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January Trial Verdicts

Jury

Week of January 12

CIRCUIT COURT

CASE	TYPE	COURT	PRAYER	VERDICT	PCT. FAULT	JUDGMENT	APPELLANT
08C-2503	GSA/CONTRACT	2		DEFENDANT		DEFENDANT	PLAINTIFF

Non-Jury

Week of January 20

CIRCUIT COURT

CASE	TYPE	COURT	PRAYER	VERDICT	PCT. FAULT	JUDGMENT	APPELLANT
08C-2050	GSA/DOG BITE	5		\$14,425	D-51/P-49	P-\$3,072	PLAINTIFF
08C-2322	GSA/TRAFFIC	2		PLAINTIFF		P-PLAINTIFF	DEFENDANT
08C-1954	GSA/CONTRACT	5		\$1,620		DISMISSED	PLAINTIFF
08C-1536	GSA/CONTRACT	5		DEFENDANT		P-\$850	DEFENDANT

Appeals GENERAL SESSIONS

CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS NOW BEING ACCEPTED FOR TRAFFIC FINES

Traffic violators can now satisfy their fines or make payments by using their credit cards, either in person or on line.

The Traffic Violations Bureau and Traffic Warrant Office began accepting in person credit card payments on February 25.

At the cashier windows, Master Card, Discover and American Express customers may use either a debit or credit option while VISA card holders are restricted to debit transactions using a PIN.

On line credit card payments can still be made on the Traffic Violations Bureau's website at www.nashville.gov/circuit/traffic or by phone.

The new payment method is made possible by upgraded and enhanced credit card payment software.

Cheers...

Deputy Circuit Court Clerk **Barbara Hinch** welcomed her third grandchild into the world on December 29. Daughter **Karina Elizabeth Sparkman** gave birth to a son named **Thaddeus Hugh Sparkman II**, who weighed 7 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 20.5 inches. He was named after his dad, but Grandma Barbara says he will be known as "Deuce" rather than the customary "Junior" synonym.

With this issue, we kick off our 17th year as a monthly publication, a perfect time to thank our readers for their patronage.

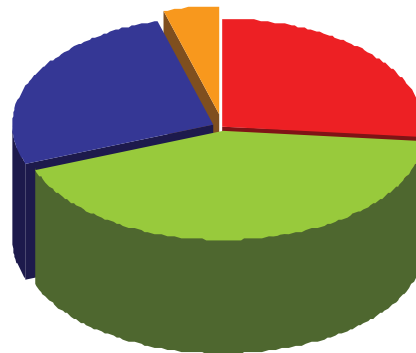
Like some, if you have made it a point to collect every issue since the debut in February 1992, you now have 193 reports in hand. Missing issues for the past eight years can be found on our website under Rooker Report/Back Issues.

The report is produced totally in house and distributed to the public through countertop displays in each of our clerk's offices--Circuit, Probate, General Sessions Civil Division and Traffic Violations Bureau--as well as at the information counter in the Justice A. A. Birch Building.

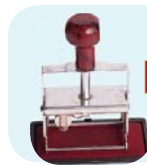
A Timely Daylight Saving Reminder

Daylight Saving Time arrives at 2 a.m. on March 8, providing an extra daily hour of sunshine until November 1 when clocks fall back to Central Standard Time.

Civil Trial Recap By Class



Miscellaneous.....	57%
Auto.....	23%
Contracts.....	18%
Medical Malpractice.....	2%



DATA BANK

January 2009

Case Information

Circuit Court

New Civil Cases Filed.....	171
Jury.....	83
Non-Jury.....	88
Civil Cases Concluded.....	232
Jury.....	148
Non-Jury.....	84
New Divorce Cases Filed.....	180
Divorce Cases Concluded.....	136
Domestic Petitions Filed.....	277
Domestic Petitions Concluded.....	181

General Sessions Civil

New Cases Filed.....	3,547
Executions Issued.....	4,694
Garnishment Payments.....	4,113
Judgments Collected.....	\$913,532
Orders of Protection Petitions.....	168

Probate Court

New Cases Filed.....	160
Cases Closed.....	145

Traffic Violations

Moving Citations.....	11,862
Total Violations.....	17,556
Parking Violations.....	4,710
Total Fines Collected.....	\$593,070
Nullifications.....	2,005
Nullification Fees Collected.....	\$24,065
Environmental Citations.....	327
*Credit Card Payments.....	4,262

*--Online and phone payments combined

Case Analyses

GENRE	JANUARY	YTD
AUTO ACCIDENTS	0	35
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	24
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	8
NONE	0	3
CONTRACTS	3	28
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	1	19
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	2	9
NONE	0	0
TOTAL AWARDS	\$1,620	*\$432,458
*REPRESENTS ONLY AMOUNTS DISCLOSED BY COURT.		
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	0	3
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	1	1
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	2
PENDING	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	2	89
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	2	66
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	18
NONE	0	5

Auto Accident Cases

	JANUARY	YTD
JURY TRIALS	0	22
NON-JURY TRIALS	0	13
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	24
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	8
NONE	0	3
HIGHEST JUDGMENT	N/A	\$499,960
AVERAGE JUDGMENT	N/A	N/A

Soft Tissue Auto Cases

	JANUARY	YTD
JURY TRIALS	0	8
NON-JURY TRIALS	0	0
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	6
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	2

General Sessions Auto Appeals

	JANUARY	YTD
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	6
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	2
NONE	0	0

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