

A Message from Presiding Judge Richard D. Eadie



I hope that you will find the Annual Report of the King County Superior Court for 2003 informative and useful. For the past several years, the Court has faced the challenge of declining resources and increasing caseloads. This trend has continued through 2003. Judges and staff have worked together to identify changes in court operations that save money. However, we are concerned about the future effects of this trend on our ability to provide essential court services to our community – services such as family court facilitators and social workers and juvenile court services. As a court, we pledge to be relentless in our search for additional efficiencies but also recognize there is a need for additional revenue to maintain a proper level of court operation.

I want to express our sincere appreciation to the Court's judicial officers and staff, to the citizens of King County who have served as jurors, and to the volunteer lawyers who assist people without attorneys. Their contributions and commitment make a difference every day in the quality of our justice system.

**King County
Superior Court
Mission Statement:**
*To serve the public by
ensuring justice
through accessible
and effective forums
for the fair, just,
understandable, and
timely resolution of
legal matters.*

King County Superior Court is a general jurisdiction trial court with responsibility for:

- Civil matters involving more than \$300, unlawful detainers, and injunctions;
- Felony criminal cases;
- Misdemeanor criminal cases not otherwise provided for by law;
- Family law, including dissolutions, child support, adoptions, parentage, and domestic violence protection matters;
- Probate and guardianship matters;
- Juvenile offender cases;
- Juvenile dependencies, including abused and neglected children, children in need of services, at-risk youth, and truancies;
- Mental illness and involuntary commitment matters.

King County Superior Court:

- Is the largest of the 29 superior court districts in Washington State.
- Handles a caseload of over 60,000 new cases per year.
- Operates at five sites, including the King County Courthouse, Juvenile Court, and mental illness court at Seattle locations, the Regional Justice Center in Kent, and an Ex Parte calendar at Bellevue District Court.
- Has 51 judges and 10 commissioners.
- Is supported by 441 Superior Court staff and 210 staff in the Department of Judicial Administration.

In 2003, the Court handled 64,189 new cases, including:

- 10,026 criminal cases
- 24,923 general civil cases
- 11,461 domestic civil cases
- 6,718 probate and guardianship cases
- 5,497 juvenile offender cases
- 3,375 juvenile dependency cases
- 2,189 mental illness cases

A Message from Paul L. Sherfey, Chief Administrative Officer



In 2003, King County Superior Court streamlined processes and improved service levels, reflecting both the challenges and opportunities created from county resource constraints.

A significant streamlining of internal civil case management processes was achieved in 2003. The size of the case management courtroom team was reduced, facilitated by the availability of automated case information. Pre-trial conferences were replaced with a trial confirmation document filed jointly by all parties. The new process will be implemented in all civil trial courts in 2004 and the Court will monitor the impacts of these changes.

Unified Family Court (UFC) was expanded to the downtown Courthouse, demonstrating the Superior Court's long standing commitment to working with families in the justice system. The one judge-one family approach of UFC, coupled with case management, aims to address family issues that otherwise interfere with the resolution of legal issues impacting children. The Court also began planning for a family drug court.

Substantial progress was made in applying technology to meet operational needs. The Court's new case management system provides comprehensive case information of greatest use to the Court. The system was fully implemented in the Civil Department and work to implement similar system changes for Juvenile Court is expected to be completed in 2004. This state-of-the-art, web-based system also offers the potential for expanded information sharing among law and justice agencies, as well as online customer access to case schedules.

The Superior Court was presented with an unprecedented challenge when State of Washington vs. Gary Leon Ridgway filed a plea agreement in November for 48 murders committed by Mr. Ridgway between 1982 and 1993. The gravity of the offenses, concern for the victims' families, and the public interest generated by the case led the Court to take

extraordinary measures to ensure security in the trial courtroom, privacy for families, and controlled access for media and the general public. This experience demonstrated the Court's ability to address the needs of high security, high profile trials.

The courthouse seismic retrofit project proceeded on schedule and, despite numerous challenges, the court's business continued. Judges, staff, and the public have remained flexible and cooperative despite construction related inconveniences. Planning has begun for construction of a new jury assembly room on the first floor of the Courthouse, to be completed by the end of 2004. The newly remodeled area will offer more convenient and comfortable accommodations for the thousands of citizens who serve as jurors in Superior Court each year.

Courthouse Construction Progresses

The King County Courthouse has been under seismic retrofit construction since October 2002, when the Courthouse Seismic Project (CSP) got underway. The seismic retrofit involves reinforcing structural elements of the building to meet earthquake standards, equivalent to standards for newly constructed buildings. At any given time, three to six floors have been under seismic retrofit construction. By the end of 2003, approximately half of the construction work had been completed. The entire seismic retrofit project is expected to be completed by August 2004.

Though primarily a structural project, upgrades to fire alarm, sprinkler, heating and cooling, and telecommunications systems are also taking place to meet code requirements. Dangerous hollow clay tile walls are being replaced with sheet rock or braced to prevent collapse. Cosmetic improvements such as painting and replacement of carpet and ceiling tiles will occur in many areas, improving the look and feel of the facility.

Once the retrofit is finished, construction will continue on several other building improvements. A new jury assembly room for Superior Court jurors is planned on the first floor of the Courthouse. Renovations will be made at both entrances and the first floor lobby to improve security, traffic flow, and aesthetics. All of the elevators will be upgraded and new signage installed.

Judges and Commissioners

Judges of the King County Superior Court serving during 2003:

The year appointed (A) or elected (E) to the bench is shown in parentheses.

Anthony P. Wartnik (1980, A)	Michael S. Spearman (1993, A)	Julie Spector (1999, A)
George T. Mattson (1981, A)	Richard A. Jones (1994, A)	Richard McDermott (2000, A)
Donald D. Haley (1983, A)	Linda Lau (1995, A)	Mary Yu (2000, A)
Sharon Armstrong (1985, A)	Richard D. Eadie (1995, A)	Bruce W. Hilyer (2000, A)
Steven Scott (1988, A)	Nicole K. MacInnes (1995, A)	James D. Cayce (2000, A)
Michael J. Fox (1988, A)	Michael J. Trickey (1996, A)	Michael J. Heavey (2000, E)
Dale B. Ramerman (1989, E)*	Glenna S. Hall (1996, A)	Douglass A. North (2000, E)
Carol A. Schapira (1989, E)	Jeffrey M. Ramsdell (1996, E)	Catherine Shaffer (2000, E)
William L. Downing (1989, A)	Philip G. Hubbard, Jr. (1996, E)	Douglas D. McBroom (2001, E)
Joan E. DuBuque (1989, A)	Suzanne M. Barnett (1996, E)	Gergory Canova (2001, E)
LeRoy McCullough (1989, A)	Jay V. White (1996, E)	Cheryl Carey (2001, E)
Robert Alsdorf (1990, A)	Patricia H. Clark (1998, A)	John Erlick (2001, E)
Charles W. Mertel (1992, A)	Dean S. Lum (1998, A)	Laura Gene Middaugh (2001, E)
Laura C. Inveen (1992, A)	Ronald Kessler (1999, A)	Paris K. Kallas (2001, A)
Deborah D. Fleck (1992, A)	Terence P. Lukens (1999, A)	Steven Gonzalez (2002, A)
Michael C. Hayden (1992, E)	Palmer Robinson (1999, A)	Harry J. McCarthy (2002, A)
Brian D. Gain (1993, E)	Helen Halpert (1999, A)	Mary E. Roberts (2003, A)
	James Doerty (1999, A)	

* Judges who left the Court in 2003.



Superior Court's Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Claudia Olney, celebrates her retirement with four past or present Superior Court Presiding Judges.

From left to right: Judge Brian Gain, Judge Anne Ellington, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Claudia Olney, Judge Richard Eadie (current Presiding Judge), Judge Dale Ramerman.

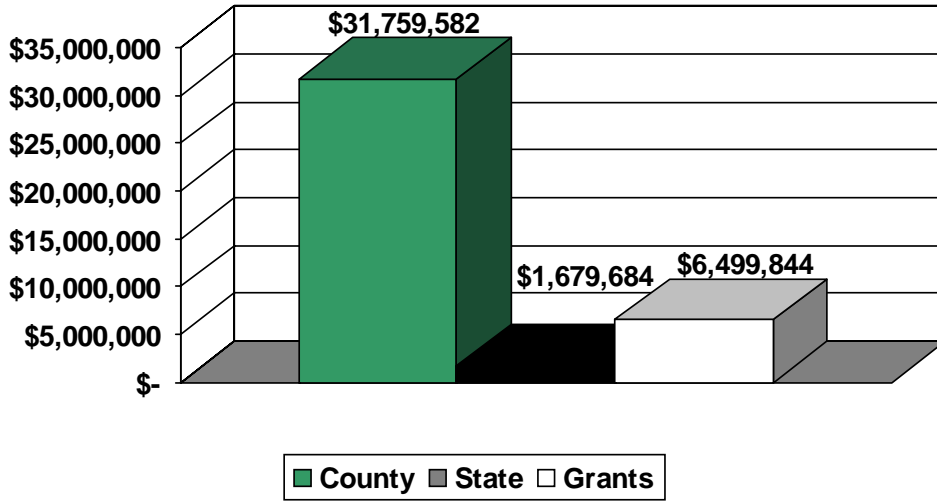
Commissioners of the King County Superior Court during 2003:

Stephen M. Gaddis (1981)
Carlos Y. Velategui (1986)
Bonnie Canada-Thurston (1993)
Kimberly D. Prochnau (1994)
Eric B. Watness (1995)
Hollis Holman (1996)
Nancy Bradburn-Johnson (1998)
Leonid Ponomarchuk (1998)
Marilyn Sellers (1998)
Richard Gallaher (2000)

Budget

Income

In 2003, King County Superior Court received a total of \$39,939,110 from county, state, and grant sources. The majority of the Court's funding, \$31,759,582 (80%), was provided by King County. The State of Washington provided a total of \$1,679,684 (4%). A combination of public and private grants provided a total of \$6,499,844 (16%).



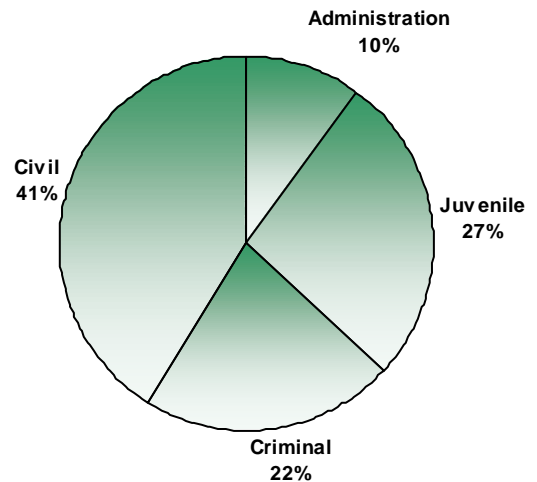
Expenditures

Criminal: Judges, bailiffs, court reporters, court coordinators, interpreters, jury staff, and payments to jurors.

Civil: Judges, bailiffs, court reporters, judicial assistants, court coordinators, interpreters, guardianship/probate staff, jury staff, payments to jurors, Unified Family Court, Family Court Services, Family Law Facilitator, Dependency CASA, Mandatory Arbitration, and Guardianship Facilitator programs.

Juvenile: Judges, bailiffs, court coordinators, interpreters, probation and treatment services, Juvenile Drug Court, Reclaiming Futures, Partnership for Youth Justice, and Truancy and At-Risk Youth programs.

Administration: Executive staff, personnel, computer services, and support staff for payroll, purchasing, facilities, accounts payable, and clerical services.



Unified Family Court Grows

Unified Family Court (UFC) began as a pilot project at the Regional Justice Center in July 1997, with two judges and court commissioners in family law and juvenile court. In November 2001, King County Superior Court judges voted to change UFC from 'project' status to 'program' status, and to expand the UFC Program to Seattle. In the Fall of 2002, Chief UFC Judge Joan DuBuque, together with the UFC judges and staff, undertook the administrative tasks to achieve the expansion. By February 2003, the UFC expanded to downtown Seattle, resulting in three judges in Seattle and two judges at the Regional Justice Center. The program is staffed by family law and juvenile court commissioners at all three court sites, as well as two case managers and a program manager.

The UFC manages complex family cases where minor children are involved through comprehensive and effective judicial management.

Most UFC cases involve families with more than one court matter and issues such as substance abuse, domestic violence, or mental illness. After acceptance into UFC, multiple family actions are either linked or consolidated and assigned to one UFC judge and one commissioner calendar. Additionally, the case area designation is changed from SEA to UFS and from KNT to UFK. This special case area designation was approved in Spring 2003.

The one judge—one family concept allows for more efficient coordination of court proceedings and enables judicial officers to be well-informed about each family's issues. Judicial officers conduct planning conferences to ensure that needed services are ordered and to minimize duplication of effort by the family and the court. Families are assigned a case manager who assists litigants in getting linked with services or resources, reports issues of non-compliance to the Court, and sets review hearings when needed, allowing for intensive judicial oversight. Each case

has a pre-trial conference to assure that the parties will be ready for trial on the assigned date. UFC judicial officers also staff status and non-compliance calendars to keep cases on track.

In 2003, UFC improved case management through modified screening procedures, new case management software, and new mechanisms for periodic review of cases to insure resources are targeted at the families that need them the most. Program forms, court orders, and procedures were revised to make them more accessible and understandable to participants. These documents form the UFC Basics Manual, a valuable resource for judicial officers.

UFC aggressively seeks grants for special projects and trainings and continues to refine policies and procedures to meet customer needs, optimize operational capacity, and, most importantly, strengthen the safety net for the children involved in these legal proceedings.

Family Court/Adoption Services was established in 1950 to assist the court in making decisions regarding the best interests of children in family law cases and to provide parent education, mediation, and evaluation services to resolve cases outside of court. The Family Court Services staff consists of a social work team that has extensive experience and education in childhood development and an array of issues that confront today's families, including domestic violence, chemical dependency, child abuse, and mental illness. In 2003, the program accomplished nearly 2,700 family law referrals and screened 960 adoption calendars. Nearly 4,700 parents attended the mandatory family law seminars and over 1,350 children (74% under the age of 12) benefited from services.

The Family Law Facilitator Program, established in 1993, provides procedural and referral information to litigants, to help them prepare their case for a hearing before a commissioner or judge. Assistance in obtaining

and understanding required forms and complying with local rules improves litigants' access to the court and reduces the time judges and commissioners spend on their cases. In 1998 the Family Law Information Center was opened at the Regional Justice Center as a self-service center for litigants who represent themselves. In 2003, the Facilitator program served 5,268 walk-in clients and 2,846 ex-parte clients in both locations.

The Dependency Court Appointed Special Advocates (Dependency CASA) program trains volunteers to represent the best interests of abused and neglected children in juvenile dependency cases. Established in 1977, this program was the first of its kind in the nation and has served as a model for involving community volunteers in court proceedings. Volunteers spend thousands of hours each year investigating cases, interviewing parties involved in cases, monitoring compliance with court orders, and attending court hearings. In 2003, 1,661 children were served by 363 volunteers.

Reclaiming Futures for Substance Abusing Youth

Seattle-King County is one of ten sites in the nation selected by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to participate in Reclaiming Futures. Under Superior Court's leadership, \$1.25 million was awarded for this initiative over five years to develop a comprehensive treatment system for substance abusing youth offenders and their families.

The project envisions a system of assessment, treatment, and ongoing support for youth, facilitated by a non-adversarial court process and coordinated federal, state, and local funding. This new approach is expected to increase the juvenile justice system's capacity to offer services, connect youth to treatment earlier, and encourage and support long-term healthy behavior. By addressing underlying problems that lead to youth involvement in the juvenile justice system, the project is expected to reduce recidivism and increase the use of more cost-effective options to detention.

Partners

Project oversight is provided by a Leadership Team, chaired by Chief Juvenile Judge Patricia Clark and representing juvenile justice, mental health, substance abuse, youth, parent, and education organizations. Superior Court judges Laura Inveen and James Cayce were instrumental in project planning and securing grant funds. Community agencies from all regions of the County are also actively involved as providers of assessment, treatment, advocacy, and mentoring services.

Youth Served

Reclaiming Futures aims to serve 100 youth offenders with substance abuse and/or mental

health problems and their families, each year, totaling 400 families over the course of the four-year pilot project. Participants are selected from King County communities that have a disproportionate number of youth in the juvenile justice system. Each year, 10 participants will be youth returning to the community following long-term confinement and at least 50 will be youth of color.

Service Components

Reclaiming Futures includes three main service components:

1) Comprehensive screening and assessment of youth are the first steps in identifying participants. These tools provide a consistent way to determine need and eligibility for services and also assist in determining the most appropriate disposition and treatment for youth.

Substance abuse screening is administered to all adjudicated youth who are at moderate to high risk to re-offend. Those who meet the screening criteria receive a comprehensive substance abuse and mental health assessment. To be eligible for Reclaiming Futures, a youth must have a substance abuse or dependence disorder. Often a co-occurring psychiatric disorder is also present.

2) Advocacy Teams are designed to support youth long after they leave the justice and treatment systems and help them access services, as needed. To encourage supervision and involvement by the youth's natural community, teams may include members from the youth's family, extended family, church, and school. In addition, each youth has the opportunity to have a trained mentor.

In 2003, the program developed the capacity to serve 130 youth with Advocacy Teams and more than 30 youth received this service.

Additionally, 30 mentors were trained and ready to serve and 10 youth were referred to mentors.

3) Treatment Court is a non-adversarial court process that determines the most effective treatment for youth with substance abuse and mental health problems. It was implemented in November 2003, with the capacity to serve up to 30 youth per year.

Youth who opt into the Treatment court must meet screening criteria and have a case disposition of either local sanctions, stipulated orders, deferred disposition, or alternative sentences in lieu of commitment to a state institution. The youth's case may be assigned to any juvenile judge who hears offender matters. The court team consists of a judge, prosecuting attorney, public defender, juvenile probation counselor, treatment providers, and advocacy team liaison.

Youth participate in services designed to improve their behavior and mental health. They appear before their assigned judge for monthly reviews. Available services include multi systemic therapy, advocacy team, mentoring, substance abuse interventions, and respite residential care.

Evaluation

In addition to the service components, Reclaiming Futures is documenting the benefits to participant youth and their families, as well as cost benefits to King County residents. In 2003, King County Superior Court was awarded an additional Robert Wood Johnson Foundation grant of \$454,000, to complete a three year outcome evaluation.

2 **Court Coordination Projects Launched**

3 In 2002, the several court levels throughout the
4 region joined in forming the Trial Court
5 Coordination Council, aimed at achieving system-
6 wide efficiencies and improving the service courts
7 provide to King County citizens. TCCC's goals
8 include:

- 9 • Improving information access between
10 court systems that are addressing the
11 longer term therapeutic needs of criminal
12 defendants;
- 13 • Centralizing internal administrative
14 functions that are common between
15 courts; and
- 16 • Expanding proven programs to other
17 courts, to find practical solutions to the
18 public's needs.

19 In cooperation with the Trial Court Coordination
20 Council, Superior Court implemented two new
21 programs in 2003. The Court's Interpreter Services
22 program added a Spanish-language interpreter for
23 Seattle District Court cases and the Court's Jury
24 Department expanded its summons process to
25 include jurors for Tukwila District Court.

The addition of a Spanish language interpreter for
Seattle District Court cases enables District Court

to benefit from the experience and
organizational capacity of Superior Court's
Interpreter Services program. The interpreter
is also available to assist with Superior Court
matters, as District Court workload permits.
Significant cost savings are achieved by
reducing the expense of contract interpreters
for both courts.

For many years, Superior Court has managed
the jury summoning process for District Court
through a cooperative agreement. Through
the Trial Court Coordination Council, these
services were extended to Tukwila Municipal
Court. Superior Court staff maintains the
prospective juror list and processes the
summons. Jurors respond and report to
Tukwila Municipal Court. The additional costs
to Superior Court - forms and postage - are
paid by the City of Tukwila.

The pilot projects will help determine whether
centralization of these services results in
significant costs savings and if further
centralization is feasible.

17 **Civil Caseflow Project**

18 In response to diminishing
19 resources, the Court accepted the
20 challenge and redesigned the way
21 the court manages civil cases.
22 Under the leadership of Chief Civil
23 Judge Jim Doerty and Superior
24 Court Clerk Barbara Miner, a
25 court-based workgroup devised a
pilot program focused on
assessing the effectiveness of
existing civil case schedule and
events, streamlining where
possible while preserving efforts
to minimize delay, and

redistributing the remaining tasks
to a bailiff/courtroom clerk team.
Mandatory pretrial conferences
were eliminated in all civil cases
(to be scheduled on an as-needed
basis only), replaced by a written
trial confirmation filed jointly by all
parties to an action, reporting a
case's readiness for trial.

The court's new automated case
management system, King County
Management System (KCMS),
was expanded. This web-based
system is designed to provide up-

to-date, detailed case-related
information for purposes of
calendar and scheduling.

In January, 2004, the court will
make the pilot procedures
standard for all civil cases, except
those managed by Unified Family
Court judges. Also in 2004, the
court will evaluate the impact
these systemic and structural
changes have had on case
processing statistics and judge/
staff workloads.

Court Programs

King County Drug Diversion Court was the twelfth drug court in the country when implemented in 1994, and has served as a mentor to more than 1,500 drug courts operating across the nation. Drug Court is a pre-sentencing program that provides eligible defendants the opportunity to receive drug treatment in lieu of incarceration. Participants receive treatment, undergo random urinalysis, and appear before the Drug Court judge on a regular basis. Defendants who meet the requirements of each level of Drug Court graduate from the program and their charges are dismissed. Those who fail to make progress are terminated from the program and sentenced on their original charge. The program accepts cases in which a defendant has been arrested on felony drug possession or solicitation and has no prior convictions for sex or violent offenses. Since the program's inception, 2,000 defendants have entered treatment and 600 have graduated.



Mandatory Arbitration provides an equitable, less expensive and faster means of resolving civil disputes while reducing court congestion, case processing costs, and litigants' expenses. Implemented in October 1980, the program was initially limited to civil cases involving monetary judgments of less than \$10,000. This limit has been raised several times and now reaches \$35,000 per claim. In 2002, arbitration was required in counties with populations over 150,000. 1,752 cases were resolved by arbitration in 2003.

The Guardianship and Probate Facilitator Program was launched in August 1999 to help self-represented litigants understand court requirements for guardianship and probate matters and resolve their cases in a timely and effective manner. Staff provides information about relevant statutes and court procedures, gives clear instructions for completing required forms, and reviews documents prior to submittal to the court. The Court also has 40 Guardianship-Probate volunteer attorneys and paralegals available four days per week to help guardians and estate representatives resolve delinquent cases or bring them into compliance with court requirements.

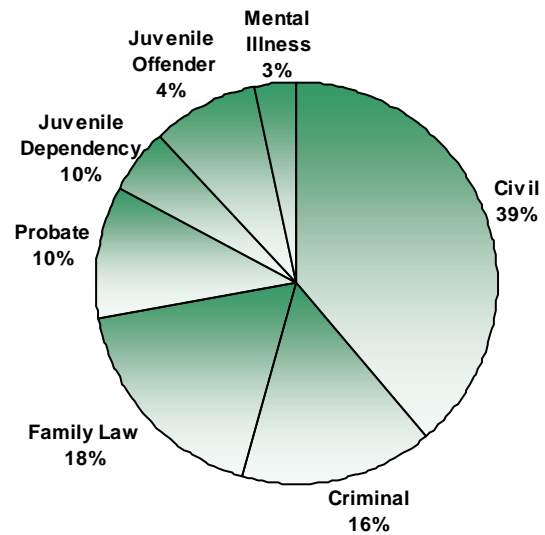
Interpreter Services has assisted people with interpreters at the downtown courthouse, Regional Justice Center, and Juvenile Court since 1992. The staff of seven, including three court-certified Spanish interpreters, is responsible for scheduling interpreters for all hearings involving either foreign spoken languages or American Sign Language. As the number of languages assisted has grown to 105, the number of interpreters associated with the office has increased to more than 250.

Judicial Caseload

In 2003, the total number of cases filed with King County Superior Court was 64,189, 5.6% higher than in 2002. Filings increased most significantly in the general civil (+11.9%) and criminal (+7.7%) categories. Juvenile offender filings rose by 5.5% and mental illness cases increased by nearly 6%.

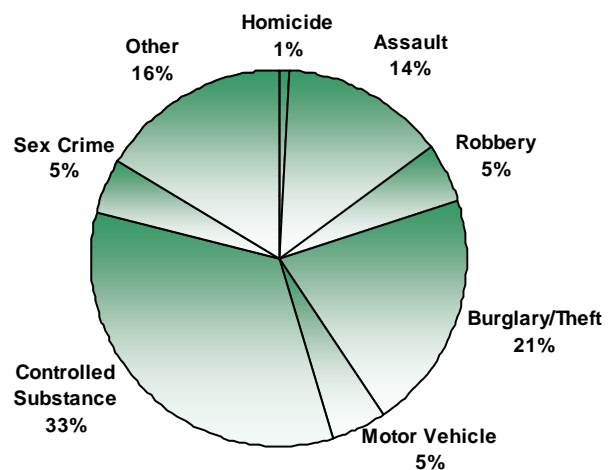
Case Filings

Case Type	2003 Filings	Change from 2002
Civil	24,923	+11.9%
Criminal	10,026	+7.7%
Family Law	11,461	-4.7%
Probate	6,718	+2.3%
Juvenile Dependency	3,375	+1.5%
Juvenile Offender	5,497	+5.5%
Mental Illness	2,189	+5.9%
TOTAL FILINGS	64,189	+5.6%



Criminal Caseload

Case Type	2003 Filings	Change from 2002
Homicide	82	+34%
Assault	1,419	+9%
Robbery	492	+19%
Burglary/Theft	2,073	+8%
Motor Vehicle	3,375	-12%
Controlled Substance	462	+7.6%
Sex Crime	3,375	+9%
Other	1,650	+9%
TOTAL	10,026	+7.7%

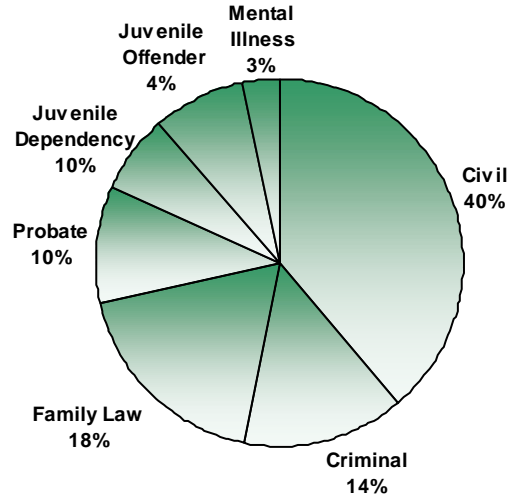


Judicial Caseload

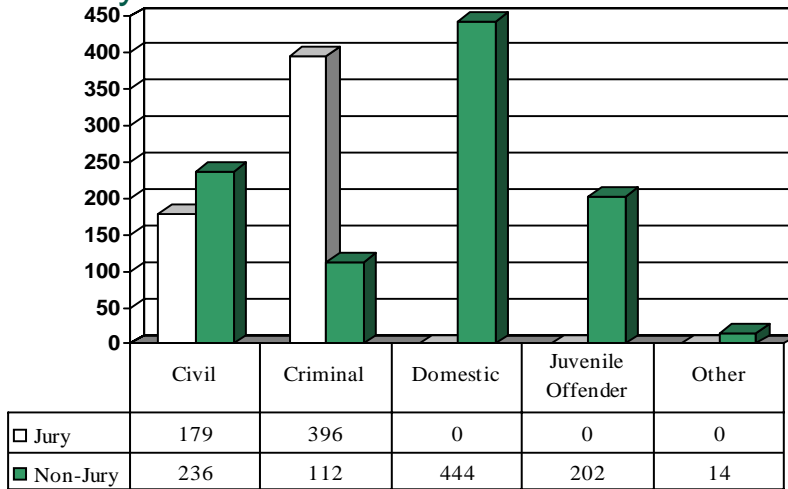
The Court resolved a total of 63,601 cases in 2003, an increase of 4.4% over 2002 resolution activity. Total resolutions were slightly less than filings in 2003. The pending caseload at the end of 2003 was 24,967 cases, nearly the same as in 2002. Pending cases increased significantly in criminal (+24%), juvenile offender (16.2%), and guardianship (+36.9%) matters, and decreased in juvenile dependency (-49.7%), juvenile truancy (-18.9%) and domestic (-6.1%).

Case Resolutions

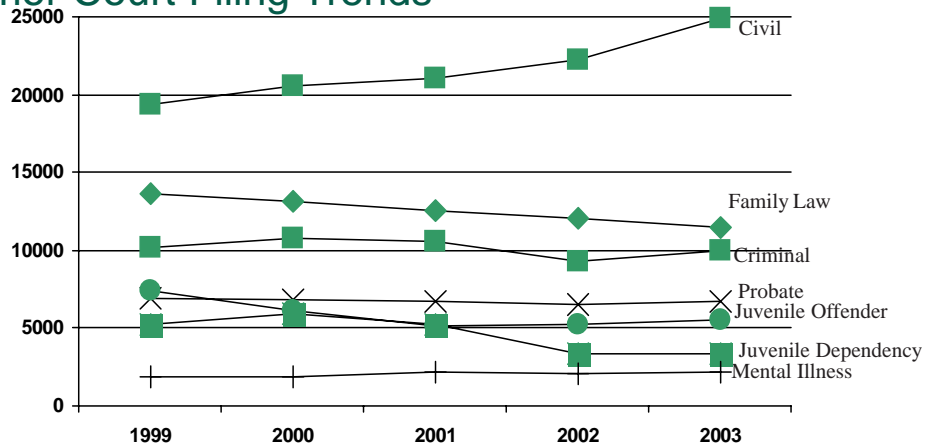
Case Type	2003 Filings	Change from 2002
Civil	24,780	+15.1%
Criminal	8,959	-9.8%
Family Law	11,725	-8.6%
Probate	6,487	+0.8%
Juvenile Dependency	4,444	+40.9%
Juvenile Offender	5,073	+2.9%
Mental Illness	2,133	+0.3%
TOTAL RESOLUTIONS	63,601	+4.4%



Trial Activity



Superior Court Filing Trends



Staff

COURT ADMINISTRATION

King County Courthouse

Chief Administrative Officer Paul L. Sherfey
Deputy Chief Administrative Officer Claudia Olney
Court Operations Director Linda Ridge
Confidential Secretary II Jeffrey Tsunekawa
Program Manager Kris Zawisza
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Tech. Information Processing Spec. II Bjorn Kindahl
Customer Service Specialist II Pamela Carson

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Fiscal Specialist III Kristi Davis
Fiscal Specialist II Lynn Blakslee
Fiscal Specialist Patricia Bray
Administrative Specialist II Gary Cutler
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Administrative Specialist III Teresa Martinez

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Dependency CASA

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Emma Puro
Janet Horton
Deanna Smith
Constance Stockton
Lucyle Wooden
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Lori Irwin
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Facilitator Don Medlin
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Rose Morrison
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Monica Jackson

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Nhu Dinh

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Court Operations Specialist II Salina Kis

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Staff

COURT OPERATIONS

Court Operations Manager, Seattle Paul Manolopoulos
Court Operations Supervisor II Dana Scott
Court Operations Specialist II John Rodenberg
Trial Assignment Coordinator John Salamony
Facilities Specialist Kirby Pierce

Civil Department

Court Operations Supervisor I Damita Beleford
Judicial Assistant Ursula Abrams
Michael Hopkins
Iman Johnson
Salina Kis
Monica Simms

Jury Department

Jury Services Manager Greg Wheeler
Customer Services Specialist III Belinda Fernandez
Irene Szczerba
Customer Services Specialist II Gloria Sferra
Tamera Kato

Interpreter Services

Program Manager Martha Cohen
Assistant Program Manager Susana Stettri-Sawrey
Court Operations Specialist Charlotte Taylor
Customer Services Specialist III Kathleen Kendle
Jennifer Allen
Cheryl Spriggs

Criminal Department

Criminal Case Manager Angie Lang
Criminal Department Specialist Maggie Mire
Criminal Calendar Coordinator II Tikecha Pearson
Bonnie Larson
Criminal Calendar Coordinator I Tammie Harris-Smith
Criminal Calendar Coordinator II Merci Pizzaro
Customer Service Specialist II Erica Conway
Court Operations Specialist I Carla Miller
Criminal Court Info. Processing Spec. Jill Gerontis

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Administrative Specialist III Linda Storvik
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Guardianship/Probate Coordinator Steven Leppard

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Stephen Broscheid Kevin Moll
Marci Cammon Michael O'Brien
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