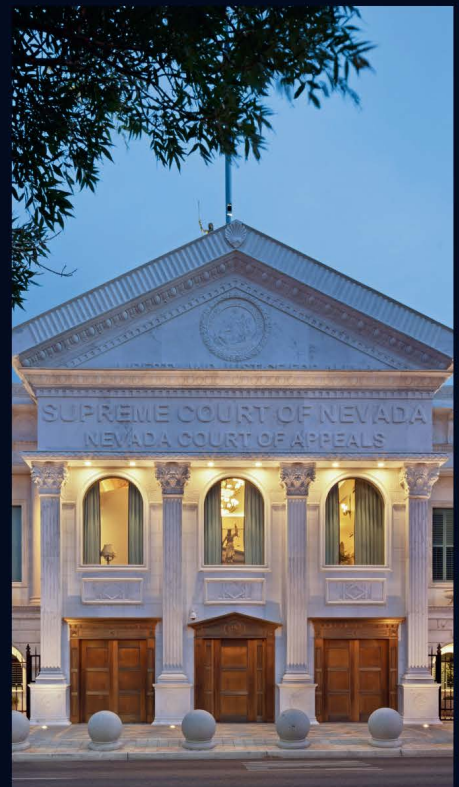
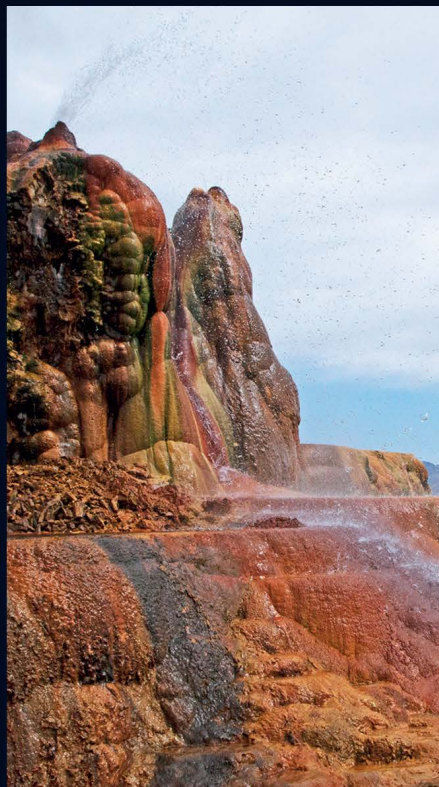
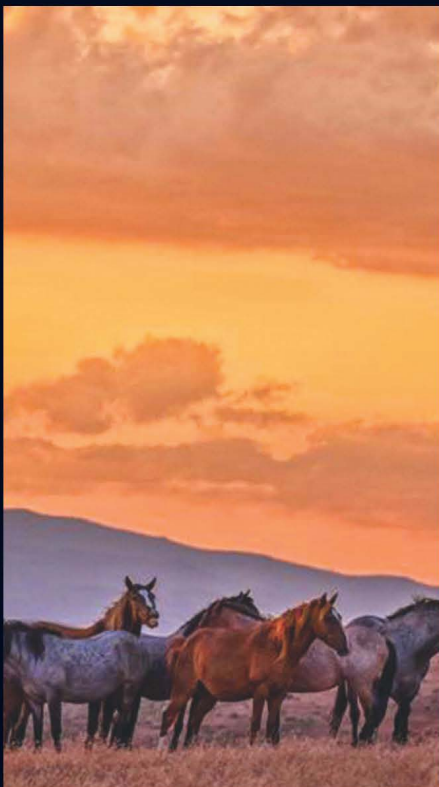
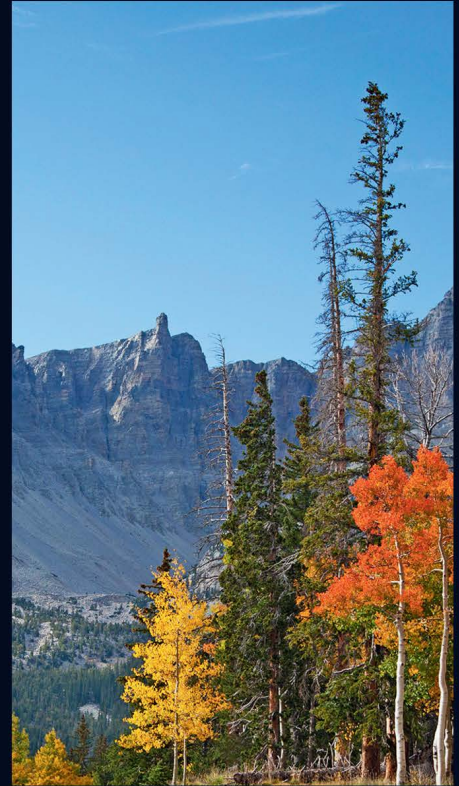
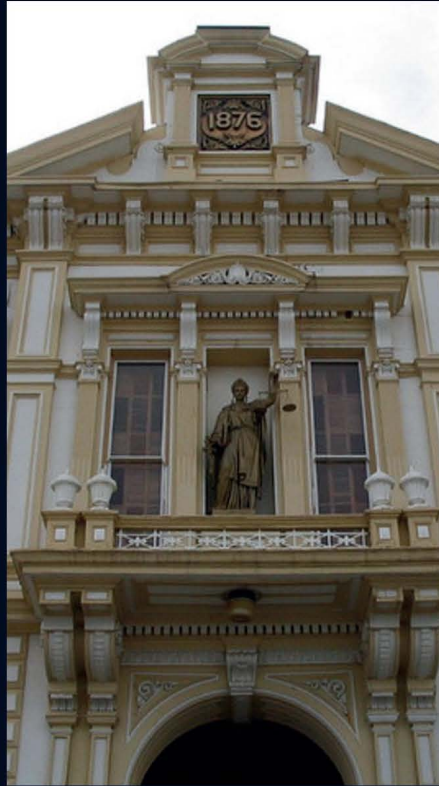


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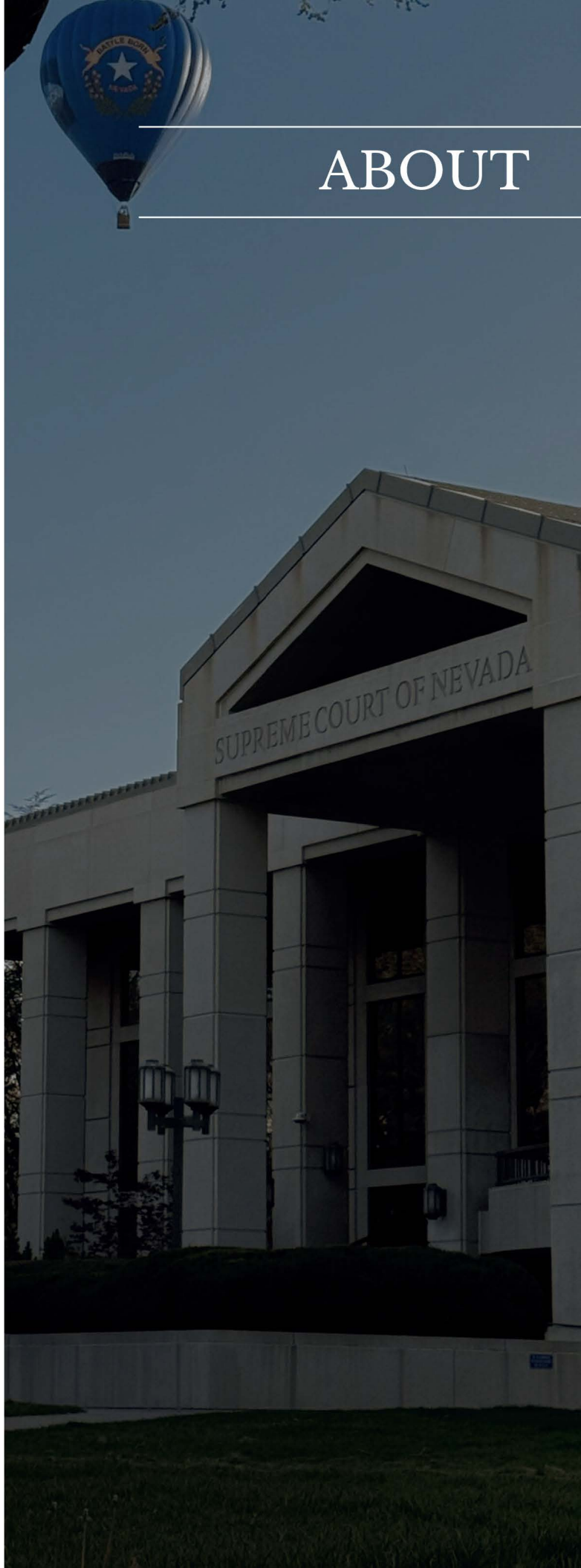






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## ABOUT

## THIS REPORT

Welcome to the Nevada Judiciary 2025 Annual Report — a look at the key initiatives, achievements, and challenges faced during Fiscal Year 2025.

Nevada is changing. The state’s population is growing and becoming more diverse, bringing new expectations and demands. The Judicial Branch is responding with programs and projects that make courts more accessible and effective for the people they serve.

At the same time, the courts remain focused on resolving cases efficiently and with integrity. Timely outcomes build confidence in the judicial system, reinforcing the promise that justice in Nevada is both fair and within reach.

Tracking progress is also essential to building public trust. Data, performance metrics, and financial information demonstrate how the Judicial Branch is meeting its goals and using resources responsibly.

None of this would be possible without the dedicated professionals working behind the scenes. Their services and support provide the foundation that allows the Judicial Branch to serve the public every day.

This report highlights the work happening in the courts across Nevada. It covers the programs being implemented, the people driving them forward, and the progress being made to serve communities statewide.





# A LETTER FROM THE CHIEF JUSTICE

At the pace of modern life, twelve months can pass in the blink of an eye. Yet in that blink, Nevada’s courts have accomplished a great deal. This year, dedicated judicial officers and court staff worked diligently to serve the people of Nevada, thoughtfully reconciling complex new legal questions while also working tirelessly to find more accessible and effective ways to provide fair and efficient justice in our state. As untold amounts of effort, hard work, and difficult decisions take their place in our memories as mere vignettes, it is important to spend a moment examining the road that lies behind us as we take stock of the opportunities and perils ahead. Welcome to the 2025 annual report for the judicial branch of the state of Nevada.

It has been a remarkable year of innovation in the delivery of justice in the Silver State. Throughout Nevada, courts have explored new ways to meet the needs of our communities by piloting improved courtroom procedures, adopting emerging technologies, and investing in the future of the legal profession. In every corner of the state, courts are standing face to face with some of the most difficult challenges confronting our society and still finding the wherewithal to think creatively and act decisively.

I consider it a privilege to belong to a profession and community that are inherently driven to care for and advocate on behalf of others, to consider countless perspectives, to learn constantly, and to teach whenever possible. These commitments flow from our duty to serve and from our shared understanding that our families, friends, neighbors, and institutions deserve a judiciary that never stops striving to expand our capacity for justice.

Just as the application of the law requires the examination and consideration of facts, effective governance demands that we act with accountability and a willingness to openly and honestly examine our courts as they are. It is in that spirit that we have created this report to share the data, ideas, stories, and context of the modern Nevada Judiciary.

Finally, I want to extend my heartfelt appreciation to the many professionals whose efforts sustain and strengthen Nevada’s system of justice. Judicial officers, court staff, lawyers and legal aid organizations each play an essential role in meeting the needs of our communities. I am also deeply thankful for the partnership and collaboration of leaders in the executive and legislative branches. Their collective dedication ensures that our government remains strong, responsive, and steadfast in its commitment to the people of Nevada.

Douglas Herndon

Chief Justice  
Supreme Court of Nevada



## IN THE COMMUNITY

WHERE THE JUDICIARY MEETS THE PEOPLE



**Paving the Path for Young Leaders**

Chief Justice Douglas Herndon visited Esther Bennett Elementary School in Washoe County as part of Project REAL, an effort to educate students about the legal system. The visit marked the launch of a mock trial program in Reno. The program is designed to introduce students to courts, trials, and legal careers in a fun and engaging way.



**Celebrating Compassion**

The Southern Nevada Senior Law Program (SLP) hosted its third annual SLP Salutes Senior Advocates event, honoring Justice Kristina Pickering and Mariteresa Rivera-Rogers for their support. The fundraiser celebrated the state’s pro bono attorneys for their dedication to assisting seniors with legal matters.



**Michael Douglas Pre-Law Fellowship Program**

Fellows of the Michael Douglas Pre-Law Fellowship Program observed oral arguments at the Supreme Court of Nevada in Las Vegas. The fellows were joined by Justices Pickering, Cadish, and Lee, along with Judges Johnnie Rawlinson and Christina Silva, for a luncheon focused on mentorship, access, and the future of the legal profession.



**Women Inspiring Nevada**

Justice Elissa Cadish, joined by several colleagues from the Supreme Court and Court of Appeals, was recognized as a Las Vegas Weekly 2024 Women Inspiring Nevada.

*“I believe it’s important for our judges to be active and involved in the community,” Justice Cadish says. “Not only because we can help important causes, but also because when people meet judges, they have more trust in and respect for the court system.”*



**Empowerment from the Bench**

Justice Patricia Lee was honored at the Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada 2024 Dessert Before Dinner Gala, an event that celebrated female empowerment, resiliency, and tenacity.



**Inspiring the Next Generation**

Justice Patricia Lee attended the Las Vegas Sun Youth Forum at Cimarron Memorial High School to speak with students about civics.



**Supporting the Advocacy & Justice Center Groundbreaking**

The full Supreme Court and Court of Appeals attended the groundbreaking for the Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada’s new Advocacy & Justice Center.

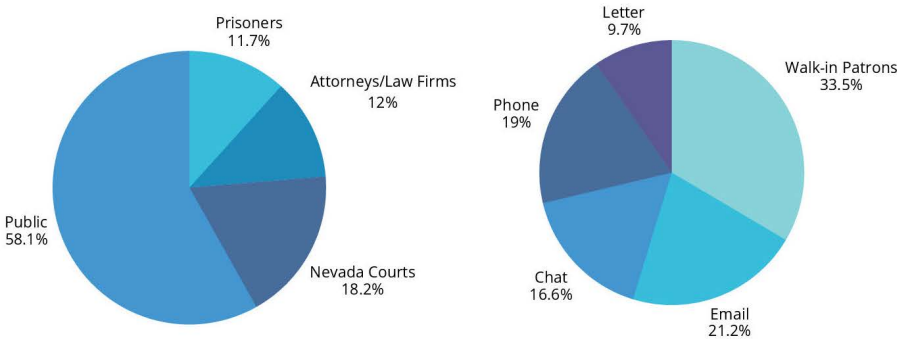


# SUPREME COURT OF NEVADA LAW LIBRARY



Nevada’s Law Library plays a critical role in advancing the judiciary’s access to justice mission by supporting the legal research needs of the Supreme Court of Nevada, Court of Appeals, legal professionals, and the public. The Law Library continues to innovate, expanding access to historic and modern legal resources, and supports the judiciary through research and education.

## TOTAL REFERENCE QUESTIONS: 2,596 (+7% YOY)



The Law Library experienced a shift in patron demographics with public inquiries increasing and attorney questions decreasing. Patron identification remains uncertain since the Library does not formally track credentials and defaults to categorizing users as "public." Prisoner correspondence also increased, primarily from repeat visitors. Digital resource usage increased by 22% from 1,913 in FY 2024 to 2,437 in FY 2025, and the Library's 24 research guides increased 12% from 19,357 to 22,049 views. The Library developed guides at a fifth-grade reading level with ADA compliance and improved metadata. The revised Nevada Citation Guide received 1,383 visits since March, while top-performing resources included "How to Locate the Law" (6,049 views), "About the Nevada Supreme Court Law Library" (2,405 views), "Nevada Legislative History" (1,752 views), and "Nevada Case Law Research Guide" (1,541 views).

## NEVADA JUDICIAL HISTORY

The Law Library maintains the Nevada Judicial Historical Society’s website and adds investiture ceremonies and memorials as they become available in the Nevada Reports. Articles written by members of the Society about members of the judiciary that predate the Nevada Lawyer online archive are now available with copyright permission from the State Bar. The Law Library also maintains a Nevada Women’s History website, chronicling women’s firsts in the Nevada judiciary on a timeline starting with Laura Tilden, the first woman to pass the Nevada bar exam in 1893.

EXPLORE THE NEVADA WOMEN'S HISTORY WEBSITE

## ACCESS TO JUSTICE INITIATIVES

In collaboration with the William S. Hein Company, the Law Library is digitizing historical Supreme Court case files from 1862-1999, currently available on microfilm. The digital case files are organized by year and docket number, and available online as keyword-searchable PDFs. The collection is available onsite to patrons at the Law Library. The Law Library conducts tours for local and international visitors, totaling 28 tours this past year.

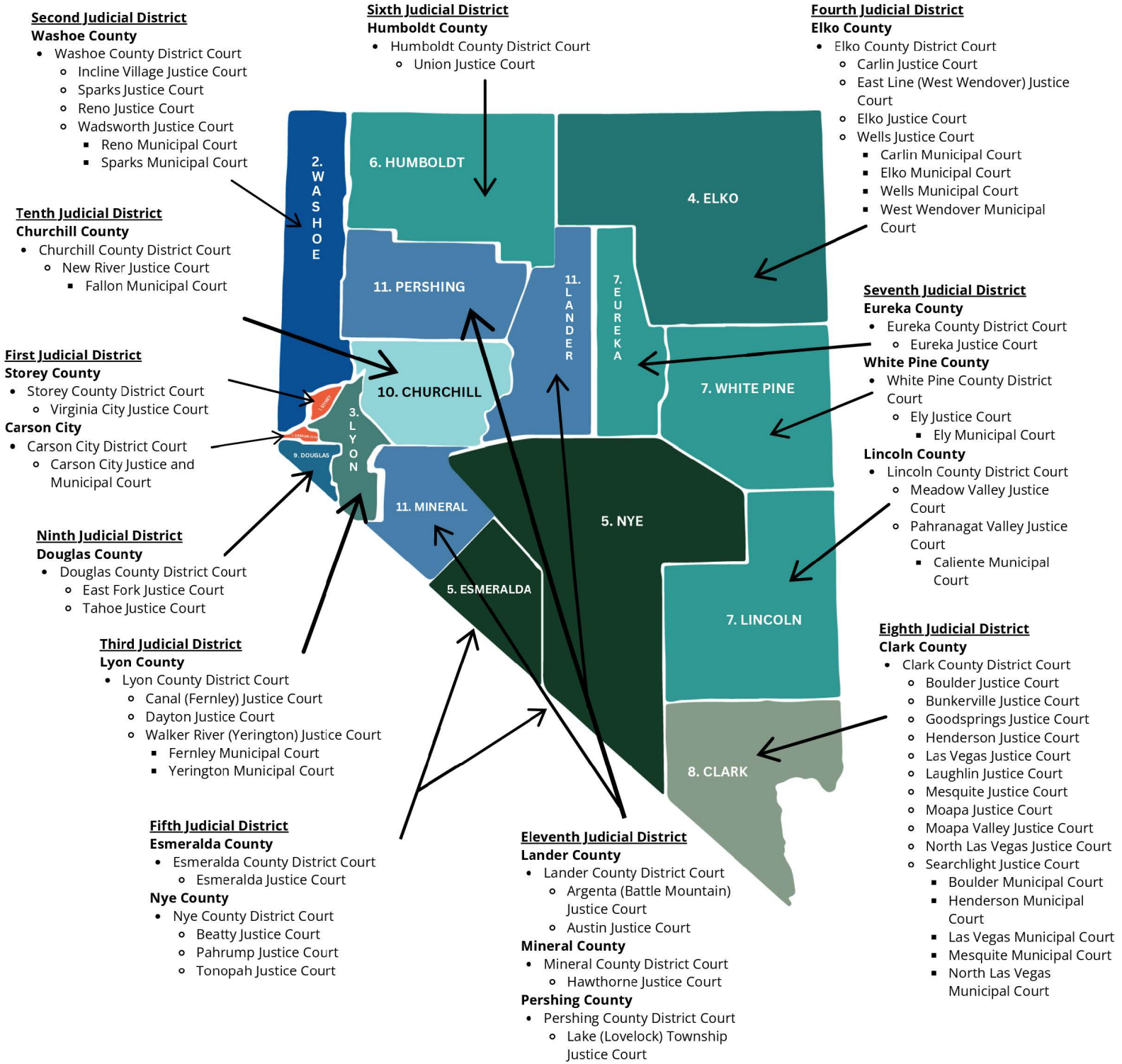
Interestingly, the Reference Librarians are noticing a surprising trend in how artificial intelligence is impacting how patrons seek legal information. The statistics that reflect patron interactions suggest formats that offer a human connection are becoming more popular. Data from walk-in patrons and phone conversations show an increase over email and chat. While advances in technology drive the availability of more online tools and resources, the Reference Librarians will continue to serve as a trusted resource for the judiciary, supporting all Nevadans.



# NEVADA’S JUDICIAL DISTRICTS

17 DISTRICT COURTS | 17 MUNICIPAL COURTS | 40 JUSTICE COURTS

Nevada has 11 judicial districts making up the state's general jurisdiction courts. These district courts serve Nevada's 17 counties. The 11 Judicial Districts are served by 82 District Court judges who serve their elected counties but have jurisdiction to serve in any district court in the state.





# INNOVATIONS & INITIATIVES

## THE NEVADA PLAN

*Supreme Court of Nevada Adopts New Bar Exam Structure  
Effective February 2027*

### AT A GLANCE

In Administrative Docket ADKT 0594, the Supreme Court of Nevada approved a new bar licensure system known as The Nevada Plan. The Nevada Plan is a step toward making bar admission more meaningful, focusing less on memorization and more on real preparation. The new structure will begin with the February 2027 bar administration.

#### Current System Snapshot:

- Multistate Bar Exam (MBE)
- Nevada essay and performance questions
- Multistate Professional Responsibility Examination (MPRE)
- No practical experience required

### WHY THE CHANGE?

Findings from the 2025 Committee on Legal Education and Admissions Reform (CLEAR) Judicial Survey revealed concerning trends about new attorney preparedness:

- 54%** of judges say new attorneys need further training to be courtroom-ready
- 60%** say unprepared attorneys negatively impact client advocacy
- 66%** report weak performance in basic trial skills like direct and cross-examination

### WHAT'S CHANGING?

The traditional bar exam (MBE + Nevada Essays) is being replaced. The new system is a three-part approach that blends testing, performance, and supervised practice.



### COMPONENTS OF THE NEVADA PLAN

- Foundational Law Examination**
  - 100-question, closed-book, multiple-choice test
  - Tests legal concepts from seven core MBE subjects
  - Available four times per year at test centers
  - May be taken after 42 law school credits
- Nevada Lawyering Performance Examination**
  - Three two-hour performance problems emphasizing practical skills: case analysis, writing memos, bench briefs, demand letters
  - Administered post-semester (spring/fall)
- Supervised Practice Program**
  - Clinics, externships, or pro bono projects
  - Assesses lawyering competencies that exams cannot measure

#### Additional Requirements:

The Nevada Plan still requires the Multistate Professional Responsibility Exam (MPRE).

*"New attorneys often know the law, but struggle to apply it effectively in court."  
— CLEAR Judicial Survey Respondent*

Learn more  
about the  
Nevada Plan



The Nevada Plan focuses on practical skills, early assessment, and hands-on experience, recognizing that being ready to practice is about more than simply passing an exam.



# HELPING NEVADANS STAY IN THEIR HOMES

Rising rental costs, the expiration of pandemic-related relief programs, and a shortage of affordable housing have contributed to an increased demand for eviction assistance in Nevada.

The Las Vegas Justice Court and Reno Justice Court have stepped in with eviction diversion programs. These programs are designed not only to resolve legal disputes but also help participants and families stabilize their housing and finances, and strengthen communities. As Judge Bertschy of the Reno Justice Court put it, “Evictions are some of the hardest cases because you’re dealing with individuals and their home, and the sudden life changes that brought them to this point. Most of the time, it’s not about irresponsibility. It’s about circumstances outside their control.”

## WHAT ARE EVICTION DIVERSION PROGRAMS?

Eviction diversion programs provide tenants facing eviction with critical access to rental assistance, legal aid, and social services. These programs aim to keep people housed and avoid the impacts of eviction on a tenant’s record, while helping landlords recover rental dues.

## RENO’S HOUSING COURT

In August 2024, Reno Justice Court launched a dedicated Housing Court in partnership with the Housing and Neighborhood Development (“HAND”) with the City of Reno and Nation’s Finest. The Court provides tenants facing eviction for non-payment of rent cases with adequate time and resources to apply for up to three months of rental assistance from community rental assistance agencies. To qualify, a tenant must meet rental assistance eligibility criteria, as determined by the rental assistance agency. Based on their requirements, tenants qualify if either 1) their household’s aggregate gross income equals 60% or less of area median income, or if 2) a member of their household is eligible to receive benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs. In addition to financial help, participants are offered legal guidance, budgeting classes, and other community-based support.

### NEVADA’S HOUSING CHALLENGE

According to the 2025 National Low Income Housing Coalition report:

- Nevada only has 17 affordable homes per 100 extremely low-income renters, the worst ratio in the country
- In Las Vegas, the rate drops to 14 per 100

## RENO’S HOUSING COURT (CONT.)




The Housing Court has also partnered with the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Welfare and Supportive Services, Nevada Legal Services, Northern Nevada Legal Aid, Northern Nevada Literacy Council, Opportunity Alliance Nevada, and others to help tenants gain stability through financial literacy, job placement, and/or health services. Other than the rental assistance providers, the Reno Justice Court and other non-profit organizations have implemented this program utilizing no additional funding.

## LAS VEGAS EVICTION DIVERSION PROGRAM

In 2022, Las Vegas Justice Court began implementing an eviction diversion program in collaboration with Clark County and local service providers. The program was designed to help tenants facing eviction gain access to rental assistance, legal support, and social services that could help stabilize their housing situations. In 2024, the program expanded significantly after receiving a \$1.25 million grant from the National Center for State Courts.

A major focus of the expansion was removing barriers that had previously prevented residents from participating. Many tenants, including seniors and individuals with disabilities, were unable to navigate online systems to schedule appointments or complete forms. As a result, early efforts saw a no-show rate of approximately 65%. A coalition, led by Justice Stiglich and Justice Bell, brought together Las Vegas Justice Court and its partners who responded by shifting to in-person outreach and direct communication. This change reduced the no-show rate to about 25% and allowed more tenants to engage fully with available services. Participants were connected with resources like budgeting classes, healthcare enrollment assistance, and applications for food assistance. The court also worked with landlords to encourage participation and resolution without a formal hearing.

## WRAPAROUND SERVICES

-  Help with Medicaid/Medicare, SNAP benefits
-  Financial literacy and budgeting
-  Referrals to stable housing and employment




## WHAT’S NEXT?

In June 2025, the Nevada Legislature passed Assembly Bill 475, allocating \$23 million to expand eviction diversion statewide:

- \$15M Clark County
- \$5.2M Washoe County
- \$750K Nevada Rural Housing Authority

*“We’re spending money in positive ways for long-term solutions,” said Chief Judge De La Garza, Justice Court, Las Vegas Township Justice Court. “And we’re seeing the impact.”*

## RENO HOUSING COURT IMPACT SO FAR

-  105 households received rental assistance\*
-  \$466K+ in rental assistance distributed\*
-  80% of participants retained housing\*

### How the Reno Housing Court Works:

- Tenant receives eviction notice
- Tenant files affidavit
- Court staff screens for eligibility based on HAND and Nation’s Finest criteria
- If presumed eligible, Tenant is directed to the Reno Justice Court Civil Self-Help Center to begin the rental assistance application and access to therapeutic interventions through agency partners
- Landlord files affidavit
- Case set 30 days out to allow time for a formal determination of rental assistance eligibility by HAND or Nation’s Finest
- Parties are sent text message reminders for court proceedings
- City and agency representatives attend hearings to provide real-time updates
- If approved, rental assistance is provided to the landlord, and case is dismissed and sealed

**Note:** Data is still being collected.\*Data from HAND.

## LAS VEGAS EVICTION DIVERSION IMPACT SO FAR

-  1,832 households received rental assistance
-  \$5M in rental assistance distributed
-  77% of participants retained housing

## FUTURE GOALS

- In Reno: hiring dedicated case managers and providing transportation assistance like bus passes
- In Las Vegas: expanding services for families with infants and seniors with disabilities
- Across the state: seeking additional funding and partnering with more nonprofit providers to reach more residents, build stronger partnerships, and deepen the support offered



# GUARDIANSHIP

## NEW REPORTING PORTAL

Nevada is taking additional steps to protect some of its most vulnerable residents. With funding from the Administration for Community Living and the State Justice Institute and support from the National Center for State Courts, the Supreme Court of Nevada is developing an online Guardianship Public Portal. The portal is designed to improve oversight, strengthen compliance and accountability, and help keep guardianship cases organized and closely monitored.

Guardians are required to submit regular reports to the court detailing health updates, financial activity, and other important information. The portal is being built to reduce administrative burdens and streamline reporting, allowing guardians and courts to focus more fully on monitoring care for the protected person. Rather than relying solely on these periodic filings, the portal allows court staff to view and assess this information in real time. The system includes three interfaces, each designed to meet the needs of a different user group.

### USER GROUPS

#### GUARDIANS, PROTECTED PERSONS, PUBLIC

Guardians, protected persons, and the public will have access to tools that make it easier to submit required filings, track expenses and income, and receive automated reminders for upcoming deadlines. Protected persons will be able to view the status of their case and any court-imposed limitations on their rights.

#### JUDICIAL OFFICERS, COURT STAFF, AUDITORS

Judicial officers, court staff, and auditors will have the ability to monitor guardianship cases more closely, identify potential issues early, and track patterns or discrepancies that may signal neglect, misuse of funds, or other concerns.

#### SYSTEM ADMINISTRATORS

System administrators will manage user access, configuration settings, and technical support for smooth and secure operation of the portal.



Automatic financial data integration reduces manual entry and flags irregularities for court follow-up

Built-in alerts notify staff of missed appointments, school absences, or lack of guardian visits

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*“I like that the portal prepares filings for me. Now all I need to do is review and press file and it's done.”*

— A Public Guardian

*“The direct download to the transactions file saves me hours of work a month, and it's accurate!”*

— A Private Guardian

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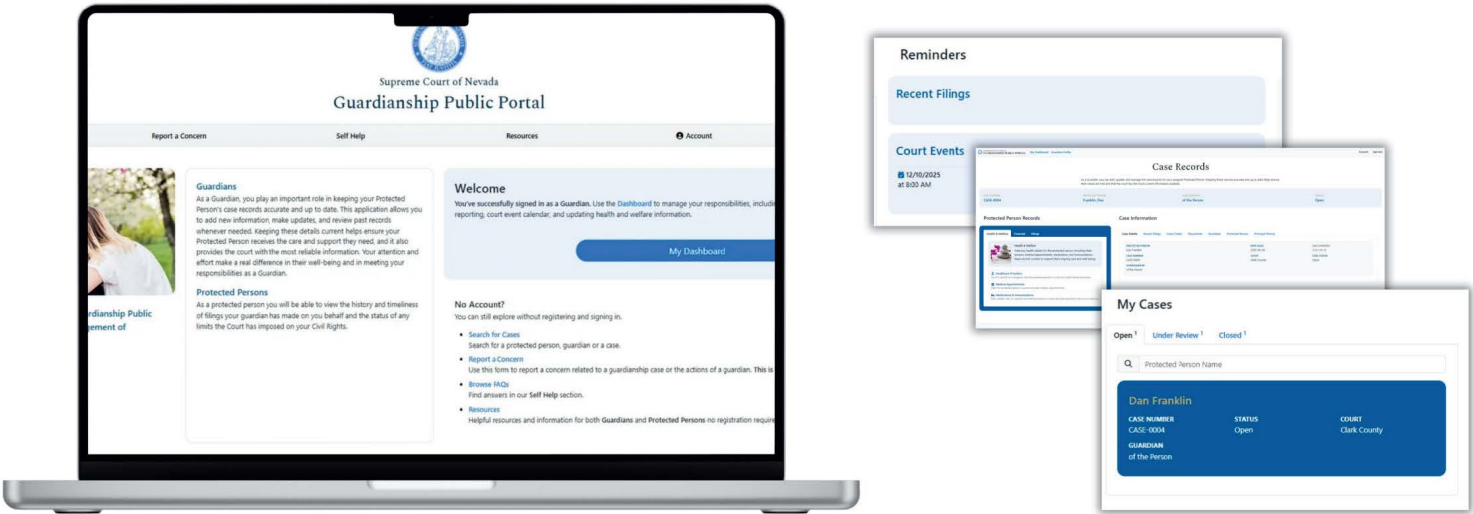
*“The H&W summary report saves me from having to read through all the pages of the Annual Report, it's a real time saver.”*

— A Court User

Accessible by both desktop and mobile devices, the portal is designed for convenience and usability. Project leads have begun presenting the portal at conferences and judicial events, and conversations with other states are already underway to share lessons learned and explore broader adoption.

Through this project, Nevada is modernizing guardianship oversight and providing tools that support accountability, transparency, and better outcomes for the people at the heart of each case.

## NEW REPORTING PORTAL PREVIEW



## 2025 GUARDIANSHIP LEGISLATION

In 2025, the Nevada Legislature enacted major updates to strengthen guardianship laws and promote less restrictive alternatives.

AB65

Renames the AOC's Guardianship Compliance Office to the Guardianship Office, removes staffing caps, clarifies investigator duties, streamlines court service methods, and adds provisions for special immigrant juvenile guardianships.

AB460

Creates a Nevada Lockbox form for parents/guardians to pre-designate a preferred guardian; adds protections for children separated due to federal immigration enforcement.

SB346

Requires courts and guardians to consider, document, and educate protected persons about less restrictive alternatives.

AB387

Expands notice requirements, adds safeguards in petitions, enhances court review of care plans and budgets, ensures legal representation for minors where available, and clarifies best-interest and consent standards.

AB461

Requests the Guardianship Commission to review the Uniform Health-Care Decisions Act and recommend changes.





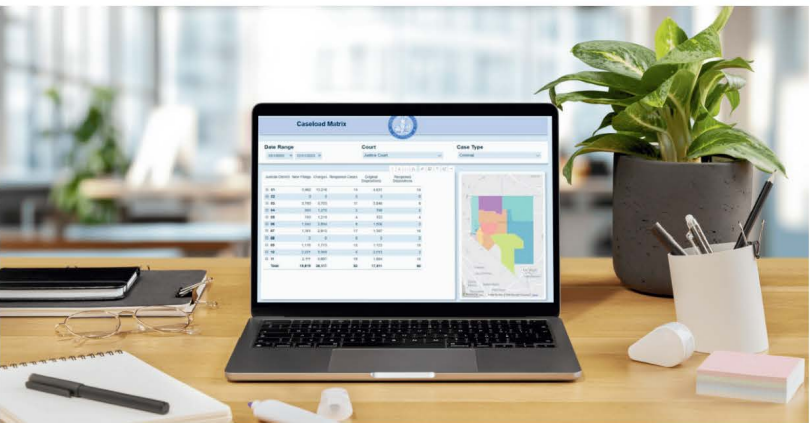
# NEVADA COURTS DATA WAREHOUSE

The Nevada Courts Data Warehouse represents a major transformation in how court information is collected, analyzed, and used. Moving away from once-a-year aggregate reporting, this new system introduces record-based data reporting with far greater frequency, accuracy, and usability.

## WHAT IS THE DATA WAREHOUSE?

The Nevada Courts Data Warehouse is a centralized digital repository managed by the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) under the direction of the Supreme Court. It supports the responsibilities outlined in NRS 1.360 by collecting and maintaining detailed court-level case information from across Nevada.

Unlike previous reporting models, which relied on monthly aggregate counts for the Uniform System for Judicial Records (USJR), the Data Warehouse captures individual case-level records. To guide the transition, the AOC created a dedicated Data Warehouse Team to oversee planning, coordinate technology needs, and support courts statewide. This team works closely with each court to align data systems, develop dashboards, and execute data-sharing agreements.



By the end of 2026, all Nevada trial courts are expected to be connected to the Data Warehouse, allowing for performance dashboards tailored to each court and consistent and statewide data reporting.



The new model will allow for development of individualized data dashboards for court-specific information and more granular court performance metrics for public, internal, and external use.

## WHY IT MATTERS

Modern courts require timely, reliable data to support operations, identify needs, and build trust. The Data Warehouse:

- Supports judicial decision-making with up-to-date data
- Reveals trends and inefficiencies in court processes
- Allows for more equitable outcomes through evidence-based improvements
- Improves transparency by expanding access to public-facing performance metrics
- Reduces administrative burden by automating aspects of reporting

# MODERN SOLUTIONS FOR LOCAL COURTS

The Trial Court Services unit at the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) provides assistance to Nevada’s trial courts. From case management to digital innovation, the team helps local courts adopt new tools to improve service across the state. In FY 2025, over 14,000 attorney records were added to the case management system through a new integration with the State Bar of Nevada. This gives courts faster access to attorney data and improves case accuracy.

## PREPARING FOR COURTVIEW 3 LAUNCH

Over the past year, the Trial Court Services team has been preparing for a major upgrade to Nevada’s statewide case management system. The current state-sponsored platform, CourtView 2, will be replaced with CourtView 3, a modern, more powerful system designed to enhance efficiency, functionality, and user experience. Beginning in 2026, CourtView 3 will roll out through a phased pilot approach, with a select group of courts implementing the system first, followed by statewide adoption.

E-filing benefits include:

- Real-time submission
- Convenient and secure access
- Fewer paper-based errors
- Allows for filings at any time from anywhere

## DIGITAL EVIDENCE

A new digital evidence portal is live in pilot accounts. This tool will allow individuals to upload photos, videos, and documents before a hearing, making it easier to participate in court remotely and without needing to bring physical materials. The platform is expected to be especially useful in remote hearings. Project updates will be shared as the launch nears. Future phases will support physical evidence.

## ONLINE CASE LOOKUP

A free, user-friendly online portal is helping more people track court cases statewide. Integrated with CourtView, the tool allows users to look up cases by name or case number, see hearing dates and times, pay fees, and follow step-by-step prompts. What started with three courts has grown to 15 participating courts in just one year, expanding transparency and access.

## WHAT’S NEW IN COURTVIEW 3

- Built-in document management
- Integration with Online Dispute Resolution for civil traffic cases will expand to other types of cases in future phases
- Integration with e-filing platform
- Integration with Nevada Department of Public Safety (DPS) for warrants, disposition, and protection order program portal
- Enhanced calendars and hearing scheduling tools

OVER 12,000  
e-filings in FY 2025

## SUPPORTING COURTS STATEWIDE

Trial Court Services has grown to an 18-member team, recognized for its strong customer service and consistent support. This year’s team initiatives include:

- Monthly check-ins with trial courts
- On-site visits to review procedures and streamline operations
- A new monthly financial training and Q&A session
- A new ticketing system to manage and resolve requests efficiently
- Participation at the Nevada Association for Court Advancement, Nevada Limited Jurisdiction Judges Seminar, and the District Judges Seminar



# BREAKING CYCLES,

# BUILDING FUTURES

Specialty Courts break the cycle of substance use, mental illness, and trauma that can contribute to adult criminal behavior, juvenile delinquency, and family instability. Nevada Revised Statute 176.0613 defines a Specialty Court as a court-established program that supports testing, treatment, and supervision for people suffering from mental illness or substance use disorders.



## 2024 SPECIALTY COURTS CONFERENCE

The Nevada Specialty Courts community gathered for a statewide conference that offered best practices and cross-court collaboration.



## INVESTING IN LOCAL COURTS

In April 2025, the Supreme Court of Nevada awarded \$730,576 in surplus funds to 12 Specialty Courts. These dollars support program expansion, treatment services, staff support, and participant needs.

## PEER REVIEW AND PROGRAM ASSESSMENT

The Specialty Courts team completed four peer reviews in FY 2025. These reviews include in-person observation, staff and participant interviews, and use of the BeST assessment tool.

The BeST assessment tool helps identify areas of strength and improvement, guiding program development and technical assistance provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts.

## LEGISLATIVE PROGRESS: SENATE BILL 17

SB17 went into effect May 2025 and advances Specialty Court access and uniformity statewide by:

- ☒ Expanding eligibility for pre-prosecution diversion (NRS 174.031) to persons charged with a misdemeanor except those who have been previously convicted of a violation of DV PO (protection order against domestic violence); a crime of violence (NRS 200.408); domestic battery; harassment, stalking, or coercion; vehicular manslaughter; or DUI.
- ☒ Making statutory language regarding authorization to have a specialty court consistent for all trial courts and all statutory program types.
- ☒ Allowing a person to be provisionally ordered to a specialty court program for purposes of evaluation.

## COMMUNITY CONNECTION: RISE 25

In May, Nevada's third annual Treatment Court Workers Social Hour was held at the RISE25, a national conference for treatment court professionals. Treatment court team members from across the state were invited to connect, share resources, and hear remarks from industry leaders nationwide. The Supreme Court of Nevada supported the event by funding attendance and travel for 35 Nevada staff members.

## TREATMENT COURTS AND MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

Nevada's specialty courts honored National Treatment Court Month and Mental Health Awareness Month throughout May.

- The Washoe County Board of Commissioners issued a joint proclamation recognizing the Second Judicial District Court, Reno Justice Court, Reno Municipal Court, and Sparks Justice Court for their efforts in transforming lives through Specialty Courts
- Carson City Mayor Lori Bagwell issued a Proclamation in Support of National Treatment Court & Mental Health Awareness Month
- The Sixth Judicial District conducted awareness activities all month, including a two-day Mental Health Summit



Washoe County Board of Commissioners issued a joint proclamation recognizing the Second Judicial District Court, Reno Justice Court, Sparks Justice Court, and Reno Municipal Court for their collective efforts in transforming lives through treatment services and essential support, May 2025. [Photo Credit: Washoe County Government]



## GRADUATION AND IMPACT

1,569  
Program graduates

44  
Babies born without risk  
of substance exposure

## CELEBRATING NEW SPECIALTY COURTS



The Fourth Judicial District launched a Mental Health Court.



CERT (Creating Engagement Through Resources and Treatment) and NEAT (Neurodiverse Education and Advocacy for Treatment in Court) opened in the Eighth Judicial District.



Established funding for a Misdemeanor Treatment Co-Occurring Disorder Court in Esmeralda County.



30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Adult Drug Court (ADC) program in the Second Judicial District, July 2025.



# STRENGTHENING JUSTICE FOR NEVADA’S CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

## NEVADA COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

The Court Improvement Program (CIP) works to bring courts, child welfare agencies, and attorneys together to protect children and families. The CIP also manages federal grant funding, supports innovation, and promotes practices that are fair, efficient, and focused on the needs of children.

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

In the 2025 Legislative Session, Nevada lawmakers passed a bill to improve how dependency cases are handled. Assembly Bill 344 Priority Areas:

- ▶ Created transfer provisions to ease the process of moving a child’s court case within Nevada to the jurisdiction where their family resides
- ▶ Revised statutory references away from the title of “Court Master” to “Judicial Officer” with flexibility for jurisdictions to utilize a different term
- ▶ Updated dependency attorney compensation schedules so that attorneys are compensated for their work, including mediations and family team meetings, as well as making it consistent with criminal attorney compensation schedules

## STATEWIDE RULES FOR DEPENDENCY PROCEEDINGS

A major focus for the CIP this year was developing statewide rules for handling dependency cases. These cases involve some of the most vulnerable children in Nevada, and the way courts manage them can vary widely across the state. The new rules are aimed at shifting conversations to focus more on the outcome related to each family’s situation.

Once adopted, the rules will give judges, attorneys, and families a clear roadmap to follow. They reflect federal timelines and best practices, while still allowing flexibility for local court procedures. The goal is to make court processes more efficient and easier to understand.

The idea for the rules grew out of CIP Select Committee discussions and feedback from judges and attorneys. A judge from outside Nevada was brought in to lead the drafting process alongside Nevada-based attorneys.

## HELPING COURTS MEET FEDERAL STANDARDS

When courts handle child welfare cases, they must include certain federally required language in their court orders. Without it, the state cannot receive federal Title IV-E of the Social Security Act reimbursement and children may miss out on essential services. Additionally, children deemed ineligible under Title IV-E are limited in their placement options as other states will often refuse to accept them into custody.

To help fix this, the CIP created a report that flags orders missing the required language. The report helps courts make corrections before cases move forward.

This change is already having an impact. In 2024, 40 court orders were flagged for failing to meet IV-E standards. In 2025, that number dropped to nine. This improvement means more children can receive critical services on time, and courts are better equipped to meet federal expectations.

# ACCESS TO JUSTICE





# IOLTA MILESTONES AND PRO BONO PROGRAM

The Nevada Supreme Court Access to Justice Commission continues to advance its mission of expanding access to justice statewide. A key component of this effort is the Nevada Interest on Lawyer Trust Accounts (IOLTA) program, which pools interest earned on client funds to finance legal aid programs, and has reached several significant milestones in the past fiscal year. The Commission, through its IOLTA Rate Review Committee chaired by Senior Justice James Hardesty, sets the IOLTA interest rate twice annually. Beyond rate-setting, the Commission manages the IOLTA program, maintains relationships with financial institutions and the Nevada Bankers Association, and oversees program operations. The Nevada Bar Foundation administers the grantmaking process.

## RECORD-BREAKING GROWTH IN IOLTA

- In FY 2025, Nevada’s IOLTA program achieved unprecedented growth:
- Total principal balances exceeded **\$1 billion** for the first time in program history
  - Participation reached an all-time high with **38 financial institutions** enrolled
  - **Nineteen institutions** are designated as Leadership Institutions, offering premium interest rates
  - **Eight Platinum Partners** provide the highest available rates

These developments, combined with favorable interest conditions, enabled the Nevada Bar Foundation to award a record **\$16.6 million** in grants in 2025, directly supporting legal aid organizations across Nevada.



## PRO BONO EXPANSION AND INNOVATION

- Pro bono engagement also continues to grow:
- The State Bar of Nevada Section Pro Bono Challenge, now in its third year, saw **226 attorneys** participate, handling **210 cases, 353 Ask-A-Lawyer/Lawyer in the Library sessions** and contributing **4,906 hours of service**, benefiting over **1,400 Nevadans**.
  - A new CLE rule allows retired and inactive attorneys in the Emeritus Attorney Pro Bono Program (EAPB) to volunteer through legal aid providers. These attorneys receive targeted CLEs and work under the supervision of experienced legal aid attorneys, enhancing capacity while addressing justice gaps.
  - The Pro Bono Honor Roll in the Nevada Lawyer magazine now features a monthly Pro Bono Spotlight, recognizing outstanding volunteers and inspiring broader participation.

## CHALLENGES AND STRATEGIC RESPONSES

- Despite these successes, challenges persist:
- Potential reductions in federal funding including Legal Services Corporation allocations and state-administered federal grants pose risks to legal aid sustainability.
  - Recruitment and retention of legal aid staff remains difficult. While increased IOLTA funding has enabled more competitive salaries and flexible work arrangements, long-term solutions are still needed.
  - Electronic filing barriers for self-represented litigants continue to hinder access. Issues include inconsistent local rules, form rejections, and courts lacking e-filing capabilities.

Courts have embraced remote hearings post-COVID, and the Administrative Office of the Courts is making progress on statewide e-filing initiatives. Resources such as guided interviews, instructional videos, and chatbots are helping to bridge the gap for self-represented individuals. Additionally, legal help kiosks are now available in 27 public libraries throughout the state.

The Access to Justice Commission extends its sincere appreciation to Nevada’s judiciary, courts, and private bar for their continued support of access to justice initiatives and pro bono service.

# INFORMAL FAMILY LAW TRIALS

## Making Family Court More Accessible

In November 2024, under Administrative Docket (ADKT) 0619, the Supreme Court of Nevada approved District Court Rule 27, a statewide pilot program aimed to promote access to justice in family law cases through the implementation of Informal Family Law Trials (IFLTs). This change occurred in response to a petition from the Family Law Subcommittee of the Judicial Council of the State of Nevada, stemming from the need to devise a simplified trial process in Family Court due to the growing number of self-represented litigants. This reform was made possible as a result of the work of the Family Law Subcommittee, chaired by Justice Patricia Lee, with key contributions received from Judges Gordon, Grossman, Hoskin, and Young.

Recognizing that approximately 70% of contested family law cases in Clark County involve two self-represented parties, Judge Gregory Gordon of the Eighth Judicial District Court, Family Division, identified the need for an alternative trial process that self-represented litigants could understand and navigate on their own.

Judge Gordon identified IFLTs as a tool to enhance access to justice by adopting a simple set of trial rules where (1) litigants tell their story directly to the judge without objection or cross-examination, (2) all evidence is received, (3) the judge asks questions directly to the parties, and (4) neither party is hindered by rules they do not understand. The result is courts treating litigants fairly, hearing their disputes, and sorting out their everyday troubles in a way that is comprehensible to all.

“Our courts must find ways to evolve with the changing landscape, which means adapting to the new normal in which the majority of litigants in family court are self-represented.”

— Honorable Gregory G. Gordon, District Court Judge, Family Division, Eighth Judicial District Court, Department C

## WHAT ARE IFLTs AND HOW DO THEY WORK?

IFLTs allow each party to present their case to the judge in an easy-to-understand, conversational format. The judge takes an active role in questioning to gather the necessary evidence and information, relieving the parties of the burden to adhere to strict formal rules of evidence. The process helps de-escalate tension and allows each party to be heard, which is especially valuable in high-conflict child custody or domestic violence cases.

## WHY NEVADA INTRODUCED IFLTs

This model reflects a broader national trend toward simplifying court processes to meet the needs and realities of today’s family court cases. Inspired in part by successful implementations in states like Oregon, Alaska, and Utah, Nevada’s pilot program was designed to evaluate the effectiveness of informal trials in increasing public trust, procedural clarity, and court accessibility.

Between November 19, 2024, and June 30, 2025, the Eighth Judicial District Court conducted approximately 103 Informal Family Law Trials. By the end of 2025, the pilot program will provide insight into whether the informal model is helping the courts serve the needs of the public in family law cases.

Aspect	IFLT	Traditional Trial
Trial Format	Parties speak directly to judge; no cross-examination by the other side	Formal questioning of witnesses by both sides, including cross-exam
Judge’s Role	Judge actively asks questions and guides the process	Judge mostly listens and asks few questions
Rules of Evidence	Do not apply; more flexibility in what can be said or submitted	Strictly applies; limits what can be said or submitted
Witnesses	Not allowed, except with court permission	Parties may bring multiple witnesses; direct and cross-exam allowed
Lawyer’s Role	Limited: summarize issues, requests topics for judge to ask about and make brief arguments	Full representation: opening/closing statements, question witnesses
Documents and Evidence	Anything can be submitted; judge decides what is reliable and relevant	Only admissible evidence can be submitted
Use of Expert Witnesses	Allowed if requested; judge or party may question them	Common and expected; can be questioned by both sides
Flexibility	High: suitable for self-represented parties	Low: structured, legal procedures must be followed
Time and Cost	Usually quicker and less costly	May take longer and be more expensive
Decision Timing	Judge often gives a decision the same day	Decisions may be given later



# SUPPORTING LANGUAGE ACCESS STATEWIDE

The Certified Court Interpreter Program (CCIP) focused on expanding access, improving training, and strengthening the program of interpreters serving Nevada’s courts.

## 2025 BY THE NUMBERS

4,935	27	84	39	27.3%	6
cases with court interpreters	total languages on the certified interpreter roster	certified Spanish court interpreters	certified or registered interpreters in 26 other languages	overall certification exam passing rate	new languages added

### CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

To support interpreters in meeting their renewal requirements, the CCIP launched five no-cost continuing education classes, covering topics such as ethics and professional responsibility, practical skill-building for courtroom interpreting, and interpreting in specialty court environments.



#### DID YOU KNOW?

Court interpreters must renew their certification every three years and complete 26 hours of continuing education during that time. These new courses make meeting those requirements easier and more affordable.

### BRINGING LANGUAGE ACCESS TO RURAL NEVADA

With legislative funding secured in 2025, the CCIP launched a new initiative to expand language access in underserved areas. Five rural courts will soon receive mobile interpreting kits, which include video-conferencing technology and high-quality audio equipment. These kits will:

- ✓ Reduce interpreter travel
- ✓ Lower costs for rural courts
- ✓ Improve access to certified interpreters
- ✓ Ensure consistent, high-quality interpretation
- ✓ Strengthen equity across the justice system

### STRENGTHENING THE PROGRAM FRAMEWORK



Updated the State Court Administrator’s Guidelines, including new disciplinary process and fee structures



Secured additional legislative funding to offer free continuing education classes to interpreters



Began developing a pilot program for mobile interpreting kits in rural courts



Learn about the Certified Court Interpreter Program from Jessica Escobar, Court Interpreter, Second Judicial District Court.

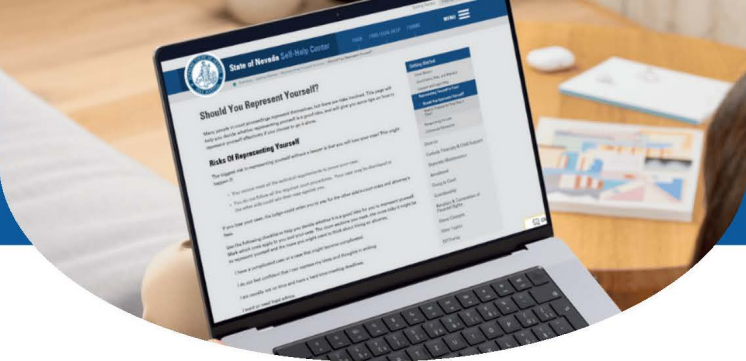


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### COMMUNITY OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT

The Nevada Court Interpreter Program was featured on a Title II & Language Access podcast to raise awareness of interpreter needs and rights. A public relations campaign took place in spring 2025 to attract qualified interpreters.

# NEVADA SELF-HELP CENTER

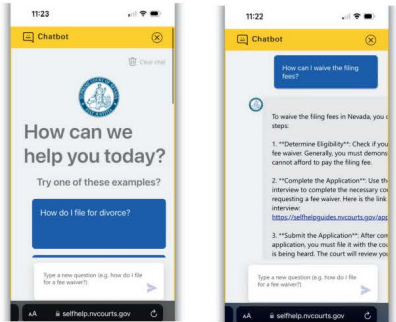


The Nevada Self-Help Center is a public resource that supports self-represented litigants by providing access to court forms in multiple languages, guided interviews, instructional videos, clear legal information, and other court tools. It is designed to help Nevadans better understand and participate in court processes. Building on the enhancements made in 2024, efforts in FY 2025 focused on further improving the Self-Help Center’s functionality, user experience, and overall impact in serving communities across the state.



### GUIDED INTERVIEWS

Guided interviews are online tools that help users complete forms by asking step-by-step questions in plain language. This removes much of the confusion and guesswork for individuals without legal training. In 2025, the Self-Help Center expanded its library of guided interviews, making it easier for Nevadans to access and complete forms anytime and from anywhere.



### AI CHATBOT

The Self-Help Center launched an AI-powered chatbot to provide round-the-clock assistance for common questions. Users can ask about topics like how to file for divorce, waive filing fees, or understand basic court procedures. The chatbot draws information exclusively from certified sources, including official Nevada court resources, and has been carefully vetted for accuracy and clarity.

#### MOST-USED GUIDED INTERVIEWS:

- Name Change Eligibility
- Divorce Filing Eligibility
- Joint Divorce
- Protection Order Eligibility
- Child Custody/Paternity Complaint Eligibility

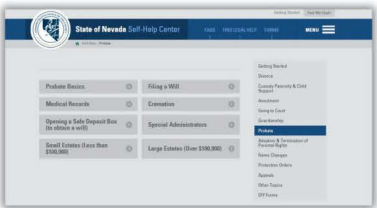
### EXPLAINER VIDEOS

The Self-Help Center offers short, easy-to-understand videos on common legal topics like filing for divorce or requesting a protection order. These videos break down the steps in plain language to help users feel more prepared.



### 2025 SELF-HELP NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENT:

A new probate section offers resources designed to support individuals understanding and navigating the probate process in Nevada.



EXPLORE THE SELF-HELP CENTER





# STRENGTHENING TRUST, EXPANDING ACCESS




According to a national study from the National Center for State Courts (NCSC), trust in state courts has decreased by 10 percentage points since 2020. The Nevada Judiciary 2022-2025 Strategic campaign calls on the state to implement a sustainable outreach plan to engage and educate the public regarding the purposes and responsibilities of the court. In FY 2025, the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) Outreach and Engagement Plan was created with several goals in mind:



## OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT PLAN MISSION STATEMENT:

*"To empower and connect our community by fostering a transparent, informed, and engaged judiciary so that Nevadans understand and trust the Supreme Court's role in delivering fair and efficient justice through innovative outreach and educational initiatives."*

The plan outlines specific strategies aimed at achieving these goals, in addition to the communication channels to support them. Several outreach and engagement initiatives were implemented in FY 2025:

-  **EXPAND DIGITAL RESOURCES AND TOOLS**  
Streamlined the public-facing website, maintained an active social media, and developed a marketing plan for the Nevada Self-Help Center. Podcast and video content grew with the *I'll Allow It Nevada* podcast and a refreshed YouTube channel, supported by photography and videography that highlighted initiatives like Women's History Month and the Nevada Certified Court Interpreter Program.
-  **ENHANCE IN-PERSON ENGAGEMENT**  
Enhanced the K-12 courthouse tours by adding elements and activities that are more engaging and educational for students. Partnered with legal aid providers to share information and educational opportunities with the public.
-  **EXPAND INTERNAL EDUCATION INITIATIVES**  
Developed and launched Supreme Court of Nevada Rule 44 training for trial and appellate court staff, resulting in 357 completions statewide to support best practices for providing legal information to members of the public.

-  **EXPAND EXTERNAL EDUCATION INITIATIVES**  
Launched public education campaign *Discover Nevada Justice* to explain court processes, terms, and complex legal topics in a simplified, digestible manner. Identified higher education programs in the state and shared educational resources including *I'll Allow It Nevada* and a Nevada Self-Help Center media kit.
-  **ENHANCE INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS**  
Strengthened internal communications across the appellate courts, fostering collaboration that supports public service.
-  **ENHANCE EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS**  
Increased the visibility of key self-help resources in public libraries and community spaces.
-  **FOSTER COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**  
Highlighted judicial officers' community involvement and shared across Supreme Court of Nevada official platforms.
-  **IMPROVE ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION INITIATIVES**  
Launched a public awareness campaign to attract qualified candidates and continue providing court interpretation services through the Nevada Certified Court Interpreter Program.



Watch the Women's History Month video where justices and Court of Appeals judges talk about the contributions of women in law.



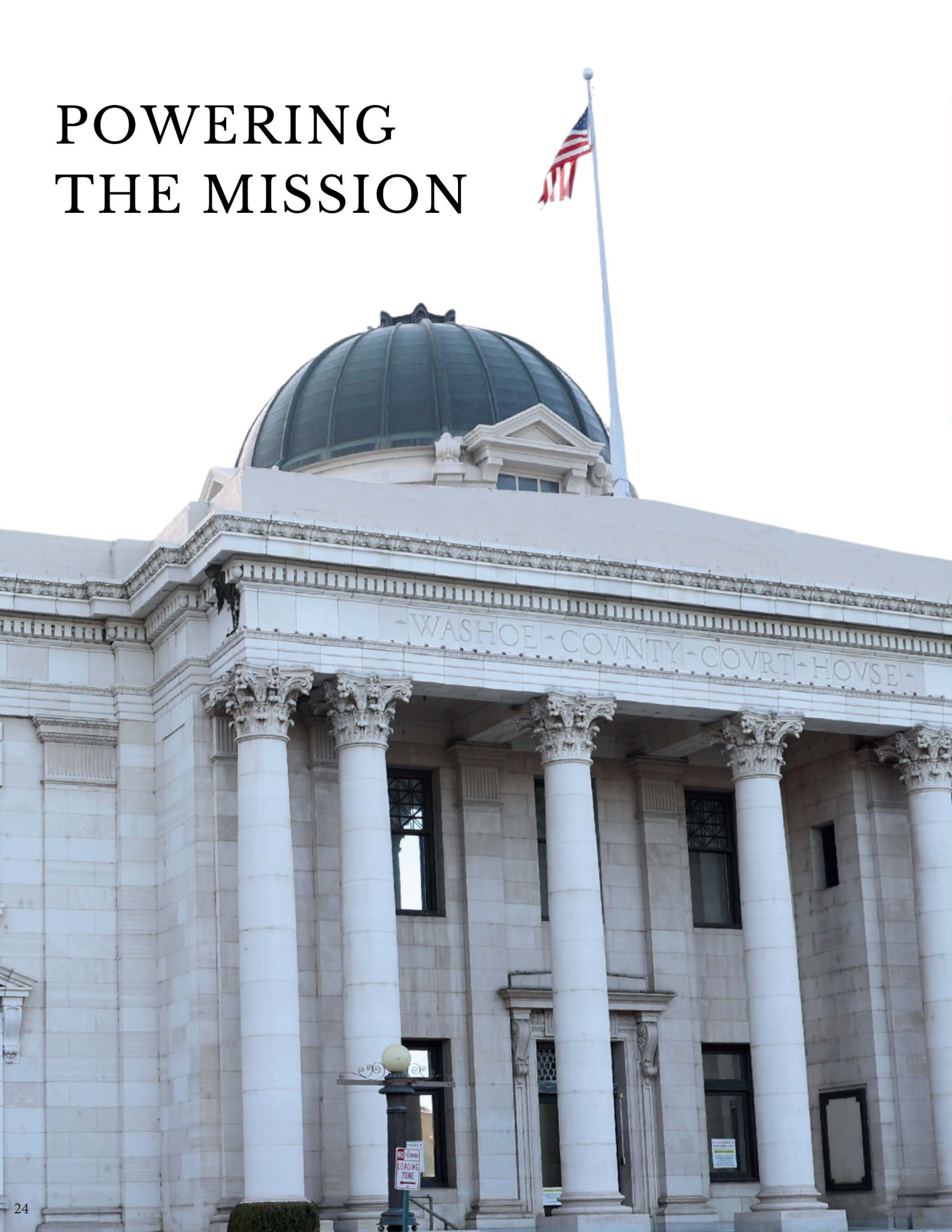
Supreme Court of Nevada law clerks welcomed K-12 students to the Carson City courthouse for educational tours throughout 2025.

*"There is a massive gap between how courts see the services they deliver—and how large segments of the public experience those services."*  
— **Beyond Civics Education, NCSC**

This Outreach and Engagement Plan was created to help close that gap by meeting people where they are, listening to their needs, and delivering court information and services in ways that are accessible, responsive, and easy to understand.



# POWERING THE MISSION



## JUDICIAL EDUCATION

### STATEWIDE LEARNING PLAN FOR COURT STAFF



In collaboration with court representatives across the state, the Supreme Court of Nevada developed the Court Staff Continuous Learning Plan, a strategic framework for ongoing education. The plan formalizes professional development goals and consistency across jurisdictions.

### NEW SUPREME COURT TRAINING CENTER



A dedicated Training Center opened in Carson City this year. The space supports:

- Educational events and statewide conferences
- Internal collaboration and court staff activities
- Public legal education and justice partner trainings

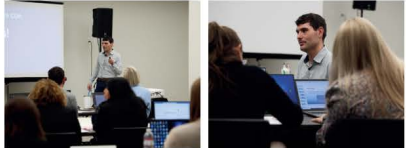
### PODCASTS, WEBINARS, AND ON-DEMAND LEARNING



The *I'll Allow It Nevada* podcast continued to grow in reach and relevance, with 20 episodes released this year. A special thanks goes out to all subject matter experts and guests who shared their insights. A total of 250 individuals were trained via webinars this year.

### TRAIN THE TRAINER

Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) staff engaged in a three-day professional development program focused on improving instructional design, presentation skills, and legal research techniques. This program strengthens the AOC's ability to design and deliver training statewide.



AOC staff participate in education initiative "Train the Trainer" in the new Carson City training center, February 2025.

### I'LL ALLOW IT NEVADA

*I'll Allow It Nevada* has established itself as a valuable resource in Nevada's legal landscape. Its recent growth stems from expert guests covering topics from guardianship and gaming law to facility dogs and court metrics, in addition to the introduction of short-form video content.



AOC Court Education & Development Administrator Seth Easley and Reno PD Sgt. Michael Browett record a podcast episode, May 2025.

WATCH ON YOUTUBE



### TRAINING FOR INTERPRETERS AND MULTILINGUAL SUPPORT

To support access to justice for all language communities, the Nevada Certified Court Interpreter Program:

- Created five new continuing education courses for court interpreters at no cost
- Launched a six-part multilingual guardianship training series, covering the role of guardians, reporting requirements, and resources

### CONFERENCES

The Supreme Court of Nevada supported four major conferences during the fiscal year:

- Nevada Judges of Limited Jurisdiction (Summer and Winter)
- District Judges Conference
- Specialty Courts Conference



District Judges Conference in Reno, NV, April 2025

### LEGAL INFORMATION VS LEGAL ADVICE

Under Supreme Court of Nevada Rule 44, court staff must distinguish between offering legal information and giving legal advice. A statewide training launched this fiscal year, which includes:

- Overview of Supreme Court of Nevada Rule 44
- Guidance on what court staff can and cannot help members of the public with

357 court staff across the state have completed the course so far.





People Operations supports the Nevada Judiciary by attracting, hiring, and retaining skilled professionals who align with the organization’s mission and values. This includes human resources functions, employee development and training, and payroll administration, all aimed at fostering a capable, engaged, and well-supported workforce to serve the people of Nevada. People Operations also serves as a resource for employee support, workplace guidance, and initiatives that promote a positive and productive work environment.



MISSION STATEMENT

The Nevada Judiciary, as an independent branch of government, provides fair, efficient, and timely justice for all. The Judiciary implements sustainable and innovative practices to improve public trust and confidence.

2025 TOP EMPLOYER AWARD

The Supreme Court of Nevada was recognized as a Top Employer in 2025, underscoring its commitment to employee satisfaction, workplace culture, and professional development.

MISSION ALWAYS

ENERGAGE SURVEY HIGHLIGHTS

The Energage Survey is an engagement survey used by organizations to measure employee feedback and workplace culture. The Supreme Court of Nevada has been utilizing the Energage Survey for two years. Compared to the previous year, employees reported stronger satisfaction and deeper connection to their work.



increase in employees who feel their pay is fair for the work they do



increase in employees who have not considered job searching in the past month



increase in employees who feel their work is meaningful



increase in employees who feel well-informed about important decisions at the Supreme Court



increase in employees who say new ideas are encouraged

- Overall engagement score: 86%
- Workplace satisfaction score: 80%

NEW PROGRAMS & POLICY INITIATIVES



Employee Lifecycle Check-in Program

Launched in FY 2025, this program supports staff through key career milestones, from onboarding through development and transition.



PEBP Plan Year 2026

People Operations hosted PEBP informational sessions open to all staff and separate sessions for district court judges.



SUPPORTING EMPLOYEE WELLNESS

In February 2025, the Supreme Court of Nevada celebrated Wellness Month, an initiative to promote mental and physical health. Activities included:

- In-person and virtual guided meditation and mindfulness sessions
- Health and nutrition webinars
- Step challenges and movement breaks
- Wellness and self-care resources



FY 2025 WORKFORCE BY THE NUMBERS

Metric	Total
Vacancy Rate	7.3% (includes judicial officers)
New Hires Onboarded	34 (excludes law clerks)
Paychecks Processed	7,608
Energage Survey Response Rate	86.1%





# IT INFRASTRUCTURE

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY UPDATES

- Secured legislative funding to separate from the Governor’s Technology Office (GTO)
- Replaced 21-year-old data cabling for faster, more reliable connectivity
- Migrated majority of documents to SharePoint cloud storage
- Deployed a new internal ticket management system
- Completed annual Las Vegas power loss simulations to confirm service continuity

## NETWORK TRANSITION

The Judicial Branch is preparing for its separation from the GTO, a change made possible by funding approved during the 2025 legislative session. This transition will allow the Supreme Court of Nevada to select its own internet service provider, manage site-to-site connectivity between Carson City and Las Vegas, and directly control network traffic. IT staff will work closely with trial court teams statewide for seamless connectivity and to help prevent interrupted access to critical applications.

# CYBERSECURITY

## CYBERSECURITY UPDATES

- Completed an independent third-party cybersecurity assessment, validating the organization’s security posture and identifying areas for risk reduction.
- Presented on current cybersecurity threats and data breaches at NAJS (National Association for Justice Information Systems).

# JUDICIAL BRANCH SECURITY

## COMMISSION TO STUDY JUDICIAL BRANCH SECURITY

Keeping judges, court staff, attorneys, and everyone who steps inside Nevada’s courthouses safe is a top priority. Since July 2024, the Commission to Study Judicial Branch Security has been hard at work, and in February 2025, the commission transitioned into a permanent Standing Committee to continue this mission. The Commission is led by Supreme Court of Nevada Justice Linda Bell, with Chief Marshal James Wright serving as vice chair. The group includes sheriffs, judges from different courts, members of the Nevada Bar, representatives from the U.S. Marshals, and local marshals.

## TRAINING THAT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

Recognizing the different security needs across roles, the committee developed minimum training standards tailored to marshals, bailiffs, judges, attorneys, and court staff. Key training topics include recognizing and interpreting body language for potential risks, effective management of jury interactions, and strategies for responding to first amendment auditors.

### IMPROVED REPORTING AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS



Currently, security incidents and threats lack a centralized reporting system. The Commission is advancing development of a statewide reporting platform to enable consistent documentation and tracking of security events.

Additionally, a statewide directory of security contacts is being created to facilitate communication and collaboration between courts, law enforcement, and judicial staff across Nevada.



# NEVADA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL SELECTION

In FY 2025, the Nevada Commission on Judicial Selection convened three times to consider district court vacancies. The Commission convened in Districts 1, 7, and 8. The Commission convened over two general jurisdiction seats and one family court seat.

## SUMMARY TABLE

Judicial District/ Department	Interview Date	Applicants	Nominees	Final Appointment
First Judicial District, Department 1	No interviews	3	Mark Krueger, Joel Locke, Jason Woodbury	Jason Woodbury (November 21, 2024)
Eighth Judicial District, Department Y	January 24, 2025	6	Paul Gaudet, Nicholas Petsas, Adriana Rincon White	Adriana Rincon White (February 21, 2025)
Seventh Judicial District, Department 2	March 11, 2025	5	Jane Eberhardy, Dylan V. Frehner, John Muije	Dylan V. Frehner (April 11, 2025)



Chief Justice Douglas Herndon presided over the Nevada Commission on Judicial Selection in Ely, Nevada. The Commission interviewed applicants to fill the district court seat and referred three candidates to the Governor for final selection.

Governor Joe Lombardo nominated Dylan Frehner to the bench serving Eureka, White Pine, and Lincoln Counties.



# ACCOUNTABILITY



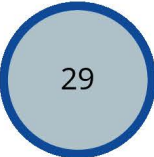
## GUARDIANSHIP COMPLIANCE

The data below reflects audits and investigations the Guardianship Office was ordered into from July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025. 'Ordered in' refers to new cases initiated by court order during this period.

### INVESTIGATIONS ORDERED IN

Locate Protected Person	56
Pre-Guardianship	52
Other	9

### AUDITS ORDERED IN



93% success rate in locating. There were 151 completed audits and investigations, and 182 reports filed with District Courts. There may be multiple reports filed for one audit or investigation.

### INVESTIGATIONS COMPLETED

Locate Protected Person	59
Pre-Guardianship	10
Other	59

### AUDITS COMPLETED



### TOTAL OF ESTATES

The total of estates is \$25,858,679 for audits completed by the GCO. Total estate funds identified as at-risk of loss is \$4,478,783.00. At-risk of loss are estate funds and assets that are identified as at-risk of loss for completed audits. Neither figure includes audits ordered in years prior but completed in the reporting time period.

Total of Estates Audited	\$25,858,679.00
At-Risk of Loss Identified	\$4,478,783.00

### AGE GROUPS

Breakdown By Age Group	Ordered In	Completed
Minor Investigations & Audits*	26	22
Adult Investigations & Audits	120	129

\*The GCO does not perform investigations for minors at the Eighth Judicial District Court or the Second Judicial District Court.  
\*The GCO does perform audits for all Judicial District Courts, including for minor guardianship cases.



JUDICIAL BRANCH AUDIT OVERVIEW



MAS AUDITS

Determine the court's compliance with the Minimum Accounting Standards Version 3.1. (Courts will use the MAS as the policy to develop their individual procedures for internal controls to ensure separation of duties to help prevent misappropriation of public funds or other associated crimes.)

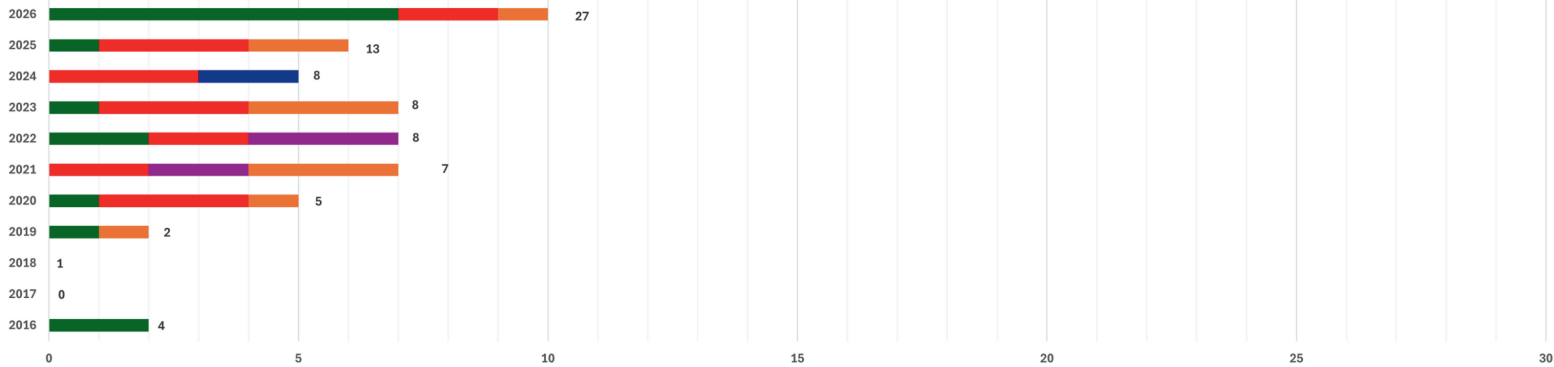
FOLLOW-UP AUDITS

Determine if the court has taken corrective actions on the recommendations made during the prior audit.



CMS CERTIFICATION REVIEWS

Determine if case management systems are configured appropriately to capture the applicable data and contain the required minimum reporting to comply with Minimum Accounting Standards reporting requirements as required by Nevada Supreme Court Order in Administrative Docket (ADKT) 398.



SPECIALTY COURT PROGRAM AUDITS

Review the court's compliance with the Ten Key Components of Drug Court, internal operating controls, the court's financial records for compliance with the guidelines set forth by the Specialty Court Funding Committee and annual funding applications.



MAS MICRO AUDITS

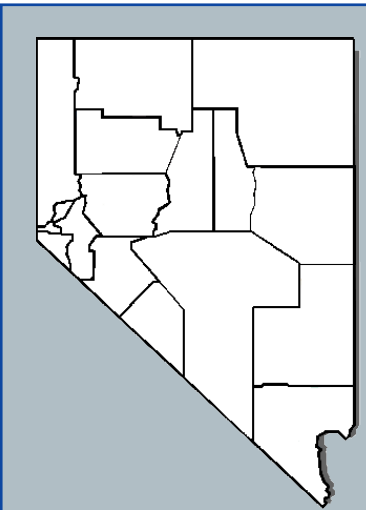
Determine the court's compliance with areas in Minimum Accounting Standards Version 3.1 most cited through the review of court's external audit.



MISCELLANEOUS AUDITS

Evaluate operations to determine if appropriate internal controls exist and to identify operational strength and areas for improvement.

NEVADA APPELLATE COURTS SUMMARY



Nevada Demographics

Population: 3,282,911 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 109,781 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: 30/sq. mi.  
Most Populous County: Clark

<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau

NEVADA APPELLATE COURTS CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS  
Fiscal Year 2025

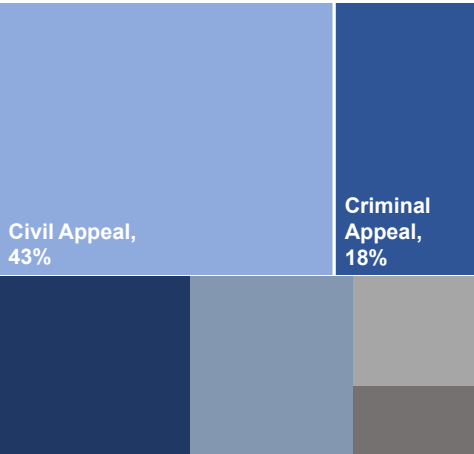
Court	Incoming Cases <sup>a</sup>	Disposed Cases					Pending Cases
		By Opinion <sup>b</sup>	By Order	Other	Total	Rate	
Supreme Court <sup>c</sup>	2,037	66	1,244	9	1,319	104%	1,156
Court of Appeals	773	7	726	4	737	96%	239

<sup>a</sup> Court of Appeals cases are assigned from incoming cases of the Supreme Court.  
<sup>b</sup> May include single and consolidated cases disposed per curiam or by authored opinion.  
<sup>c</sup> Disposed Cases and Rate do not include cases assigned to the Court of Appeals.  
Source: Nevada Supreme Court Clerk's Office.

QUICK FACTS:

- 7 SUPREME COURT JUSTICES
- 3 COURT OF APPEALS JUDGES
- 2 SUPREME COURT PANELS

SUPREME COURT  
CASE DISTRIBUTION



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

COURT EXPENSES BY PROGRAM

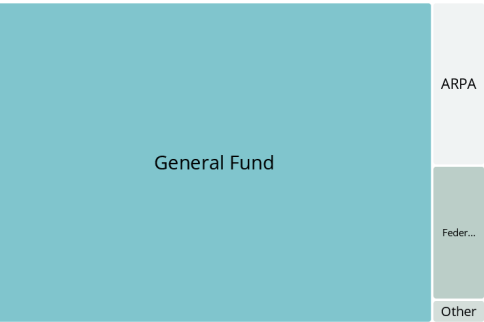
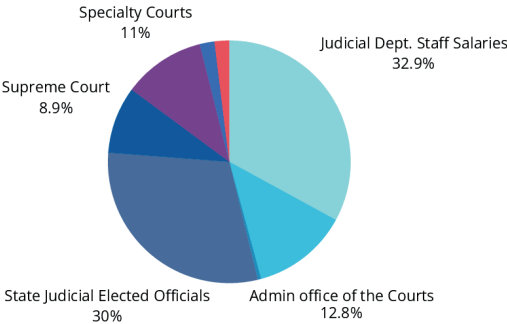
- Judicial Dept Staff Salaries: \$28,002,010.03
- Administrative Office of the Courts: \$10,910,710.79
- Court of Appeals: \$378,914.96
- State Judicial Elected Officials: \$25,484,791.60
- Supreme Court: \$7,581,233.57
- Specialty Courts: \$9,310,554.26
- Sr Justice & Sr Judge Program: \$1,666,958.09
- Law Library Gift Fund: \$5,958.40
- Law Library: \$1,649,094.36

Total Court Expenses for FY 2025: \$84,984,267.66

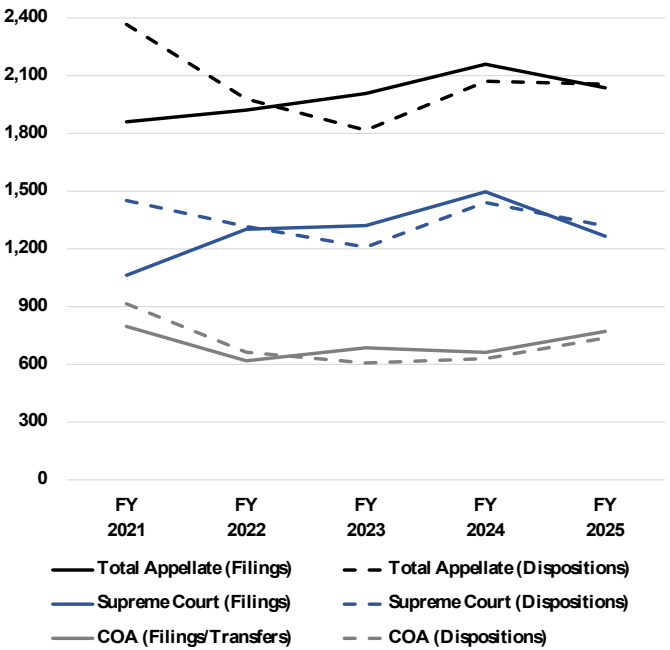
COURT EXPENSE BY FUNDING SOURCE

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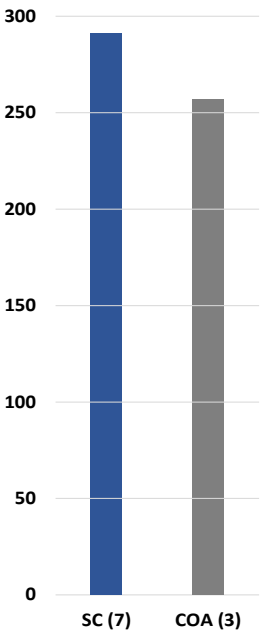
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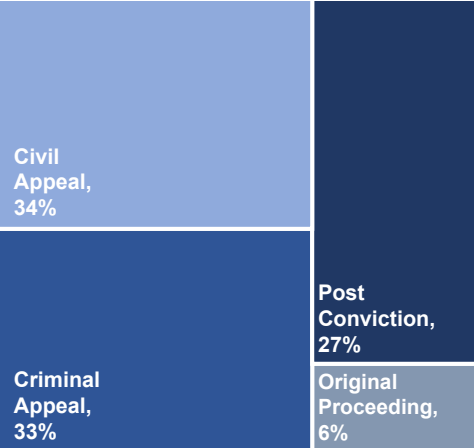
NEVADA APPELLATE COURTS  
FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS  
FISCAL YEARS 2021-25



INCOMING CASES  
PER JUDICIAL  
POSITION



COURT OF APPEALS  
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NEVADA APPELLATE COURTS  
SUMMARY CONT.



NEVADA  
TRIAL COURT OVERVIEW

NEVADA SUPREME COURT APPEALS FILED BY  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT, FISCAL YEARS 2021-25

Civil Appeals Filed <sup>a</sup>					
District	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
First	43	26	30	50	27
Second	81	66	91	97	85
Third	6	9	8	5	7
Fourth	10	3	6	13	8
Fifth	11	3	8	17	9
Sixth	5	3	3	6	4
Seventh	4	9	7	4	15
Eighth	590	744	705	753	762
Ninth	11	9	13	10	17
Tenth	1	0	5	1	4
Eleventh	9	9	8	13	9
Total <sup>b</sup>	771	881	884	969	947

Criminal Appeals Filed					
District	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
First	22	17	17	12	17
Second	95	91	140	177	164
Third	9	8	11	10	7
Fourth	17	25	14	10	17
Fifth	15	12	12	14	20
Sixth	7	16	11	9	11
Seventh	10	4	8	6	12
Eighth	387	364	434	415	398
Ninth	7	23	8	5	9
Tenth	6	5	5	10	6
Eleventh	12	4	8	11	7
Total <sup>b</sup>	587	569	668	679	668

Total Appeals Filed					
District	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
First	65	43	47	62	44
Second	176	157	231	274	249
Third	15	17	19	15	14
Fourth	27	28	20	23	25
Fifth	26	15	20	31	29
Sixth	12	19	14	15	15
Seventh	14	13	15	10	27
Eighth	977	1,108	1,139	1,168	1,160
Ninth	18	32	21	15	26
Tenth	7	5	10	11	10
Eleventh	21	13	16	24	16
Total <sup>b</sup>	1,358	1,450	1,552	1,648	1,615

<sup>a</sup> Family and juvenile cases are included in civil appeals.  
<sup>b</sup> Total does not include filed appeals that are not associated with specific judicial districts.  
Source: Nevada Supreme Court Clerk’s Office.

NEVADA APPELLATE COURTS CASES FILED AND DISPOSED,  
FISCAL YEARS 2021-25 <sup>a</sup>

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Supreme Court Cases Filed					
Bar Matters	85	84	81	75	79
Appeals	1,361	1,452	1,556	1,655	1,620
Original Proceedings	271	287	278	314	248
Other	6	1	1	1	3
Reinstated	25	18	25	33	24
(COA) Petition for Review Filed	112	79	66	81	63
Total Cases Filed	1,860	1,921	2,007	2,159	2,037
Cases Filed With Supreme Court & Assigned to Court of Appeals					
Cases Assigned to COA	795	615	685	660	769
Limited Transfers	1	4	3	4	0
Cases Reinstated	1	0	0	2	4
Total Cases Filed With COA	797	619	688	666	773
Appellate Courts Cases Disposed					
Supreme Court Cases Disposed					
By Opinions <sup>b</sup>	90	111	50	85	66
By Order	1,253	1,122	1,098	1,273	1,179
Other	3	1	1	5	9
(COA) Petition for Review Denied	105	82	60	78	65
Court of Appeals Cases Disposed					
By Opinions <sup>b</sup>	4	6	5	16	7
By Order	906	649	594	606	726
Other	5	8	8	8	4
Total Appeals Disposed	2,366	1,979	1,816	2,071	2,056
Pending Cases					
Supreme Court Pending <sup>a</sup>	1,046	1,036	1,149	1,207	1,156
Court of Appeals Pending <sup>a</sup>	130	86	167	203	239
Total Appeal Cases Pending <sup>a</sup>	1,176	1,122	1,316	1,410	1,395
Authored Opinions					
SC Authored Opinions	90	111	50	85	66
COA Authored Opinions	3	6	5	16	7
Total Authored Opinions	93	117	55	101	73

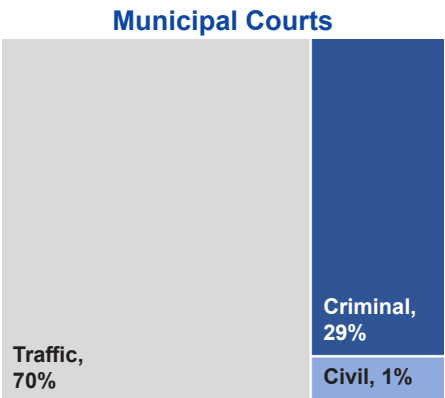
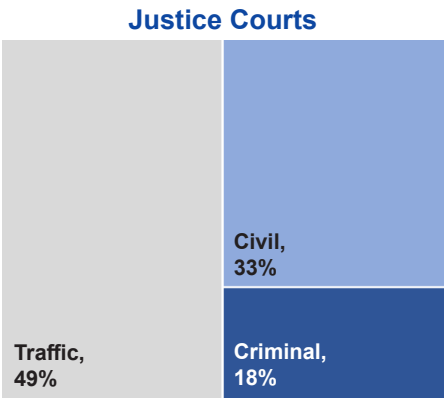
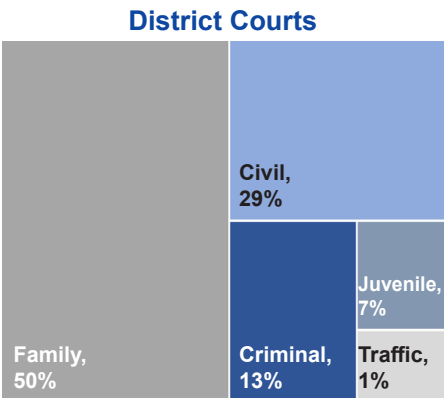
<sup>a</sup> Pending cases vary year to year due in part to case reclassification, limited transfers to the Court of Appeals, and reinstated cases.  
<sup>b</sup> May include single and consolidated cases disposed per curiam or by authored opinion.  
Source: Nevada Supreme Court Clerk’s Office.



NEVADA JUDICIARY OVERVIEW

Significant effort is made to ensure the accurate and consistent reporting of cases across Nevada; however, local jurisdictional rules, processes, and prosecutorial filing practices affect some courts’ ability to consistently report data similar to other courts. These differences affect comparisons between jurisdictions. For instance, in some justice courts, district attorneys will file two complaints for a single incident: one for misdemeanors and another for the felony and gross misdemeanor charges to potentially be boundover to district court. In other jurisdictions, all charges may be filed in a single complaint. Accordingly, comparing criminal caseloads across jurisdictions should be done carefully, taking local rules and practices into consideration. Where known, the data presented is footnoted to identify differences in consistent reporting of information.

TRIAL COURT CASE DISTRIBUTIONS,  
FISCAL YEAR 2025



REPORTED STATEWIDE TRIAL COURT TOTALS, FISCAL YEARS 2023-25.

Caseload Filings <sup>a</sup>							
Court	Fiscal Year	Criminal <sup>b</sup>	Civil	Family <sup>c</sup>	Juvenile <sup>c</sup>	Total Non-Traffic	Traffic and Parking <sup>d</sup>
District	2025	17,716	39,546	69,988	10,255	137,505	1,664
	2024	19,080 <sup>r</sup>	36,333 <sup>r</sup>	69,780 <sup>r</sup>	9,153 <sup>r</sup>	134,346 <sup>r</sup>	1,748 <sup>r</sup>
	2023	18,442	31,209	70,761	8,516	128,928	2,117
Justice	2025	85,457	155,252	-	-	240,709	232,625
	2024	69,786	151,107	-	-	220,893	212,152
	2023	70,954	147,884	-	-	218,838	217,221
Municipal	2025	46,337	659	-	-	46,996	110,920
	2024	39,284	432	-	-	39,716	95,172
	2023	37,208 <sup>f</sup>	541	-	-	37,749 <sup>f</sup>	100,299 <sup>f</sup>
Total	2025	149,510	195,457	69,988	10,255	425,210	345,209
	2024	128,150 <sup>r</sup>	187,872 <sup>r</sup>	69,780 <sup>r</sup>	9,153 <sup>r</sup>	394,955 <sup>r</sup>	309,072 <sup>r</sup>
	2023	126,604 <sup>f</sup>	179,634	70,761	8,516	385,515 <sup>f</sup>	319,637 <sup>f</sup>

Dispositions <sup>a</sup>							
Court	Fiscal Year	Criminal <sup>b</sup>	Civil	Family <sup>c</sup>	Juvenile <sup>c</sup>	Total Non-Traffic	Traffic and Parking <sup>d</sup>
District	2025	17,344	35,996	69,485	10,289	133,114	1,663
	2024	18,624 <sup>r</sup>	32,829 <sup>r</sup>	65,882 <sup>r</sup>	8,951 <sup>r</sup>	126,286 <sup>r</sup>	1,593 <sup>r</sup>
	2023	17,175	29,614	66,427	9,110	122,326	2,170
Justice	2025	77,312	144,980	-	-	222,292	197,284
	2024	70,865	145,242	-	-	216,107	196,075
	2023	63,869	141,691	-	-	205,560	142,890 <sup>f</sup>
Municipal	2025	35,504	662	-	-	36,166	113,031
	2024	35,766	474	-	-	36,240	88,963
	2023	32,287 <sup>f</sup>	576	-	-	32,863 <sup>f</sup>	90,050 <sup>f</sup>
Total	2025	130,160	181,638	69,485	10,289	391,572	311,978
	2024	125,255 <sup>r</sup>	178,545 <sup>r</sup>	65,882 <sup>r</sup>	8,951 <sup>r</sup>	378,633 <sup>r</sup>	286,631 <sup>r</sup>
	2023	113,331 <sup>f</sup>	171,881	66,427	9,110	360,749 <sup>f</sup>	235,110 <sup>f</sup>

NJ Not within court jurisdiction.  
<sup>a</sup> Reopened cases are included in totals.  
<sup>b</sup> Criminal includes felony, gross misdemeanor, non-traffic misdemeanor, and criminal/infraction appeal (District Court only) filings and are counted by defendant.  
<sup>c</sup> Family and juvenile case types only heard in District Courts.  
<sup>d</sup> Traffic and Parking includes juvenile traffic statistics.  
<sup>f</sup> Magnitude is incomplete or includes estimates for specific courts.  
<sup>r</sup> Data totals revised from previous annual reports due to updated or improved data collection.  
Source: Uniform System for Judicial Records, Nevada AOC, Research and Statistics Unit.



NEVADA TRIAL COURT OVERVIEW CONT.

NEVADA TRIAL COURT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS											
Fiscal Year 2025											
Court	Criminal Filings <sup>a</sup>	Civil Filings	Family Filings <sup>b</sup>	Juvenile Filings <sup>b</sup>	Reopened Cases	Total Cases	Total Disposed	Disp. Rate	Traffic and Parking <sup>c</sup>		
									Cases	Disposed	Disp. Rate
District Courts	11,789	36,347	52,183	6,781	30,405	137,505	133,114	97%	1,664	1,663	100%
Justice Courts	80,272	140,503	-	-	19,934	240,709	222,292	92%	232,625	197,284	85%
Municipal Courts	41,269	607	-	-	5,120	46,996	36,166	77%	110,920	113,031	102%
TOTAL	133,330	177,457	52,183	6,781	55,459	425,210	391,572	92%	345,209	311,978	90%

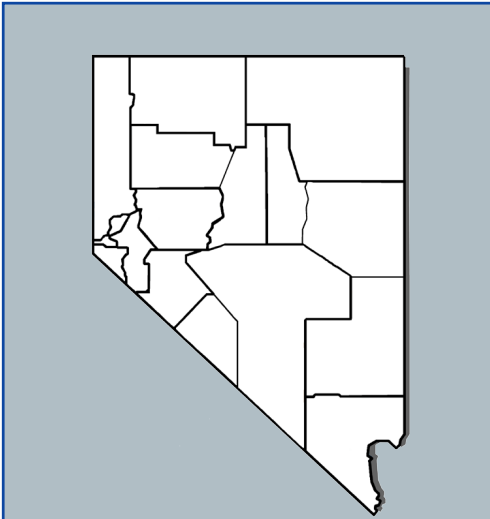
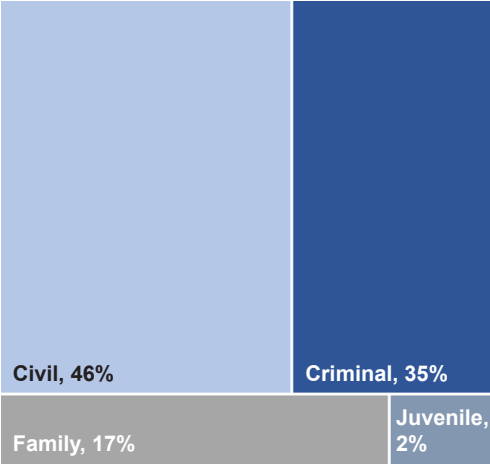
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Non-Traffic Case Distribution

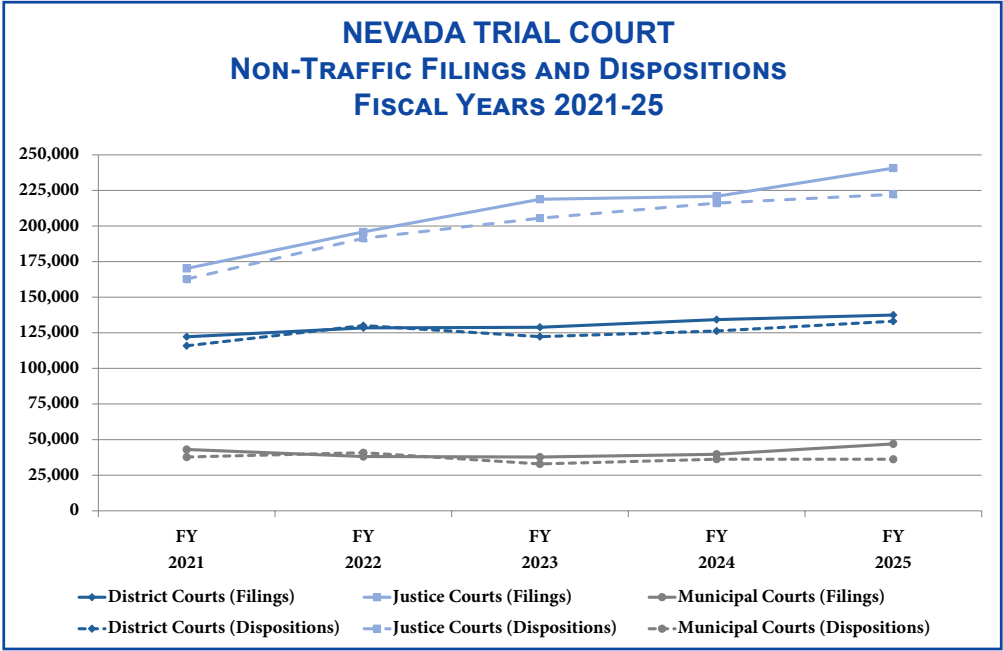
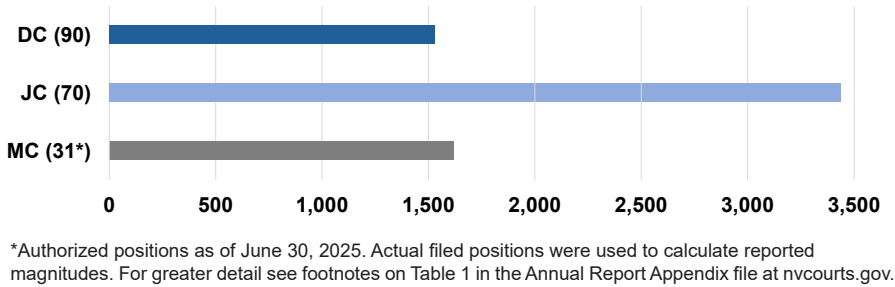


**Nevada Demographics**  
Population: 3,282,911 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 109,781 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: 30/sq. mi.  
Most Populous Township: Las Vegas  
<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau

QUICK FACTS

- 11 JUDICIAL DISTRICTS
- 17 COUNTIES AND DISTRICT COURTS
- 40 TOWNSHIPS AND JUSTICE COURTS
- 17 MUNICIPAL COURTS

Non-Traffic Total Cases Per Judge



FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUDICIAL DISTRICT



FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS											
Fiscal Year 2025 <sup>a</sup>											
Court	Non-Traffic Cases					Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>					
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Carson City District Court	362	465	1,341	76	2,244	1,549	70 <sup>f</sup>	0 <sup>f</sup>	-	70	10
Storey County District Court	29	31	35	2	97	66	0	0	-	0	0
Carson City Justice Court <sup>g</sup>	1,736	2,272	-	-	4,008	3,372	3,489	4,210	99	7,798	6,668
Virginia City Justice Court	338	63	-	-	401	282	1,711	1,778	84	3,573	3,279
TOTAL	2,465	2,831	1,376	78	6,750	5,269	5,270	5,988	183	11,441	9,957

<sup>a</sup> Statistics include reopened cases.

<sup>b</sup> Includes juvenile traffic statistics. Infraction cases may include non-traffic matters. District Courts do not report parking cases.

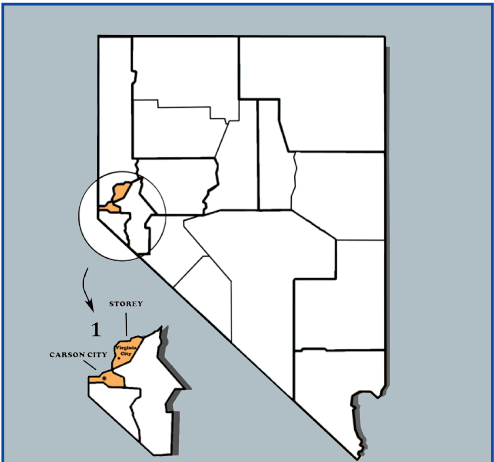
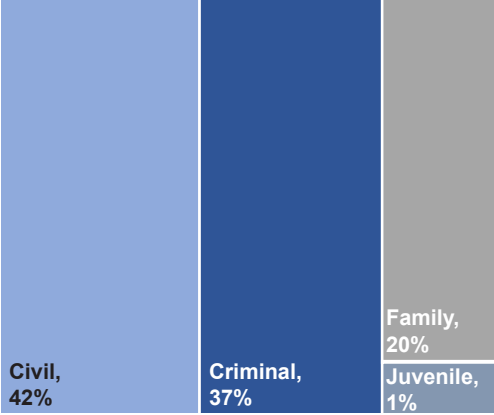
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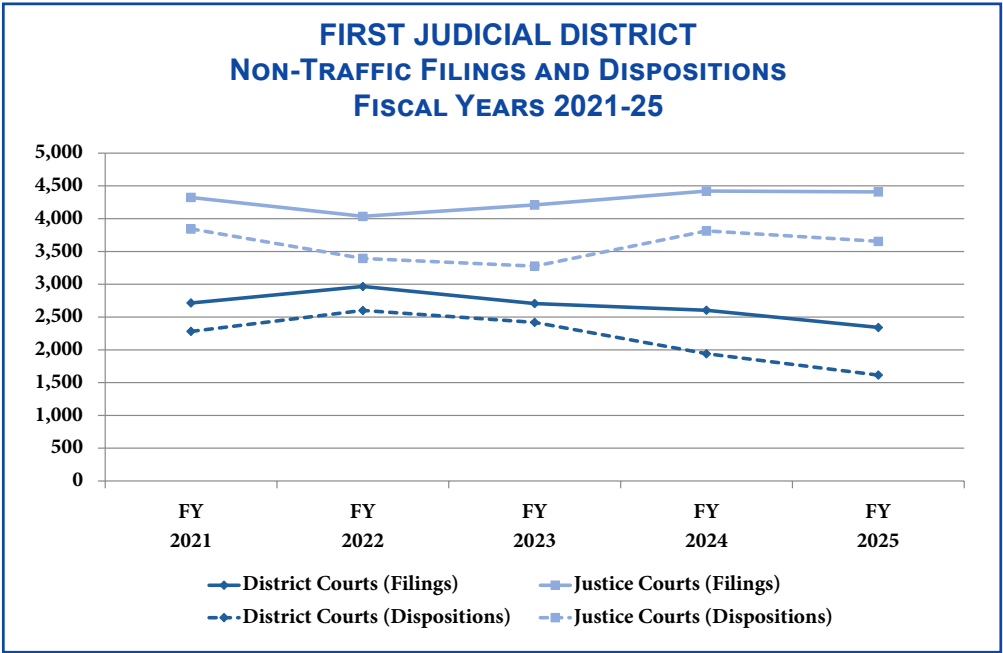
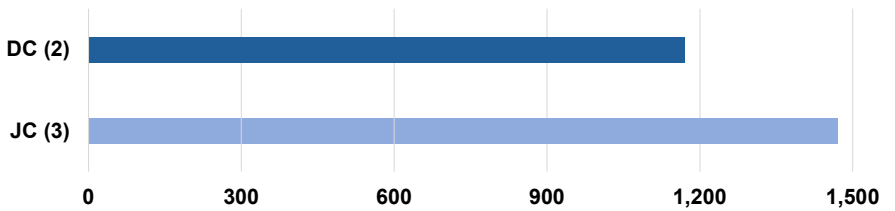
<sup>g</sup> Carson City is a consolidated municipality and the Justice Court includes Municipal Court information.

Non-Traffic Case Distribution



**District Demographics**  
Population: 64,723 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 408 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: 159/sq. mi.  
Most Populous Township: Carson City  
<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Non-Traffic Total Cases Per Judge



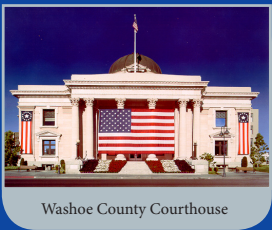
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2% OF STATEWIDE NON-TRAFFIC CASELOAD

3% OF STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CASELOAD



# SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT



# THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT

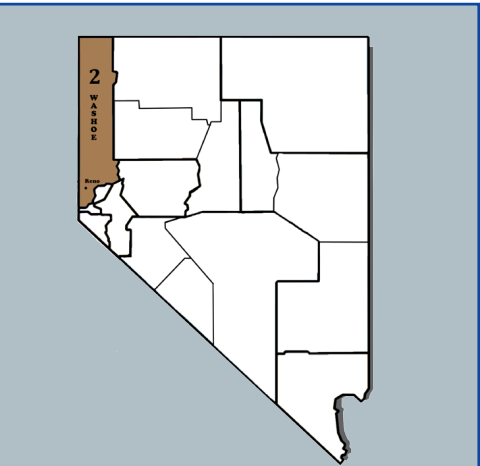
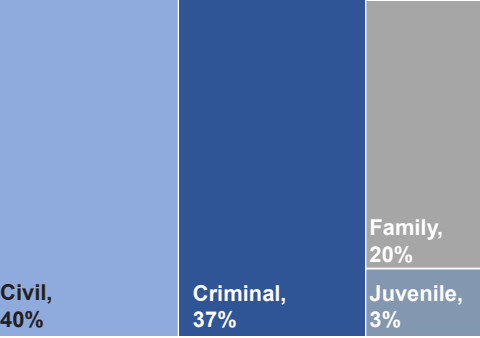


SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS  
Fiscal Year 2025<sup>a</sup>

Court	Non-Traffic Cases				Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>						
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Washoe County DC	2,702	4,438	10,875	1,383 <sup>f</sup>	19,398 <sup>f</sup>	16,726	1,184 <sup>f,g</sup>	0 <sup>g</sup>	-	1,184 <sup>f</sup>	1,277
Incline Village JC	193	101	-	-	294	255	196	1,720	1	1,917	1,906
Reno Justice Court	5,387	11,975	-	-	17,362	15,488	4,946	10,356	0	15,302	15,330
Sparks Justice Court	2,283	5,587	-	-	7,870	7,585	1,906	2,842	0	4,748	4,647
Wadsworth Justice Court	106	11	-	-	117	115	613	1,682	0	2,295	2,366
Reno Municipal Court	7,491	52	-	-	7,543	6,780	4,272	7,229	0	11,501	11,183
Sparks Municipal Court	2,070	11	-	-	2,081	2,231	1,619	3,608	132	5,359	5,217
TOTAL	20,232	22,175	10,875	1,383	54,665	49,180	14,736	27,437	133	42,306	41,926

<sup>a</sup> Statistics include reopened cases.  
<sup>b</sup> Includes juvenile traffic statistics. Infraction cases may include non-traffic matters. District Courts do not report parking cases.  
<sup>c</sup> Criminal includes felony, gross misdemeanor, non-traffic misdemeanor, and criminal/infraction appeal (District Court only) filings.  
<sup>d</sup> Family and juvenile case types only heard in District Courts.  
<sup>f</sup> Reopened (cases) not reported or under-reported.  
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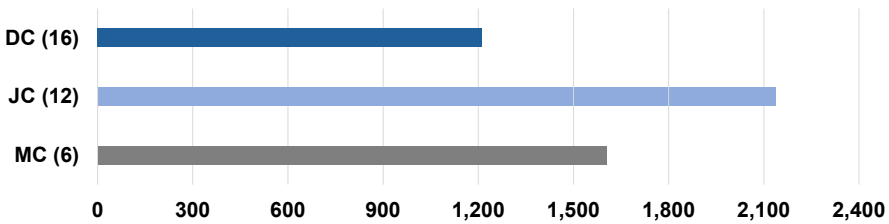
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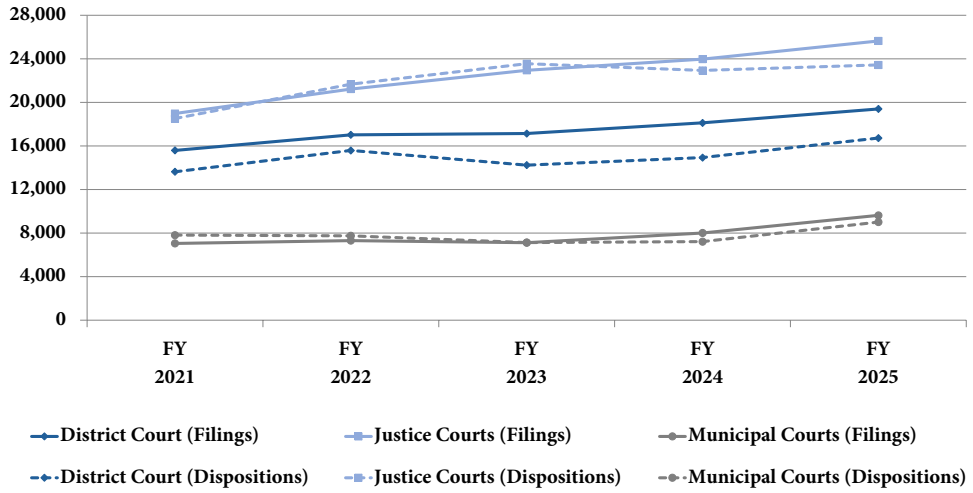
District Demographics

Population: 513,854 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 6,302 sq. mi. <sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: 82/sq. mi.  
Most Populous Township: Reno  
<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau

NON-TRAFFIC TOTAL CASES PER JUDGE



SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
NON-TRAFFIC FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS  
FISCAL YEARS 2021-25



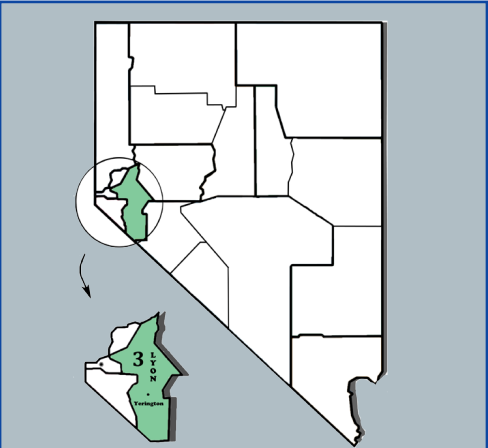
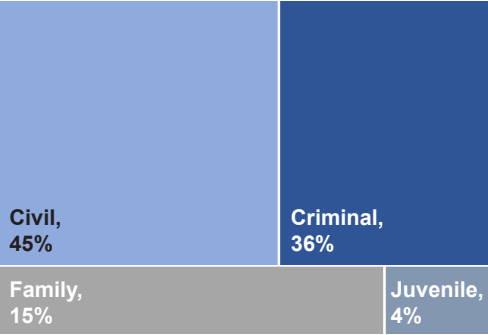
QUICK FACTS | 13% OF STATEWIDE NON-TRAFFIC CASELOAD  
12% OF STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CASELOAD

THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS  
Fiscal Year 2025<sup>a</sup>

Court	Non-Traffic Cases				Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>						
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Lyon County District Court	355	368	959	245	1,927	2,139 <sup>f</sup>	56	0	-	56	77
Canal Justice Court	419	1,159	-	-	1,578	1,105	312	574	0	886	966
Dayton Justice Court	409	679	-	-	1,088	1,029	550	1,350	0	1,900	1,947
Walker River Justice Court	649	579	-	-	1,228	991	540	932	2	1,474	1,503
Fernley Municipal Court	309	0	-	-	309	362	606	1,142	14	1,762	1,838
Yerington Municipal Court	64	0	-	-	64	32	348	268	1	617	130
TOTAL	2,205	2,785	959	245	6,194	5,658	2,412	4,266	17	6,695	6,461

<sup>a</sup> Statistics include reopened cases.  
<sup>b</sup> Includes juvenile traffic statistics. Infraction cases may include non-traffic matters. District Courts do not report parking cases.  
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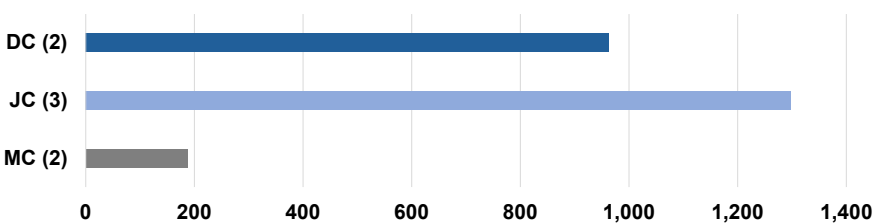
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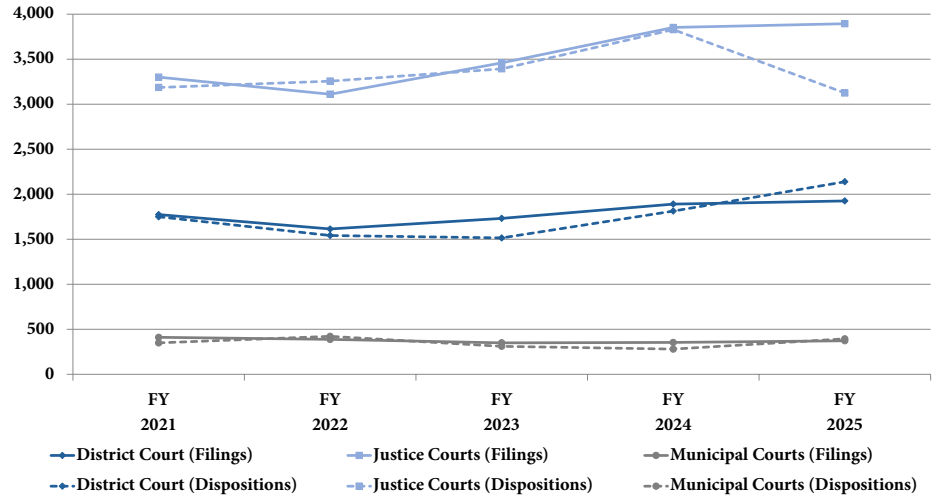
District Demographics

Population: 65,116 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 2,001 sq. mi. <sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: 33/sq. mi.  
Most Populous Township: Dayton  
<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau

NON-TRAFFIC TOTAL CASES PER JUDGE



THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
NON-TRAFFIC FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS  
FISCAL YEARS 2021-25



QUICK FACTS | 1% OF STATEWIDE NON-TRAFFIC CASELOAD  
2% OF STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CASELOAD



FOURTH  
JUDICIAL DISTRICT

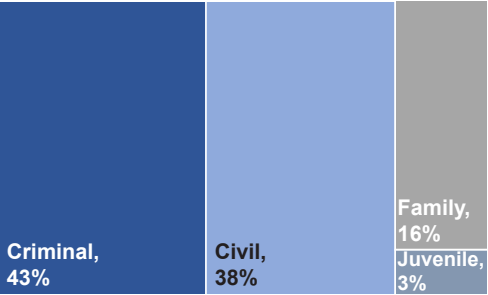


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JUDICIAL DISTRICT

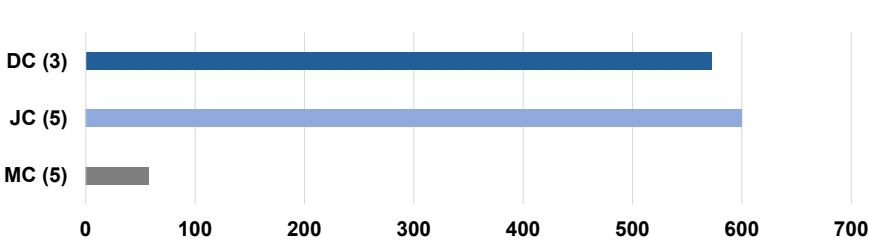


FOURTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS											
Fiscal Year 2025 <sup>a</sup>											
Court	Non-Traffic Cases				Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>						
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Elko County District Court	336	437	795	148	1,716	1,777	0	0	-	0	0
Carlin Justice Court	39	65	-	-	104	108 <sup>f</sup>	23	38	0	61	71
Eastline Justice Court	72	159	-	-	231	136	262	284	0	546	277
Elko Justice Court	1,362	1,153	-	-	2,515	2,170	1,492	3,445	1	4,938	4,351
Wells Justice Court	81	70	-	-	151	168	402	2,144	18	2,564	2,743
Carlin Municipal Court	43	0	-	-	43	50	25	109	1	135	103
Elko Municipal Court	159	1	-	-	160	158	142	1,494	0	1,636	1,473
Wells Municipal Court	0	0	-	-	0	1	2	217	13	232	226
West Wendover MC	85	0	-	-	85	72	29	550	2	581	372
TOTAL	2,177	1,885	795	148	5,005	4,640	2,377	8,281	35	10,693	9,616
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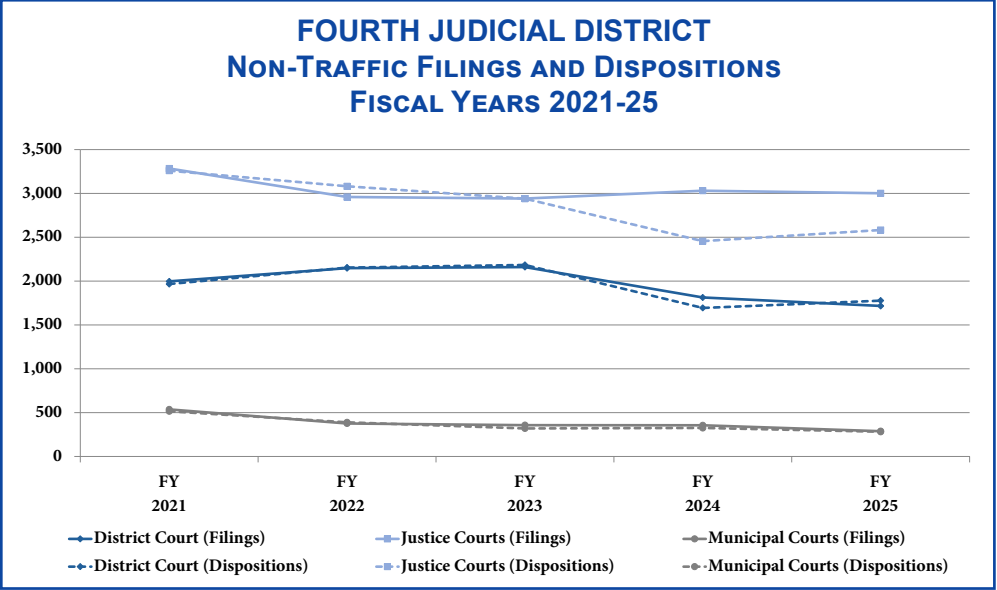
NON-TRAFFIC TOTAL CASES PER JUDGE



**District Demographics**

Population: 57,989 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 17,170 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: 3/sq. mi.  
Most Populous Township: Elko

<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau



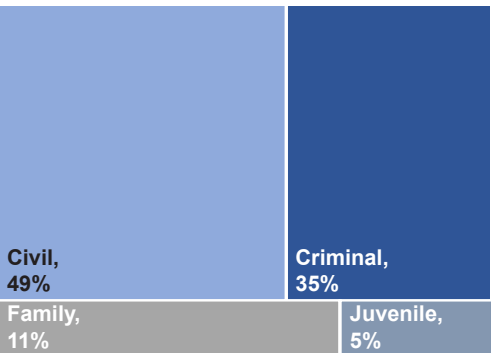
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1% OF STATEWIDE NON-TRAFFIC CASELOAD

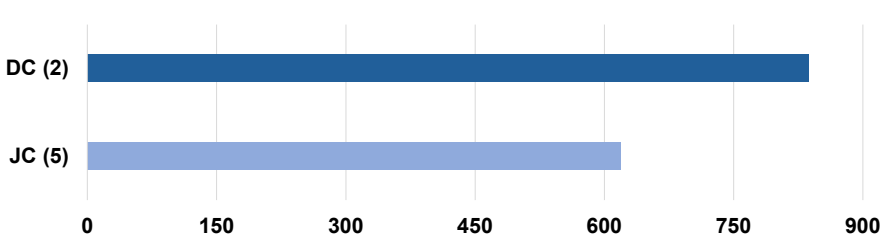
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FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS											
Fiscal Year 2025 <sup>a</sup>											
Court	Non-Traffic Cases				Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>						
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Esmeralda County DC	5	16	3	0	24	1	7 <sup>f</sup>	0 <sup>f</sup>	-	7	0
Nye County District Court	276	612	537	224	1,649	848	81 <sup>f</sup>	0 <sup>f</sup>	-	81	39
Beatty Justice Court	101	31	-	-	132	156 <sup>g</sup>	288	1,308	1	1,597	1,727
Esmeralda Justice Court	29	24	-	-	53	66 <sup>g</sup>	331	1,905	2	2,238	2,082
Pahrump Justice Court	1,137	1,522	-	-	2,659	2,562	1,991	2,990	8	4,989	4,765
Tonopah Justice Court	135	116	-	-	251	228	523	1,418	2	1,943	1,847
TOTAL	1,683	2,321	540	224	4,768	3,861	3,221	7,621	13	10,855	10,460
<sup>a</sup> Statistics include reopened cases. <sup>b</sup> Includes juvenile traffic statistics. Infraction cases may include non-traffic matters. District Courts do not report parking cases. <sup>c</sup> Criminal includes felony, gross misdemeanor, non-traffic misdemeanor, and criminal/infraction appeal (District Court only) filings. <sup>d</sup> Family and juvenile case types only heard in District Courts. <sup>f</sup> Civil infraction information may be included in the Traffic, Misdemeanor case type. <sup>g</sup> Includes administrative case closures.											

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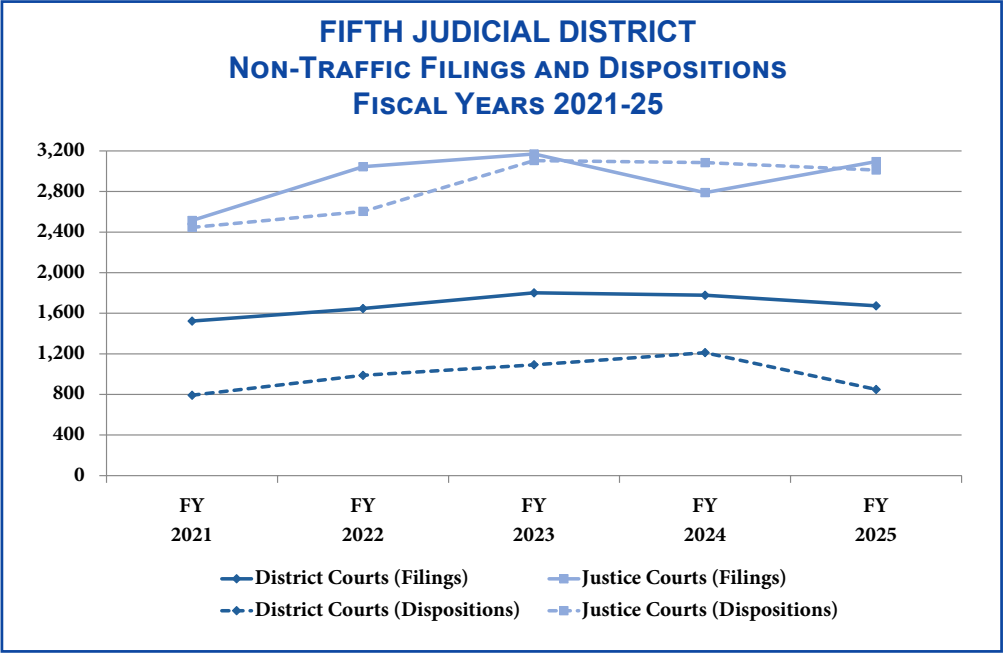
NON-TRAFFIC TOTAL CASES PER JUDGE



**District Demographics**

Population: 52,888 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 21,764 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: 2/sq. mi.  
Most Populous Township: Pahrump

<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau



QUICK FACTS

1% OF STATEWIDE NON-TRAFFIC CASELOAD

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SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT



SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

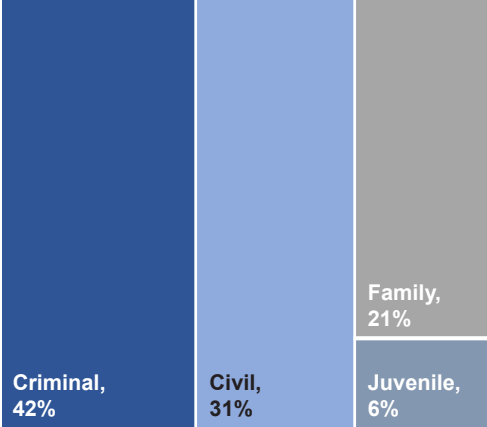


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Fiscal Year 2025<sup>a</sup>

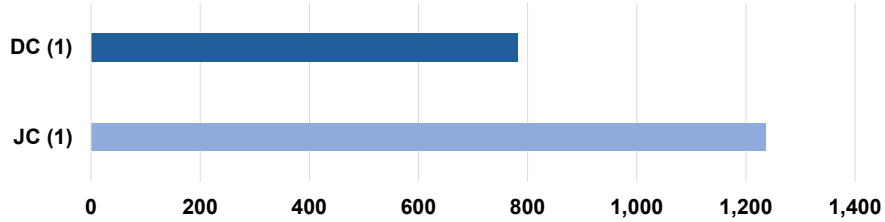
Court	Non-Traffic Cases				Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>						
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Humboldt County DC	105	134	416	127	782	696	62 <sup>f</sup>	0 <sup>f</sup>	-	62	67
Union Justice Court	743	493	-	-	1,236	1,242	514	2,402	11	2,927	3,041
TOTAL	848	627	416	127	2,018	1,938	576	2,402	11	2,989	3,108

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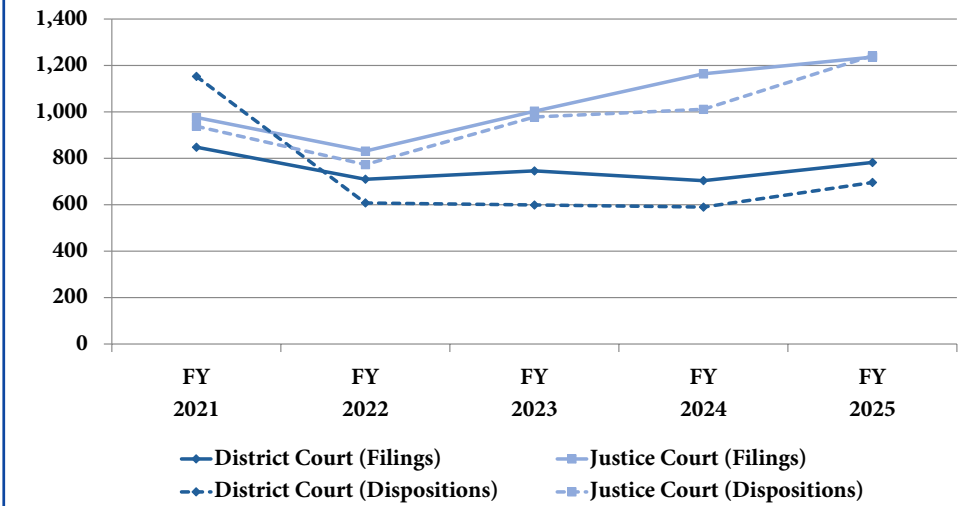
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NON-TRAFFIC TOTAL CASES PER JUDGE



SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
NON-TRAFFIC FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS  
FISCAL YEARS 2021-25



District Demographics

Population: 17,801 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 9,641 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: 2/sq. mi.  
Most Populous Township: Union  
<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau

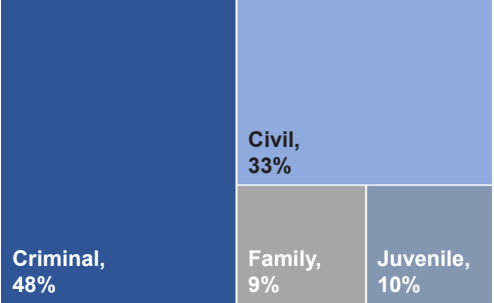
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SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS  
Fiscal Year 2025<sup>a</sup>

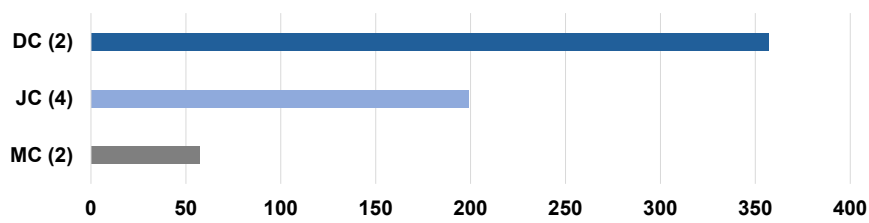
Court	Non-Traffic Cases				Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>						
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Eureka County District Court	19	20	8	2	49	79	0	0	-	0	1
Lincoln County District Court	65	57	30	34	186	108	0	0	-	0	0
White Pine County DC	124	128	104	123	479	427	1 <sup>f</sup>	0 <sup>f</sup>	-	1	1
Ely Justice Court	246	256	-	-	502	453	217 <sup>f</sup>	1,053 <sup>f</sup>	1	1,271	1,243
Eureka Justice Court	53	32	-	-	85	87	87	524	0	611	565
Meadow Valley Justice Court	114	35	-	-	149	64	80	797	0	877	776
Pahrnagat Valley JC	47	14	-	-	61	119 <sup>g</sup>	326 <sup>f</sup>	3,090 <sup>f</sup>	0	3,416	3,797
Caliente Municipal Court	6	0	-	-	6	3	0	0	0	0	0
Ely Municipal Court	107	0	-	-	107	114	134	85	0	219	192
TOTAL	781	542	142	159	1,624	1,454	845	5,549	1	6,395	6,575

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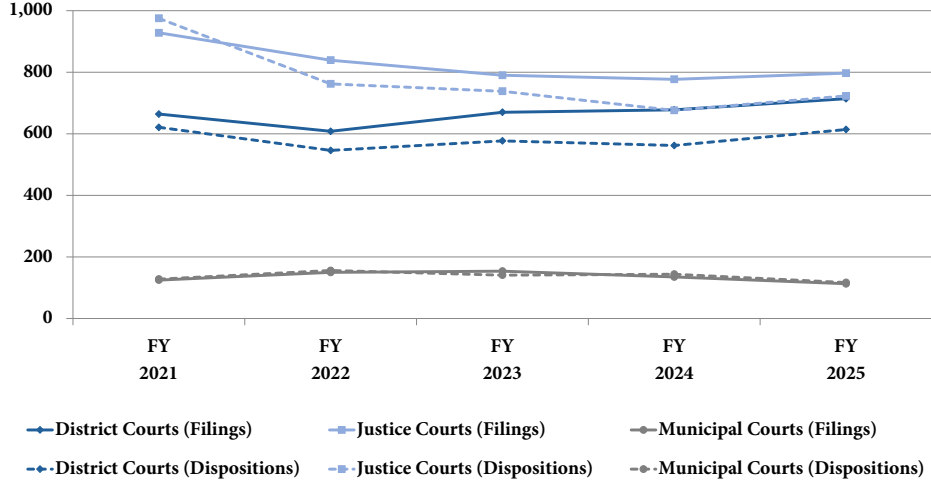
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NON-TRAFFIC TOTAL CASES PER JUDGE



SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
NON-TRAFFIC FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS  
FISCAL YEARS 2021-25



District Demographics

Population: 16,791 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 23,685 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: <1/sq. mi.  
Most Populous Township: Ely  
<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau

QUICK FACTS | **<1%** OF STATEWIDE NON-TRAFFIC CASELOAD  
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EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

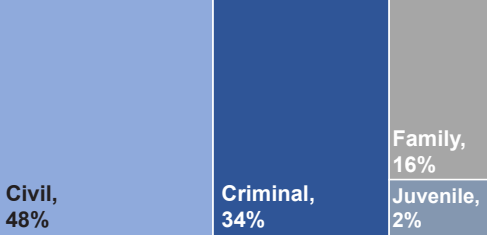


NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

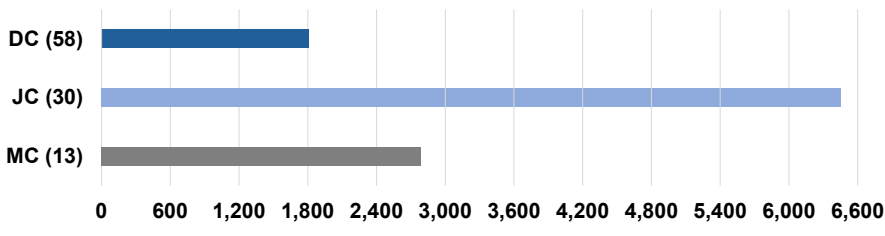


EIGHTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS											
Fiscal Year 2025 <sup>a</sup>											
Court	Non-Traffic Cases				Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>						
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Clark County DC	12,551	31,778	53,073	7,477	104,879	104,830	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
Boulder Justice Court	122	291	-	-	413	389	189	658	0	847	875
Bunkerville Justice Court	22	8	-	-	30	30	229	1,090	0	1,319	1,198
Goodsprings Justice Court	361	41	-	-	402	415	1,981	6,060	50	8,091	8,767
Henderson Justice Court	1,514	13,487	-	-	15,001	11,914	677	1,996	28	2,701	2,647
Las Vegas Justice Court	62,324	98,639	-	-	160,963	149,888	33,027 <sup>f</sup>	93,666 <sup>f</sup>	4,229 <sup>f</sup>	130,922 <sup>f</sup>	97,796
Laughlin Justice Court	331	328	-	-	659	744 <sup>g</sup>	762	1,574	28	2,364	2,405
Mesquite Justice Court	105	321	-	-	426	363	4	6	0	10	11
Moapa Justice Court	63	7	-	-	70	73	538	2,657	1	3,196	2,735
Moapa Valley Justice Court	123	50	-	-	173	177	302	887	42	1,231	1,202
North Las Vegas Justice Court	2,020	13,402	-	-	15,422	15,915	183	449	1	633	814
Searchlight Justice Court	84	11	-	-	95	72	927	2,742	7	3,676	3,293
Boulder Municipal Court	629	5	-	-	634	520	736 <sup>h</sup>	1,011 <sup>h</sup>	106	1,853	2,016
Henderson Municipal Court	6,435	84	-	-	6,519	6,670	5,317	6,358	828	12,503	13,879
Las Vegas Municipal Court	22,075 <sup>f</sup>	466 <sup>j</sup>	-	-	22,541 <sup>fj</sup>	13,339	22,546 <sup>f</sup>	28,439 <sup>f</sup>	2,110 <sup>f</sup>	53,095 <sup>f</sup>	55,212
Mesquite Municipal Court	417	7	-	-	424	506	455 <sup>h</sup>	1,445 <sup>h</sup>	33	1,933	2,796
North Las Vegas MC	6,144	32	-	-	6,176	5,027	8,450	10,697	130	19,277	18,171
TOTAL	115,320	158,957	53,073	7,477	334,827	310,872	76,323	159,735	7,593	243,651	213,817
<sup>a</sup> Statistics include reopened cases. <sup>b</sup> Juvenile traffic statistics included and are only reported by limited jurisdiction courts in this county. Infraction cases may include non-traffic matters. <sup>c</sup> Criminal includes felony, gross misdemeanor, non-traffic misdemeanor, and criminal/infraction appeal (District Court only) filings. <sup>d</sup> Family and juvenile case types only heard in District Courts. <sup>f</sup> Reopened (cases) not reported or under-reported. <sup>g</sup> Includes administrative case closures. <sup>h</sup> Civil infraction information may be included in the Traffic, Misdemeanor case type for juvenile traffic matters. <sup>j</sup> Civil case statistics are under-reported and only include petitions to seal records.											

NON-TRAFFIC CASE DISTRIBUTION



NON-TRAFFIC TOTAL CASES PER JUDGE



**District Demographics**

Population: 2,392,490 <sup>a</sup>

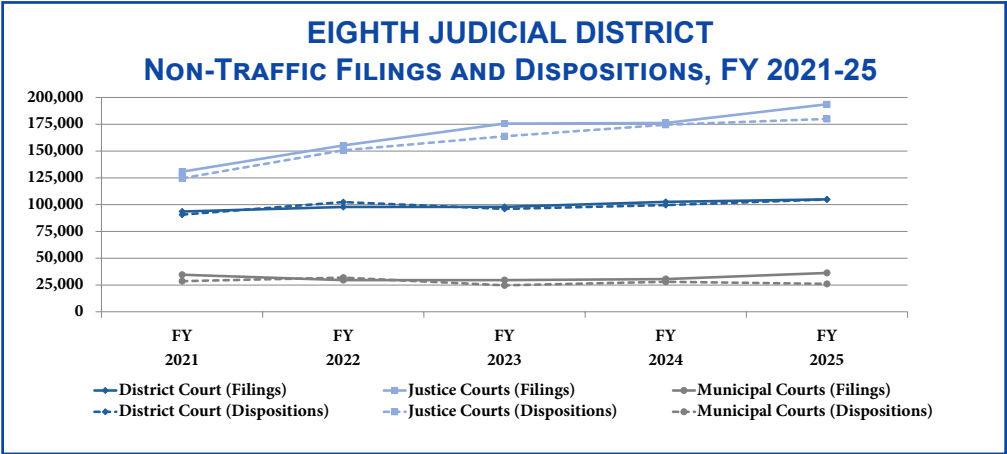
Geographic Size: 7,891 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>

Population Density: 303/sq. mi.

Most Populous Township: Las Vegas

<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer

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QUICK FACTS

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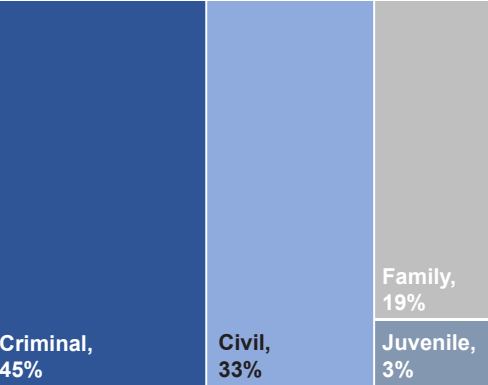
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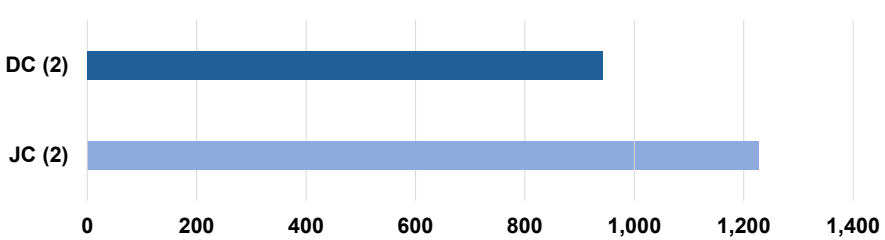
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NINTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS											
Fiscal Year 2025 <sup>a</sup>											
Court	Non-Traffic Cases				Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>						
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Douglas County District Court	368	544	835	139	1,886	1,764	37	100	-	137	150
East Fork Justice Court	1,040	749	-	-	1,789	1,542	1,039	2,045	17	3,101	3,119
Tahoe Justice Court	532	132	-	-	664	584	460	1,172	231	1,863	1,874
TOTAL	1,940	1,425	835	139	4,339	3,890	1,536	3,317	248	5,101	5,143
<sup>a</sup> Statistics include reopened cases. <sup>b</sup> Includes juvenile traffic statistics. Infraction cases may include non-traffic matters. District Courts do not report parking cases. <sup>c</sup> Criminal includes felony, gross misdemeanor, non-traffic misdemeanor, and criminal/infraction appeal (District Court only) filings. <sup>d</sup> Family and juvenile case types only heard in District Courts.											

NON-TRAFFIC CASE DISTRIBUTION



NON-TRAFFIC TOTAL CASES PER JUDGE



**District Demographics**

Population: 55,797 <sup>a</sup>

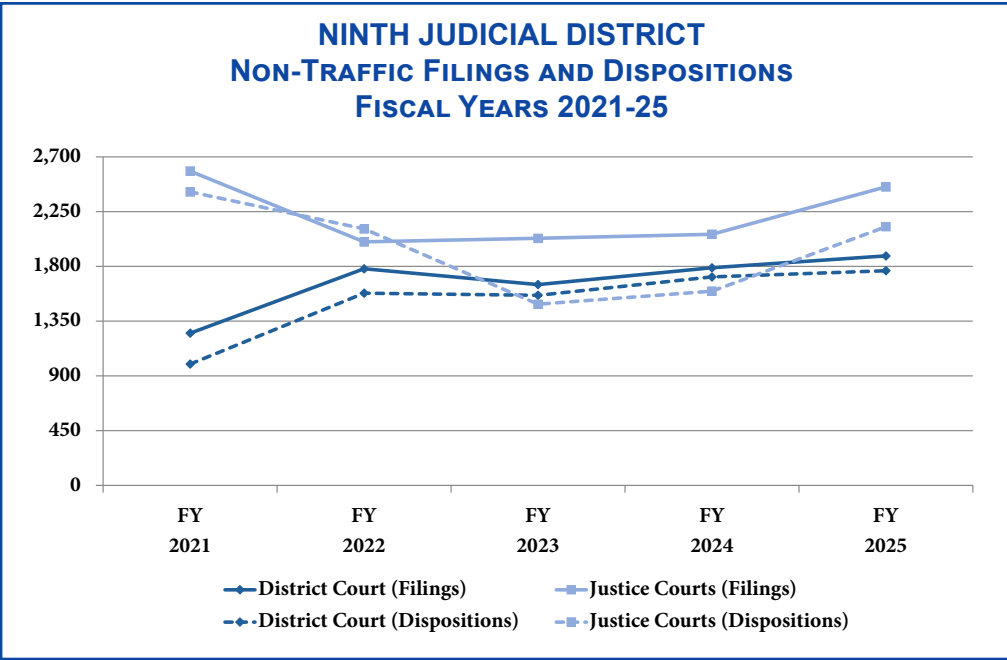
Geographic Size: 710 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>

Population Density: 79/sq. mi.

Most Populous Township: East Fork

<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer

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QUICK FACTS

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OF STATEWIDE NON-TRAFFIC CASELOAD

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OF STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CASELOAD



TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT



ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT



TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS											
Fiscal Year 2025 <sup>a</sup>											
Court	Non-Traffic Cases				Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>						
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Churchill County District Court	233	315	789	189	1,526	1,476	21	28	-	49	26
New River Justice Court	586	1,002	-	-	1,588	1,527	405	982	6	1,393	1,346
Fallon Municipal Court	303	1	-	-	304	301	92	122	3	217	223
TOTAL	1,122	1,318	789	189	3,418	3,304	518	1,132	9	1,659	1,595

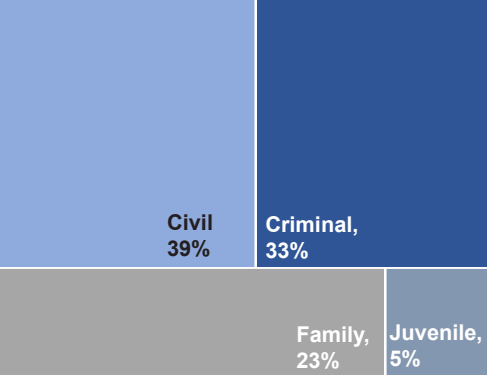
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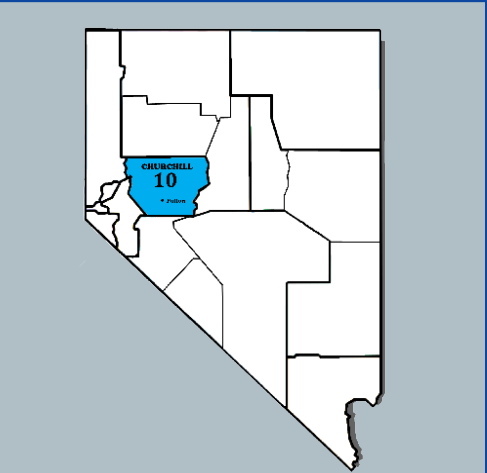
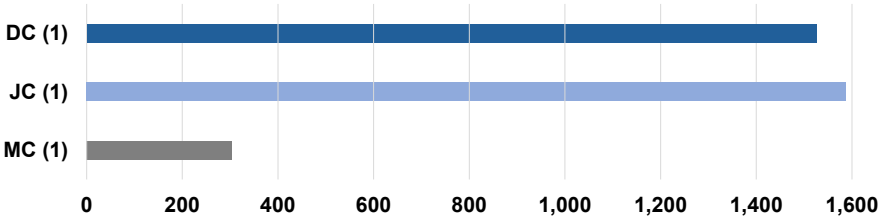
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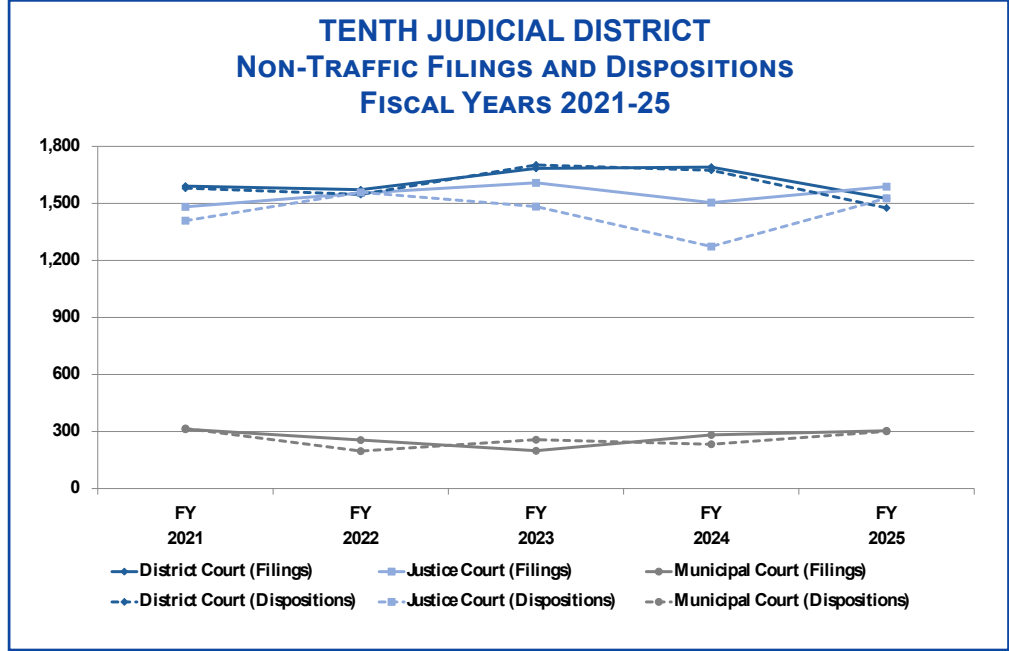
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NON-TRAFFIC TOTAL CASES PER JUDGE



**District Demographics**  
Population: 27,253 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 4,930 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: 6/sq. mi.  
Most Populous Township: New River  
<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau



**QUICK FACTS** | **1%** OF STATEWIDE NON-TRAFFIC CASELOAD  
**<1%** OF STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CASELOAD

ELEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT CASELOAD FILINGS AND DISPOSITIONS											
Fiscal Year 2025 <sup>a</sup>											
Court	Non-Traffic Cases				Traffic and Parking Cases <sup>b</sup>						
	Criminal Cases <sup>c</sup>	Civil Cases	Family Cases <sup>d</sup>	Juvenile Cases <sup>d</sup>	Total Non-Traf.	Total Disp.	Misd. Cases	Infraction Cases	Parking Cases	Total Traffic	Total Disp.
Lander County District Court	24	26	68	20	138	112	8	3	-	11	11
Mineral County District Court	94	60	59	27	240	248	2	0	-	2	2
Pershing County District Court	68	117	61	39	285	268	3	1	-	4	2
Argenta Justice Court	91	138	-	-	229	230 <sup>f</sup>	79	1,066	0	1,145	1,174
Austin Justice Court	4	12	-	-	16	7	61	311	0	372	296
Hawthorne Justice Court	234	92	-	-	326	261	479	1,215	4	1,698	1,629
Lake Justice Court	222	146	-	-	368	380	47	145	0	192	206
TOTAL	737	591	188	86	1,602	1,506	679	2,741	4	3,424	3,320

<sup>a</sup> Statistics include reopened cases.

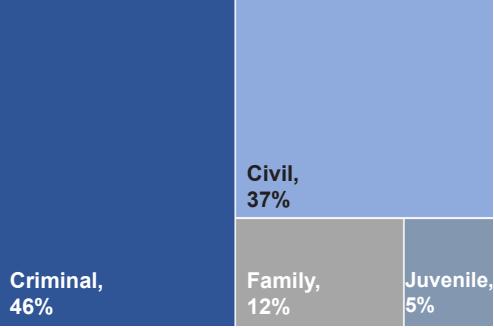
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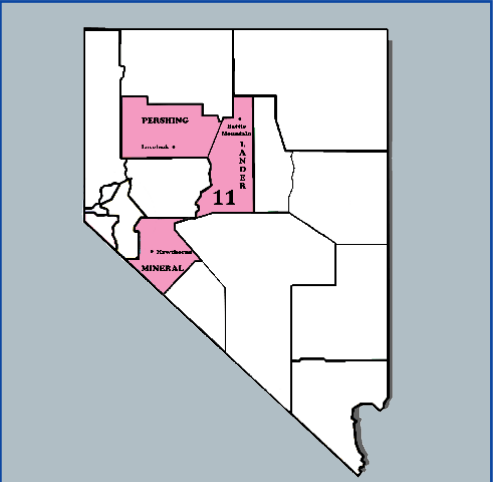
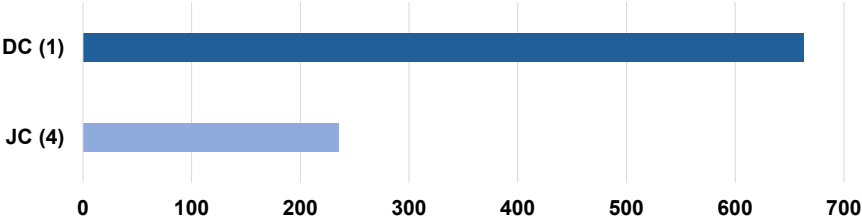
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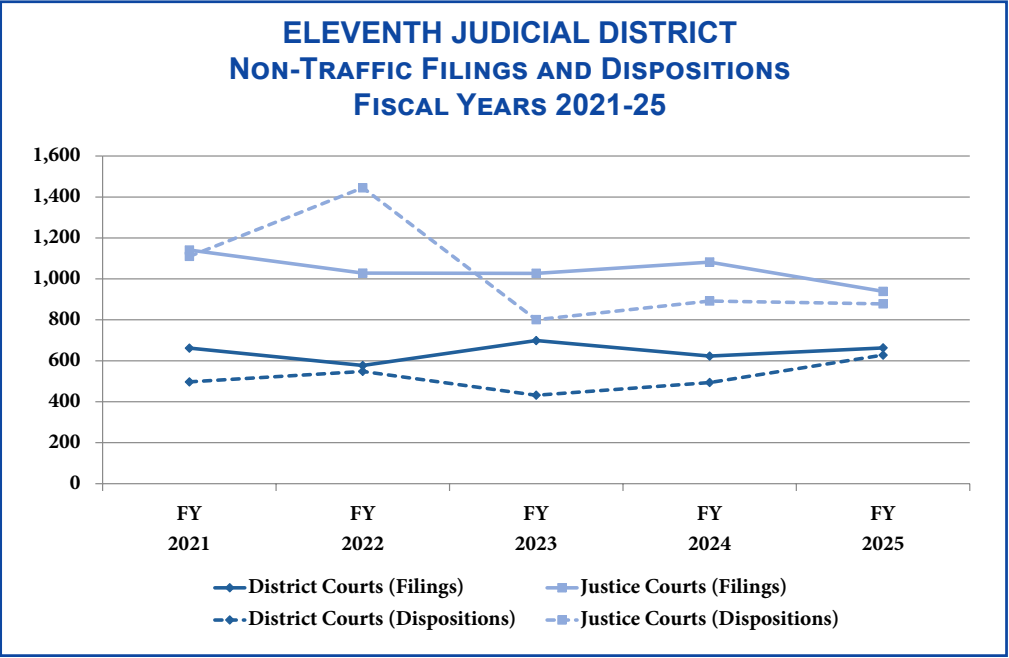
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NON-TRAFFIC TOTAL CASES PER JUDGE



**District Demographics**  
Population: 18,209 <sup>a</sup>  
Geographic Size: 15,280 sq. mi.<sup>b</sup>  
Population Density: 1/sq. mi.  
Most Populous Township: Lake  
<sup>a</sup> Source: Nevada State Demographer  
<sup>b</sup> Source: U.S. Census Bureau



**QUICK FACTS** | **<1%** OF STATEWIDE NON-TRAFFIC CASELOAD  
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