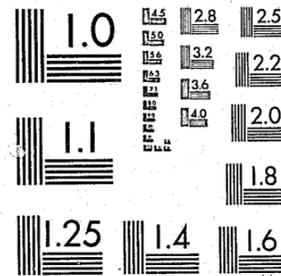


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THE HONORABLE CHIEF JUSTICE  
AND JUSTICES OF THE SUPREME  
COURT OF NEW MEXICO

DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE  
NEW MEXICO STATE LEGISLATURE

The 1981-82 fiscal year Annual Report of the Judicial Department, published pursuant to Section 34-9-3, N.M.S.A. 1978, is submitted herewith for your review.

Emphasis has been placed on continuing to provide the quality and kinds of services as in past years although faced with budget cuts. More efficient methods of operation are being devised to deal with the demands of increasing caseloads and decreasing funds.

We share a common goal with New Mexico citizenry and state government alike: equal justice for all, affordable justice, to which anyone needing it has access. The combined efforts and positive interrelationships among the Executive, Legislative and Judicial branches contribute materially to achieving that goal.

Respectfully submitted,

  
EDWARD J. BACA, DIRECTOR  
Administrative Office of the Courts

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**ACQUISITIONS**

**ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS**

The Administrative Office of the Courts was created by the New Mexico State Legislature in 1959. The office of the court administrator was placed under the supervision of the Supreme Court initially to inventory out-of-district designations in the district courts and survey the civil dockets of the state to determine the relative number of types of civil cases handled by district courts. Responsibilities of the Administrative Office of the Courts have expanded considerably in the last twenty-three years to keep pace with the state's rapid population growth and resultant rising caseloads at all levels of courts as well as meeting demands of an increasingly complex judicial system and dwindling funds.

Section 34-9-3, NMSA 1978, sets forth the statutory requirements of the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts who shall, under the Supreme Court's direction and supervision:

*supervise all matters relating to administration of the courts;*

*examine fiscal matters and the state of the dockets of the courts...*

*submit to the Supreme Court and to the Legislature by January 30 of each year a report of the activities of the administrative office and of the state of business of the courts, including the statistical data submitted to the Supreme Court...*

*deal with the problems of finance of those courts supported by legislative appropriation and be concerned with adequate but economical financing of each of these courts and the equitable distribution of funds among them. For this purpose the Director shall receive, adjust and approve proposed budgets submitted by these courts...*

*perform other duties in aid of the administration of justice and the administration and dispatch of the business of the courts as directed by the Supreme Court. The courts shall comply with all requests of the director for information.*

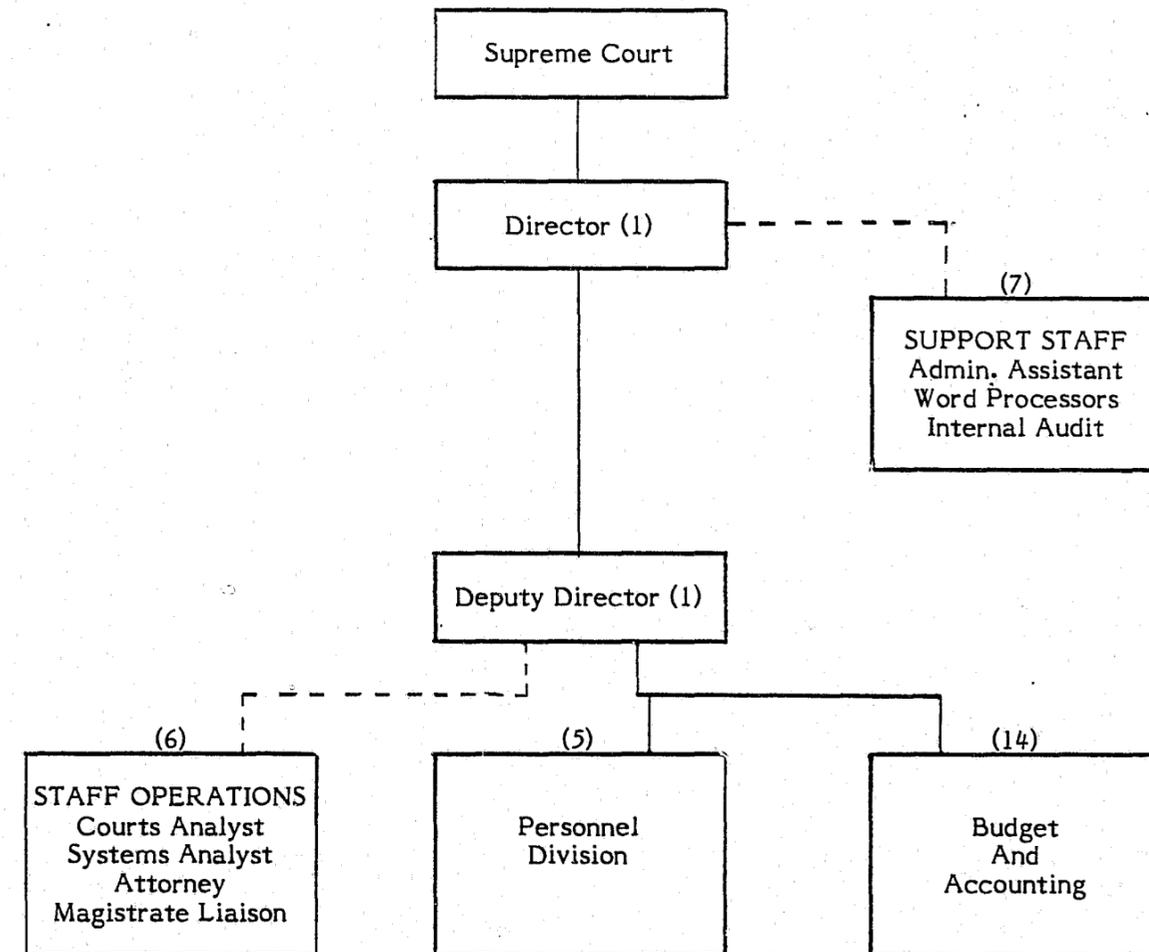
The Administrative Office of the Courts is budgeted funds by the Legislature each year to maintain the total operation of the magistrate courts, district court jury and witness vouchering system, judge pro tempore program, and management staff. Other responsibilities include judicial personnel administration, court management analysis services, program design and monitoring, systems development, judicial education and training, budget and accounting management, and operations supervision of the Supreme Court Building Commission.

The staff of thirty-three full-time employees is organized into three divisions: Staff Operations, Personnel, and Budget and Accounting. Staff Operations performs studies of judicial organizational structures, systems and methods for the purpose of recommending changes to improve functioning of the appellate, district and magistrate courts. Magistrate services is a

component of Staff Operations. The Personnel Division conducts studies of classifications, pay ranges, salaries, updates the Judicial Personnel Plan, and handles paperwork on all Judicial Department employees. The training component of Personnel is responsible for continued education of appellate, district, metropolitan, and magistrate judges, clerks, juvenile probation officers, court reporters, and court monitors. Program design and monitoring and internal audit of the state funded courts fall within the Director's purview.

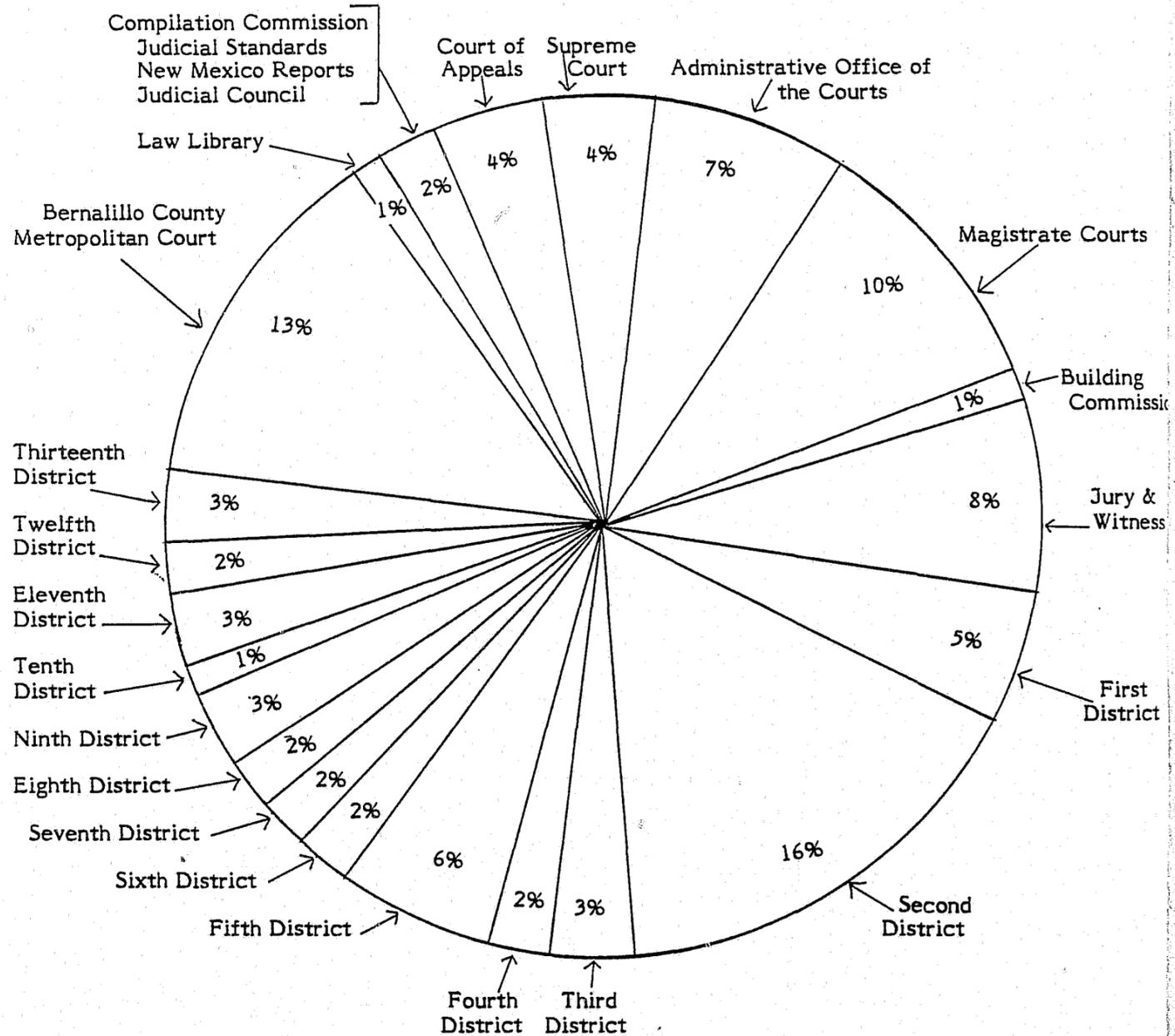
The Budget and Accounting Division handles budget and accounting for the Supreme Court Building Commission in addition to the Administrative Office of the Courts and magistrate courts. Also included under Budget and Accounting are data collection and purchasing and property control.

### AOC ORGANIZATION DESIGN



- \_\_\_\_\_ LINE FUNCTIONS
- - - - - SUPPORT FUNCTIONS
- (#) NUMBER OF POSITIONS IN EACH UNIT

**GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES  
for the Year Ended June 30, 1982**



**GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES BY REPORTING ENTITY  
July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982**

CODE	ACTIVITY	AMOUNT EXPENDED AND ENCUMBERED	% of TOTAL
205	Supreme Court Law Library	\$ 260,000	1
208	Compilation Commission	590,900	2
215	Court of Appeals	930,200	4
216	Supreme Court	881,100	4
218.1	Administrative Office of the Courts	1,718,000	7
218.3	Magistrate Courts	2,584,200	10
219	Supreme Court Building Commission	306,100	1
221	Jury & Witness Fees	2,041,000	8
231	First Judicial District	1,159,300	5
232	Second Judicial District	4,095,200	16
233	Third Judicial District	661,700	3
234	Fourth Judicial District	446,500	2
235	Fifth Judicial District	1,428,400	6
236	Sixth Judicial District	564,700	2
237	Seventh Judicial District	521,700	2
238	Eighth Judicial District	609,400	2
239	Ninth Judicial District	643,700	3
240	Tenth Judicial District	279,500	1
241	Eleventh Judicial District	729,600	3
242	Twelfth Judicial District	454,000	2
243	Thirteenth Judicial District	843,400	3
244	Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court	<u>3,355,600</u>	<u>13</u>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$25,104,200</b>	<b>100</b>

**GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES  
DISTRICT COURT REGULAR & JUVENILE PROBATION  
July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982**

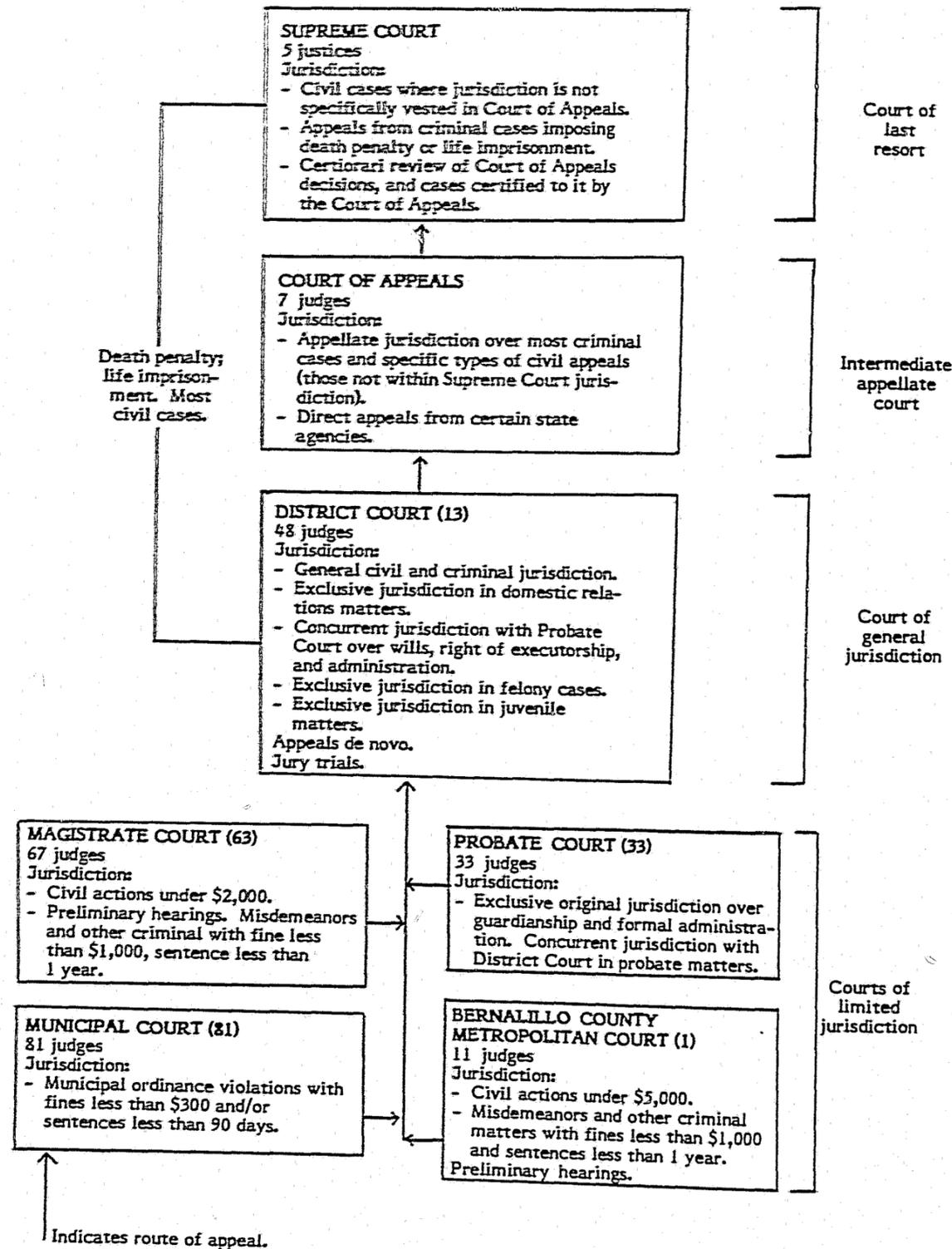
<u>Dis.</u>	<u>Court Regular</u>	<u>% Agency Total</u>	<u>Juvenile Probation</u>	<u>% Agency Total</u>	<u>Agency Total</u>
1	\$ 867,100	74.5	\$ 297,400	25.5	\$1,164,500
2	3,118,200	76.1	977,000	23.9	4,095,200
3	475,900	71.9	185,800	28.1	661,700
4	334,000	74.8	112,500	25.2	446,500
5	1,166,400	81.7	262,000	18.3	1,428,400
6	419,600	74.3	145,100	25.7	564,700
7	409,200	78.4	112,500	21.6	521,700
8	390,700	64.1	218,700	35.9	609,400
9	497,100	77.2	146,600	22.8	643,700
10	212,200	75.9	67,300	24.1	279,500
11	539,300	73.9	190,300	26.1	729,600
12	332,000	73.1	122,000	26.9	454,000
13	<u>636,900</u>	<u>75.5</u>	<u>206,500</u>	<u>24.5</u>	<u>843,400</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9,398,600</b>	<b>75.5</b>	<b>\$3,043,700</b>	<b>24.5</b>	<b>\$12,442,300</b>

**WITNESS & JURY FUND  
July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982**

Expenditures from July 1, 1981 through June 30, 1982 based on jury compensation of \$ 3.35 per hour plus 22 cents per mile, witness compensation is \$36.00 to 44.00 per day and 22 cents per mile.

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>EXPENDITURES</u>
1	\$ 306,318.65
2	553,219.25
3	67,904.98
4	63,229.18
5	247,311.93
6	111,720.12
7	66,719.54
8	67,184.98
9	34,671.29
10	18,623.78
11	85,246.58
12	80,618.78
13	74,544.88
Magistrate	<u>151,075.29</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 1,928,389.23</b>

NEW MEXICO COURT SYSTEM  
1982



THE SUPREME COURT

During the 70th Fiscal Year the Supreme Court was composed of:

Mack Easley, Chief Justice  
Dan Sosa, Jr., Senior Justice  
H. Vern Payne, Justice  
William R. Federici, Justice  
William F. Riordan, Justice

In 1976 Mack Easley was successful in his election bid for an unexpired term of six years and Dan Sosa, Jr. was successful in his race for an eight-year term. Both terms began on January 1, 1977. In 1978 William R. Federici was elected to an eight-year term, beginning on January 1, 1979. During the 69th fiscal year, H. Vern Payne was successful in his campaign for an eight-year term, beginning on January 1, 1981. William F. Riordan defeated Edwin L. Felter in the 1980 general election, and was elected to the unexpired term of Mr. Justice John B. McManus. This term will expire on December 31, 1987.

The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court is selected by the Court to serve for two years. Mr. Senior Justice Sosa was chosen by the Court to serve as Chief Justice for the 1979 and 1980 calendar years. Mr. Chief Justice Easley was selected by the Court to serve for the 1981 and 1982 calendar years. The Chief Justice presides at all sessions of court and is the Administrative Officer of the Court during his tenure as Chief Justice.

On a monthly basis, the new cases on the regular docket of the Supreme Court were filed as follows. (Figures for the 69th, 68th, 67th and 66th fiscal years are added for comparison.)

	70th	69th	68th	67th	66th
July	50	62	45	41	48
August	57	40	53	43	53
September	43	42	38	43	43
October	53	50	44	49	51
November	63	31	45	47	34
December	70	64	40	33	51
January	40	37	51	36	45
February	53	40	47	37	46
March	48	54	66	39	51
April	58	51	50	60	56
May	62	49	43	47	65
June	50	44	55	47	43
TOTALS	647	564	577	522	586

In addition to the cases above, there were 507 miscellaneous motions filed for a total of 1,254 filings.

New matters filed on the regular docket are in the following categories. Comparable figures are included, when available.

	70th	69th	68th	67th	66th
Civil	280	219	227	206	245
Criminal	32	18	32	28	28
Certiorari	190	204	208	182	174
Mandamus	26	27	21	27	27
Prohibition	73	62	60	59	56
Habeas Corpus	13	9	14	10	12
Superintending Control	10	9	5	7	7
Disciplinary	8	7	1	2	3
Quo Warranto					1
Rule 32 Election Challenge	2				5
Criminal Contempt				1	1
Judicial Standards	1	2	1	2	1
Suspension of Attorneys	1	2	3	2	2
Removal from Corporation					
Commission	5	1		1	
Writ of Error	2				
Injunction	1				
Miscellaneous	3	4	5	4	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>647</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>562</b>

There were 37 cases entered on the habeas corpus docket. There were petitions filed and hearings held on 419 Rule 37 Motions, 35 Rule 46 Motions and 16 Rule 60 Motions. These motions are entered on a separate docket and deal with the right to a speedy trial, a right to hearing, etc. One Justice hears all of the above petitions each month and this assignment is rotated between the Justices.

Original proceedings, motions, and petitions for prerogative writs are heard by a panel of three Justices each Wednesday, unless otherwise directed by the Court. The panels for the hearings are assigned by the Chief Justice each month on a rotating basis. The Court disposes of these matters either by order or by written opinion.

Petitions for writ of certiorari to the Court of Appeals are considered by the entire Court, and are either granted and assigned for disposition by opinion or denied by order.

The remainder of the cases filed in the Supreme Court are placed on the General Calendar to be submitted to the Court when at issue. Cases are submitted to the Court either by oral argument or on the briefs submitted by counsel.

The Supreme Court handed down 266 opinions and/or decisions during the twelve month period, disposing of 280 cases. There were opinions handed down on 44 cases where writs of certiorari had been issued, reviewing decisions of the Court of Appeals.

**CHIEF JUSTICE MACK EASLEY**

Affirmed 28  
 Reversed 17  
 Affirmed in Part; Reversed in Part 6  
 Writ Made Permanent 2  
 Affirmed Judgment & Quashed Writ 1

54 Opinions/Decisions

(12 Opinions were on Certiorari)  
 (Closed 57 cases)

**SENIOR JUSTICE DAN SOSA, JR.**

Affirmed 22  
 Reversed 16  
 Remanded 1  
 Affirmed in Part; Reversed in Part 1  
 Certification from U.S. District Court answered in negative 1

41 Opinions/Decisions

(4 Opinions on Certiorari)  
 (Closed 42 cases)

**JUSTICE H. VERN PAYNE**

Affirmed 20  
 Reversed 28  
 Affirmed in Part; Reversed in Part 6  
 Remanded 2

56 Opinions/Decisions

(11 Opinions on Certiorari)  
 (Closed 57 cases)

**JUSTICE WILLIAM R. FEDERICI**

Affirmed 25  
 Reversed 9  
 Affirmed in Part; Reversed in Part 7  
 Withdrawn & Dismissed 1  
 Affirmed & Quashed Writ 1

43 Opinions/Decisions

(7 Opinions on Certiorari)  
 (1 on Rehearing)  
 (1 Certification from Court of Appeals)  
 (Closed 50 cases)

**JUSTICE WILLIAM F. RIORDAN**

Affirmed 21  
 Reversed 28  
 Affirmed in Part; Reversed in Part 9  
 Quashed Writ 2  
 Writ made Permanent 1

61 Opinions/Decisions

(10 Opinions on Certiorari)  
 (2 Opinions on Prohibition)  
 (1 Opinion on Rehearing)  
 (Closed 63 cases)

**PER CURIAM:** 3 Opinions/ Decisions  
 Affirmed 2  
 Reversed 1

**DISTRICT COURT JUDGES & COURT OF APPEALS JUDGES SITTING BY DESIGNATION** 8 Opinions/Decisions  
 Affirmed 6  
 Reversed 1  
 Writ made Permanent 1

The average elapsed time (in days) for the cases closed by written opinion and/or decision was as follows:

	70th	69th	68th	67th	66th
From Notice of Appeal to Transcript*	94.8	91.9	92.0	93.6	85.8
From Transcript to Issue	75.4	77.3	82.4	82.5	73.5
From Issue to Submission	57.0	55.3	60.1	59.0	52.6
From Submission to Opinion/Decision	88.6	98.7	85.9	74.8	41.5
From Issue to Opinion/Decision	150.6	153.3	146.4	135.8	94.5
From Transcript to Mandate	244.3	247.9	269.5		182.0

\*As Counsel has only thirty days to file a skeleton transcript after the filing of notice of appeal, no table was prepared on the Notice of Appeal to Docketing.

**RECAP OF CASES PENDING ON JULY 1, 1981:**

At Issue - not set for oral argument 21  
 Not at Issue 70  
 Previously Submitted 90  
181

TOTAL CASES PENDING JULY 1, 1981 ..... 181  
 NEW CASES FILED - REGULAR DOCKET ..... 647  
 TOTAL CASES ON DOCKET AT END OF FISCAL YEAR 828  
 LESS TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES DISPOSED OF - 567  
 TOTAL NUMBER OF PENDING CASES ON DOCKET 261

**RECAP OF CASES PENDING ON JUNE 30, 1982:**

At Issue - not set for oral argument 19  
 Not at Issue 72  
 Previously Submitted 170  
261

The Compilation Commission has continued to service the New Mexico Statutes Annotated's public subscribers. Approximately 990 full set holders are now participating in this service. There are, in addition, approximately 980 partial set holders. There was one distribution of statute materials made to the set holders during the 70th fiscal year. One billing for these materials was authorized. The 1982 supplements and the billing for those supplements were distributed in September, 1982.

The Compilation Commission has continued with its program of organization and publication of the New Mexico Attorney General Opinions. There are approximately 200 subscriptions to this service. The individual Attorney General Opinions, as well as a 30-year index, compliance guides and informational pamphlets are being offered in a quarterly subscription service.

As a service to the public, the Compilation Commission and this office are maintaining an inventory of statute pamphlets, judicial rules pamphlets and Attorney General Opinion materials for sale. Currently these supplies are running at approximately 150 of each pamphlet and supplement, with a supply of 300 of the Attorney General publications also in stock.

This office completed distribution of Volumes 95 and 96 of the New Mexico Reports during the 70th fiscal year. Sales of New Mexico Reports are made to the general public and to interested state agencies. A complete inventory of Volumes 4 through 96 is available for sale.

**NEW MEXICO COURT OF APPEALS**  
**July 1, 1981 through June 30, 1982**  
**(70th Fiscal Year)**

During the above period, the Court of Appeals was composed of:

Mary Walters, Chief Judge  
 Joe W. Wood, Senior Judge  
 William R. Hendley, Judge  
 Lewis R. Sutin, Judge  
 Ramon Lopez, Judge  
 C. Fincher Neal, Judge  
 Thomas A. Donnelly, Judge

**I. NEW FILINGS**

<u>Volume</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>1982</u>	
July	61		
August	46		
September	59		
October	56		
November	42		
December	36		
January		34	
February		45	
March		49	
April		69	
May		44	
June		<u>58</u>	
			599

**Category**

<b>Civil:</b>			
Administrative appeals	24		
Interlocutory appeals	32		
Docket & affirm	4		
All other	<u>227</u>		
	<u>287</u>		
<b>Criminal:</b>			
Interlocutory appeals	10		
Appeals by state	37		
All other	<u>265</u>		
	<u>312</u>	599	
Free process in both criminal and civil cases:			236

**Action on Interlocutory Appeals**

Grant	30
Deny	12
Transfer/Certify	<u>0</u>
	<u>42</u>

**Docketing Statements Filed**

302

**Calendar Assignments**

Docketing Statements filed 302  
 Pending from prior period 4

306

Limited	164
Legal	18
Summary affirm	78
Summary reverse	21
Summary dismiss	14
Summary affirm/reverse	4
No assignment (closed)	2
Pending	5

**Calendar Reassignments**

Summary dismiss to summary affirm	1
Summary reverse to limited	4
Summary affirm/reverse to limited	1
Summary affirm to summ/reverse	1
Summary affirm to limited	9
Summary dismiss to limited	3
Summary affirm to legal	1

**II. CASE DISPOSITIONS**

<u>Volume</u>	<u>Opinion</u>	<u>Order</u>	<u>Transfer/ Certify</u>	
July	28	9	8	
August	34	5	2	
September	31	9	4	
October	37	8	2	
November	35	7	1	
December	43	5	5	
January	34	4	1	
February	50	7	2	
March	47	6	1	
April	45	3	1	
May	26	11	4	
June	<u>30</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>	
	440	84	34	558
Formal Opinions	207			
Memorandum Opinions	<u>233</u>			440

Category of Opinions:

Civil			
Affirm	121		
Reverse	60		
Dismiss	1		
A/R	15		
Other	3		
	<hr/>	199	
Criminal			
Affirm	166		
Reverse	49		
Dismiss	13		
A/R	5		
Other	8		
	<hr/>	241	440

Calendar Assignments of Criminal Appeals Reversed

Reverse in favor of state:			
Limited	3		
Legal	1		
Summary	3		
	<hr/>	7	
Reverse in favor of defendant:			
Limited	23		
Summary	15		
Interlocutory	4		
	<hr/>	42	49
Defendants ordered discharged		5	
Further trial proceedings ordered		44	

III. MOTIONS

Motions Filed:

Extensions of time:		482	
Briefs	358		
Transcripts	52		
Docketing Statements	48		
Skeleton Transcripts	24		
Stay		9	
Docket and Affirm		4	
Dismiss/Affirm		52	
Rehearing		54	
Other		255	
Oral Argument		17	873

Disposition of Rehearings

Grant	5
Deny	46
Pending	3

IV. MISCELLANEOUS

During this period, there were 31 days of oral argument involving 106 cases; 24 days of motion hearings involving 11 motions; and 25 show cause hearings and 3 pending at the end of June.

V. CERTIORARI STATUS REPORT

Notices of Certiorari

Notices pending prior to June 30, 1981:	8	
Notices filed during fiscal year:	<u>183</u>	191
Granted:	81	
Denied:	102	
Pending:	8	

Writs of Certiorari Issued

Writs issued prior to 6/30/81 and pending:	33	
Action on Writs during fiscal year:	<u>81</u>	114
Quashed:	45	
Opin/Dec	32	
Opin A/R:	6	
Opin Affirm:	3	
Other:	<u>2</u>	
	88	

Writs pending as of July 1, 1982: 26

**CRIMINAL APPEALS BY CATEGORY OF CRIME**

Arson	3
Auto Burglary	3
Auto Theft	2
Assault	2
Assault & Battery	1
Aggravated Assault	11
Aggravated Battery	15
Aggravated Burglary	9
Armed Robbery	16
Battery	5
Burglary	20
Bad Checks	1
Child Abuse	5
Conspiracy	14
Contempt	5
Contributing to delinquency	2
Criminal Sexual Penetration	20
Children's Court	22
Driving While Intoxicated	6
Embezzlement	3
Escape	3
Extortion	1
Forgery	2
Fraud	11
Gambling	1
Habitual Offender	20
Harbor/Aid Felon	1
Kidnapping	4
Larceny	15
Manslaughter	10
Murder, 2nd	15
Possession/distributing cont. subst.	17
Possession Burglary Tool	1
Possession Explosive	1
Possession Deadly Weapon	2
Probation Revocation	14
Prostitution	1
Perjury	1
Robbery	1
Received Stolen Property	17
Shoplifting	2

**VI. AVERAGE TIME TO DISPOSE OF APPEAL BY CATEGORY:**

Criminal Interlocutory Appeals with Transcripts:

Application to Transcript:	31 days
Transcript to end of briefs:	43 days
Submission to Opinion:	23 days

Criminal/ Interlocutory Appeals without transcripts or tapes:

Application to end of brief:	25 days
Submission to Opinion:	31 days

Criminal Appeals with Transcripts:

Notice of Appeal to Transcript:	86 days
Transcript to end of briefs:	54 days
Submission to Opinion:	23 days

Criminal Appeals with Tapes:

Notice of Appeal to Tapes:	55 days
Tapes to end Briefs:	55 days
Submission to Opinion:	17 days

Criminal Appeals without Transcripts of Tapes - Legal Calendar:

Notice of Appeals to end of briefs:	54 days
Submission to Opinion:	19 days

Criminal Appeals without Transcripts or Tapes - Summary Calendar:

Notice of Appeal to Submission:	41 days
Submission to Opinion:	5 days

Civil Interlocutor Appeals with Transcripts:

Application to Transcript:	32 days
Transcript to end of briefs:	37 days
Submission to Opinion:	61 days

Civil Interlocutory Appeals without Transcripts or Tapes:

Application to end of briefs:	29 days
Submission to Opinion:	43 days

Civil Appeals with Tapes:

Notice of Appeal to Tapes:	61 days
Tapes to end of briefs:	67 days
Submission to Opinion:	53 days

Civil Appeals with Transcripts:

Notice of Appeal to Transcript:	91 days
Transcript to end of briefs:	82 days
Submission to Opinion:	63 days

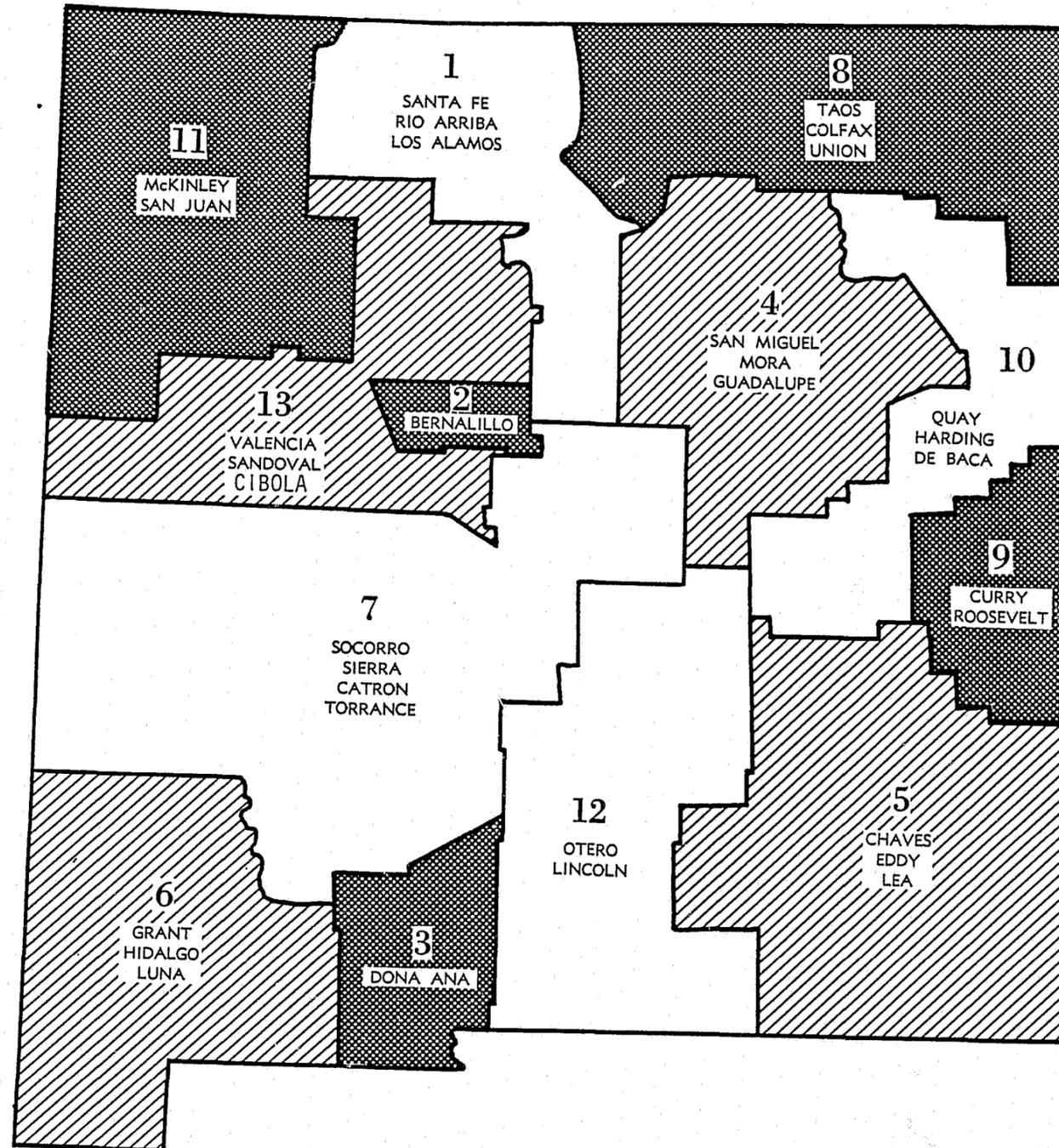
VII. REPORT OF APPEALS BY COUNTY

County	Total	Free Process	Civil	Criminal	Inter-Locu.	D&A
Bernalillo	221	64	101	120	17	4
Cibola	3	2	2	1	0	0
Catron	2	1	1	1	0	0
Chaves	26	23	6	20	1	0
Colfax	3	3	0	3	0	0
Curry	22	15	6	16	1	0
De Baca	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dona Ana	25	8	13	12	6	0
Eddy	34	16	14	20	1	0
Grant	7	3	4	3	0	0
Guadalupe	1	0	1	0	0	0
Harding	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hidalgo	3	3	0	3	0	0
Lea	43	19	6	37	2	0
Lincoln	4	1	3	1	0	0
Los Alamos	4	2	2	2	0	0
Luna	10	3	5	5	0	0
McKinley	9	5	3	6	0	0
Mora	1	0	1	0	0	0
Otero	11	5	4	7	1	0
Quay	5	4	1	4	0	0
Rio Arriba	5	1	3	2	0	0
Roosevelt	8	4	4	4	1	0
Sandoval	3	1	0	3	0	0
San Juan	26	7	16	10	3	0
San Miguel	16	7	9	7	2	0
Santa Fe	38	9	27	11	5	0
Sierra	4	3	1	3	0	0
Socorro	6	3	2	4	1	0
Taos	7	2	6	1	0	0
Torrance	5	4	1	4	0	0
Union	2	1	0	2	0	0
Valencia	21	4	18	3	1	0
Administrative Appeals	24	13	24	0	0	0
TOTAL	599	236	284	315	42	4

VIII. COMPARISON STATISTICS

YEAR	CASES	CASE DISP.
1966	24	4
1967	108	81
1968	152	140
1969	168	145
1970	168	149
1971	232	221
1972	235	239
1973	318	265
1974	475	372
1975	514	529
1976	446	550
1977	576	503
1978	539	463
1979	517	493
FY 68	570	578
FY 69	505	557
FY 70	599	558

**JUDICIAL DISTRICTS  
1981-1982**



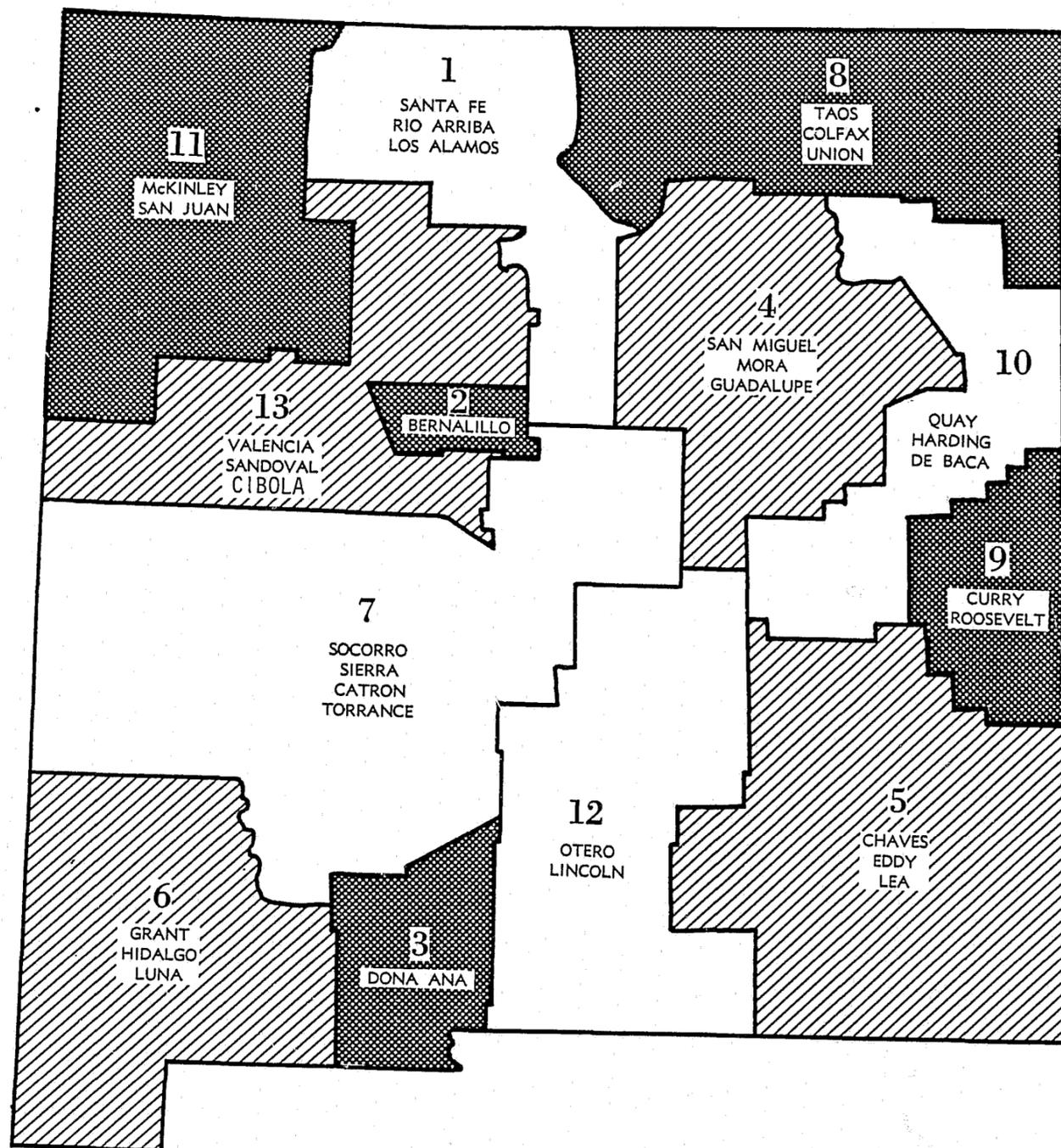
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DISTRICT	COUNTIES	NO. OF JUDGES 6/30/82
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2	Bernalillo.....	15
3	Dona Ana.....	2 + 1 New
4	San Miguel, Mora, Guadalupe.....	2
5	Eddy, Chaves, Lea.....	6
6	Grant, Hidalgo, Luna.....	2
7	Socorro, Sierra, Catron, Torrance...	2
8	Taos, Colfax, Union.....	2
9	Curry, Roosevelt.....	2
10	Quay, DeBaca, Harding.....	1
11	McKinley, San Juan.....	3
12	Otero, Lincoln.....	2
13	Valencia, Sandoval, Cibola.....	3
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>33 Counties.....</b>	<b>47 + 1 New + 1 Temporary</b>

**JUDICIAL DISTRICTS  
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**District Court Judges  
1981-1982**

<u>DISTRICT/DIVISION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>JUDGE</u>
First	III	Santa Fe
	I	" " "
	II	" " "
	IV	" " "
	V	" " "
	VI	" " "
Second	XI	Albuquerque
	I	" " "
	II	" " "
	III	" " "
	IV	" " "
	V	" " "
	VI	" " "
	VII	" " "
	VIII	" " "
	IX	" " "
	X	" " "
	XI	" " "
	XII	" " "
	XIII	" " "
	XIV	" " "
XV	" " "	
Third	II	Las Cruces
	I	" " "
	III	" " "
Fourth	I	Las Vegas
	II	" " "

<sup>1</sup> Temporary Judgeship.

<sup>2</sup> Appointed November 9, 1981 by Governor Bruce King to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Judge Gene Franchini.

<sup>3</sup> Appointed July 1, 1981 by Governor Bruce King to newly created Division III.

**District Court Judges  
1981-1982**

<u>DISTRICT/DIVISION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>JUDGE</u>
Fifth	IV	Hobbs
	I	Carlsbad
	II	Roswell
	III	Hobbs
	V	Carlsbad
	VI	Roswell
Sixth	I	Silver City
	II	Deming
Seventh	I	Socorro
	II	" " "
Eighth	II	Taos
	I	Raton
Ninth	I	Clovis
	II	" " "
Tenth	I	Tucumcari
Eleventh	I	Aztec
	II	Gallup
	III	Aztec
Twelfth	I	Alamogordo
	II	" " "
Thirteenth	II	Bernalillo
	I	Los Lunas
	III	" " "

<sup>4</sup> Appointed December 1, 1981 By Governor Bruce King to fill the vacancy created by appointment of Judge C. Fincher Neal to the Court of Appeals.

<sup>5</sup> Appointed December 1, 1981 by Governor Bruce King to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge John B. Wright.

**DISTRICT COURT CASELOAD REPORT**  
**PRESENTED BY JUDICIAL DISTRICT, JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982**

	CIVIL CASES				DOMESTIC CASES			
	Pending 7-1-81	Filed 70th FY	Closed 70th FY	Pending 6-30-82	Pending 7-1-81	Filed 70th FY	Closed 70th FY	Pending 6-30-82
1st Judicial District	2784	2442	2607	2619	970	1234	1177	1027
2nd Judicial District	7492	10909	10901	7500	1754	5849	6102	1501
3rd Judicial District	836	1204	1161	879	468	1476	1546	398
4th Judicial District	518	538	690	366	170	399	394	175
5th Judicial District	2258	2599	2414	2443	1017	3311	3149	1179
6th Judicial District	611	629	599	641	567	683	695	555
7th Judicial District	442	607	615	434	153	616	605	166
8th Judicial District	812	691	610	893	247	492	407	332
9th Judicial District	637	867	852	652	233	920	1027	126
10th Judicial District	223	266	278	211	85	176	191	70
11th Judicial District	1253	1669	1294	1628	707	1266	1255	718
12th Judicial District	722	803	714	811	205	869	832	242
13th Judicial District	<u>1773</u>	<u>1770</u>	<u>1863</u>	<u>1680</u>	<u>413</u>	<u>770</u>	<u>805</u>	<u>378</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>20361</b>	<b>24994</b>	<b>24598</b>	<b>20757</b>	<b>6991</b>	<b>18061</b>	<b>18185</b>	<b>6867</b>

**DISTRICT COURT CASELOAD REPORT**  
**PRESENTED BY JUDICIAL DISTRICT, JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982**

	CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS				JUVENILE DEFENDANTS				TOTAL 70th FY CASELOAD			
	Pending 7-1-81	Filed 70th FY	Closed 70th FY	Pending 6-30-82	Pending 7-1-81	Filed 70th FY	Closed 70th FY	Pending 6-30-82	Pending 7-1-81	Filed 70th FY	Closed 70th FY	Pending 6-30-82
	490	555	527	518	178	619	622	175	4422	4850	4933	4339
	1079	1731	1471	1339	1596	2058	1572	2082	11921	20547	20046	12422
	148	259	292	115	41	168	181	28	1493	3107	3180	1420
	83	105	72	116	183	110	78	215	954	1152	1234	872
	419	1005	1001	423	165	625	556	234	3859	7540	7120	4279
	76	214	197	93	78	329	338	69	1332	1855	1829	1358
	79	231	230	80	43	173	192	24	719	1627	1642	704
	139	159	162	136	25	69	66	28	1223	1411	1245	1389
	154	352	412	94	53	233	248	38	1077	2372	2539	910
	47	110	121	36	50	69	88	31	405	621	678	348
	167	532	425	274	15	268	212	71	2142	3735	3186	2691
	83	231	262	52	42	155	162	35	1052	2058	1970	1140
	<u>166</u>	<u>147</u>	<u>169</u>	<u>144</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>148</u>	<u>139</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>2385</u>	<u>2835</u>	<u>2976</u>	<u>2244</u>
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>3130</b>	<b>5631</b>	<b>5341</b>	<b>3420</b>	<b>2502</b>	<b>5024</b>	<b>4454</b>	<b>3072</b>	<b>32984</b>	<b>53710</b>	<b>52578</b>	<b>34116</b>

**DISTRICT COURT CASELOAD REPORT**  
PRESENTED BY COUNTY, JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982

COURT	CIVIL CASES				DOMESTIC CASES			
	Pending 7-1-81	Filed 70th FY	Closed 70th FY	Pending 6-30-82	Pending 7-1-81	Filed 70th FY	Closed 70th FY	Pending 6-30-82
SANTA FE	2258	1844	1957	2145	662	898	825	735
RIO ARRIBA	377	442	465	354	264	233	246	251
LOS ALAMOS	149	156	185	120	44	103	106	41
BERNALILLO	7492	10909	10901	7500	1754	5849	6102	1501
DONA ANA	836	1204	1161	879	468	1476	1546	398
SAN MIGUEL	307	411	513	205	114	321	307	128
GUADALUPE	110	63	127	46	28	49	67	10
MORA	101	64	50	115	28	29	20	37
EDDY	601	628	639	590	348	1003	944	407
CHAVES	1062	845	773	1134	317	956	964	309
LEA	595	1126	1002	719	352	1352	1241	463
GRANT	285	327	306	306	346	460	525	281
LUNA	196	234	189	241	171	164	128	207
HIDALGO	130	68	104	94	50	59	42	67
SIERRA	189	194	222	161	61	137	171	27
TORRANCE	77	156	159	74	33	200	187	46
SOCORRO	141	210	194	157	49	261	230	80
CATRON	35	47	40	42	12	18	17	13
COLFAX	250	217	198	269	91	165	127	129
UNION	120	130	126	124	14	67	47	34
TAOS	442	344	286	500	142	260	233	169
CURRY	389	646	562	473	181	738	839	80
ROOSEVELT	248	221	290	179	52	182	188	46
QUAY	160	187	200	147	66	147	160	53
DE BACA	34	62	54	42	17	25	27	15
HARDING	29	17	24	22	2	4	4	2
MCKINLEY	340	453	380	413	112	321	323	110
SAN JUAN	913	1216	914	1215	595	945	932	608
OTERO	473	522	511	484	144	670	663	151
LINCOLN	249	281	203	327	61	199	169	91
VALENCIA	1378	915	1240	1053	320	336	476	180
SANDOVAL	391	452	425	418	88	221	221	88
CIBOLA	4	403	198	209	5	213	108	110
TOTALS	20361	24994	24598	20757	6991	18061	18185	6867

**DISTRICT COURT CASELOAD REPORT**  
PRESENTED BY COUNTY, JULY 1, 1981 - JUNE 30, 1982

COURT	CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS				JUVENILE DEFENDANTS				TOTAL 70th FY CASELOAD			
	Pending 7-1-81	Filed 70th FY	Closed 70th FY	Pending 6-30-82	Pending 7-1-81	Filed 70th FY	Closed 70th FY	Pending 6-30-82	Pending 7-1-81	Filed 70th FY	Closed 70th FY	Pending 6-30-82
SANTA FE	342	403	354	391	103	406	406	103	3365	3551	3542	3374
RIO ARRIBA	110	129	145	94	52	176	184	44	803	980	1040	743
LOS ALAMOS	38	23	28	33	23	37	32	28	254	319	351	222
BERNALILLO	1079	1731	1471	1339	1596	2058	1572	2082	11921	20547	20046	12422
DONA ANA	148	259	292	115	41	168	181	28	1493	3107	3180	1420
SAN MIGUEL	69	96	58	107	117	71	56	132	607	899	934	572
GUADALUPE	6	6	4	8	48	38	22	64	192	156	220	128
MORA	8	3	10	1	18	1	0	19	155	97	80	172
EDDY	126	312	276	162	87	307	257	137	1162	2250	2116	1296
CHAVES	157	328	328	157	40	182	182	40	1576	2311	2247	1640
LEA	136	365	397	104	38	136	117	57	1121	2979	2757	1343
GRANT	27	123	110	40	50	190	213	27	708	1100	1154	654
LUNA	33	68	71	30	21	88	84	25	421	554	472	503
HIDALGO	16	23	16	23	7	51	41	17	203	201	203	201
SIERRA	39	81	99	21	21	81	97	5	310	493	589	214
TORRANCE	12	55	47	20	4	39	37	6	126	450	430	146
SOCORRO	19	65	59	25	14	48	50	12	223	584	533	274
CATRON	9	30	25	14	4	5	8	1	60	100	90	70
COLFAX	65	56	68	53	10	30	33	7	416	468	426	458
UNION	8	20	20	8	1	9	9	1	143	226	202	167
TAOS	66	83	74	75	14	30	24	20	664	717	617	764
CURRY	90	275	307	58	32	179	197	14	692	1838	1905	625
ROOSEVELT	64	77	105	36	21	54	51	24	385	534	634	285
QUAY	33	94	103	24	47	66	84	29	306	494	547	253
DE BACA	12	11	17	6	1	3	4	0	64	101	102	63
HARDING	2	5	1	6	2	0	0	2	35	26	29	32
MCKINLEY	67	130	118	79	13	75	79	9	532	979	900	611
SAN JUAN	100	402	307	195	2	193	133	62	1610	2756	2286	2080
OTERO	65	172	207	30	25	94	99	20	707	1458	1480	685
LINCOLN	18	59	55	22	17	61	63	15	345	600	490	455
VALENCIA	137	53	97	93	28	63	64	27	1863	1367	1877	1353
SANDOVAL	26	69	57	38	5	31	29	7	510	773	732	551
CIBOLA	3	25	15	13	0	54	46	8	12	695	367	340
TOTALS	3130	5631	5341	3420	2502	5024	4454	3072	32984	53710	52578	34116

DISQUALIFICATIONS, RECUSALS AND DESIGNATIONS  
July 1, 1981 - June 30, 1982

DIS.	DIV.	JUDGE	WITHIN DISTRICT		SUPREME COURT OUT-OF DISTRICT DESIGNATIONS
			DISQUAL.	RECUSALS	
1					
	I	Jimenez-Maes	95	56	0
	II	Scarborough	20	42	0
	III	Garcia	8	5	0
	IV	Kaufman	46	21	0
	V	Francke	133	19	0
	VI	Felter	35	3	0
	TOTAL		<u>337</u>	<u>146</u>	<u>0</u>
2					
	I	Stowers	88	22	1
	II	Baca	94	10	1
	III	Love	61	4	0
	IV	Allen	12	18	1
	V	Fowlie	41	11	0
	VI	Alarid	23	23	0
	VII	Ashby	6	10	2
	VIII	Cole	45	4	0
	IX	Madrid	125	22	0
	X	Sanchez	112	15	0
	XI	Traub	29	38	0
	XII	Baiamonte	32	14	0
	XIII	Brown	26	4	0
	XIV	Brennan	4	7	1
	XV	Mescall	96	15	0
	TOTAL		<u>794</u>	<u>217</u>	<u>6</u>
3					
	I	Galvan	7	8	3
	II	Burks	38	37	15
	III	Martin	65	21	8
	TOTAL		<u>110</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>26</u>
4					
	I	Angel	16	14	3
	II	Martinez	237	163	0
	TOTAL		<u>253</u>	<u>177</u>	<u>3</u>
5					
	I	Fort	12	10	0
	II	Snead	7	3	1
	III	Hallam <sup>1</sup>	4	2	0
	IV	Reese	30	3	0
	V	Walker	10	6	0
	VI	Schnedar	13	21	0
	III	Neal <sup>2</sup>	4	2	3
	TOTAL		<u>80</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>4</u>

<sup>1</sup> Appointed December 1, 1981  
<sup>2</sup> Appointed to Court of Appeals November 30, 1981

DISQUALIFICATIONS, RECUSALS AND DESIGNATIONS  
July 1, 1981 - June 30, 1982

DIS.	DIV.	JUDGE	WITHIN DISTRICT		SUPREME COURT OUT-OF DISTRICT DESIGNATIONS
			DISQUAL.	RECUSALS	
6					
	I	Hodges	8	20	0
	II	Hughes	179	4	10
	TOTAL		<u>187</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>10</u>
7					
	I	Kase	4	5	14
	II	Marshall	6	7	8
	TOTAL		<u>10</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>22</u>
8					
	I	Karelitz <sup>3</sup>	1	1	3
	II	Caldwell	14	17	9
	I	Wright <sup>4</sup>	0	3	0
	TOTAL		<u>15</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>12</u>
9					
	I	Nieves	3	7	4
	II	Hensley	42	12	4
	TOTAL		<u>45</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>8</u>
10					
	I	Frost	6	0	12
11					
	I	Musgrove	13	5	1
	II	DePauli	2	1	3
	III	Brown	154	16	0
	TOTAL		<u>169</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>4</u>
12					
	I	Zimmerman	34	7	0
	II	Doughty	20	11	5
	TOTAL		<u>54</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>5</u>
13					
	I	Boucher	29	11	1
	II	Perez	5	0	1
	III	Chavez	45	5	2
	TOTAL		<u>79</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>4</u>
GRAND TOTAL			<u>2,139</u>	<u>785</u>	<u>120</u>

<sup>3</sup> Appointed October 1, 1981  
<sup>4</sup> Retired September 30, 1981

Retired Judges (District and Supreme Court) Designated as Pro Tempore Judges

Zinn	19
Montoya	42
Tacket	1
Archer	2
Oman	2
Neal	<u>4</u>

TOTAL JUDGE PRO TEMPORE 70

**JUVENILE PROBATION SERVICES**

In addition to the number of cases adjudicated each year, a far greater number are handled administratively by the juvenile probation offices. These cases, referred to as "informal cases", are composed of those children who the jpos feel can be helped in a manner other than adjudication. A primary goal of New Mexico's juvenile probation officers is to divert away from formal procedures and to provide children with family, group, and individual counseling in hopes that these processes will discourage further involvement in the criminal justice system.

**JUVENILE CASES**  
**TOTAL INFORMAL CASES**  
**July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982**

Judicial District	County	Informally Adjust.	Admin-ive Prob.	Dismiss.	Referred to Other Agency	Special Program Referral	Formal Court Proceed.	Dismissed By D.A.	Other	TOTAL
1	Santa Fe	26	12	567	1	1	0	2	14	623
	Rio Arriba	345	67	132	24	59	0	0	0	627
	Los Alamos	69	49	29	11	20	2	1	1	182
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1432</b>
2	Bernalillo	1559	211	0	252	889	381	100	0	3392
3	Dona Ana	182	41	42	3	105	0	25	0	398
4	Guadalupe	87	2	30	1	4	2	0	0	126
	Mora	19	5	2	1	1	0	3	11	42
	San Miguel	125	19	52	4	21	0	68	113	402
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>570</b>
5	Chaves	2	148	74	156	16	0	0	0	396
	Eddy	269	125	131	42	89	0	2	0	658
	Lea	319	30	50	17	1	0	0	0	417
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>590</b>	<b>303</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1471</b>
6	Grant	62	31	210	1	15	5	0	0	324
	Hidalgo	0	18	19	12	0	0	0	0	49
	Luna	3	73	0	51	0	0	0	0	127
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>500</b>
7	Catron	11	7	7	2	2	0	1	1	31
	Sierra	89	45	35	12	24	0	0	13	218
	Socorro	91	49	33	12	19	0	6	24	234
	Torrance	43	5	23	8	1	0	7	3	90
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>573</b>

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**JUVENILE CASES**  
**TOTAL INFORMAL CASES**  
**July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982**

Judicial District	County	Informally Adjust.	Admin-ive Prob.	Dismiss.	Referred to Other Agency	Special Program Referral	Formal Court Proceed.	Dismissed By D.A.	Other	TOTAL
8	Colfax	272	25	14	24	62	1	8	54	460
	Taos	133	46	17	8	26	1	6	24	261
	Union	70	9	5	14	25	0	0	2	125
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>475</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>846</b>
9	Curry	133	15	90	7	127	1	8	0	381
	Roosevelt	80	4	3	4	1	0	0	5	97
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>478</b>
10	Quay	151	9	6	1	17	0	0	7	191
	De Baca	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
	Harding	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>201</b>
11	McKinley	5	35	385	14	6	6	2	14	467
	San Juan	123	27	32	13	53	1	10	0	259
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>417</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>726</b>
12	Lincoln	4	21	88	2	1	2	2	1	121
	Otero	47	6	145	7	0	1	9	1	216
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>337</b>
13	Cibola	173	125	12	2	10	0	1	0	323
	Sandoval	100	46	25	2	16	1	0	5	195
	Valencia	153	44	32	0	0	0	0	2	231
	<b>Total District</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>749</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>		<b>4748</b>	<b>1356</b>	<b>2290</b>	<b>708</b>	<b>1611</b>	<b>404</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>11673</b>

## MAGISTRATE COURTS

New Mexico magistrates preside over courts of limited jurisdiction. Since they derive their powers by legislative enactment, the Legislature can increase or reduce magistrate court jurisdiction, as well as create or abolish individual courts.

By current law, a magistrate's territorial jurisdiction is coextensive with the district, i.e. county in which a magistrate serves. However, a magistrate may exercise jurisdiction over certain vehicle and game department violations occurring in adjacent districts. A magistrate may also sit in any action arising in another district when designated by a district judge.

A magistrate's criminal jurisdiction extends to all misdemeanors. He may levy fines of not more than \$1,000.00 and may impose jail sentences of a definite term of less than one year. A magistrate may conduct preliminary hearings in felony cases, where authorized by law. Civil jurisdiction extends to debts or sums claimed up to \$2,000.00 exclusive of interest and court costs.

The New Mexico magistrate system entered its thirteenth year of operation January 1, 1982. Seventy-eight magistrates, including eleven metropolitan judges, are presently serving the state. They are assigned primarily based on caseloads. Only the Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court judges of the state magistrates are required to be members of the New Mexico Bar in qualifying them for election or appointment. The magistrates of the remaining thirty-two counties must be high school graduates or the equivalent thereof. Magistrates and Metropolitan Court judges are elected to serve four-year terms. Several magistrates serve as municipal judges as well.

Annual training is provided for all magistrates by the Administrative Office of the Courts, in compliance with statutory mandate. The magistrate benchbook and court clerk's manual provide judges and clerks with daily procedural guidance.

The Administrative Office of the Courts gathers and analyzes statistics to determine judgeship and clerk needs. Areas of concern within the magistrate court system are reviewed and improvements recommended on a continuing basis.

## Magistrate Court Judges 1981-1982

<u>COUNTY and DIVISION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>JUDGE</u>
Catron I Catron II	Reserve Quemado	Ronald Gardner Jim Trantham
Chaves I Chaves II Chaves III	Roswell Roswell Dexter	L. O. "Tommy" Thompson, Presiding Judge John W. McLemore John R. Moore
Cibola I* Cibola II	Grants Milan	Angelo Sakelares <sup>1</sup> Rebecca Gomez
Colfax I Colfax II Colfax III	Raton Springer Cimarron	Darla Martinez <sup>2</sup> Les Russell Florence B. Nowlin
Curry I Curry II	Clovis Clovis	Ernest C. Trapp, Presiding Judge Emzy W. Gaydon
DeBaca I	Ft. Sumner	Thomas P. Rogers <sup>3</sup>
Dona Ana I Dona Ana II Dona Ana III Dona Ana IV	Las Cruces Las Cruces Anthony Hatch	Robert Rodriguez, Presiding Judge Benjamin B. Rios Ruben J. Maynez Mike Fajardo
Eddy I Eddy II	Carlsbad Artesia	H. H. "Bud" Linneweh Donald W. Price
Grant I Grant II	Silver City Bayard	John H. Scholl Y. B. Morales
Guadalupe I Guadalupe II	Santa Rosa Vaughn	Delbert A. Garcia Joe Chavez <sup>4</sup>

\* Cibola County was created by the 1981 Legislature

<sup>1</sup> Appointed January 1, 1982 by Governor Bruce King to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Judge John Horacek.

<sup>2</sup> Appointed November 23, 1981 by Governor Bruce King to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Judge Glada Sanderson.

<sup>3</sup> Appointed August 19, 1982 by Governor Bruce King to fill the vacancy created by the death of Judge Willard Cook.

<sup>4</sup> Appointed May 12, 1982 by Governor Bruce King to fill the vacancy created by removal from office of Judge Robert E. Nolan.

*Magistrate Court Judges (cont'd)*  
1983-1982

<u>COUNTY and DIVISION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>JUDGE</u>
Harding I	Roy	Mae Nucci
Hidalgo I	Lordsburg	Rosa Lina Salinas
Lea I	Lovington	Drayton E. Wasson
Lea II	Hobbs	Patrick J. Francoeur <sup>5</sup>
Lea III	Jalisco	Karen G. Kimble
Lea IV	Tatum	Virginia Pior
Lea V	Eunice	Millard "R. C." Hayes
Lincoln I	Carrizozo	S. M. Ortiz
Lincoln II	Capitan	Alfred Leroy Montez
Lincoln III	Ruidoso	James R. Wheeler
Los Alamos I	Los Alamos	Otis A. Farmer
Luna I	Deming	Manuel T. Holguin
McKinley I	Gallup	Lidio G. Rainaldi, Presiding Judge
McKinley II	Gallup	Paris C. Derizotis
McKinley III	Thoreau	John J. Carey
Mora I	Mora	Levi Alcon
Otero I	Alamogordo	Robert H. Bradley
Otero II	Alamogordo	Henry M. Frelo
Otero III	Orogrande	Nelson L. Naylor
Quay I	Tucumcari	J. Bronson Moore
Quay II	San Jon	Marvin E. Terry
Rio Arriba I	Tierra Amarilla	Baltazar Archuleta
Rio Arriba II	Espanola	Cipriano Vigil
Roosevelt I	Portales	Jesse Porter
Sandoval I	Bernalillo	Bennie Lovato
Sandoval II	Cuba	Richard Velarde

<sup>5</sup> Appointed December 4, 1981 by Governor Bruce King to fill the vacancy created by appointment to the District Court of Judge Donald D. Hallam.

*Magistrate Court Judges (cont'd)*  
1983-1982

<u>COUNTY and DIVISION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>JUDGE</u>
San Juan I	Aztec	Ola Mae Hynson
San Juan II	Farmington	Ellen J. Holloway <sup>6</sup>
San Miguel I	Las Vegas	Pat Romero
San Miguel II	Las Vegas	John Perea
Santa Fe I	Santa Fe	Eugene F. Romero, Presiding Judge
Santa Fe II	Santa Fe	Isaac R. Archuleta
Santa Fe III	Espanola	Eugene P. Garcia
Sierra I	Truth or Consequences	Totsie Norton Williams
Socorro I	Socorro	Ignacio N. Garcia
Taos I	Ranchos de Taos	Juan F. Romero
Taos II	Questa	Mary Anne G. Romero
Taos III	Taos	Frank R. Trujillo
Taos IV	Llano	Ambrose J. Mascarenas
Torrance II	Moriarty	Jean Williams
Torrance III	Mountainair	Edward J. Birmingham
Union I	Clayton	Berlin H. Crites
Valencia I	Los Lunas	Toribio L. Perea
Valencia II	Belen	Gillie Sanchez

<sup>6</sup> Appointed April 16, 1982 by Governor Bruce King to fill the vacancy created by resignation of Judge Roy Marcum.

**MAGISTRATE CASELOAD FILINGS**  
July 1, 1981 through June 30, 1982

COUNTY & DIVISION	CIVIL	MIS-DEMEANOR	TRAFFIC	FELONY	TOTALS
<b>CATRON</b>					
I Reserve	11	338	113	20	482
II Quemado	3	213	96	41	353
<b>CHAVES</b>					
I Roswell	384	691	506	285	1,866
II Roswell	427	532	332	512	1,803
III Dexter	26	20	8	0	54
<b>CIBOLA</b>					
I Grants	144	698	540	217	1,599
II Milan	267	854	907	173	2,201
<b>COLFAX</b>					
I Raton	260	623	82	144	1,109
II Springer	35	123	74	22	254
III Cimarron	34	256	142	6	438
<b>CURRY</b>					
I Clovis	282	1,031	552	330	2,195
II Clovis	283	997	639	395	2,314
<b>DE BACA</b>					
I Ft. Sumner	15	138	100	25	278
<b>DONA ANA</b>					
I Las Cruces	509	1,378	810	651	3,348
II Las Cruces	587	1,276	894	319	3,076
III Anthony	50	2,249	1,012	38	3,349
IV Hatch	39	141	33	36	249
<b>EDDY</b>					
I Carlsbad	1,114	2,417	777	538	4,846
II Artesia	373	834	349	102	1,658
<b>GRANT</b>					
I Siver City	521	689	417	456	2,083
II Bayard	112	1,449	928	102	2,591
<b>GUADALUPE</b>					
I Santa Rosa	6	784	185	58	1,033
II Vaughn	0	9	2	1	12

**MAGISTRATE CASELOAD FILINGS**  
July 1, 1981 through June 30, 1982

COUNTY & DIVISION	CIVIL	MIS-DEMEANOR	TRAFFIC	FELONY	TOTALS
<b>HARDING</b>					
I Roy	6	57	11	7	81
<b>HIDALGO</b>					
I Lordsburg	83	2,085	214	131	2,513
<b>LEA</b>					
I Lovington	285	538	241	206	1,270
II Hobbs	2,004	1,182	711	597	4,494
III Jal	130	120	77	14	341
IV Tatum	2	59	53	20	134
V Eunice	43	88	160	25	316
<b>LINCOLN</b>					
I Carrizozo	23	321	123	91	558
II Capitan	8	35	6	11	60
III Ruidoso	298	621	317	294	1,530
<b>LOS ALAMOS</b>					
I Los Alamos	303	348	160	107	918
<b>LUNA</b>					
I Deming	179	675	316	197	1,367
<b>McKINLEY</b>					
I Gallup	217	1,877	919	277	3,290
II Gallup	232	2,085	1,299	287	3,903
III Thoreau	20	415	341	4	780
<b>MORA</b>					
I Mora	18	157	109	16	300
<b>OTERO</b>					
I Alamogordo	219	1,299	608	155	2,281
II Alamogordo	204	1,571	759	535	3,069
III Orogrande	5	270	196	17	488
<b>QUAY</b>					
I Tucumcari	167	722	372	417	1,678
II San Jon	8	2,062	66	15	2,151
<b>RIO ARRIBA</b>					
I Tierra Amarilla	25	229	82	28	364
II Espanola	363	1,299	747	278	2,687

MAGISTRATE CASELOAD FILINGS  
July 1, 1981 through June 30, 1982

COUNTY & DIVISION	CIVIL	MIS-DEMEANOR	TRAFFIC	FELONY	TOTALS
<b>ROOSEVELT</b>					
I Portales	319	1,244	564	390	2,517
<b>SANDOVAL</b>					
I Bernalillo	53	1,070	318	236	1,677
II Cuba	24	873	560	78	1,535
<b>SAN JUAN</b>					
I Aztec	165	2,132	1,322	382	4,001
II Farmington	1,391	1,831	1,857	585	5,664
<b>SAN MIGUEL</b>					
I Las Vegas	132	361	172	59	724
II Las Vegas	270	503	217	102	1,092
<b>SANTA FE</b>					
I Santa Fe	694	1,459	640	678	3,471
II Santa Fe	684	1,412	842	481	3,419
III Santa Fe	53	776	716	49	1,594
<b>SIERRA</b>					
I Truth or Consequences	151	1,006	356	162	1,675
<b>SOCORRO</b>					
I Socorro	60	1,053	853	260	2,226
<b>TAOS</b>					
I Ranchos de Taos	167	535	860	85	1,647
II Questa	0	179	91	0	270
III Taos	13	131	20	17	181
IV Llano	19	230	166	9	424
<b>TORRANCE</b>					
II Moriarty	3	800	409	88	1,300
III Mountainair	3	73	10	29	115
<b>UNION</b>					
I Clayton	53	308	50	57	468
<b>VALENCIA</b>					
I Los Lunas	127	280	78	126	611
II Belen	174	1,124	715	200	2,213
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>14,879</b>	<b>53,235</b>	<b>28,201</b>	<b>12,273</b>	<b>108,588</b>

STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS  
MAGISTRATE REVENUE REPORT  
July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982

COURTS	FINES	BOND FORFEIT	COSTS	LAB TESTS	OTHER	TOTAL
CATRON I	22,570.50	9,293.50	1,710.00			33,574.00
CATRON II	11,244.50	3,968.00	780.00	50.00	15.00	16,057.50
CHAVES I & II	44,510.25	1,150.00	13,890.00	1,275.00	84.00	60,909.25
CHAVES III	745.00		380.00	25.00		1,150.00
CIBOLA I	9,620.20	1,085.00	2,700.00	150.00	1.17	13,556.37
CIBOLA II	5,645.00	5,800.00	3,935.00	400.00		15,780.00
COLFAX I	17,520.00	1,503.35	3,555.00		(65.00)	22,513.35
COLFAX II	3,605.00	90.00	1,090.00	125.00	(4.03)	4,905.97
COLFAX III	9,478.50	200.00	2,810.00		213.00	12,701.50
CURRY I & II	83,234.50	2,741.00	12,413.00	425.00	207.12	99,020.62
DE BACA I	3,045.00	1,160.00	700.00	175.00		5,080.00
DONA ANA I & II	35,075.00	9,637.00	19,855.00	700.00	203.60	65,470.60
DONA ANA III	23,730.00	154,164.00	6,640.00	75.00	(24.27)	184,584.73
DONA ANA IV	3,940.00	85.00	1,260.00	75.00		5,360.00
EDDY I	82,365.00	13,405.00	21,300.00	1,600.00	115.00	118,785.00
EDDY II	49,570.00	550.00	7,340.00	1,050.00	15.00	58,525.00
GRANT I	10,130.00	1,125.00	7,280.00	225.00	13.00	18,773.00
GRANT II	42,475.00	1,070.00	3,435.00	925.00	7.00	47,912.00
GUADALUPE I	15,990.00	660.00	2,530.00	225.00	(8.00)	19,397.00
GUADALUPE II	8,470.00		590.00		(4.65)	9,055.35
HARDING I	2,535.00		470.00	25.00		3,030.00
HIDALGO I	16,085.00	91,865.00	2,370.00	475.00	5.58	110,800.58
LEA I	34,400.00	1,300.00	5,070.00	375.00	40.00	41,185.00
LEA II	63,806.50	11,190.00	24,210.00	800.00	60.00	100,066.50
LEA III	10,918.00	160.00	2,090.00	100.00		13,268.00
LEA IV	11,155.00		180.00		15.00	11,350.00
LEA V	15,215.00		730.00			15,945.00
LINCOLN I	10,275.00	800.00	2,210.00	175.00		13,460.00
LINCOLN II	345.00		230.00		20.00	595.00
LINCOLN III	15,532.00	2,369.00	5,840.00	525.00		24,266.00
LOS ALAMOS I	11,040.00	250.00	4,000.00		6.00	15,296.00
LUNA I	12,860.00	7,955.00	2,650.00	275.00		23,740.00

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ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS  
MAGISTRATE REVENUE REPORT  
July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982

COURTS	FINES	BOND FORFEIT	COSTS	LAB TESTS	OTHER	TOTAL
MCKINLEY I & II	79,955.00	82,823.50	14,010.00	3,925.00	396.94	181,110.44
MCKINLEY III	7,505.00	1,265.00	825.00	175.00		9,770.00
MORA I	2,229.00	125.00	1,500.00			3,854.00
OTERO I	52,110.00	2,180.00	10,540.00	400.00	95.00	65,325.00
OTERO II	55,567.35	3,495.00	9,660.00	525.00	180.11	69,427.46
OTERO III	8,622.00	755.00	1,650.00	25.00		11,052.00
QUAY I	18,562.00	12,330.00	4,775.00	225.00	37.00	35,929.00
QUAY II	43,758.50	65,573.00	9,500.00			118,831.50
RIO ARRIBA I	8,895.00	705.00	2,320.00		49.16	11,969.16
RIO ARRIBA II	37,275.00	445.00	12,840.00	2,225.00	45.00	52,830.00
ROOSEVELT I	41,269.00	2,180.00	8,702.00	1,000.00	50.50	53,201.50
SANDOVAL I	20,254.13		5,205.00	1,650.00	(14.13)	27,095.00
SANDOVAL II	23,973.00	1,145.00	2,990.00	800.00		28,908.00
SAN JUAN I	82,575.50	460.00	7,720.00	2,000.00	(30.00)	92,725.50
SAN JUAN II	93,892.40	5,415.00	22,100.00	1,500.00	405.00	123,312.40
SAN MIGUEL I	14,710.00	210.00	3,930.00	150.00	(3.08)	18,996.92
SAN MIGUEL II	20,818.00		7,540.00	450.00	(10.00)	28,798.00
SANTA FE I & II	45,127.50	1,350.00	27,020.00	1,300.00	1,233.03	76,030.53
SANTA FE III	5,440.00	100.00	1,960.00	100.00	(1.20)	7,598.80
SIERRA I	30,180.00	6,780.00	7,280.00	900.00	138.81	45,278.81
SOCORRO I	22,567.00	10.00	7,250.00	275.00	2.00	30,104.00
TAOS I	16,747.67	1,030.00	5,340.00	1,675.00	64.50	24,857.17
TAOS II	6,710.00	1,020.00	820.00			8,550.00
TAOS III	2,565.00		720.00	75.00	250.09	3,610.09
TAOS IV	3,655.00	410.00	1,420.00	525.00	(13.32)	5,996.68
TORRANCE II	29,511.00	5,528.00	5,840.00	825.00		41,704.00
TORRANCE III	2,690.00		400.00	25.00		3,115.00
UNION I	10,512.00	5,553.00	1,970.00	200.00	15.00	18,250.00
VALENCIA I	2,570.00	140.00	2,890.00		15.00	5,615.00
VALENCIA II	26,944.00	750.00	5,895.00	1,250.00	15.50	34,854.50
<b>GRAND TOTALS</b>	<b>1,504,320.00</b>	<b>525,353.35</b>	<b>358,855.00</b>	<b>32,450.00</b>	<b>3,835.43</b>	<b>2,424,813.78</b>

BERNALILLO COUNTY METROPOLITAN COURT

During the 70th Fiscal Year the Metropolitan Court was composed of:

Frederick M. Mowrer Division I	C. Burton Cosgrove Division VII
H. Richard Blackhurst Division II	James M. O'Toole Division VIII
Wilbert C. Smith <sup>1</sup> Division III	Elizabeth Love Division IX
Charles Barnhart Division IV	William Short Division X, Presiding Judge
Samuel Mandel Division V	Thomas Davis Division XI
Michael E. Martinez Division VI	

Effective July 1, 1980, the Bernalillo County Metropolitan Court was established in Albuquerque. Created by the 1979 Legislature, the "metropolitan court" consolidated the Bernalillo County Magistrate Court, Small Claims Court, and the Albuquerque Municipal Court. Albuquerque's metropolitan court was so designated as it meets statutory requirements of being located within the boundaries of a class A county with a population of more than 200,000 persons.

The metropolitan court constitutes a state magistrate court. In addition to the jurisdiction provided by law for magistrate courts, it has jurisdiction coextensive with the county over all offenses and complaints under ordinances of the county and of any municipality located within Bernalillo County. Civil jurisdiction extends to debts and sums claimed not exceeding \$5,000 exclusive of interest and costs.

<sup>1</sup> Elected to office effective January 1, 1982, replacing A. Joseph Alarid, who was appointed to the District Court.

**BERNALILLO COUNTY METROPOLITAN COURT  
CASELOAD REPORT  
July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982**

**CIVIL DEFENDANTS:\***

Pending 7/1/81	Filed 70th F Y	Disposed 70th F Y	Pending 6/30/82
1,935	8,111	8,356	1,690

\* A civil case is counted when the petition or complaint is filed.

**CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS:\***

Pending 7/1/81	Filed 70th F Y	Disposed 70th F Y	Pending 6/30/82
2,405	19,640	19,965	2,080

\* Ordinance Violations Included. The criminal case unit of count is the number of informations, indictments, or complaints filed.

**TRAFFIC:**

Pending 7/1/81	Filed 70th F Y	Disposed 70th F Y	Pending 6/30/82
<b>DWI:</b>			
296	8,794	8,760	330
<b>Other Traffic Violations:</b>			
5,714	92,099	94,625	3,188
<b>Parking:</b>			
825	141,290	141,515	600
<b>TOTAL TRAFFIC:</b>			
6,835	242,183	244,900	4,118

**EDUCATIONAL SERVICES:**

Referrals for D.W.I. School	4,414
Petty Larceny School	1,140
Traffic School	1549

**BERNALILLO COUNTY METROPOLITAN COURT  
REVENUE REPORT  
July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982**

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>TOTAL FOR FISCAL YEAR</u>
Fines	\$ 2,003,961.62
Cash Forfeitures	60,333.00
Surety Forfeitures	79,048.00
Partial Payments	153.00
School Fees	248,215.00
Court Costs	276,372.00
Other	2,349.00
Crime Lab	<u>110,438.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$ 2,771,869.62</u></b>

**SUBSIDIARY JUDICIAL AGENCIES**

**Supreme Court Building Commission**

The Supreme Court Building Commission was created by the 1967 session of the Legislature and is composed of three resident New Mexico members appointed by the Supreme Court. The commission has responsibility for the care, custody and control of the Supreme Court Building, its grounds and all furniture, fixtures and equipment used by Judicial agencies housed therein. Under the supervision of the building superintendent, the present maintenance staff performs the continuous duties of building repair and maintenance. Although commission members meet regularly, they are not compensated for time spent in meetings discussing commission matters.

**Members**

- A. K. Montgomery, Attorney at Law, Chairman
- Samuel Z. Montoya, Justice Retired, Vice Chairman
- Edward J. Baca, Director, AOC, Secretary

**STATEMENT OF REVENUES  
AND EXPENDITURES  
FROM JULY 1, 1981 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1982**

Beginning Cash Balance .....	\$221,474.11
<b>REVENUES:</b>	
Interest on Investments .....	\$ 32,092.11
Total Revenue .....	\$ 32,092.11
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>	
Interest Payment on Bonds .....	\$ 4,650.00
Required Bond Redemption .....	30,000.00
Agent's Fees .....	16.50
Total Expenditures .....	\$ 34,666.50
Excess Revenue over Expenditures .....	(2,574.39)
Ending Cash Balance June 30, 1981 .....	\$218,899.72
Bond Balance Outstanding as of June 30, 1982 .....	\$ 90,000.00

**SUPREME COURT LAW LIBRARY  
1981-1982**

During fiscal year 1981-82 the library circulated approximately 40,000 books, not counting books shelved by patrons. This is probably the most reflective figure regarding the library's activity. This past year has seen a dramatic increase in the use of the library not only because of the increase in number of Supreme Court clerks but also on the part of state government attorneys and local First Judicial District practitioners. The accession count of bound volumes in the library on June 30, 1982 was 105,659. Approximately 113 items per day were received and processed throughout the year. In addition to bound volumes, over 28,000 separate items were received, evaluated and processed. About one-tenth of that number will eventually become part of the library permanent collection. Two thousand five hundred and thirty-four bound volumes were acquired this past year. This is not only the largest number in over 15 years, it is a 16 percent increase over last year and was made possible by increased funding especially for updating and expanding the treatise collection.

**BOOK PRICE INCREASE**

This past year another significant increase in the price of law books was reflected in the cost of maintaining the law library. Many of the items that were once acquired free are no longer available without charge. Some charges are more subtle than straight forward price increases... i.e. two companies without any announcement suddenly began to charge for shipping even though they had never done so before.

**EXCHANGE PROGRAMS**

The law library now has 294 exchange agreements in force with law schools, state libraries and other court libraries in all states. Some 370 bound volumes, or more than one-eighth of the total number acquired last year came to us through this exchange program. Over 1600 issues of law reviews and bar journals also come from this source. The cooperation of the New Mexico State Bar has enabled the library to establish 82 exchange agreements, primarily for the exchange of the Bar Bulletin for law review. This provided the State considerable savings.

**THE TREATISE COLLECTION**

The treatise collection in particular has been improved by at least two or three fold over the previous year due to increased funding in this area. This continuing program is of course necessary if the quality of that collection is to keep pace with development in the field of law as well as the needs of the courts and state government agency legal staffs.

**THE CIRCULATION SYSTEM**

The charging system, now beginning its third year of operation continues to smooth out that end of the library's circulation operations. As of the end of June 1982 we had 800 plus registered borrowers, a twenty percent increase over a year ago. This improvement was long overdue and replaced a system that would never have been able to handle the increased circulation capacity the library is now experiencing.

### SEATING SPACE

Plans for modifying the new wing of the third floor into additional public working area just began in the latter part of the fiscal year have proven to be fortuitous. Even though there was no accurate way of predicting the increase in library use, the last few months of the year saw several afternoons each week when there were not enough places for patrons to work. All in all, these expansions and improvements came just in time to meet increased needs.

### NEW MEXICO JUDICIAL COUNCIL

The Judicial Council was created by statute in 1969 to study the operations of the judicial system and make recommendations for improvements to the Legislature and the Supreme Court. The 19-member council is composed of judges, legislators, laymen and agency directors, and meets monthly to initiate studies, receive reports, discuss ideas for judicial improvements, and decide which proposals should be recommended to the Supreme Court or Legislature. A report on the yearly activities may be found in the Judicial Council's annual report.

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**JUDICIAL STANDARDS COMMISSION**

**July 1, 1981 to June 30, 1982**

**COMMISSION DUTIES**

Under the terms of the New Mexico Constitution, the Commission is authorized to investigate complaints that a judge has been guilty of willful misconduct in office, has persistently failed to perform or is unable to perform the duties of a judge, is habitually under the influence of intoxicating substances, or is suffering from a physical or mental disability which is of a permanent nature and which renders him incapable of performing his judicial duties. Some examples of these conditions might be:

willful misconduct

ignoring the rights of citizens, violating the state laws, improperly using judicial authority and showing discourtesy or bias

persistent failure or inability

delaying the hearing or decision of cases, not complying with rules and regulations for submitting documents, and exhibiting a lack of knowledge of how to perform a judge's duties

habitual intemperance

alcoholism or addiction to drugs, or abuse of alcohol or drugs which affects the performance of the judge on the bench or which creates public disrespect for the judicial office

disability

significant loss of hearing or sight, inability to concentrate on court proceedings, illness that restricts the judge from attending court, senility, mental illness, any of which are of permanent nature and interfere with the judge's fulfilling all the duties of his office.

**COMPLAINTS RECEIVED**

During the 70th fiscal year the Commission received forty-six complaints. In addition, twelve complaints were still pending from the previous fiscal year. At the end of the fiscal year the Commission had disposed of forty complaints, while eighteen remained pending. The statistical summary below details the sources of complaints, the number of complaints, the number of complaints against each type of judge, and the dispositions, for each of the past five fiscal years. Some totals do not correspond since a single complaint may name two or more judges.

SOURCE OF COMPLAINTS	70th	69th	68th	67th	66th
Litigants	28	24	20	21	22
Citizens	3	4	1	8	4
Public Officials	6	5	5	8	7
Lawyers	1	5	4	7	4
Judges	2	1	2	1	1
Police	5	1	1	1	2
News Media	1	1	0	2	0
Others	0	1	2	0	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>44</b>

TYPE OF JUDGES	70th	69th	68th	67th	66th
Supreme Court	0	2	0	0	0
Court of Appeals	1	0	2	3	1
District Court	17	22	10	15	17
Magistrate Court	13	10	15	15	15
Metropolitan Court	11	4	-	-	-
Probate Court	0	0	0	1	1
Small Claims Court	-	-	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>44</b>

DISPOSITIONS	70th	69th	68th	67th	66th
Out-of-Jurisdiction	14	19	14	20	18
Withdrawn	3	1	2	1	1
Investigated Found					
Insubstantial	18	10	7	6	10
Referred to Superintending Court for Counseling	0	3	6	4	6
Judge Corrected Situation	2	0	0	4	2
Judge resigned, not reelected, or died	3	3	0	3	2
Formal Hearing	0	3	1	2	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>

### COMMISSION OPERATIONS

The Commission has been in existence since June of 1968, and consists of two judges, two lawyers, and five lay members. The members serve without compensation other than reimbursement for mileage and per diem. Lay members serve five-year terms while the lawyer and the judge members are appointed to four-year terms. The terms are staggered. The chairman of the commission must, by law, be one of the lay members. The current members, appointing authorities, and the expiration dates of terms are set out below:

MEMBER	APPOINTED BY	TERM EXPIRES
Susan S. Dixon, Public Member, Santa Fe	Governor	June 30, 1984
Eloy A. Duran, Public Member, Albuquerque	Governor	June 30, 1985
Albert N. Johnson, Public Member, Las Cruces	Governor	June 30, 1986
Doris Wakeland, Public Member, Silver City	Governor	June 30, 1982
Lucy M. Salazar, Public Member, Albuquerque	Governor	June 30, 1983
Charles D. Olmsted, Attorney, Santa Fe	Board of Bar Commissioners	June 30, 1982
James E. Sperling, Attorney, Albuquerque	Board of Bar Commissioners	June 30, 1984
Paul Snead, District Judge, Roswell	Supreme Court	June 30, 1983
Thomas A. Donnelly, District Judge, Santa Fe	Supreme Court	June 30, 1985

**DISCIPLINARY BOARD OF THE SUPREME COURT**  
**January 1, 1982 to June 30, 1982 \***

	<u>Informal Action</u>	<u>Formal Action</u>
<b>I. INITIAL CONTACTS</b>		
1. Inquiry Only (Complaint not Formalized)	176	
2. Dismissed at Staff Level	214	
3. Docketed for Formal Investigation	(48)	48
4. Pending Determination as of 6/30/82	<u>3</u>	
<b>TOTAL INITIAL CONTACTS</b>	<u><b>441</b></u>	
<b>DOCKETED CASES CARRIED INTO 1982</b>		<u>170</u>
<b>TOTAL DOCKETED CASES</b>		<u><b>218</b></u>
<b>II. DISPOSITIONS OF DOCKETED CASES</b>		
1. Dismissal w/concurrence of Hearing Officer		68
2. Informal Admonition		17
3. Formal Action		
a. Stipulated Disposition		1
b. Tried and Acquitted		2
c. Private Reprimand (Board)		1
d. Public Censure (Court)		0
e. Suspension (Under 120 days)		0
f. Suspension (Indefinite)		8
g. Disbarred		2
h. Reinstated		<u>1</u>
<b>TOTAL DOCKETED CASES COMPLETED</b>		<u><b>100</b></u>
<b>III. STATUS OF REMAINING DOCKETED CASES</b>		
1. Under Investigation		57
2. Abatement Pending Completion of Related Litigation		13
3. Before Reviewing Officer		4
4. Charges Pending Before Hearing Committees		37
5. Pending Review by Disciplinary Board		3
6. Pending Supreme Court Action		<u>4</u>
<b>TOTAL DOCKETED CASES CARRIED INTO 1982/83</b>		<u><b>118</b></u>

\* Report reflects statistics for the second half only of 1981/82 fiscal year. Statistics for period of July-December 1981 were included in 1981 Annual Report (calendar year).

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