BARBOUR COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 24,850
Family Court	274,688
Magistrate Court	366,387
Total	$ 665,925

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 36,869

There were 277 cases filed in Barbour County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 54.2 percent were civil cases, 19.1 percent were criminal cases, and 26.7 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 9.9 percent compared to 2009. Barbour County is part of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Taylor County.

During 2010, 317 new cases were filed in Barbour County Family Court. There were also eighty-two modification and thirty-eight contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 61.7 percent compared to 2009. Barbour County is part of the Twenty-First Family Court Circuit, which also includes Taylor County.

In 2010, there were 1,841 cases filed in Barbour County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 11.2 percent from 2009. Of those, 72.5 percent were criminal cases, sixteen percent were special proceedings, and 11.5 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Alan D. Moats, Chief Judge

Family Court Judge
Beth Longo

Magistrates
Kathi S. McBee
Tina M. Mouser

Circuit Clerk
Jerry Lantz

Magistrate Clerk
Sandra K. Skidmore

Chief Probation Officer
Bonnie Viani

Barbour County Courthouse
8 North Main Street
Philippi, WV 26416
304-457-3454

Barbour County Magistrate Court
Church and Main Streets
Philippi, WV 26416
304-457-3676

Berkeley County

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$2,868,065
Family Court	313,478
Magistrate Court	1,212,924
Total	$4,394,467

There were 2,336 cases filed in Berkeley County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 68.3 percent were civil cases, 14.5 percent were criminal cases, and 17.2 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 0.3 percent compared to 2009. Berkeley County is part of the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit, which also includes Morgan and Jefferson Counties.

During 2010, 1,744 new cases were filed in Berkeley County Family Court. There were also 428 modification and 254 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 1.8 percent compared to 2009. Berkeley County is part of the Twenty-Fourth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Jefferson County.

In 2010, there were 20,457 cases filed in Berkeley County Magistrate Court, an increase of ten percent from 2009. Of those, 49.5 percent were criminal cases, 17.3 percent were special proceedings, and 33.3 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
David H. Sanders, Chief Judge
Gina M. Groh
Gray Silver, III
Christopher C. Wilkes
John C. Yoder

Family Court Judges
David P. Greenberg
Sally G. Jackson
William T. Wertman Jr.

Magistrates
Joan V. Bragg
James Humphrey
(Took office September 13, 2010)
Sandra L. "Sandy" Miller
JoAnn B. Overington
William "Randy" Smith
(Resigned September 3, 2010)
Harry L. Snow

Circuit Clerk
Virginia Sine

Magistrate Clerk
Ruby Kay Hawkins

Chief Probation Officer
Mark Hofe

Berkeley County Courthouse
Berkeley County Judicial Center
380 West South Street
Martinsburg, WV 25401
304-264-1918

Berkeley County Magistrate Court
Berkeley County Judicial Center
380 West South Street
Martinsburg, WV 25401
304-264-1957

Boone County

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 979,993
Family Court	265,748
Magistrate Court	478,952
Total	$1,724,693

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Repair Water Table and Gutter) $74,000

There were 999 cases filed in Boone County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 54.2 percent were civil cases, 15.9 percent were criminal cases, and 29.9 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 2.3 percent compared to 2009. Boone County is part of the Twenty-Fifth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Lincoln County.

During 2010, 592 new cases were filed in Boone County Family Court. There were also 289 modification and 125 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 8.8 percent compared to 2009. Boone County is part of the Tenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Lincoln County.

In 2010, there were 4,924 cases filed in Boone County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 3.2 percent from 2009. Of those, 75.1 percent were criminal cases, 18.9 percent were special proceedings, and six percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Jay M. Hoke, Chief Judge
William S. Thompson

Family Court Judges
Scott E. Elswick
Cynthia J. Jarrell

Magistrates
Charles M. Byrnside
Clarence "Porter" Snodgrass

Circuit Clerk
Sue Ann Zickefoose

Magistrate Clerk
Janet E. Dent

Chief Probation Officer
Jerry Swanson

Boone County Courthouse
200 State Street
Madison, WV 25130
304-369-7321

Boone County Magistrate Court
200 State Street
Madison, WV 25130
304-369-7364

Braxton County

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 920,202
Family Court	289,761
Magistrate Court	451,450
Total	$ 1,661,414

Court Security Fund Grant	$20,000
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Bell Tower Repair)	$72,800

There were 271 cases filed in Braxton County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 47.2 percent were civil cases, 31.4 percent were criminal cases, and 21.4 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 6.6 percent compared to 2009. Braxton County is part of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Clay, Gilmer, and Webster Counties

During 2010, 257 new cases were filed in Braxton County Family Court. There were also fifty-eight modification and seventeen contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 9.8 percent compared to 2009. Braxton County is part of the Seventeenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Lewis and Upshur Counties.

In 2010, there were 3,468 cases filed in Braxton County Magistrate Court, an increase of 21.5 percent from 2009. Of those, 78.2 percent were criminal cases, 15.9 percent were special proceedings, and 5.9 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Jack Alsop, Chief Judge
Richard A. Facemire

Family Court Judge
Robert Reed Sowa

Magistrates
Larry B. Clifton
Mary Beth Smith

Circuit Clerk
J.W. Morris

Magistrate Clerk
Carol J. Frame

Chief Probation Officer
Lucy Cruickshanks

Braxton County Courthouse
300 Main Street
Sutton, WV 26601
304-765-2837

Braxton County Magistrate Court
307 Main Street
Sutton, WV 26601
304-765-7362

BROOKE COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

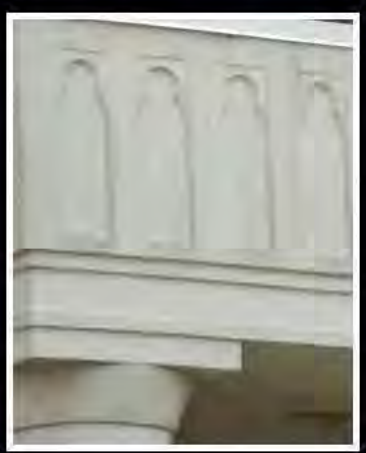
Circuit Court	$1,424,450
Family Court	15,822
Magistrate Court	434,871
Total	$1,875,143

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Courtroom Repair) $80,000

There were 472 cases filed in Brooke County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 57 percent were civil cases, 27.5 percent were criminal cases, and 15.5 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 9.1 percent compared to 2009. Brooke County is part of the First Judicial Circuit, which also includes Hancock and Ohio Counties.

During 2010, 348 new cases were filed in Brooke County Family Court. There were also twenty-seven modification and fifteen contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 2.1 percent compared to 2009. Brooke County is part of the First Family Court Circuit, which also includes Hancock and Ohio Counties.

In 2010, there were 3,187 cases filed in Brooke County Magistrate Court, an increase of 0.8 percent from 2009. Of those, 77.3 percent were criminal cases, 14.3 percent were special proceedings, and 8.5 percent were civil cases.



Circuit Judges
Arthur M. Recht, Chief Judge
Martin J. Gaughan
James P. Mazzone
Ronald E. Wilson

Family Court Judges
Joyce Dumbaugh Chernenko
William F. Sinclair

Magistrates
Michael H. Allman
Michael F. Fuscardo

Circuit Clerk
Glenda Brooks

Magistrate Clerk
Valerie S. Hood

Chief Probation Officer
James Lee

Brooke County Courthouse
632 Main Street
Wellsburg, WV 26070
304-737-3662

Brooke County Magistrate Court
744 Charles Street
Wellsburg, WV 26070
304-737-1321

CABELL COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$3,590,292
Family Court	640,138
Magistrate Court	1,495,519
Total	$5,725,948

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 40,000
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Clock Tower Repair)	$ 80,000

There were 3,755 cases filed in Cabell County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 68.9 percent were civil cases, 16.4 percent were criminal cases, and 14.7 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 4.5 percent compared to 2009. Cabell County comprises the Sixth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 2,427 new cases were filed in Cabell County Family Court. There were also 590 modification and 328 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 5.6 percent compared to 2009. Cabell County makes up the Sixth Family Court Circuit.

In 2010, there were 18,840 cases filed in Cabell County Magistrate Court, an increase of 2.6 percent over 2009. Of those, 68.2 percent were criminal cases, sixteen percent were special proceedings, and 15.8 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
David M. Pancake, Chief Judge
Alfred E. Ferguson
F. Jane Hustead
Dan P. O'Hanlon
(Retired October 31, 2010)

Family Court Judges
Ronald E. Anderson
Patricia Keller

Magistrates
Rondall "Ron" Baumgardner
Darrell G. Black
Daniel Goheen
John H. McCallister
Patty R. Spence
Michael J. Woelfel
Betty J. Wolford

Circuit Clerk
Adell Chandler

Magistrate Clerk
Hope E. Romine

Chief Probation Officer
Jonny Winkler

Cabell County Courthouse
750 Fifth Avenue
Huntington, WV 25701
304-526-8622

Cabell County Magistrate Court
750 Fifth Avenue
Huntington, WV 25701
304-526-8642 or 8644

CALHOUN COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$119,888
Family Court	19,224
Magistrate Court	364,202
Total	$503,314
Court Security Fund Grant	$ 4,400

There were 165 cases filed in Calhoun County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 49.1 percent were civil cases, 11.5 percent were criminal cases, and 39.4 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 7.1 percent compared to 2009. Calhoun County is part of the Fifth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Jackson, Mason, and Roane Counties.

During 2010, 138 new cases were filed in Calhoun County Family Court. There were also thirty modification and thirteen contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 0.7 percent compared to 2009. Calhoun County is part of the Fourth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Gilmer, Ritchie, and Roane Counties.

In 2010, there were 932 cases filed in Calhoun County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 0.7 percent from 2009. Of those, 72.2 percent were criminal cases, 13.5 percent were special proceedings, and 14.3 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Thomas C. Evans, III, Chief Judge
David W. Nibert

Family Court Judge
Larry S. Whited

Magistrates
Richard G. Postalwait
Teresa D. Robinson

Circuit Clerk
Sheila Garretson

Magistrate Clerk
Gary D. Smith

Chief Probation Officer
Patricia McCartney

Calhoun County Courthouse
363 Main Street
Grantsville,WV 26147
304-354-6910

Calhoun County Magistrate Court
363 Main Street
Grantsville, WV 26147
304-354-6698

CLAY COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 181,029
Family Court	10,959
Magistrate Court	366,129
Total	$ 558,116

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Annex Roof)	$ 79,929

There were 297 cases filed in Clay County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 46.5 percent were civil cases, 12.1 percent were criminal cases, and 41.4 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 53.9 percent compared to 2009. Clay County is part of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Braxton, Gilmer, and Webster Counties.

During 2010, 241 new cases were filed in Clay County Family Court. There were also eighty modification and forty-five contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 21 percent compared to 2009. Clay County is part of the Sixteenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Nicholas County.

In 2010, there were 1,950 cases filed in Clay County Magistrate Court, an increase of 13.8 percent from 2009. Of those, 78.8 percent were criminal cases, 13.5 percent were special proceedings, and 7.6 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Jack Alsop , Chief Judge
Richard A. Facemire

Family Court Judge
Donald K. Bischoff

Magistrates
Jeffrey W. Boggs
Mitchel H. King

Circuit Clerk
Mike Asbury

Magistrate Clerk
Trisha L. Triplett

Chief Probation Officer
Lucy Cruickshanks

Clay County Courthouse
246 Main Street
Clay, WV 25043
304-587-4256

Clay County Magistrate Court
225 Main Street
Clay, WV 25043
304-587-2131

DODDRIDGE COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

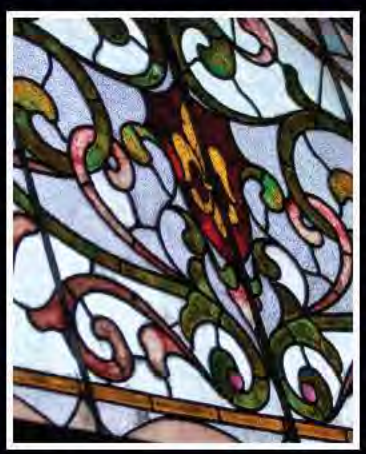
Circuit Court	$ 420,583
Family Court	6,868
Magistrate Court	388,087
Total	$ 815,538

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 38,000

There were 147 cases filed in Doddridge County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 68.7 percent were civil cases, 15.6 percent were criminal cases, and 15.6 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings remained the same as in 2009. Doddridge County is part of the Third Judicial Circuit, which also includes Pleasants and Ritchie Counties.

During 2010, 108 new cases were filed in Doddridge County Family Court. There were also twenty-three modification and eleven contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 7.7 percent compared to 2009. Doddridge County is part of the Eighteenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Harrison County.

In 2010, there were 1,261 cases filed in Doddridge County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 0.6 percent from 2009. Of those, 81.8 percent were criminal cases, 9.5 percent were special proceedings, and 8.6 percent were civil cases.



Circuit Judge
Robert L. Holland, Jr.
(Died September 20, 2010)
Timothy Sweeney, Chief Judge
(Took office December 30, 2010)

Family Court Judges
Lori B. Jackson
Cornelia A. Reep

Magistrates
D. Frances Davis
Jamie Lou Moran

Circuit Clerk
Dwight E. Moore

Magistrate Clerk
Candi E. Rollins

No Chief Probation Officer

Doddridge County Courthouse
118 East Court Street
West Union, WV 26456
304-873-2331

Doddridge County Magistrate Court
118 East Court Street
West Union, WV 26456
304-873-2694

FAYETTE COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$1,754,361
Family Court	322,206
Magistrate Court	874,244
Total	$2,950,812

There were 823 cases filed in Fayette County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 59.4 percent were civil cases, 26.6 percent were criminal cases, and fourteen percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased two percent compared to 2009. Fayette County comprises the Twelfth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 960 new cases were filed in Fayette County Family Court. There were also 258 modification and 143 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 6.9 percent compared to 2009. Fayette County comprises the Fourteenth Family Court Circuit.

In 2010, there were 8,593 cases filed in Fayette County Magistrate Court, an increase of 1.1 percent from 2009. Of those, 72.4 percent were criminal cases, eighteen percent were special proceedings, and 9.6 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
John W. Hatcher, Jr., Chief Judge
Paul M. Blake Jr.

Family Court Judge
Janet Frye Steele

Magistrates
Charles L. Garvin, III
Sharon R. McGraw
Michael D. Parsons
(Retired December 1, 2010)
Janice Wiseman
(Took office December 15, 2010)
Danita G. Young

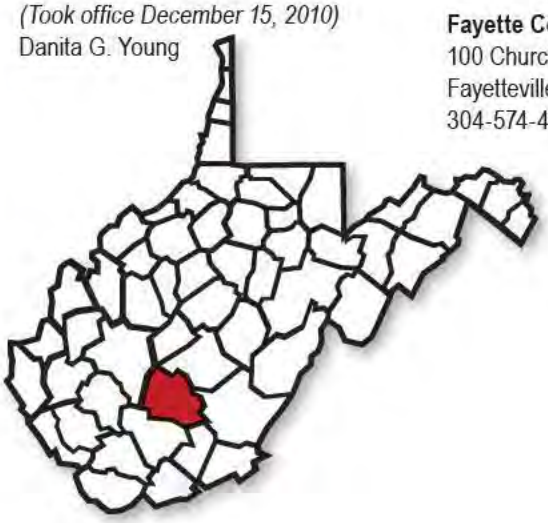
Circuit Clerk
Daniel Wright

Magistrate Clerk
Beverly J. Hundley

Chief Probation Officer
Janette Woodrum

Fayette County Courthouse
100 North Court Street
Fayetteville, WV 25840
304-574-4249

Fayette County Magistrate Court
100 Church Street
Fayetteville, WV 25840
304-574-4279



GILMER COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 43,486
Family Court	2,921
Magistrate Court	335,634
Total	$ 382,041

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 25,000

There were 125 cases filed in Gilmer County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 84.8 percent were civil cases, 14.4 percent were criminal cases, and 0.8 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 10.7 percent compared to 2009. Gilmer County is part of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Braxton, Clay, and Webster Counties.

During 2010, 124 new cases were filed in Gilmer County Family Court. There were also twenty-five modification and eleven contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 0.8 percent compared to 2009. Gilmer County is part of the Fourth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Calhoun, Ritchie, and Roane Counties.

In 2010, there were 893 cases filed in Gilmer County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 11.5 percent from 2009. Of those, 75.5 percent were criminal cases, 15.1 percent were special proceedings, and 9.4 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Jack Alsop, Chief Judge
Richard A. Facemire

Family Court Judge
Larry S. Whited

Magistrates
Robert W. Minigh
Carol L. Wolfe

Circuit Clerk
Karen Elkin

Magistrate Clerk
Dixie L. Moyers
(Retired June 30, 2010)
Linda James
(Took office July 1, 2010)

Chief Probation Officer
Lucy Cruickshanks

Gilmer County Courthouse
10 Howard Street
Glenville, WV 26351
304-462-7241

Gilmer County Magistrate Court
201 North Court Street
Glenville, WV 26351
304-462-7812

GRANT COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 416,002
Family Court	9,919
Magistrate Court	365,711
Total	$ 791,692

There were 278 cases filed in Grant County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 66.2 percent were civil cases, twenty-three percent were criminal cases, and 10.8 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 9.9 percent compared to 2009. Grant County is part of the Twenty-First Judicial Circuit, which also includes Mineral and Tucker Counties.

During 2010, 204 new cases were filed in Grant County Family Court. There were also seventy modification and nineteen contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 7.3 percent compared to 2009. Grant County is part of the Twenty-Fifth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Hardy and Pendleton Counties.

In 2010, there were 2,166 cases filed in Grant County Magistrate Court, an increase of 1.4 percent from 2009. Of those, 73.9 percent were criminal cases, 15.9 percent were special proceedings, and 10.2 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Philip B. Jordan, Jr., Chief Judge
Lynn A. Nelson

Family Court Judge
Amanda Hatfield See

Magistrates
Willard L. Earle, II
Larry W. Ours

Circuit Clerk
Betty Moomau

Magistrate Clerk
Janet S. Frye

Chief Probation Officer
Jerome DiBacco

Grant County Courthouse
5 Highland Avenue
Petersburg, WV 26847
304-257-4545

Grant County Magistrate Court
4 North Main Street
Petersburg, WV 26847
304-257-4637

GREENBRIER COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$1,790,531
Family Court	264,668
Magistrate Court	762,751
Total	$2,817,950
Court Security Fund Grant	$98,131

There were 825 cases filed in Greenbrier County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 57.5 percent were civil cases, 21.9 percent were criminal cases, and 20.6 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 3.8 percent compared to 2009. Greenbrier County is part of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, which also includes Pocahontas County.

During 2010, 723 new cases were filed in Greenbrier County Family Court. There were also 114 modification and 148 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 1.3 percent compared to 2009. Greenbrier County is part of the Fifteenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Monroe County.

In 2010, there were 4,063 cases filed in Greenbrier County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 8.3 percent from 2009. Of those, 67.3 percent were criminal cases, 11.4 percent were special proceedings, and 21.2 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
James J. Rowe, Chief Judge
Joseph C. Pomponio, Jr.

Family Court Judge
David M. Sanders

Magistrates
Charles D. Beard
Brenda L. Campbell
Brenda J. Smith

Circuit Clerk
Louvonne Arbuckle

Magistrate Clerk
Deborah A. Kaizer

Chief Probation Officer
Fred Taylor, II

Greenbrier County Courthouse
200 North Court Street
Lewisburg, WV 24901
304-647-6626

Greenbrier County Magistrate Court
203 Green Lane
Lewisburg, WV 24901
304-647-6632

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 819,361
Family Court	127,964
Magistrate Court	448,083
Total	$ 1,395,407

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 1,764

There were 367 cases filed in Hampshire County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 71.1 percent were civil cases, 22.3 percent were criminal cases, and 6.5 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased four percent compared to 2009. Hampshire County is part of the Twenty-Second Judicial Circuit, which also includes Hardy and Pendleton Counties.

During 2010, 322 new cases were filed in Hampshire County Family Court. There were also eighty-six modification and forty-seven contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 4.5 percent compared to 2009. Hampshire County is part of the Twenty-Third Family Court Circuit, which also includes Mineral and Morgan Counties.

In 2010, there were 4,546 cases filed in Hampshire County Magistrate Court, a decrease of three percent from 2009. Of those, 72.2 percent were criminal cases, nine percent were special proceedings, and 18.8 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Donald H. Cookman, Chief Judge
Jerry D. Moore
(Left office December 14, 2010)
Charles E. Parsons
(Took office December 15, 2010)

Family Court Judge
Charles E. Parsons
(Resigned December 15, 2010)

Magistrates
Eugene T. Billmeyer
Shirley A. Timbrook

Circuit Clerk
Sonja Embrey

Magistrate Clerk
Wanda L. Billmeyer

Chief Probation Officer
John Rohrbaugh

Hampshire County Circuit Court
Hampshire County Judicial Center
50 South High Street, Suite 6
Romney, WV 26757
304-822-5022

Hampshire County Magistrate Court
Hampshire County Judicial Center
50 South High Street, Suite 3
Romney, WV 26757
304-822-4311

HANCOCK COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 788,952
Family Court	23,884
Magistrate Court	679,051
Total	$1,491,888

There were 684 cases filed in Hancock County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 51.9 percent were civil cases, 32.6 percent were criminal cases, and 15.5 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 7.6 percent compared to 2009. Hancock County is part of the First Judicial Circuit, which also includes Brooke and Ohio Counties.

During 2010, 547 new cases were filed in Hancock County Family Court. There were also forty modification and thirty-five contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 10.5 percent compared to 2009. Hancock County is part of the First Family Court Circuit, which also includes Brooke and Ohio Counties.

In 2010, there were 3,903 cases filed in Hancock County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 5.4 percent from 2009. Of those, 71.4 percent were criminal cases, 16.1 percent were special proceedings, and 12.5 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Arthur M. Recht, Chief Judge
Martin J. Gaughan
James P. Mazzone
Ronald E. Wilson

Family Court Judges
Joyce Dumbaugh Chernenko
William F. Sinclair

Magistrates
Betty J. Bauer
William S. Hicks
Michael W. Powell

Circuit Clerk
Brenda Jackson

Magistrate Clerk
Tamera A. Smith

Chief Probation Officer
James Lee

Hancock County Courthouse
102 Court Street
New Cumberland, WV 26047
304-564-3311

Hancock County Magistrate Court
102 Court Street
New Cumberland, WV 26047
304-564-3355

Hardy County

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 608,667
Family Court	267,934
Magistrate Court	361,745
Total	$1,238,346

Court Security Fund Grant	$11,160
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Exterior Entry/ADA)	$32,355

There were 207 cases filed in Hardy County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 63.8 percent were civil cases, 21.7 percent were criminal cases, and 14.5 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased twenty-three percent compared to 2009. Hardy County is part of the Twenty-Second Judicial Circuit, which also includes Hampshire and Pendleton Counties.

During 2010, 210 new cases were filed in Hardy County Family Court. There were also forty-nine modification and thirty-one contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 22.5 percent compared to 2009. Hardy County is part of the Twenty-Fifth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Grant and Pendleton Counties.

In 2010, there were 3,026 cases filed in Hardy County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 10.5 percent from 2009. Of those, 75.6 percent were criminal cases, 6.9 percent were special proceedings, and 17.5 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Donald H. Cookman, Chief Judge
Jerry D. Moore
(Left office December 14, 2010)
Charles E. Parsons
(Took office December 15, 2010)

Family Court Judge
Amanda Hatfield See

Magistrates
Craig A. Hose
Daniel M. Poling

Circuit Clerk
Janet Ferrell

Magistrate Clerk
Helen H. Martin

Chief Probation Officer
John Rohrbaugh

Hardy County Courthouse
204 Washington Street
Moorefield, WV 26836
304-530-0232

Hardy County Magistrate Court
204 Washington Street
Moorefield, WV 26836
304-530-0212

HARRISON COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 2,596,975
Family Court	612,009
Magistrate Court	1,079,816
Total	$ 4,288,800

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 52,000

There were 1,567 cases filed in Harrison County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 59.2 percent were civil cases, nineteen percent were criminal cases, and 21.8 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 6.4 percent compared to 2009. Harrison County comprises the Fifteenth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 1,267 new cases were filed in Harrison County Family Court. There were also 172 modification and 136 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 8.7 percent compared to 2009. Harrison County is part of the Eighteenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Doddridge County.

In 2010, there were 11,988 cases filed in Harrison County Magistrate Court, an increase of 2.3 percent from 2009. Of those, 71.4 percent were criminal cases, 12.9 percent were special proceedings, and 15.7 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Thomas A. Bedell, Chief Judge
J. Lewis Marks, Jr.
James A. Matish

Family Court Judges
Lori B. Jackson
Cornelia A. Reep

Magistrates
Warren E. Davis
Frank A. DeMarco
Mark A. Gorby
Keith W. Marple
Tammy F. Marple

Circuit Clerk
Donald L. Kopp, II

Magistrate Clerk
Wendy Davis

Chief Probation Officer
Charles Scott

Harrison County Courthouse
301 West Main Street
Clarksburg, WV 26301
304-624-8640

Harrison County Magistrate Court
306 Washington Avenue
Clarksburg, WV 26301
304-624-8648

JACKSON COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 792,304
Family Court	346,613
Magistrate Court	501,735
Total	$1,640,652

Court Security Fund Grant	$14,458

There were 540 cases filed in Jackson County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 57.8 percent were civil cases, 28.7 percent were criminal cases, and 13.5 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 10.9 percent compared to 2009. Jackson County is part of the Fifth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Calhoun, Mason, and Roane Counties.

During 2010, 633 new cases were filed in Jackson County Family Court. There were also 176 modification and eighty-five contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased ten percent compared to 2009. Jackson County is part of the Fifth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Mason and Wirt Counties.

In 2010, there were 3,764 cases filed in Jackson County Magistrate Court, a decrease of three percent from 2009. Of those, 66.4 percent were criminal cases, 21.8 percent were special proceedings, and 11.9 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Thomas C. Evans, III, Chief Judge
David W. Nibert

Family Court Judges
Rebecca Stafford Cornett
Constance Fisher Thomas

Magistrates
Jacqueline R. Casto
William T. Reynolds

Circuit Clerk
Keith Brotherton

Magistrate Clerk
Amy S. Smith

Chief Probation Officer
Patricia McCartney

Jackson County Courthouse
100 Court Street
Ripley, WV 25271
304-373-2210

Jackson County Magistrate Court
100 Main Street
Ripley, WV 25271
304-373-2313

JEFFERSON COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$1,144,701
Family Court	499,307
Magistrate Court	726,043
Total	$2,370,052

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Exterior/Masonry Repair) $80,000

There were 1,020 cases filed in Jefferson County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 68.7 percent were civil cases, 20.3 percent were criminal cases, and eleven percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 5.7 percent compared to 2009. Jefferson County is part of the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit, which also includes Berkeley and Morgan Counties.

During 2010, 790 new cases were filed in Jefferson County Family Court. There were also 172 modification and 108 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 3.3 percent compared to 2009. Jefferson County is part of the Twenty-Fourth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Berkeley County.

In 2010, there were 9,289 cases filed in Jefferson County Magistrate Court, an increase of 0.5 percent from 2009. Of those, 67.2 percent were criminal cases, 16.4 percent were special proceedings, and 16.3 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
David H. Sanders, Chief Judge
Gina M. Groh
Gray Silver, III
Christopher C. Wilkes
John C. Yoder

Family Court Judges
David P. Greenberg
Sally G. Jackson
William T. Wertman Jr.

Magistrates
Gail C. Boober
Mary P. Rissler
William E. Senseney

Circuit Clerk
Laura Rattenni

Magistrate Clerk
Bonnie L. Seal

Chief Probation Officer
Mark Hofe

Jefferson County Courthouse
119 North George Street
Charles Town, WV 25414
304-728-3231

Jefferson County Magistrate Court
110 North George Street
Charles Town, WV 25414
304-728-3233 ext. 342

Kanawha County

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 7,581,080
Family Court	1,603,513
Magistrate Court	2,309,774
Total	$11,494,367

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 26,946
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Phase III Sprinkler System)	$ 80,000

There were 7,529 cases filed in Kanawha County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 66.1 percent were civil cases, 26.8 percent were criminal cases, and 7.1 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 7.7 percent compared to 2009. Kanawha County is the only county in the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 4,397 new cases were filed in Kanawha County Family Court. There were also 1,156 modification and 836 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 6.2 percent compared to 2009. Kanawha County makes up the Eleventh Family Court Circuit.

In 2010, there were 33,474 cases filed in Kanawha County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 13.4 percent from 2009. Of those, 72.5 percent were criminal cases, 15.9 percent were special proceedings, and 11.6 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Tod J. Kaufman, Chief Judge
Jennifer F. Bailey
Louis H. "Duke" Bloom
Charles E. King
James C. Stucky
Carrie Webster
Paul Zakaib Jr.

Family Court Judges
Kenneth D. Ballard
Michael J. Kelly
Robert M. Montgomery
Sharon M. Mullens
D. Mark Snyder

Magistrates
Kim J. Aaron
Carol A. Fouty
Tim C. Halloran
Ward Harshbarger, III
Pete C. Lopez
Jack Pauley
Joseph L. Shelton
Traci L. Strickland
Paris Workman
Julie M. Yeager

Circuit Clerk
Cathy Gatson

Magistrate Clerk
Agnes D. Riffel
(Retired August 31, 2010)
Angel Cincinnati
(Took office September 1, 2010)

Chief Adult Probation Officer
Judy Jones

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
R. Keith Stewart

Kanawha County Circuit Court
Kanawha County Judicial Building
111 Court Street
Charleston, WV 25301
304-357-0440

Kanawha County Magistrate Court
111 Court Street
Charleston, WV 25301
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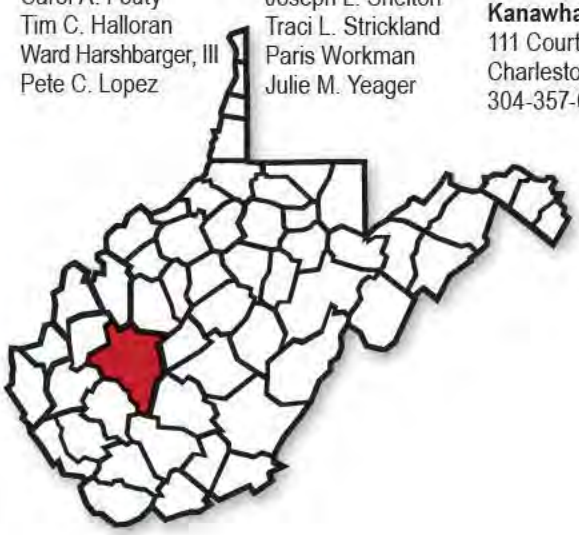

LEWIS COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 384,165
Family Court	31,400
Magistrate Court	467,457
Total	$ 883,021
Court Security Fund Grant	$ 24,756
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Roof Repair)	$ 80,000

There were 646 cases filed in Lewis County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 82.5 percent were civil cases, 12.8 percent were criminal cases, and 4.6 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 12.5 percent compared to 2009. Lewis County is part of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Upshur County.

During 2010, 291 new cases were filed in Lewis County Family Court. There were also fifty modification and eighteen contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 2.5 percent compared to 2009. Lewis County is part of the Seventeenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Braxton and Upshur Counties.

In 2010, there were 4,118 cases filed in Lewis County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 4.8 percent. Of the 2010 filings, 80.7 percent were criminal cases, 5.5 percent were special proceedings, and 13.8 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Thomas H. Keadle, Chief Judge

Family Court Judge
Robert Reed Sowa

Magistrates
Sharon A. Hull
James D. Moody

Circuit Clerk
John Hinzman

Magistrate Clerk
Carolyn S. Williams

Chief Probation Officer
Serena Peterson

Lewis County Courthouse
110 Center Avenue
Weston, WV 26452
304-269-8210

Lewis County Magistrate Court
111 Court Street
Weston, WV 26452
304-269-8230

LINCOLN COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$1,121,539
Family Court	392,907
Magistrate Court	416,578
Total	$1,931,024

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 71,782
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Courtroom Upgrade/Security)	$ 80,000

There were 630 cases filed in Lincoln County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 50.8 percent were civil cases, 18.6 percent were criminal cases, and 30.6 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 0.8 percent compared to 2009. Lincoln County is part of the Twenty-Fifth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Boone County.

During 2010, 476 new cases were filed in Lincoln County Family Court. There were also 182 modification and 220 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 6.5 percent compared to 2009. Lincoln County is part of the Tenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Boone County.

In 2010, there were 4,174 cases filed in Lincoln County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 9.8 percent from 2009. Of those, 78.3 percent were criminal cases, seventeen percent were special proceedings, and 4.7 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Jay M. Hoke, Chief Judge
William S. Thompson

Family Court Judges
Scott E. Elswick
Cynthia L. Jarrell

Magistrates
Mona Dell Snodgrass
Sophia J. Tully

Circuit Clerk
Charlie Brumfield

Magistrate Clerk
Darlena Kay Adkins

Chief Probation Officer
Jerry Swanson

Lincoln County Courthouse
8000 Court Avenue
Hamlin, WV 25523
304-824-7887, ext. 239

Lincoln County Magistrate Court
8000 Court Avenue
Hamlin, WV 25523
304-824-5001 ext. 235

LOGAN COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$1,956,563
Family Court	523,598
Magistrate Court	809,992
Total	$3,290,153

Court Security Fund Grant	$95,477

There were 1,224 cases filed in Logan County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 51.2 percent were civil cases, 23.8 percent were criminal cases, and twenty-five percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 19.4 percent compared to 2009. Logan County comprises the Seventh Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 1,074 new cases were filed in Logan County Family Court. There were also 237 modification and 145 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 20.4 percent compared to 2009. Logan County makes up the Ninth Family Court Circuit.

In 2010, there were 9,613 cases filed in Logan County Magistrate Court, an increase of 2.5 percent from 2009. Of those, 71.3 percent were criminal cases, 23.4 percent were special proceedings, and 5.3 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Eric H. O'Briant , Chief Judge
Roger L. Perry

Family Court Judges
Kelly Gilmore Codispoti
Jason D. Harwood

Magistrates
Leonard Codispoti
Jeffrey S. Lane
Dwight A. Williamson

Circuit Clerk
Alvis Porter

Magistrate Clerk
Deeanna J. Briggs

Chief Probation Officer
Charles Brown

Logan County Courthouse
300 Stratton Street
Logan, WV 25601
304-792-8550

Logan County Magistrate Court
300 Stratton Street
Logan, WV 25601
304-792-8651 or 8650

MARION COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$1,695,318
Family Court	272,134
Magistrate Court	874,517
Total	$2,841,969

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 26,559
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Window Replacement/Restoration)	$ 80,000

There were 1,526 cases filed in Marion County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 61.5 percent were civil cases, 22.3 percent were criminal cases, and 16.2 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 3.7 percent compared to 2009. Marion County comprises the Sixteenth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 913 new cases were filed in Marion County Family Court. There were also 273 modification and 150 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 5.2 percent compared to 2009. Marion County makes up the Nineteenth Family Court Circuit.

In 2010, there were 7,247 cases filed in Marion County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 19.5 percent from 2009. Of those, 66.2 percent were criminal cases, 14.8 percent were special proceedings, and nineteen percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
David R. Janes, Chief Judge
Fred L. Fox, II
(Retired November 30, 2010; continued to sit as a senior status judge)

Family Court Judge
Amy J. Swisher

Magistrates
Melissa R. Linger
Hank E. Middlemas
Cathy L. Reed-Vanata
Muriel L. "Peggy" Twyman
(Retired August 31, 2010)
Rebecca Tate
(Took office September 1, 2010)

Circuit Clerk
Barbara Core

Magistrate Clerk
Cathy L. Gower

Chief Probation Officer
Thomas Carpenter

Marion County Courthouse
219 Adams Street
Fairmont, WV 26554
304-367-5360

Marion County Magistrate Court
200 Jackson Street
Fairmont, WV 26554
304-367-5330

MARSHALL COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 1,742,529
Family Court	81,039
Magistrate Court	731,553
Total	$ 2,555,121

There were 835 cases filed in Marshall County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 65.7 percent were civil cases, 8.9 percent were criminal cases, and 25.4 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 13.7 compared to 2009. Marshall County is part of the Second Judicial Circuit, which also includes Tyler and Wetzel Counties.

During 2010, 525 new cases were filed in Marshall County Family Court. There were also 173 modification and eighty-seven contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 9.8 percent compared to 2009. Marshall County is part of the Second Family Court Circuit, which also includes Tyler and Wetzel Counties.

In 2010, there were 4,437 cases filed in Marshall County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 6.9 percent from 2009. Of those, 73.2 percent were criminal cases, 12.2 percent were special proceedings, and 14.6 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
David W. Hummel, Jr., Chief Judge
Mark A. Karl

Family Court Judge
Robert C. Hicks

Magistrates
William D. Anderson
David M. Buzzard
Mark A. Kerwood

Circuit Clerk
David Ealy

Magistrate Clerk
Angela Bee

Chief Probation Officer
John Lantz

Marshall County Courthouse
600 Seventh Street
Moundsville, WV 26041
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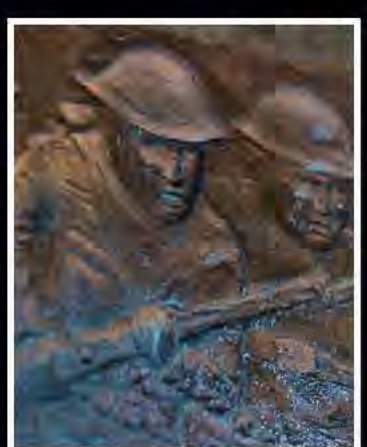
Marshall County Magistrate Court
511 Sixth Street
Moundsville, WV 26041
304-845-4811



MASON COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 848,670
Family Court	260,148
Magistrate Court	466,871
Total	$ 1,575,689

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Phase II Exterior Joints) ..... **$ 80,000**

There were 658 cases filed in Mason County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 62.2 percent were civil cases, 19.9 percent were criminal cases, and 17.9 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 22.1 percent compared to 2009. Mason County is part of the Fifth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Calhoun, Jackson, and Roane Counties

During 2010, 634 new cases were filed in Mason County Family Court. There were also 118 modification and eighty-two contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 6.4 percent compared to 2009. Mason County is part of the Fifth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Jackson and Wirt Counties.

In 2010, there were 4,018 cases filed in Mason County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 23.8 percent from 2009. Of those, seventy-seven percent were criminal cases, 11.5 percent were special proceedings, and 11.5 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Thomas C. Evans, III, Chief Judge
David W. Nibert

Family Court Judges
Rebecca Stafford Cornett
Constance Fisher Thomas

Magistrates
Cheryl M. Ross
Gail L. Roush

Circuit Clerk
Bill Withers

Magistrate Clerk
Brenda L. Baldwin

Chief Probation Officer
Patricia McCartney

Mason County Courthouse
200 Sixth Street
Point Pleasant, WV 25550
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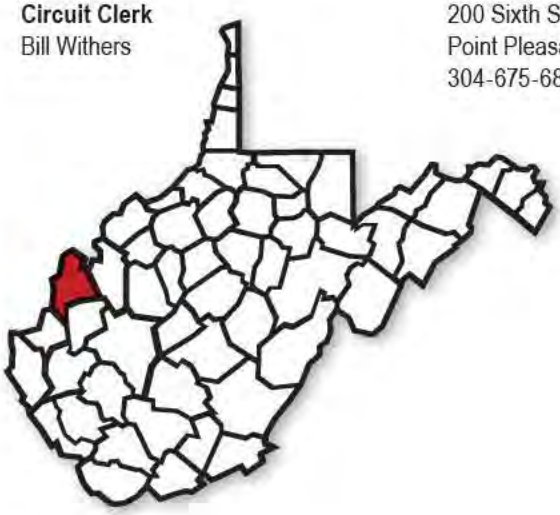
Mason County Magistrate Court
200 Sixth Street
Point Pleasant, WV 25550
304-675-6840



McDowell County

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$1,312,586
Family Court	61,540
Magistrate Court	617,288
Total	$1,991,414

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Water Issues/Masonry) ..... $ 80,000

There were 503 cases filed in McDowell County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 62.4 percent were civil cases, 19.7 were criminal cases, and 17.9 percent were juvenile cases. The county did not report circuit court cases filings in 2009. McDowell County comprises the Eighth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 537 new cases were filed in McDowell County Family Court. There were also 152 modification and sixty-four contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 14.5 percent compared to 2009. McDowell County is in the Twelfth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Mercer County.

In 2010, there were 4,965 cases filed in McDowell County Magistrate Court, an increase of 0.8 percent from 2009. Of those, 71.3 percent were criminal cases, 23.6 percent were special proceedings, and 5.1 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Booker T. Stephens, Chief Judge
Rudolph J. Murensky, II

Family Court Judges
Anthony Bisaha
Lisa K. Clark
Mary Ellen Griffith

Magistrates
Pete J. Beavers, Jr.
Steve L. Cox
Martin B. West

Circuit Clerk
Francine Spencer

Magistrate Clerk
Janet L. England

Chief Probation Officer
Jerome Powell

McDowell County Courthouse
90 Wyoming Street
Welch, WV 24801
304-436-8535

McDowell County Magistrate Court
105 Wyoming Street
Welch, WV 24801
304-436-8587

MERCER COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$3,011,491
Family Court	918,572
Magistrate Court	1,151,974
Total	$5,082,037

Court Security Fund Grant	$71,800

There were 1,970 cases filed in Mercer County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 55.8 percent were civil cases, 29.9 percent were criminal cases, and 14.3 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 3.7 percent compared to 2009. Mercer County comprises the Ninth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 1,574 new cases were filed in Mercer County Family Court. There were also 301 modification and 209 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 10.3 percent compared to 2009. Mercer County is in the Twelfth Family Court Circuit, which also includes McDowell County.

In 2010, there were 14,918 cases filed in Mercer County Magistrate Court, an increase of 5.5 percent from 2009. Of those, 54.1 percent were criminal cases, 22.3 percent were special proceedings, and 23.6 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
William J. Sadler, Chief Judge
Omar J. Aboulhosn
Derek C. Swope

Family Court Judges
Anthony Bisaha
Lisa K. Clark
Mary Ellen Griffith

Magistrates
Roy M. Compton
James E. Dent
Michael D. Flanigan
Richard D. Fowler
Charles N. Poe

Circuit Clerk
Julie Ball

Magistrate Clerk
Donna J. Arnold

Chief Adult Probation Officer
Joseph Allen

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
Charlotte Crowe

Mercer County Courthouse
1501 Main Street
Princeton, WV 24740
304-487-8323

Mercer County Magistrate Court
Courthouse Annex
120 Scott Street
Princeton, WV 24740
304-431-7115

MINERAL COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 975,100
Family Court	1,026
Magistrate Court	400,593
Total	$1,376,719

There were 649 cases filed in Mineral County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 31.9 percent were civil cases, 43.6 percent were criminal cases, and 24.5 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 7.7 percent compared to 2009. Mineral County is part of the Twenty-First Judicial Circuit, which also includes Grant and Tucker Counties.

During 2010, 486 new cases were filed in Mineral County Family Court. There were also 106 modification and forty-six contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 14.4 percent compared to 2009. Mineral County is part of the Twenty-Third Family Court Circuit, which also includes Hampshire and Morgan Counties.

In 2010, there were 4,847 cases filed in Mineral County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 2.6 percent from 2009. Of those, 80.2 percent were criminal cases, 12.6 percent were special proceedings, and 7.2 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Philip B. Jordan, Chief Judge
Lynn A. Nelson

Family Court Judge
Charles E. Parsons
(Resigned December 15, 2010)

Magistrates
David C. Harman
Carolyn S. Roby

Circuit Clerk
Mary Margaret Rinehart

Magistrate Clerk
Billie L. Simpson

Chief Probation Officer
Jerome DiBacco

Mineral County Courthouse
150 Armstrong Street
Keyser, WV 26726
304-788-1562

Mineral County Magistrate Court
105 West Street
Keyser, WV 26726
304-788-2625

MINGO COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 859,003
Family Court	258,965
Magistrate Court	696,053
Total	$1,814,021
Court Security Fund Grant	$ 15,220
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Elevator for Annex)	$ 80,000

There were 1,006 cases filed in Mingo County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 47.3 percent were civil cases, 40.9 percent were criminal cases, and 11.8 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 17.4 percent compared to 2009. Mingo County comprises the Thirtieth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 1,136 new cases were filed in Mingo County Family Court. There were also 181 modification and eighty-two contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 2.5 percent compared to 2009. Mingo County makes up the Eighth Family Court Circuit.

In 2010, there were 5,482 cases filed in Mingo County Magistrate Court, a decrease of thirteen percent from 2009. Of those, 71.7 percent were criminal cases, 23.5 percent were special proceedings, and 4.9 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Michael Thornsbury, Chief Judge

Family Court Judge
Miki Thompson

Magistrates
Walter Eugene Crum
Pamela S. Newsome
Deloris D. "Dee" Sidebottom

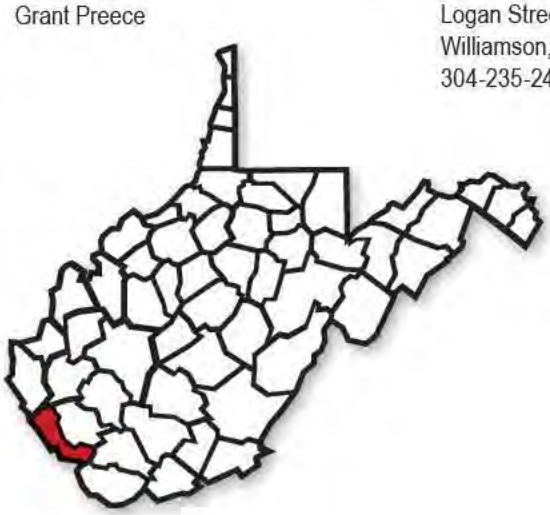
Circuit Clerk
Grant Preece

Magistrate Clerk
William T. "Terry" Sanders

Chief Probation Officer
Marcia Price

Mingo County Courthouse
75 East Second Avenue
Williamson, WV 25661
304-235-0320

Mingo County Magistrate Court
Logan Street and First Avenue
Williamson, WV 25661
304-235-2445



MONONGALIA COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 2,487,958
Family Court	726,160
Magistrate Court	962,461
Total	$ 4,176,580

There were 1,937 cases filed in Monongalia County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 78.7 percent were civil cases, 16.6 percent were criminal cases, and 4.7 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 3.6 percent compared to 2009. Monongalia County comprises the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 1,207 new cases were filed in Monongalia County Family Court. There were also 202 modification and 133 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased one percent compared to 2009. Monongalia County is part of the Twentieth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Preston County.

In 2010, there were 13,387 cases filed in Monongalia County Magistrate Court, an increase of 19.4 percent from 2009. Of those, 70.5 percent were criminal cases, 10.9 percent were special proceedings, and 18.6 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Russell M. Clawges, Jr., Chief Judge
Phillip Gaujot
Susan B. Tucker

Family Court Judges
Patricia Tolle Hill
Randal A. Minor

Magistrates
Saundra K. Holepit
Hershel R. Mullins
James E. Nabors
Darris J. Summers

Circuit Clerk
Jean Friend

Magistrate Clerk
Caroline A. Stoker

Chief Probation Officer
Phyllis Stewart

Monongalia County Courthouse
243 High Street
Morgantown, WV 26505
304-291-7240

Monongalia County Magistrate Court
265 Spruce Street
Morgantown, WV 26505
304-291-7296

MONROE COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 523,951
Family Court	23,635
Magistrate Court	352,086
Total	$ 899,671

There were 210 cases filed in Monroe County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, sixty-one percent were civil cases, 21.9 percent were criminal cases, and 17.1 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 7.1 percent compared to 2009. Monroe County is part of the Thirty-First Judicial Circuit, which also includes Summers County.

During 2010, 301 new cases were filed in Monroe County Family Court. There were also forty-six modification and thirty-nine contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 0.7 percent compared to 2009. Monroe County is part of the Fifteenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Greenbrier County.

In 2010, there were 1,458 cases filed in Monroe County Magistrate Court, an increase of seven percent. Of the 2010 filings, 63.9 percent were criminal cases, 21.7 percent were special proceedings, and 14.5 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Robert A. Irons, Chief Judge

Family Court Judge
David M. Sanders

Magistrates
Nancy P. Crews
Kevin L. Miller

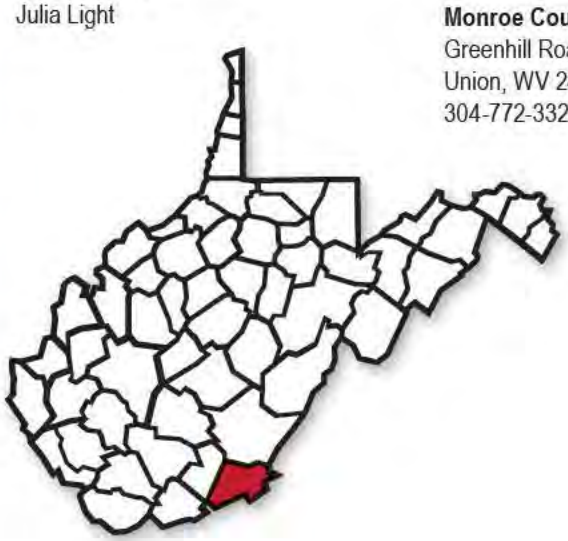
Circuit Clerk
Julia Light

Magistrate Clerk
Elizabeth D. Kountz

Chief Probation Officer
Karen Childs

Monroe County Courthouse
216 Main Street
Union, WV 24983
304-772-3017

Monroe County Magistrate Court
Greenhill Road
Union, WV 24983
304-772-3321



MORGAN COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 630,836
Family Court	74,182
Magistrate Court	521,392
Total	$1,226,410

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Building New Courthouse) ..... $ 80,000

There were 368 cases filed in Morgan County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 56.8 percent were civil cases, 27.2 percent were criminal cases, and sixteen percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 7.8 percent compared to 2009. Morgan County is part of the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit, which also includes Berkeley and Jefferson Counties.

During 2010, 163 new cases were filed in Morgan County Family Court. There were also thirty-nine modification and forty-four contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 26.9 percent compared to 2009. Morgan County is part of the Twenty-Third Family Court Circuit, which also includes Hampshire and Mineral Counties.

In 2010, there were 2,974 cases filed in Morgan County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 20.9 percent from 2009. Of those, 75.5 percent were criminal cases, 5.3 percent were special proceedings, and 19.3 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
David H. Sanders, Chief Judge
Gina M. Groh
Gray Silver, III
Christopher C. Wilkes
John C. Yoder

Family Court Judge
Charles E. Parsons
(Resigned December 14, 2010)

Magistrates
Kermit M. Ambrose
Greg L. Miller

Circuit Clerk
Kimberly J. Jackson

Magistrate Clerk
Cynthia F. Stotler

Chief Probation Officer
Mark Hofe

Morgan County Courthouse
77 Fairfax Street
Berkeley Springs, WV 25411
304-258-8554

Morgan County Magistrate Court
111 Fairfax Street
Berkeley Springs, WV 25411
304-258-8631

NICHOLAS COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 980,730
Family Court	275,131
Magistrate Court	670,012
Total	$1,925,873

There were 690 cases filed in Nicholas County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 54.1 percent were civil cases, 19.6 percent were criminal cases, and 26.4 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 10.2 percent compared to 2009. Nicholas County comprises the Twenty-Eighth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 673 new cases were filed in Nicholas County Family Court. There were also 119 modification and sixty-one contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 9.4 percent compared to 2009. Nicholas County is part of the Sixteenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Clay County.

In 2010, there were 5,728 cases filed in Nicholas County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 27.4 percent from 2009. Of those, 73.5 percent were criminal cases, seventeen percent were special proceedings, and 9.5 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Gary L. Johnson, Chief Judge

Family Court Judge
Donald K. Bischoff

Magistrates
Michael E. Cooper
John D. Morton, Jr.
Wayne Plummer

Circuit Clerk
Debbie Facemire

Magistrate Clerk
Loriene L. Green

Chief Probation Officer
Roger Beverage

Nicholas County Courthouse
700 Main Street
Summersville, WV 26651
304-872-7810

Nicholas County Magistrate Court
511 Church Street
Summersville, WV 26651
304-872-7829

OHIO COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$1,634,239
Family Court	602,776
Magistrate Court	950,095
Total	$3,187,110

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Generator For 911)	$80,000

There were 1,402 cases filed in Ohio County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 80.8 percent were civil cases, 10.3 percent were criminal cases, and 8.8 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 8.3 percent compared to 2009. Ohio County is part of the First Judicial Circuit, which also includes Brooke and Hancock Counties.

During 2010, 678 new cases were filed in Ohio County Family Court. There were also seventy modification and seventy-two contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 1.3 percent compared to 2009. Ohio County is part of the First Family Court Circuit, which also includes Brooke and Hancock Counties.

In 2010, there were 7,691 cases filed in Ohio County Magistrate Court, an increase of 1.7 percent from 2009. Of those, 80.1 percent were criminal cases, 9.8 percent were special proceedings, and 10.1 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Arthur M. Recht, Chief Judge
Martin J. Gaughan
James P. Mazzone
Ronald E. Wilson

Family Court Judges
Joyce Dumbaugh Chernenko
William F. Sinclair

Magistrates
Charles W. Murphy
Patricia L. Murphy
Harry A. Radcliffe
Joseph E. Roxby

Circuit Clerk
Brenda Miller

Magistrate Clerk
Gerald O. Ames, Jr.

Chief Probation Officer
James Lee

Ohio County City/County Building
1500 Chapline Street
Wheeling, WV 26003
304-234-3611

Ohio County Magistrate Court
Ohio County Courthouse Annex
26 Fifteenth Street
Wheeling, WV 26003
304-234-3672

PENDLETON COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 321,173
Family Court	1,632
Magistrate Court	383,243
Total	$ 706,048

There were ninety-seven cases filed in Pendleton County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 58.8 percent were civil cases, 20.6 percent were criminal cases, and 20.6 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 10.2 percent compared to 2009. Pendleton County is part of the Twenty-Second Judicial Circuit, which also includes Hampshire and Hardy Counties.

During 2010, ninety new cases were filed in Pendleton County Family Court. There were also eighteen modification and eight contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 26.8 percent compared to 2009. Pendleton County is part of the Twenty-Fifth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Grant and Hardy Counties.

In 2010, there were 870 cases filed in Pendleton County Magistrate Court, an increase of 0.6 percent from 2009. Of those, eighty percent were criminal cases, 7.2 percent were special proceedings, and 12.8 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Donald H. Cookman, Chief Judge
Jerry D. Moore
(Left office December 14, 2010)
Charles E. Parsons
(Took office December 15, 2010)

Family Court Judge
Amanda Hatfield See

Magistrates
Andrew M. Hinkle
Leland E. Propst

Circuit Clerk
Shalee Wilburn

Magistrate Clerk
Judy L. Grimm

Chief Probation Officer
John Rohrbaugh

Pendleton County Courthouse
100 South Main Street
Franklin, WV 26807
304-358-7067

Pendleton County Magistrate Court
100 South Main Street
Franklin, WV 26807
304-358-2343 or 2344

PLEASANTS COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 290,197
Family Court	339
Magistrate Court	368,582
Total	$ 659,118

There were 136 cases filed in Pleasants County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 56.6 percent were civil cases, twenty-five percent were criminal cases, and 18.4 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 11.7 percent compared to 2009. Pleasants County is part of the Third Judicial Circuit, which also includes Doddridge and Ritchie Counties.

During 2010, 113 new cases were filed in Pleasants County Family Court. There were also seventeen modification and sixteen contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased eleven percent compared to 2009. Pleasants County is part of the Third Family Court Circuit, which also includes Wood County.

In 2010, there were 1,169 cases filed in Pleasants County Magistrate Court, the same number as 2009. Of those, 75.3 percent were criminal cases, 14.8 percent were special proceedings, and 9.9 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Robert L. Holland, Jr.
(Died September 20, 2010)
Timothy Sweeney, Chief Judge
(Took office Decmber 30, 2010)

Family Court Judges
Brian C. Dempster
C. Darren Tallman

Magistrates
Kathy M. Elder
Randy Nutter

Circuit Clerk
Millie Farnsworth

Magistrate Clerk
Lisa R. Taylor

No Chief Probation Officer

Pleasants County Courthouse
301 Court Lane
St. Marys, WV 26170
304-684-3513

Pleasants County Magistrate Court
301 Court Lane
St. Marys, WV 26170
304-684-7197

POCAHONTAS COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 31,909
Family Court	22,990
Magistrate Court	384,764
Total	$439,662

There were 220 cases filed in Pocahontas County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 58.6 percent were civil cases, 23.6 percent were criminal cases, and 17.7 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 7.2 percent compared to 2009. Pocahontas County is part of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, which also includes Greenbrier County.

During 2010, 203 new cases were filed in Pocahontas County Family Court. There were also seventy-four modification and sixty-four contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased twenty-three percent compared to 2009. Pocahontas County is part of the Twenty-Seventh Family Court Circuit, which also includes Webster County.

In 2010, there were 1,786 cases filed in Pocahontas County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 10.2 percent from 2009. Of those, 73.3 percent were criminal cases, 14.5 percent were special proceedings, and 12.2 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
James J. Rowe, Chief Judge
Joseph C. Pomponio, Jr.

Family Court Judge
Jeffrey L. Hall

Magistrates
Kathy L. Beverage
Janet L. Kershner-Vanover

Circuit Clerk
Earl Michael

Magistrate Clerk
Virginia Wagner

Chief Probation Officer
Fred Taylor, II

Pocahontas County Courthouse
900 Tenth Avenue
Marlinton, WV 24954
304-799-4604

Pocahontas County Magistrate Court
900 Tenth Avenue
Marlinton, WV 24954
304-799-6603

PRESTON COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 985,437
Family Court	21,431
Magistrate Court	641,062
Total	$1,647,930

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 51,185
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Elevator and Stair Tower)	$ 80,000

There were 662 cases filed in Preston County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 57.6 percent were civil cases, 30.5 percent were criminal cases, and 11.9 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 0.2 percent compared to 2009. Preston County comprises the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 590 new cases were filed in Preston County Family Court. There were also 129 modification and seventy-eight contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 3.1 percent compared to 2009. Preston County is part of the Twentieth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Monongalia County.

In 2010, there were 4,230 cases filed in Preston County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 7.9 percent from 2009. Of those, 71.3 percent were criminal cases, 10.4 percent were special proceedings, and 18.3 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Lawrance S. Miller, Jr., Chief Judge

Family Court Judges
Patricia Tolle Hill
Randal A. Minor

Magistrates
Lewis F. Ault
Harold E. Jenkins, Jr.
Janice K. Snider

Circuit Clerk
Betsy Castle

Magistrate Clerk
Donna J. Metheny

Chief Probation Officer
Crystal K. Thomas

Preston County Courthouse
101 West Main Street
Kingwood, WV 26537
304-329-0047

Preston County Magistrate Court
101 West Main Street
Kingwood, WV 26537
304-329-2764 ext. 18

PUTNAM COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 1,587,654
Family Court	262,827
Magistrate Court	728,633
Total	$ 2,579,114

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 10,000
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Repair Steps)	$ 64,680

There were 1,076 cases filed in Putnam County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 64.7 percent were civil cases, twenty-six percent were criminal cases, and 9.3 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 7.5 percent compared to 2009. Putnam County comprises the Twenty-Ninth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 950 new cases were filed in Putnam County Family Court. There were also 105 modification and eighty-nine contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 2.6 percent compared to 2009. Putnam County makes up the Twenty-Sixth Family Court Circuit.

In 2010, there were 7,036 cases filed in Putnam County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 13.2 percent from 2009. Of those, seventy-six percent were criminal cases, 13.3 percent were special proceedings, and 10.7 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
O. C. Spaulding, Chief Judge
Phillip M. Stowers

Family Court Judge
William M. Watkins, III

Magistrates
Kim M. Blair
Elizabeth K. Brown
Linda J. Hunt

Circuit Clerk
Ronnie Matthews

Magistrate Clerk
Louise W. Gunnoe
(Retired October 29, 2010)
Darry M. Casto
(Appointed October 29, 2010)

Chief Probation Officer
Brenda Shrader

Putnam County Circuit Court
Putnam County Judicial Building
3389 Winfield Road
Winfield, WV 25213
304-586-0203

Putnam County Magistrate Court
Putnam County Judicial Building
3389 Winfield Road
Winfield, WV 25213
304-586-0234

RALEIGH COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$2,679,569
Family Court	841,798
Magistrate Court	1,199,780
Total	$4,721,147

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Window Replacement) ..... $ 80,000

There were 2,436 cases filed in Raleigh County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 66.5 percent were civil cases, 15.8 percent were criminal cases, and 17.8 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 2.2 percent compared to 2009. Raleigh County comprises the Tenth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 1,679 new cases were filed in Raleigh County Family Court. There were also 293 modification and 272 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 5.2 percent compared to 2009. Raleigh County is in the Thirteenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Summers and Wyoming Counties.

In 2010, there were 17,922 cases filed in Raleigh County Magistrate Court, an increase of 15.3 percent from 2009. Of those, 73.4 percent were criminal cases, 17.4 percent were special proceedings, and 9.2 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
H. L. Kirkpatrick, III, Chief Judge
Robert A. Burnside, Jr.
John A. Hutchison

Family Court Judges
K. Bruce Lazenby
H. Suzanne McGraw
Louise G. Staton

Magistrates
Charles R. Humphrey
Mary H. Jennings
Richard D. Jones
Stephen D. Massie
Gregory W. Tanner

Circuit Clerk
Janice Davis

Magistrate Clerk
Rebecca J. "Becky" Black

Chief Adult Probation Officer
Walter Harper

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
Douglas Dyer

Raleigh County Courthouse
215 Main Street
Beckley, WV 25801
304-255-9135

Raleigh County Magistrate Court
115 West Prince Street
Beckley, WV 25801
304-255-9197

RANDOLPH COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 962,840
Family Court	302,030
Magistrate Court	654,916
Total	$1,919,786

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Roof Repair) $32,760

There were 513 cases filed in Randolph County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 62.6 percent were civil cases, 20.9 percent were criminal cases, and 16.6 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 22.4 percent compared to 2009. Randolph County comprises the Twentieth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, six hundred new cases were filed in Randolph County Family Court. There were also 155 modification and ninety-eight contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 2.1 percent compared to 2009. Randolph County is in the Twenty-Second Family Court Circuit, which also includes Tucker County.

In 2010, there were 6,042 cases filed in Randolph County Magistrate Court, an increase of 1.2 percent from 2009. Of those, seventy percent were criminal cases, 11.5 percent were special proceedings, and 18.5 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Jaymie Godwin Wilfong, Chief Judge

Family Court Judge
Michelle W. Good

Magistrates
Robert R. Elbon, Jr.
George M. "Mike" Riggleman
Benjamin E. Shepler

Circuit Clerk
Phil Riggleman

Magistrate Clerk
Phyllis A. Phares

Chief Probation Officer
Heidi Flynn

Randolph County Courthouse
2 Randolph Avenue
Elkins, WV 26241
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Randolph County Magistrate Court
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Elkins, WV 26241
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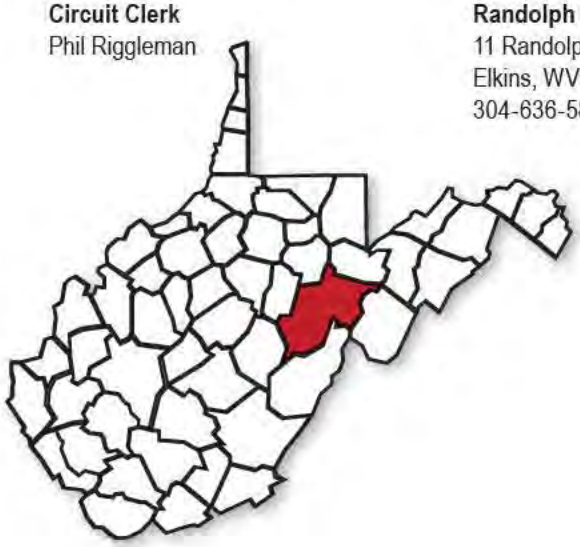


RITCHIE COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 221,348
Family Court	1,638
Magistrate Court	391,009
Total	$ 613,995

There were 214 cases filed in Ritchie County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 60.7 percent were civil cases, 20.6 percent were criminal cases, and 18.7 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 0.5 percent compared to 2009. Ritchie County is part of the Third Judicial Circuit, which also includes Doddridge and Pleasants Counties.

During 2010, 188 new cases were filed in Ritchie County Family Court. There were also thirty-seven modification and forty-nine contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 1.6 percent compared to 2009. Ritchie County is part of the Fourth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Calhoun, Gilmer, and Roane Counties.

In 2010, there were 2,193 cases filed in Ritchie County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 9.7 percent from 2009. Of those, 86.1 percent were criminal cases, 7.3 percent were special proceedings, and 6.6 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Robert L. Holland, Jr.
(Died September 20, 2010)
Timothy Sweeney, Chief Judge
(Took office December 30, 2010)

Family Court Judge
Larry S. Whited

Magistrates
Teresa C. Harper
David Wayne Haugh

Circuit Clerk
Rose Ellen Cox

Magistrate Clerk
Janis L. Mahaney

No Chief Probation Officer

Ritchie County Courthouse
115 East Main Street
Harrisville, WV 26362
304-643-2164

Ritchie County Magistrate Court
319 East Main Street
Harrisville, WV 26362
304-643-4409

ROANE COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 247,789
Family Court	254,166
Magistrate Court	441,144
Total	$ 943,099
Court Security Fund Grant	$ 10,300

There were 288 cases filed in Roane County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 55.6 percent were civil cases, 27.8 percent were criminal cases, and 16.7 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 1.7 percent compared to 2009. Roane County is part of the Fifth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Calhoun, Jackson, and Mason Counties.

During 2010, 320 new cases were filed in Roane County Family Court. There were also eighty-eight modification and fifty-one contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased three percent compared to 2009. Roane County is part of the Fourth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Calhoun, Gilmer, and Ritchie Counties.

In 2010, there were 2,834 cases filed in Roane County Magistrate Court, an increase of 8.2 percent from 2009. Of those, 74.3 percent were criminal cases, 17.3 percent were special proceedings, and 8.5 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Thomas C. Evans, III, Chief Judge
David W. Nibert

Family Court Judge
Larry S. Whited

Magistrates
Jason D. Bennett
Russell W. Goodwin

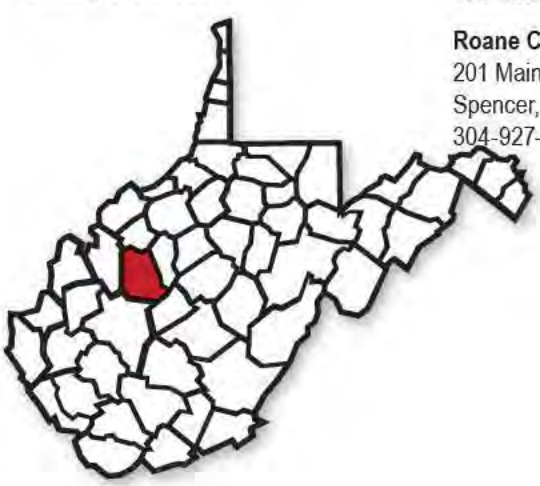
Circuit Clerk
Beverly Greathouse

Magistrate Clerk
Brenda M. White
(Retired February 28, 2010)
Rita Helbig
(Appointed March 1, 2010)

Chief Probation Officer
Patricia McCartney

Roane County Courthouse
200 Main Street
Spencer, WV 25276
304-927-2750

Roane County Magistrate Court
201 Main Street
Spencer, WV 25276
304-927-4750



SUMMERS COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 276,011
Family Court	20,852
Magistrate Court	344,161
Total	$ 641,024

There were 275 cases filed in Summers County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 44.4 percent were civil cases, 37.8 percent were criminal cases, and 17.8 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased ten percent compared to 2009. Summers County is part of the Thirty-First Judicial Circuit, which also includes Monroe County.

During 2010, 240 new cases were filed in Summers County Family Court. There were also seventy-six modification and forty contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 0.8 percent compared to 2009. Summers County is part of the Thirteenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Raleigh and Wyoming Counties.

In 2010, there were 1,848 cases filed in Summers County Magistrate Court, an increase of 3.7 percent from 2009. Of those, 77.9 percent were criminal cases, 15.4 percent were special proceedings, and 6.7 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Robert A. Irons, Chief Judge

Family Court Judges
K. Bruce Lazenby
H. Suzanne McGraw
Louise G. Staton

Magistrates
Jack K. Hellems
Jack W. Jeffries, Jr.

Circuit Clerk
Linda Brumit

Magistrate Clerk
Vicki S. Jones

Chief Probation Officer
Karen Childs

Summers County Courthouse
120 Ballengee Street
Hinton, WV 25951
304-466-7103

Summers County Magistrate Court
123 Temple Street
Hinton, WV 25951
304-466-7129

TAYLOR COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 811,794
Family Court	8,660
Magistrate Court	356,844
Total	$1,177,298

Court Security Fund Grant	$2,500

There were 366 cases filed in Taylor County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 54.6 percent were civil cases, 29.2 percent were criminal cases, and 16.1 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 0.3 percent compared to 2009. Taylor County is part of the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Barbour County.

During 2010, 272 new cases were filed in Taylor County Family Court. There were also ninety-six modification and sixty-three contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 35.3 percent compared to 2009. Taylor County is part of the Twenty-First Family Court Circuit, which also includes Barbour County.

In 2010, there were 2,118 cases filed in Taylor County Magistrate Court, an increase of 17.7 percent from 2009. Of those, 74.7 percent were criminal cases, 10.6 percent were special proceedings, and 14.6 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Alan D. Moats, Chief Judge

Family Court Judge
Beth Longo

Magistrates
James L. Lucas
Ricky R. Reese

Circuit Clerk
Vonda M. Reneman

Magistrate Clerk
Brenda L. Vance

Chief Probation Officer
Bonnie Viani

Taylor County Courthouse
214 West Main Street
Grafton, WV 26354
304-265-2480

Taylor County Magistrate Court
Courthouse Annex
214 West Main Street
Grafton, WV 26354
304-265-5762

TUCKER COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 326,548
Family Court	4,265
Magistrate Court	351,701
Total	$ 682,514
Court Security Fund Grant	$ 12,689

There were 124 cases filed in Tucker County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 73.4 percent were civil cases, 10.5 percent were criminal cases, and 16.1 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 8.8 percent compared to 2009. Tucker County is part of the Twenty-First Judicial Circuit, which also includes Grant and Mineral Counties.

During 2010, ninety-three new cases were filed in Tucker County Family Court. There were also eighteen modification and nineteen contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 13.1 percent compared to 2009. Tucker County is part of the Twenty-Second Family Court Circuit, which also includes Randolph County.

In 2010, there were 1,195 cases filed in Tucker County Magistrate Court, an increase of 10.6 percent from 2009. Of those, 82.3 percent were criminal cases, 5.1 percent were special proceedings, and 12.6 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Philip B. Jordan, Chief Judge
Lynn A. Nelson

Family Court Judge
Michele W. Good

Magistrates
Riley H. Barb
Carol D. Irons

Circuit Clerk
Donna Jean Bava

Magistrate Clerk
Paula J. McDonald

Chief Probation Officer
Jerome DiBacco

Tucker County Courthouse
215 First Street
Parsons, WV 26287
304-478-2606

Tucker County Magistrate Court
201 Walnut Street
Parsons, WV 26287
304-478-2665

TYLER COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 41,009
Family Court	1,142
Magistrate Court	380,226
Total	$422,377

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Clock Tower Repair) ..... **$ 80,000**

There were 156 cases filed in Tyler County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 53.8 percent were civil cases, 29.5 percent were criminal cases, and 16.7 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 5.5 percent compared to 2009. Tyler County is part of the Second Judicial Circuit, which also includes Marshall and Wetzel Counties.

During 2010, 184 new cases were filed in Tyler County Family Court. There were also forty-two modification and twenty-two contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 16.5 compared to 2009. Tyler County is part of the Second Family Court Circuit, which also includes Marshall and Wetzel Counties.

In 2010, there were 1,065 cases filed in Tyler County Magistrate Court, an increase of 9.6 percent from 2009. Of those, 73.8 percent were criminal cases, fifteen percent were special proceedings, and 11.2 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
David W. Hummel, Jr., Chief Judge
Mark A. Karl

Family Court Judge
Robert C. Hicks

Magistrates
Michael K. Griffin
John E. Roberts

Circuit Clerk
Candy Warner

Magistrate Clerk
Jean Hayes

Chief Probation Officer
John Lantz

Tyler County Courthouse
121 Main Street
Middlebourne, WV 26149
304-758-4811

Tyler County Magistrate Court
225 Main Street
Middlebourne, WV 26149
304-758-2137

UPSHUR COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 831,776
Family Court	16,957
Magistrate Court	498,242
Total	$ 1,346,975

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Phase II HVAC) ..... $ 80,000

There were 466 cases filed in Upshur County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 50.2 percent were civil cases, 30.5 percent were criminal cases, and 19.3 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 2.5 percent compared to 2009. Upshur County is part of the Twenty-Sixth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Lewis County.

During 2010, 369 new cases were filed in Upshur County Family Court. There were also seventy-two modification and twenty contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 1.4 percent compared to 2009. Upshur County is part of the Seventeenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Braxton and Lewis Counties.

In 2010, there were 5,276 cases filed in Upshur County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 0.6 percent from 2009. Of those, seventy-five percent were criminal cases, seven percent were special proceedings, and eighteen percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Thomas H. Keadle, Chief Judge

Family Court Judge
Robert Reed Sowa

Magistrates
Juanita E. Adams
John M. Coffman

Circuit Clerk
Brian Gaudet

Magistrate Clerk
Angela J. Brady

Chief Probation Officer
Serena Peterson

Upshur County Courthouse
38 West Main Street
Buckhannon, WV 26201
304-472-2370

Upshur County Magistrate Court
38 West Main Street
Buckhannon, WV 26201
304-472-2053

WAYNE COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$1,712,822
Family Court	271,629
Magistrate Court	650,900
Total	$2,635,351

There were 966 cases filed in Wayne County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 54.2 percent were civil cases, 17.5 percent were criminal cases, and 28.3 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 4.8 percent compared to 2009. Wayne County comprises the Twenty-Fourth Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 670 new cases were filed in Wayne County Family Court. There were also 182 modification and 104 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased two percent compared to 2009. Wayne County makes up the Seventh Family Court Circuit.

In 2010, there were 5,447 cases filed in Wayne County Magistrate Court, an increase of 5.7 percent from 2009. Of those, 80.4 percent were criminal cases, eleven percent were special proceedings, and 8.6 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Darrell Pratt, Chief Judge
James H. Young, Jr.

Family Court Judge
R. Stephen Lewis

Magistrates
David Ferguson
Teddy E. Mays
Randall W. Wiles

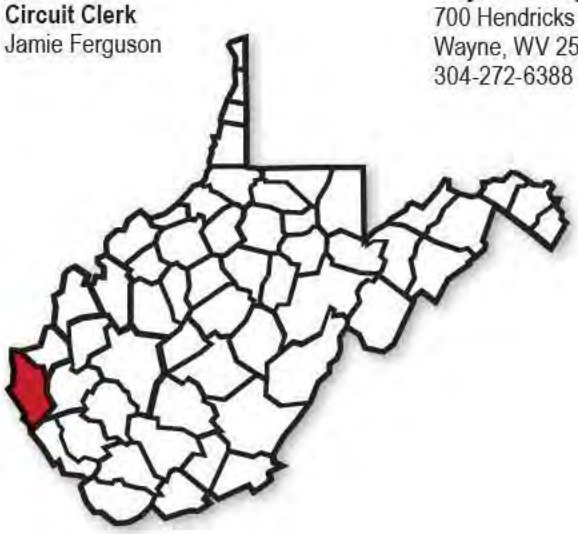
Circuit Clerk
Jamie Ferguson

Magistrate Clerk
Patricia A. Smith

Chief Probation Officer
Ruby Gail Fry

Wayne County Courthouse
700 Hendricks Street
Wayne, WV 25570
304-272-6360

Wayne County Magistrate Court
700 Hendricks Street
Wayne, WV 25570
304-272-6388



WEBSTER COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 692,663
Family Court	250,625
Magistrate Court	344,333
Total	$ 1,287,621
Court Security Fund Grant	$40,568

There were 237 cases filed in Webster County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 44.3 percent were civil cases, 21.9 were criminal cases, and 33.8 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 26.1 percent compared to 2009. Webster County is part of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Braxton, Clay, and Gilmer Counties.

During 2010, 203 new cases were filed in Webster County Family Court. There were also fifty modification and forty-eight contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 8.6 percent compared to 2009. Webster County is part of the Twenty-Seventh Family Court Circuit, which also includes Pocahontas County.

In 2010, there were 1,314 cases filed in Webster County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 3.6 percent from 2009. Of those, 73.4 percent were criminal cases, seventeen percent were special proceedings, and 9.7 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Jack Alsop, Chief Judge
Richard A. Facemire

Family Court Judge
Jeffrey Hall

Magistrates
Richard Robertson
John R. Stone

Circuit Clerk
Jeanine Moore

Magistrate Clerk
Sheila E. Cogar

Chief Probation Officer
Lucy Cruickshanks

Webster County Courthouse
2 Court Square
Webster Springs, WV 26288
304-847-2421

Webster County Magistrate Court
112 Bell Street
Webster Springs, WV 26288
304-847-2613

WETZEL COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 318,939
Family Court	198,167
Magistrate Court	398,914
Total	$ 916,020

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Window Replacement)	$ 80,000

There were 406 cases filed in Wetzel County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 67.5 percent were civil cases, 17.5 percent were criminal cases, and fifteen percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 9.8 percent compared to 2009. Wetzel County is part of the Second Judicial Circuit, which also includes Marshall and Tyler Counties

During 2010, 251 new cases were filed in Wetzel County Family Court. There were also sixty-two modification and thirty-four contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 7.7 percent compared to 2009. Wetzel County is part of the Second Family Court Circuit, which also includes Marshall and Tyler Counties.

In 2010, there were 1,851 cases filed in Wetzel County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 7.7 percent from 2009. Of those, 74.6 percent were criminal cases, 13.2 percent were special proceedings, and 12.2 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
David W. Hummel, Jr., Chief Judge
Mark A. Karl

Family Court Judge
Robert C. Hicks

Magistrates
Judith P. Goontz
Thomas J. Shepherd

Circuit Clerk
Sharon Dulaney

Magistrate Clerk
Sharon A. Manion

Chief Probation Officer
John Lantz

Wetzel County Courthouse
200 Main Street
New Martinsville, WV 26155
304-455-8219

Wetzel County Magistrate Court
303 Main Street
New Martinsville, WV 26155
304-455-5171

WIRT COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 18,999
Family Court	12,392
Magistrate Court	362,329
Total	$393,720
Court Security Fund Grant	$ 24,850
Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (Roof/Exterior)	$ 71,302

There were ninety-four cases filed in Wirt County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 57.4 percent were civil cases, 25.5 percent were criminal cases, and seventeen percent were juvenile cases. Court filings increased 14.6 percent compared to 2009. Wirt County is part of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Wood County.

During 2010, eighty-nine new cases were filed in Wirt County Family Court. There were also twenty modification and twenty-five contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 20.5 percent compared to 2009. Wirt County is part of the Fifth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Jackson and Mason Counties.

In 2010, there were 802 cases filed in Wirt County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 35.5 percent from 2009. Of those, 84.7 percent were criminal cases, 4.1 percent were special proceedings, and 11.2 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Robert A. Waters, Chief Judge
J. D. Beane
Jeffrey B. Reed

Family Court Judges
Rebecca Stafford Cornett
Constance Fisher Thomas

Magistrates
Charles David Roberts
Janey I. Wigal

Circuit Clerk
Teresa Rollins

Magistrate Clerk
Misty L. Campbell

Chief Adult Probation Officer
Jeffrey Nuckolls

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
Larry Johnson

Wirt County Courthouse
One Court Street
Elizabeth, WV 26143
304-275-6597

Wirt County Magistrate Court
One Court Street
Elizabeth, WV 26143
304-275-3642

WOOD COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$3,364,008
Family Court	581,874
Magistrate Court	1,051,887
Total	$4,997,769

Courthouse Facilities Improvement Authority Grant (HVAC and Ductwork Replacment) ..... **$ 80,000**

There were 2,074 cases filed in Wood County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, seventy-five percent were civil cases, 13.9 percent were criminal cases, and 11.1 percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased 3.8 percent compared to 2009. Wood County is part of the Fourth Judicial Circuit, which also includes Wirt County.

During 2010, 1,957 new cases were filed in Wood County Family Court. There were also 324 modification and 276 contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings increased 7.2 percent compared to 2009. Wood County is part of the Third Family Court Circuit, which also includes Pleasants County.

In 2010, there were 12,649 cases filed in Wood County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 11.3 percent from 2009. Of those, 69.8 percent were criminal cases, 12.2 percent were special proceedings, and eighteen percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judges
Robert A. Waters, Chief Judge
J. D. Beane
Jeffrey B. Reed

Family Court Judges
Brian C. Dempster
C. Darren Tallman

Magistrates
Emily J. Bradley
(Retired April 30, 2010)
Rachel Ferguson
(Appointed May 1, 2010; served until November 22, 2010)
Donna Jackson
Brenda K. Marshall
Joyce S. Purkey
Robin Waters
(Elected November 2, 2010; took office November 22, 2010)

Circuit Clerk
Carole Jones

Magistrate Clerk
Paulina M. Yearego

Chief Adult Probation Officer
Jeffrey Nuckolls

Chief Juvenile Probation Officer
Larry Johnson

Wood County Circuit Court
Wood County Judicial Building
2 Government Square
Parkersburg, WV 26101
304-424-1700

Wood County Magistrate Court
208 Avery Street
Parkersburg, WV 26101
304-422-3444

WYOMING COUNTY

Court Expenditures for 2010

Circuit Court	$ 888,253
Family Court	33,069
Magistrate Court	671,097
Total	$1,592,419

Court Security Fund Grant	$ 22,500

There were 534 cases filed in Wyoming County Circuit Court in 2010. Of those, 51.7 percent were civil cases, 28.3 percent were criminal cases, and twenty percent were juvenile cases. Court filings decreased twelve percent compared to 2009. Wyoming County comprises the Twenty-Seventh Judicial Circuit.

During 2010, 734 new cases were filed in Wyoming County Family Court. There were also 136 modification and eighty-eight contempt proceedings in cases reopened during the year, which were not counted as new cases filed. Court filings decreased 0.4 percent compared to 2009. Wyoming County is part of the Thirteenth Family Court Circuit, which also includes Raleigh and Summers Counties.

In 2010, there were 2,991 cases filed in Wyoming County Magistrate Court, a decrease of 9.3 percent from 2009. Of those, 59.2 percent were criminal cases, 31.6 percent were special proceedings, and 9.2 percent were civil cases.

Circuit Judge
Warren R. McGraw, Chief Judge

Family Court Judges
K. Bruce Lazenby
H. Suzanne McGraw
Louise G. Staton

Magistrates
James R. Boles
Donald C. Cook
Kimberly R. Farmer

Circuit Clerk
David Stover

Magistrate Clerk
Carol D. Garrett

Chief Probation Officer
Deborah Wiles

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24 Main Avenue
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