



Music City Community Court Serves Hundreds

The General Sessions Music City Community Court, Division 8, was founded in 2012 by Davidson County Judge Rachel L. Bell to focus on providing preventive and diversionary justice, held two Saturday dockets in October and November



according to [The Nashville Pride](#). The Community Service Docket is a “one stop shop” under advisement return docket where offenders are able to participate with the Tennessee Department of Transportation Adopt- A- Highway Program. And the Pro Se Indigency Docket and Expungement Clinic processed over 500 criminal records to be expunged along with several lawyers providing pro bono legal services in efforts to assist offenders filing out affidavits that are presented to the court for declaration of indigency.

Veterans in Need of Legal Assistance

Gary Housepian, Executive Director of the Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland, explained in [The Tennessean](#) that providing legal services to veterans is complicated due to the high rate of homelessness among veterans. He said that these individuals often need legal help with



outstanding warrants, fines and child support, and he urges his fellow lawyers to provide this much-needed legal aid and encourages

veterans to reach out for assistance.

Day on the Hill for TISL Students

More than 500 Tennessee college students recently gathered for the Tennessee Intercollegiate State Legislature (TISL) Day on the Hill to learn about current policy issues and meet local legislators. Director of the [Administrative Office of the Courts](#) (AOC) Deborah Taylor Tate was one of many state officials in attendance.



Alumna of the Year Honor Given to Former Prosecutor

Assistant attorney general for the District of Columbia Dr. Jamie Carter was named the 2016 Lee University Department of History, Humanities and Political Science Distinguished Alumna of the Year, per [The Cleveland Banner](#). Carter was instrumental in establishing the “good-faith exception” in Tennessee, which allows unconstitutionally obtained evidence to be presented in court if collected “in good faith” by law enforcement. Carter has also held positions as Knox County assistant district attorney and acting assistant district attorney in Davidson County.



Scalia Honored in Court's First Live Webcast

The U.S. Supreme Court held a memorial to honor the late Justice Antonin Scalia, led by former Scalia law clerk Paul Cappucio, executive vice president and general counsel of Time Warner. The event was live-streamed as the court's first live video webcast, and the archived video is available on the [court's website](#).

October 2016 Circuit Court Trial Report

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CIRCUIT COURT TRIAL VERDICTS October 2016							
JURY TRIALS						IF CASE WAS APPEALED FROM GENERAL SESSIONS	
CASE	TYPE OF CASE	COURT	CIRCUIT JUDGMENT	G. S. JUDGMENT	APPELLANT		
Week of October 3							
14C1971	AUTOMOBILE	5	PLAINTIFF - \$406,987; FAULT; DEF'T #1 - 55%, Non-Party - 45%				
Week of October 24							
14C1600	SLIP & FALL	6	PLAINTIFF - \$11,806; FAULT: 60% / 40%				
15C3802	AUTOMOBILE	1	PLAINTIFF - DAMAGES STIPULATED PRIOR TO TRIAL; FAULT: 20% / 70%				
Week of October 31							
15C1584	AUTOMOBILE	6	PLAINTIFF - \$97,327				
NON-JURY TRIALS							
CASE	TYPE OF CASE	COURT	CIRCUIT JUDGMENT	G. S. JUDGMENT	APPELLANT		
Week of October 17							
15C1453	ISA - AUTOMOBILE	5	DEFENDANT - DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR INVOL. RE. GRANTED; COSTS TO PLA.	PLAINTIFF \$9,000	DEFENDANT		
16C2140	ISA - CONSUMER FRAUD	1	DEFENDANT - JUDGMENT FOR DEF'T. ON COUNTERCLAIM + POSSESSION + \$1,519 + COURT COSTS	PLAINTIFF \$5, DEF'T'S COUNTERCLAIM \$6.	DEFENDANT		
11C4234	BREACH OF DUTY	5	DEFENDANT - DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR INVOL. RE. GRANTED; COSTS TO PLA.				
16C650	METHU APPEAL	5	ORDER RECONSIDERED. RETURN DATE SPEC. SET 4/21/17 @ 8:30 A.M.				
15C4929	CONTRACT	8	PLAINTIFF - \$48,358 + COURT COSTS TO DEF'T.				
16C2315	ISA - CONTRACT	8	PLAINTIFF - \$492 + COURT COSTS TO DEF'T.	PLAINTIFF \$792	DEFENDANT (DEFAULT)		
14C3876	HANDSOMENT	1	TRIAL NOT FINISHED YET. COM'TO TO HEAR REMOVED AT LATER DATE.				
12C1665	NEGLECTANCE	1	TRIAL NOT FINISHED YET. COM'TO TO HEAR REMOVED AT LATER DATE.				
16C2487	METHU APPEAL	2	DISMISSED				
SPECIALLY SET TRIALS							
CASE	TYPE OF CASE	COURT	CIRCUIT JUDGMENT	DATE OF TRIAL	JURY OR NON-JURY	G. S. JUDGMENT	BY
2015-A-347	TRAFFIC	5	PLAINTIFF - GUILTY OF DRIVING ON A SUSPENDED DRIVER LICENSE, SECOND OFFENSE	10/31/16 11/1/16	NON-JURY		

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