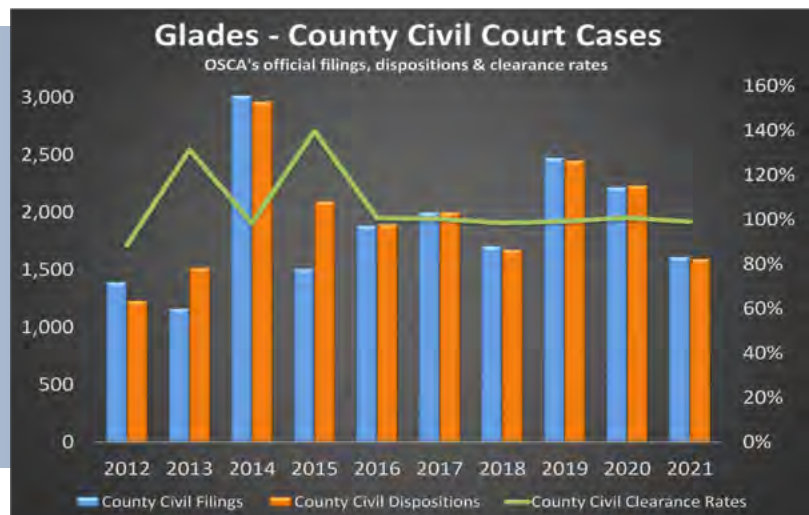
Glades County Circuit Civil filings experienced a 12% increase from 2020. The total number of Circuit Civil filings for 2021 were 227 cases. The filings for family law cases experienced a 10% increase from 2020, which includes child support, dissolutions, and paternity cases. Dispositions were reached in 25 circuit civil cases creating clearance rate of 63%.

The Glades County Court Civil filings have experienced a 28% increase from 2020. Small Claims had an increase of 52% increase since 2019. County Civil resolved 77 cases with a 117% clearance rate.

In July of 2021, the Glades County Courts Civil Divisions began case managing the active caseloads pursuant to Florida Rule of Civil Procedure 1.200(a), Florida Rule of Judicial Administration 2.545, Florida Supreme Court Administrative Order AOSC20-23(Amendment 12), and Administrative Order 1.13 (as amended) entered by the Chief Judge of this Circuit. This new process is an innovative means to further improve the fair, predictable, efficient, and timely disposition of civil cases.

48 County Civil cases filed in Glades County in 2020

Small Claims cases filed in Glades County in 2021 **86**



THE NUMBERS

PROBLEM-SOLVING COURTS

DRUG COURT, MENTAL HEALTH COURT, VETERANS COURT

Problem-solving courts address the root causes of justice system involvement through specialized dockets, multidisciplinary teams, and a nonadversarial approach. Offering evidence-based treatment, judicial supervision, and accountability, problem-solving courts provide individualized interventions for participants, thereby improving public safety, reducing recidivism, restoring lives, and promoting confidence and satisfaction with the justice system process.

100% safety rate for the Charlotte County Adult Drug Court Program for FY 2020-21. Up from 89% in FY 19-20.

Safety rate= percentage of defendants who do not commit a new law violation while on supervision

89% completion rate for Charlotte County Mental Health Court Fiscal Year 2019-20.

79% completion rate for Fiscal Year 2020-21.

Average overall number of days in the program for 2019 to 2021 is **257**

27 participants successfully graduated from the Collier County Drug Court Program in 2021.

This represents a **82%** compliance.

16 participants successfully graduated from the Collier County Drug Court Program in 2021.

This represents a **67%** success rate.

73% success rate for Charlotte County Adult Drug Court Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

Average overall number of days in the program **319**

The Hendry County Drug Court had its first Drug Court Graduation on

September 14,

2020 with **TWO** graduates successfully completing the program.

In Lee County...

There were **SIX** graduates from the Veterans Treatment Court in 2020-21 with no unsuccessful terminations resulting in a **100%**

success rate and increasing the overall average success rate since program inception (2015) to **78%**.

8 participants successfully graduated from the Collier County Veteran's Court Program in 2020.

The overall success rate for Lee County Mental Health Court since program inception in 2020 is

71%

34 participants graduated from the Lee County Felony Drug Court Program in Fiscal year 2019-20.

The average number of participants in the program on average each month in FY 2020-21 was **82**

In 2021,

58 participants were offered the opportunity to gain treatment through the Hendry County Felony Drug Court Program.

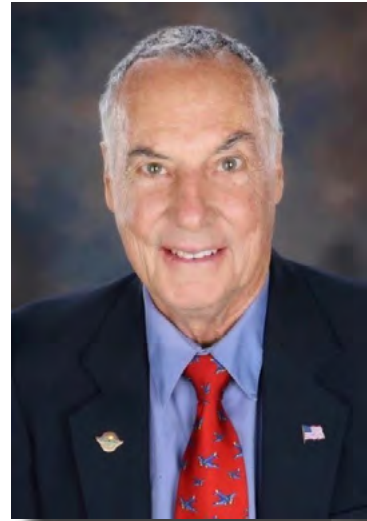
2020 AND 2021 IN REVIEW

IN MEMORY OF...



On July 8, 2021, Twentieth Judicial Circuit Judge Daniel R. Monaco passed away. Judge Monaco received his BA from Russell Sage University and his JD from the University of Miami, School of Law. He graduated in 1967 and practiced law as a member of the firm of Monaco, Cardillo and Keith until his election to the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in 1996. He retired in 2008 when he turned 70 and then served as a Senior Judge. Based in Collier County, Judge Monaco presided over truancy court, juvenile court, domestic relations court, and was instrumental in the county's juvenile drug court, drug court, and mental health court. In 2008, he received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Italian American Bar Association. He was recognized in 2015 by the American Inns of Court of Collier County for exceptional service in the administration of Collier County's residential foreclosure docket.

On July 16, 2021, Twentieth Judicial Circuit Judge Ted Brousseau passed away. Judge Brousseau Jr. was born in 1944 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He graduated from Stetson University where he earned a major in economics and a minor in engineering. He also earned his law degree from Stetson University. Judge Brousseau won the election for Circuit Judge in 1978 and served on the bench for 27 years. Before his time on the bench, he served as President of the Collier County Bar Association and City Attorney for the city of Everglades. He also served as Faculty for Florida Judicial College and National Judicial College and fueled the creation of the Citizen's Foster Care Review Board mission. He was also a certified private pilot and was honored by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) with the Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award. The Wright Brothers Master Pilot Award is the most prestigious the FAA issues to certified pilots.



On January 4, 2022, Twentieth Judicial Circuit Judge Larry Martin passed away. Judge Martin was born in 1943 in Jacksonville, Florida. He graduated from the University of Virginia and earned his law degree from the University of Florida, College of Law, aided by the U.S. Army, ROTC. He was appointed as a County Court Judge in 1998 and in 2003 was appointed as a Circuit Court Judge until his retirement in 2009. He had the distinct honor of swearing in his daughter, Judge Janeice Martin to the Collier County bench. During his time on the bench, President of the Board during a formative period for what is today the David Lawrence Centers for Behavioral Health, spent many years with the East Naples Civic Association and Naples Rotary (Sunset Club), and volunteered with Angel Flight to assist persons with transport for medical purposes.

JUDGES WHO RETIRED



Circuit Judge
Christine Greider

2006-2020

Circuit Judge
G. Keith Cary

1989-2020



Circuit Judge
George Richards

2009-2020



Lee County Judge
James Adams

1993-2021



JUDGES WHO JOINED THE BENCH

Circuit Judge
Shannon McFee
took the bench
February 3, 2020.



Circuit Judge
Kyle Cohen
began his service
on July 9, 2020.

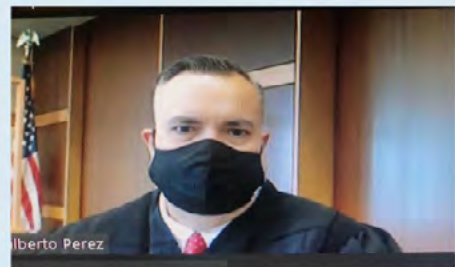
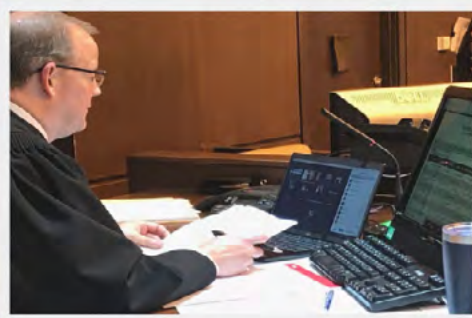
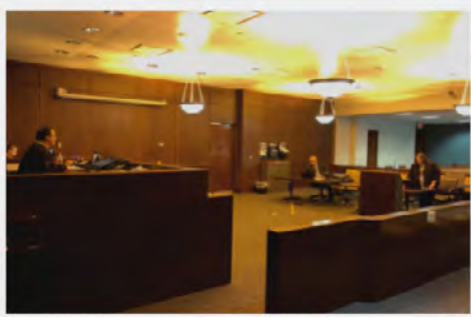
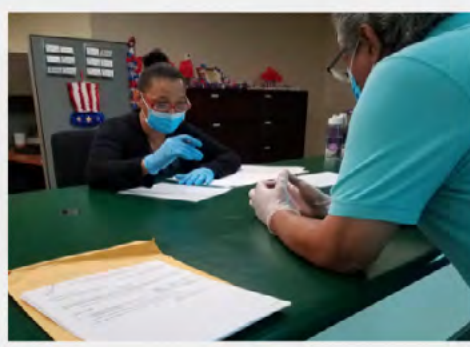
Circuit Judge
Gilberto Perez
assumed office on
October 5, 2020.

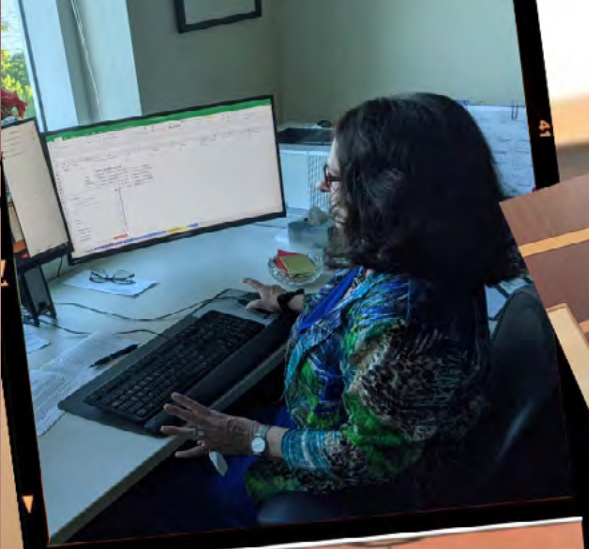


Lee County Judge
Nicole Mirra was
appointed to the court
on July 12, 2021.

Lee County Judge
Erik Leontiev
took the bench
October 8, 2021.







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