

Rooker Report

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Last Report In Print

This is the final time the Rooker Report will be offered in print.

Beginning in July, the newsletter will be available on the Circuit Court Clerk's web site at www.nashville.gov/circuit.

The internet version can be downloaded for printing.

Check Out Our Other Web Site Features

The use of technology and the internet plays a vital role in the mission of the Circuit Court Clerk's Office to diligently and professionally serve the needs of the Courts, the legal community and the citizens of Davidson County, Tennessee.

Our web site, found at www.nashville.gov/circuit, contains a wealth of information to assist in your dealings with the Circuit, Probate, General Sessions-Civil Division, and Traffic Violations Bureau offices. In addition to general information about the operation of the Clerk's four offices, you will find:

- Calendar indicating jury and non-jury weeks, Court holidays and judicial conference dates.
- Current posting of civil, domestic and probate motion dockets.
- Current posting of General Sessions Civil trial dockets.

- Local Rules of Court.
- Chamber Rules of individual judges.
- General Sessions judges schedule.
- Fee schedules.
- Dozens of downloadable forms used by the Courts.
- Answers to a number of frequently asked questions.
- Links to other web sites of interest .
- Information about how to respond to Metro citations, parking and traffic citations.
- Instructions for executors, administrators, conservators and guardians serving by appointment of the probate court.
- Information about CaseLink and how to subscribe to the service.

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May Trial Verdicts

Non-Jury

CIRCUIT COURT

Appeals

GENERAL SESSIONS

Week of May 18

CASE	TYPE	COURT	PRAYER	VERDICT	PCT. FAULT	JUDGMENT	APPELLANT
08C-1096	WRONGFUL TERMINATION	2		\$59,165			
08C-3286	TRAFFIC	5		DEFENDANT			
08C-4003	GSA/PERSONAL PROPERTY	1		\$500		P-\$1,500	DEFENDANT
08C-3419	GSA/NEGLIGENCE	7		\$4,087		P-\$9,494	DEFENDANT
08C-4293	GSA/CONTRACT	5		UNDER ADVISEMENT		P-\$5,500	DEFENDANT
08C-1188	GSA/CONTRACT	1		\$2,000		P-\$8,400	DEFENDANT

No Jury Trials Were Held In Month of May

Web Site Features

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By selecting and clicking on your topic of interest from the Main Home Page menu bar, you can access in-depth information relevant to your needs. The newly designed Rooker Report, for example, will be available in its latest version and you can choose and print back issues for the past year.

Another internet-based service offered by our office is CaseLink. For a nominal monthly fee, subscribers can gain access to our CaseLink web site 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

While this program also can be accessed from our main web page, CaseLink has its own web address found at <http://caselink.nashville.gov>.

It is an internet-based program that provides up-to-date information pertinent to cases filed in Circuit Court, Probate Court and General Sessions Court--Civil Division. Digital pdf images of pleadings and orders are available on CaseLink and can be downloaded for printing.

In addition, subscribers can access other case information, such as type of case, style of case, pleadings filed, court dates, judgments, addresses, representing attorneys, service of process and history of payments.

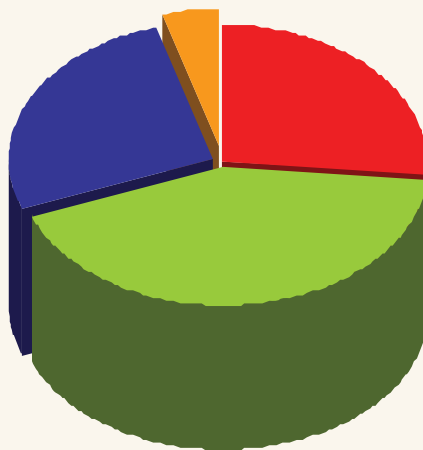
...Tears

JIMMY DUNCAN, 74, a Nashville attorney, passed away on May 28 following a long battle with cancer.

CLYDE PAUL HOLLAND, a longtime Nashville attorney, passed away on May 25. Before entering the field of law, he was a farmer and an engineer.

ALAN SATURN, 71, an attorney and owner of Saturn Title Services of Nashville, passed away on June 10 at Alive Hospice at St. Thomas Hospital.

Civil Trial Recap By Class



Miscellaneous	55%
Auto	22%
Contracts	21%
Medical Malpractice	2%



DATA BANK

May 2009

Case Information

Circuit Court

New Civil Cases Filed	215
Jury	120
Non-Jury	95
Civil Cases Concluded	183
Jury	125
Non-Jury	58
New Divorce Cases Filed	183
Divorce Cases Concluded	155
Domestic Petitions Filed	318
Domestic Petitions Concluded	194

General Sessions Civil

New Cases Filed	3,673
Executions Issued	4,166
Garnishment Payments	4,420
Judgments Collected	\$909,359
Orders of Protection Petitions	202

Probate Court

New Cases Filed	166
Cases Closed	160

Traffic Violations

Moving Citations	12,057
Total Violations	17,845
Parking Violations	5,107
Total Fines Collected	\$561,313
Nullifications	1,714
Nullification Fees Collected	\$20,565
Environmental Citations	413
*Credit Card Payments	3,273

*--Online and phone payments combined

Case Analyses

GENRE	MAY	YTD
AUTO ACCIDENTS	0	44
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	28
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	12
NONE	0	4
CONTRACTS	2	42
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	1	30
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	11
NONE	1	1
TOTAL AWARDS	\$2,000	*\$525,121
*REPRESENTS AMOUNTS DISCLOSED BY COURT		
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	0	4
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	2
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	2
PENDING	0	0
MISCELLANEOUS	4	110
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	3	80
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	1	24
NONE	0	6

Auto Accident Cases

	MAY	YTD
JURY TRIALS	0	26
NON-JURY TRIALS	0	18
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	28
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	12
NONE	0	4
HIGHEST JUDGMENT	N/A	\$2,500,000
AVERAGE JUDGMENT	N/A	N/A

Soft Tissue Auto Cases

	MAY	YTD
JURY TRIALS	0	10
NON-JURY TRIALS	0	0
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	7
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	3


General Sessions Auto Appeals

	MAY	YTD
PLAINTIFF VERDICTS	0	7
DEFENDANT VERDICTS	0	5
NONE	0	0

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