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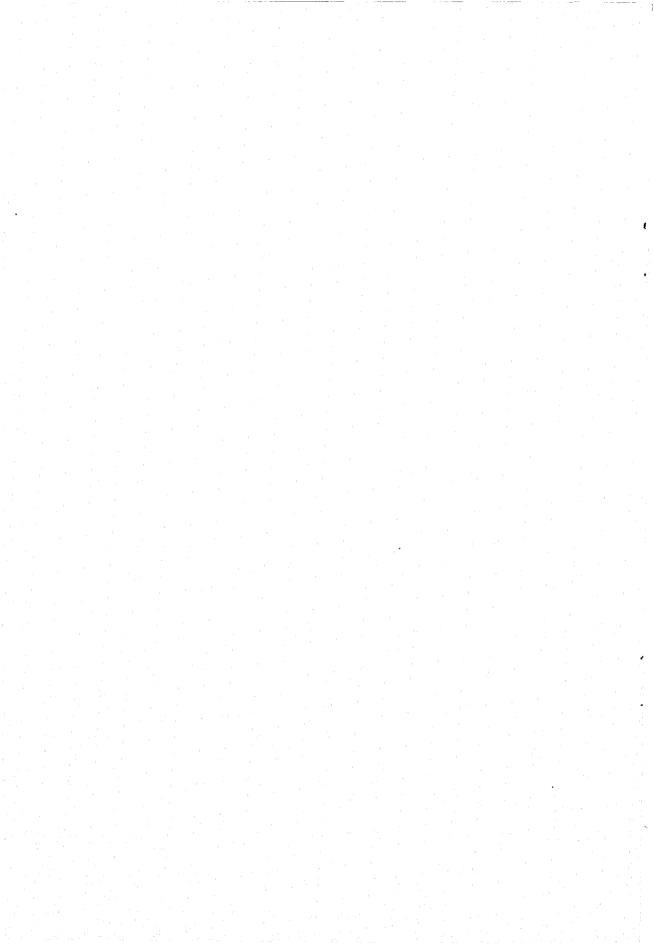
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#### REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL\*

Our court system is poised at a very pivotal juncture in its history. The Court Reorganization of 1973 brought many changes aimed at modernizing the previous system. These changes were necessary to allow the courts to adapt to the circumstances of a new era and the problems inherent in the rising volume and complexity of modern litigation. The next challenge is to improve procedures and administrative techniques within the court structure to facilitate the total implementation of the Court Reorganization concepts.

In this regard the Judicial Council has assumed increasing responsibility. Special emphasis has been placed on judicial planning. We are moving away from crisis management in the judicial branch and looking more toward long-range professional planning. The involvement of judges at all levels is an integral factor in this new

comprehensive approach.

During 1975 the Judicial Council addressed two major concerns. These areas of study embraced the review of the Rules of Court and the need or lack of need for additional judges of circuit courts.

#### RULES OF COURT

The Judicial Council is required by Section 17-225 of the Code of Virginia "to make a continuous study of the organization and the rules and methods of procedure and practice of the judicial system of the Commonwealth". In the area of Rules of Court, the Judicial Council has been called upon continually during the past year to study and to make recommendations.

Based upon the Judicial Council's recommendations, the Supreme Court has entered the orders included in Appendix Seven for the purpose of which has been either to add a new Rule or to amend an existing Rule.

\*Detailed statistics concerning the work of the Supreme Court of Virginia and the business of the circuit and district courts of the Commonwealth during 1975 are included in the Commonwealth of Virginia State of the Judiciary Report for 1975 prepared by the Office of Executive Secretary of the Supreme Court of Virginia and provided to each member of the General Assembly.

#### ADDITIONAL JUDGES

The Judicial Council is charged with the duty of studying the need for additional circuit court judges. Likewise, the Council has the responsibility of studying the desirability and feasibility of altering the boundaries of any judicial circuit.

In 1975 the Judicial Council altered its procedures in determining the necessity for additional circuit court judges and changes in circuit lines. Prior to this change, cases commenced and population were primary guidelines. Recognizing the inadequacies of total reliance on these criteria, the Council adopted a dual analysis mechanism.

Based on the belief that the caseload statistics should continue to be a vital element in determining the overall judicial work load of a circuit, the Council commissioned the National Center for State Courts to develop a caseload reporting and work load analysis system which would generate accurate uniform data on filings and depositions by case type for all Virginia circuit courts. Such a system will provide the Council with comparable caseload information in order to improve management of current resources and long-range planning.

Notwithstanding the development of more reliable statistical data, the Council realized that the total perspective of judicial work load could not be obtained from raw statistics. The absolute number of cases is not a sufficiently revealing figure for understanding the business of the courts. Analysis of the composition of the courts' caseload reveals different proportions of civil and criminal cases commenced in the circuit courts throughout the Commonwealth. Population density and comparative size, levels of income, and levels of industrialization all contribute to differences in demand for court services and differences in the meaning of the gross statistics. For this reason, the Council inaugurated as an additional phase of the review process, the personal interview, and local visitation requirement.

As the administrative office for the judicial system, the Office of the Executive Secretary was advised that in addition to providing a thorough statistical evaluation of the judicial work load, visits should be conducted to each circuit requesting an additional judge in order to review the court dockets and to interview the judges, clerks, commonwealth attorneys, members of the bar, and other such individuals

having a knowledge of the court system in that circuit.

With the establishment of the new procedures, the Judicial Council has received a comprehensive report of the work load of the judges in the circuits seeking additional resources, both as to the raw statistical data and as to the more subjective personal views of the individuals involved. The attached Appendices include appropriate statistical information. After considering all available information, the Council has concluded that additional judges should be authorized in a cirucit whenever all procedures short of adding a judge have been exhausted; whenever the administrative efficiency of the court is at a high level; and whenever the existing judges are working to maximum capacity and still are unable to handle the caseload in the expeditious fashion desired by the bar and general public. The only way to assure the sound, effective, and speedy administration of justice is to insure that sufficient judicial resources are available.

With this premise as a guide, the Judicial Council hereby recommends the creation of additional circuit court judges in the Fifth, Fourteenth, and Twenty-Third Judicial Circuits. The Council further recommends that no judge be added in the Ninth Judicial Circuit, and that Prince William County be separated from the Nineteenth Circuit and Diestrict and established as an independent circuit and district. Comments and statistics concerning these recommendations follow.

#### FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Request for One Additional Judge to be Shared with the First Judicial Circuit

The Fifth Judicial Circuit is comprised of the cities of Suffolk and Franklin, and the counties of Southampton and Isle of Wight. The Circuit currently has two authorized

judgeships.

The population of the Circuit was estimated at 92,700 in 1974, or 46,350 per judge. Projections indicate that the population will reach 96,000 by 1980. The city of Suffolk has slightly more than half of the Circuit's population and is expected to experience most of the predicted population growth in the Circuit. Removal of the tolls from area bridges and tunnels is expected to precipitate a migration of population to this section. In addition to the actual population, this Circuit serves as a major means of ingress and egress to the Norfolk-Portsmouth-Virginia Beach areas and, therefore, the court system serves many more people than actually reside in the Circuit.

The 1975 commenced caseload of the Fifth Judicial Circuit was 2,505 cases, or 1,253 cases per judge. Suffolk accounted for 1,457 of these cases, while Isle of Wight and Southampton reported 487 and 561 cases respectively. During the first six months

of 1976 there were 1,183 commenced cases.

In 1975, 2,201 cases were concluded which exceeded the disposition level of 1974 by nearly 150 cases. The concluded caseload of 1,243 cases between January and June 1976 was 85 more cases than the first half of 1975.

The composition of the commenced caseload for the Circuit in 1975 was 30 percent

law, 24 percent equity, 20 percent felony, and 25 percent misdemeanor.

Jury trials totaled 81 for the Circuit in 1975, which was 29 more trials than the Circuit experienced in 1974. Jury trials have increased significantly in 1976. During the first six months, the Circuit reported 64 jury trials. The increase was primarily a result of more felony jury trials in Isle of Wight and Southampton Counties.

Based on the data contained in this report, the Fifth Judicial Circuit is expected to continue to average a 5.2 percent increase or approximately 130 more cases per year up

through 1980.

In analyzing the caseload of the Circuit, it is important to note that while the total caseload is growing, the number of misdemeanor cases has decreased. This shift in composition has a sharp impact on the judicial work load. While the drop in misdemeanors reduces the increase in overall caseload, the work load is actually increased at a greater rate than shown by the statistics, in that the types of cases which are increasing are generally more time consuming from the judicial viewpoint than are misdemeanors.

In the consideration of this request, the Council discovered that there was difficulty in granting reasonably early trial dates. Civil cases are currently being set six months in advance. Further, representatives of the bar strongly expressed the contention that there was a need for a resident judge in Southampton County. Not only was travel reported as burdensome to the judges, but the lawyers in Southampton felt that they were substantially hampered by the lack of judicial availability at the present time.

As can be seen from the statistics included in Appendix One, the Fifth Circuit ranks second in cases commenced per judge when compared with all other rural circuits. Likewise, the Circuit ranks second in reference to cases concluded per judge of the rural

circuits.

In view of the foregoing facts, as well as the statistics presented in Appendix One, the Council recommends the approval of the request that an additional circuit judge be added in the Fifth Judicial Circuit.

The request for an additional judgeship in the Fifth Judicial Circuit indicated a willingness, should such a position be authorized to assist the First Judicial Circuit.

Chesapeake City is the only locality incorporated in the First Judicial Circuit. The Circuit has two authorized judgeships.

The population of Chesapeake in 1974 was estimated at 100,800, or 50,400 per judge and is expected to reach 105,000 by 1980.

The 1975 caseload for the Circuit was 1,974 commenced cases or 987 per judge. While the 1975 caseload declined from the 1974 caseload of 2,096 cases, the commenced caseload for the first six months in 1976 of 1,075 cases was 52 more cases than the same period in 1975.

The work load in the First Judicial Circuit, establishes a need for assistance in that Circuit. The primary problem appears to be one of unequal distribution of the work load caused by the physical separation of the two divisions of the court. One division is located in South Norfolk where mainly civil cases are heard. The other division is nine miles away at Great Bridge and is predominantly concerned with the criminal matters. Even with this separation of locations, the Council feels that a better distribution of the work load must be achieved so as to facilitate speedy disposition of the caseload. The judges should move interchangeably between the two locations as the volume dictates. The Council further recommends that prompt action be taken by the appropriate local officials to insure that these two court buildings are combined in one location. Such a consolidation would increase efficiency substantially and would alleviate the need for additional judicial resources at the present time.

Until such consolidation of these courts facilities can be achieved, the Council

recommends that a judge or judges of the Fifth Judicial Circuit be designated to provide judicial assistance to the First Circuit.

#### NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Request for Relief by Partial Circuit Realignment or Judicial Assistance

The Ninth Judicial Circuit serves ten localities in the middle peninsula area and covers 1,876 square miles. The Circuit currently has two authorized judgeships.

The population of the Circuit has demonstrated continuous growth in recent years with the 1974 population estimated at 124,900 or 62,450 per judge. The population is expected to continue to grow at the rate of 2.2 percent per year through 1980, when the population is expected to reach 141,700.

The commenced caseload for the Circuit reached 2,120 cases or 1,060 per judge in 1975. The increase of 109 cases over the 1974 level was primarily a result of increased felony cases in Gloucester, Middlesex, Williamsburg, and James City County. The commenced caseload for the first half of 1976 was 1,314 cases (see Appendix Two tor caseload statistics).

During 1975, a decline in law and misdemeanor cases combined with an increase in felony cases brought about a shift in the composition of the commenced caseload to include a significantly higher percentage of felony cases. The composition of the commenced caseload for 1975 was 22 percent law, 39 percent equity, 28 percent felony, and 11 percent misdemeanor.

Jury trials rose sharply in 1975, as 135 jury trials were reported. The additional 45 jury trials in 1975 represented a 50 percent increase. There were 52 reported jury trials for the first half of 1976, this was slightly higher than the value for the first six months of 1975.

Based on the past data from 1966 to 1975, it is estimated that the caseload will continue to average an annual increase of 7.5 percent, or approximately 180 additional new cases per year.

In reviewing the caseload commenced per judge for rural circuits, the Ninth Circuit ranks fifth with an average of 1,060 cases commenced per judge. This caseload must be considered in view of the fact that a large portion of the Circuit's increase has stemmed from the increase in felony cases in Gloucester County. While the caseload in Gloucester has increased, the actual work load increase has not been significant as the caseload suggests due to the use of multiple indictments against individual defendants.

The major difficulties involved in the Ninth Circuit are the numerous jurisdictions and the large geographic area which must be served. With a substantial amount of travel time necessitated, the judges' ability to rapidly dispose of the work load is significantly reduced. Likewise, the Circuit is split by the York River which creates greater coordination problems.

During the past year, the Chief Justice has designated both retired and active judges to assist the Circuit during peak or emergency periods. The Council is of the opinion that the Circuit will continue to need judicial assistance of this nature in the coming years. However, the Council feels that a realignment of the work load assignments can reduce this need to a minimum and eliminate the necessity for an additional judge. A division of the work load so that no judge has primary responsibility for more than five counties should achieve this result.

Since the need for occasional judicial assistance may continue to exist even after the redistribution of work load as suggested above, the Council recommends that this assistance be provided through designations of a judge or judges from the Fourteenth and Fifteenth Circuits. The Council has recommended the creation of an additional judge in the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit on condition that the judges of that Circuit provide assistance to the Ninth Circuit as needed. The realignment of the work load, together with the assistance from retired judges and the judges of the Fourteenth and

Fifteenth Circuits should allow the caseload of the Circuit to be processed in a prompt and efficient fashion without the addition of a new judge.

#### FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Request for One Additional Judge

Henrico County is the only locality designated in the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit.

Currently, the Circuit has three authorized judgeships.

The caseload in 1975 was 3,207 commenced cases which was 366 more cases than occurred in 1974. The 1974 caseload of 2,841 commenced cases was also a significant increase over the 1973 caseload. During 1974, the increase in the commenced caseload was primarily a result of misdemeanor cases and law cases. The 1974 increase of 474 commenced cases was more closely tied to civil cases as law cases increased by 147 and equity cases rose by 171 additional cases. During the first six months of 1976, the commenced caseload was 1,646 and is projected at approximately 3,300 for the entire year.

The 1974 concluded caseload of 2,922 cases reflected 481 more dispositions than occurred in 1974. While dispositions increased the pending caseload also grew by 396 cases. From January to June of 1976, 1,649 cases were concluded. This compares to 1,434 cases for the first six months of 1975.

The composition of the commenced caseload in 1975 was 19 percent law, 42 percent equity, 15 percent felony, and 24 percent misdeanor. During 1975 each category of case law, equity, felony, and misdemeanor, increased in terms of cases commenced, concluded, and pending.

Based on the caseload figures from 1966 and primarily those from 1970 to 1976, the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit's commenced caseload should average a 7.9 percent annual increase, or approximately 280 additional cases per year up through 1980.

The increase in judicial work load in Henrico County has been directly related to the population growth of the county. In 1960, Henrico County had 117,339 residents. This figure has grown to an estimated 166,200 with an expected increase to 194,500 by 1980. This rapid growth has occasioned a corresponding increase in the need for court services. The 1966 caseload of 1,528 cases commenced has more than doubled to 3,207 cases commenced in 1975 (see Appendix Three for caseload statistics).

The changing character of the Henrico population likewise has contributed to the rising judicial work load. Henrico is no longer a true "bedroom" community, as the County has been subject to substantial industrial and business growth in the past ten years. The influx of business enterprise has naturally stimulated litigation. Similarly, the County is served by a large practicing bar which affects the volume of court business. Henrico has 127 active members of the bar, but is also served by the 1,027 members of the Richmond Bar.

In analyzing the activity of the Henrico Circuit Court, it was determined that civil cases were being set as far in advance as April 1977. This delay has precipitated criticism although all concerned acknowledge that the existing judges are working at maximum capacity.

Another significant factor in the work load analysis is the sharp rise in the number of jury trials. In 1973, there were 45 jury trials, while this figure had risen to 90 in 1975. It is generally conceded that a jury trial is more time consuming and demanding from the judicial perspective than a non-jury matter.

Furthermore, the number of motions filed in criminal cases appears to have risen drastically, thereby increasing the amount of time spent per criminal case. This increase is attributed to the desire of court-appointed attorneys to insure that every conceivable avenue of defense is explored so as to preclude later complaints of ineffective representation.

In addition to the increased court work load, the judges of the Fourteenth Judicial Cricuit have been called upon to serve on various statewide commissions, councils, and committees. This service is necessary and is to the long-range benefit of the entire

judicial system, but it has contributed to the burden of these judges.

The Council feels that the quality of service rendered by the existing judges in Henrico is exceptionally high, but is likely to suffer in the future if relief is not granted. In order to continue the present level of judicial services, the Council recommends the approval of the request for an additional circuit judge in the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit. Furthermore, the Council is of the opinion that with the creation of this additional judgeship the judges of the Fourteenth Circuit will have sufficient time to provide significant assistance to the Ninth Judicial Circuit.

The counties of New Kent and Charles City are located in the Ninth Circuit but are adjacent to Henrico County. With the denial of the request for a new judge in the Ninth Circuit, it is anticipated that judicial assistance will be needed from other circuits. The close proximity of New Kent and Charles City Counties to Henrico County as well as the reduced caseload burden due to the addition of a judge in the Fourteenth Circuit facilitate the feasibility of this assistance being provided by the judges in Henrico. Therefore, this recommendation is subject to the condition that a judge or judges of the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit be designated to provide such judicial assistance to the Ninth Judicial Circuit.

#### TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Request for One Additional Judge

The Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit is comprised of Roanoke County, Roanoke City, and Salem City. Currently, the Circuit has four authorized judgeships.

The population as reported for 1974 by the Tayloe Murphy Institute was 188,300 or 47,075 per judge. It is estimated that the Circuit will experience a 1.65 percent annual increase in population through 1980 when the population should reach 207,700.

The commenced caseload reached 5,645 cases in 1976, which was a significant increase over the 1974 caseload of 4,554 (see Appendix Four for caseload statistics). The large increase of 1,091 cases was primarily a result of criminal cases, as felonies increased by 508 cases and misdemeanors increased by 417 cases. Roanoke City contributed almost 80 percent of the Circuit's increase from 1974 to 1975. The Circuit reported 2,830 commenced cases for the first six months of 1976 as compared to 2,803 in 1975.

The concluded caseload also showed a sharp rise in 1975 as 5,228 cases were concluded. Despite the higher disposition level the pending caseload rose by over 450 cases. From January to June, 1976, there were 2,699 concluded cases, while in 1975, for the same period 2,347 cases were concluded. The pending caseload at the end of June 1976, was 4,111 cases.

As indicated by the commenced cases, the composition of the caseload shifted to criminal cases as a result of large gains experienced in the felony and misdemeanor caseload. The composition of the commenced caseload for 1975 was 19 percent law, 33 percent equity, 23 percent felony, and 25 percent misdemeanor.

Jury trials for the circuit in 1975 totaled 113. There were 63 reported jury trials for the first half of 1976, as compared to 56 trials for the same period in 1975.

Based on the data contained in this report, it is expected that the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit will follow its past trend and average a 6.2 percent increase or approximately 350 additional new cases per year.

The judicial work load of the Twenty-Third Circuit is influenced most by the fact that the Roanoke Valley is the financial, educational, cultural, legal, and shopping center for the southwestern portion of the state. Because of this capacity the courts are

required to serve a greater number of people than actually reside in the Roanoke area. The very nature of the metropolitan area creates the need for court services in that the influx of people produces crime and the influx of business produces litigation.

In 1966, there were 2,929 cases commenced. By 1975, this figure has soared to 5,645. Current projections suggest that the caseload will rise to 7,200 by 1980. Even with the addition of a fifth judge, this caseload would be extremely heavy. Without a new judge,

it would be impossible to handle in an effective fashion.

In 1975, the average number of cases commenced per judge was 1,015 when all circuit courts are considered. When considering only the city and urban courts, the figure is 1,061. The judges of the Twenty-Third Circuit commenced 1,411 cases per judge. This caseload commenced ranks first when compared to all city and urban circuits. It should also be noted that the Twenty-Third Circuit ranked first in both the number of felony and misdemeanor cases commenced for city and urban circuits.

One point of concern is the affect of the extended illnesses experienced by the judges of the Circuit. Both Judges Ernest Ballou and Robert Rogers have undergone extensive medical treatment over the past year. After much investigation on this topic, the Council is satisfied that the work load burden being experienced by the judges at this time is not due to the absences or lack of productivity of these two judges during their illnesses. On the contrary, the members of the bar expressed astonishment and admiration at the ability of these judges to carry full work loads during these illnesses. This conclusion is also supported by the fact that the judges of the Twenty-Third Circuit concluded 1,307 cases per judge in 1975. This figure ranks second when considering the city and urban circuits and is substantially above the statewide average of 982.

Based on these facts, as well as the statistics presented in Appendix Four, the Council recommends the approval of the request that an additional circuit judge be added in the Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit,

#### NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT

Legislation was introduced at the 1976 session of the General Assembly to alter the composition of the existing Nineteenth Judicial Circuit and District by creating two separate circuits and districts with the following composition:

A. Cities of Falls Church, Fairfax, and the county of Fairfax.

B. Cities of Manassas, Manassas Park, and the county of Prince William.

Action was deferred pending study by the Judicial Council.

The Nineteenth Judicial Circuit is comprised of Fairfax County, Fairfax City, Falls Church City, Prince William County, and the newly chartered cities of Manassas and Manassas Park. With the addition of one judgeship on February 1, 1976, the Circuit currently has ten authorized judgeships. Eight of the judges serve prinicipally in Fairfax, while the remaining two judges serve in Prince William.

The population of the Circuit was estimated at 686,000 in 1974, and is projected to reach 831,000 by 1980. The population is presently balanced between the eight judges in Fairfax at 68,575 persons per judge and the two judges in Prince William with 69,000 persons per judge. The population of Prince William is expected to grow at a faster

percentage rate (4.8%) than is that of Fairfax (3%).

The 1976 data for January through June indicates similar caseloads per judge in Fairfax and Prince William. Converting the six months of data to annual figures reflects 1,072 cases commenced per judge in Fairfax while the value is 1,089 cases per judge for Prince William. The concluded caseloads per judge for the two localities are also similar. The pending caseload in Fairfax was 1,545 cases per judge at the end of June while the Prince William pending caseload was 1,211 per judge (see Appendix Five for caseload statistics).

The composition of the commenced cases for the Circuit for the first half of 1976 was 32 percent law, 45 percent equity, 12 percent felony, and 11 percent misdemeanor. The composition of caseloads for Fairfax and Prince William were similar except that Prince William's caseload had a higher concentration of felonies (20%) than did Fairfax (10.5%).

Based on the caseload figures for the last ten years, the caseload in Fairfax is expected to average approximately 650 to 700 additional new cases per year for a 7.4 percent annual increase through 1980. The caseload in Prince William is estimated to gain approximately 250 new cases per year for a 10 percent annual increase.

Investigation of this proposal produced two predominant reasons for the separation. First, the county of Prince William has reached sufficient size to become an independent circuit, both with reference to population and from a judicial workload perspective. The 1974 population estimate for Prince William County was 138,000. Other jurisdictions with similar population levels are separate independently constituted circuits.

Second, most observers advise that there is no community of interest between the residents of Prince William and Fairfax. While the populations are similarly composed, there seems to be no other degree of relationship or commonality. The issue of geographic pride pervades this request.

There is some evidence that the Nineteenth Circuit is reaching a point of becoming too cumbersome. With ten judges presently serving the Circuit, the coordination and control problems are excessive. New and better administrative practics could be instituted to help improve the Circuit's efficiency if the separation were accomplished.

Some complaints have been received from members of the Prince William Bar concerning the difficulty in contacting a judge or the inconvenience in contacting a judge or the inconvenience of having to drive to Fairfax to deal with the judges. The separation would provide increased judicial avaliability for the bar and general public in Prince William County. At the same time, having two judges spend full time in Prince William would allow greater concentration on the Prince William docket thereby facilitating the prompt disposition of matters on that docket.

#### General District Courts

The Nineteenth General District Courts of Fairfax County, Fairfax City, Falls Church, and Prince William County are currently served by nine judges. One judge is considered part time and works two days per week.

Two of the judges serve Prince William County court while the remaining judges handle the courts in Fairfax County, Fairfax City, and Falls Church. Should the District be split with the two judges in Prince William and the remaining judges in the northern part of the District, the caseloads would be similar. Converting six months of data to annual figures reflects 16,610 new cases per judge for the judges remaining in the Nineteenth District, while the judges allocated to Prince William would begin 21,324 per judge.

#### Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court

The Juvenile and Domestic Relations Courts in the Nineteenth District are currently served by five judges. Three of the five judges serve in the Fairfax-Falls Church courts. Two y-dges serve in Prince William County, however, one of these judges also serves two days per week in the Fairfax County Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court. If a split is made in the District, the caseloads for the Juvenile and Domestic Relations judges will not be similar. Neither a three/two split nor a four/one split will balance the caseloads.

#### Substitute Judges

There are currently fourteen designated substitute judges in the Nineteenth District. The proposed split of the District will result in the Fairfax-Falls Church area being served by eleven substitute judges while Prince William will have three substitute judges.

#### Magistrate System

The proposed split of the Nineteenth Circuit will have no affect on the Magistrate System. Currently, only the magistrates serving in Prince William County serve under the state system. Fairfax County, Fairfax City, and Falls Church City are served by

special magistrate systems.

The proposed split will have three primary affects on the district courts. First, regardless of the allocation of the juvenile and domestic relations judges, an unbalanced caseload will be created. Prince William cannot adequately provide service without two juvenile and domestic relations district court judges. At the same time Fairfax will be unable to handle its caseload with the three remaining authorized judges. To correct this situation may require the addition of one juvenile and domestic relations district court judge.

Second, four of the five existing juvenile and domestic relations district court judges reside in Fairfax County. Should two judges be allocated to Prince William County, it will be necessary to place a grandfather clause in § 16.1-69.16 to allow for an

exception to the residence requirement (see Appendix Six).

Third, only three of the fourteen substitute judges authorized for the district currently reside in Prince William County. The eleven substitute judges remaining in the Nineteenth District would be sufficient, however, three substitute judges will not be satisfactory for the new district. In accordance with § 16.1-69.14, it will be necessary for the Committee on District Courts to authorize at least one, and possibly two, additional substitute judges in Prince William.

Interviews conducted with local circuit and district judges as well as members of the bar indicated unanimous support for this proposed separation. No one contacted

expressed any opposition to the proposal.

Pursuant to the preceding facts, and the statistical data included in Appendix Five, the Council recommends approval of the proposal that the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit and District be divided into two distinct circuits and districts with the following composition:

Nineteenth Judicial Circuit and District — Cities of Falls Church, Fairfax, and the county of Fairfax

Thirty-First Judicial Circuit and District — Cities of Manassas, Manassas Park, and the county of Prince William

The Council further recommends that the newly created circuit and district both be designated as the Thirty-First. This is in keeping with the policy of having the corresponding circuit and district assigned the same number. In order to achieve this goal the present Thirty-First District composed of the counties of Accomack and Northampton must be renumbered. Since those two counties are presently a part of the Second Judicial Circuit (Virginia Beach), the Council recommends that on the district level they may be designated as District Two-A (Virginia Beach constitutes District Two). This will allow the greatest uniformity of numbering between the circuits and districts.

## APPENDIX ONE

# THE FIRST AND FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

JUDICIAL WORKLOAD ANALYSIS

Authorized Judgeships	Judges	Term	Principal Locality
2	James C. Godwin George F. Whitley	2/1/76-1/31/84 2/1/76-1/31/84	Suffolk City Isle of Wight Southampton
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#### 1975 CASELOAD PER JUDGE (2 Judgeships)

	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total*
Cases Commenced	381	310	255	308	1253
Cases Concluded	294	297	237	273	1101
Cases Pending	407	454	102	99	1062
Jury Trials	13	·	25	3	41

Population\*\* per judge - 46,350

## POPULATION DATA

	Isle of Wight	Franklin City	Southampton	Suffolk Ci	ty Total
1960*	17,164	7,264	19,934	43,975	88,334
1970*	18,285	6,888	18,582	45,024	88,771
1974**	19,300	7,100	18,500	47,800	92,700
1980*	20,000	6,600	18,000	51,400	96,000

<sup>\*</sup> Division of State Planning & Community Affairs \*\* Tayloe Murphy Institute

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\*\* Population estimate by Tayloe Murphy Institute for 1974

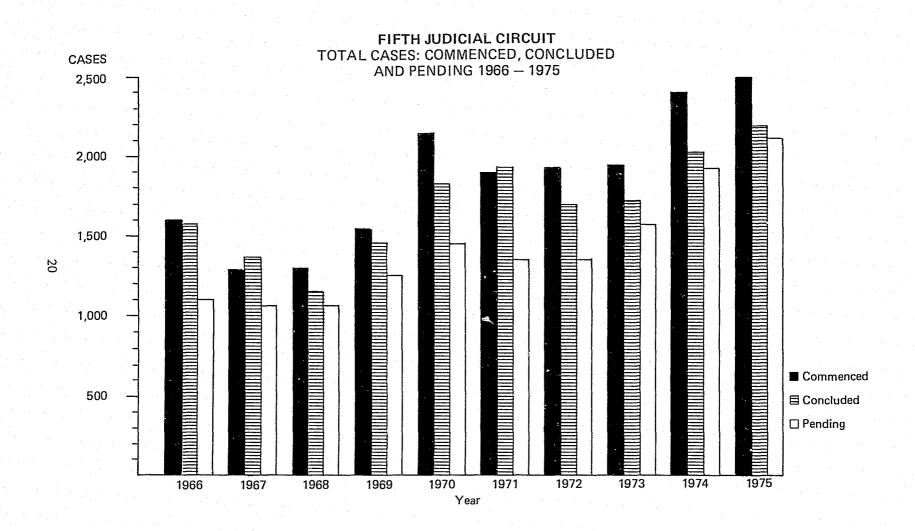
## Annual Summary Data 1966–1975

Year	Cases Commenced	Cases Concluded	Cases Pending	Jury Trials
1966	1591	1553	1100	49
1967	1287	1368	1048	33
1968	1319	1150	1057	43
1969	1569	1445	1280	27
1970	2148	1853	1444	40
1971	1908	1928	1357	45
1972	1929	1729	1370	49
1973	1978	1737	1581	59
1974	2426	2055	1924	52
1975	2505	2201	2123	81
1976*	1183	1243	2063	64

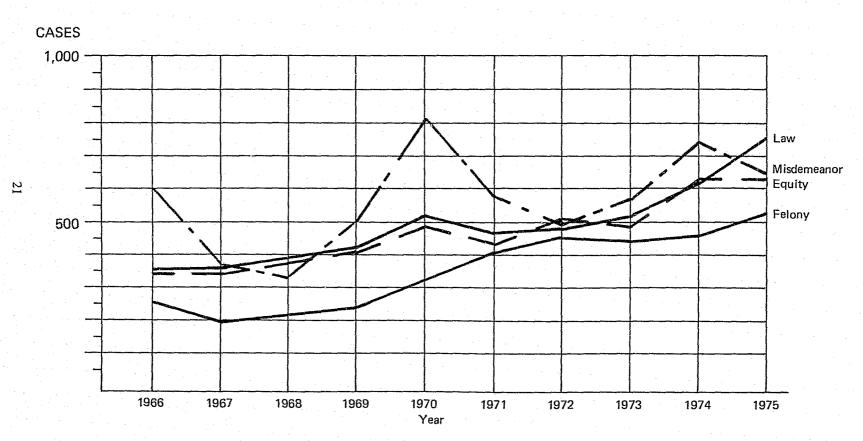
<sup>\*</sup>January - June

		Cases Commenced					Cases Concluded			
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968* 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	369 367 390 418 523 466 473 508 608 761 375	353 356 386 408 488 454 505 482 617 620 290	266 195 208 234 302 410 456 430 453 509 235	603 369 335 509 835 578 495 558 748 615 283	1591 1287 1319 1569 2148 1908 1929 1978 2426 2505 1183	349 377 352 397 443 484 461 379 480 588 366	324 356 315 409 434 564 449 441 494 594 274	272 225 175 211 248 333 369 360 414 473 298	608 410 308 428 728 547 450 557 667 546 305	1553 1368 1150 1445 1853 1928 1729 1737 2055 2201 1243
			Cases I	Pending				Jury Tri	als	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968* 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975 1976**	330 315 308 373 433 436 372 501 631 813 926	637 639 645 704 743 691 778 834 936 908 926	71 50 60 78 97 96 107 155 191 204 138	62 44 44 125 171 134 122 91 166 198 73	1100 1048 1057 1280 1444 1357 1370 1581 1924 2123 2063		37 19 28 23 25 30 31 38 31 25 23	10 8 14 4 11 11 11 17 18 50 39	2 6 1 4 4 7 4 3 6 2	49 33 43 27 40 45 49 59 52 81 64

<sup>\*</sup> See 1968 Figures on Suffolk City Summary
\*\* January - June



# FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CASES COMMENCED BY TYPE OF CASE: LAW, EQUITY, FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR



## SUFFOLK CITY\*

			Cases Co	mmenced			Cases Concluded					
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		
1966 1967	195 217	230 230	129 111	536 263	1090 761	221 199	210 220	137 130	547 309	1115 858		
1968** 1969	230 218	230 279	77 143	185 392	695 1032	204 231	190 282	65 114	182 328	641 955		
1970 1971	328 265	362 304	170 268	604 464	1464 1301	247 277	317 327	134 213	534 424	1232 1241		
1972 1973	290 335	336 271	314 230	387 416	1327 1252	289 256	320 259	216 193	341 438	1166 1146		
1974 1975 1976***	367 410 203	393 349 145	199 246 108	570 452 214	1529 1457 670	314 292 182	313 316 136	177 272 117	483 406 243	1287 1286 678		
1770	203	. 143	_ 100	214		102	150	111		070		
			Cases F	Pending				Jury Tr	ials			
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		
1966	196	325	42	49	612		24	5	1	- 30		

	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	lotal	Lav	v Felony	Misdemeanor	lotal
1966	196	325	42	49	612	24	5	1	- 30
1967	207	332	32	32	603	12	4	4	20
1968**	160	303	22	8	493	18	8		26
1969	193	359	41	72	665	12	13	2	27
1970	255	389	47	77	768	17	6		23
1971	256	415	65	75	811	14	6		20
1972	255	428	66	71	810	15	10	2	27
1973	334	450	81	32	897	26	- 9		35
1974	389	510	100	126	1125	16	5	2	23
1975	516	489	51	135	1191	17	- 15	4	36
1976***	541	500	39	3	1083	13	6	2	21

<sup>\*</sup> Includes Nansemond (1966-1973)

\*\* Only Nansemond, Suffolk City Reports Not Filed 1968

\* January - June

# ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY

					Cases Co	mmenced			· (	Cases Cond	cluded	
		-	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966			114	42	47	38	241	70	324	272	608	1553
1967			84	47	32	79	242	113	54	38	68	273
1968			98	61	45	86	290	85	47	41	84	257
1969			119	49	27	64	259	74	57	30	56	217
1970			108	50	55	160	373	124	50	48	145	367
1971			134	73	90	77	374	114	67	52	72	305
1972			109	69	65	55	298	89	61	83	48	281
1973			108	83	100	90	381	57	58	79	68	262
1974			153	- 98	153	105	509	100	64	138	101	403
1975			132	119	123	113	487	119	90	90	88	387
1976	*		68	46	54	60	228	79	47	95	48	269
		,- ,-	Law	Equity	Cases F	Pending  Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Jury Tri Felony	als Misdemeanor	Total
			Latv		- Clony	IVIISacification	Total			- Clony		- Total
1966			67	39	6	2	114		4	3		7
1967			39	32		7	78		1	1	. 1	3
1968			52	46	4	9	111		2	1		3
1969			95	35	8	. 17	155		5	- 1 -		6
1970	) <u>.</u>		78	35	10	36	159		2	1	2	5
1971			106	49	7	15	177		6	3	- 1	10
1972			52	90	10	15	167		11		2	13
1973			103	115	31	22	271		7	2	<b>. 2</b> ,	11
1974			156	149	46	13	364		9	5	•	14 28 25
1975			169	178	79	38	464		ž	21	2	28
1976	T		158	177	38	50	423		5	20		25

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

### SOUTHAMPTON COUNTY

Commence	

## Cases Concluded

	L	aw	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966		60	81	90	. 29	260	58	71	81	29	239
1967		66	79	52	27	224	65	82	57	33	237
1968		89	95	86	64	334	63	78	69	42	252
1969		81	80	64	53	278	92	70	67	44	273
1970		87	76	77	. 71	311	72	67	66	49	254
1971		67	77	52	37	233	93	170	68	51	382
1972		74	100	77	53	304	83	68	70	61	282
1973	-	65	128	100	52	345	66	124	88	51	329
1974		88	126	101	73	388	66	117	99	83	365
1975		19	152	140	50	561	177	188	111	52	528
1976*		04	99	73	9	285	105	91	86	- 14	296

## Cases Pending

## Jury Trials

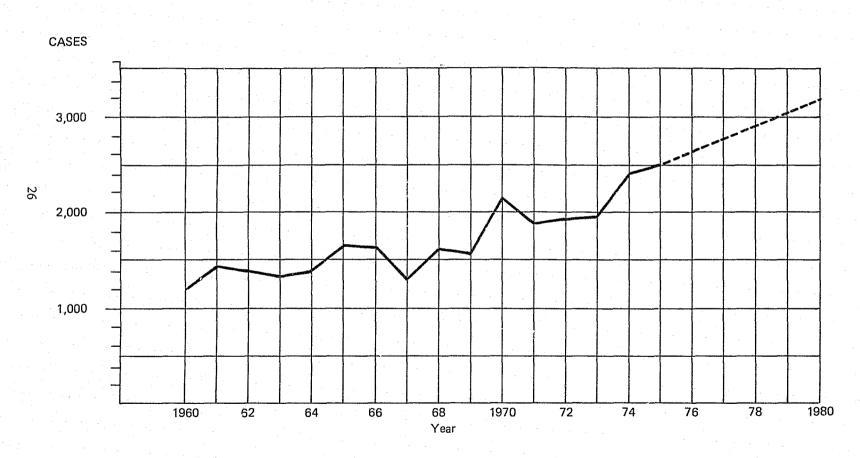
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966	67	273	23	11	374	10	2	1	13
1967	69	275	18	5	367	6	3	1	10
1968	96	296	34	27	453	8	. 5	1	14
1969	85	310	29	36	460	6	1		7
1970	100	319	40	58	517	6	4	2	12
1971	74	227	24	44	369	10	2	3 -	1.5
1972	65	260	31	36	392	- 5	1	3	9
1973	64	269	43	37	413	5	6	2	13
1974	86	277	. 45	27	435	6	- 8	1.	15
1975	128	241	74	25	468	3	14	4	- 21
1976*	227	249	61	20	557	-5	13		18

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

## January—December 1975

		Cases	Commenced		
	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Isle of Wight Southampton Suffolk City	132 219 410	119 152 <u>349</u>	123 140 <u>246</u>	113 50 452	487 561 1457
TOTAL	761	620	509	615	2505
			Concluded		
	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Isle of Wight Southampton Suffolk City	119 177 292	90 188 <u>316</u>	90 111 272	88 52 406	387 528 1286
TOTAL	588	594	473	546	2201
	<u>.</u>		es Pending	3.66.1	en
	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Isle of Wight Southampton Suffolk City	169 128 516	178 241 489	79 74 <u>51</u>	38 25 <u>135</u>	464 468 1191
TOTAL	813	908	204	198	2123
	Law	Ju Feloni	ry Trials	Misdemeanors	Total
Isle of Wight Southampton Suffolk City	5 3 <u>17</u>	21 14 15		2 0 4	24 21 36
TOTAL	25	50		6	81

# FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT TOTAL CASES COMMENCED 1960 — 1975 WITH PROJECTION FOR 1976 — 1980



# CIVIL CASES

Actions At Law	1973	1974	1975	1976*
Law actions commenced during year	508	608	761	375
Law actions concluded during year by final order	379	480	588	366
Law actions pending on docket end of year	501	631	813	926
Number of law actions in which a jury was empanelled during year	38	31	. 25	23
Number of days spent in jury trials during year	30	30	27	22
Number of days spent in law trials without a jury during year	31	18	- 21	9
Number of law orders entered during year not final	181	208	341	176
Chancery Causes				
Chancery causes commenced during year	482	617	620	290
Chancery causes concluded during year by final decree or order	441	494	594	274
Chancery causes pending on docket end of year	834	936	908	926
Chancery decrees and orders entered during year not final	454	440	407	221
Number of days spent in trials of chancery causes	3	2	1	. I -

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

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## FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

## CRIMINAL CASES

Felonies	1973	1974	1975	1976*
Felonies commenced during year	430	453	509	235
Felonies concluded during year	360	414	473	298
Felonies pending on docket end of year	155	191	204	138
Number of felony cases in which a jury was empanelled during year	17	18	50	39
Number of days spent in jury trials during year	14	15	21	. 18
Number of felony cases tried without a jury during year	494	354	579	268
Number of felony orders entered during year not final	276	537	602	329
Misdemeanors				
Misdemeanors commenced during year	558	748	615	283
Misdemeanors concluded during year	557	667	546	305
Misdemeanors pending on docket end of year	91	166	198	73
Number of misdemeanor cases in which a jury was empanelled during year	4	3	6	2
Number of misdemeanor cases tried without a jury during year	488	706	551	293
TOTAL COMMENCED CASES	1978	2426	2505	1183
TOTAL CONCLUDED CASES	1737	2055	2201	1243
TOTAL PENDING CASES	1581	1924	2123	2063
TOTAL JURY TRIALS	.59	52	81	64

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

## POPULATION PER CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

1975

Circuit	Population*	No. of Judges	Population/Judge	Rank
1	100,800	2	50,400	10
2 3	254,000	6	42,333	24
3	109,500	3	36,500	27
4	289,200	9	32,133	29
5	92,700	2 2	46,350	15
6	90,700	2	45,350	20
. 7	136,400	3	45,467	19
. 8	126,800	2	63,400	3 '
9	124,900	2 2	62,450	4
10	134,500	2	67,250	2
11	96,400	2	48,200	12
12	114,600	2 2	57,300	7
13	233,100	8	29,138	30
14	166,200	3	55,400	8
15	182,600	4	45,650	17
16	171,500	4	42,875	23
17	153,200	4	38,300	26
18	108,300	3	36,100	28
19	686,600	9	76,289	1
20	79,300	2	39,650	25
21	89,300	2	44,650	22
22	138,200	2 3	46,067	16
23	188,300	4	47,075	14
24	194,100	4	48,525	11
25	160,400	3	53,467	9
26	185,600	3 3	61,867	5
27	176,800	3	58,933	6
28	91,300	2	45,650	17
29	141,800	3	47,267	13
30	90,600	2	45,300	21
TOTAL	4,908,000	103	47,650	

<sup>\*</sup>Figures Tayloe Murphy Institute-Figures rounded to nearest hundred

### RURAL JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

### Average Number of Cases Commenced Per Judge For The Year 1975

Circuit	# Of Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
5	2	381 (1)	310 (11)	255 (5)	308 (3)	1253 (2)
6	2	244 (4)	349 (7)	218 (12)	110 (15)	920 (10)
9	2	232 (9)	410 (1)	300 (2)	118 (11)	1060 (5)
10	2	239 (5)	381 (5)	268 (3)	185 (6)	1073 (4)
11	2	189 (12)	324 (10)	244 (7)	114 (13)	871 (12)
15	4 .	288 (2)	305 (12)	222 (11)	136 (10)	950 (8)
16	4	175 (14)	301 (13)	205 (13)	89 (16)	770 (16)
20	2	218 (10)	299 (14)	183 (14)	33 (17)	733 (17)
21	2	281 (3)	276 (16)	320 (1)	614 (1)	1491 (1)
22	3	147 (17)	255 (17)	250 (6)	290 (2)	943 (9)
24	. 4	211 (11)	363 (6)	256 (4)	196 (5)	1026 (6)
25	3	233 (8)	402 (2)	243 (8)	222 (4)	1100 (3)
26	3	164 (15)	401 (3)	235 (9)	112 (14)	912 (11)
27	3	188 (13)	386 (4)	232 (10)	173 (7)	978 (7)
28	2	134 (16)	341 (8)	162 (15)	168 (9)	804 (14)
29	3	238 (6)	299 (14)	122 (16)	128 (11)	788 (15)
30	2	237 (7)	341 (8)	86 (17)	170 (8)	833 (13)
Average for Circuit Ju		223	338	224	186	970

Note—The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the seventeen rural circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup> Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

#### RURAL JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

### Average Number of Cases Concluded Per Judge For The Year 1975

Circuit	# Of Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
5	2	294 (1)	297 (11)	237 (8)	273 (3)	1101 (2)
6	2	226 (4)	303 (10)	193 (13)	84 (15)	805 (11)
9	2	246 (3)	416 (1)	282 (2)	115 (13)	1058 (3)
10	2	179 (14)	334 (6)	242 (6)	169 (8)	923 (8)
11	, 2	192 (9)	253 (15)	244 (5)	125 (1)	812 (10)
15	4	271 (2)	278 (12)	232 (10)	147 (10)	928 (7)
16	4	183 (12)	274 (13)	210 (11)	80 (16)	747 (14)
20	2	188 (11)	315 (9)	152 (14)	28 (17)	682 (17)
21	2	213 (6)	192 (17)	354 (1)	1111 (1)	1869 (1)
22	3	136 (15)	231 (16)	240 (7)	281 (2)	888 (9)
24	4	208 (8)	407 (2)	255 (4)	202 (4)	1073 (4)
25	3	190 (10)	339 (5)	233 (9)	170 (7)	932 (6)
26	3	130 (16)	388 (3)	272 (3)	115 (13)	905 (12)
27	3	183 (2)	374 (4)	203 (12)	174 (6)	935 (5)
28	2	107 (17)	331 (8)	147 (15)	149 (9)	733 (15)
29	3	212 (5)	334 (6)	134 (16)	124 (12)	804 (13)
30	2	209 (7)	261 (14)	68 (17)	187 (5)	724 (16)
Average f Circuit Ju		198	313	218	149	878

Note—The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the seventeen rural circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup> Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

#### RURAL JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

## Average Number of Cases Pending Per Judge For The Year 1975

Circuit	# Of Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
5	2	407 (3)	454 (8)	102 (2)	99 (3)	1062 (4)
6	2	138 (14)	386 (11)	79 (5)	40 (7)	642 (4)
9	2	238 (7)	488 (5)	84 (3)	38 (9)	847 (6)
10	2	474 (1)	1074 (1)	81 (4)	47 (6)	1676 (1)
11	2	166 (13)	465 (7)	66 (9)	17 (15)	713 (10)
15	4	205 (10)	399 (9)	37 (17)	28 (11)	669 (13)
16	4	345 (4)	631 (4)	48 (14)	40 (7)	1060 (5)
20	2	261 (9)	385 (1)	77 (6)	14 (17)	736 (9)
21	2	297 (5)	284 (17)	51 (12)	140 (1)	77,1 (7)
22	3	59 (17)	39i (10)	45 (16)	16 (16)	511 (16)
24	4	199 (11)	316 (15)	46 (15)	24 (13)	585 (12)
25	,3	229 (8)	1015 (2)	118 (1)	115 (2)	1477 (2)
. 26	3	240 (6)	375 (13)	62 (10)	21 (14)	698 (11)
27	3	117 (15)	353 (14)	67 (8)	24 (12)	561 (15)
28	2	84 (16)	305 (16)	49 (13)	33 (10)	470 (17)
29	3	174 (12)	468 (6)	60 (11)	62 (5)	765 (8)
30	2 1	419 (2)	855 (3)	73 (7)	86 (4)	1433 (3)
Average for Circuit Ju		238	508	67	50	863

Note—The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the seventeen rural circuits in each category.

<sup>\*</sup> Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

#### FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CHESAPEAKE

Authorized Judgeships	Judges	Term
2	Jerry G. Bray William H. Hodges	2/1/69-1/31/77 2/2/72-2/1/80

#### 1975 CASELOAD PER JUDGE (2 Judgeships)

	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total*
Cases Commenced	314	444	146	83	987
Cases Concluded	336	486	155	72	1046
Cases Pending	285	521	35	15	856
Jury Trials	41		15	. 1	57

Population\*\* per judge - 50,400

#### POPULATION DATA

#### **CHESAPEAKE**

Year						Population
1960*						66,447
1970*						89,580
1974**						 100,800
1980*						105.000

<sup>\*</sup> Division of State Planning & Community Affairs \*\* Tayloe Murphy Institute

<sup>\*</sup> Figures may not equal total due to rounding \*\* Population estimate by Tayloe Murphy Institute

## Annual Summary Data 1966-1975

Year	Cases Commenced	Cases Concluded	Cases Pending	Jury Trials
1966	1681	2529	2345	66
1967	1965	1736	2344	95
1968	1759	1749	2341	84
1969	1892	1708	2527	90
1970	1770	1866	2357	83
1971	1741	1627	2484	71
1972	1787	2061	2247	67
1973	1932	2474	2013	51
1974	2096	1961	1846	87
1975	1974	2092	1711	114
1976*	1075	992	1778	99

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

## CHESAPEAKE CITY

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## Cases Concluded

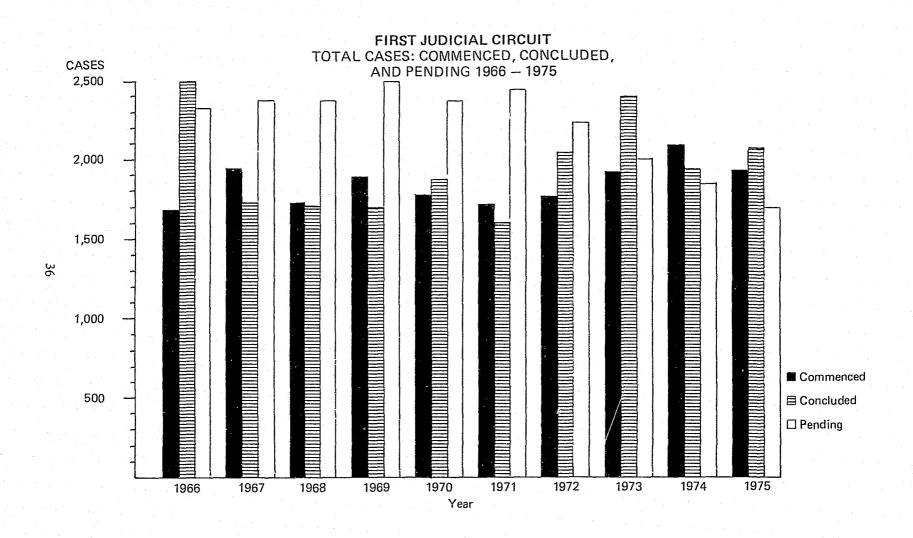
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966	583	728	121	249	1681	557	1599	127	246	2529
1967	654	765	163	383	1965	629	639	121	347	1736
1968	562	759	117	321	1759	570	770	115	294	1749
1969	657	747	122	366	1892	616	634	104	354	1708
1970	564	755	132	319	1770	631	737	141	357	1866
1971	556	790	115	280	1741	551	717	104	255	1627
1972	617	719	238	213	1787	703	877	259	222	2061
1973	577	895	193	267	1932	711	1306	231	226	2474
1974	675	890	332	199	2096	667	843	267	184	1961
1975	628	888	292	166	1974	667	972	310	143	2092
1976*	320	440	200	115	1075	275	393	200	124	992

## Cases Pending

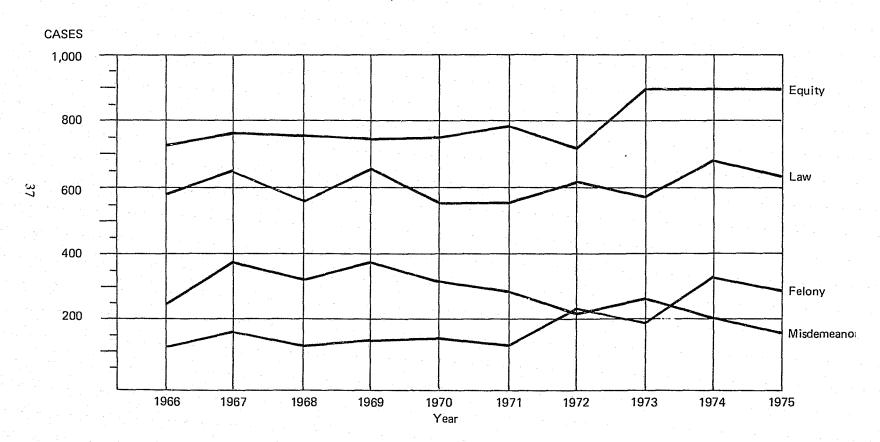
## Cases Concluded

	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966	930	1312	52	51	2345	55	8	. 3	66
1967	837	1438	45	24	2344	49	29	17	95
1968	829	1427	37	48	2341	63	11	10	84
1969	820	1542	55	60	2527	57	18	15	90
1970	803	1486	46	22	2357	70	12	1	83
1971	818	1552	57	57	2484	58	9	4	71
1972	732	1399	68	48	2247	49	15	3	67
1973	810	1099	51	53	2013	45	5	1	51
1974	608	1146	- 83	9	1846	64	19	4	87
1975	569	1042	70	30	1711	82	30	2	114
1976*	596	1089	70	23	1778	43	33	- 1	77

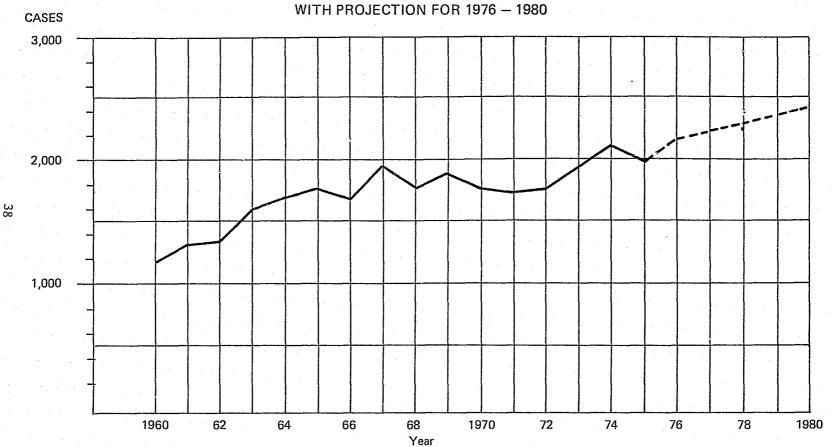
<sup>\*</sup> January - June



FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
CASES COMMENCED BY TYPE OF CASE:
LAW, EQUITY, FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR



FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
TOTAL CASES COMMENCED 1960 — 1975
WITH PROJECTION FOR 1976 — 1980



#### FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

#### CIVIL CASES

Actions At Law	1973	1974	1975	1976*
Law actions commenced during year	577	675	628	320
Law actions concluded during year by final order	711	667	667	275
Law actions pending on docket end of year	810	608	569	- 596
Number of law actions in which a jury was empanelled du	ring year 45	64	82	43
Number of days spent in jury trials during year	49	51	74	36
Number of days spent in law trials without a jury during y	ear 38	- 52	. 55	26
Number of law orders entered during year not final	478	541	459	284
Chancery Causes				
Chancery causes commenced during year	895	890	888	440
Chancery causes concluded during year by final decree or	order 1306	843	972	393
Chancery causes pending on docket end of year	1099	1146	1042	1089
Chancery decrees and orders entered during year not final	1608	1757	1719	779
Number of days spent in trials of chancery causes	4	2		

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

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## FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

#### CRIMINAL CASES

Felonies	1973	1974	1975	1976*
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Felonies commenced during year	193	332	292	200
Felonies concluded during year	231	267	310	200
Felonies pending on docket end of year	51	83	70	70
Number of felony cases in which a jury was empanelled during year	5	19	30	33
Number of days spent in jury trials during year	6	21	30	27
Number of felony cases tried without a jury during year	223	208	246	169
Number of felony orders entered during year not final	333	314	301	180
Misdemeanors				
Misdemeanors commenced during year	267	199	166	115
Misdemeanors concluded during year	226	184	143	124
Misdemeanors pending on docket end of year	53	9	30	23
Number of misdemeanor cases in which a jury was empanelled during year	. 1	4	2	1
Number of misdemeanor cases tried without a jury during year	227	i 64	. 132	124
TOTAL COMMENCED CASES	1932	2096	1974	1075
TOTAL CONCLUDED CASES	2474	1961	2092	992
TOTAL PENDING CASES	2013	1846	1711	1778
TOTAL JURY TRIALS	51	87	114	99

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

#### CITY & URBAN JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

#### Average Number of Cases Commenced Per Judge For The Year 1975

	# ()t					
Circuit	Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	'l otal*
ì	3	314 (4)	444 (6)	146 (12)	83 (12)	987 (10)
3	6	271 (6)	416 (8)	219 (7)	219 (6)	1125 (6)
. 3	<b>*</b>	335 (2)	318 (9)	238 (4)	317 (2)	1208 (2)
4. 4.	9	255 (8)	244 (12)	236 (6)	282 (3)	1017 (9)
7	3	218 (9)	431 (7)	315 (2)	220 (5)	1184 (3)
Ş., *	2	291 (5)	485 (3)	176 (8)	140 (9)	1092 (8)
12	3	172 (13)	555 (1)	238 (4)	194 (7)	1158 (4)
13		332 (3)	213 (13)	269 (3)	165 (8)	979 (11)
14	3	205 (11)	452 (5)	161 (10)	251 (4)	1069 (7)
17	4	213 (10)	277 (11)	158 (11)	5 (13)	653 (13)
18	3	196 (12)	305 (10)	162 (9)	114 (10)	777 (12)
19	9	374 (1)	526 (2)	121 (13)	112 (11)	1133 (5)
23	. 4	263 (7)	472 (4)	329 (1)	348 (1)	1411 (1)
Average f Urban Cir	or City & reuit Judges	265	395	213	188	1061

Note The number in parentheses indicates the rank of the circuit among the thirteen urban and city circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

#### CITY & URBAN JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

#### Average Number of Cases Concluded Per Judge For The Year 1975

	# Of					
Circuit	Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
1	2	336 (2)	486 (3)	155 (10)	72 (12)	1046 (5)
2	6	200 (8)	404 (8)	193 (7)	209 (6)	1006 (9)
3	3	580 (1)	285 (10)	283 (3)	341 (1)	1489 (1)
4	9	234 (6)	269 (11)	238 (5)	290 (3)	1031 (6)
7	3	219 (7)	464 (5)	296 (2)	212 (5)	1191 (3)
8	2	294 (4)	422 (7)	182 (8)	131 (9)	1028 (7)
12	2	173 (10)	548 (1)	200 (6)	175 (7)	1095 (4)
13	8	332 (3)	198 (12)	270 (4)	166 (8)	965 (11)
14	3	159 (13)	457 (6)	142 (12)	216 (4)	974 (10)
17	4	173 (10)	320 (9)	175 (9)	10 (13)	677 (13)
18	3	160 (12)	157 (13)	150 (11)	124 (10)	681 (12)
. 19	9 1	281 (5)	515 (2)	116 (13)	99 (11)	1010 (8)
23	4	197 (9)	473 (4)	303 (1)	334 (2)	1307 (2)
Average f Urban Cir	or City & cuit Judges	257	384	208	183	1038

Note—The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the thirteen urban and city circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup> Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

#### CITY & URBAN JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

Average Number of Cases Pending Per Judge For The Year 1975

	# Of					
Circuit	Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
1	2	285 (5)	521 (7)	35 (13)	15 (12)	856 (9)
2	6	343 (3)	417 (11)	98 (2)	58 (5)	917 (8)
3	3	173 (12)	658 (4)	43 (11)	116 (1)	990 (6)
4	9	242 (9)	296 (12)	64 (8)	35 (7)	637 (12)
7	3	183 (11)	443 (10)	94 (4)	30 (9)	750 (11)
8	2	260 (7)	843 (1)	40 (12)	41 (6)	1183 (2)
12	2	152 (13)	486 (8)	104 (1)	72 (3)	813 (10)
13	8	258 (8)	270 (13)	44 (10)	11 (13)	583 (13)
14	3	210 (10)	715 (3)	63 (9)	91 (2)	1079 (3)
17	4	402 (2)	458 (9)	77 (6)	33 (8)	971 (7)
18	3	339 (4)	581 (5)	82 (5)	15 (11)	1017 (4)
19	9	756 (1)	795 (2)	75 (7)	26 (10)	1652 (1)
23	4	273 (6)	579 (6)	96 (3)	60 (4)	1008 (5)
Average fo Urban Cir	or City & cuit Judges	298	543	70	46	958

Note—The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the thirteen urban and city circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup> Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

# APPENDIX TWO THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JUDICIAL WORKLOAD ANALYSIS

thorized dgeships	Judges	Term	Principal Locality
2	Robert T. Armistead	2/1/73-1/31/81	York Williamsburg & James City
	John E. DeHardit	2/1/70-1/21/78	Charles City Co. Gloucester
			King & Queen King William Mathews
			Middlesex New Kent

#### 1975 CASELOAD PER JUDGE

	. <u>L</u>	ıw	E	quity	Felonies	<u>M</u>	isdemea	nors	Total*
Cases Commenced	2.	32		410	300		118		1060
Cases Concluded	24	16	:	416	282		115		1058
Cases Pending	23	38		488	84		38		847
Jury Trials	•	30			31		8		68

Population\*\* per judge - 62,450

<sup>Figures may not equal total due to rounding.
\*\*Population estimate by Tayloe Murphy Institute for 1974</sup> 

#### Annual Summary Data 1966-1975

Year	Cases Commenced	Cases Concluded	Cases Pending	Jury Trials
1966	1174	1082	1034	56
1967	1084	1036	1041	98
1968	1222	1200	1031	76
1969	1298	1189	1115	75
1970	1474	1315	1268	84
1971	1377	1382	1261	68
1972	1639	1464	1412	115
1973	1696	1597	1457	101
1974	2011	1833	1614	90
1975	2120	2115	1693	135
1976*	1314	1235	2047	52

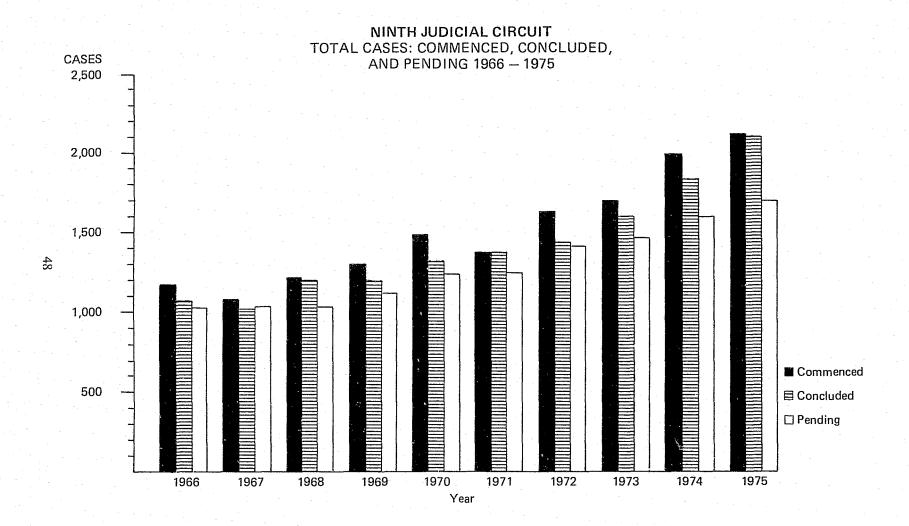
<sup>\*</sup>January - June

			Cases Co	mmenced				Cases Cond	cluded	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	335 263 379 316 349 301 400 426 540 464 207	506 525 488 620 658 631 704 680 826 820 452	207 159 222 202 208 215 317 355 372 600 505**	126 137 133 160 259 211 218 235 273 236 150	1174 1084 1222 1298 1474 1377 1639 1696 2011 2120 1314	317 283 353 276 337 346 284 413 421 491 203	457 478 513 553 514 634 650 682 781 832 395	183 166 205 195 209 218 293 299 381 563 490	125 109 129 165 255 184 237 203 250 229 147	1082 1036 1200 1189 1315 1382 1464 1597 1833 2115 1235
			Cases P	ending ending				Jury Tri	als	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	241 195 221 259 253 243 361 372 507 475 468	687 736 685 737 861 893 920 919 936 975	74 65 77 85 86 80 100 105 90 167 255**	32 45 48 34 41 45 31 61 81 76 66	1034 1041 1031 1115 1268 1261 1412 1457 1614 1693 2047		18 65 51 40 62 37 69 57 43 59 22	26 16 12 19 7 12 17 27 23 61 25	12 17 13 16 15 19 29 17 24 15	56 98 76 75 84 68 115 101 90 135

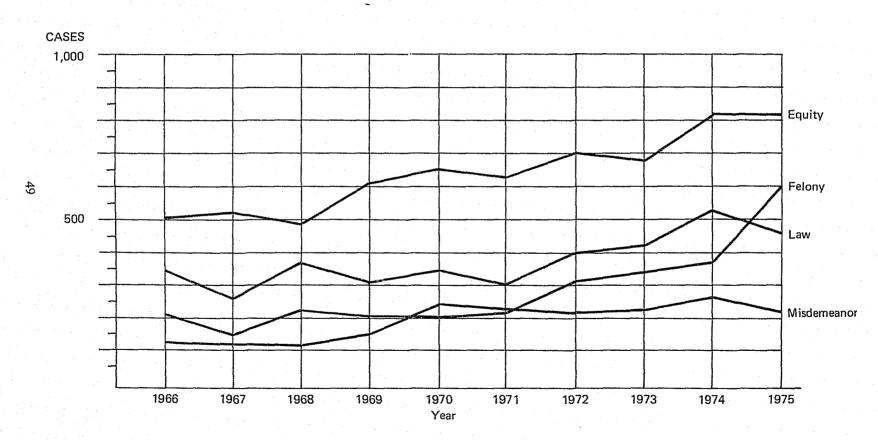
<sup>\*</sup> January - June

\*\* See Gloucester felony Caseload

\*\*\* See York Equity Caseload



# NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CASES COMMENCED BY TYPE OF CASE: LAW, EQUITY, FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR



#### CHARLES CITY COUNTY

	Cases Commenced							Cases Concluded				
		Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975 1976*		24 10 26 9 36 19 17 17 22 20 15	19 21 15 25 25 19 25 35 31 29 23	16 14 25 13 10 15 26 21 13 20 6	11 9 6 10 13 13 14 8 7	70 54 72 57 84 66 69 77 74 76 45	24 15 21 10 30 22 6 30 21 13	14 26 15 16 18 21 19 46 46 31	20 7 25 13 9 11 25 18 18 22 10	14 6 7 11 9 12 1 5 4 8	72 54 68 50 66 66 51 99 89 74 38	
				Cases F	Pending				Jury Tr	ials		
		Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970		13 8 13 12 19	46 41 41 50 59	2 4 4 4 5	2 1 4	61 55 59 66 87		1 2 1 2	2	1 2	2 2 4 3 2	
1971 1972 1973 1974 1975 1976*		16 27 14 15 22 28	57 63 51 39 37 43	9 10 13 10 8 4	2 1 0	83 101 78 66 68 75		3 4 1	1 2 4 4	4 0	4 2 4 4 5	

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

#### GLOUCESTER COUNTY

			Cases Co	mmenced		Cases Concluded				
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	41 42 53 35 37 39 54 74 55 62 21	59 47 49 83 89 102 90 73 84 120 67	43 28 29 20 36 24 23 34 38 99 274**	33 15 30 25 21 19 44 30 30 41	176 132 161 163 183 184 211 207 322 416	36 44 51 38 33 46 41 59 54 58 25	71 38 51 75 67 84 75 90 107 63 67	42 27 32 24 29 27 25 27 38 107 180	24 16 30 26 28 15 42 31 26 31	173 125 164 163 157 172 183 207 225 259 318
			Cases P	ending				Jury Tri	als	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	40 38 40 35 14 34 47 62 63 67 63	124 133 131 139 170 188 203 186 163 231	11 12 9 4 11 8 6 13 13 5 100**	12 11 11 9 2 6 9 8 12 22 30	187 194 191 187 224 236 265 269 251 325 424		3 5 3 7 3 8 6 6 3 1	5 1 3 4 2 2 2 2 7 16 - 12	3 5 2 5 2 5 12 5 9 2	11 11 8 16 7 15 20 13 19

<sup>\*</sup> January - June \*\* These Figures Checked and Verified with Clerk

#### KING AND QUEEN COUNTY

			Cases Co	mmenced			. (	Cases Cond	cluded	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975 1976*	18 23 16 15 19 17 17 17 9 31 20 3	26 36 48 48 40 22 25 23 60 33 7	14 18 12 6 13 17 16 14 9 8	4 16 3 5 2 2 2 2 6 13 8 9	62 93 79 74 74 58 60 52 113 69 29	16 15 23 16 16 10 19 10 19 26 7	14 25 40 55 35 31 62 24 48 26 12	15 9 15 6 11 20 18 12 14 5 3	4 4 7 3 2 4 2 4 10 8	49 53 85 80 64 65 101 50 91 65 32
			Cases I	Pending				Jury Tri	ials	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974	4 12 5 4 7 14 13 10 22 20	88 99 107 100 105 96 59 58 70	9 6 6 8 5 3 5	1 4 2 2 2	93 124 118 112 122 115 75 75 97 105		2	3	1 3 1 1	1 6 1 2 2 2

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

#### KING WILLIAM COUNTY

			Cases Co	mmenced			(	Cases Cond	cluded	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	18 14 19 16 17 13 16 10 28 29	28 41 24 50 35 26 21 37 26 43 19	26 17 14 10 8 8 12 14 22 39 18	13 11 11 10 21 10 12 11 31 30 5	85 83 68 86 81 57 61 72 107 141 55	13 29 16 13 14 20 12 14 15 16	33 32 49 29 15 26 33 33 37 30	6 38 19 7 11 6 9 17 16 24 23	9 10 10 11 28 4 16 6 22 39 8	61 109 94 60 68 56 70 70 90 109 54
	Law	Equity		Pending  Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Jury Tri		Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	20 5 8 11 14 7 11 7 20 33 36	90 99 75 96 116 116 104 108 97 110	28 7 2 5 2 4 7 4 10 25 20	6 7 8 7 6 2 7 16 7	144 118 93 119 132 133 124 126 143 175		1 2 2 1 1 1 1 4	3 1 1 4	1 2 1 6 2 1 3 7	3 4 7 3 8 3 6 4 5 8

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

#### MATHEWS COUNTY

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Cases	Commenced	

#### Cases Concluded

	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966	17	19	6	4	46	. 7	17	9	11	44
1967	20	12	4	- 4	40	15	23	3	1	42
1968	- 27	12	10	9	58	23	12	3	5	43
1969	25	22	30	- 11	88	23	19	29	11	82
1970	19	28	9	9	65	22	- 19	13	4	58
1971	19	28	10	15	72	18	25	11	-15 -	69
1972	9	24	9	7	49	6 -	19	6	10	41
1973	27	25	- 11	11	74	24	31	11	3	69
1974	21	33	27	28	109	15	24	27	22	88
1975	13	32	18	11	74	19	36	15	22	.92
1976*	- 5	20	5	11	41	8	- 14	6	9	37

#### Cases Pending

# Jury Trials

	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966	13	41		1	55		1	3	4
1967	16	- 30	3	3	52	1		1	2
1968	19	30	8	6	63	6		2	8
1969	17	30	9	1	57	4	- 5	3	12
1970	14	33	5	6	. 58			2	2
1971	15	36	2	3	56	2 -	. 2	4	8
1972	18	41	5		64	Ī	1	3	- 5
1973	20	- 39	5	8	72	5	3	-	8
1974	26	46	5	14	91	3	4	2	ğ
1975	20	42	Ř	4	74	4	. i	<b>5</b>	5
1976*	17	48	7	6	78	2	Ö	ő	2

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

## MIDDLESEX COUNTY

			Cases Co	mmenced			(	Cases Cond	cluded	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966	24	23	11	5	63	15	27	11	3	56
1967	13	18	.5	12	48	9	13	10	12	44
1968	7	24	19	7	57	11	19	10	5	45
1969	13	38	3	4	58	5	61	8	4	78
1970	23	38	5	13	79	25	21	8	16	70
1971	30	28	3	7	68	24	69	3	7	103
1972	23 22	33	17	12	85	23	29	16	13	81
1973	22	27	- 11	10	70	25	22	12	8	67
1974	38	43	10	20	111	25	28	11	21	85
1975	53	42 27	66	11 2	172 49	36 17	43	30 37	- 6	115 74
1976*	16	21	4	2	49	17	15	31	J	74
				-						
				Pending				Jury Tr		-
	Law	Equity	Cases I Felony	Pending  Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Jury Tri	ials Misdemeanor	Total
1966			Felony	Misdemeanor			Law	-		
1966 1967	Law 15 16	Equity 93 99			Total 122 125		Law 1	-		Total 2 7
1967 1968	15	93	Felony 12	Misdemeanor	122 125 131		Law 1 1	-	Misdemeanor 1	
1967 1968 1969	15 16 10 18	93 99 104 81	Felony 12 8	Misdemeanor	122 125 131 112		Law 1 1	-	Misdemeanor 1	2 7
1967 1968 1969 1970	15 16 10 18 16	93 99 104 81 98	Felony 12 8	Misdemeanor	122 125 131 112 123		<u>Law</u> 1 1 3	-	Misdemeanor 1	2 7
1967 1968 1969 1970 1971	15 16 10 18 16 21	93 99 104 81 98 57	Felony 12 8	Misdemeanor	122 125 131 112 123 87		Law 1 1 1 3 1	-	Misdemeanor 1	2 7 2
1967 1968 1969 1970 1971	15 16 10 18 16 21 21	93 99 104 81 98 57 56	Felony 12 8	Misdemeanor	122 125 131 112 123 87 86		Law 1 1 1 1 1	Felony  1 4 1 2 1	Misdemeanor 1	2 7 2
1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972	15 16 10 18 16 21 21	93 99 104 81 98 57 56 61	Felony 12 8	Misdemeanor	122 125 131 112 123 87 86 89		Law  1 1 3 1 1 3	Felony  1 4 1 2 1 2	Misdemeanor 1	2 7 2
1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973	15 16 10 18 16 21 21 18 31	93 99 104 81 98 57 56 61 76	Felony  12  8 13  8 5 6 5 5	Misdemeanor	122 125 131 112 123 87 86 89 115		Law  1 1 3 1 1 3	Felony  1 4 1 2 1 2 2 2	Misdemeanor 1	2 7 2 6 2 1 5 3
1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972	15 16 10 18 16 21 21	93 99 104 81 98 57 56 61	Felony 12 8	Misdemeanor	122 125 131 112 123 87 86 89		Law  1 1 3 1 1 3	Felony  1 4 1 2 1 2	Misdemeanor 1	2 7 2

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

#### NEW KENT COUNTY

Law         Equity         Felony         Misdemeanor         Total         Law         Equity         Felony         Misdemeanor         Total           1966         25         25         22         15         87         21         28         20         18         8           1967         8         41         4         13         66         20         39         8         10         7           1968         23         22         11         12         68         16         35         8         11         7           1969         42         28         13         15         98         20         19         11         17         6           1970         35         29         22         19         105         46         26         24         19         11           1971         18         29         19         17         83         27         30         22         12         19           1972         50         41         26         8         125         24         32         21         13         9           1973         25         38         23         2	
1967	ıl
1968 23 22 11 12 68 16 35 8 11 7 1969 42 28 13 15 98 20 19 11 17 6 1970 35 29 22 19 105 46 26 24 19 11 1971 18 29 19 17 83 27 30 22 12 9 1972 50 41 26 8 125 24 32 21 13 9 1973 25 38 23 28 114 36 33 18 21 10 1974 40 62 25 41 168 30 53 33 29 14 1975 45 50 24 30 149 41 57 13 41 15 1976* 15 29 7 17 68 23 28 16 18 8	7
1969	
1970	
1971	
1972 50 41 26 8 125 24 32 21 13 9 1973 25 38 23 28 114 36 33 18 21 10 1974 40 62 25 41 168 30 53 33 29 14 1975 45 50 24 30 149 41 57 13 41 15 1976* 15 29 7 17 68 23 28 16 18 8  Cases Pending  Jury Trials	5
1973	
1974 40 62 25 41 168 30 53 33 29 14 1975 45 50 24 30 149 41 57 13 41 15 1976* 15 29 7 17 68 23 28 16 18 8	
1975	
1976* 15 29 7 17 68 23 28 16 18 8  Cases Pending Jury Trials	
Cases Pending Jury Trials	
	5
$T_{max} = T_{max}^{m} \cdot T_{m$	
Law Equity Felony Misdemeanor Total Law Felony Misdemeanor Total	<u>1</u>
	8
1967 6 46 2 2 56 24 7 4 3	5
1968 13 33 5 3 54 1 1 1	3 -
1969 35 42 7 1 85 3 1 3	7
1970 24 45 5 1 75 8 1 1 1	0
	6
1972 41 50 7 1 99 4	4
1973 30 55 12 8 105 1 2	3
1974 40 64 4 20 128 3 1	4
1975 44 57 15 9 125 4 1	5
1976* 36 58 6 8 108 3 5 1	9

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

#### YORK COUNTY

Cases Concluded

Cases Commenced

	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975 1976*	87 71 85 90 73 94 106 122 137 105 68	185 125 163 181 214 198 238 215 273 254 147	23 32 34 29 38 35 73 51 81 119 56	23 33 34 48 116 86 82 87 55 33 24	318 261 316 348 441 413 499 475 546 511 295	95 70 80 80 60 102 78 112 102 142 53	157 151 155 143 212 191 209 211 258 290 131	23 30 30 32 35 35 63 52 93 150	27 29 36 45 109 86 82 83 60 20	302 280 301 300 416 414 432 458 513 602 289
	Law	Equity	Cases I Felony	Pending Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Jury Tr	ials Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	56 37 42 52 65 57 85 95 130 97 101	57 31 39 63 64 71 100 104 119 75 319**	3 5 9 6 9 3 13 13	4 2 1 8 4 4 8 3 3 2	116 77 92 122 146 135 202 220 253 175 468		6 8 19 14 33 13 35 10 6 8	4 1 2 2 1 2	1 1 2 3 1 9 6	7 9 20 18 36 18 38 20 14 10

<sup>\*</sup> January - June \*\* April 1976 - Recount of Docket Made

#### WILLIAMSBURG CITY & JAMES CITY COUNTY

			Cases Co	mmenced			. (	Cases Con	cluded	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	81 62 123 71 90 71 108 120 168 117 51	122 184 131 145 160 179 207 207 214 217 113	46 37 68 78 67 84 115 176 147 207	18 24 21 32 45 42 50 48 47 65 27	267 307 343 326 362 376 480 551 576 606 316	90 66 112 71 91 77 75 103 140 140 51	96 131 137 136 101 157 172 192 180 256 98	37 34 63 65 69 83 110 132 131 197	15 21 18 37 40 29 58 42 56 54 34	238 252 330 309 301 346 415 469 507 647 308
			Cases I	Pending				Jury Tri	ials	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973	62 57 71 75 80 63 98 116 160	104 158 125 136 171 215 244 257 262	11 15 21 36 36 35 43 35 42	6 10 13 8 14 20 11 15 6	183 240 230 255 301 333 396 423 470		6 23 17 10 12 8 16 28 23	13 3 1 2 4 7 15	1 3 1 2 12 3	19 27 18 15 13 14 35 46 31

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

#### 1975 Caseload

Total

Equity

Felony

Misdemeanor

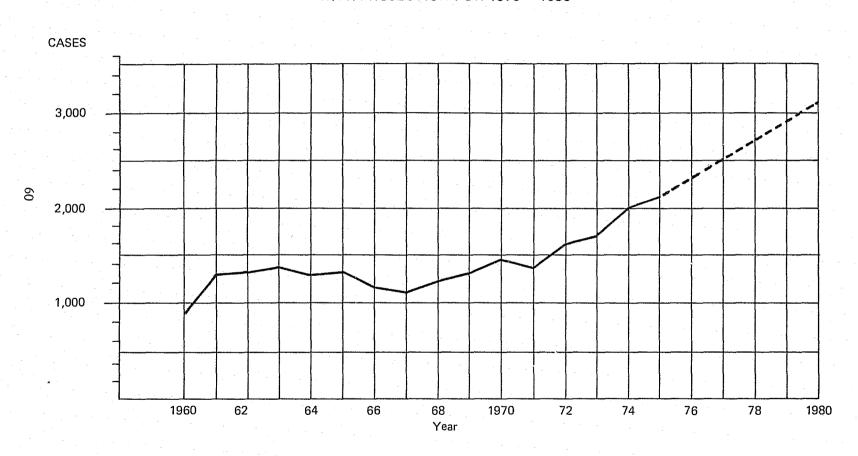
Total

Misdemeanor

Felony

Charles City Gloucester King & Queen King William Mathews Middlesex New Kent York Uilliamsburg & 11 James City TOTAL	2 120 0 33 9 43 3 32 3 42 5 50 5 254 7 217	20 99 8 39 18 66 24 119 207	7 41 8 30 11 11 30 33 65	76 322 69 141 74 172 149 511 606	13 58 26 16 19 36 41 142 140	31 63 26 30 36 43 57 290 256	22 107 5 24 15 30 13 150 197	8 31 8 39 22 6 41 20 54	74 259 65 109 92 115 152 602 647
101AL 40	+ 020	000	230	2120	491	0.52	202	229	2113
		Cases P	ending				Jury Tri	als	
Lav	w Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
Charles City Gloucester King & Queen King William Mathews Middlesex New Kent York Williamsburg & 124 James City	2 37 7 231 0 77 3 110 0 42 8 75 4 57 7 75	8 5 3 25 8 41 15	Misdemeanor  1 22 5 7 4 8 9 3 17	Total  68 325 105 175 74 172 125 175 474		1 6 4 4 8 36	Felony 4 16 1 1 24 1 1 13	Misdemeanor  2 3 7 1	Total  4 19 9 8 5 25 5 10 50

# NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT TOTAL CASES COMMENCED 1960 — 1975 WITH PROJECTION FOR 1976 — 1980



#### NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PROJECTIONS

#### Cases Commenced

Year	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1976	502	859	670	249	2280
1977	542	900	744	264	2450
1978	587	946	823	279	2635
1979	634	994	908	294	2830
1980	686	1047	1003	309	3045

#### Caseload Per Judge

Year	Cases Commenced	2 Judges	3 Judges
1976	2280	1140	
1977	2450	1225	817
1978	2635	1318	878
1979	2830	1415	943
1980	3045	1522	1015

#### **Estimated Population**

		Population	Per Judge
Year	<u>Population</u>	2 Judges	3 Judges
1976	130,300	65,150	
1977	133,100	66,500	44,366
1978	136,000	68,000	45,333
1979	138,900	69,450	46,300
1980	141,700	70,850	47,233

## CIVIL CASES

Actions At Law	1973	1974	1975	1976*
Law actions commenced during year	426	540	464	207
Law actions concluded during year by final order	413	421	491	203
Law actions pending on docket end of year	372	507	475	468
Number of law actions in which a jury was empanelled during ye	ar 57	43	59	22
Number of days spent in jury trials during year	59	36	50	24
Number of days spent in law trials without a jury during year	98	121	117	72
Number of law orders entered during year not final	495	607	818	405
Chancery Causes				
Chancery causes commenced during year	680	826	820	452
Chancery causes concluded during year by final decree or order	682	781	832	- 395
Chancery causes pending on docket end of year	919	936	975	1258
Chancery decrees and orders entered during year not final	895	1020	1009	486
Number of days spent in trials of chancery causes	68	97	129	50

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

#### CRIMINAL CASES

Felonies	1973	1974	1975	1976*
Felonies commenced during year	355	372	600	505
Felonies concluded during year	299	381	563	490
Felonies pending on docket end of year	105	90	167	255
Number of felony cases in which a jury was empanelled during year	- 27	23	61	25
Number of days spent in jury trials during year	52	46	51	20
Number of felony cases tried without a jury during year	225	301	512	508
Number of felony orders entered during year not final	460	546	933	991
Misdemeanors Misdemeanors commenced during year Misdemeanors concluded during year Misdemeanors pending on docket end of year Number of misdemeanor cases in which a jury was empanelled during year Number of misdemeanor cases tried without a jury during year	235 203 61 17 146	273 250 81 24 210	236 229 76 15 188	150 147 66 5 123
TOTAL COMMENCED CASES	1696	2011	2120	1314
TOTAL CONCLUDED CASES	1597	1833	2115	1235
TOTAL PENDING CASES	1457	1614	1693	2047
TOTAL JURY TRIALS	101	90	135	52

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

#### Population Data

	1960*	1970*	1974**	1980*
Charles City County	5,492	6,158	6,500	7,500
Gloucester	11,919	14,059	16,700	18,000
King & Queen	5,889	5,491	5,600	5,500
King William	7,563	7,497	7,900	7,800
Mathews	7,121	7,168	7,900	8,100
Middlesex	6,319	6,295	6,500	6,800
New Kent	4,504	5,300	6,800	7,500
York	21,143	33,203	37,600	45,000
Williamsburg	8,362	9,069	10,100	10,500
James City County	10,449	17,853	19,300	25,000
	88,761	112,093	124,900	141,700

<sup>\*</sup> Division of State Planning and Community Affairs \*\* Tayloe Murphy Institute

# POPULATION PER CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

1975

Circuit	Population*	Ī	No. of Judg	es	Population/Judge	Rank
1	100,800		2		50,400	10
2	254,000		6		42,333	24
2 3	109,500		3		36,500	27
4	289,200		9		32,133	29
5	92,700		2		46,350	15
6	90,700		2 3		45,350	20
7	136,400		3 .		45,467	19
8	126,800		2		63,400	3
9	124,900		2		62,450	4
10	134,500		2		67,250	2
11	96,400		2		48,200	12
12	114,600		2		57,300	7
13	233,100		8		29,138	30
14	166,200		3		55,400	8
15	182,600		4		45,650	17
16	171,500		4		42,875	23
17	153,200		4		38,300	26
18	108,300		3		36,100	28
19	686,600		9		76,289	1
20	79,300		. 2		39,650	25
21	89,300		2		44,650	22
22	138,200		2 2 3		46,067	16
23	188,300		4		47,075	14
24	194,100		4		48,525	11
25	160,400		3		53,467	9
26	185,600		3		61,867	5
27	176,800		3		58,933	6
28	91,300		2		45,650	17
29	141,800		3		47,267	13
30	90,600		2 3 2		45,300	21
TOTAL	4,908,000		103		47,650	

<sup>\*</sup>Figures Tayloe Murphy Institute-Figures rounded to nearest hundred

#### RURAL JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

#### Average Number of Cases Commenced Per Judge For The Year 1975

Circuit	# Of Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
-						<del></del>
5	2	381 (1)	310 (11)	255 (5)	308 (3)	1253 (2)
6	. 2	244 (4)	349 (7)	218 (12)	110 (15)	920 (10)
9	2	232 (9)	410 (1)	300 (2)	118 (11)	1060 (5)
10	2	239 (5)	381 (5)	268 (3)	185 (6)	1073 (4)
.11	2	189 (12)	324 (10)	244 (7)	144 (13)	871 (12)
15	4	288 (2)	305 (12)	222 (11)	136 (10)	950 (8)
16	. 4	175 (14)	301 (13)	205 (13)	89 (16)	770 (16)
20	2	218 (10)	299 (14)	183 (14)	33 (17)	733 (17)
21	2	281 (3)	276 (16)	320 (1)	614 (1)	1491 (1)
22	3	147 (17)	255 (17)	250 (6)	290 (2)	943 (9)
24	4	211 (11)	363 (6)	256 (4)	196 (5)	1026 (6)
25	3	233 (8)	402 (2)	243 (8)	222 (4)	1100 (3)
26	3	164 (15)	401 (3)	235 (9)	112 (14)	912 (11)
27	3	188 (13)	386 (4)	232 (10)	173 (7)	978 (7)
28	2	134 (16)	341 (8)	162 (15)	168 (9)	804 (14)
29	3	238 (6)	299 (14)	122 (16)	128 (11)	788 (נצו)
30	2	237 (7)	341 (8)	86 (17)	170 (8)	833 (13)
Average f Circuit Ju		223	338	224	186	970

Note—The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the seventeen rural circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

#### RURAL JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

#### Average Number of Cases Concluded Per Judge for the Year 1975

	# Of					
Circuit	Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
5	2	294 (1)	297 (11)	237 (8)	273 (3)	1101 (2)
, 6	2	226 (4)	303 (10)	193 (13)	84 (15)	805 (11)
9	2	246 (3)	416 (1)	282 (2)	115 (13)	1058 (3)
10	2	179 (14)	334 (6)	242 (6)	169 (8)	923 (8)
11	2	192 (9)	253 (15)	244 (5)	125 (1)	812 (10)
15	4	271 (2)	278 (12)	232 (10)	147 (10)	928 (7)
16	4	183 (12)	274 (13)	210 (11)	80 (16)	747 (14)
26	2	188 (11)	315 (9)	152 (14)	28 (17)	682 (17)
21	2	213 (6)	192 (17)	354 (1)	1111 (1)	1869 (1)
22	3	136 (15)	231 (16)	240 (7)	281 (2)	888 (9)
24	4	208 (8)	407 (2)	255 (4)	202 (4)	1073 (4)
25	3	190 (10)	339 (5)	233 (9)	170 (7)	932 (6)
26	3	130 (16)	388 (3)	272 (3)	115 (13)	905 (12)
27	3	183 (2)	374 (4)	203 (12)	174 (6)	935 (5)
28	2	107 (17)	331 (8)	147 (15)	149 (9)	733 (15)
29	3	212 (5)	334 (6)	134 (16)	124 (12)	804 (13)
30	2	209 (7)	261 (14)	68 (17)	187 (5)	724 (16)
Average for Circuit Judg		198	313	218	149	878

Note—The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the seventeen rural circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

#### RURAL JUDICIAL CIRCUITS

#### Average Number of Cases Pending Per Judge For The Year 1975

Circuit	# Of Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
5	2	407 (3)	454 (8)	102 (2)	99 (3)	1062 (4)
6	2	138 (14)	386 (11)	79 (5)	40 (7)	642 (4)
9	2	238 (7)	488 (5)	84 (3)	38 (9)	847 (6)
10	2	474 (1)	1074 (1)	81 (4)	47 (6)	1676 (1)
. 11	2	166 (13)	465 (7)	66 (9)	17 (15)	713 (10)
15	4	205 (10)	399 (9)	37 (17)	28 (11)	669 (13)
16	4	345 (4)	631 (4)	48 (14)	40 (7)	1060 (5)
20	2	261 (9)	385 (12)	77 (6)	14 (17)	736 (9)
21	2	297 (5)	284 (17)	51 (12)	140 (1)	771 (7)
22	3	59 (17)	391 (10)	45 (16)	16 (16)	511 (16)
24	4	199 (11)	316 (15)	46 (15)	24 (13)	585 (12)
25	3	229 (8)	1015 (2)	118 (1)	115 (2)	1477 (2)
26	3	240 (6)	375 (13)	62 (10)	21 (14)	698 (11)
27	3	117 (15)	353 (14)	67 (8)	24 (12)	561 (15)
28	2	84 (16)	305 (16)	49 (13)	33 (10)	470 (17)
29	3	174 (12)	468 (6)	60 (11)	62 (5)	765 (8)
30	2	419 (2)	855 (3)	73 (7)	86 (4)	1433 (3)
Average f Circuit Ju		238	508	67	50	863

Note -- The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the seventeen rural circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

# APPENDIX THREE THE FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JUDICIAL WORKLOAD ANALYSIS

#### FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Authorized Judgeships	Judges	Term
3	E. Ballard Baker	2/1/75-1/31/83
	John W. Knowles	2/1/69-1/31/77
	Edmund Waller Hening, Jr.	2/1/76-1/31/84

#### 1975 CASELOAD PER JUDGE (3 Judgeships)

	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total*
Cases Commenced	205	452	161	251	1069
Cases Concluded	159	457	142	216	974
Cases Pending	210	715	63	91	1079
Jury Trials	14		12	4	30

Population\*\* per judge - 55,400

#### POPULATION DATA FOR HENRICO COUNTY

Year							Population
1960 1970 1974 1980							117,339* 154,364* 166,200** 194,500*

<sup>\*</sup> Division of State Planning and Community Affairs, March 1975 \*\* Tayloe Murphy Institute, August 1975

<sup>Figures may not equal total due to rounding
\*\*Population estimate by Tayloe Murphy Institute for 1974</sup> 

#### FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

#### Annual Summary Data 1966-1975

Year	Cases Commenced	Cases Concluded	Cases Pending	Jury Trials
1966	1528	1422	1959	59
1967	1636	1620	1975	53
1968	1789	1840	1981	53
1969	1978	1794	2165	62
1970	2158	2075	2248	61
1971	2193	2161	2280	46
1972	2279	2127	2432	47
1973	2367	2242	2557	45
1974	2841	2441	2842	62
1975	3207	2922	3238	90
1976*	1646	1649	3235	36

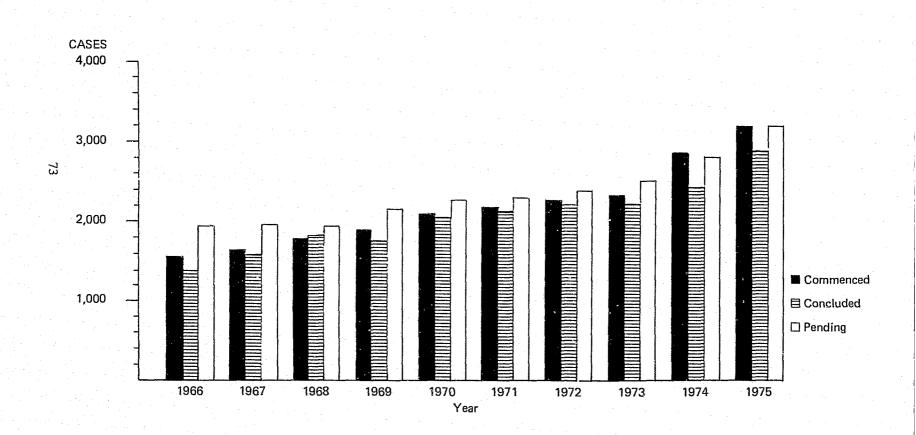
<sup>\*</sup>January - June

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#### HENRICO COUNTY

				Cases Co	mmenced			(	Cases Cond	cluded	
		Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1966 1969 1970 1977 1977 1976	7 8 9 0 1 2 3 4 5	390 404 383 397 393 384 369 372 519 615 338	724 814 879 975 1063 1063 1171 1174 1345 1356 675	141 143 118 164 233 229 266 348 428 484 263	273 275 409 442 469 517 473 473 549 752 370	1528 1636 1789 1978 2158 2193 2279 2367 2841 3207 1646	422 412 402 423 401 364 321 377 395 478 257	664 822 826 841 981 1064 1041 1134 1082 1370 705	119 124 156 140 208 239 277 286 420 427 260	217 262 456 390 485 494 488 445 544 647	1422 1620 1840 1794 2075 2161 2127 2242 2441 2922 1649
				Cases F	Pending				Jury Tri	als	
		Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1977 1972 1973 1974 1975	7 3 9 0 1 2 3 4 5	367 359 340 314 306 326 374 369 493 631 712	1467 1459 1512 1646 1728 1727 1857 1897 2050 2146 2116	43 62 36 60 85 75 64 126 132 189 192	82 95 93 145 129 152 137 165 167 272 215	1959 1975 1981 2165 2248 2280 2432 2557 2842 3238 3235		44 35 42 35 42 37 31 28 32 43 20	6 11 2 15 8 5 7 11 22 35 8	9 7 9 12 11 4 9 6 8 12 8	59 53 53 62 61 46 47 45 62 90 36

## FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT TOTAL CASES: COMMENCED, CONCLUDED AND PENDING 1966 — 1975



## FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PROJECTIONS

## Cases Commenced

Year	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1976	678	1352	528	742	3300
1977	733	1425	590	812	3560
1978	792	1503	657	888	3840
1979	855	1587	729	969	4140
1980	922	1677	806	1055	4460

## Caseload Per Judge

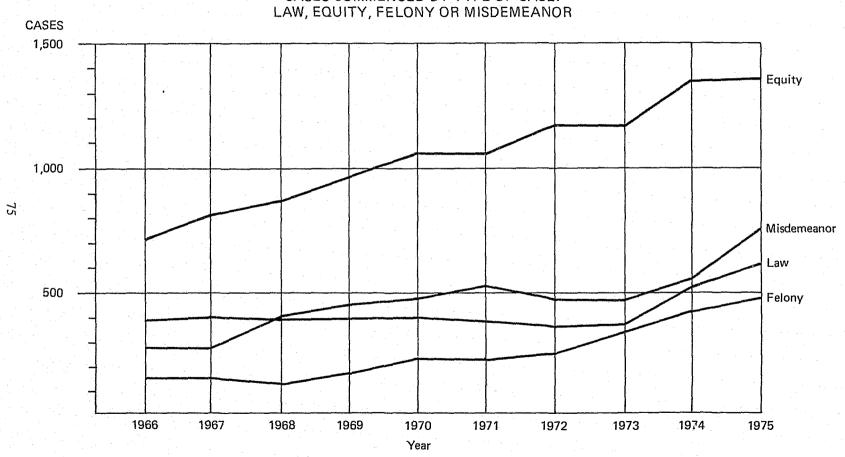
Year	Cases Commenced	3 Judges	4 Judges
1976	3300	1100	
1977	3560	1187	890
1978	3840	1280	960
1979	4140	1380	1035
1980	4460	1487	1115

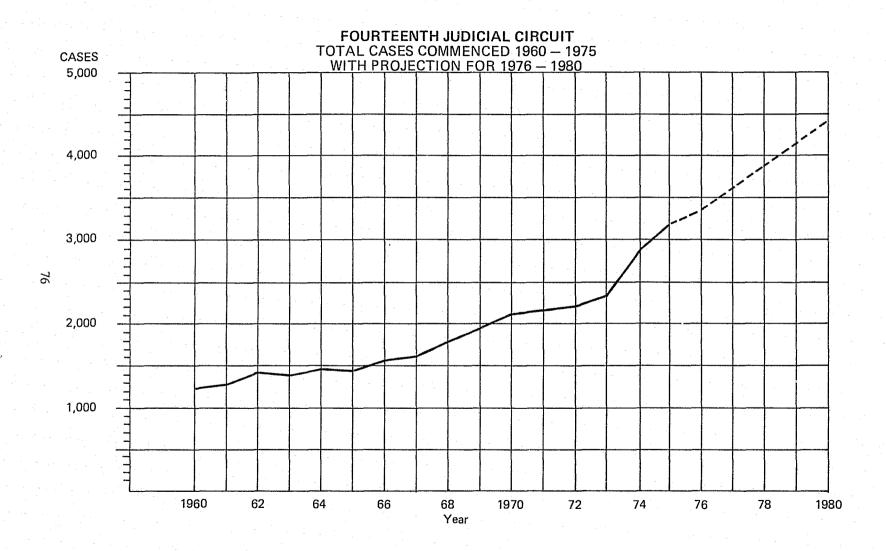
## Estimated Population

		Population Per Judge		
Year	Population	3 Judges	4 Judges	
1976	173,900	57,967		
1977	177,900	59,300	44,475	
1978	182,000	60,667	45,500	
1979	186,200	62,067	46,550	
1980	194,500	64,833	48,625	

## FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

CASES COMMENCED BY TYPE OF CASE:





## FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

## CIVIL CASES

Actions At Law	1973	1974	1975	1976*
The state of the s				
Law actions commenced during year	372	519	615	338
Law actions concluded during year by final order	377	395	478	257
Law actions pending on docket end of year	369	493	631	712
Number of law actions in which a jury was empanelled during year	28	32	43	20
Number of days spent in jury trials during year	35	39	51	25
Number of days spent in law trials without a jury during year	58	155	390	237
Number of law orders entered during year not final	492	495	909	393
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Chancery Causes				
Chancery causes commenced during year	1171	1345	1356	675
Chancery causes concluded during year by final decree or order	1134	1082	1370	705
Chancery causes pending on docket end of year	1897	2050	2146	2116
Chancery decrees and orders entered during year not final	1248	1284	1362	774
Number of days spent in trials of chancery causes	26	5	2	- 6

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

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## FOURTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

## CRIMINAL CASES

Felonies	1973	1974	1975	1976*
Felonies commenced during year	348	428	484	263
Felonies concluded during year	286	420	427	260
Felonies pending on docket end of year	126	132	189	192
Number of felony cases in which a jury was empanelled during year	11	22	35	8
Number of days spent in jury trials during year	11	20	48	11
Number of felony cases tried without a jury during year	284	377	390	252
Number of felony orders entered during year not final	546	1082	893	553
Misdemeanors				
Wisdemeanors				
Misdemeanors commenced during year	473	549	752	370
Misdemeanors concluded during year	445	544	647	427
Misdemeanors pending on docket end of year	165	167	272	215
Number of misdemeanor cases in which a jury was empanelled during year	6	8	12	8
Number of misdemeanor cases tried without a jury during year	327	516	647	378
TOTAL COMMENCED CASES	227	- 2041	2207	1646
TOTAL COMMENCED CASES	2367	2841	3207	1646
TOTAL CONCLUDED CASES	2242	2441	2922	1649
TOTAL PENDING CASES	2557	2842	3238	3235
TOTAL JURY TRIALS	45	62	90	36

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

## POPULATION PER CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

1975

Circuit	Population*	No. of Judges	Population/Judge	Rank
1	100,800	2	50,400	10
2 3	254,000	6	42,333	24
3	109,500	3	36,500	27
4	289,200	9	32,133	29
5	92,700	2	46,350	15
5 6	90,700	2	45,350	20
7	136,400	3	45,467	19
8	126,800	2	63,400	3
9	124,900	2	62,450	4
10	134,500	2	67,250	2
11	96,400	2	48,200	12
12	114,600	2	57,300	7
13	233,100	8 3	29,138	30
14	166,200	3	55,400	8
15	182,600	4	45,650	17
16	171,500	4	42,875	23
. 17	153,200	4	38,300	26
18	108,300	3	36,100	28
19	686,600	9	76,289	1
20	79,300	2	39,650	25
21	89,300	2	44,650	22
22	138,200	2 3	46,067	16
23	188,300	4	47,075	14
24	194,100	4	48,525	- 11
25	160,400	3	53,467	9
. 26	185,600	3	61,867	5
27	176,800	3	58,933	6
28	91,300	2	45,650	17
29	141,800	3	47,267	13
30	90,600	2	45,300	21
TOTAL	4,908,000	103	47,650	

<sup>\*</sup>Figures Tayloe Murphy Institute-Figures rounded to nearest hundred

## Average Number of Cases Commenced Per Judge For The Year 1975

Circuit	# Of Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
. 1	2	314 (4)	444 (6)	146 (12)	83 (12)	987 (10)
2	6	271 (6)	416 (8)	219 (7)	219 (6)	1125 (6)
3	3	335 (2)	318 (9)	238 (4)	317 (2)	1208 (2)
4 '	9	255 (8)	244 (12)	236 (6)	282 (3)	1017 (9)
7	. 3	218 (9)	431 (7)	315 (2)	220 (5)	1184 (3)
. 8	2	291 (5)	485 (3)	176 (8)	140 (9)	1092 (8)
12	2	172 (13)	555 (1)	238 (4)	194 (7)	1158 (4)
13	8	332 (3)	213 (13)	269 (3)	165 (8)	979 (11)
14	3	205 (11)	452 (5)	161 (10)	251 (4)	1069 (7)
17	4	213 (10)	277 (11)	158 (11)	5 (13)	653 (13)
18	3	196 (12)	305 (10)	162 (9)	114 (10)	777 (12)
19	9	374 (1)	526 (2)	121 (13)	112 (11)	1133 (5)
23	4	263 (7)	472 (4)	329 (1)	348 (i)	1411 (1)
Average fo Urban Cir	or City & cuit Judges	265	395	213	188	1061

Note—The number in parentheses indicates the rank of the circuit among the thirteen urban and city circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

## Average Number of Cases Concluded Per Judge For The Year 1975

Circuit	# Of Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
1	2	336 (2)	486 (3)	155 (10)	72 (12)	1046 (5)
2	6	200 (8)	404 (8)	193 (7)	209 (6)	1006 (9)
3	3	580 (1)	285 (10)	283 (3)	341 (1)	1489 (1)
4	9	234 (6)	269 (11)	238 (5)	290 (3)	1031 (6)
7	3	219 (7)	464 (5)	296 (2)	212 (5)	1191 (3)
8	. 2	294 (4)	422 (7)	182 (8)	131 (9)	1028 (7)
12	2	173 (10)	548 (1)	200 (6)	175 (7)	1095 (4)
13	8	332 (3)	198 (12)	270 (4)	166 (8)	965 (11)
. 14	3	159 (13)	457 (6)	142 (12)	216 (4)	974 (10)
17	4	173 (10)	320 (9)	175 (9)	10 (13)	677 (13)
18	3	160 (12)	157 (13)	150 (11)	124 (10)	681 (12)
19	9	281 (5)	515 (2)	116 (13)	99 (11)	1010 (8)
23	4	197 (9)	473 (4)	303 (1)	334 (2)	1307 (2)
Average fo Urban Cir	or City & cuit Judges	257	384	208	183	1038

Note The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the thirteen urban and city circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

## Average Number of Cases Pending Per Judge For The Year 1975

Circuit	# Of Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
1	2	285 (5)	521 (7)	35 (13)	15 (12)	856 (9)
ŕ				•		
2	6	343 (3)	417 (11)	98 (2)	58 (5)	917 (8)
3	3	173 (12)	658 (4)	43 (11)	116 (1)	990 (6)
. 4	9	242 (9)	296 (12)	<b>64 (8)</b>	35 (7)	637 (12)
7	3	183 (11)	443 (10)	94 (4)	30 (9)	750 (11)
. 8	2	260 (7)	843 (1)	40 (12)	41 (6)	1183 (2)
12	2	152 (13)	486 (8)	104 (1)	72 (3)	813 (10)
13	8	258 (8)	270 (13)	44 (10)	11 (13)	583 (13)
14	3	210 (10)	715 (3)	63 (9)	91 (2)	1079 (3)
17	4	402 (2)	458 (9)	77 (6)	33 (8)	971 (7)
18	3	339 (4)	581 (5)	82 (5)	15 (11)	1017 (4)
19	9	756 (1)	795 (2)	75 (7)	26 (10)	1652 (1)
23	4	273 (6)	579 (6)	96 (3)	60 (4)	1008 (5)
Average f Urban Cir	or City & reuit Judges	290	543	70	46	958

Note — The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the thirteen urban and city circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

# APPENDIX FOUR THE TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT JUDICIAL WORKLOAD ANALYSIS

Authorized Judgeships	Judges	Term	Principal Locality
4	Ernest W. Ballou	2/1/73-1/31/81	Roanoke City
	Jack B. Coulter	4/1/75-3/31/83	Roanoke City & Co.
	Frederick L. Hoback	2/1/72-1/31/80	Roanoke Co. + Salem
	Robert J. Rogers	2/1/74-1/31/82	Roanoke City

## 1975 CASELOAD PER JUDGE (4 Judgeships)

	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total*
Cases Commenced	263	472	329	348	1411
Cases Concluded	197	473	303	334	1307
Cases Pending	273	579	96	60	1008
Jury Trials	9	-prime	15	4	28

Population\*\* per judge - 47,075

#### POPULATION DATA

Year	Roanoke Co.	Roanoke City	Salem City	Total	
1960*	42,135	97,110	19,558	158,803	
1970*	67,339	97,115	21,982	181,436	
1974**	76,800	88,900	22,600	188.300	
1980*	95,000	88,000	24,700	207,700	

<sup>\*</sup> Division of State Planning and Community Affairs \*\* Tayloe Murphy Institute

<sup>\*</sup> Figures may not equal total due to rounding
\*\*Population estimate by Tayloe Murphy Institute for 1974

## Annual Summary Data 1966-1975

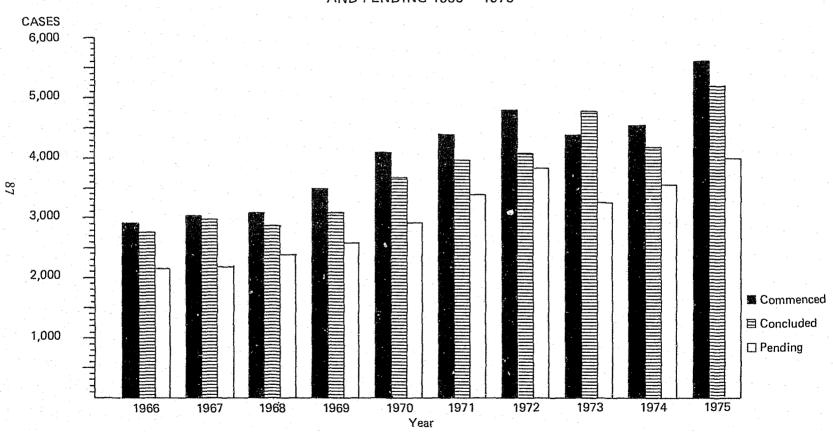
Year	Cases Commenced	Cases Concluded	Cases Pending	Jury Trials
1966	2929	2816	2172	169
1967	3022	2989	2211	105
1968	3103	2902	2393	144
1969	3559	3173	2622	132
1970	4132	3784	2963	184
1971	4422	3994	3382	165
1972	4582	4063	3844	146
1973	4419	4799	3235	127
1974	4554	4197	3576	109
1975	5645	5228	4030	113
1976*	2830	2699	4111	63

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

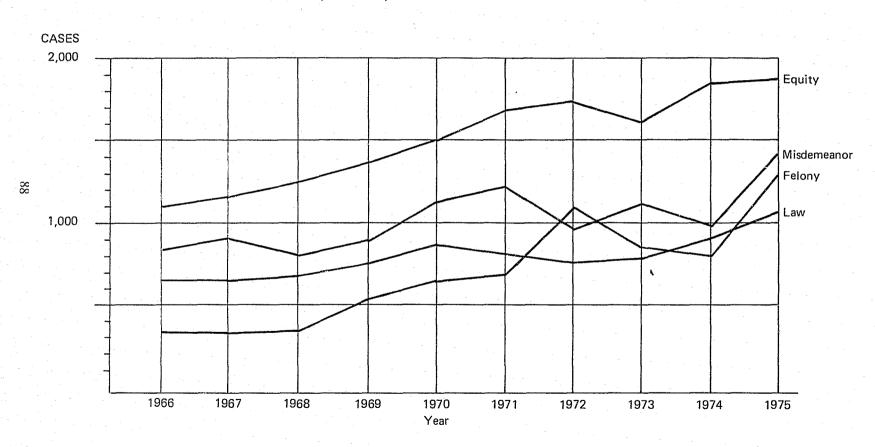
					Cases Co	mmenced			. (	Cases Con	cluded	
			Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
	1966		646	1109	334	840	2929	580	997	330	909	2816
	1967		656	1141	320	905	3022	663	1099	309	918	2989
	1968		685	1258	359	801	3103	633	1142	361	766	2902
	1969		759	1392	530	878	3559	498	1240	544	891	3173
	1970		881	1496	637	1118	4132	831	1250	582	1121	3784
	1971		818	1710	690	1204	4422	807	1340	631	1216	3994
	1972		787	1732	1108	955	4582	670	1531	947	915	- 4063
	1973		798	1662	869	1090	4419	823	1969	911	1096	4799
-	1974		902	1870	806	976	4554	699	1746	312	940	4197
	1975	_	1051	1887	1314	1393	5645	788	1892	1211	1337	5228
	1976*		. 517	865	803	645	2830	422	878	787	612	2699
			Law	Equity	Cases P Felony	ending Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Jury Tr	ials Misdemeanor	Total
						- Indiadelinearion						
	1966		514	1478 -	43	137	2172		68	43	. 58	169
	1967		507	1520	63	121	2211		54	26	25	105
	1968		559	1636	61	137	2393		58	52	. 34	144
	1969		603	1819	62	138	2622		49	41	42	132
	1970		655	2055	- 118	135	2963		69	39	. 76	184
	1971		666	2417	176	123	3382		56	53	56	165
	1972		745	2598	338	163	3844		42	64	40	146
	1973		666	2184	243	142	3235		65	36	26	127
	1974		868	2310	231	167	3576		47	41	21	109
	1975		1093	2315	384	238	4030		36	.61	16	113
	1976*		1156	2302	400	253	4111		31	24	8	63

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

# TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT TOTAL CASES: COMMENCED, CONCLUDED AND PENDING 1966 — 1975



## TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT CASES COMMENCED BY TYPE OF CASE: LAW, EQUITY, FELONY OR MISDEMEANOR



## ROANOKE CITY

Cases Concluded

Cases Commenced

	-	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966		430	657	262	740	2089	384	576	258	826	2044
1967		463	668	230	802	2163	482	648	223	806	2159
1968		454	762	289	636	2141	410	691	285	624	2010
1969		520	733	422	720	2395	265	646	429	731	2071
1970		566	729	497	984	2776	543	640	441	975	2599
1971		540	852	538	1065	2995	491	704	500	1080	2775
1972		514	957	770	824	3065	442	750	687	798	2677
1973		496	900	654	966	3016	552	1289	678	969	3488
1974		554	905	506	845	2810	421	879	546	819	2665
1975		604	915	901	1256	3676	477	919	796	1214	3406
1976*		320	461	489	601	1871	213	384	507	550	1654
				Cases F	)andina				Jury Tr	iala	
		-		Cases r	ending				July 11	1415	
		Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law		Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966				Felony	Misdemeanor		-		Felony	Misdemeanor 45	
1967		365 346	Equity 967 987	Felony 27 44		Total 1465 1479	45 35		Felony 35 24	Misdemeanor 45 22	125
1967 1968		365 346 390	967	Felony 27 44 48	Misdemeanor 106 102 114	1465 1479 1610	45 35 36		Felony 35 24 39	Misdemeanor 45 22 24	125 81 99
1967 1968 1969		365 346 390 414	967 987 1058 1145	Felony 27 44 48 41	Misdemeanor 106 102 114 103	1465 1479 1610 1703	45 35 36 40		35 24 39 36	45 22 24 29	125 81 99 105
1967 1968 1969 1970		365 346 390 414 437	967 987 1058 1145 1234	27 44 48 41 97	Misdemeanor 106 102 114 103 112	1465 1479 1610 1703 1880	45 35 36 40 56		35 24 39 36 33	45 22 24 29 69	125 81 99 105 158
1967 1968 1969 1970 1971		365 346 390 414 437 486	967 987 1058 1145 1234 1382	Felony 27 44 48 41 97 135	Misdemeanor 106 102 114 103 112 97	1465 1479 1610 1703 1880 2100	45 35 36 40 56 39		35 24 39 36 33 47	45 22 24 29 69 48	125 81 99 105 158 134
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1967 1968 1969 1979 1971 1972 1973		365 346 390 414 437 486 558 502	967 987 1058 1145 1234 1382 1589 1200	Felony  27 44 48 41 97 135 218 194	Misdemeanor  106 102 114 103 112 97 123 120	1465 1479 1610 1703 1880 2100 2488 2016	45 35 36 40 56 39 36 42		Felony  35 24 39 36 33 47 54 30	45 22 24 29 69 48 37 24	125 81 99 105 158 134 127
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<sup>\*</sup> January - June

## ROANOKE COUNTY

	•			Cases Co	mmenced				Cases Cond	cluded	
		Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966		216	452	72	100	840	196	421	72	83	772
1967		193	473	90	103	859	181	451	86	112	830
1968		199	383	56	128	766	204	412	68	122	806
1969		177	473	75	110	835	191	480	82	115	868
1970		259	598	99	90	1046	249	472	99	96	916
1971		216	691	109	87	1103	242	495	101	86	924
1972		178	631	271	- 90	1170	164	619	193	79	1055
1973		232	598	169	72	1071	201	536	192	67	966
1974		263	725	230	- 87	1305	211	670	202	73	1156
1975		382	769	343	88	1582	262	730	336	83	1411
1976*	<b>k</b>	156	304	249	31	740	. 164	379	239	44	826
				Cases F	Pending		* .		Jury Tri	als	
		Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law		Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966		- 149	511	16	31	707	23		8	13	44
1967		161	533	19	19	732	19			3	24
1968		156	504	7	16	683	21		. 13	7	41
1969		157	531	16	25	729	8		5	13	26
1970		159	658	17	19	853	12		6	7	25
1971		133	846	25	20	1024	13		6	8	- 27
1972		126	858	103	31	1118	5		4	2	11
1973		104	813	29	16	962	22		6	1	29
1974		155	870	55	15	1096	15		- 8	3	26
1975		236	917	70	39	1262	4		10	2	16
1976*	ķ	196	842	30	8	1126	8		- 6		14

<sup>\*</sup> January - June

## SALEM CITY

Cases	Comi	nence	ď

## Cases Concluded

	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1968*	32	113	14	37	196	19	39	8	30	96
1969	62	186	33	48	329	42	114	33	45	234
1970	56	169	41	44	310	39	138	42	50	269
1971	62	167	43	52	324	74	141	30	50	295
1972	95	144	67	41	347	64	162	67	38	331
1973	70	164	46	52	332	70	144	41	60	315
1974	85	240	70	44	439	67	197	64	48	376
1975	65	203	70	49	387	49	243	79	40	411
1976**	41	100	65	13	219	45	115	41	18	219

## Cases Pending

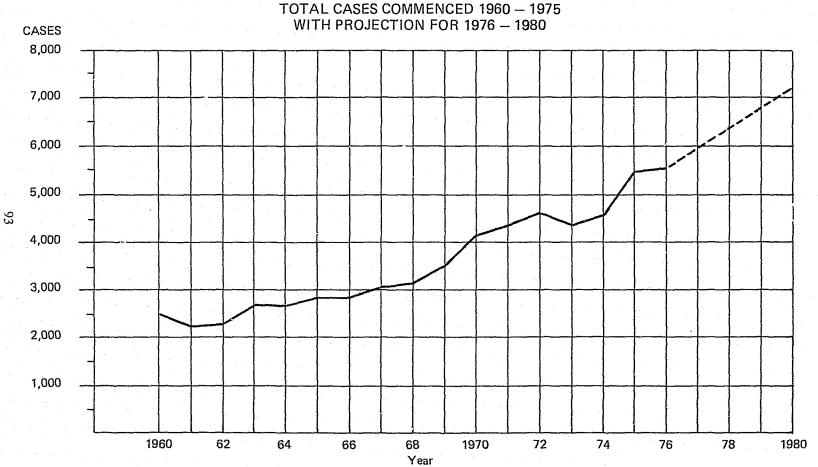
## Jury Trials

	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1968*	13	74	6	7	100	1		3	. 4
1969	32	143	5	10	190	1			1
1970	59	163	4	4	230	1			1
1971	47	189	16	6	258	4			4
1972	61	151	17	9	238	1	6	· 1	8
1973	60	171	20	6	257	1		1	2
1974	77	214	22	6	319	2	2		4
1975	95	176	10	11	292	6	. 3	1	10
1976**	91	161	34	- 6	292	2		·	2

<sup>\*</sup> Salem Became a City January 1, 1968 \*\* January - June

## January-December 1975

	Law	Cases ( Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Roanoke County Roanoke City Salem City	y 382 604 <u>65</u>	769 915 <u>203</u>	343 901 70	88 1256 49	1582 3676 387
TOTAL	1051	1887	1314	1393	5645
	Law	<u>Cases</u> Equity	Concluded Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Roanoke County Roanoke City Salem City	262 477 49	730 919 243	336 796 29	83 1214 40	1411 3406 411
TOTAL	788	1892	1211	1337	5228
		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Roanoke County Roanoke City Salem City	762 95	917 1222 176	70 304 10	39 188 11	1262 2476 292
TOTAL	1093	2315	384	238	4030
	<u>Law</u>	Jur Felonie	y Trials s	Misdemeanors	Total
Roanoke County Roanoke City Salem City	4 26 6	10 48 3		2 13 1	16 87 10
TOTAL	36	61		16	113



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## TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PROJECTIONS

## Cases Commenced

Year	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1976	1052	1888	1315	1394	5650
1977	1116	2006	1396	1481	6000
1978	1188	2133	1485	1574	6380
1979	1263	2267	1579	1673	6780
1980	1341	2406	1676	1776	7200

## Caseload Per Judge

Year .	Cases Commenced	4 Judges	5 Judges
1976	5650	1412	
1977	6000	1500	1200
1978	6380	1595	1276
1979	6780	1695	1356
1980	7200	1800	1440

## **Estimated Population**

		Populatior	ı Per Judge
Year	Population	4 Judges	5 Judges
1976	194,550	48,638	
1977	197,750	49,438	39,550
1978	201,000	50,250	40,200
1979	204,350	51,087	40,870
1980	207,700	51,925	41,540

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## TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

## CIVIL CASES

Actions At Law	1973	1974	1975	1976*
Law actions commenced during year	798	902	1051	517
Law actions concluded during year by final order	823	699	788	422
Law actions pending on docket end of year	666	868	1093	1156
Number of law actions in which a jury was empanelled during year	65	47	36	31
Number of days spent in jury trials during year	79	52	41	44
Number of days spent in law trials without a jury during year	166	- 183 -	192	96
Number of law orders entered during year not final	546	556	651	355
Chancery Causes				
Chancery causes commenced during year	1662	1870	1887	865
Chancery causes concluded during year by final decree or order	1969	1746	1892	878
Chancery causes pending on docket end of year	2184	2310	2315	2302
Chancery decrees and orders entered during year not final	1673	1785	1896	882
Number of days spent in trials of chancery causes	160	177	155	53

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

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## TWENTY-THIRD JUDICIAL COURT

## CRIMINAL CASES

Felonies	1973	1974	1975	1976*
Felonies commenced during year	869	806	1314	803
Felonies concluded during year	911	812	1211	787
Felonies pending on docket end of year	243	231	384	400
Number of felony cases in which a jury was empanelled during year	36	41	61	24
Number of days spent in jury trials during year	50	52	73	26
Number of felony cases tried without a jury during year	644	671	993	581
Number of felony orders entered during year not final	466	420	722	466
Misdemeanors				
Misdemeanors commenced during year	1090	976	1393	645
Misdemeanors concluded during year	1096	940	1337	612
Misdemeanors pending on docket end of year	142	167	238	253
Number of misdemeanor cases in which a jury was empanelled during year	26	21	16	8
Number of misdemeanor cases tried without a jury during year	876	752	1084	481
TOTAL COMMENCED CASES	4419	4554	5645	2830
TOTAL CONCLUDED CASES	4799	4197	5228	2699
TOTAL PENDING CASES	3235	3576	4030	4111
TOTAL JURY TRIALS	127	109	113	63

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

## POPULATION PER CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

1975

Circuit	Population*	No. of Judge	Population/Judge	Rank
1	100,800	2	50,400	10
2	254,000	6	42,333	24
2 3	109,500	3	36,500	27
4	289,200	9	32,133	29
5	92,700	2	46,350	15
6	90,700	2 2	45,350	20
7	136,400	3	45,467	19
. 8	126,800	2	63,400	. 3
9	124,900	2	62,450	4
10	134,500	2	67,250	. 2
11	96,400	2	48,200	12
12	114,600	3 2 2 2 2 2 2	57,300	7
13	233,100	8	29,138	30
14	166,200	3	55,400	8
15	182,600	4	45.650	17
- 16	171,500	4	42,875	23
17	153,200	4	38,300	26
. 18	108,300	. 3	36,100	28
19	686,600	()	76,289	1
20	79,300	2	39,650	25
21	89,300	2	44,650	22
22	138,200	2 3	.067	16
23	188,300	4	47,075	14
24	194,100	4	48,525	11
25	160,400	3	53,467	.9
26	185,600	3 3 3 2 3	61,867	5
27	176,800	3	58,933	6
28	91,300	2	45,650	17
29	141,800	3	47,267	13
30	90,600	2	45,300	21
TOTAL	4,908,000	103	47,650	

<sup>\*</sup>Figures Tayloe Murphy Institute-Figures rounded to nearest hundred

## Average Number of Cases Commenced Per Judge For The Year 1975

Circuit	# Of Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
. 1	2	314 (4)	444 (6)	146 (12)	83 (12)	987 (10)
2	6	271 (6)	416 (8)	219 (7)	219 (6)	1125 (6)
3	3	335 (2)	318 (9)	238 (4)	317 (2)	1208 (2)
4	9	255 (8)	244 (12)	236 (6)	282 (3)	1017 (9)
7	3 .	218 (9)	431 (7)	315 (2)	220 (5)	1184 (3)
8	2	291 (5)	485 (3)	176 (8)	140 (9)	1092 (8)
12	2	172 (13)	555 (1)	238 (4)	194 (7)	1158 (4)
13	8	332 (3)	213 (13)	269 (3)	165 (8)	979 (11)
14	. 3	205 (11)	452 (5)	161 (10)	251 (4)	1069 (7)
17	4	213 (10)	277 (11)	158 (11)	5 (13)	653 (13)
18	3	196 (12)	305 (10)	162 (9)	114 (10)	777 (12)
19	9	374 (1)	526 (2)	121 (13)	112 (11)	1133 (5)
23	, <b>4</b> ,	263 (7)	472 (4)	329 (1)	348 (1)	1411 (1)
Average fo Urban Cir	or City & cuit Judges	265	395	213	188	1061

Note The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the thirteen urban and city circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

## Average Number of Cases Concluded Per Judge For The Year 1975

	# Of					
Circuit	Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
1.	2	336 (2)	486 (3)	155 (10)	72 (12)	1046 (5)
2	6	200 (8)	404 (8)	193 (7)	209 (6)	1006 (9)
3	3	580 (1)	285 (10)	283 (3)	341 (1)	1489 (1)
4	9	234 (6)	269 (11)	238 (5)	290 (3)	1031 (6)
7	3	219 (7)	464 (5)	296 (2)	212 (5)	1191 (3)
8	, 2	294 (4)	422 (7)	182 (8)	131 (9)	1028 (7)
12	2	173 (10)	548 (1)	200 (6)	175 (7)	1095 (4)
13	8	332 (3)	198 (12)	270 (4)	166 (8)	965 (11)
14	3	159 (13)	457 (6)	142 (12)	216 (4)	974 (10)
17	4	173 (10)	320 (9)	175 (9)	10 (13)	677 (13)
18	3	160 (12)	157 (13)	150 (11)	124 (10)	681 (12)
19	9	281 (5)	515 (2)	116 (13)	99 (11)	1010 (8)
23	4	197 (9)	473 (4)	303 (1)	334 (2)	1307 (2)
Average fo Urban Cir	or City & cuit Judges	257	384	208	183	1038

Note—The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the thirteen urban and city circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

## Average Number of Cases Pending Per Judge For The Year 1975

Circuit	# Of Judges	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total*
1	2	285 (5)	521 (7)	35 (13)	15 (12)	856 (9)
2	6	343 (3)	417 (11)	98 (2)	58 (5)	917 (8)
3	3	173 (12)	658 (4)	43 (11)	116 (1)	990 (6)
4	9	242 (9)	296 (12)	64 (8)	35 (7)	637 (12)
7	3	183 (11)	443 (10)	94 (4)	30 (9)	750 (11)
8	2	260 (7)	843 (1)	40 (12)	41 (6)	1183 (2)
12	2	152 (13)	486 (8)	104 (1)	72 (3)	813 (10)
13	. 8	258 (8)	270 (13)	44 (10)	11 (13)	583 (13)
14	3	210 (10)	715 (3)	63 (9)	91 (2)	1079 (3)
17.	4	402 (2)	458 (9)	77 (6)	33 (8)	971 (7)
18	- 3	339 (4)	581 (5)	82 (5)	15 (11)	1017 (4)
19	9	756 (1)	795 (2)	75 (7)	26 (10)	1652 (1)
23	4	273 (6)	579 (6)	96 (3)	60 (4)	1008 (5)
Average for Urban Cir	or City & cuit Judges	298	543	70	46	958

Note — The numbers in parentheses indicate the rank of the circuit among the thirteen urban and city circuits for each category.

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

## APPENDIX FIVE

## THE NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT

A REVIEW OF CIRCUIT AND DISTRICT GEOGRAPHIC COMPOSITION

## NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Authorized Judgeships	Judges	Term	Principal Locality
10 1	James C. Cacheris	1/28/72-1/27/80	Fairfax
2	Richard J. Jamborsky	2/1/76-1/31/84	Fairfax
3	Barnard F. Jennings	2/1/73-1/31/81	Fairfax
4	James Keith	2/1/72-1/31/80	Fairfax
5	Thomas J. Middleton, Jr		Fairfax
6	Burch Millsap	2/1/69-1/31/77	Fairfax
7	Lewis D. Morris	2/1/69-1/31/77	Fairfax
8	William G. Plummer	2/1/73-1/31/81	Fairfax
9	Arthur W. Sinclair	2/1/75-1/31/85	Prince William
10	Percy Thornton, Jr.	2/1/69-1/31/77	Prince William
	Fairfax***	Prince William	19th Circuit
Caseload	(8 Judges)	(2 Judges)	(10 Judges)
Cases Commenced Per Cases Concluded Per Cases Pending Per Ju Jury Trials Per Judge	Judge* 1099 dge* 1545	1089 1070 1211 55	1076 1093 1478 69
		Population Per Judge	
	Fairfax***	Prince William	19th Circuit
Popula	tion** (8 Judges)	(2 Judges)	(10 Judges)
Fairfax*** 548,6 Prince William 138,0 19th Circuit 686,6	00	69,000	68,660
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 <sup>\*</sup> Based on Projection of 1976 Caseload made with January-June Data
 \*\* Based on 1974 Tayloe Murphy Estimate
 \*\*\* Includes Fairfax City & Falls Church

## NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

## Annual Summary Data 1966-1975

Year	Cases Commenced	Cases Concluded	Cases Pending	Jury Trials
1966	4,878	3,803	10,792	189
1967	5,414	4,230	12,023	208
1968	5,706	6,001	11,660	250
1969	5,766	5,626	11,788	273
1970	6,406	5,280	12,616	368
1971	6,895	6,508	13,007	366
1972	7,386	6,312	11,771	325
1973	8,007	7,220	12,350	430
1974	8,790	7,201	13,653	402
1975	10,195	9,094	14,868	507
1976*	5,378	5,465	14,781	346

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

## NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

	Cases Commenced							Cases Concluded					
				Law	Equity	- Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony -	Misdemeanor	Total
196	6			2097	2152	290	339	4878	1453	1815	261	274	3803
196				2134	2510	338	432	5414	1666	1894	273	397	4230
196				2138	2597	441	530	5706	2026	3:06	388	481	6001
196				2053	2727	456	530	5766	1963	2565	505	593	5626
197				2394	2945	496	571	6406	1852	2373	430	625	5280
197				2422	3128	676	669	6895	2472	2859	568	609	6508
197				2504	3439	786	657	7386	2272	2714	727	599	6312
197				2614	3858	904	631	8007	2566	3324	789	541	7220
197				3009	4104	968	709	8790	2348	3360	852	631	7201
197				3363	4735	1093	1004	10.195	2526	4632	1045	691	9094
197				1726	2406	671	575	5378	1857	2397	703	508	5465
						Cases F	Pending				Jury In	als	
				Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	-	Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Lotal
196	6			4559	5846	182	205	10,792	-	152	26	11	189
196				4967	6562	248	246	12,023		152	41	15	208
196				4979	6053	313	315	11,660		145	76	29	250 250
196				5070	6218	258	242	11,788		178.	65	30	273
197				5612	6490	326	188	12,616		235	75	58	368
197				5567	6816	423	201	13,007		243	79	44	366
197				5241	5779	493	258	11,771		213	67	45	325
197				5262	6225	504	359	12,350		272	. 114	41	430
197				5923	6969	610	151	13,653		234	108	60	402
197				6805	7154	572	237	14,868		250	161	96	507
197				6674	7163	640	304	14,781		226	84	36	346

<sup>\*</sup>January - June

FAIRFAX

		Cases Co	mmenced				Cases Conc	cluded	
La	w Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 17 1967 18: 1968 18: 1969 16: 1970 199: 1971 20: 1972 20: 1973 21: 1974 24: 1975 27: 1976* 14:	27 2096 30 2082 29 2231 36 2384 30 2575 72 2769 32 3136 75 3283 40 3680	164 181 311 329 331 440 487 471 627 775 450	284 388 459 419 490 554 586 507 587 850 493	3946 4492 4682 4658 5201 5629 5914 6276 6972 8045 4289	1170 1349 1732 1676 1526 2023 1982 2227 1783 2014 1598	1487 1509 2674 2126 1858 2383 2197 2637 2639 3602 1856	148 144 218 371 330 382 471 414 553 737 507	232 346 407 480 545 507 511 421 533 755 434	3037 3348 5031 4653 4259 5295 5161 5699 5508 7108 4395
		Cases I	Pending				Jury Tri	als	
La	w Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total		Law	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 410 1967 450 1968 450 1969 450 1970 499 1971 500 1972 450 1973 450 1974 522 1975 596 1976* 576	26 6013 24 5421 28 5529 28 5755 36 5947 25 4757 31 5150 23 5794 49 5872	115 153 258 210 213 274 300 357 431 469 412	167 215 267 206 151 167 241 327 81 176 235	9716 10,907 10,470 10,473 11,117 11,434 9893 10,365 11,529 12,466 12,360		140 134 118 156 203 211 193 249 190 212	23 33 50 57 69 60 100 98 135 69	10 14 27 30 56 40 45 43 57 89	173 181 195 243 328 311 298 392 345 436 291

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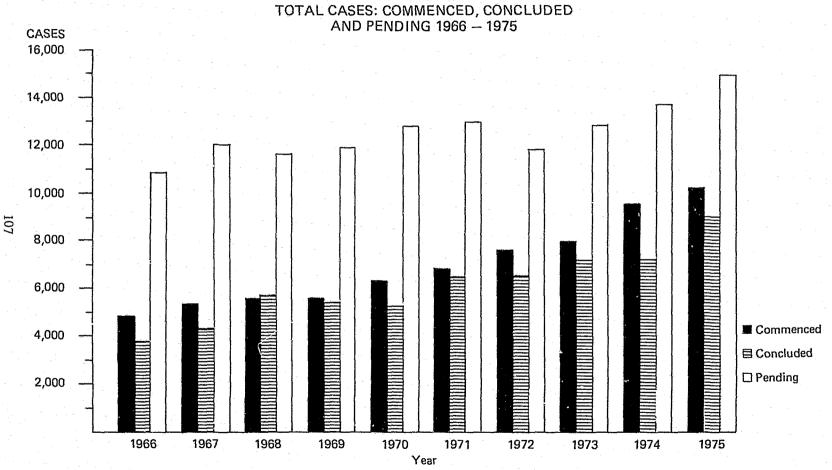
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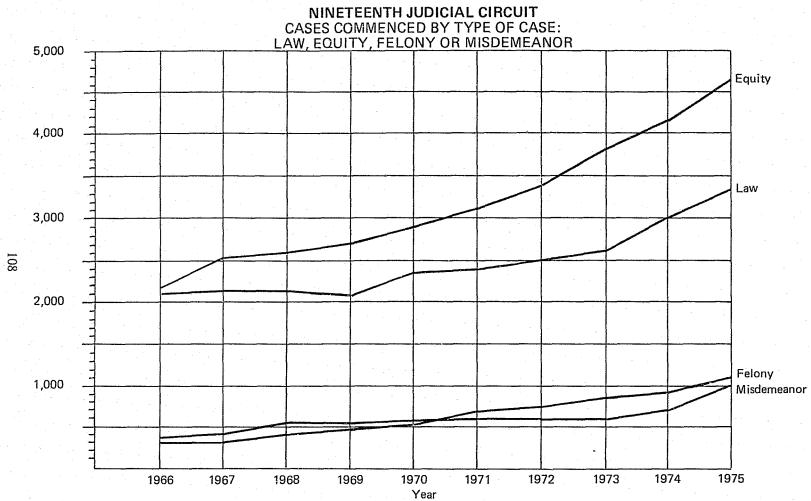
## PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

Cases Concluded

Cases Commenced

	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	382 307 308 374 398 362 432 452 534 623 296	369 414 515 496 561 553 670 722 821 1055 490	126 157 130 127 165 236 299 433 341 318 221	55 44 71 111 81 115 71 124 122 154 82	932 922 1024 1108 1205 1266 1472 1731 1818 2150 1089	283 317 294 287 326 449 290 339 565 512 259	328 385 432 439 515 476 517 687 721 1030 541	113 129 170 134 100 186 256 375 309 308 196	42 51 74 113 80 102 88 120 98 136 74	766 882 970 973 1021 1213 1151 1521 1693 1986 1070
			Cases I	ending				Jury Tri	ials	
	Law	Equity	Felony	Misdemeanor	Total	Law		Felony	Misdemeanor	Total
1966 1967 1968 1969 1970 1971 1972 1973 1974 1975	451 441 455 542 614 521 646 731 700 856	520 549 632 689 735 869 1022 1075 1175 1282	67 95 55 48 113 149 193 147 179 203	38 31 48 36 37 34 17 32 70 61	1076 1116 1190 1315 1499 1573 1878 1985 2124 2402	12 18 27 22 32 32 20 23 44 38		3 8 26 8 6 19 7 14 10 26	1 1 2 2 4	16 27 55 30 40 55 27 38 57





## January-December 1975

		Cases Co	ommenced		
	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Fairfax Prince William	2740 623	3680 1055	775 318	850 154	8045 2150
TOTAL	3363	4735	1093	1004	10,195
	Law	Cases C Equity	Concluded Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Fairfax Prince William	2014 512	3602 1030	737 308	755 136	7108 1986
TOTAL	2526	4632	1045	891	9094
	<u>Law</u>	Cases Pending as o Equity	f December Felonies	31, 1975 Misdemeanors	<u>Total</u>
Fairfax Prince William	<u>Law</u> 5949 858				Total 12,466 2,402
	5949	Equity 5872	Felonies 469	Misdemeanors 176	12,466
Prince William	5949 858	Equity 5872 1282	469 203	Misdemeanors 176 61	12,466 2,402
Prince William	5949 858	Equity 5872 1282 7154	Felonies 469 203 672	Misdemeanors 176 61	12,466 2,402
Prince William	5949 858	Equity 5872 1282 7154	Felonies  469 203 672	Misdemeanors 176 61	12,466 2,402
Prince William	5949 858 6805	Equity 5872 1282 7154	Felonies  469 203 672	Misdemeanors  176 61 237	12,466 2,402 14,868

#### January-June 1976

		Caran	Commenced		
	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Fairfax Prince William	1430 296	1916 <u>490</u>	450 221	493 <u>82</u>	4289 1089
TOTAL	1726	2406	671	575	5378
	Law	Cases Equity	Concluded Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Fairfax Prince William	1598 <u>259</u>	1856 <u>541</u>	507 196	434 <u>74</u>	4395 1070
TOTAL	1857	2397	703	508	5465
	Law	Equity Case	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Fairfax Prince William	5781 <u>893</u>	5932 1231	412 228	235 <u>69</u>	12,360 <u>2,421</u>
TOTAL	6674	7163	640	304	14,781
		<b>.</b>	ry Trials		
	Law	Feloni		Misdemeanors	Total
Fairfax Prince William	191 <u>35</u>	69 <u>15</u>		31 <u>5</u>	291 <u>55</u>
TOTAL	226	84		36	346

Projected January—December 1976
Based on January—June Data
A Comparison of Caseload Per Judge

	Case Law	s Commenced Equity	Per Judge Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total*
Fairfax (8) Prince William (2)	358 296	479 490	113 221	123 82	1072 1089
CIRCUIT (10)	345	481	134	115	1076
	Cac	es Concluded I	Per Indoe		
	Law	Equity	Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Fairfax (8) Prince William (2)	400 259	464 541	126 196	109 <u>74</u>	1099 1070
CIRCUIT (10)	371	479	141	102	1093
	<u>Ca</u> Law	ses Pending Po Equity	er Judge Felonies	Misdemeanors	Total
Fairfax (8) Prince William (2)	723 447	742 616	52 114	29 35	1545 <u>1211</u>
CIRCUIT (10)	667	716	64	30	1478
	·	ury Trials Per	Judge		
	Law	Felon		Aisdemeanors	Total
Fairfax (8) Prince William (2)	48 35	17 15		8 <u>5</u>	73 <u>55</u>
CIRCUIT (10)	45	17		7	69

<sup>\*</sup>Figures may not sum to total due to rounding.

#### NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PROJECTIONS

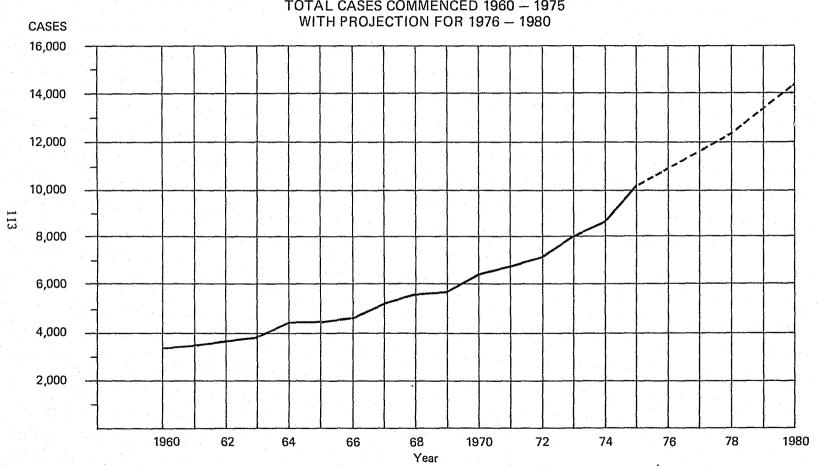
YEAR	FAIRFAX		PRINCE WILLIAM	TOTAL
1975	8,045		2,150	10,195
1976 Jan-June	4,289		1,089	5,378
1976	8,578		2,178	10,756
1977	9,212		2,395	11,599
1978	9,894		2,635	12,515
1979	10,626	•	2,898	13,504
1980	11,413		3,188	14,571

#### PROJECTIONS BASED ON DATA FROM 1966 THROUGH JUNE, 1976

#### PROJECTED CASELOAD PER JUDGE

YEAR	FAIRFAX 8 Judges	PRINCE WILLIAM 2 Judges	19th CIRCUIT 10 Judges
1976	1,072	1,089	1,076
1977	1,152	1,198	1,160
1978	1,237	1,317	1,252
1979	1,328	1,449	1,350
1980	1,427	1,594	1,457

#### NINETEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT TOTAL CASES COMMENCED 1960 - 1975



#### Population Data

	1960*	<u>1970*</u>	1974**	1980*
Fairfax City Falls Church Fairfax County Prince William	13,585 10,192 248,897 50,164	22,009 10,772 455,032 134,700	20,200 12,000 516,400 138,000	21,000 10,000 620,000 180,000
	322,838	622,513	686,600	831,000
			1074	1000
Fairfax, Fairfax City & Falls Church			1974 548,600	1980 651,000
Population Per Judge (8 Judges)			68,575	81,375
Prince William County			138,000	180,000
Population Per Judge (2 Judges)			69,000	90,000

<sup>\*</sup> Population Projections, Virginia Counties and cities 1980-2000, Division of State Planning & Community Affairs, March, 1975

\*\*Tayloe Murphy Institute, Estimates of Population of Virginia Counties and Cities: July 1, 1973 and July 1, 1974, August, 1975

#### NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### Fairfax

#### Prince William

#### General District Court Judges

Lewis H. Griffith 2/01/75-01/31/81 William W. May 2/01/	
	774-1/31/80 76-1/31/82

<sup>\*</sup> Part-time 2 days/week

#### Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court Judges

	The same and a same and a same and a same a		
Philip N. Brophy Frank L. Deierhoi Arnold B. Kassabian		Raymond O. Kellam* Herman Whisenant	7/01/76-6/30/82 2/01/74-1/31/80
	Substitute	Judges	
Alphonse J. Audet, Jr. F. Bruce Bach Charles F. Geschickter, J Justin M. Holme Richard T. Horan Frank D. Swart Gerald R. Walsh Robert C. Watson Robert C. Whitestone Richard J. Coltin Sidney Z. Lieberman		Thomas G. Underwood Edwin P. Latimer	7/01/74-1/31/80 7/01/74-1/31/80 4/14/75-1/31/80

<sup>\*</sup> Judge Kellam sits two days per week in Fairfax County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court.

#### NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### Uniform Docketing Caseload Statistics January—June 1976

	Fairfax (	County General D	istrict Court*		1
		Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total
Cases		5,234	32,734	6,214	44,182
Hearings		9,688	45,674	11,800	67,162
Dispositions		4,670	33,678	7,598	45,946
Hearings/Case		1.85	1.40	1.90	1.52
	Fairfa	x City General Di	strict Court		
		Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total
Cases		512	2,725	See County	3,237
Hearings		988	3,568	See County	4,556
Dispositions		620	3,060	See County	3,680
Hearings/Case		1.92	1.30	See County	1.40
	Falls C	hurch General Dis	strict Court*		
		Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total
Cases		479	1,827	132	2,438
Hearings		1,227	2,478	233	3,938
Dispositions		740	2,061	158	2,959
Hearings/Case		256	1.36	1.75	1.62
		Prince William Co	ounty		
		Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total
Cases		2,151	17,167	2,005	21,323
Hearings		3,699	19,474	2,653	25,826
Dispositions		2,428	16,290	1,852	20,570
Hearings/Case		1.71	1.13	1.32	1.21

# A Comparison of Fairfax—Falls Church and Prince William County General District Courts

	Total New Cases for Six I	Months		
	Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total
Fairfax -Falls Church	6,225	37,286	6,346	49,857
Prince William	2,151	17,167	2,005	21,323
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Caseload Per Judge for Six	Months		
	Criminal	Traffic	Civil	Total
Fairfax-Falls Church	1,038	6,214	1,058	8,310
Prince William	1,076	8,583	1,003	10,662

<sup>\*</sup>Fairfax County and Falls Church figures have been adjusted to reflect six months figures based on three and four months of data respectively.

#### NINETEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

#### Uniform Docketing Caseload Statistics January—June 1976

Fairfax County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court\*

		Juvenile	Adult	Total
Cases		6,375	1,403	7,778
Hearings		7,797	1,796	9,593
Dispositions		618	11	629
Hearings/Case		1.22	1.28	1.23
F	alls Church Juv	enile and Domestic Rel	ations District Court	
, ' <b></b>	:	Juvenile	Adult	Total
Cases		121	24	145
Hearings		225	49	274

Prince William County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court Juvenile Adult Total Cases 2,176 509 2.685 Hearings 4,330 1,258 5,588 2,953 Dispositions 565 3,518 Hearings/Case 2.01 2.47 2.08

168

1.86

23

2.04

191

1.89

Dispositions

Hearings/Case

#### A Comparison of Fairfax—Falls Church and Prince William County Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court

Fairfax—Falls Church 6,496 1,427 7,5		Total	New Cases For Six I	Months	
		,	Juvenile	Adult	Total
	Fairfax—Falls Church Prince William County			- *	7,923 2,685

Caseload	Per Judge For Six	Months	
	Juvenile	Adult	Total
Fairfax-Falls Church (3 Judges)	2,165	476	2,641
Prince William County (2 Judges)**	1,088	255	1,343

<sup>\*</sup> Fairfax County figures have been adjusted to reflect six month figures based on four months of data. Note—Fairfax County handles juvenile and domestic relations cases for Fairfax City.

Note: If the judges were split, four to Fairfax and one to Prince William the caseloads would also be unbalanced.

Fairfax (4 judges)	1980 Cases/Judge
Prince William (1 judge)	2685 Cases/Judge

<sup>\*\*</sup> Currently Judge Kellam sits two days per week in Fairfax County. These figures reflect the caseload per judge if the district was split and Judge Kellam was assigned to Prince William County.

# APPENDIX SIX PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENTS

- s 17-119.1:1. <u>Judicial circuits</u>. (1) The city of Chesapeake shall constitute the first circuit.
- (2) The city of Virginia Beach and the counties of Accomack and Northampton shall constitute the second circuit.
  - (3) The city of Portsmouth shall constitute the third circuit.
  - (4) The city of Norfolk shall constitute the fourth circuit.
- (5) The cities of Franklin and Suffolk and the counties of Isle of Wight and Southampton shall constitute the fifth circuit.
- (6) The cities of Emporia and Hopewell and the counties of Prince George, Surry, Sussex, Greensville, and Brunswick shall constitute the sixth circuit.
  - (7) The city of Newport News shall constitute the seventh circuit.
  - (8) The city of Hampton shall constitute the eighth circuit.
- (9) The city of Williamsburg and the counties of York, James City, Charles City, New Kent, Gloucester, Mathews, Middlesex, King William, and King and Queen, shall constitute the ninth circuit.
- (10) The city of South Boston and the counties of Cumberland, Buckingham, Appomattox, Prince Edward, Charlotte, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, and Halifax shall constitute the tenth circuit.
- (11) The city of Petersburg and the counties of Dinwiddie, Nottoway, Amelia and Powhatan shall constitute the eleventh circuit.
- (12) The city of Colonial Heights and the county of Chesterfield shall constitute the twelfth circuit.
  - (13) The city of Richmond shall constitute the thirteenth circuit.
  - (14) The county of Henrico shall constitute the fourteenth circuit.
- (15) The city of Fredericksburg and the counties of King George, Stafford, Spotsylvania, Caroline, Hanover, Lancaster, Northumberland, Westmoreland, Richmond, and Essex shall constitute the fifteenth circuit.
- (16) The city of Charlottesville and the counties of Madison, Greene, Albemarle, Fluvanna, Goochland, Louisa, Orange, and Culpeper shall constitute the sixteenth circuit.
  - (17) The county of Arlington shall constitute the seventeenth circuit.
  - (18) The city of Alexandria shall constitute the eighteenth circuit.
- (19) The cities of Falls Church <u>and</u> Fairfax Manassas and Manassas Park and the counties <u>county</u> of Fairfax and Prince William shall constitute the nineteenth circuit.
- (20) The counties of Loudoun, Fauquier, and Rappahannock shall constitute the twentieth circuit.
- (21) The city of Martinsville and the counties of Patrick and Henry shall constitute the twenty-first circuit.
- (22) The city of Danville and the counties of Pittsylvania and Franklin shall constitute the twenty-second circuit.
- (23) The cities of Roanoke and Salem and the county of Roanoke shall constitute the twenty-third circuit.
- (24) The cities of Lynchburg, Waynesboro and Bedford and the counties of Nelson, Amherst, Campbell and Bedford shall constitute the twenty-fourth circuit.
- (25) The cities of Covington, Lexington, Staunton, Buena Vista and Clifton Forge and the counties of Highland, Augusta, Rockbridge, Bath, Allegheny, Botetourt, and Craig shall constitute the twenty-fifth circuit.
- (26) The cities of Harrisonburg and Winchester and the counties of Frederick, Clarke, Warren, Shenandoah, Page and Rockingham shall constitute the twenty-sixth circuit.
- (27) The cities of Galax and Radford and the counties of Pulaski, Wythe, Carroll, Montgomery, Floyd and Grayson shall constitute the twenty-seventh circuit.

- (28) The city of Bristol and the counties of Smyth and Washington shall constitute the twenty-eighth circuit.
- (29) The counties of Giles, Bland, Tazewell, Buchanan, Russell and Dickenson shall constitute the twenty-ninth circuit.
- (30) The city of Norton and the counties of Wise, Scott and Lee shall constitute the thirtieth circuit.
- (31) The cities of Manassas, Manassas Park and the county of Prince William shall constitute the thirty-first circuit.

Proposed amendment to Section 16.1-69.6.

- 5 16.1-69.6. Establishment of districts. On and after July one, nineteen hundred seventy-three, the Commonwealth shall be divided into districts encompassing all counties and cities in the Commonwealth to provide a basis for the sound and efficient administration of the courts not of record, as follows:
  - (1) The city of Chesapeake shall constitute the first district.
  - (2) The city of Virginia Beach shall constitute the second district.
  - (2A) The counties of Accomack and Northampton shall constitute district two-A.
  - (3) The city of Portsmouth shall constitute the third district.
  - (4) The city of Norfolk shall constitute the fourth district.
- (5) The cities of Franklin and Suffolk and the counties of Isle of Wight and Southampton shall constitute the fifth district.
- (6) The cities of Emporia and Hopewell and the counties of Prince George, Surry, Sussex, Greensville and Brunswick shall constitute the sixth district.
  - (7) The city of Newport News shall constitute the seventh district.
  - (8) The city of Hampton shall constitute the eighth district.
- (9) The city of Williamsburg and the counties of York, James City, Charles City, New Kent, Gloucester, Mathews, Middlesex, King William and King and Queen shall constitute the ninth district.
- (10) The city of South Boston and the counties of Cumberland, Buckingham, Appomattox, Prince Edward, Charlotte, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg and Halifax shall constitute the tenth district.
- (11) The city of Petersburg and the counties of Dinwiddie, Nottoway, Amelia and Powhatan shall constitute the eleventh district.
- (12) The city of Colonial Heights and the county of Chesterfield shall constitute the twelfth district.
  - (13) The city of Richmond shall constitute the thirteenth district.
  - (14) The county of Henrico shall constitute the fourteenth district.
- (15) The city of Fredericksburg and the counties of King George, Stafford, Spotsylvania, Caroline, Hanover, Lancaster, Northumberland, Westmoreland, Richmond and Essex shall constitute the fifteenth district.
- (16) The city of Charlottesville and the counties of Madison, Greene, Albemarle, Fluvanna, Goochland, Louisa, Orange and Culpeper shall constitute the sixteenth district.
  - (17) The county of Arlington shall constitute the seventeenth district.
  - (18) The city of Alexandria shall constitute the eighteenth district.
- (19) The cities of Falls Church and Fairfax Manassas-and-Manassas-Park- and the counties-county of Fairfax and Prince William shall constitute the nineteenth district.
- (20) The counties of Loudoun, Fauquier and Rappahannock shall constitute the twentieth district.
- (21) The city of Martinsville and the counties of Patrick and Henry shall constitute the twenty-first district.

(22) The city of Danville and the counties of Pittsylvania and Franklin shall constitute the twenty-second district.

(23) The cities of Roanoke and Salem and the county of Roanoke shall constitute the twenty-third district.

(24) The cities of Lynchburg, Waynesboro and Bedford and the counties of Nelson, Amherst, Campbell and Bedford shall constitute the twenty-fourth district.

(25) The cities of Covington, Lexington, Staunton, Buena Vista and Clifton Forge and the counties of Highland, Augusta, Rockbridge, Bath, Alleghany, Botetourt and Craig shall constitute the twenty-fifth district.

(26) The cities of Harrisonburg and Winchester and the counties of Frederick, Clarke, Warren, Shenandoah, Page and Rockingham shall constitute the twenty-sixth

district.

(27) The cities of Galax and Radford and the counties of Pulaski, Wythe, Carroll, Montgomery, Floyd and Grayson shall constitute the twenty-seventh district.

(28) The city of Bristol and the counties of Smyth and Washington shall con-

stitute the twenty-eighth district.

- (29) The counties of Giles, Bland, Tazewell, Buchanan, Russell and Dickenson shall constitute the twenty-ninth district.
- (30) The city of Norton and the counties of Wise, Scott and Lee shall constitute the thirtieth district.
- (31)--The-counties-of-Accomack-and-Northampton-shall-constitute-the-thirty-first-district-
- (31) The cities of Manassas, Manassas Park and the county of Prince William shall constitute the thirty-first district.

Proposed amendment to Section 16.1-69.6:1.

5 16.1-69.6:1. Number of judges — For the several judicial districts there shall be full-time general district court judges and juvenile and domestic relations district court judges, the number as hereinafter set forth, who shall during their service reside within their respective districts, except as provided in 5 16.1-69.16, and whose compensation and powers shall be the same as now and hereafter prescribed for general district court judges and juvenile and domestic relations district court judges.

The number of judges of the districts shall be as follows:

	General	District Court J	udges			omestic Ro urt Judges	
First		2			1	2*	
Second		3			2		3
Two-A	The Gen	eral and Juveni	le and				
	Do	nestic Relation	<u>S</u>				
	Dis	strict Court - 1					
Third	- 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1	2			2		
Fourth		-3-4*			. 3		
Fifth		2		,	1		
Sixth		2			2		
Seventh		3			2		
Eighth		2			2		
Ninth		2			2		
Tenth		3			2		
Eleventh		2			2		
Twelfth		2			1		

#### General District Court Judges

Thirteenth		7			4
Fourteenth		3			2
Fifteenth		4			2
Sixteenth		3			2
Seventeenth		4			2
Eighteenth		2			1
Nineteenth		8 <u>6</u>			5 <u>3</u>
Twentieth		2			1
Twenty-First		2			1
Twenty-Second		2			2
Twenty-Third		5			2
Twenty-Fourth		3			2
Twenty-Fifth		4			3
Twenty-Sixth		3			. 2
Twenty-Seventh		3			2
Twenty-Eighth		2			1
Twenty-Ninth		3			2
Thirtieth		2			1
Thirty-First		ral-and-Ju	and-		
		<del>res</del> tic-Role			
	Đis	trict-Court			
Thirty-First		2			2

That the election or appointment of any district judge shall be subject to the provisions of 5 16.1-69.9:3.

\*Changes recommended by the Committee on District Courts pursuant to \$ 16.1-69.10.

Proposed amendment to Section 17-119.1:2.

§ 17-119.1:2. Number of judges; residence requirements; compensation, powers, etc. — For the several judicial circuits there shall be judges, the number as hereinafter set forth, who shall during their service reside within their respective circuit and whose compensation and powers shall be the same as now and hereafter prescribed for circuit judges. The judges in office when this shall take effect shall continue in office for the term for which elected or appointed.

The number of judges of the circuits shall be as follows:

First - 2

Second - 6

Third - 3

Fourth - 9

Fifth --2- 3.

The judges of the Fifth Circuit shall render assistance on a regular basis to the judges of the First Circuit by designation of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Sixth - 2

Seventh - 3

Eighth – 2

Ninth -2

Tenth -2

Eleventh -2Twelfth -2Thirteenth -9Fourteenth -3-4

The judges of the Fourteenth Circuit shall render assistance on a regular basis to the judges of the Ninth Circuit by designation of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Fifteenth - 4
Sixteenth - 4
Seventeenth - 4
Eighteenth - 3
Nineteenth -

and on-and-after-February-one, nineteen-hundred-seventy-six, 40-8

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On and after January one, nineteen hundred seventy-five, no additional circuit court judge shall be authorized or provided for any judicial circuit unless and until the Judicial Council shall have made a study of the need for such additional circuit court judge, and shall have reported its findings and recommendations to the Courts of Justice Committees of the House of Delegates and Senate. Nor shall the boundary of any judicial circuit be changed unless and until a study shall have been made by the Judicial Council and a report of its findings and recommendations made to said committees.

Proposed amendment to Chapter 779, Acts of Assembly, 1976.

#### 5 14. For Operating Expenses.

various localities.

#### CIRCUIT COURTS

	First Year	Second Year
Item 16 Adjudication of legal cases	\$ 1,879,575	\$1,921,775- \$ 1,972,175
Out of this appropriation the following salaries and compensation shall be paid:		
a. Judges, each at \$41,000 the first year, \$42,000 the second year.		
Such salaries shall represent the total com- pensation from all sources for circuit court judges, including all supplements formerly paid by the		

Notwithstanding the apportionment provided in SB 495, the State shall pay one-half of the salary increase granted by the amended section for circuit court judges receiving no local supplements on March 1, 1976.

b. Compensation to sheriffs, sergeants and their deputies for attendance upon the circuit courts, as authorized by \$ 14.1-72, Code of Virginia --------\$1,000 the first year, \$1,000 the second year.

	First Year	Se	cond Year
Item 17			
Expenses necessarily incurred on official business by judges of circuit courts, including clerk hire not exceeding \$300 a year for each judge	\$ 21,300	<b>\$</b>	21,300
Item 18			
Other court costs and expenses, as provided by law			
a sum sufficient, estimated at-	\$ 5,461,980	\$ :	5,944,270
Out of this appropriation shall be paid the State's			
share of the following expenses:			

- a. Expenses incident to the representation by a court-appointed attorney of an indigent prisoner who is proceeded against in conformity with the provisions of \$53.296, Code of Virginia, including the payment of counsel fees as fixed by the court; the expenses shall be paid upon receipt of an appropriate order from the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond.
- b. Expenses incident to the prosecution of a petition for a writ of habeas corpus by an indigent petitioner, including the payment of counsel fees as fixed by the court; the expenses shall be paid upon receipt of an appropriate order from a circuit court.

Total for Circuit Courts	 \$ 7,362,855	\$7 <del>,</del> 887 <del>,</del> 345-
		\$ 7,937,745

Proposed amendment to Section 16.1-69.16.

5 16.1-69.16. Residence requirements. Every judge or substitute judge of a district court shall, during his term of office, reside within the boundaries of the district in which he serves as set out in 5 16.1-69.6; provided, that judges and substitute judges in office on July-one; nineteen-hundred-seventy-three-January one, nineteen hundred seventy-seven, or who are other wise eligible may continue in office and shall be eligible for reappointment or reelection to successive terms in accordance with the provisions of 5 16.1-69.10.

# APPENDIX SEVEN AMENDMENTS TO RULES OF COURT

In the Supreme Court of Virginia held at the Supreme Court Building in the City of Richmond on Tuesday the 15th day of June, 1976.

It is ordered that the Rules heretofore adopted and promulgated by this Court and now in effect be, and they are hereby, amended in the following respects, effective July 1, 1976:

(1) Rule 5:15 is amended to read:

#### "Rule 5:15. Transmission of Record.

"The clerk shall retain the record for twenty-one days after the notice of appeal has been filed with the clerk pursuant to Rule 5:6 or, if the notice of appeal states that a transcript or statement will thereafter be filed, the clerk shall retain the record for twenty-one days after the filing in his office of such transcript or statement or, if objection is made to the transcript or statement pursuant to Rule 5:11, the clerk shall retain the record for twenty-one days after the objection is acted upon by the judge. The clerk shall then forthwith transmit the record to the clerk of this Court at Richmond; provided, however, that, notwithstanding that the foregoing periods of retention may not have expired, the clerk shall transmit the record sooner if requested in writing by counsel for all parties to the appeal and shall, whether or not so requested, transmit the record in time for delivery to the clerk of this Court within four months after entry of the judgment appealed from or within any shorter period prescribed by statute. The clerk's failure to transmit the record as herein provided shall not be ground for dismissal of the appeal by this Court.

"Comment: The change eliminates the former references to assignments of error. The addition of the language at the end of the first sentence requires the clerk to retain the record until after disputes concerning the transcript or written statement have been resolved. New language in the proviso of the second sentence requires delivery of the record to the clerk of this Court within the time fixed by statute (Code Section 9-489), notwithstanding that the periods of retention prescribed in the first sentence of the rule may not have expired. The requirement that the record be biled with the clerk of this Court at Richmond conforms to a major change in procedure: petitions for appeal may be filed only with the clerk of this Court in Richmond as prescribed by the 1976 amendments to Section 8-475, et seq."

#### (2) Rule 5:19 is amended to read:

- "Rule 5:19. Special Rules Applicable to Appeals from the Industrial Commission.
- "(a) Rules 5:6 through 5:15 (except Rule 5:13) do not apply to appeals from the Industrial Commission.
- "(b) No appeal from an order of the Commission shall be allowed unless, within 15 days after entry of the order appealed from, or within fifteen days after receipt of notice by registered mail of the order appealed from, cousel files with the clerk\* a notice of appeal which shall state whether the appellant challenges the sufficiency of the evidence to support the findings of the Commission.
- "(c) The record on appeal from the Commission shall consist of the originals or copies of the notice of appeal, the employer's first report, medical reports, applications for hearings, the transcript of any hearing, depositions, interrogatories and answers to interrogatories, and commissioner's opinions and opinions of the Commission,

<sup>\*</sup>See Rule 5:1.

together with such other material as may be certified by the clerk to be a part of the record. The record shall be prepared and certified by the clerk, and shall conform as nearly as practicable to the requirements of Rule 5:14, provided that, unless it is stated in the notice of appeal that the appellant challenges the sufficiency of the evidence to support the findings of the Commission, the clerk need not prepare or certify the transcript of any hearing.

- "(d) The record shall, as soon as it is certified by the clerk, be transmitted by him to the clerk of this Court at Richmond.
- "(e) The petition for appeal shall be filed in the office of the clerk of this Court. Before the petition is filed or presented, a copy of the petition for appeal shall be mailed or delivered to counsel for the appellee.\*
- "(f) The petition for appeal shall comply with the provisions of Rules 5:21 and 5:22.

"Comment: The only changes are conforming changes relating to the mandatory filing of the petition for appeal and the record with the clerk of this Court (effective July 1, 1976) and the postponement of the assignment of errors (effective September 1, 1976). Counsel should note the requirement of present law that a petition for appeal from an order of the Industrial Commission must be filed within thirty days from the date of such order or within thirty days after receipt of notice sent by registered mail of such order. Code §§ 8-489, 65.1-98."

#### (3) Rule 5:22 is amended to read:

#### "Rule 5:22. Statements Required in Petition for Appeal.

"There shall be included at the end of the petition for appeal a certificate giving the following information:

- (a) The names of all appellants and appellees, the names and addresses of counsel for each party (including, in the case of appeals from the State Corporation Commission, cousel for the Commission and the Attorney General), and the address of any party not represented by counsel. The clerk of this Court will rely on the information so furnished in issuing the certificate required by Rule 5:30.
  - "(b) Whether counsel desires to state orally the reasons for granting the petition.
  - "(c) Whether supersedeas is requested.
  - "(d) The date of mailing or delivery of the petition to opposing counsel.\*

"Comment: The charge eliminates former paragraph (b) to conform the rule to the new requirement that all petitions for appeal shall be filed in the office of the clerk of this Court in Richmond."

#### (4) Rule 5:24 is amended to read:

#### "Rule 5:24. Time and Place For Filing Petition for Appeal.

"The petition for appeal shall be filed with the clerk of this Court within four months after entry of the judgment appealed from unless a shorter period is prescribed

\*See Rule 5:1.

by statute. Three typed copies shall be filed. Carbon copies are acceptable. The petition shall be deemed timely filed if it is mailed postage prepaid to the clerk of this Court by registered or certified mail and if the official receipt therefor is exhibited upon demand of the clerk or any party and it shows mailing within the prescribed time limits.

"Comment: This rule incorporates the changes prescribed by the 1976 amendments to Code Section 8-475 et seq. requiring the filing of petitions for appeal with the clerk of this Court in Richmond and permitting timely filing by mail under the prescribed circumstances. The rule also prescribes the time for filing the petition for appeal in accordance with present law. The time limit for filing a petition for appeal is made jurisdictional by Code Section 8-489."

In pursuance of the provisions of the Code of 1950, § 8-86.1, as amended, it is ordered that the amendments to the Rules as adopted shall be certified to every court of record in this State.

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Clerk

In the Supreme Court of Virginia held at the Supreme Court Building in the City of Richmond on Wednesday the 14th day of July, 1976.

It is ordered that the Rules heretofore adopted and promulgated by this Court and now in effect be, and they are hereby, amended in the following respects, effective September 1, 1976:

(1) Rule 1:1 is amended to read:

"Rule 1:1. Finality of Judgments, Orders and Decrees.

"All final judgments, orders, and decrees, irrespective of terms of court, shall remain under the control of the trial court and subject to be modified, vacated, or suspended for twenty-one days after the date of entry, and no longer. But notwithstanding the finality of the judgment, in a criminal case the trial court may postpone execution of the sentence in order to give the accused an opportunity to apply for a writ of error and supersedeas; such postponement, however, shall not extend the time limits hereinafter prescribed for applying for a writ of error.

"Comment: The first sentence is changed to add authority for the trial court to suspend, by order entered within twenty-one days, a final judgment pending disposition of a motion for a new trial, a petition for rehearing, or a like pleading. The

new material following the semicolon in the second sentence is intended to eliminate misunderstanding concerning the effect of postponement of execution of sentence in a criminal case."

- (2) Rule 1:12 is amended to read:
- "Rule 1:12. Copies of Pleadings and Requests for Subpoenas Duces Tecum to Be Furnished.
- "All pleadings not otherwise required to be served and requests for subpoenas duces tecum shall be served on each counsel of record by delivering or mailing a copy to him on or before the day of filing.
- "At the foot of such pleadings and requests shall be appended either acceptance of service or a certificate of counsel that copies were served as this Rule requires, showing the date of delivery or mailing.
- "Comment: New language in this rule requires service of requests for subpoenas duces tecum upon each counsel of record."
  - (3) Rule 1:15 is amended to read:
    - "Rule 1:15. Local Rules of Court.
- "(a) Whenever a local rule is prescribed by a circuit court it shall be spread upon the order book and a copy with the date of entry shall be forthwith posted in the clerk's office, filed with the executive secretary of the Supreme Court, and furnished to attorneys regularly practicing before that circuit court; and whenever an attorney becomes counsel of record in any proceedings in a circuit court in which he does not regularly practice, it shall be his responsibility to ascertain the rules of that court and abide thereby. The clerk shall, upon request, promptly furnish a copy of all rules then in force and effect.
- "(b) Whenever a local rule is prescribed by a circuit court providing for the orderly management of the civil docket by use of the praecipe system, the praecipe shall be substantially in the form appearing in the appendix of forms at the end of this Part One.
- "(c) Whenever a local rule is prescribed by a circuit court providing for the submission of instructions prior to trial, such local rule shall be substantially in the form appearing in the appendix of forms at the end of this Part One.
- "(d) The chief judges of the circuit and district courts shall on or before December 31 of each year furnish the executive secretary of the Supreme Court, on forms provided by him, current general information relating to the management of the courts within each circuit and district. This information shall be assembled and published on or before July 1 of each year as an appendix to the Rules of the Supreme Court.

#### APPENDIX OF FORMS

1. Praecipe (Rule 1:15 (b	<b>)))</b>		**************************************
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Defendant			
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Dated this	day of		, 19
		Counsel for	
(	CERTIFICATE O	F SERVICE	
I certify that on the, I mailed or deliver record herein pursuant to Court of Virginia, and serv	red a true copy of t the provisions of I	the foregoing pra Rule 1:12 of the	Rules of the Supre
any.			
Andrew State of the State of th		Counsel for	

#### 2. Instructions (Rule 1:15 (c))

Counsel for all parties, unless compliance is waived by the court, shall, two days before a civil jury trial date, submit to the court a copy of all instructions such counsel proposes to request, noting thereon the authority or authorities upon which he relies for such instructions. Counsel are not required to exchange copies of proposed instructions. This rule shall not preclude the offering of additional instructions at the trial.

"Comment: The only change in paragraph (a) from the present rule is to require the filing of local rules with the executive secretary of the Supreme Court rather than with the executive director of the State Bar.

"Paragraphs (b) and (c) are recommended to provide suggested forms for those circuits using the praecipe system in calling the civil docket and/or those courts requiring that instrucitons be submitted prior to trial. There is no requirement that circuit courts adopt such rules; however, should they do so, the procedure will be uniform in circuits having such rules.

"Paragraph (d) provides for the publication as an appendix to the Rules of the Supreme Court of current information on each circuit and district court to meet the present problems confronting attorneys and litigants in ascertaining general information and local procedures. This information would include the name, location, and telephone number of the court and clerk's office; names of judges and clerk; terms of court, including when grand juries are convened and docket call procedures in civil and criminal cases; procedures including pretrial conferences and furnishing of instructions prior to trial; motion days, etc."

#### (4) Rule 3:5 is amended to read:

#### "Rule 3:5. Defendant's Response.

"A defendant may within twenty-one days after service on him of the notice of motion for judgment file in the clerk's office his pleadings in response, and if he fails to file a pleading he is in default. A motion for a bill of particulars shall be deemed a pleading in response. Pleas of the general issue are abolished. If a defendant files no other pleading than grounds of defense, he shall file his grounds of defense within said time.

"Comment: This rule has been changed by the addition of the second sentence. Although that sentence reverses the statement of the Supreme Court in Williams v. Service Incorporated, 199 Va. 326, 328-9 (1957), it is to be noted that a motion for a bill of particulars is a pleading under Rule 3:16 (a) and that a response to a vague pleading is difficult and often useless in defining the issues."

#### (5) Rule 3A:1. is amended to read:

"Rule 3A:1. Scope.

"These rules govern criminal proceedings in circuit and district courts (except proceedings concerning a child in a juvenile and domestic relations district court) and before the magistrates defined in Rule 3A:2. Special statutes applicable to practices and procedures in juvenile and domestic relations district courts are incorporated herein by this reference and in such cases shall prevail over the general rule set forth in Part 3A.

"Comment: While Part 3A of the Rules of the Supreme Court applies to district courts, the language in Rule 3A:1 is amended to make clear that these rules apply in all criminal cases in district courts except those involving juveniles."

#### (6) Rule 5:4 is amended to read:

"Rule 5:4. Motions.

"All motions, except for the qualification of attorneys at law to practice in this Court, shall be in writing and filed with the clerk of this Court.\* Three copies shall be filed. Carbon copies are acceptable. No motion shall be argued orally except by leave of court.

"Comment: The second and third sentences are new."

(7) Rule 5:6 is amended to read:

"Rule 5:6. Notice of Appeal.

"No appeal shall be allowed unless, within thirty days after entry of final judgment, counsel files with the clerk\* a notice of appeal. The notice of appeal shall contain a statement whether or not any transcript or statement of facts, testimony or other incidents of the case is to be thereafter filed.\*\*

"Comment: This revision eliminates the necessity of filing assignments of error with the notice of appeal. Nevertheless, assignments of error are still required and, in accordance with Rule 5:21, must be incorporated in the petition for appeal."

(8) Rule 5:7 is amended to read:

"Rule 5:7. Extension of Time.

"The filing of the notice of appeal (Rule 5:6), the transcript or written statement (Rule 5:9), the petition for appeal (Rule 5:24), and the record (Rule 5:15) within the time prescribed is mandatory. The time is not extended by the filing of a motion for a new trial, a petition for rehearing, or a like pleading unless the final judgment is modified, vacated, or suspended by the trial court pursuant to Rule 1:1, in which case the time for filing shall be computed from the date of the final judgment entered following such modification, vacation, or suspension.

"Comment: The content of this rule is new and intended to alert parties to the mandatory nature of time limits. The content of old Rule 5:7 relating to the necessity for timely objections and proper assignments of error now appears in Rule 5:21."

(9) Rule 5:8 is amended to read:

"Rule 5:8. Contents of Record on Appeal from a Court.

"The following constitute the record on appeal from a court:

"(a) The original papers and exhibits filed or lodged in the clerk's office of the court below, including any report of a commissioner in chancery and the accompanying depositions and other papers;

"(b) each instruction marked "given" or "refused" and initialed by the judge;

"(c) each exhibit offered in evidence (whether admitted or rejected) and initialed by the judge;

\*See Rule 5:1.

\*\*See Rule 5:9.

- "(d) the original draft signed or initialed by the judge, or a copy, of each order by the court below:
- "(e) any opinion or memorandum decision rendered by the judge of the court below; and
- "(f) the transcript of any hearing or a written statement of facts, testimony or other incidents of the case when made a part of the record as provided in Rule 5:9.
- "Comment: Paragraph (a) has been enlarged to eliminate confusion that has arisen in certain trial courts. Otherwise, the rule is unchanged."
- (10) Rule 5:9 is amended to read:
  - "Rule 5:9. Transcript or Written Statement.
- "(a) The transcript of any hearing becomes a part of the record when the judge of the court below so directs in the final judgment or by order entered before or within twenty-one days after entry of final judgment, whether or not the transcript has been prepared at the time of entry of the order, and when the transcript is filed in the office of the clerk\* within sixty days after entry of final judgment. But no such order shall be entered at a time when the transcript has not been prepared if any party objects to its entry.
- "(b) The transcript of any hearing also becomes a part of the record when, within sixty days after entry of the final judgment, the transcript is filed in the office of the clerk\* and a notice signed by counsel for the appellant\* is filed in the office of the clerk\* identifying the transcript and reciting its delivery to the clerk. There shall be appended to the notice either a certificate of counsel for the appellant\* that a copy of the notice has been mailed to opposing counsel\* or an acceptance of service of such notice by opposing counsel.\*
- "(c) A written statement of facts, testimony or other incidents of the case becomes a part of the record when:
  - "(i) a copy is mailed or delivered within sixty days after entry of final judgment to opposing counsel\* together with notice signed by counsel for the appellant that the statement will be presented to the judge no earlier than ten days nor later than fifteen days after such notice; and
  - "(ii) the statement is signed by the judge and filed in the office of the clerk.\* The judge shall sign the statement within ten days after its presentation to him unless objection is made and may sign the statement forthwith if it is signed by counsel for all parties.
- "Comment: Paragraphs (b) and (c) are amended to make clear that notice of filing a transcript or statement must be signed by counsel for the appellant. See Towler v. Commonwealth, 216 Va. 533 (1976). Further changes in paragraph (c) reduce from twenty to fifteen days the maximum period for notice of tendering a written statement and impose a time limit on signature of the statement by the judge."

#### (11) Rule 5:11 is amended to read:

#### "Rule 5:11. Objections to Transcript or Written Statement; Correction.

"Any party may object to a trarecript or written statement on the ground that it is erroneous or incomplete. Notice of such objection specifying the errors alleged or the deficiencies asserted shall be filed with the clerk\* and a copy shall be tendered to the judge within ten days after the transcript or written statement is filed in the office of the clerk\* or, if the transcript or written statement is filed before the notice of appeal is filed, within ten days either overrule the objection, make any corrections that he deems required, include any accurate additions to make the record complete or certify the respect in which the record is incomplete, and sign the transcript or written statement to verify its accuracy. The judge's signature, without more, constitutes his certification that the procedural requirements of Rule 5:9 and this Rule have been complied with.

"The judge may, after notice to counsel and hearing, correct the transcript or written statement at any time while the record remains in the clerk's office.

"Comment: The rule has been broadened to include the written statement. The last sentence of the first paragraph is omitted because the assignments of error have not yet been filed."

#### (12) Rule 5:13 is amended to read:

#### "Rule 5:13. Preparation of the Record.

"The clerk shall prepare the record as soon as possible after the notice of appeal is filed. In the event of multiple appeals in the same case or in cases tried together below, only one record need be prepared and transmitted.

"Comment: The change eliminates the former reference to assignments of error."

#### (13) Rule 5:18 is amended to read:

## "Rule 5:18. Special Rules Applicable to Appeals from the State Corporation Commission.

- "(a) Applicability: Rules 5:6 through 5:15 do not apply to appeals from the State Corporation Commission except as otherwise specified herein.
- "(b) Party: For the purposes of this Rule, the Commission, the Attorney General, the applicant or petitioner, every person who filed a notice of protest with the Commission and every person who made an appearance in person or by counsel at any hearing in any proceeding before the Commission shall be the parties to such proceeding. Upon the request of any party, the clerk of the Commission shall prepare and certify a list of all parties (including their addresses and the names and addresses of their counsel) to a proceeding before the Commission. Initially, the parties to an appeal from an order in a proceeding shall be the parties to that proceeding, but the number of parties to an appeal may thereafter be limited as hereinafter provided. Service upon a party represented by counsel shall be made upon his counsel.
- "(c) Notice of Appeal: No appeal from an order of the Commission shall be allowed unless, within thirty days after entry of the order appealed from, counsel files

<sup>\*</sup>See Rule 5:1.

in the office of the clerk\* of the Commission a notice of appeal, a copy of which has been mailed or delivered to each party to the appeal and appended to which is either an acceptance of such service or a certificate showing the date of delivery or mailing. All appeals from the same order shall be deemed to be a single consolidated case in this Court unless this Court shall order a severance for convenience of hearing.

- "(d) Record: The clerk of the Commission shall prepare and certify the record as soon as possible after the notice of appeal is filed and shall, as soon as it has been certified by him, transmit it to the clerk of this Court. In the event of multiple appeals in the same case or in cases tried together below, only one record need be prepared and transmitted.
- "(e) Contents of Record: The record on appeal from the Commission shall consist of all notices of appeal, any application or petition, all orders entered in the case by the Commission, the opinions, the transcript of any testimony received, and all exhibits accepted or rejected, together with such other material as may be certified by the clerk of the Commission to be a part of the record. The record shall conform as nearly as practicable to the requirements of Rule 5:14.
- "(f) Alignment of Parties: Within twenty-one days after the notice of appeal shall have been filed in the office of the clerk of the Commission, each party who intends to participate in the appeal shall file in the office of the clerk\* of the Commission and shall mail to every other party a notice that he intends to participate as an appellant or as an appellee. Every party who seeks reversal or modification of the order appealed from shall be deemed an appellant, and every party who seeks affirmance of the order appealed from shall be deemed an appellee. Every party who does not file such a notice and every party who, having filed such a notice as an appellant, does not thereafter file a petition for appeal shall be deemed no longer to be a party to the appeal, and no further papers need be served on him. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, (1) a necessary party who does not file such a notice or petition for appeal shall be deemed an appellee, and (2) the Commission need not file such a notice and shall be deemed an appellee.
- "(g) Petition for Appeal: The petition(s) for appeal shall comply with Rule 5:22 and shall be filed in the office of the clerk\* of this Court by each party deemed to be an appellant who shall, before the petition is filed, mail or deliver a copy to every other party to the appeal. Unless the petition for appeal contains a prayer for a writ of supersedeas, it need only identify the order appealed from, with its date, and contain a prayer that the appeal be granted. Oral argument on the petition shall not be allowed nor will a brief in opposition be received. If the petition prays for a writ of supersedeas, it shall contain such statements of the facts and argument as shall be necessary for an understanding of the question presented. In that event, a brief in opposition will be received and oral argument granted as in the case of a petition for appeal from a court.
- "(h) Award of Appeal: When the notice of appeal, the record and the petition(s) for appeal appear to have been filed in the manner provided herein and within the time provided herein and by law, the clerk of this Court shall forthwith enter an order awarding the appeal, requiring such bond as he shall deem proper. His action shall be subject to review by this Court.
- "(i) Assignments of Error: Within ten days after the issuance by the clerk of this Court of his certificate pursuant to Rule 5:30, each party appellant shall file

assignments of error in the office of the clerk\* of this Court and mail a copy thereof to every other party to the appeal.

- "(j) Further Proceedings: Further proceedings in this Court shall conform to Rules 5:30 through 5:55, provided that (i) the time within which the appellee may file with the clerk\* of this Court a designation of the additional parts of the record that he wishes included in the appendix (Rule 5:36 (a)) shall be extended to thirty days after the date of the certificate of the clerk of this Court pursuant to Rule 5:30 that an appeal has been awarded; and (ii) the time within which the opening brief of the appellant shall be filed in the office of the clerk\* of this Court shall be extended to fifty days after such date.
- "(k) Additional Brief: An appellant who seeks relief different from that sought by another appellant may file an answering brief at the time prescribed for filing the brief of appellee.

"Comment: Again this rule has been subjected to substantial revision. The rule was initially adopted in 1972 and thereafter revised. In its form before this amendment, there were inconsistencies and conflicts with other rules.

"The Commission normally writes its opinion only after the notice of appeal has been filed. It is very difficult to file accurate assignments of error until the opinion is available for review and it seems unfair, because the Court will not notice unassigned error (Rule 5:21), to require that assignments of error be filed before the opinion has been filed. Moreover, filing assignments of error before the appeal is awarded serves no purpose because all appeals from the Commission are as of right. So the rule now provides that assignments of error are to be filed ten days after the appeal is awarded (i).

"It is equally difficult to designate the record until the assignments of error are available. Commission cousel considers it impossible to accomplish this task within ten days because the records involved are often voluminous and this time has been extended by ten days (j).

"The other problem is the alignment of parties, of whom there are often a large number. The Commission has adopted new rules of practice redefining parties who appear before it and its distinction between protestants and interveners has caused some confusion on appeals. The revised paragraph (h) of the rule as heretofore in effect has not been altogether satisfactory. The new rule requires the clerk of the Commission to determine who the parties are initially (b), directs that all be notified of the appeal (c) and provides that they line up promptly as appellants, appellees or non-participants (f). Every party who wishes reversal or modification of the order appealed from must be an appellant, file a petition for appeal and conform to all rules relating to the appellant. Every party seeking affirmance must be an appellee. Cross-error is abolished, but an appellant may file an answering brief at the time fixed for the brief of appellee."

#### (14) Rule 5:20 is amended to read:

"Rule 5:20. Assignment of Cross Error in Certain Cases. Rescinded. Reserved for Future Use.

"Comment: Old rule 5:20 is rescinded. Its content now appears in several other rules relating to the State Corporation Commission and the Industrial Commission."

<sup>\*</sup>See Rule 5:1.

#### (15) Rule 5:21 is amended to read:

# "Rule 5:21. Form and Contents of Petition for Appeal; Assignments of Error; Objections in Trial Courts; Effect of Failure to Assign Error.

"The petition for appeal shall contain assignments of error and, except in the case of an appeal from the State Corporation Commission, the form, contents and length of the petition for appeal shall conform in all respects to the requirements for the appellant's opening brief. Error will not be sustained to any ruling below unless the objection was stated with reasonable certainty at the time of the ruling, except for good cause shown or to enable this Court to attain the ends of justice. Only errors assigned in the petition for appeal will be noticed by this Court and no error not so assigned will be admitted as a ground for reversal of a decision below. An assignment of error which merely states that the judgment is contrary to the law and the evidence is not sufficient.

"Comment: The first sentence accomplishes a major change in procedure: the assignment of error in the petition for appeal. The second and third sentences reintroduce as to all appeals the rules established in former Rules 5:7, 5:18(c), and 5:19(c). The last sentence is added to incorporate existing law and to encourage specificity in assignments of error."

#### (16) Rule 5:27 is amended to read:

#### "Rule 5:27. Brief in Opposition.

"Within fourteen days after the date on which the copy of the petition is mailed or delivered to counsel for the appellee,\* he may file a written brief in opposition to granting the appeal and he may include in his brief assignments of cross-error. No cross-error not then assigned will be noticed by this Court. Counsel for the appellee\* will not be heard orally. Three typed copies shall be filed. Carbon copies are acceptable. Within the same time he shall mail or deliver a copy to counsel for the appellant.\* In a criminal case, the Commonwealth's Attorney shall file a brief within twenty-one days after the date a copy of the petition is mailed or delivered to him. The brief shall be filed in the office of the clerk of this Court. Except by special permission of a Justice, the brief shall not exceed twenty-five pages, excluding appendices setting forth exhibits or other documents. If the brief exceeds ten pages, it shall contain a subject index and table of cases alphabetically arranged.

"When it clearly appears that an appeal ought to be allowed or denied without further delay, an appeal may be allowed or denied before the filing of the brief in opposition.

"Comment: The change provides for the assignment of cross-error in the appellee's brief in opposition. No appeal, however, is granted on the basis of an assignment of cross-error alone. Cross-error will not be considered unless the appellant's petition for appeal is granted. An appellee desiring to assert error notwithstanding refusal of the appellant's petition must file his own notice of appeal within the required time (Rule 5:6) and his separate petition for appeal meeting all time limits and other requirements applicable to petitions for appeal."

#### (17) Rule 5:36 is amended to read:

#### "Rule 5:36. Determination of Contents of Appendix; Cost of Producing.

- "(a) The parties are encouraged to agree as to the contents of the appendix. In the absence of agreement, the appellant shall, not more than ten days after the date of the certificate of the clerk of this court pursuant to Rule 5:30 that an appeal has been awarded, file with the clerk of this Court\* a designation of the parts of the record that he intends to include in the appendix as germane to his assignments of error. Not more than ten days after appellant's designation is filed, cousel for appellee shall file with the clerk of this Court\* a designation of the additional parts of the record that he wishes included as germane to the assignments of error and of any cross-error. The appellant shall include in the appendix the parts thus designated, together with any traditional parts he considers germane to the assignments of cross-error.
- "(b) Unless the parties otherwise agree, the cost of producing the appendix shall initially be paid by the appellant, but if the appellant considers that parts of the record designated by the appellee for inclusion are unnecessary for the determination of the issue presented, he may so advise the appellee, and the appellee shall advance the cost of including such parts. The cost of producing the appendix shall be taxed as costs in the case.

"Comment: The change eliminates the former references in paragraph (a) to the State Corporation Commission and the Industrial Commission."

#### (18) Rule 5:55 is amended to read:

#### "Rule 5:55. Settlement Pending Appeal.

"When a case has been settled at any time after the record or petition for appeal has been filed, it shall be the duty of counsel to notify the clerk of this Court that the case has been settled. If counsel certifies that the terms of the settlement require further proceedings in the lower court, an order of remand may be entered by a single justice.

"Comment: The change requires notification to the clerk of this Court of settlement only if the petition for appeal or record has been filed."

In pursuance of the provisions of the Code of 1950, § 8-86.1, as amended, it is ordered that the amendments to the Rules as adopted shall be certified to every court of record in this State.

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# APPENDIX EIGHT RESOLUTIONS OF JUDICIAL COUNCIL

## MEMORIAL RESOLUTION TO CHIEF JUSTICE JOHN WILLIAM EGGLESTON

The Judicial Council of Virginia solemnly notes its regret upon the death of Chief Justice John William Eggleston and the members wish their expression of sympathy to be recorded.

Chief Justice Eggleston was born in Charlotte Court House, Virginia on June 18, 1886; in 1912 he married Ella Watkins Carrington (also of Charlotte Court House) who survives him along with one of their two daughters, two grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. He received his B.A., M.A., LL.B., and Honorary Doctor of Law Degree from Washington and Lee University; he was admitted to the Virginia State Bar in 1909 and began the practice of law in Norfolk, Virginia in 1910.

Chief Justice Eggleston served in the Senate of Virginia from 1932 to 1935. He was appointed by Governor George C. Peery to the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia in 1935. In 1958 he became Chief Justice. Skilled in the law, his thirty-five year tenure on the Supreme Court bench was distinguished by the many outstanding and far-

reaching majority opinions.

As Chief Justice he was the presiding officer of the Judicial Council of Virginia until his retirement in 1969. In this capacity he exerted his full energy to improving the judicial system of this Commonwealth. He strove for efficiency in procedures and practice. That he approached his goal is evidenced by the sound judicial system which we now enjoy; yet, following the precepts of his guiding years, the Council continues to study and reevaluate our judicial system always striving to further improve the administration of justice. This is his monument of achievement and his legacy to this Council and to the Commonwealth.

The Secretary is requested to record this Memorial Resolution in the minutes of the meeting of the Judicial Council held this 11th day of October, 1976, and to present a copy thereof to Mrs. John William Eggleston.

Lawrence W. l'Anson
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court
of Virginia and Chairman of the

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#### JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF VIRGINIA RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Honorable Alexander Hamilton Sands, Jr., Judge of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit of the Commonwealth of Virginia, advised the Governor of

Virginia of his intention to retire from the bench on August 31, 1976, and

WHEREAS, he has been a member of the Judicial Council of Virginia since his appointment on December 5, 1963, by the Honorable John W. Eggleston, and has served on Committees of Council including the Chairmanships of the Committees on Revision of Canons of Judicial Conduct and Proposed Amendments to Jury Statutes, and

WHEREAS, he has performed his duties with ability and distinction and devoted himself to the improvement of the judicial standards in this Commonwealth and has won the great respect and affection of each member of the Judicial Council,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF VIRGINIA that the members thereof hereby record their respect and appreciation for the contribution to justice by Honorable Alexander Hamilton Sands, Jr., and extend to him their sincere wish that he may have a long retirement accompanied by good health and happiness.

Lawrence W. I'Anson

Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Virginia and Chairman of the Judicial Council of Virginia

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