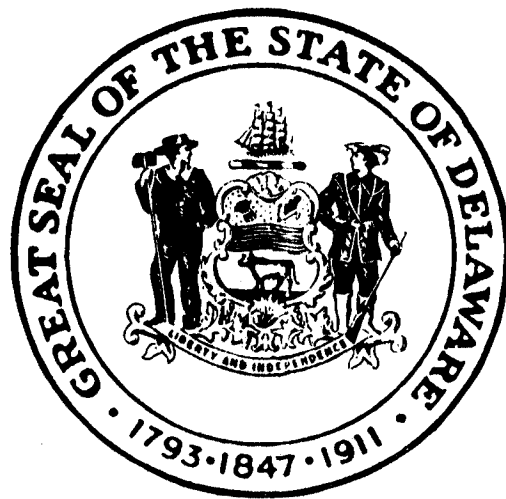


THE JUDICIARY STATE OF DELAWARE



1972 Annual Report



ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

STATE OF DELAWARE

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January 9, 1973

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The Honorable Daniel F. Wolcott
Chief Justice - Supreme Court of the State of Delaware
Public Building
Wilmington, Delaware

Dear Chief Justice:

I herewith tender the Annual Report of the Judiciary for the fiscal year 1971 to 1972 by the Administrative Office of the Courts with statistical reports from all of the courts.

As a result of the State's fiscal crisis on July 19, 1971, the capacity of this Office for significant growth was severely curtailed. The Office did, however, produce a unified budget to be submitted to the Governor and the Legislative Council, and an Annual Report.

The Statistics incorporated in this report include raw figures showing the cases of July 1, 1971, that were pending, filed, and terminated as well as the cases pending at the end of June 30, 1972.

In addition, we have computed the increased workload per court over the last five years. The resulting graphs for the five-year period under each court reveal a tremendous increase in workload experienced by every court.

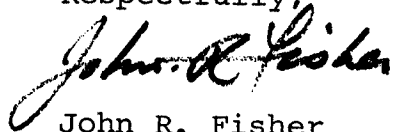
Some of the goals of the Administrative Office of the Courts for the next fiscal year are as follows:

1. Complete the organization of the Administrative Office utilizing existing judicial support personnel and petitioning the General Assembly for three additional employees.

2. Gather the statistics necessary to project the courts' needs for support personnel and prepare the requests for legislative appropriations to meet these needs.
3. Handle administrative details for the expenditure of funds by the General Assembly.
4. Act as legislative liaison for, and maintain a working relationship with, the Judiciary.

In summation, the primary goal of the Administrative Office of the Courts is to administer all non-judicial tasks of the State Courts of Delaware in order to free the judges to pursue their judicial duties.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John R. Fisher". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

John R. Fisher

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PROBLEMS AND GOALS

Among the many problems facing the Courts of the State of Delaware, two which should receive top priority in 1973 are the need for additional space and the need for more support personnel. Many of the higher courts are cramped and need more courtrooms because of the increased workload,* and some of the lower courts are crowded into structures totally unsuited to the needs of a courtroom. The constant struggle to provide temporary solutions is both time-consuming and demoralizing.

The ever increasing judicial workload requires hiring more support personnel. These personnel should submit to an indoctrination program, be trained and cross-trained, receive continuing on-the-job education, and benefit from Administrator-adopted personnel policies and upgraded salary levels. Many of the existing support personnel of the State Courts are under the direct control of another branch of the government, which leads to inequities for these personnel, lowering of morale, and inefficiency.

Another area of concern is the need for greater security for the judges and other court personnel. Additionally, security procedures for the evidence and files need to be better defined, implemented and regulated.

*See graphs for % increase workload

PROBLEMS AND GOALS

Currently, there is a lack of communication among the courts and between the courts and the balance of the Criminal Justice System. Proper use of data processing equipment, telecopiers, and other modern communication systems will remedy this deficiency and enable us to diffuse the facts for public education and information.

Continuing education and upgrading of remuneration for all levels of judges will ensure the attraction and maintenance of competent manpower to provide prompt and equal justice for all under the rules of law. It is essential to speed up the litigation process and cut down on the time from arrest to trial in criminal cases and the time from the filing of complaints to trial in civil cases.

Goals for the Judiciary in 1973 should include the following:

1. All parties to a suit shall be adequately and fairly represented.
2. Juries and prospective jurors shall be given the consideration they deserve.
3. Every effort shall be made to reduce the number of continuances.
4. The duplication of subject matter jurisdiction shall be eliminated.

S U P R E M E C O U R T

COURT OF LAST RESORT

Supreme Court (1)

Legal Authorization: The Supreme Court is authorized by the Constitution of Delaware, Article IV, Section 1.

Geographic Organization: The Supreme Court has state-wide jurisdiction and sits in Dover.

Legal Jurisdiction: This court has final appellate jurisdiction in criminal cases where the penalty exceeds certain minimums and in civil cases as to final judgements and certain interlocutory decrees of Superior Court. Appeals are heard on the record from the Superior Court and Court of Chancery. The Supreme Court has jurisdiction to issue writs of prohibition, quo warranto, certiorari and mandamus.

Judges:

Number - The Supreme Court consists of a Chief Justice and two Associate Justices.

Appointment - The Justices are appointed by the Governor on a bi-partisan basis with the consent of the Senate.

Tenure - The justices are appointed for a 12 year term.

Qualifications - Justices must be learned in the law.

Other Judicial Personnel:

Support Personnel: The Court may appoint a clerk and a reporter. Each justice may appoint an office secretary.

Other:

Administrative Authority - The Chief Justice has the authority to designate one or more of the state judges (including the justices of the Supreme Court) to sit in the Court of Chancery or the Superior Court to hear and determine causes in such court and for such period of time as designated. The Chief Justice is also responsible for the administration of all courts in the State and appoints an administrator of the courts to handle the non-judicial aspects of courts management.

SUPREME COURT

JUDICIARY

Chief Justice Daniel F. Wolcott
Elizabeth Gilson, Secretary

Justice James B. Carey
Edna Snowden, Secretary

Justice Daniel L. Herrmann
Jane Obold, Secretary

SUPREME COURT

JUDICIARY
SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Clerk of Court

T.E. Townsend
Ann Ayrey, Secretary

Bailiff

Wesley Adkins

Law Clerks

Michael J. Rich
John A. Parkins

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

John R. Fisher, Director
Diane Todd, Secretary

Edward V. Lower, Court Planner
Susan Bromwell, Secretary

Joseph A. Ruskowski, Accountant
Dawn Bowman, Assistant
Mary Cooper, Clerk
Sandra Cummings, Clerk
Linda McCormick, Secretary

SUPREME COURT STATISTICS FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1972

CASES PENDING JULY 1, 1971

Civil	50		
Criminal	<u>48</u>	98	

CASES FILED DURING PERIOD

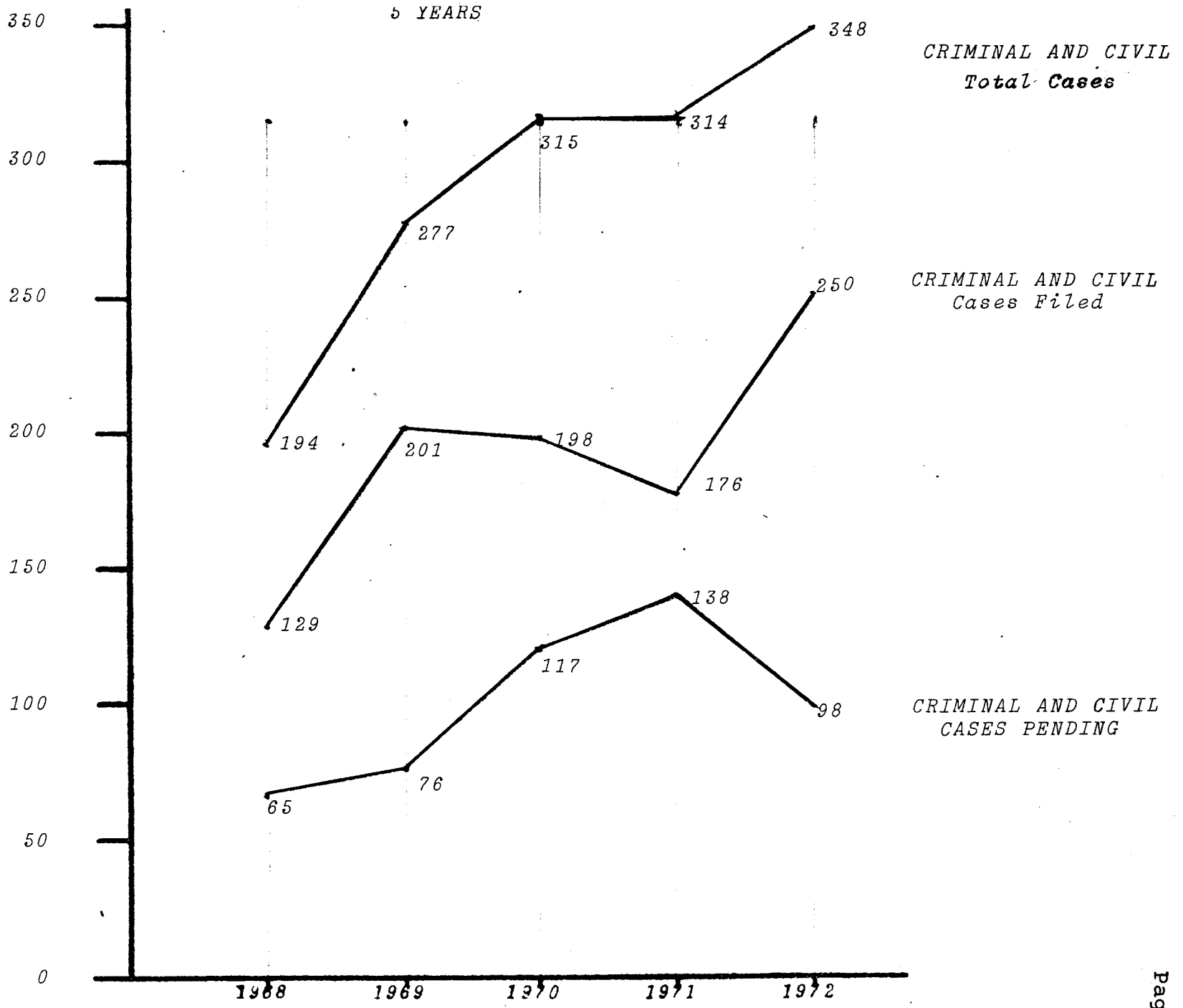
Civil	139		
Criminal	<u>111</u>	<u>250</u>	<u>348</u>

CASES TERMINATED DURING
PERIOD

Civil	113		
Criminal	<u>80</u>	193	

CASES PENDING JUNE 30, 1972

Civil	76		
Criminal	<u>79</u>	<u>155</u>	<u>348</u>



THE TOTAL WORKLOAD OF THIS COURT FOR THE PERIOD 1968 THROUGH 1972 HAS INCREASED BY 79.3%

SUMMARY OF

SUPREME COURT

BUDGET 02-01-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES:</u>								
1. Judicial	98,229.00	102,500.00	102,500.00	170,500.00	170,500.00	170,500.00	170,500.00	170,500.00
2. Employees	61,476.00	72,210.00	86,158.00	122,631.00	128,763.00	135,202.00	141,962.00	149,060.00
3. Part-time	306.00	772.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	18,554.00	31,189.00	33,372.00	35,708.00	38,208.00	45,908.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	5,300.00	6,575.00	6,844.00	7,136.00	7,443.00	7,765.00
TRAVEL	2,289.00	3,000.00	3,350.00	7,350.00	6,350.00	6,650.00	7,040.00	7,371.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	6,812.00	8,250.00	11,450.00	13,513.00	14,029.00	14,570.00	15,739.00	16,336.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	22,678.00	2,750.00	7,600.00	14,350.00	15,025.00	15,734.00	16,778.00	17,559.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	1,892.00	6,000.00	2,300.00	4,000.00	4,200.00	4,410.00	4,631.00	4,863.00
SPECIAL ITEMS								
* 1. Debt Service-Prin.	-0-	-0-	20,000.00					
* 2. Debt Service-Interest	-0-	-0-	11,063.00					
3. Contingency Fund	1,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	194,682.00	195,482.00	268,275.00	370,108.00	379,083.00	389,910.00	402,301.00	419,362.00

* This figure supplied annually by the Office of the Budget Director

COURT OF CHANCERY

COURTS OF GENERAL JURISDICTION

Court of Chancery (1 court system, 3 court locations)

Legal Authorization: The Constitution of Delaware, Article IV, Section 1 authorizes the Court of Chancery.

Geographic Organization: This Court sits at three locations, Wilmington, Dover, and Georgetown, that is, at one location in each county.

Legal Jurisdiction: The Chancery Court has exclusive jurisdiction over equity causes. When issues of fact to be tried by jury arise, the Court of Chancery may order such facts to trial by issues at the Bar of the Superior Court.

Judges:

Number - There is one Chancellor and two Vice-Chancellors, who preside over the Court of Chancery.

Appointment - The Chancellors and Vice-Chancellors are appointed by the Governor with the consent of the majority of the Senate's elected members.

Tenure - The Chancellors serve 12 year terms.

Qualifications - The Chancellors must be learned in the law.

Support Personnel: An elected Register in Chancery of each county is clerk of the Court of Chancery for that county. The Chancellor may appoint Court Reporters. Each of the Chancellors may appoint office secretaries.

Other: Law Clerks

COURT OF CHANCERY

JUDICIARY

Chancellor William Duffy
Ruth Laird, Secretary

Vice Chancellor
Isaac D. Short

Vice Chancellor
William Marvel
Carolyn Hazen, Secretary

COURT OF CHANCERY

JUDICIARY
SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Receptionist/Bailiff
Carol Frabizzio

Court Reporters

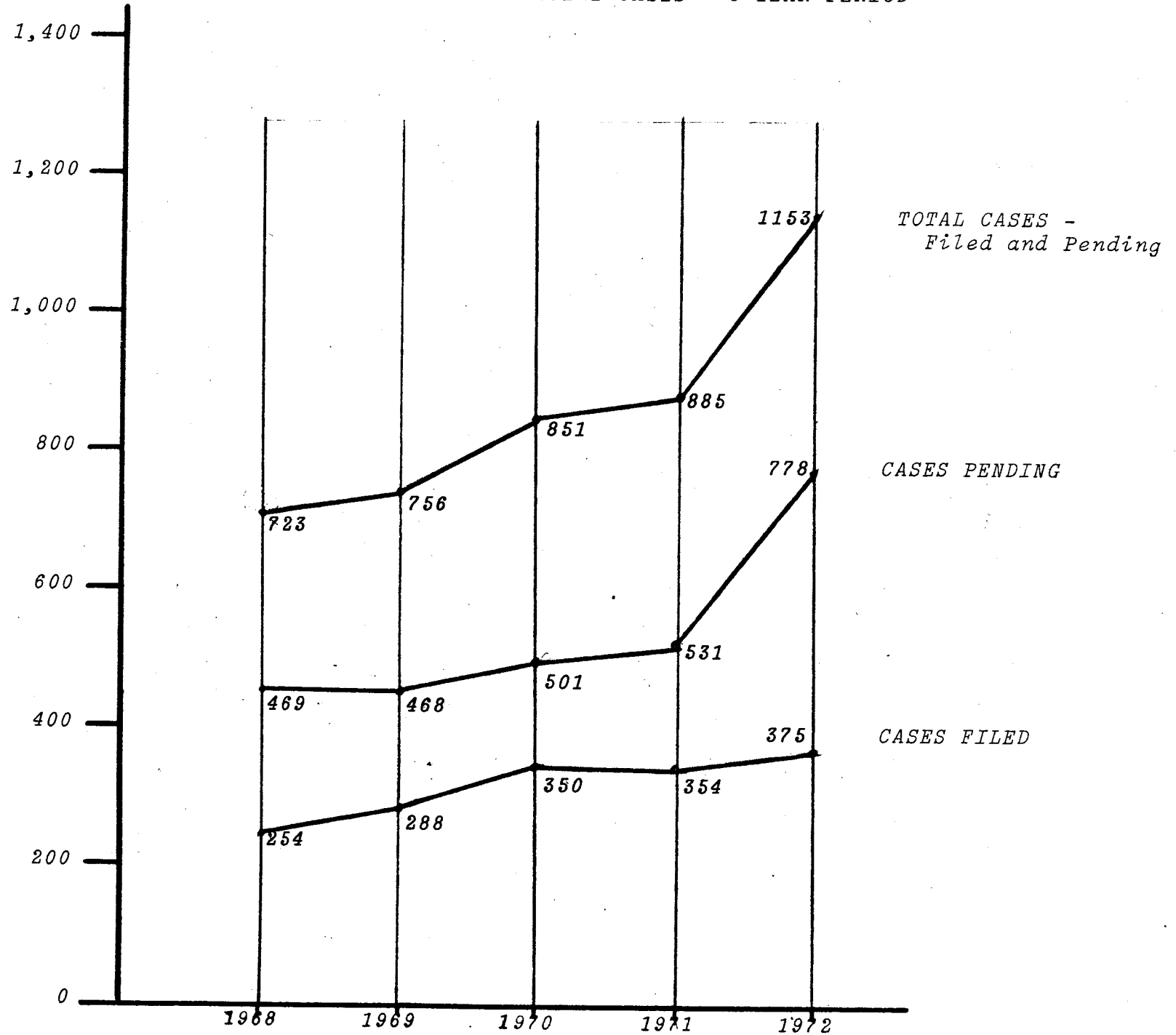
Henry Skogmo, Chief
Edward Varallo

Marion Wagner, secretary
Dorothy Cordell, secretary

Law Clerks

Keith Armour
Gregory Diaz

COURT OF CHANCERY CASES - 5 YEAR PERIOD



THE TOTAL WORKLOAD OF THIS COURT FOR THE PERIOD 1968 THROUGH 1972 HAS INCREASED BY 59.4%

SUMMARY OF COURT OF CHANCERY

BUDGET

02-02-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
SALARIES :								
1. Judicial	89,604.00	93,500.00	93,500.00	93,500.00	93,500.00	93,500.00	93,500.00	93,500.00
2. Employees	84,489.00	94,577.00	109,216.00	116,941.00	125,127.00	133,886.00	143,258.00	153,286.00
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	22,522.00	23,376.00	25,012.00	26,763.00	28,636.00	30,641.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	324.00	2,000.00	3,100.00	3,317.00	3,549.00	3,797.00	4,063.00	4,447.00
TRAVEL	1,964.00	3,300.00	3,465.00	3,708.00	3,968.00	4,246.00	4,543.00	4,861.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICE	2,308.00	3,150.00	3,319.00	3,551.00	6,800.00	4,066.00	4,351.00	4,656.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	2,928.00	3,500.00	3,675.00	3,932.00	4,207.00	4,501.00	4,816.00	5,153.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	3,959.00	6,800.00	4,900.00	5,243.00	5,610.00	6,003.00	6,423.00	6,873.00
1.								
2.								
3.								
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	185,576.00	206,827.00	243,697.00	253,568.00	267,773.00	276,762.00	289,590.00	303,417.00

SUPERIOR COURT

Superior Court (1 court system, 3 court locations)

Legal Authorization: The Constitution of Delaware, Article IV, Section 1 authorizes the Superior Court.

Geographic Organization: Sessions of the Superior Court are held in each of the three counties at the county seat.

Legal jurisdiction: This court has state-wide original jurisdiction of criminal and civil causes, except equity causes over which the Court of Chancery has exclusive jurisdiction. The court has exclusive jurisdiction over felonies and drug offenses (excepting those offenses involving minors) and jurisdiction over adoptions and termination of parental rights formerly exercised by the orphan's court was transferred exclusively to this court. Superior Court has jurisdiction to hear appeals from the Courts of Common Pleas of all three counties. Appeals from the Alderman's Court and Justice of the Peace are trials de novo in the Superior Court. Cases appealed from the Superior Court are heard on the record in the Supreme Court.

Judges

Number - There are eleven judges one of whom is President Judge with ultimate administrative responsibility for the court.

Appointment - The Governor appoints Superior Court judges with the consent of the Senate.

Tenure - The judges serve 12 year terms.

Qualifications - The judges must be learned in the law.

Support Personnel: The Superior Court may appoint court reporters, law clerks, bailiffs, pre-sentence officers and an office secretary for each judge.

Note: An elected Prothonotary of each county serves as clerk of the Superior Court in his county. A short summary pertaining to the Prothonotary's Office follows.

PROTHONOTARY

The Constitution of the State of Delaware of 1897 as amended states the following in Article 4, Section 26: "The Prothonotary of each county shall be the clerk of the Superior Court...." The Prothonotary for each county is elected to serve for a period of four years.

The Prothonotary is the record keeper of the Superior Court and, as such, the Prothonotary is directly involved with the court calendar, jury list, court exhibits, property liens, registering law students and attorneys, custodian of fees for the courts, and custodian of fees for the Attorney General. Functions of the Prothonotary's Office are broken into seven categories, namely, Administrative, Civil, Judgements and Executions, Criminal, Adoptions and Terminations, Court Related, and Indicating of Judgements.

The office of the Prothonotary is the physical location where the jurisdiction of a case by the Superior Court is obtained. This jurisdiction may be obtained by a transfer, directly from a committing magistrate, an appeal, an indictment or by information filed by the Attorney General. The Prothonotary has a representative at the arraignments, at motions, at trials, at sentencing or whenever a clerk is needed. In addition, the Prothonotary's Office does all the docketing, certifying of summons and warrants, issuing of capias and subpoenas, plus the issuance of the bond or commitment or release papers. Further, the Prothonotary's Office has been charged with the security, care, and custody of Court exhibits.

SUPERIOR COURT

JUDICIARY

Hon. Albert J. Stiftel

President Judge

Ann Lafferty, Secretary

Hon. Andrew D. Christie

New Castle County Resident Judge
Charlotte Paolino, Secretary

Hon. George R. Wright

Kent County Resident Judge
Janet L. Case, Secretary

Hon. John J. McNeilly

Sussex County Resident Judge
Ida Mae Ellis, Secretary

Associate Judges

Hon. Robert C. O'Hara
Doris Myers, Secretary

Hon. William T. Quillen
Peggy J. Papili, Secretary

Hon. Vincent A. Bifferato
Ann Louise King, Secretary

Hon. Clarence W. Taylor
Evelyn L. Diehl, Secretary

Hon. Joseph T. Walsh
Linda Reimer, Secretary

Associate Judge

Hon. William G. Bush, III
Rosemary K. McCoy, Sec.

Associate Judge

Hon. Claud L. Tease
Mary Ellen Greenly, Secretary

SUPERIOR COURT

JUDICIARY
SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Trial Court Administrator

Frederick Kirch
Lois DeWolfe, Secretary
Michael Indellini, Accountant
Irma Whittington, Receptionist

Pre-sentence Office

Frank T. Miller, Chief
Donald O'Connor
Linden Ballance
Catherine Hickey
William G. Echols
Steven E. Lee
John N. McDowell
Ralph D. Knotts, Jr.
Horace B. Willey
Charles G. Allen
Robert D. Downes

Maureen S. Golden, Secretary
Vickie L. Lally, Secretary
Clara D. Batty, Secretary
Ivone Panaccione, Secretary
Minnie B. Ross, Secretary
Norma Jean Tribbett, Secretary
Dorothy V. Evans, Secretary

Court Reporters

Morris D. Pearson, Chief
Dolores Blevins, Secretary
Texas S. Eckstone
Betty J. Gleason
Gary S. Kivelowitz
Donald M. Matthews
David G. Meddings
Jack P. White
Robert W. Wilcox, Sr.
Wesley A. Coote
Edward N. Hawkins
Robert F. Marshall

George Ackerman, Secretary
Edith L. Coote, Secretary
Priscilla Stuchlik, Secretary

Jury Commissioners

Thomas F. Bayard III
John N. McDowell
William B. Mitten
John F. McDonald
Walter Betts
Ralph L. Swain

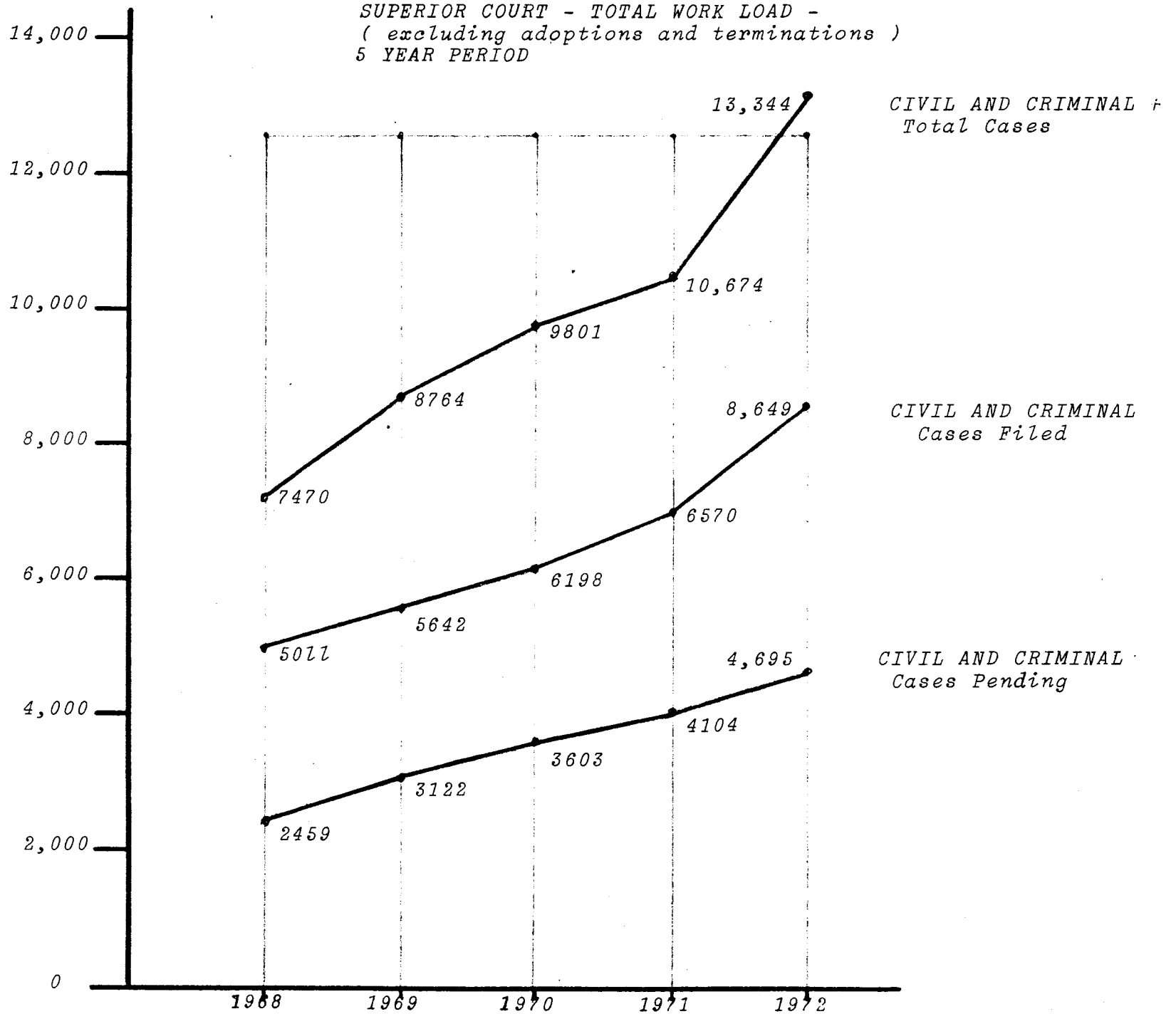
Bailiffs

Carl Derrick, Chief
Walter G. Darrell
William F. Davis, Sr.
Constance H. Harding
William A. Landon
Jean L. Luff
Rita McCaffery
Michael Tyrawski
John F. Whittington
Stanford V. Williams
John G. Jester
Earl E. Clark

Law Clerks

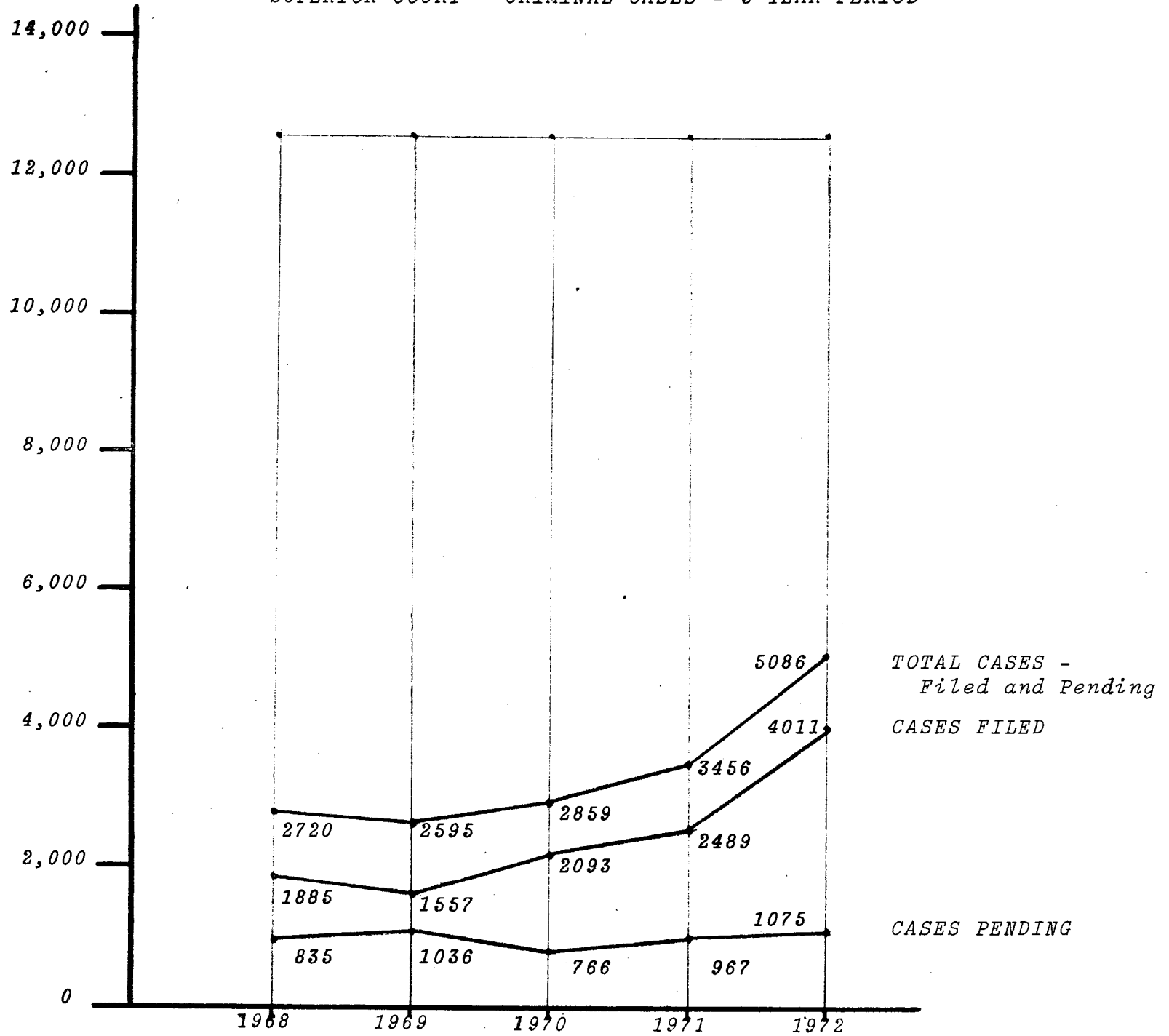
James F. Davis
Joahanna D. Yoffie
Rondal T. Bell
John H. McDonald
Norris B. Wright

SUPERIOR COURT - TOTAL WORK LOAD -
 (excluding adoptions and terminations)
 5 YEAR PERIOD



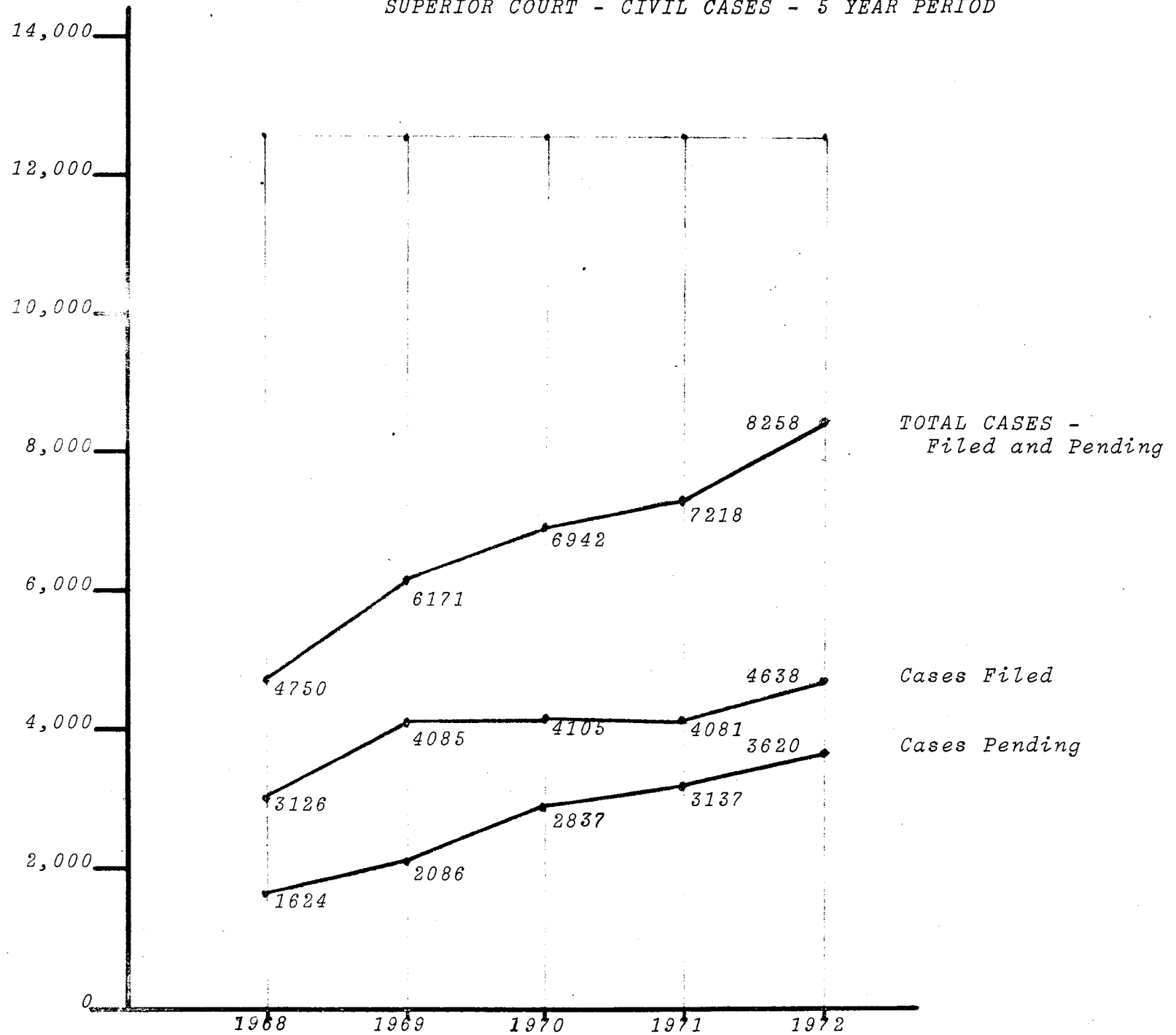
THE TOTAL WORKLOAD OF THIS COURT FOR THE PERIOD 1968 THROUGH 1972 HAS INCREASED BY 78.6%.

SUPERIOR COURT - CRIMINAL CASES - 5 YEAR PERIOD



CRIMINAL WORKLOAD OF THIS COURT FOR THE PERIOD 1968 THROUGH 1972 INCREASED BY 87%

SUPERIOR COURT - CIVIL CASES - 5 YEAR PERIOD



CIVIL WORKLOAD OF THIS COURT FOR THE PERIOD 1968 THROUGH 1972 INCREASED BY 73.8%

COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS

SUMMARY OF SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE BUDGET

02-03-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES:</u>								
1. Judicial	267,855.00	341,500.00	341,500.00	341,500.00	341,500.00	341,500.00	341,500.00	341,500.00
2. Employees	436,007.00	634,364.00	719,635.00	791,600.00	870,760.00	959,835.00	1,055,820.00	1,161,400.00
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	** 23,665.00	108,909.00	116,530.00	124,685.00	133,400.00	142,740.00	152,730.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	29,707.00	34,000.00	45,500.00	52,325.00	60,175.00	69,200.00	79,580.00	91,520.00
TRAVEL	15,847.00	21,500.00	27,000.00	29,700.00	32,670.00	35,940.00	39,535.00	43,500.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	22,368.00	28,100.00	33,200.00	36,525.00	40,175.00	44,190.00	48,600.00	53,450.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	11,884.00	14,330.00	16,750.00	18,425.00	20,265.00	22,300.00	24,530.00	26,985.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	30,756.00	36,300.00	55,300.00	66,350.00	79,600.00	95,525.00	114,625.00	137,550.00
SPECIAL ITEMS								
1. Jury Commissioners	3,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
2. Jury Costs	303,643.00	250,000.00	425,000.00	450,000.00	450,000.00	475,000.00	475,000.00	500,000.00
3. Witness Fees *	16,806.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	22,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	1,137,873.00	1,389,759.00	1,800,794.00	1,930,955.00	2,047,830.00	2,207,890.00	2,352,930.00	2,539,635.00

* This is an automatic appropriation.

** Contingency - Senate Bill 759

Courts of Limited Jurisdiction

Courts of Common Pleas (3 county courts)

Legal Authorization: These courts are authorized by 10 Delaware Code Sec. 1501, 10 Delaware Code Sec. 1301 and 10 Delaware Code Sec. 1601.

Geographic Organization: There is a Court of Common Pleas in each of the three counties.

Legal Jurisdiction: The Common Pleas Courts have concurrent jurisdiction with the Superior Court in civil actions where the amount involved, exclusive of interest, does not exceed \$2,500. The criminal jurisdiction of these courts does vary among the counties. They have jurisdiction of all misdemeanors except drug-related offenses occurring outside the City of Wilmington. In New Castle County all cases are tried without a jury. Upon demand for trial by jury the action is commenced in the Superior Court. In Kent and Sussex counties there is a right to trial by jury in the Common Pleas Courts. Appeals are on the record to the Superior Court of the respective counties.

Judges:

Number - There are four judges of the Common Pleas Courts.

Appointment - In each county the judges are appointed by the Governor, however in New Castle County they must be approved by the Senate.

Tenure - The judges serve 12 year terms.

Qualifications - The judges must be learned in the law.

Support Personnel: These Courts have clerks, bailiffs, court reporters, and secretaries appointed by the judges.

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF NEW CASTLE COUNTY

JUDICIARY

Hon. Robert H. Wahl, Judge
Birelak Goldsborough, Sec.

Hon. Authur DiSabatino, Judge
Carol Schatzman, Secretary

JUDICIARY

SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Court Clerks

Alexander De Stefano
Grace Kearney, Deputy
Sylvia Snyder, Accounts

Court Reporters

David Rudney
Lloyd Adams

Stenographer/Typist

Ann Pineault
Phyllis Goldstein
Julia Gracomoa
Mary Ann Hairsine
Helen Mootry
Carole B. Kirchner

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF KENT COUNTY

JUDICIARY

Hon. Merrill C. Trader, Judge
Chrystayna Rigby, Secretary

JUDICIARY

SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Court Clerks

Jacklyn Feldman
Joyce Burnett, Deputy
Mary Elyn Massey, Assistant

Court Reporter

Betty Shavies

Bailiffs

Mary McFaul
George Manlove

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF SUSSEX COUNTY

JUDICIARY

Hon. Lawrence C. Elliot, Judge
Betty S. James, Secretary

JUDICIARY
SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Court Clerks

Rodney J. Campbell
Ann D. Messick, Docket

Court Reporter

Raymond Kenney

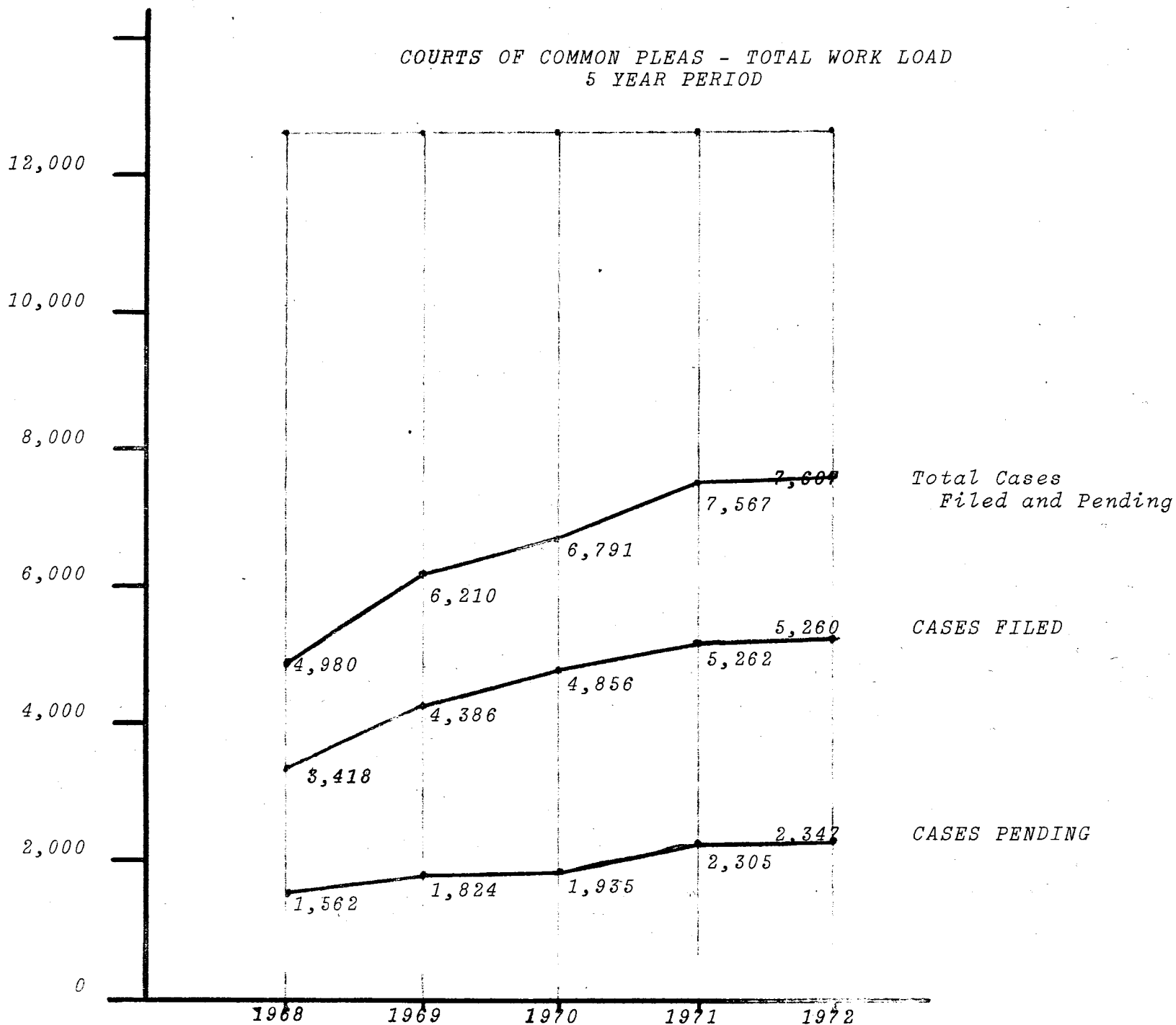
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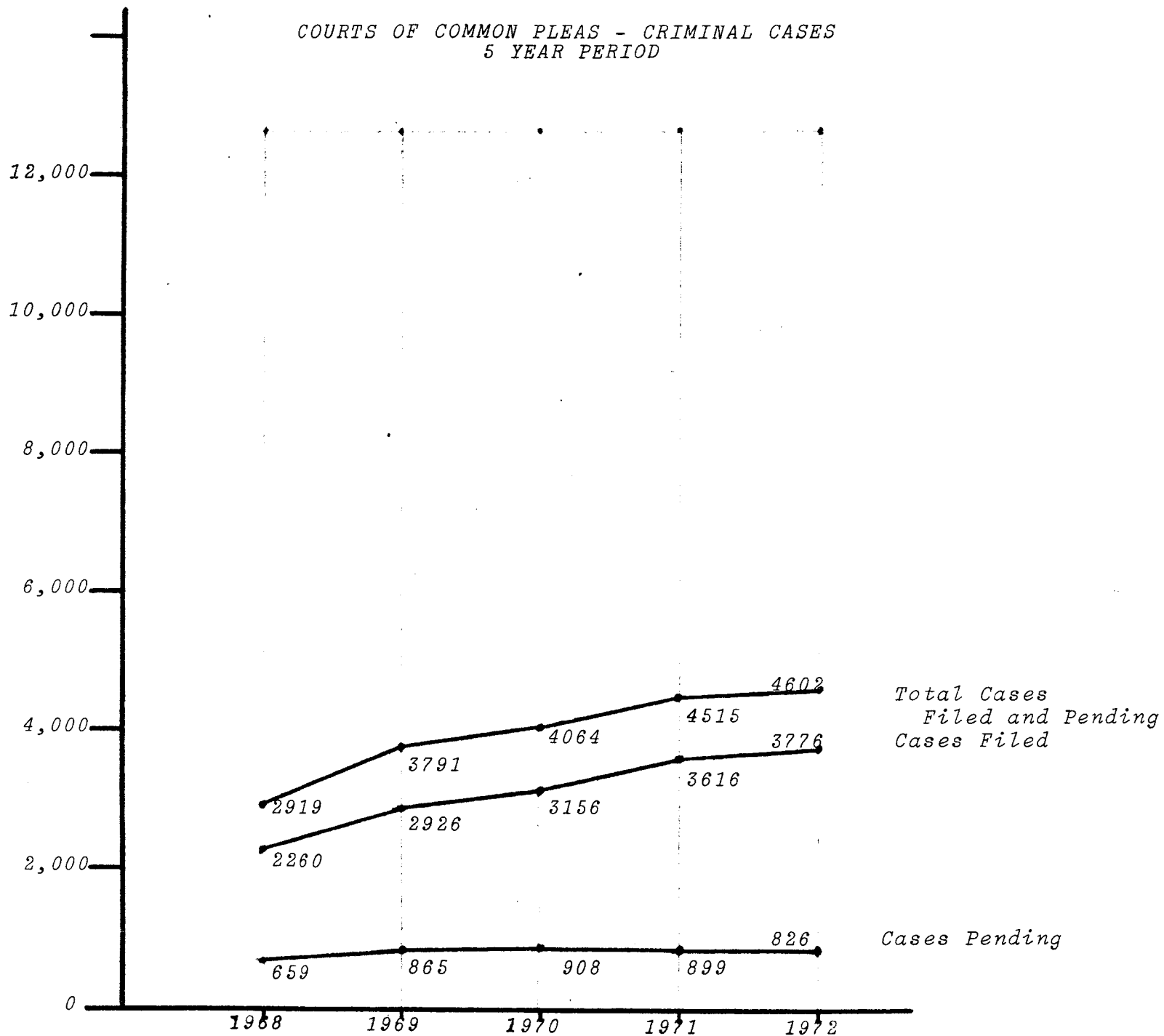
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COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS - TOTAL WORK LOAD
5 YEAR PERIOD



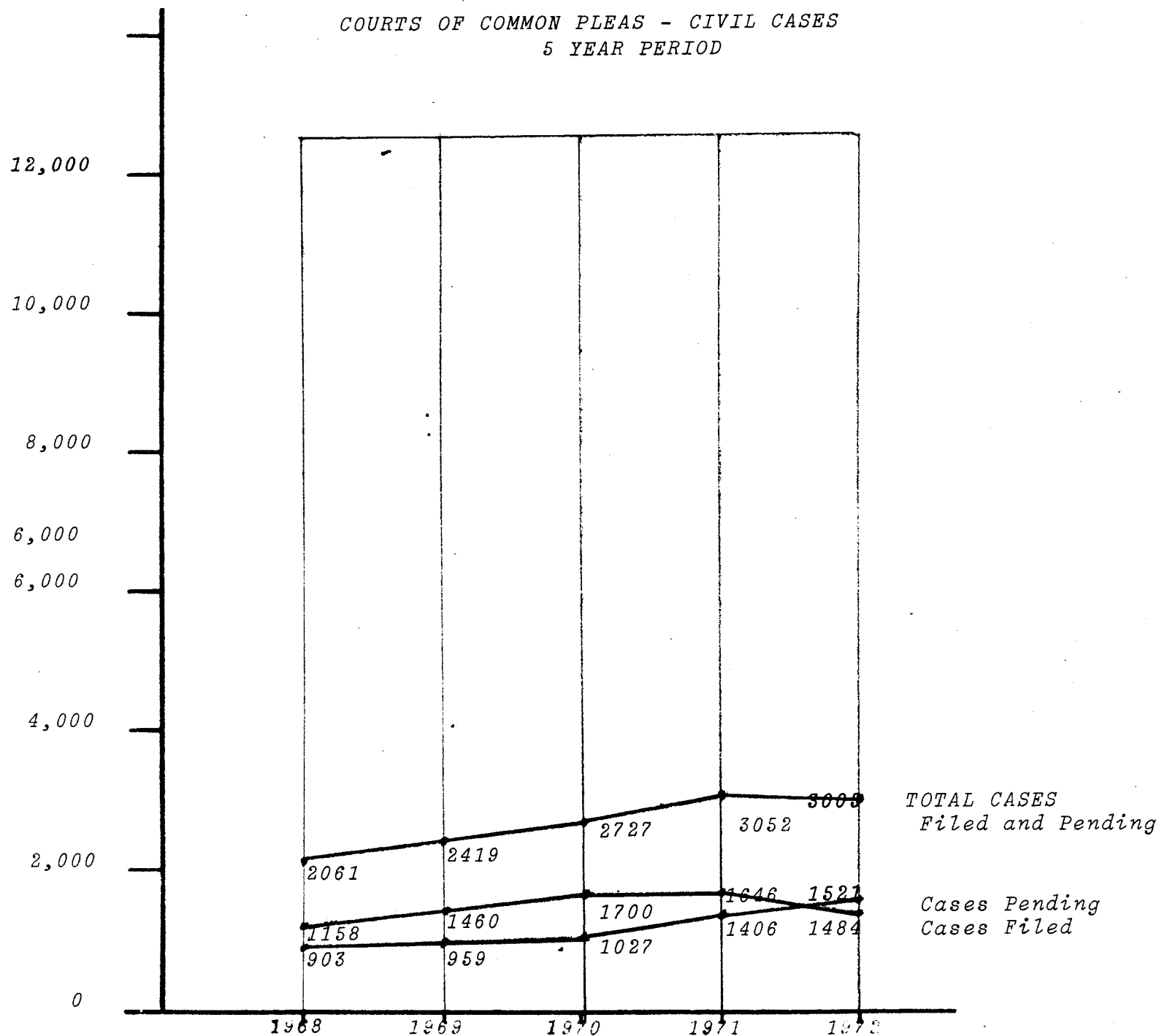
THE TOTAL WORKLOAD OF THIS COURT FOR THE PERIOD 1968 THROUGH 1972 HAS INCREASED BY 52.7%.

COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS - CRIMINAL CASES
5 YEAR PERIOD



CRIMINAL WORKLOAD OF THIS COURT FOR THE PERIOD 1968 THROUGH 1972 INCREASED BY 57.6%

COURTS OF COMMON PLEAS - CIVIL CASES
5 YEAR PERIOD



CIVIL WORKLOAD OF THIS COURT FOR THE PERIOD 1968 THROUGH 1972 INCREASED BY 45.8%

SUMMARY OF

COMMON PLEAS COURT OF KENT COUNTY

BUDGET

02-04-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
SALARIES :								
1. Judicial	25,875.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00
2. Employees	27,583.00	34,086.00	40,990.00	43,859.00	46,929.00	50,214.00	52,725.00	55,361.00
3. Part-time	7,250.00	10,100.00	10,100.00	10,600.00	10,600.00	11,100.00	11,100.00	11,100.00
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	8,780.00	9,395.00	10,053.00	10,757.00	11,295.00	11,860.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	500.00	500.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
TRAVEL	571.00	750.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	4,595.00	4,970.00	5,500.00	6,000.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	6,700.00	6,900.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	566.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,700.00	1,700.00	1,800.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	1,456.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
SPECIAL ITEMS								
1. Jury Fees	28,260.00	15,000.00	30,000.00	35,000.00	40,000.00	40,000.00	42,000.00	42,000.00
2.								
3.								
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	96,156.00	95,006.00	126,970.00	137,054.00	145,782.00	150,621.00	155,870.00	159,371.00

SUMMARY OF COMMON PLEAS COURT OF SUSSEX COUNTY

BUDGET

02-05- 000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
SALARIES :								
1. Judicial	25,875.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00
2. Employees	39,038.00	39,640.00	47,422.00	82,861.00	91,004.00	95,554.00	100,322.00	105,349.00
3. Part-time	3,060.00	4,200.00	4,494.00	4,809.00	5,146.00	5,506.00	5,891.00	6,303.00
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	10,788.00	11,543.00	12,357.00	13,216.00	14,141.00	15,131.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TRAVEL	28.00	-0-	74.00	600.00	300.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	4,570.00	4,356.00	5,373.00	6,500.00	7,500.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	1,693.00	2,500.00	2,375.00	2,600.00	2,800.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	854.00	1,000.00	1,320.00	3,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
SPECIAL ITEMS								
1. Jury Fees	14,060.00	15,000.00	20,000.00	25,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
2.								
3.								
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	89,178.00	93,696.00	118,846.00	163,913.00	178,107.00	186,376.00	192,964.00	199,383.00

SUMMARY OF COMMON PLEAS COURT - NEW CASTLE COUNTY BUDGET 02-06-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES</u> :								
1. Judicial	49,178.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00
2. Employees	93,954.00	128,894.00	158,031.00	169,093.00	180,930.00	193,595.00	203,275.00	213,439.00
3. Part-time	-0-	-0--	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<u>EMPLOYMENT COSTS</u>	-0-	-0-	30,507.00	32,642.00	34,927.00	37,372.00	39,241.00	41,203.00
<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	1,935.00	2,500.00	5,700.00	6,099.00	6,526.00	6,983.00	7,172.00	7,600.00
<u>TRAVEL</u>	1,021.00	2,000.00	5,050.00	6,000.00	6,300.00	6,500.00	6,800.00	6,900.00
<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>	7,252.00	9,500.00	12,500.00	12,000.00	13,500.00	13,750.00	14,000.00	14,250.00
<u>SUPPLIES/MATERIALS</u>	2,494.00	2,200.00	5,750.00	6,000.00	6,300.00	6,500.00	6,700.00	6,900.00
<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>	3,451.00	2,500.00	12,800.00	14,800.00	17,800.00	20,000.00	23,000.00	26,000.00
<u>SPECIAL ITEMS</u>								
1.								
2.								
3.								
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	159,285.00	201,594.00	284,338.00	301,634.00	320,283.00	338,700.00	354,488.00	370,292.00

FAMILY COURT

Family Court (3)

Legal Authorization: See Family Court Act. 10 Delaware Code 901.

Geographic Organization: The Family Court is a unified state-wide court which sits in each of the three counties.

Legal Jurisdiction: The Jurisdiction of the court is non-exclusive. The Family Court has jurisdiction in dependency, neglect, and delinquency of children, support of adult and juvenile dependents, child corruption and inter-family crimes (excluding felonies). Appeals may be made de novo to the Superior Court. Certain offenses are triable by jury.

Judges:

Number - There are ten judges of equal judicial authority. One of the judges shall be the Chief Judge.

Appointment - The judges are appointed by the Governor with the approval of the Senate.

Tenure - The judges serve a 12 year term.

Qualifications - Judges must have legal training with five years experience as an attorney and demonstrate a special interest in the knowledge of child-family relationships.

Other Judicial Personnel: Certain cases may be heard by Masters and their decisions are self-enacting unless a judge disagrees or a defendant asserts his right to a hearing de novo conducted by a judge.

Support Personnel: The court employs clerks, a probation dept., a Director of Treatment Services, an accounting dept., and a staff training officer.

FAMILY COURT

JUDICIARY

Hon. William C. Gordon
Chief Judge
Jackie Gellens, Secretary

Hon. Joseph P. Hurley
New Castle County Resident Judge
Mary Mowday, Secretary

Hon. Roger D. Kelsey
Kent County Resident Judge
Karen Price, Secretary

Hon. Robert D. Thompson
Sussex County Resident Judge
Grace Davis, Secretary

Associate Judges

Hon. Elwood F. Melson, Jr.
Ann Botto, Secretary

Hon. Herbert L. Cobin
Nancy Kaper, Secretary

Hon. Roxana C. Arsht
Loretta Neylan, Secretary

Hon. Robert W. Wakefield
Virginia Kelly, Secretary

Hon. Daniel J. Kelleher
Irma Minutola, Secretary

Associate Judge

Hon. Grover C. Brown
Jeanette Anderson, Secretary

Masters

Nathan Rosbrow
Helen S. Balick
Haram W. Warder

Masters

James H. Hughes III
William S. Lee

Master

A. Dean Betts

FAMILY COURT-STATE OF DELAWARE

JUDICIARY

SUPPORT PERSONNEL

Administrator - Director of Treatment Services
Administrative Secretary
Deputy Director of Treatment
2 Staff Training Officers
2 Administrative Assistants
2 Accountants
3 Accounting clerks
Clerk Steno
Director of Support
Secretary

New Castle County

chief supervisor
administrative assistant
counselor
3 support officers
2 accounting clerks
1 clerk steno
6 clerk typists
2 clerks
3 machine operators
social service administrator
5 counselors
receptionist
2 clerk typists
clerk of court
2 deputy clerks
2 accounting clerks
2 process servers
7 bailiffs
1 clerk typist

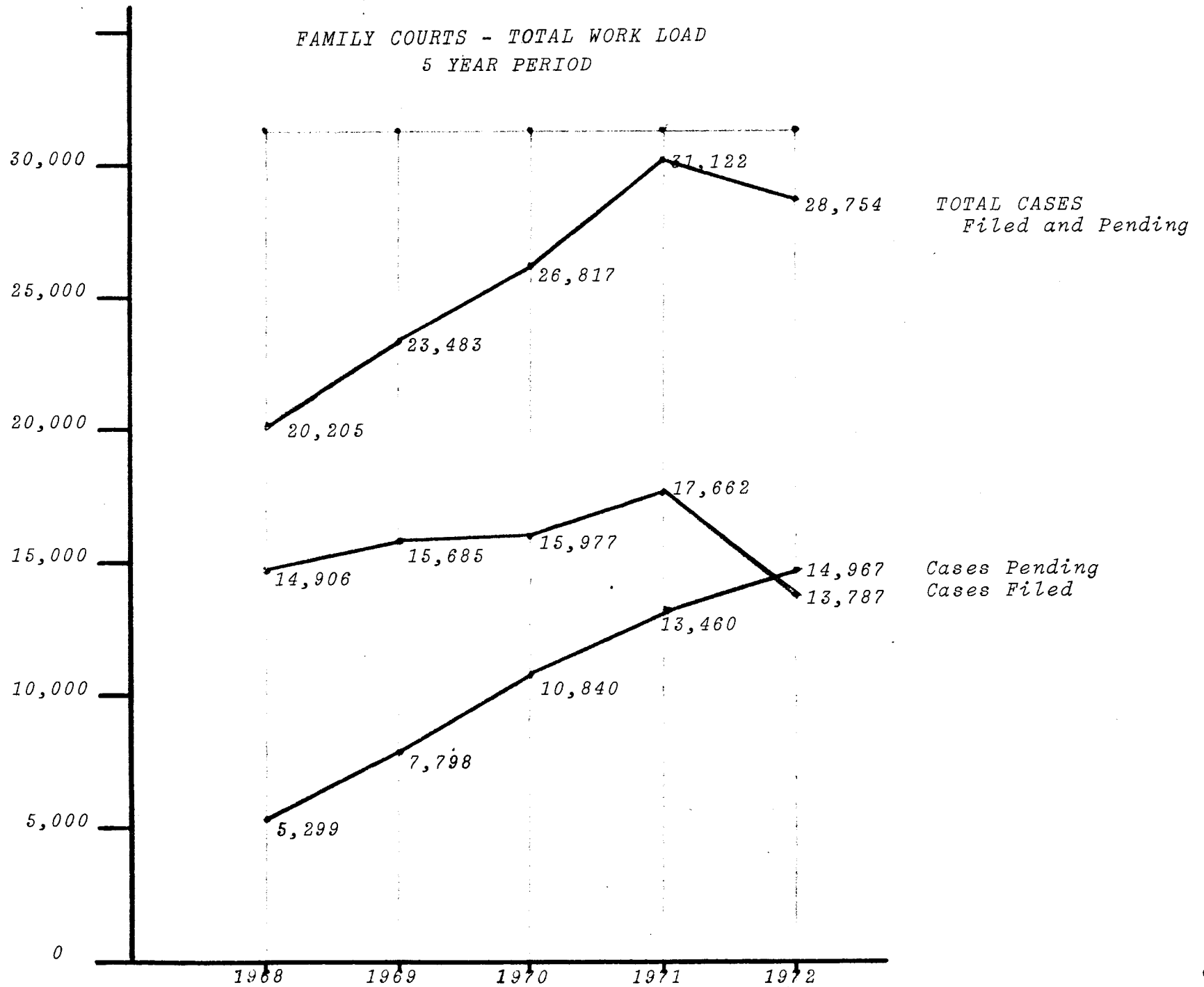
Kent County

chief supervisor
administrative officer
2 support officers
1 clerk steno
1 clerk typist
accounting clerk
clerk of court
deputy clerk
bailiff
process server
8 counselors
clerk typist
legal steno
3 clerk steno
3 clerk typists

Sussex County

chief supervisor
support officer
2 clerk steno
2 clerk typists
clerk of court
deputy clerk
bailiff
accounting clerk
2 secretaries
clerk steno
2 clerk typists
6 counselors
receptionist

FAMILY COURTS - TOTAL WORK LOAD
5 YEAR PERIOD



THE TOTAL WORKLOAD OF THIS COURT FOR THE PERIOD 1968 THROUGH 1972 HAS INCREASED BY 42.3%.

FAMILY COURT of the
 SUMMARY OF STATE OF DELAWARE (STATE OFFICE) BUDGET 02-08-001

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES</u> :								
1. Judicial	75,537.00	29,000.00	29,000.00	29,000.00	29,000.00	29,000.00	29,000.00	29,000.00
2. Employees	37,851.00	179,223.00	194,908.00	207,577.00	221,069.00	235,438.00	250,741.00	267,039.00
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	38,989.00	39,574.00	40,168.00	40,771.00	41,383.00	42,004.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	2,604.00	-0-	3,500.00	3,553.00	3,607.00	3,662.00	3,717.00	3,773.00
TRAVEL	2,726.00	2,900.00	5,285.00	5,364.00	5,444.00	5,496.00	5,578.00	5,662.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	6,170.00	1,750.00	4,800.00	4,872.00	4,945.00	5,019.00	5,094.00	5,170.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	3,524.00	2,600.00	3,450.00	3,502.00	3,555.00	3,608.00	3,662.00	3,717.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	7,130.00	1,200.00	1,975.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
SPECIAL ITEMS:								
1. Nat'l. Reciprocal Conference	-0-	4,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2. Expenses for State Information Agent	-0-	-0-	1,500.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
3.								
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	135,542.00	220,673.00	283,407.00	295,442.00	309,788.00	324,994.00	341,175.00	358,365.00

SUMMARY OF FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE -NEW CASTLE COUNTY

BUDGET 02-08-002

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISCRETIONARIES	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES:</u>								
1. Judicial	77,625.00	162,000.00	162,000.00	162,000.00	162,000.00	162,000.00	162,000.00	162,000.00
2. Employees	533,193.00	648,873.00	821,037.00	901,404.00	958,240.00	1,081,770.00	1,083,235.00	1,151,890.00
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	184,063.00	186,824.00	189,626.00	192,470.00	195,357.00	198,287.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	25,777.00	34,350.00	39,800.00	40,397.00	41,003.00	41,618.00	42,242.00	42,876.00
TRAVEL	5,541.00	4,250.00	10,575.00	10,734.00	10,895.00	11,058.00	11,224.00	11,392.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	31,437.00	273,400.00	299,425.00	303,916.00	308,475.00	313,102.00	317,799.00	322,566.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	9,175.00	12,550.00	18,225.00	18,498.00	18,775.00	19,057.00	19,343.00	19,633.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	9,966.00	9,950.00	19,125.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
SPECIAL ITEMS								
1.								
2.								
3.								
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	722,694.00	1,145,373.00	1,554,250.00	1,628,773.00	1,694,014.00	1,763,075.00	1,836,200.00	1,913,644.00

SUMMARY OF

FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE - KENT COUNTY

BUDGET 02-08-003

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES:</u>								
1. Judicial	25,875.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00	54,000.00
2. Employees	109,533.00	171,211.00	193,388.00	205,958.00	219,372.00	233,631.00	248,817.00	264,990.00
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	47,903.00	48,622.00	49,351.00	50,091.00	50,842.00	51,605.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	4,875.00	5,000.00	7,000.00	7,105.00	7,212.00	7,320.00	7,430.00	7,541.00
TRAVEL	3,543.00	5,000.00	6,700.00	6,801.00	6,903.00	7,007.00	7,113.00	7,220.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	10,689.00	12,750.00	14,025.00	14,235.00	14,449.00	14,666.00	14,886.00	15,109.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	3,579.00	3,960.00	6,975.00	7,080.00	7,186.00	7,294.00	7,403.00	7,514.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	2,896.00	2,450.00	4,450.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
SPECIAL ITEMS								
* 1. Debt Service Prin.			12,000.00					
* 2. Debt Service Interest			10,698.00					
3.								
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	160,990.00	254,371.00	357,139.00	345,801.00	360,473.00	376,009.00	392,491.00	409,979.00

* This figure supplied annually by the Office of Budget Director.

SUMMARY OF FAMILY COURT OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE -SUSSEX COUNTY

BUDGET 02-08-004

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES:</u>								
1. Judicial	25,875.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00	27,000.00
2. Employees	119,683.00	182,017.00	240,986.00	256,650.00	273,332.00	291,099.00	310,020.00	330,171.00
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	50,786.00	51,548.00	52,321.00	53,106.00	53,903.00	54,712.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	4,911.00	6,250.00	6,000.00	6,181.00	6,274.00	6,368.00	6,464.00	6,561.00
TRAVEL	7,361.00	7,850.00	9,800.00	9,947.00	10,096.00	10,247.00	10,401.00	10,557.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	8,482.00	12,100.00	18,306.00	18,581.00	18,830.00	19,112.00	19,399.00	19,690.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	2,610.00	2,540.00	5,025.00	5,100.00	5,177.00	5,255.00	5,334.00	5,414.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	2,612.00	6,600.00	7,186.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
SPECIAL ITEMS								
1.								
2.								
3.								
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	171,534.00	244,357.00	365,089.00	377,007.00	395,030.00	414,187.00	434,521.00	456,105.00

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Courts of Limited Jurisdiction

Justice Courts (13)

Legal Authorization: These Courts are authorized by the Constitution of Delaware, Article IV, Section 1.

Geographic Organization: The jurisdiction of the Courts is State-wide and sessions are held throughout the State, 3 in Kent County, and 5 each in New Castle and Sussex Counties. The Judges rotate among the Courts. Fifteen Courts are authorized, but only thirteen of these are operative.

Legal Jurisdiction: The Justice of the Peace Courts have jurisdiction over civil cases in which the amount in controversy does not exceed \$1,500. In all Justice of the Peace Courts except one in Wilmington, criminal jurisdiction is exercised. These Courts are authorized to hear minor misdemeanors and motor vehicle cases (excluding felonies) and may act as committing magistrates for all crimes. Since Justice of the Peace Courts are not Courts of record, appeals may be taken de novo to the Superior Court. The subject matter jurisdiction of the Justice of the Peace Courts is shared with the Courts of Common Pleas.

Judges:

Number - There are 53 magistrates authorized, 51 presently serving full time.

Appointment - The magistrates are appointed by the Governor.

Tenure - The magistrates are appointed for a four year term.

Qualifications - Age 21, resident of the State of Delaware and the county where you are applying for a vacancy.

Support Personnel: Clerks are provided by the State, including a chief clerk and deputy clerks plus constables and bailiffs. There is also a Deputy Administrator for the Justice of the Peace Courts.

Organization
Justices of the Peace Court System of Delaware

Deputy Administrator

Morton R. Kimmel

Assistant Deputy Administrator
for Kent and Sussex Counties

William F. Plack, Jr.

Assistant Deputy Administrator
for New Castle County

Frederick C. Linett

Chief Judges
Sussex County

William Hopkins
Thomas J. Orr

Court No. 1
Court No. 2
Court No. 3
Court No. 4
Court No. 5

Chief Judge
Kent County

Russell Rash

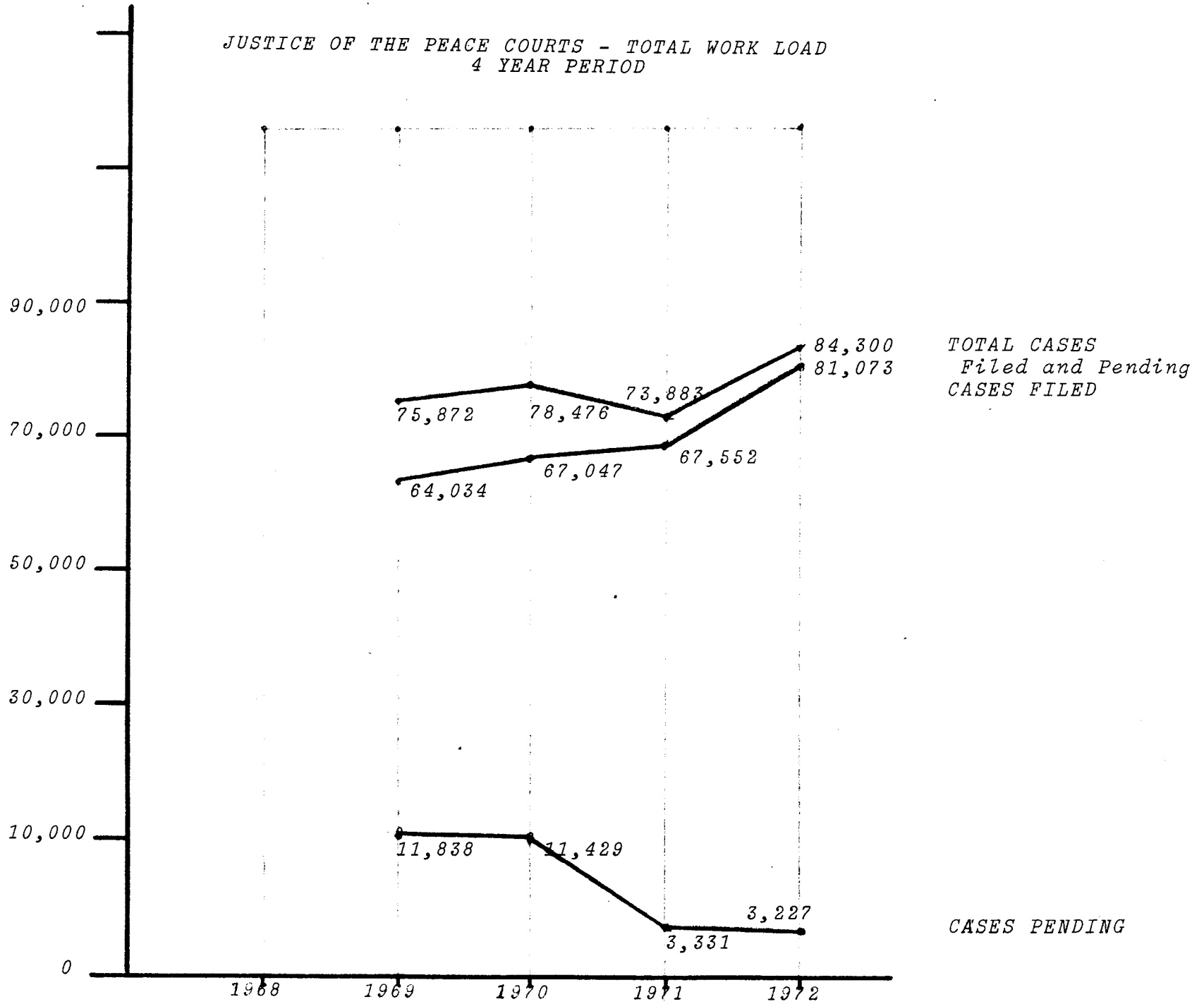
Court No. 6
Court No. 7
Court No. 8

Chief Judge
New Castle County

Harold Perkins

Court No. 9
Court No. 10
Court No. 11
Court No. 13
Court No. 15

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE COURTS - TOTAL WORK LOAD
4 YEAR PERIOD



THE TOTAL WORKLOAD OF THIS COURT FOR THE PERIOD 1969 THROUGH 1972 HAS INCREASED BY 11.1%

SUMMARY OF SUPERVISOR, JUSTICES OF THE PEACE BUDGET 02-13-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES:</u>								
1. Judicial	493,604.00	530,000.00	530,000.00	885,000.00	885,000.00	885,000.00	885,000.00	885,000.00
2. Employees	510,263.00	501,525.00	705,701.00	786,065.00	887,579.00	944,308.00	1,001,348.00	1,037,215.00
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	6,000.00	6,300.00	6,615.00	6,946.00	7,293.00	7,658.00
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	245,176.00	316,080.00	325,069.00	334,058.00	343,047.00	350,000.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	7,808.00	11,000.00	13,000.00	14,300.00	15,730.00	17,303.00	18,168.00	19,076.00
TRAVEL	3,461.00	2,000.00	3,500.00	3,675.00	3,859.00	4,052.00	4,255.00	4,468.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	33,922.00	39,600.00	49,950.00	54,945.00	60,440.00	66,484.00	69,808.00	73,298.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	22,075.00	22,300.00	40,800.00	44,880.00	49,368.00	54,305.00	59,736.00	65,710.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	5,685.00	8,000.00	13,000.00	14,300.00	15,730.00	17,303.00	18,168.00	19,076.00
SPECIAL ITEMS								
1. Constable Mileage	36,592.00	31,050.00	45,000.00	49,500.00	54,450.00	59,885.00	62,879.00	66,023.00
2. J. P. Court Rental	43,147.00	64,100.00	64,100.00	64,100.00	64,100.00	67,305.00	70,670.00	74,204.00
3.								
4.								
GRAND TOTAL	1,156,557.00	1,209,575.00	1,716,227.00	2,239,145.00	2,367,940.00	2,456,949.00	2,540,372.00	2,601,728.00

MUNICIPAL COURT

Municipal Court (1)

Legal Authorization: This court is authorized by 10 Delaware Code Section 1701.

Geographic Organization: This court has jurisdiction within the geographic boundaries of Wilmington. The Court has a Violations Division which processes all moving and parking citations.

Legal Jurisdiction: The Municipal Court has criminal jurisdiction over traffic, misdemeanor, and municipal ordinances concurrent with the Justices of the Peace and the Court of Common Pleas. The court conducts preliminary hearings for both felonies and drug-related misdemeanors. Jury trials are not available.

Judges:

Number - There are 3 judges of the Municipal Court at Wilm.

Appointment - The judges are appointed by the Governor, with approval by the Senate.

Tenure - Judges are appointed for 12 year terms.

Qualifications - The judges must be licensed to practice law in the State of Delaware for 5 years preceding appointment.

Support Personnel: The Senior Judge of the Municipal Court appoints a chief clerk who may in turn appoint deputies.

MUNICIPAL COURT

JUDICIARY

Hon. Alfred Fraczkowski

Chief Judge
Olga Ciabattoni, Secretary

Hon. Carl Goldstein

Associate Judge
Joyce Vietri, Secretary

Hon. Leonard Williams

Associate Judge

Court Commissioners

Charles R. Lee, Chief
T. Roger Barton
Richard O. Douglas
Thomas Murray
Evelyn Taylor, Secretary

MUNICIPAL COURT

JUDICIARY
SUPPORT PERSONNEL

ASSISTANT TO COMMISSIONERS

Elaine Hughes
Mary Dale

BAILIFFS

George Walker
Furio Casales
Robert Sczwiszcza

CLERICAL STAFF

Marion McDowell - Supervisor
Catherine Sexton - Receptionist
Awilda Ortiz
Mary Grello
Deborah Cella
Dorothea Brinson

ACCOUNTING CLERK

Blanche Voshehl

TRAFFIC VIOLATION STAFF

Shirley Cohen - Supervisor
Deborah Badson
Carlis Tate
Carolease Reed
Mary Purnell
Mildred Ward
Carolyn Ward
Carolyn Taggart

MUNICIPAL COURT - CITY OF WILMINGTON

<u>CALENDAR YEARS</u>	<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>	<u>1968</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1972 *</u>
<u>TRAFFIC CASES</u>							
Total Cases Pending (Start)	738	937	1,062	1,249	1,540	2,617	4,544
Total Cases Filed	7,095	6,080	6,707	10,713	12,773	13,122	6,073
Total Cases Terminated	6,896	5,955	6,520	10,422	11,696	11,195	6,052
Total Cases Pending (End)	937	1,062	1,249	1,540	2,617	4,544	4,565
<u>CRIMINAL CASES</u>							
Total Cases Pending (Start)	212	201	199	423	226	358	923
Total Cases Filed	6,374	7,073	7,449	7,392	6,453	6,680	3,598
Total Cases Terminated	6,385	7,075	7,225	7,589	6,321	6,115	3,929
Total Cases Pending (End)	201	199	423	226	358	923	592

*1972 - January 1, 1972 thru June 30, 1972 Only

1972 - January 1 thru June 30

Probation Referrals	127
Presentence Orders	200

JUDICIAL CONFERENCES AND COMMITTEES

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Council on the Administration of Justice

Legislative Authority: The Council is authorized by 10 Delaware Code, Section 2001.

Duties: The Council is charged with the continuous study of the Administration of Justice in the State, and of the organization, procedure, practice, rules and methods of administration and operation of each and all the Courts of the State, whether of record or not of record. The Council collects and uses statistical and other information concerning the work of the Courts and makes recommendations to the Governor, the General Assembly, the Courts or the Bar.

Membership: There are 15 members including the Chief Justice, the Chancellor, the President Judge of the Superior Court, the President Pro-tem of the Senate, the Speaker of the House, the minority leaders of the House and Senate, the Attorney General, the President of the Bar Association, the President of the University of Delaware, and five non-lawyers appointed by the Governor for a term co-extensive with that of the appointed Governor.

Judicial Conference

Legal Authorization: The Judicial Conference is authorized by Supreme Court Rule 35.

Duties: The Judicial Conference studies the judicial business of the various courts with a view of improving the administration of justice in the state. The Conference will also consider improvements in procedure, consider and recommend legislation, consider and implement the canons of judicial ethics and hold symposia of the bench and bar.

Membership: The membership of the conference includes the members of the Supreme Court, the Court of Chancery, the Superior Court, the various Courts of Common Pleas, the Family Courts and the Municipal Court of Wilmington. The Chief Justice is presiding officer of the conference. The Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts serves as secretary for the conference. Stated meetings of the conference are held on the first Wednesday of December and June.

SUMMARY OF

COUNCIL ON ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

BUDGET

02-12-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES</u> :								
1. Judicial	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2. Employees	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<u>EMPLOYMENT COSTS</u>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<u>TRAVEL</u>	-0-	-0-	250.00	310.00	340.00	370.00	400.00	430.00
<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>	-0-	-0-	350.00	390.00	410.00	430.00	450.00	470.00
<u>SUPPLIES/MATERIALS</u>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<u>SPECIAL ITEMS:</u>								
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<u>GRAND TOTAL</u>	-0-	-0-	600.00	700.00	750.00	800.00	850.00	900.00

COURT ON THE JUDICIARY

COURT ON THE JUDICIARY

Article 4, Section 37, of the Constitution of the State of Delaware created this court consisting of the Chief Justice and the Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, the Chancellor and the President Judge of the Superior Court.

Any judicial officer appointed by the Governor may be censured or removed or retired by the Court on the Judiciary for wilful misconduct in office, wilful and persistent failure to perform duties, for commission of an offense involving moral turpitude, other misconduct in violation of the Canons of Judicial Ethics, or for permanent mental or physical disability interfering with the proper performance of his duties.

No censure or removal or retirement will be effective until the judicial officer has been served with written charges and had the opportunity to be heard in accordance with due process of law.

The Court on the Judiciary has:

(a) - the power to summon witnesses to appear and testify under oath and to compel production of other evidence, and

(b) - the power to adopt rules establishing procedures for the investigation and trial of a judicial officer.

Therefore, it is necessary to request funds to enable the court to operate. If no trials are necessary, all funds will revert at the end of each fiscal year.

SUMMARY OF

COURT ON THE JUDICIARY

BUDGET

02-14-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES</u> :								
1. Judicial	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2. Employees	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	2,000.00	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
TRAVEL	-0-	-0-	300.00	400.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	2,500.00	3,000.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00	3,500.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	-0-	-0-	200.00	300.00	300.00	400.00	500.00	500.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
SPECIAL ITEMS:								
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GRAND TOTAL	-0-	-0-	5,000.00	6,200.00	7,300.00	7,400.00	7,500.00	7,500.00

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

Legislative Authority: Created by legislation in the 1971 General Assembly, 10 Delaware Code, Chapter 1.

Duties: The duties of the Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts include the organization and administration of the non-judicial activities of the Delaware Courts, the appointment, assignment and supervision of all non-judicial personnel except the personal staffs of the judges. The Director is also charged with the preparation of the budget and planning and allocation of space. He will also collect, compile and analyze statistics in connection with research and evaluation of court business and administration and at least annually prepare and submit a report of the activities of the courts to the Chief Justice. In addition the Director will establish procedures for management of the jury system and the assignment of judges and attend their administrative meetings. He will maintain liaison with agencies, both public and private, interested in the courts' activities and assist in preparation of proposed legislation.

Support Personnel: The Director of the Administrative Office of the Courts shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Delaware.

The Director may, with the approval of the Chief Justice appoint such deputies, administrative assistants and clerical personnel as are required.

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

DIRECTOR

John R. Fisher

SECRETARY
Diane Todd

COURT PLANNER
(Federally Funded)

Edward V. Lower

SECRETARY
Susan Bromwell

TRIAL COURT ADMINISTRATOR
(Superior Court)

Frederick Kirch

SECRETARY
Lois De Wolfe

SUPERVISOR ACCOUNTING DEPT.

Joseph A. Ruskowski, Jr.

SECRETARY
Linda McCormick

ASSISTANT
Dawn Bowman

BOOKKEEPERS
Sandra Cummings
Mary Cooper

DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SYSTEM

Morton R. Kimmel

SECRETARY
Rita Waldmer

ASSISTANT DEP. ADM. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SYSTEM

Frederick Linett

SECRETARY
Carol Mahoney

ASSISTANT DEP. ADM. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SYSTEM

William F. Plack, Jr.

SECRETARY
Georgia Bailey

SUMMARY OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS BUDGET 02-17-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES:</u>								
1. Director	22,833.00	25,000.00	27,000.00	28,350.00	29,768.00	31,000.00	31,000.00	31,000.00
2. Employees	23,473.00	118,028.00	151,121.00	178,789.00	194,014.00	203,714.00	212,942.00	222,239.00
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	31,699.00	39,624.00	43,586.00	45,765.00	48,053.00	50,456.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TRAVEL	290.00	1,050.00	2,700.00	3,375.00	3,713.00	3,899.00	4,094.00	4,299.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	976.00	8,000.00	12,200.00	14,375.00	15,813.00	16,604.00	17,434.00	18,306.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	661.00	3,000.00	4,500.00	5,625.00	6,188.00	6,497.00	6,822.00	7,163.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	1,570.00	3,900.00	3,500.00	3,125.00	3,438.00	3,610.00	3,791.00	3,981.00
<u>SPECIAL ITEMS</u>								
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GRAND TOTAL	49,803.00	158,978.00	232,720.00	273,263.00	296,520.00	311,089.00	324,136.00	337,444.00

LAW LIBRARIES

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There are three law libraries throughout the State of Delaware and they are staffed and maintained by the State. They are named respectively after the county in which they reside.

The primary function of the law library is to provide research material of a legal nature for the Judicial Branch of our Governments. In addition, extensive use of the library is made by the following: Members of the Bar, law students, law clerks, Justices of the Peace and various government agencies, such as the Department of Justice and City Solicitors Office of the City of Wilmington.

New Castle County Law Library provides working space for 22 persons at one time. There are approximately 16,500 volumes which do not include all the volumes that are available or are needed to adequately provide complete research material. The same can be said for Kent and Sussex Law Libraries.

New Castle County and Kent County Law Libraries are staffed by one full-time employee each. Sussex County Law Library has one part-time librarian.

The duties and responsibilities of the librarians include, but are not limited to, the following: insertion of pocket parts, maintenance of loose leaf services, bookkeeping for the agency's accounts, preparing invoices for library expenditures, filing and indexing reported and unreported opinions from the several Courts, obtaining and filing ordinances from incorporated municipalities, obtaining and filing copies of rules and regulations promulgated by governmental agencies, maintaining books and having them bound, cataloging and keeping a perpetual inventory of books and their monetary values, handling requests from various persons for information contained in the library and in general performing duties associated with the library work, as well as a lending library.

SUMMARY OF

NEW CASTLE COUNTY LAW LIBRARY

BUDGET

02-11-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES :</u>								
1. Judicial	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2. Employees	6,730.00	7,901.00	8,500.00	9,435.00	9,954.00	10,501.00	11,079.00	11,688.00
3. Part-time	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	1,652.00	1,778.00	1,904.00	2,030.00	2,156.00	2,282.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TRAVEL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	502.00	1,230.00	1,400.00	1,600.00	1,800.00	2,000.00	2,200.00	2,500.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	152.00	150.00	200.00	250.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	15,929.00	14,000.00	20,000.00	21,000.00	22,050.00	23,153.00	24,310.00	25,525.00
<u>SPECIAL ITEMS:</u>								
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GRAND TOTAL	23,313.00	23,281.00	31,752.00	34,063.00	36,008.00	37,984.00	40,045.00	42,295.00

SUMMARY OF KENT COUNTY LAW LIBRARY

BUDGET

02-09 -000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
<u>SALARIES</u> :								
1. Judicial	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2. Employees	7,000.00	7,901.00	8,500.00	8,925.00	9,371.00	9,839.00	10,330.00	10,846.00
3. Part-time	2,000.00	2,287.00	2,700.00	2,835.00	2,979.00	3,136.00	3,295.00	3,464.00
<u>EMPLOYMENT COSTS</u>	-0-	-0-	1,800.00	1,908.00	2,016.00	2,124.00	2,232.00	2,340.00
<u>PERSONAL SERVICES</u>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<u>TRAVEL</u>	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
<u>CONTRACTUAL SERVICES</u>	1,600.00	1,700.00	2,140.00	2,500.00	2,600.00	2,800.00	3,000.00	3,200.00
<u>SUPPLIES/MATERIALS</u>	200.00	250.00	350.00	400.00	450.00	500.00	550.00	600.00
<u>CAPITAL OUTLAY</u>	12,999.00	14,200.00	17,374.00	19,000.00	21,000.00	23,000.00	25,000.00	27,000.00
<u>SPECIAL ITEMS</u>								
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GRAND TOTAL	23,799.00	26,338.00	32,864.00	35,568.00	38,416.00	41,399.00	44,407.00	47,450.00

SUMMARY OF

SUSSEX COUNTY LAW LIBRARY

BUDGET

02-10-000

	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
	GENERAL FUNDS DISBURSEMENTS	APPROP.	GENERAL FUNDS REQUESTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED	PROJECTED
SALARIES :								
1. Judicial	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
2. Employees	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
3. Part-time	1,350.00	2,000.00	2,250.00	2,500.00	2,750.00	3,000.00	3,250.00	3,500.00
EMPLOYMENT COSTS	-0-	-0-	124.00	154.00	169.00	184.00	199.00	214.00
PERSONAL SERVICES	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
TRAVEL	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	1,300.00	1,620.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
SUPPLIES/MATERIALS	100.00	100.00	100.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY	10,000.00	11,500.00	14,500.00	16,000.00	17,500.00	19,000.00	20,500.00	22,000.00
SPECIAL ITEMS								
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GRAND TOTAL	12,750.00	15,220.00	19,474.00	21,354.00	23,119.00	24,884.00	26,649.00	28,414.00

