

ROOKER REPORT

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The Circuit Court Clerk's office would like to thank you for your patience as we installed e-filing over the last few years. We have successfully launched e-filing in General Sessions-Civil and your account can be used across Circuit, Probate and General Sessions-Civil. We are thankful for your feedback and would like to provide some pointers from questions we have received. See below information from each office.

Circuit

- As a general guideline, all individual pleadings should be entered and scanned as a separate line item. For example, a new Complaint for Divorce could have the line entries 1. Complaint - 2. Marital Divorce Agreement - 3. Statistical Sheet, etc. They should be submitted in one single transmission with multiple line entries.
- Exhibits and other documents attached to civil Complaints like Notices, Affidavits, Certificates, etc. should be entered and scanned separately. If there are multiple labeled Exhibits, they can be submitted together in one line entry as a collective with an example description such as **EXHIBITS A-D TO CIVIL COMPLAINT**.
- Exhibits to pleadings like Motions, Responses, Notices of Filings should be entered and scanned separately from the main document. If there are multiple exhibits to one document; again, you are encouraged to scan them together and label appropriately.
- Extra-large collective Exhibits can be submitted in parts if they exceed the data limits.
- Submission of proposed Orders that have attachments/Exhibits are the only exception to these e-filing guidelines. The proposed Order and Exhibits should be e-filed and scanned as one document so that it is sent to the Court Review Queues together.

Probate

File all attachments to Petitions as separate documents. There should be a case type for each document (i.e. attached Exhibits, Waivers, Consents, etc.).

- File a separate Notice of hearing for docketing Petitions.
 - Select Notice of Court Date (Petition).

NOTE: You must select one of the following for your Petition to be docketed.

 - Choose "5" for Judge's Docket (10:00) **Wednesday/Thursday**.
 - Choose "3" for Probate Master Docket (9:30) **Thursday only**.

NOTE: For Wednesday Dockets, DO NOT choose "3."
- When e-filing a "Special Set" **Motion** (approved by the Court), do not select a hearing date. Type a note to the Clerk advising the Clerk that special permission has been granted by the Court. The Clerk will then docket the Motion.
- When e-filing Fee Motions, file Motion, Affidavit, Statement of time, and Order separately.
 - Fee Motions - *Motion for Fees*.
 - Affidavit - *General Affidavit*.
 - Time Statement - *Statement or Exhibit*.
 - Order - *Order approving fees (Proposed)*.
- When filing Exhibits attached to pleadings (i.e. "A", "B", "C"), each Exhibit must be filed as a separate attachment (*Exhibits attached to pleading*).

- Please provide brief descriptions in the Additional Text box when filing pleadings.
- Please make sure uploaded images are not upside down or sideways before submission.

General Sessions-Civil

- When e-filing a new case, if you have attachments to your Warrant, please e-file those as a separate line item as an Exhibit or Affidavit (if appropriate).
- When e-filing a new case or alias Warrant, please remember to choose service for each defendant listed on the Warrant.
- Please make sure uploaded Warrants are in landscape and not portrait.
- If you file a request for dismissal, please e-file your proposed dismissal Order with the request.
- For any Warrant being served by an out of county Sheriff, Secretary of State, or Commissioner of Insurance, please add a Court date at least 2-3 months out on your Warrant.
- Please make sure uploaded images are not upside down or sideways before submission.

CIRCUIT JURY TRIAL RESULTS

Case	Type	Court	Circuit Judgment	GS Judgment	Appellant
Week of July 26					
18C1671	AUTO	8 th	DEFT. - \$0 DAMAGES		
18C2901	HEALTH CARE LIABILITY	6 th	DEFT. - COSTS TO PLAINTIFF		
17C2321	AUTO	1 st	PLTF. - \$20,000 MEDICAL + \$10,000 P&S		
18C2476	AUTO	5 th	PLTF. - \$8,277.67		

SPECIALLY SET TRIALS

Case	Type	Court	Judgment	Date	GS Judgment	Appellant
19C1328	GST- DEFAMATION- SLANDER	6 th	DEFT. - ALL CLAIMS DIS., COSTS SPLIT EQUALLY BETWEEN PARTIES	7/8/21		
21C635	DETAINDER WARRANT	5 th	PLTF. - POSSESSION, DEFT. TO VACATE BY 7/26/01	7/9/21	POSS.	DEFT.
21C1032	GSA – REFUND ON VOID SALE OF A VEHICLE	5 th	DEFT. - DISMISSED AFTER TRIAL	7/9/21	DISM.	PLTF.
21D383	DOMESTIC DIVORCE	5 th	DIVORCE GRANTED	7/15/21		
18D1092	DOMESTIC DIVORCE	5 th	DIVORCE GRANTED	7/15/21		
20C1386	BREACH OF CONTRACT	5 th	PLTF. - \$65,000 X 3 + ATTY FEES & COSTS	7/16/21		
20C2528	DETAINDER WARRANT	6 th	PLTF.- POSSESSION	6/23/21, 8/2/21	POSS.	DEFT.
20C2333	GSA- MISC. POSSESSION OF DOG	8 th	DEFT.- 50% INTEREST IN DOG TO DEFENDANT. PARTIES TO ATTEMPT IN GOOD FAITH TO REACH AGREEMENT REGARDING POSSESSION OF DOG BY 9/1/21. ABSENT WRITTEN AGREEMENT BETWEEN PARTIES, DOG TO BE RETURNED TO DEFENDANT 2, KENNEL OWNER, WHO HAS A REVISIONARY INTEREST IN DOG PURSUANT TO TERMS OF THE PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR READOPTION. COSTS SPLIT EQUALLY BETWEEN BOTH PARTIES.	7/12/21	POSS.	DEFT.
21C977	GSA- CONTRACT- DETAINDER WARRANT	8 th	DEFT.- DISMISSED AFTER TRIAL. PLAINTIFF FAILED TO PROVE THAT DEFENDANT SHOULD BE EVICTED DUE TO EXCESSIVE NOISE	7/13/21	POSS.	DEFT.

TOTAL FILINGS DURING THE MONTH OF JULY 2021

CIRCUIT COURT

	JUL	YTD
New Civil Cases Filed	151	1,083
Jury Demand	114	727
Non-Jury	37	356
New Divorce Cases Filed	158	1,184
Domestic Petitions Filed	16	57
Orders of Protection Filed	54	408
Orders of Protection Granted	17	150
Orders of Protection Dismissed	54	426
Judicial Committals Filed	23	182
New Adoption Petitions	6	62
Civil Cases Concluded	208	1,326
Jury Demand	172	1,083
Non-Jury	36	243
Divorce Cases Concluded	196	1,329
Domestic Petitions Concluded	10	148

GENERAL SESSIONS-CIVIL

	JUL	YTD
Total New Cases Filed	1,796	13,402
Civil Warrants	1,115	9,425
Detainer Warrants	640	3,780
Recovery Warrants	4	51
Order of Protection Petitions	278	1,814
Orders of Protection Granted	75	404
Orders of Protection Dismissed	227	1,275
Emergency Committals	672	4,924
Immediate Possession	3	8
Sue & Attach	0	0
Petitions to Interplead	1	5
Counter-Claims	0	11
Distress Warrants	33	133
Executions Issued	2,850	22,505
Garnishment Payments	2,995	22,012
Judgments Collected	\$941,314	\$6,833,099

PROBATE COURT

	JUL	YTD
Total New Cases Filed	193	1,552
Total Cases Closed	240	1,359
Petitions to Probate Will	57	551
Probate Will for Muniment of Title	3	62
Letters of Administration	46	311
Small Estate Affidavits	39	284
Conservatorship	41	249
Guardianship of Minor	3	22
Name Change	4	38
Trust Matters	1	16
Other Miscellaneous	3	14

TRAFFIC VIOLATION BUREAU

	JUL	YTD
Total Traffic Violations	5,082	39,149
Moving Citations	1,727	14,488
Parking Citations	3,355	24,661
Environmental Citations	82	489
Civil Misdemeanor Citations	6	45

Total Fines Collected	\$159,345	\$1,263,084
Nullifications	105	645
Nullification Fees Collected	\$1,265	\$7,376

SIGN UP FOR A CASELINK ACCOUNT AND GET 24/7 ACCESS TO CASES FILED IN THE CIRCUIT, PROBATE AND GENERAL SESSIONS-CIVIL COURTS <https://caselink.nashville.gov/>

CIRCUIT COURT
615-862-5181

PROBATE
615-862-5980

GENERAL SESSIONS-CIVIL
615-862-5195

TRAFFIC VIOLATION BUREAU
615-862-5222