

Clerk of Toledo Municipal Court

Vallie Bowman-English
Clerk of Court

The Clerk of Toledo Municipal Court's office is responsible for maintaining the public record on all court cases in Toledo Municipal Court as well as collecting and distributing fines and fees associated with these cases.

In 2006, the Clerk increased the public's access to these records by placing Toledo Municipal Court case information online on the Clerk of Court's website. Prior to this, the public had to call or come to the Clerk's office to inquire about case information. This meant spending time on hold or driving downtown to find out an answer to a simple question. This enhancement allows anyone to go online to review court proceedings.

After months of analysis and design work the Clerk was able to place Deputy Clerk's in Courtrooms three and four in order to record entries as the Judge or Magistrate is ruling on the case(s). These are the highest volume courtrooms and the ability to instantly journalize these entries results in immediate access to the information for other Departments and the public. In many instances, it also allows for further processing without having to wait for the case file to be delivered to locations within the court.

In June of this year, the Clerk submitted final reports regarding the SAFETI Grant (System Approach For Effective Tracking and Identification) to the Department of Justice in Washington D.C. This was the final step in achieving the goals and objectives of a grant awarded to produce images of Protection Orders and enhance sharing of associated data. The requirements of the grant were met and exceeded allowing instant electronic access to information never before available. Numerous agencies using the system represent counties in both Ohio and Michigan.

In conjunction with the design and implementation of the regional imaging system, hand written protection orders were replaced with electronically produced forms. This helped streamline the protection order process in every courtroom and allow for instant transmission of necessary data to the Police Department for entry into the Statewide Computer System.

With the Clerk's ongoing commitment to maximize the use of automation, the necessary design and development work to allow for imaging of Civil, Criminal and Traffic documents was completed. The ability to image Civil Judgment and Certified Mail Returns is expected to be fully functional in the first quarter of 2007. Using these documents as a base, efforts to enhance the efficiency, accuracy, timeliness and accessibility of court records will continue.

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Filings	2006	2005
Civil Division	26,264	24,436
Criminal / Traffic Division	99,344	94,100
TOTAL	125,608	118,536

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Revenue Collected

Civil	\$10,320,321.60	\$10,386,656.08
Criminal / Traffic	\$4,727,973.91	\$4,899,165.54
TOTAL	\$15,048,295.51	\$15,285,821.62

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Revenue Disbursed

City of Toledo General Fund	4,003,180.37	4,260,271.07
Other City of Toledo Accounts	1,108,313.11	1,110,849.10
Ottawa Hills	36,786.50	35,828.80
Washington Township	1,332.00	4,180.09
University of Toledo	825.00	725.00
MCO	-	25.00
Lucas County Treasurer	207,283.50	204,511.06
Lucas County Sheriff	251.00	570.00
Lucas County Drug Fund	20,020.17	22,288.21
Toledo Law Association	8,664.75	11,219.31
Toledo Area Humane Society	75.00	325.00
Toledo Area Metro Parks	1,169.00	-
Toledo Legal News	252,093.65	243,432.14
Civil Legal Assistance Project	195,251.89	44,990.00
Treasurer of State	1,403,602.14	1,286,861.93
Department of Natural Resources	4,770.00	3,880.00
State Pharmacy Board	4,555.00	5,595.50
Division of Liquor Control	75.00	55.00
Ohio Ethics Commission	12,375.00	-
Capital Recovery Systems	246,016.57	102,777.45
Fiduciary Accounts - Civil	7,180,423.01	7,673,857.82
Fiduciary Accounts – Trusteeship	297,027.73	225,257.80
Refunded Over Payments	36,445.58	55,238.92
TOTAL	\$15,020,535.97	\$15,292,739.20

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Civil Division

Filings	2006	2005
Civil General	23,001	21,498
Small Claims	3,092	2,791
Trusteeship	171	147
TOTAL	26,264	24,436
Activities		
Certificates of Judgment	3,313	3,336
Disbursements – Civil	6,444	7,079
Disbursements – Trusteeship	1,424	1,257
Dismissals	1,071	1,252
Executions	676	555
Garnishments	11,386	13,179
Judgments	49,941	60,739
Motions	14,056	13,334
Proceedings in Aid	1,990	1,789
Reports	50,230	56,471
Revivors	142	121
Revocations	85	102
Satisfactions	5,345	5,811
Subpeonas	1,005	991
Terminations	26,908	28,243
Transcripts	134	99
Writ of Restitution	4,343	3,985
TOTAL	178, 493	198,343
Revenue Collected		
Civil Revenue	2,821,906.92	2,494,458.04
Fiduciary Accounts - Civil	7,215,735.98	7,659,492.32
Fiduciary Accounts – Trusteeship	282,678.70	232,705.72
TOTAL	\$10,320,321.60	\$10,386,656.08
Revenue Disbursed		
City of Toledo General Fund	1,466,475.62	1,477,118.99
Other City of Toledo Accounts	354,747.77	367,647.71
Civil Legal Assistance Project	195,251.89	44,990.00
Treasurer of State	546,542.39	361,269.20
Toledo Legal News	252,093.65	243,432.14
Fiduciary Accounts – Civil	7,180,423.01	7,673,857.82
Fiduciary Account – Trusteeship	297,027.73	225,257.80
TOTAL	\$10,292,562.06	\$10,393,573.66

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Criminal / Traffic Division

Filings	2006		2005	
	Charges	Cases	Charges	Cases
Traffic	61,145	34,281	58,187	32,358
Criminal	38,199	26,983	35,913	25,166
TOTAL	99,344	61,264	94,100	57,524

Revenue Collected

Fines	1,670,613.25	1,889,886.80
Costs and Fees	2,987,410.97	2,928,323.40
HITT	17,005.11	12,033.42
Bond Forfeitures	16,499.00	13,683.00
Over Payments	36,445.58	55,238.92
TOTAL	\$4,727,973.91	\$4,899,165.54

Revenue Disbursed

City of Toledo General Fund	2,536,704.75	2,783,152.08
Other City of Toledo Accounts	753,565.34	743,201.39
Ottawa Hills	36,786.50	35,828.80
Washington Township	1,332.00	4,180.09
University of Toledo	825.00	725.00
MCO	-	25.00
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Toledo Law Association	8,664.75	11,219.31
Toledo Area Humane Society	75.00	325.00
Toledo Area Metro Parks	1,169.00	-
Treasurer of State	857,059.75	925,592.73
Department of Natural Resources	4,770.00	3,880.00
State Pharmacy Board	4,555.00	5,595.50
Division of Liquor Control	75.00	55.00
Ohio Ethics Commission	12,375.00	-
Capital Recovery Systems	246,016.57	102,777.45
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