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Please Excuse Our Temporary Brevity

Editor Gene Baker was facing back surgery for the second time in four months and could not complete this month's Rooker Report.

Pending his return, we will continue to publish a statistical overview of monthly activities in the Circuit, Probate, General Sessions Civil Division and Traffic Violations Bureau. This will include trial results in Circuit Court, new case filings in each department and a year-to-date case analyses.

This abbreviated version, in single-page format, is a temporary effort to keep you informed of civil case activity of the Circuit Court Clerk.

We wish Gene a speedy recovery.

AUGUST JURY TRIALS

Week of August 14

CIRCUIT COURT

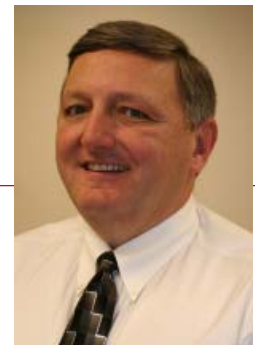
CASE	TYPE	COURT	PRAYER	VERDICT
02C-2025	WRONGFUL DEATH	5		DEFENDANT
05C-1810	AUTO ACCIDENT	1		MISTRIAL
04C-3371	AUTO ACCIDENT	2		DEFENDANT

Week of August 21

CASE	TYPE	COURT	PRAYER	VERDICT
03C-1443	FRAUD	1		\$4,000

There were no non-jury trials held in August

Looking Ahead...



Casey Moreland recounts the progress made during his three years as presiding judge of the General Sessions Court.

From a new and improved way of doing business in the traffic courts to the development of a drug and alcohol treatment docket, Moreland played a major role in bringing positive change to the county's most diverse judicial tribune.

Moreland ended his three-year term in September after providing leadership in transitioning the court's relocation to a permanent home in the new Justice A. A. Birch Building.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

BIRTHSTONE:

OPAL, TOURMALINE

Traffic Violations

- 2 Ashley Gerald
- 21 David Patterson
- 23 Melba Suarez-Borda
- 24 Mary Archey
- 30 Susan Grannis

Traffic Warrants

- 4 Joe Hurt

Circuit Court Clerk

- 6 Carolyn Davis

General Sessions Civil

- 22 Tom Hudson

Probate Clerk

- 9 Margaret Larobardiere

CHEERS...

Congratulations to Traffic Violations Bureau Administrative Assistant **Peggy Griffin** upon welcoming her sixth grandchild into the world this month. Her daughter **Melanie Smith** gave birth to **Tyler Blake Smith** on September 14 at Centennial Medical Center with new daddy **Don Smith** there to greet his new son. Peggy tells us that the newborn weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces and measured 20 inches.

GENERAL SESSIONS TRAFFIC SCHOOL AWAITING 4 MORE NATIONAL AWARDS

The General Sessions Court's Traffic School has been winning Best Performance and Honorable Mention awards from the National Safety Council since 1990.

This year, traffic schools from every state in the nation and most of its territories will meet in San Diego, CA for the presentation of the 2006 awards.

Wayne Curry, Traffic School Director, will accept Best Performance awards for the Alive at 25, DDC4, DDC8 and On-Line programs. These are the highest awards the program can receive.

CASE ANALYSES

GENRE	AUGUST	YTD
AUTO ACCIDENTS	2	34
•PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	19
•DEFENDANT VERDICTS	1	10
•NONE	1	5
CONTRACTS	0	18
•PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	13
•DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	3
•NONE	0	2
TOTAL AWARDS	N/A	\$111,072
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	0	1
•PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	0
•DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	1
MISCELLANEOUS	2	48
•PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	1	30
•DEFENDANT VERDICTS	1	9
•NONE	0	9

Auto Accident Cases

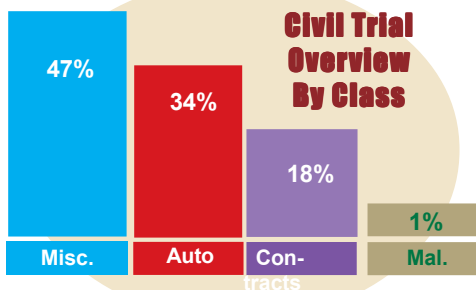
	AUGUST	YTD
JURY TRIALS	2	22
NON-JURY TRIALS	0	12
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	20
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	1	9
NONE	1	5
HIGHEST JUDGMENT	N/A	N/A
AVERAGE JUDGMENT	N/A	N/A

Soft Tissue Auto Cases

	AUGUST	YTD
JURY TRIALS	0	8
NON-JURY TRIALS	0	1
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	6
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	2
PENDING	0	2
HIGHEST JUDGMENT	N/A	
AVERAGE JUDGMENT	N/A	

General Sessions Auto Appeals

	AUGUST	YTD
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	4
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	2
NONE	0	2



DATA BANK

Statistics compiled for the month of August

CASE INFORMATION

Circuit Court

NEW CIVIL CASES FILED	217
JURY	101
NON-JURY	116
CIVIL CASES CONCLUDED	268
JURY	145
NON-JURY	123
NEW DIVORCE CASES FILED	85
DIVORCE CASES CONCLUDED	163
DOMESTIC PETITIONS FILED	365
DOMESTIC PETITIONS CONCLUDED	283

General Sessions Civil

NEW CASES FILED	4,338
EXECUTIONS ISSUED	3,175
GARNISHMENT PAYMENTS	3,826
JUDGMENTS COLLECTED	\$736,785
ORDER OF PROTECTION PETITIONS	236

Probate Court

NEW CASES FILED	181
CASES CLOSED	180

Traffic Violations

MOVING CITATIONS	15,225
TOTAL VIOLATIONS	26,329
PARKING VIOLATIONS	4,336
TOTAL FINES COLLECTED	\$653,162
NULLIFICATIONS	4,388
NULLIFICATION FEES COLLECTED	\$52,665

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