



Huron County Common Pleas Court

Juvenile & Probate Division

2017 Annual Report

*Timothy L. Cardwell,
Judge*

Cases Filed in Probate Court

CASE TYPE	Total 2016	Total 2017
Adoption	21	15
Change of Name	17	28
Civil Complaint	8	11
Conservatorship	0	0
Correction of Birth Record	1	16
Emergency Guardianship	6	6
Estates	224	239
Guardianship of Incompetent	22	22
Guardianship of Minor	10	6
Marriage License	352	318
Mental Illness	4	4
Mental Retardation	0	0
Minor Settlement	2	3
Miscellaneous	3	0
Registration of Birth Record	0	2
Testamentary Trust	1	0
Trust Agreement	0	4
Will Deposit	697	178
TOTALS	1368	852

Cases Filed in Juvenile Court

CASE TYPE	Total 2016	Total 2017
Delinquency	305	281
Unruliness	73	34
Violate Probation	51	56
Traffic	341	333
Dependent/Neglect/Abuse	50	69
Civil	202	186
Adults Charged	29	28
Search Warrants	5	8
Informal	33	27
School Truancy Informal	0	3
Abortion	0	0
Protection Order	1	0
TOTALS	1090	1025



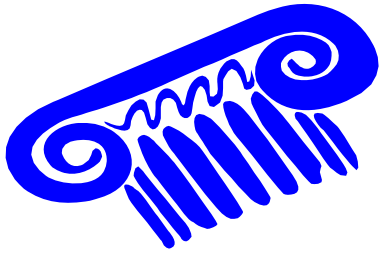
JUVENILE COURT DISPOSITIONS

Dispositions made in 2017. Youth may receive more than one disposition per case .

DISPOSITION	DELINQUENT	UNRULY	TRAFFIC	TOTALS
Adjudicated / Terminated	31	6	1	38
Attend GDL Classes	1	0	41	42
Carteen	0	0	158	158
Community Control	46	15	1	62
Community Service / Volunteer Hours	106	4	0	110
Court Costs	55	20	7	82
Detention	101	1	0	102
Dismissed	90	6	14	110
DYS	2	0	0	2
Fine	3	0	0	3
Fine and Court Costs	123	0	241	364
Not Obtain an OL	7	0	8	15
OL Restricted	3	1	49	53
OL Suspended	3	0	7	10
Other Dispositional Orders *	563	55	39	657
Postponed Adjudication / Dismissed	0	0	4	4
Probation	136	5	1	142
Restitution	32	0	0	32
Suspended Commitment	14	0	0	14
Suspended Detention Time	17	0	0	17
Transferred	32	2	60	94
TOTALS	1365	115	631	2111

*Disposition table reflects those dispositions made in 2017.
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* Other Dispositional Orders include but are not limited to: house arrest, electronic monitoring, mental health / substance abuse treatment services, alternative school, apology letters, essays, out-of-home placements, educational services, no association orders, protective supervision and substance abuse monitoring.



Huron County Juvenile Court Programs

Community Service Program

The Community Service Program is designed to provide an opportunity for youth to gain positive experiences through contributions of time and energy to their community. In certain cases, juveniles are able to pay restitution to the victims of their acts through their community service.

In 2017, 56 youth were ordered to do 2,109 hours of community service.

Intervention Court

The Huron County Juvenile Court Intervention Court began in 2003. This program is designed to assist children that are suffering from substance abuse dependency and/or mental illness. The Huron County Juvenile Intervention Court, through a collaborative effort utilizing the efforts of Firelands Counseling and Recovery Services and other local agencies assist identified children to address their specific needs. The program has been certified as a specialized docket by the Ohio Supreme Court.

6 youth participated in the program in 2017.

Mediation

Mediation is designed to empower parents to resolve for themselves any differences surrounding the care and welfare of their children. In addition to the benefit families receive from mediation services, the court benefits by reduced number of contentious and lengthy trials.

In 2017, 55 cases went to mediation. 12 cases reached an agreement and 9 cases reached a partial agreement.

Internships

Whether your college major is a criminal justice or corrections related field, law, psychology, social work, education, liberal arts, or business, we may have an internship for you such as:

- ◇ Accompanying and/or assisting probation officers with their daily duties and on field contacts with delinquent youth.
- ◇ Performing telephone and computer inquiries to support probation officers in following up on existing juvenile court cases.
- ◇ Assisting with the preparation, maintenance, and safeguarding of Court records and in maintaining the confidentiality of all juvenile files.

In 2017, we had two interns that worked 602 hours with Juvenile Court.



Reach Our Youth (ROY) is a non-profit volunteer organization. ROY is a member agency of the United Fund of Willard, Inc. and the Norwalk Area United Fund.

The purpose of ROY is to recruit volunteers to serve as one-to-one mentors to youth in need of additional guidance and support. Our goal is to help these youth become happy, well adjusted and productive citizens.

During 2017 we had 61 mentor match-ups and ROY mentors volunteered 3,239 hours. Unfortunately, we had an average of 84 youth waiting for a mentor volunteer.

School Truancy Informals	2017
Cases filed Informally	3
# successfully	0
# terminated	0
# pending	3

**69 Dependent, Neglect & Abused
Cases filed in 2017**

DISPOSITION	
Temporary Custody of Relative	40
Temporary Custody of Non-Relative	2
Temporary Custody of DJFS	3
Temporary Custody of Parents	12
Transfer Jurisdiction	0
Dismissed	5
Legal Custody	2
Permanent Custody of Department of Job & Family Services	0
TOTAL	64

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CASA of Huron County

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) is a volunteer program for the Huron County Juvenile Court. Volunteers called Guardian Ad Litem, advocate for abused and neglected children in Court. The Guardian Ad Litem has three main responsibilities:

- ◆ To serve as a fact finder for the Court by completely researching the background of the child abuse and neglect cases.
- ◆ To speak for the child in the courtroom, focusing exclusively on the child's best interests.
- ◆ To continue to monitor the child during the life of the case, helping to insure he or she will be raised in a safe, permanent, and nurturing home.

**12 CASA Guardian Ad Litem
volunteered 873 hours to their
cases in 2017.**

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