



TJC Celebrates 20 Years with 'Hall of Fame' Event

The Tennessee Justice Center hosted a celebration on Nov. 13 to celebrate 20 years of service and to induct the organization's founders into the "TJC Hall of Fame." Nearly 400 people attended the event at Nashville's Musician's Hall of Fame in support of honorees including: Margaret Behm, Mike Cody, Harlan Dodson, Harris Gilbert, Riney Green, David Herbert, Lowry Kline, Howard Vogel and Ashley Wiltshire.

Harwell Announced as Chair of the Campaign for Equal Justice

The Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland has named Trey Harwell as the 2016 chair of the Campaign for Equal Justice, an annual initiative that raises funds for Legal Aid Society. Harwell is an attorney and partner at Neal & Harwell, PLC.

"A longtime champion of access to justice, Trey has provided pro bono representation for our clients. He is a trusted ally, and we are grateful for his continued support of our mission across the region," said Gary Housepian, Legal Aid Society's executive director.



The Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland has announced a partnership with Metro Nashville Public Schools (MNPS). Together, the two will offer a free legal clinic on the third Saturday of each month at the MNPS English Learning Center, 615 Fessey Park Rd. “When parents are worried about legal issues at home, it can impact a child’s focus on education... Our partnership with MNPS is a strategic way to expand our reach to the city’s immigrant and refugee population,” said Lucinda Smith, director of Legal Aid's Volunteer Lawyers Program.



Tennessee Supreme Court Recognizes Pro Bono Attorneys

Nashville Scene named TBA President Bill Harbison and Nashville attorney Abby Rubinfeld the 2015 Nashvillians of the Year for their work in the landmark Obergefell v. Hodges case. The case declared that the ban

of same-sex marriages by states is unconstitutional. “Rubinfeld and Harbison were just two of many players in one of the biggest civil rights cases of our time,” author Kim Green writes.

October 2015 Circuit Court Trial Report

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DEPARTMENTS BY THE NUMBERS

October 2015

CIRCUIT COURT			GENERAL SESSIONS CIVIL		
	Current	YTD		Current	YTD
New Civil Cases Filed	234	2,003	Total New Cases Filed	3,826	37,452
Jury Demand	114	1,009	Civil Warrants	1,775	16,910
Non-Jury	120	994	Detainer Warrants	842	8,786
New Divorce Cases Filed	182	1,920	Recovery Warrants	15	401
Domestic Petitions Filed	136	1,228	Pet for Order of Protection	365	3,507
Orders of Protection Filed	96	1,048	Orders of Prot. Granted	124	256
Orders of Protection Granted	39	67	Orders of Prot. Dismissed	220	528
Orders of Protection Dismissed	106	159	Emergency Commitments	797	7,637
Judicial Commitments Filed	22	236	Immediate Possession	6	41
New Adoption Petitions	11	114	Sue & Attach	1	3
Civil Cases Concluded	191	1,852	Petitions to Interplead	2	4
Jury Demand	123	1,258	Counterclaims	7	114
Non-Jury	68	594	Distress Warrants	16	69
Divorce Cases Concluded	157	1,904	Executions Issued	3,794	38,172
Domestic Petitions Concluded	101	1,098	Garnishment Payments	3,775	39,257
			Judgments Collected	\$866,676	\$9,519,767

PROBATE COURT			TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS BUREAU		
	Current	YTD		Current	YTD
Total New Cases Filed	175	1,797	Total Traffic Violations	8,658	90,498
Total Cases Closed	186	1,778	Moving Citations	5,274	55,293
Probate Will	79	762	Parking Citations	3,384	35,205
Probate Will for Murmison of Title	7	73	Environmental Citations	231	1,257
Letters of Administration	25	240	Total Fines Collected	\$287,533	\$3,222,104
Small Estate Affidavits	33	329	Multifunctions	337	3,745
Conservatorship	15	207	Multifunction Fees Collected	\$4,047	\$48,946
Guardianship of Minor	2	48	Credit Card Payments	5,259	51,447
Name Change	6	78			
Trust Matters	6	31			
Other Miscellaneous	2	29			

CIRCUIT COURT TRIALS BY CASE TYPE					
	Curr	YTD		Curr	YTD
AUTO ACCIDENT			CONTRACT		
Total Cases Tried	2	27	Total Cases Tried	3	27
Plaintiff Verdicts	2	19	Plaintiff Verdicts	3	17
Defendant Verdicts	0	8	Defendant Verdicts	0	8
Other/Under Adv.	0	0	Other/Under Adv.	0	2
Jury Trials	1	23			
Non-Jury Trials	1	5	HEALTH CARE LIABILITY		
Appeal from G.S.	0	3	Total Cases Tried	0	2
Plaintiff Verdict	0	2	Plaintiff Verdicts	0	0
Defendant Verdict	0	1	Defendant Verdicts	0	2
Other/None	0	0	Other/Under Adv/Hung	0	0

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