



**Jefferson
County
Clerk of
Circuit
Court
Annual Report
for 2011**

Submitted by: Carla J. Robinson

CASE FILING INFORMATION

FILINGS & DISPOSITIONS

CASE TYPE		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
CRIMINAL	Misdemeanor (CM)						
	Filed	1097	1013	734	802	537	613
	Disposed ¹	1029	1178	1234	1021	762	770
	Felony (CF)						
	Filed	661	534	505	494	375	399
	Disposed	694	637	650	536	533	467
TRAFFIC	Criminal Traffic (CT)						
	Filed	864	974	956	659	463	469
	Disposed	857	943	1106	745	454	492
	Forfeiture Traffic (TR)						
	Filed	8835	9101	7713	8036	7425	7315
	Disposed	8805	9585	8027	8106	7826	7124
OTHER <small>(includes County & Municipal Ordinance & DNR violations)</small>	Forfeiture (FO)						
	Filed	974	863	829	1067	837	838
	Disposed	1005	935	823	1064	887	842
JUVENILE	Delinquency & JIPS* (JV)						
	Filed	195	195	187	133	126	106
	Disposed	178	205	178	128	149	226
	<small>*Juv. in need of Protection & Svs.</small>						
	CHIPS* (JC)						
	Filed	72	93	63	67	58	83
	Disposed	66	86	66	52	68	78
	<small>*Child in need of Protection & Svs.</small>						
	Juvenile Ordinance (JO)						
	Filed	85	51	78	52	47	40
Disposed	78	57	70	64	48	39	
Termination of Parental Rights (TP)	31	23	26	16	24	9	
Adoption (AD)	49	28	44	31	31	20	

¹ In all case types, some cases have more than one disposition due to a case being reopened for some reason and then closed again. Therefore the number of dispositions is frequently higher than the number of filings.

CASE TYPE		2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
CIVIL	Small Claims (SC)						
	Filed	1809	2456	2352	2073	1931	2018
	Disposed	1148	2397	2389	2050	2049	2071
	Civil (CV)						
	Filed	764	920	1061	1174	1251	1019
	Disposed	798	859	1247	1128	1447	1213
	Commitment of an Inmate (CI)						
	Filed	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Disposed	1	0	0	0	0	0
	Family (FA)						
Filed	585	544	510	575	670	612	
Disposed	367	497	568	627	644	596	
Paternity (PA)							
Filed	184	125	130	118	149	93	
Disposed	135	143	143	103	126	100	
PROBATE	Guardianship (GN)	82	70	74	70	89	82
	Mental Commitment (ME)	104	112	114	107	106	124
	Formal Probate (PR)	62	48	57	58	54	34
	Informal Probate (IN)	92	88	100	110	93	104

	CASE TYPE	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
JUDGMENTS & LIENS DOCKETED	Transcript of Judgment (TJ)	118	112	97	118	114	98
	Unemployment Compensation (UC)	229	183	178	146	165	183
	Wage Claim (WC)	33	59	62	49	21	27
	Tax Warrant (TW)	207	212	219	407	392	309
	Construction Liens (CL)	63	47	59	35	11	19
	Hospital Liens (HL)	27	44	20	10	8	2
	Condominium Liens (CO)	2	2	0	11	74	11
	Foreign Judgments (FJ)	6	4	11	8	7	15

\$\$ FINANCIAL \$\$
INFORMATION

**2011 TOTAL RECEIPTS
COC & PROBATE**

MONTH	RECEIPTS
January	\$233,789.06
February	\$251,685.98
March	\$386,124.21
April	\$270,593.40
May	\$283,104.04
June	\$455,751.51
July	\$393,398.27
August	\$245,797.64
September	\$226,887.31
October	\$278,836.38
November	\$238,408.56
December	\$275,222.44
GRAND TOTAL	\$3,539,598.80

JEFFERSON COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT FEES FOR 2011

MONTH	COUNTY SHARE	STATE SHARE	CCAP	TOTAL
JANUARY	\$ 9,971.27	\$ 10,737.89	\$ 6,417.73	\$ 27,126.89
FEBRUARY	\$ 10,623.81	\$ 13,939.04	\$ 6,571.68	\$ 31,134.53
MARCH	\$ 12,777.89	\$ 16,482.83	\$ 7,772.80	\$ 37,033.52
APRIL	\$ 9,451.42	\$ 11,975.27	\$ 5,920.23	\$ 27,346.92
MAY	\$ 9,492.47	\$ 12,223.83	\$ 5,781.35	\$ 27,497.65
JUNE	\$ 10,600.79	\$ 14,098.62	\$ 6,724.51	\$ 31,423.92
JULY	\$ 8,759.83	\$ 11,361.90	\$ 5,673.84	\$ 25,795.57
AUGUST	\$ 10,056.57	\$ 13,372.12	\$ 6,370.69	\$ 29,799.38
SEPTEMBER	\$ 8,793.24	\$ 12,421.47	\$ 5,600.87	\$ 26,815.58
OCTOBER	\$ 9,581.91	\$ 13,411.44	\$ 6,190.70	\$ 29,184.05
NOVEMBER	\$ 9,231.85	\$ 12,933.50	\$ 5,960.75	\$ 28,126.10
DECEMBER	\$ 7,901.07	\$ 12,105.18	\$ 4,940.94	\$ 24,947.19
GRAND TOTALS	\$ 117,242.12	\$ 155,063.09	\$ 73,926.09	\$ 346,231.30

**COURT APPOINTED
ATTORNEY FEE PAYMENTS
PAID OVER TO COUNTY
FOR 2011**

*Info from County Report

MONTH	CF & CM 2410.451427.3	CT & TR 2410.451427.4	JV CT Appt. 2410.451427.5	MISC 2410.451427.6	FA/PA - CT Appt. 2410.451427.7	MONTHLY TOTAL
JANUARY	\$ 3,907.25	\$ 1,776.90	\$ -	\$ 1,078.00	\$ -	\$ 6,762.15
FEBRUARY	\$ 6,311.21	\$ 906.62	\$ -	\$ 231.25	\$ 225.00	\$ 7,674.08
MARCH	\$ 10,587.58	\$ 778.90	\$ -	\$ 524.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 11,925.48
APRIL	\$ 4,487.15	\$ 1,634.98	\$ -	\$ 241.01	\$ 50.00	\$ 6,413.14
MAY	\$ 2,856.26	\$ 1,038.97	\$ -	\$ 205.00	\$ -	\$ 4,100.23
JUNE	\$ 4,171.45	\$ 523.09	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 225.00	\$ 4,969.54
JULY	\$ 3,973.13	\$ 2,674.15	\$ -	\$ 175.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 6,957.28
AUGUST	\$ 3,486.16	\$ 293.75	\$ -	\$ 151.51	\$ 230.00	\$ 4,161.42
SEPTEMBER	\$ 5,026.66	\$ 408.00	\$ -	\$ 407.51	\$ 20.88	\$ 5,863.05
OCTOBER	\$ 4,170.07	\$ 1,238.22	\$ -	\$ 286.51	\$ 25.00	\$ 5,719.80
NOVEMBER	\$ 5,878.06	\$ 382.50	\$ -	\$ 416.51	\$ 25.00	\$ 6,702.07
DECEMBER	\$ 5,519.49	\$ 440.84	\$ -	\$ 191.52	\$ 25.00	\$ 6,176.85
TOTALS	\$ 60,374.47	\$ 12,096.92	\$ -	\$ 3,957.82	\$ 995.88	\$ 77,425.09

**JUVENILE LEGAL FEES COLLECTED &
PAID OVER TO COUNTY / STATE
for 2011**

MONTH	TOTAL	COUNTY	STATE
JANUARY	\$ 560.00	\$ 140.00	\$ 420.00
FEBRUARY	\$ 833.67	\$ 208.42	\$ 625.25
MARCH	\$ 1,071.28	\$ 267.82	\$ 803.46
APRIL	\$ 961.32	\$ 240.33	\$ 720.99
MAY	\$ 1,657.99	\$ 414.50	\$ 1,243.49
JUNE	\$ 710.79	\$ 177.70	\$ 533.09
JULY	\$ 405.00	\$ 101.25	\$ 303.75
AUGUST	\$ 572.50	\$ 143.12	\$ 429.38
SEPTEMBER	\$ 1,130.00	\$ 282.50	\$ 847.50
OCTOBER	\$ 155.00	\$ 38.75	\$ 116.25
NOVEMBER	\$ 237.50	\$ 59.37	\$ 178.13
DECEMBER	\$ 594.01	\$ 148.50	\$ 445.51
GRAND TOTALS	\$ 8,889.06	\$ 2,222.26	\$ 6,666.80

**FAMILY COURT COSTS
PAID OVER TO COUNTY
FOR 2011**

*Info from County Report

MONTH	GAL	MEDIATION FEE	CUSTODY STUDY	PSYCH EVAL	FAMILY COUNSELING
Acct. #	2410.451427.2	2422.451017	2422.451018	2401.451425	2422.451412
JANUARY	\$ 5,732.16	\$ 1,053.70	\$ 493.86	\$ 188.11	\$ 680.00
FEBRUARY	\$ 21,510.02	\$ 750.00	\$ 1,867.27	\$ 373.13	\$ 695.64
MARCH	\$ 19,469.82	\$ 1,504.93	\$ 1,858.27	\$ 159.73	\$ 922.87
APRIL	\$ 8,675.38	\$ 1,509.42	\$ 774.98	\$ 2,211.03	\$ 665.00
MAY	\$ 10,574.45	\$ 450.00	\$ 716.70	\$ 2,518.13	\$ 805.00
JUNE	\$ 8,148.26	\$ 1,204.35	\$ 1,180.65	\$ 90.20	\$ 875.00
JULY	\$ 6,132.98	\$ 600.00	\$ 977.68	\$ 51.16	\$ 570.00
AUGUST	\$ 5,985.95	\$ 1,507.97	\$ 363.27	\$ 587.35	\$ 675.00
SEPTEMBER	\$ 5,884.41	\$ 1,500.35	\$ 547.04	\$ 210.53	\$ 485.05
OCTOBER	\$ 4,994.83	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 401.56	\$ 206.42	\$ 635.00
NOVEMBER	\$ 4,504.13	\$ 447.88	\$ 693.34	\$ 33.44	\$ 490.00
DECEMBER	\$ 10,009.48	\$ 2,113.90	\$ 827.68	\$ 416.91	\$ 540.00
TOTALS	\$ 111,621.87	\$ 13,842.50	\$ 10,702.30	\$ 7,046.14	\$ 8,038.56

**MISCELLANEOUS FEES
(COC & Probate)
PAID OVER TO COUNTY
FOR 2011**

*Info from County & Probate Reports

MONTH	PROBATE Copy & Other Clerk Fees	COC Copy, Fax & Oth. Clerk Fees	INTERP. FEE	REST. - 5% Surcharge	REST. - 10% Surcharge	OCCUPATION FEE	PACKET Fee (COC & Probate)	SALES TAX for Packet Fee	PAY PLAN FEE
Acct. #	2471.451403, 428 & 408	2401.451403	2401.451410	2401.441014	2401.442015	2401.431004	2401.451403	800.242013	2401.451403
JAN	\$ 273.00	\$ 2,814.61	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 278.86	\$ -	\$ 313.45	\$ 17.30	\$ 1,016.36
FEB	\$ 191.00	\$ 4,462.24	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 73.12	\$ -	\$ 320.75	\$ 17.75	\$ 840.09
MAR	\$ 421.00	\$ 2,548.89	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,042.40	\$ -	\$ 374.30	\$ 20.68	\$ 1,101.03
APR	\$ 252.00	\$ 2,541.62	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 502.08	\$ -	\$ 287.25	\$ 15.87	\$ 912.50
MAY	\$ 455.50	\$ 3,012.93	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 779.80	\$ 40.00	\$ 320.50	\$ 17.71	\$ 709.29
JUNE	\$ 363.00	\$ 2,712.75	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,296.54	\$ -	\$ 404.75	\$ 22.33	\$ 855.05
JULY	\$ 259.00	\$ 2,633.60	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 339.56	\$ -	\$ 438.00	\$ 24.15	\$ 667.50
AUG	\$ 290.00	\$ 2,935.01	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 811.15	\$ -	\$ 244.24	\$ 13.47	\$ 947.50
SEPT	\$ 301.00	\$ 2,152.51	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,108.34	\$ -	\$ 412.68	\$ 22.76	\$ 961.63
OCT	\$ 239.00	\$ 4,157.19	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,257.93	\$ 40.00	\$ 429.50	\$ 23.44	\$ 1,182.72
NOV	\$ 323.00	\$ 2,500.85	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 670.79	\$ 40.00	\$ 257.48	\$ 13.09	\$ 1,054.07
DEC	\$ 316.00	\$ 2,697.52	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 518.22	\$ -	\$ 276.50	\$ 16.33	\$ 871.70
TOTALS	\$ 3,683.50	\$ 35,169.72	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8,678.79	\$ 120.00	\$ 4,079.40	\$ 224.88	\$ 11,119.44

Checking Acct. MONTHLY INCOME FOR 2011

MONTH	STOP PYMNT	NSF CHARGES	L.G.I.P. & C/D INTEREST	CHECKING INTEREST	AMNT XFR'D from OTH to CK	AMNT Req. from COUNTY
JANUARY	\$ -	\$ 35.00	\$ 25.78	\$ 20.66	\$ -	\$ 14.34
FEBRUARY	\$ -	\$ 5.00	\$ 21.36	\$ 25.82	\$ 20.82	\$ -
MARCH	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 22.55	\$ 36.91	\$ 11.91	\$ -
APRIL	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ 19.28	\$ 28.57	\$ 8.57	\$ -
MAY	\$ -	\$ 25.00	\$ 17.24	\$ 24.49	\$ -	\$ -
JUNE	\$ -	\$ 15.00	\$ 14.80	\$ 23.39	\$ 7.88	\$ -
JULY	\$ -	\$ 35.00	\$ 15.57	\$ 32.90	\$ -	\$ -
AUGUST	\$ -	\$ 10.00	\$ 2.75	\$ 28.86	\$ 16.76	\$ -
SEPTEMBER	\$ -	\$ 55.00	\$ 2.36	\$ 13.88	\$ -	\$ 41.12
OCTOBER	\$ -	\$ 30.00	\$ 3.06	\$ 15.18	\$ -	\$ 14.82
NOVEMBER	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2.98	\$ 12.11	\$ 12.11	\$ -
DECEMBER	\$ -	\$ 60.00	\$ 3.06	\$ 20.10	\$ -	\$ 39.90
GRAND TOTALS	\$ -	\$ 315.00	\$ 150.79	\$ 282.87	\$ 78.05	\$ 110.18

Total Interest	\$	433.66
Total Charges	\$	315.00
Net Income	\$	118.66

STATE MONTHLY PAY-OVER REPORT FOR 2011

MONTH	COUNTY SHARE	STATE SHARE	TOTAL
JANUARY	\$ 42,794.07	\$ 134,485.10	\$ 177,279.17
FEBRUARY	\$ 53,838.47	\$ 158,252.55	\$ 212,091.02
MARCH	\$ 65,072.35	\$ 189,359.36	\$ 254,431.71
APRIL	\$ 47,468.76	\$ 140,072.05	\$ 187,540.81
MAY	\$ 41,636.52	\$ 130,495.83	\$ 172,132.35
JUNE	\$ 45,846.83	\$ 152,382.98	\$ 198,229.81
JULY	\$ 43,267.41	\$ 141,963.82	\$ 185,231.23
AUGUST	\$ 52,816.66	\$ 154,858.54	\$ 207,675.20
SEPTEMBER	\$ 44,762.41	\$ 139,559.82	\$ 184,322.23
OCTOBER	\$ 46,481.62	\$ 139,801.51	\$ 186,283.13
NOVEMBER	\$ 41,478.12	\$ 133,112.89	\$ 174,591.01
DECEMBER	\$ 37,221.38	\$ 115,653.84	\$ 152,875.22
GRAND TOTALS	\$ 562,684.60	\$ 1,729,998.29	\$ 2,292,682.89

MUNICIPAL TRAFFIC REMITTANCE TO INDIVIDUAL MUNICIPALITIES FOR 2011

Month	Town of Ixonia	Town of Lake Mills	Town of Waterloo	Town of Watertown	City of Jefferson	City of Lake Mills	City of Waterloo	City of Watertown	City of Fort Atkinson	Village of Palmyra
JANUARY		\$ -					\$ 526.48			
FEBRUARY		\$ -					\$ 1,038.50			
MARCH		\$ -					\$ 1,228.71			
APRIL		\$ -					\$ 673.07			
MAY		\$ -					\$ 531.55			
JUNE		\$ -					\$ 577.86			
JULY		\$ -					\$ 1,098.19			
AUGUST		\$ -					\$ 1,166.45			
SEPTEMBER		\$ -					\$ 591.22			
OCTOBER		\$ -					\$ 1,373.44			
NOVEMBER		\$ -					\$ 762.89			
DECEMBER		\$ -					\$ 579.07			
GRAND TOTALS		\$ -					\$ 10,147.43	\$ -		

GRAND TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS DISBURSED TO MUNICIPALITIES IN 2010

JEFFERSON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REVENUE FOR 2011

MONTH	50% of STATE FINES	10% of OTHER STATE FINES	COUNTY FINE/FORTEITURE	MONTHLY TOTALS
JANUARY	\$ 8,815.80	\$ 376.07	\$ 14,214.38	\$ 23,406.25
FEBRUARY	\$ 14,805.36	\$ 611.84	\$ 16,631.01	\$ 32,048.21
MARCH	\$ 18,562.56	\$ 1,082.50	\$ 16,817.45	\$ 36,462.51
APRIL	\$ 14,844.33	\$ 476.67	\$ 12,096.99	\$ 27,417.99
MAY	\$ 9,993.28	\$ 365.48	\$ 10,335.98	\$ 20,694.74
JUNE	\$ 11,224.21	\$ 780.03	\$ 12,736.84	\$ 24,741.08
JULY	\$ 11,748.64	\$ 732.19	\$ 11,791.56	\$ 24,272.39
AUGUST	\$ 13,810.11	\$ 550.55	\$ 16,188.24	\$ 30,548.90
SEPTEMBER	\$ 12,649.55	\$ 671.10	\$ 13,051.69	\$ 26,372.34
OCTOBER	\$ 10,862.23	\$ 469.02	\$ 10,171.86	\$ 21,503.11
NOVEMBER	\$ 9,276.58	\$ 523.20	\$ 13,576.91	\$ 23,376.69
DECEMBER	\$ 11,204.79	\$ 334.67	\$ 9,187.58	\$ 20,727.04
GRAND TOTALS	\$ 147,797.44	\$ 6,973.32	\$ 156,800.49	\$ 311,571.25

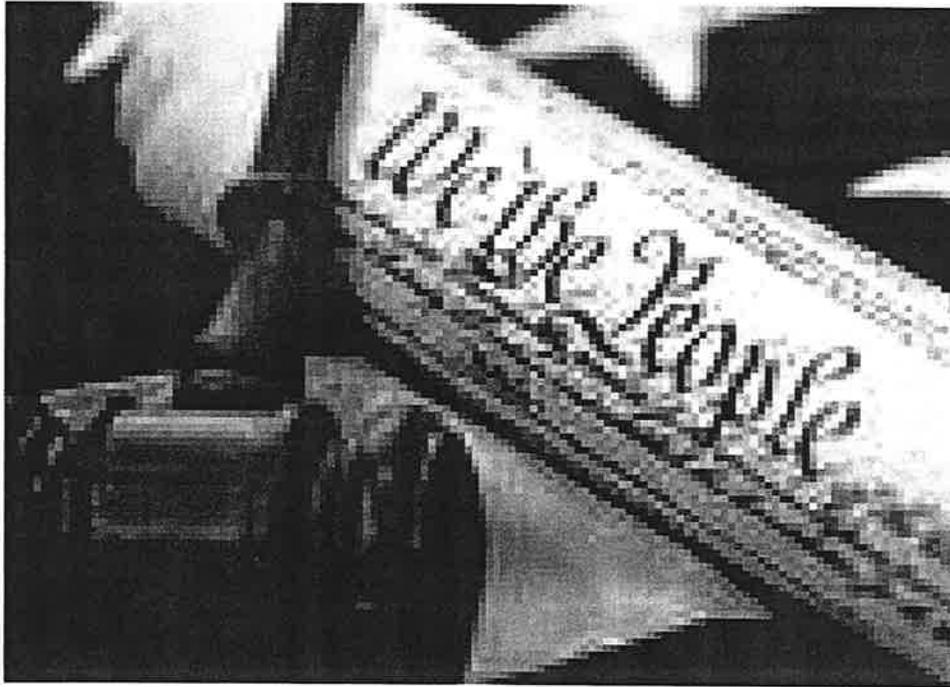
FUNDS that PASS-THRU Clerk of Courts Office**2011**

AGENCY/ACCT.	AMOUNT
BONDS	\$38,089.80
CV - Forclosures & Other Monies	\$ 529,806.76
DOC Surcharge	\$ 258.23
DRUG Task Force	\$ 5,389.56
FOP acct# 1603.441001	\$ 1,060.83
GN & TP Deposits - Pd. over to GAL	\$ 4,747.26
FA/PA IV-D Service Fees	\$ 91.00
JCHS - Repay AODA & Dr. Marciel's Fee	\$ 315.00
JCSD Extradition Costs	\$ 3,821.12
JCSD Officer Fees	\$ 737.50
PADA - People Against Domestic Abuse	\$ 603.26
ODD/ENDS Pay Order per Court Order (FA,TJ)	\$ 45,821.90
PPS - Payments	\$ 796.57
REFUNDS	\$ 64,792.04
RESTITUTION	\$ 51,246.78
SC & GF pymnts - made thru our office	\$ 1,478.08
WSP Officer Fees	\$ 945.84
GRAND TOTAL -	\$ 750,001.53

JEFFERSON COUNTY CIRCUIT
COURT

2011

ANNUAL JURY REPORT



March 28, 2012

I am pleased to present the 2011 Jefferson County Jury Report. I continue to be committed to accuracy and efficiencies within the Court system.

By using the CCAP Jury Management System, essential and effective jury-related data is collected and maintained. The basic information from each questionnaire and each jury trial is entered and thereafter available for compiling statistical reports. Accuracy is the key to meaningful data. Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

During the preparation of this year's report we learned that we have to do a better job getting jurors to comply with their summons. We've already implemented additional means of reminding jurors of their obligation to serve – which at first blush appears to be quite effective.

The process of working with potential jurors can be daunting as the prospective jurors are notorious for seeking a reason not to serve. It has been our experience that once a juror actually serves on a trial; they express their gratitude for the opportunity and are willing to serve again. Although the gratitude comes at the end, it is much appreciated.

I continue to offer my thanks to Diane Scheel my lead clerk in charge of jury management. Ms. Scheel handles the day to day management of the jury system, compiles the statistics and prepares this report on my behalf. Ms. Scheel and I continually look for ways to tweak the system for efficiencies and budget savings.

Respectfully submitted by:

CARLA J. ROBINSON

2011 Jury Accomplishments

In an effort to continually improve and create efficiencies within the system along with the jury experience for Jefferson County citizens, the following is an evaluation of our proficiency in implementing and monitoring an effective jury system in 2011:

It is an ongoing process to maintain and improve the Annual Jury Report to keep Jefferson County in compliance with SCR 73.01. It is one of the Jury Clerk's main duties to compile and input the activities and information correctly into the computer using the most current codes. Our computer system, CCAP, continues to update the jury computer program and improve reports for tracking statistics. This in turn provides the most accurate information on our reports to the County Board and our District Court Administrator.

Our jury management team for 2011 consists of the Clerk of Court Carla Robinson; Jury Judge William F. Hue; Jury Clerk Diane Scheel; Deputy Clerk Tina Hotter and our District Court Administrator Michael Neimon. In 2012, we would like to add to the jury management team, one or two attorneys who have experienced the jury selection process within the last six months.

In our efforts to reduce the number of "no shows" by jurors who have been summoned for jury duty during the months of July through November, 2011, we implemented a new system of summoning jurors which included the following:

- A schedule of known jury dates at the time of mailing the summons.
- A requirement that the new juror read the juror guide book and acknowledging that they have read it by returning a signed post card.
- Finally, we required the juror to call the jury clerk before their term started. It was intended that this personal contact would allow the clerk the ability to explain the jury selection procedure and also obtain information regarding any days during the month that the juror is unavailable due to a

personal conflict, such as doctor's appointment, vacation, or an employment related/financial hardship situation.

The end result showed no improvement of jurors appearing for jury duty when called during their month of service. This process proved to be ineffective, inefficient, and both confusing for the jurors and laborious for the jury clerk. Thus, in December, 2011, we returned to the previously used summons letter and procedures.

It should be noted that with the start of a new jury year in 2012, and under the order of the new Jury Judge, Judge Erwin, we have implemented a different system to increase juror appearance. The Jury Clerk is making a personal telephone call to the specific jurors who are required to appear for duty. These calls are made the day before the jurors need to report for jury duty. As of March 2012, this method has improved juror response, even though the telephone calling is still time consuming for the jury clerk. Carla is presently looking into an automated calling system to reduce the jury clerk's time in making those individual calls.

2012 JURY GOALS

- Continued improvement of the Annual Jury Report to keep Jefferson County in compliance with SCR 73.01. CCAP is presently implementing a new, improved jury system program. Jefferson County is scheduled to receive this update before the end of 2012.
- Revise jury management team to include the Jury Judge and one or two attorneys who have experience in the jury selection process within the last six months to get more diversity and a fresh viewpoint in analyzing our jury system and specifically addressing our “No Show” issues.
- The Jury Judge for 2012 is Judge Erwin. She has implemented the following additional procedure for the jury clerk to help reduce the number of “No Show” jurors: The day before a jury trial, the clerk will personally call each juror who is required to appear the following day and/or remind each juror of their jury duty obligation and the need for that juror to appear the following day.
- Due to the additional action required by Judge Erwin and the time it takes the jury clerk to process the individual phone calls; Carla is presently working with MIS to find a system that will make these phone calls automatically, reducing the jury clerk’s time to process the Judge’s requirement.
- Turn over the Jury Clerk duties to one designated clerk within Diane’s Unit so the jury clerk responsibilities are not spread out between so many clerks.

SUMMARY BY BRANCH 2011

As of January, 2007, Judge Koschnick implemented the specialty court system. Rotation on specific type cases occurs every four years between the four Branches. Case rotation for 2011 jury year was as follows:

Branch 1	Juvenile, Probate, Temporary Restraining Order, Small Claims and General case types
Branch 2	Family & Large Claims - Civil cases types
Branch 3	All odd-numbered Criminal & Traffic cases
Branch 4	All even-numbered Criminal & Traffic cases

Jury Trials: Below you will see grids for each judge listing the jury trials heard in the previous year. Judges have the option to retain cases from previous rotations so you could see trials that are outside of their current rotation assignment. Judges can also be assigned cases by the District Court Administrator which typically occurs when another judge – in this county or another county – is recused from a case.

CIRCUIT COURT BRANCH 1 – JUDGE WESTON			
Trial Start Date	Case Number	Case Name	Length of Trial
10/20/2011	2011ME000025	In the matter of S. M. S.	1 day

Note: Branch 1 is assigned Juvenile, Probate, Temporary Restraining Order, Small Claims and General case types. These case types typically retain a lower demand for jury trials. Jury trials in these type cases are even less frequent than Civil or Family type cases.

CIRCUIT COURT BRANCH 2 – JUDGE HUE			
Trial Start Date	Case Number	Case Name	Length of Trial
01/20/2011	2009CV001000	Paige Buske, et al vs Karie Peckham, et al	2 days
02/24/2011	2008CV000337	John Teipner vs Patricia Clark	2 days
03/03/2011	2009CV000308	Conrad A. Holcomb, et al vs Steinbach Farms of Watertown, LLC, et al	1 day
04/07/2011	1996CI000001	State of WI vs Richard A. Walker	2 days
06/29/2011	2009CV000322	Merle Fischer vs American Family Mutual Insurance Co., et al	3 days
08/22/2011	2009CV000087	Gregory J. Fetherstone, et al vs Michael S. Parks, et al	0 day
09/01/2011	2009CV000471	Douglas V. Erdman vs State of WI-Dept. of Transportation	0 day
12/15/2011	2009CV000471	Douglas V. Erdman vs State of WI-Dept. of Transportation	2 days

Note: Branch 2 is assigned all Family & Large Claims - Civil cases types. Many Civil or Family type cases settle without need for a jury trial.

Notice that on August 22nd, 2011, and on September 1, 2011, Judge Hue brought in a panel of jurors for each trial, however, both jury trials were cancelled before the jurors ever entered the courtroom, thus trial days are listed as 0 on the above chart. All jurors that appeared on both of those days were still paid ½ day service fee (\$20.00) and round trip mileage.

CIRCUIT COURT BRANCH 3 – JUDGE ERWIN			
Trial Start Date	Case Number	Case Name	Length of Trial
06/02/2011	2010CF000353	State of WI vs Sara F. Mclean	1 day
07/22/2011	2011CM000057	State of WI vs Joseph James Wolfe	1 day
09/16/2011	2011CV000487	City of Watertown vs Karen M. Gauger	1 day
10/13/2011	2000CF000083	State of WI vs Ricky Alan Howard	2 days
10/20/2011	2011CT000109	State of WI vs Jerrett D. French	1 day
10/27/2011	2011CF000167	State of WI vs Dawn M. Dempsey	1 day
10/28/2011	2011CF000157	State of WI vs Jesse L. Hockett	1 day
12/15/2011	2011CF000152	State of WI vs Lucas M. Sauter	1 day

Note: Branch 3 is assigned all odd-numbered Criminal & Traffic cases. Case # 2011CF000152 is not an odd-numbered case; however, this case was originally assigned to Branch 4, but transferred to Branch 3, by a Judicial Assignment Order.

CIRCUIT COURT BRANCH 4 – JUDGE KOSCHNICK			
Trial Start Date	Case Number	Case Name	Length of Trial
05/02/2011	2010CT000374	State of WI vs Brian M. Michaud	0 day
05/16/2011	2010CF000320	State of WI vs James R. Hunt	3 days
06/06/2011	2010CT000374	State of WI vs Brian M. Michaud	0 day
07/11/2011	2010CT000454	State of WI vs Diana Marie Knepprath	1 day
07/18/2011	2011CT000066	State of WI vs Shane M. Wetzell	1 day
07/19/2011	2011CF000064	State of WI vs Michael J. Makovec	1 day
08/01/2011	2011CT000046	State of WI vs Travis G. Smith	1 day
08/02/2011	2011CM000304	State of WI vs Gabriel Varela Garcia	1 day
08/22/2011	2011TR001313	State of WI vs Benjamin E. Lischka	1 day
10/10/2011	2011CM000384	State of WI vs Steven T. Delap	1 day
10/18/2011	2011CF000068	State of WI vs Alberto Trevino Sr.	2 days
11/07/2011	2011CM000288	State of WI vs Sean S. Lynch	1 day
11/14/2011	2011CF000104	State of WI vs Savannah C. Fox	1 day
12/09/2011	2011TR004184	Jefferson Co. vs Russell O. Douglas	1 day
12/20/2011	2009CF000286	State of WI vs Karl J. Freeman	1 day

Note: Branch 4 is assigned all even-numbered Criminal & Traffic cases. Jury trials in these type cases are more frequent

than Civil or Family type cases as in Branch 2. Notice that on May 2nd, 2012 and on June 6th, 2011, Judge Koschnick brought in a panel of jurors for a trial that was cancelled before the jurors ever entered the courtroom, thus both trial days are listed as 0 on the above chart. All jurors that appeared on those days were still paid ½ day service fee (\$20.00) and round trip mileage.

Analysis:

Please note that in general, there is a higher demand for jury trials in Criminal and Traffic cases than in Family or Civil cases. However, Criminal and Traffic trials are usually concluded in one day – unless the case holds a felony charge - whereas, Family and Large Claim Civil cases are longer trial periods, taking multiple days.

Requiring jurors to appear for scheduled jury trials and then releasing all the jurors shortly after they sign-in for duty on the scheduled trial date because the case settled or adjourned due to motion hearings that were held the morning of trial (such was the case in Branch 2 and Branch 4) or a defendant or witness failed to appear will have a great impact on our annual jury reports to our District Court Administrator, especially when measuring effective use of jurors.

It should also be noted that on two separate dates, October 20th, and December 15th, 2011, the jurors that were called in were shared by more than one court which increases our efficient use of jurors. I did not include August 22nd, 2011, as an efficient use of jurors even though we planned for two jury trials but only ended up with one trial proceedings, thus too many jurors were called in for that day, so I did not include August 22nd, within the acknowledgement of an efficient use of jurors.