



17TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT

State of Illinois

Counties of Winnebago and Boone

2022 Annual Report



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Mission Statement

The mission of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Court is to serve the public by providing access to a fair and efficient system of justice in accordance with the law.



A Message from the Chief Judge

Hon. John S. Lowry

The judges and court staff within the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit are vested with an important responsibility. It is our job, guided by the rule of law, to ensure access to justice, due process, and procedural fairness to all who come before the court. We recognize the importance of these responsibilities and are humbled by the trust and confidence placed in us by the community we serve.

The achievements of the Seventeenth Circuit Court during 2022 are summarized in this Annual Report. In 2022, we thanked Judge John Young, Judge Joe Bruce and Judge Mary Linn Green for their service, and welcomed Judge Tamika Walker, Judge Todd Ramlow and Judge Erin Buhl to the bench. We celebrated achievements, including the completion of the Institute of Court Manager's Court Executive program by one of our court managers, who attained Fellow status, and was the first individual in Illinois in 11 years to do so. The Circuit conducted an Employee Survey, which solidified that our staff is incredibly proud to do this work. In 2022, the Circuit began publishing *The Gavel Gazette*, a newsletter for our court staff.

In November of 2022, the collaborative spirit of all departments working in the courthouse was highlighted when the main courthouse, with sixteen courtrooms, was made unavailable for approximately five months throughout a restoration process following a fire. The building reopened in March, 2023 and the judges are grateful for the collaborative efforts from the Circuit Clerk's Office, State's Attorney's Office, Public Defender, Jury Commission, Court Administration and the bar to continue operations during this time. We also thank you, our patrons, for your patience as we navigated this obstacle.

We will continue to strive to earn your trust and confidence in the judicial system. Thank you for your interest in the Seventeenth Circuit Court.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John S. Lowry". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

2022 Year in Review

Achievements

Among a multitude of individual and collective achievements, highlighted accomplishments for 2022 include the following:

- Successfully petitioned the Illinois Supreme Court and received allocation of two additional associate judges.
- Conducted our 50th Winnebago County Drug Court Graduation Ceremony.
- Judges and staff received several prominent appointments and other special recognitions.
- Judges and staff presented at numerous trainings and conferences, including Judicial Ed Con, and to statewide and national audiences.
- Secured over \$185k in technology reimbursements, and over \$45k in language access reimbursements.
- Awarded over \$1M in grants to serve our most at-risk defendants through our Problem-Solving Courts.
- Awarded over \$30k in grants to fund initiatives advanced by the Domestic Violence Coordinated Courts.
- Navigated and continued operations following a fire in the Winnebago County Courthouse, with Boone County hosting out-of-county Jury Trials.

Looking Forward

In 2023, the Circuit looks forward to implementing initiatives that will promote the public's trust in the court. We will continue to harness technology to provide greater access to justice and secure efficiencies in our work. Through reviewing the results of the Circuit's first-ever Employment Satisfaction Survey, the Circuit will tap into our greatest resource - our staff- who cite they are incredibly proud of their work within this branch of government.

2022:
Setting the
scene to
implement
the Pretrial
Fairness
Act

Judges of the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Court

As of December 31, 2022

Circuit Judges

Hon. John Lowry
Chief Judge & Supervising Judge of the Winnebago County Juvenile Courts Division
the Domestic Violence Coordinated Courts

Hon. Eugene G. Doherty,
Assigned to the 4th District Appellate Court

Hon. Lisa R. Fabiano
Presiding Judge of the Civil Division

Hon. Gwyn Gulley,
Supervising Judge of Arbitration

Hon. Janet R. Holmgren,
Presiding Judge of Juvenile Courts Division & the Problem-Solving Courts Division

Hon. Brendan A. Maher

Hon. Joseph G. McGraw
Presiding Judge of the Criminal Division

Hon. C. Robert Tobin
Presiding Judge of Boone County

Hon. Ronald J. White

Hon. Kathryn E. Zenoff,
Assigned to the 4th District Appellate Court

Associate Judges

Hon. Donald P. Shriver,
Administrative Associate Judge

Hon. Stephen E. Balogh

Hon. Ronald A. Barch
Supervising Judge of Foreclosure Mediation

Hon. John T. Gibbons

Hon. Donna R. Honzel

Hon. Erin Buhl

Hon. Phillip J. Nicolosi

Hon. Debra Schafer

Hon. Jennifer Clifford

Hon. Todd R. Ramlow

Hon. Francis M. Martinez

Hon. Steven Nordquist

Hon. Tamika Walker

Hon. Ryan A. Swift

Hon. Randy Wilt

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Thomas R. Jakeway,
Trial Court Administrator

Michael Smith,
Deputy Court Administrator, Court Operations

Kimberly Ackmann,
Deputy Court Administrator, Judicial
Operations

Kelly Johnson,
Court Reporting Services Supervisor

Kathleen L. Fink,
Administrative Assistant to the Chief Judge

Beverly Goodson,
Judicial Administrative Secretary

Toni Hagerman,
Judicial Administrative Secretary

Monica Minnis,
Language Access Facilitator

Myriam Hendrix
Court Interpreter, Winnebago County

Erica Pharr,
Case Docket Resource Coordinator for
Domestic Violence Coordinated Courts

Emily Behnke,
Deputy Court Administrator, Specialized Court
Programs

Nikki Ticknor,
Deputy Court Administrator, Domestic Violence
Coordinated Courts

Kelly Jurmu,
Deputy Chief Bailiff

Kelly Rohrer,
Administrative Assistant to Court Administration

Kristine Gibbons,
Boone County Court Operations Assistant

Anna Grzelak,
DVAC Coordinator

Kelsey Schorsch
Judicial Administrative Secretary

Margaret Mujica-Ruiz,
Boone County Language Access Facilitator

Taylor Sagona
Improving Criminal Justice Response to Domestic
Violence Grant Manager

Problem-Solving Courts

Melissa Bucalo,
Problem-Solving Courts Supervisor

Catherine Dredge,
PSC Coordinator

Katie Smith,
PSC Coordinator

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Christine Hawley,
Arbitration Administrator

Catherine Kosek
Administrative Assistant at ADR Center

Kyle Thompson-Taylor,
Residential Foreclosure Mediation Coordinator

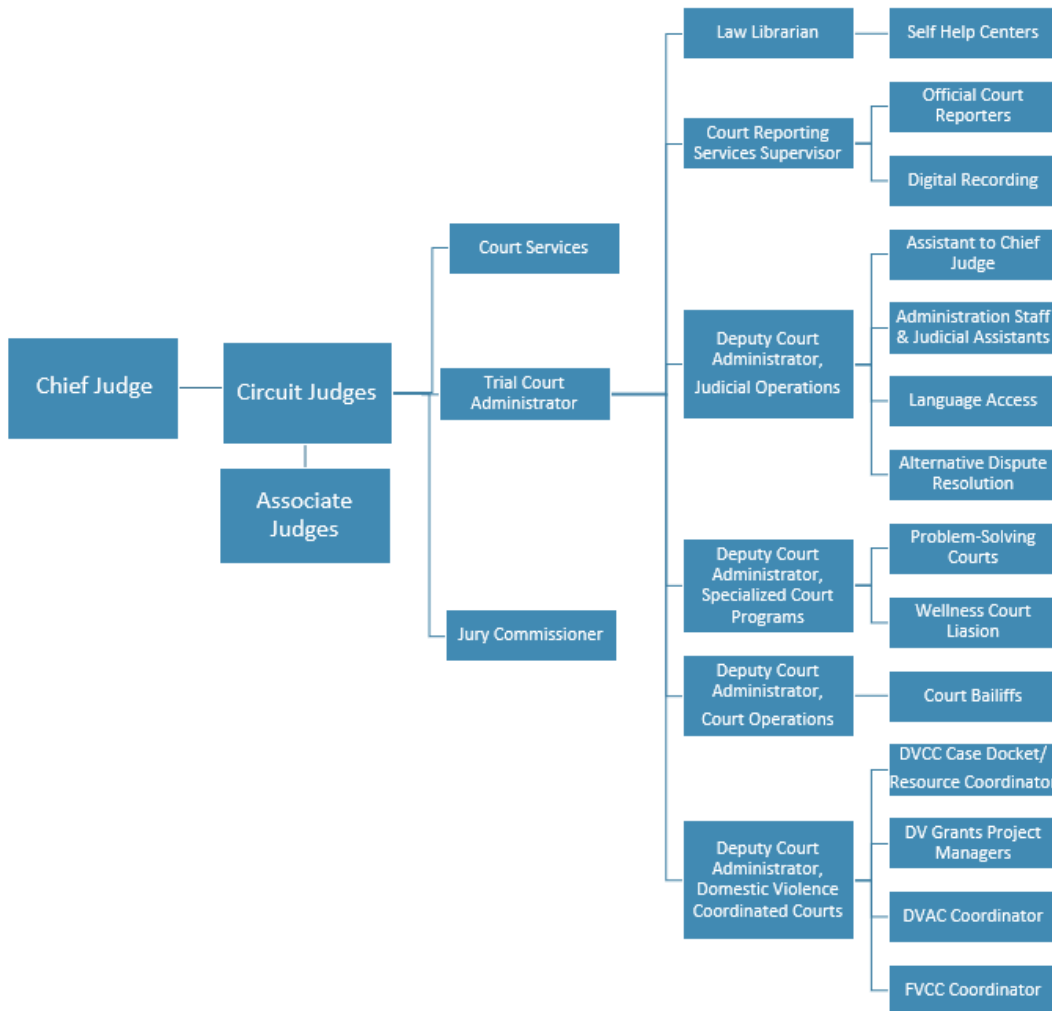
About the Seventeenth Circuit

The Illinois Constitution of 1970 (Article 4) provides for a unified, three tiered judiciary consisting of Circuit Courts, Appellate Courts, and a Supreme Court. The highest court in the State is the Illinois Supreme Court. The Illinois Appellate Court is the second tier of the judiciary. The Appellate Court is divided into five Judicial Districts. The Seventeenth Judicial Circuit is part of the Fourth Appellate District of the Appellate Court. Currently, two circuit judges from Winnebago County, the Honorable Kathryn E. Zenoff and the Honorable Eugene G. Doherty, serve on the Illinois Appellate Court, by assignment.

The first tier of the judiciary is the Circuit Court, which is the trial court level. The State of Illinois is divided into twenty-three Judicial Circuits, including our Seventeenth Judicial Circuit which is comprised of both Winnebago County and Boone County.

In the Circuit Court there are two types of Judges: Circuit Judges and Associate Judges. The Seventeenth Judicial Circuit has eleven Circuit Judges and fifteen Associate Judges. Circuit Judges are elected by popular vote for an initial six-year term. Thereafter, every six-years Circuit Judges must run for retention. The Circuit Judges elect a Chief Judge to provide administrative guidance to the entire circuit. The Circuit Judges also appoint and vote to retain Associate Judges based on four year terms. Associate Judges may hear all types of cases, except felony matters which require prior authorization from the Illinois Supreme Court.

Organizational Chart



Court Locations



Winnebago County Courthouse
400 West State Street
Rockford, Illinois 61101



Winnebago County Criminal Justice Center
650 West State Street
Rockford, Illinois 61102



Winnebago County Juvenile Justice Center
211 South Court Street
Rockford, Illinois 61101



Boone County Courthouse
601 North Main Street
Belvidere, Illinois 61008



Alternative Dispute Resolution Center
308 West State Street, Suite 25
Rockford, Illinois 61101

Operations

Judicial Assignments

Administration

Hon. John S. Lowry
Hon. John T. Gibbons

Winnebago Co. – 209
Winnebago Co. – B

Appellate Court – Fourth District

Hon. Eugene G. Doherty
Hon. Kathryn E. Zenoff

c/o Fourth District Appellate Courthouse
201 West Monroe Street
Springfield, Illinois 62704

Civil Division

Hon. Lisa R. Fabiano
Hon. Stephen E. Balogh
Hon. Ronald A. Barch
Hon. John S. Lowry
Hon. Gwyn Gulley
Hon. Donald P. Shriver

Winnebago Co. – 412
Boone Co. – 3
Winnebago Co. – 426
Winnebago Co. – 209
Winnebago Co. – 314
Winnebago Co. – 451

Criminal Division

Hon. Joseph G. McGraw
Hon. Jennifer Clifford
Hon. John T. Gibbons
Hon. Brendan A. Maher
Hon. Phillip J. Nicolosi
Hon. Debra D. Schafer
Hon. Ryan A. Swift
Hon. C. Robert Tobin
Hon. Ronald J. White
Hon. Tamika Walker
Hon. Randy Wilt

Winnebago Co. – A
Winnebago Co. – C
Winnebago Co. -- 315
Winnebago Co. – D
Winnebago Co. -- 311
Winnebago Co. – 317
Boone Co. – 2
Boone Co. – 1
Winnebago Co. – 316
Winnebago Co. – 125
Winnebago Co. – 478

Family Division

Hon. Joseph P. Bruscato
Hon. Todd A Ramlow
Hon. Steven L. Nordquist
Hon. Donald P. Shriver

Winnebago Co. – 455
Winnebago Co. – 216
Winnebago Co. – 459
Winnebago Co. – 451

Juvenile & Problem-Solving Courts Division

Hon. Janet R. Holmgren
Hon. Erin B. Buhl
Hon. Donna R. Honzel
Hon. Francis M. Martinez

Winnebago Co. – 217
Winnebago Co. – JJC 2
Winnebago Co. – JJC 1
Winnebago Co. – JJC 3

Trial Court Administration

Thomas R. Jakeway, Trial Court Administrator

The Trial Court Administration Office supports the judges of the Seventeenth Circuit Court. The Court Administration staff works under the supervision and direction of the Chief Judge. The office manages court operations and provides guidance for day-to-day operations and long-term decisions. The office is responsible for collaboration and coordination with judges, court personnel, legal professionals, and other justice system stakeholders to address systemic issues, improve court processes, and implement policies and procedures to ensure the smooth functioning of the court system. Responsibilities include:

- overseeing bailiff, court reporting and judicial assistant teams,
- budgeting/fiscal matters,
- case management processes,
- public relations and community outreach, and
- project leadership.

Court Administration is dedicated to ensuring equal and timely access to the court and related services, conducting performance measurement for purposes of continuous improvement, and maintaining a safe and secure work environment. Court Administration is also actively involved in grant administration, judicial internship programs, and web-site management.

Court Reporting Services

Kelly Johnson, Supervisor

Court Reporting Services employees are responsible for making a full reporting of the courtroom proceedings presented in the trial court. It is the duty of these court reporting employees to record verbatim all that is said during every court proceeding to which they are assigned.



Presently there are a total of fourteen court reporting employees assigned to the 17th Judicial Circuit Court. Winnebago County maintains a staff of nine Official Court Reporters and five Court Specialists. Boone County maintains a staff of two Official Court Reporters. All staff are assigned to courtrooms on a rotating schedule to evenly distribute workloads and transcript volume. All Official Court Reporters are Certified Shorthand Reporters licensed by the Illinois Department of Financial & Professional Regulation.

The Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts (AOIC) has installed digital recording equipment in all of the courtrooms in both Winnebago and Boone Counties. All civil courtrooms and select felony courtrooms are currently using digital recording as the official record. All of the Court Reporting Services employees are to be trained and certified by the AOIC to operate this equipment.

Court Bailiffs

Kelly Jurmu, Deputy Chief Bailiff

The Bailiffs of the 17th Judicial Circuit serve a vital function for our courts. Currently, there are twenty-four full time Bailiffs, and one Deputy Chief Bailiff in Winnebago County. The Deputy Chief Bailiff is responsible for work assignments, scheduling, and training. In addition, the Deputy Chief Bailiff acts as a liaison with other stakeholders in the court system such as the Winnebago County Sheriff's Office and the City of Rockford Police Department.

Bailiffs maintain order within the courtrooms and aid their assigned judges as needed during court proceedings, both in-person and in virtual hearings. Bailiffs monitor daily court schedules and aid in coordinating the appearance of attorneys, litigants, interpreters, inmates and the public. As primary points of contact within the court system, bailiffs help to promote access to justice by answering questions and helping individuals while within the courthouse.



In Boone County, the bailiffs are part of the Boone County Sheriff's staff and are under the supervision of the Sheriff.

Jury Commission

Colleen L. Kruse, Clerk of the Jury Commission

Trial by jury is a fundamental part of the American system of justice, and is a right guaranteed under the constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Illinois. To preserve this right it is essential that the court establish and maintain a well-functioning system for the selection and utilization of jurors. Under Illinois law, every county with a population in excess of 40,000 must establish a Jury Commission consisting of three Jury Commissioners appointed by the circuit judges of the court. Each Jury Commissioner serves for a three year term. The day-to-day operation of the jury system in the Winnebago County Courthouse is administered through the Office of the Jury Commission under the direction of the Clerk of the Jury Commission, Colleen L. Kruse.

This office is responsible for the selection and summoning of prospective jurors and the management of jurors during their term of service. Illinois law requires that the names of prospective jurors be randomly drawn from a combined list of registered voters; Illinois driver's license holders 18 years of age and older; Illinois Disabled Person Identification Card holders; Illinois Identification Card holders and claimants for unemployment insurance. During 2022, 20,745 citizens were summoned for jury service in Winnebago County. Of this number, 4,108 appeared as instructed and 2,689 were directed to courtrooms for jury selection. There were a total of 65 jury trials.

Public Defender's Office

Nick Zimmerman, Winnebago County Public Defender

Kathryn J. Cross, Boone County Public Defender

The Public Defender's Office provides legal representation to individuals found to be indigent by the Court.

In Winnebago County, thirty-four staff attorney positions and eleven support staff handle adult felony, misdemeanor, and traffic cases; juvenile delinquency cases, and represent parents in abuse and neglect cases. The Winnebago County Public Defender's Office also staffs the problem-solving courts including the Therapeutic Intervention Program, Adult Drug Court, Family Recovery Court, Veterans Court, and Youth Recovery Court.

The Boone County office consists of four attorneys, two full-time support staff and a part-time support staff person. The Boone County Public Defender's Office handles adult felony, misdemeanor, and traffic cases; juvenile delinquency cases, and represent parents in abuse and neglect cases. The Public Defender also represents all unrepresented persons who appear in custody for bond court, and extradition matters. The office staffs two problem-solving courts: the Youth Recovery Court and the Adult Drug Court.

The Public Defender provides a highly competent level of legal representation through the efforts of a staff possessing the greatest concentration of criminal defense experience in the area and a firm belief in the principle that every person is entitled to a fair hearing regardless of their ability to pay.

Law Library & Self-Help Centers

Brian L. Buzard, Law Library Director / Research Attorney

The Winnebago County Law Library is located on the third floor of the Winnebago County Courthouse. The Boone County Law Library is located on the second floor of the Boone County Courthouse. Both law libraries are available to serve the public during regular courthouse hours. Winnebago County has a full time Law Library Director who maintains the library collection, answers questions and assists the Judges in legal research projects. Free public access Westlaw® terminals are available in both facilities for computer assisted legal research.



Self-Help Legal Centers are located within each of the law libraries. These facilities make information available on Illinois law and court procedures for individuals who are unable to retain the services of an attorney for representation in court. Internet based resource materials are available through a partnership with Illinois Legal Aid Online. Self-Help Center Navigators are present during normal working hours to assist individuals with computer and print resources. The Winnebago County Self-Help Legal Center was opened in May 2007. In calendar year 2022, the Winnebago County Legal Self-Help Center provided assistance to over 6,169 individuals.

The Winnebago County Self-Help Center created a pop-up center on the second floor of the Winnebago County Criminal Justice Center from November 7, 2022 through late February while the main courthouse was closed due to remediation for a fire. There was two tables, five laptop computers and a printer. Patrons could petition for Orders of Protections, Stalking/No Contact orders, and statewide standardized forms were also printed on-demand.

The Boone County Self-Help Center was opened in May 2008. In 2022, the Boone County Self-Help Center provided legal information and forms to over 196 individuals.

Both Self-Help Legal Centers are computer based allowing some materials to be accessed via the Seventeenth Circuit Court Webpage at www.17thcircuit.illinoiscourts.gov.

Alternative Dispute Resolution Center

Christine Hawley, Arbitration Administrator

Mandatory Arbitration was instituted as a pilot program in Winnebago County in the fall of 1987 making it the oldest court-annexed arbitration program in the state. The Boone County program began in February 1995. All civil actions that are filed seeking money damages in excess of \$10,000.00, but not greater than \$50,000.00, are automatically assigned to non-binding mandatory arbitration. Additionally, all small claims cases with a timely filed jury demand are transferred into the arbitration program. Our Alternative Dispute Resolution Center operates this program to help relieve crowded court dockets and to reduce the length and cost of litigation of modest-sized claims through the arbitration process. Pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Rules, these arbitration cases involve less formal discovery procedures and a hearing before a panel of three trained attorney arbitrators. If any party is not satisfied with the award made by the arbitrators after the hearing they have a right to reject the award and proceed to trial before a judge.



The day-to-day management of the program is the responsibility of the Arbitration Administrator with the assistance of one part-time secretary. The Arbitration Administrator is responsible for tracking the progress and maintaining statistics on all arbitration cases filed in Winnebago and Boone Counties, as well as maintaining a list of approved attorney-arbitrators, and for securing the service of these arbitrators for hearings. In addition to the arbitration program, the Administrator also tracks all major law division cases that have been court-referred to mediation and makes parties aware that the ADR Center is available for holding their mediations. The Alternative Dispute Center is located in Stewart Square in Rockford, approximately one-half block east of the Winnebago County Courthouse.

Problem-Solving Courts

Therapeutic Intervention Program (TIP) Court



The Winnebago County Therapeutic Intervention Program (TIP) was instituted in 2005 and is designed for adults with a serious mental illness who have been arrested for misdemeanor or felony offenses. The goal is to decrease reoccurring arrest, decrease days in jail, and increase access and participation in services, so as to enhance public safety by reducing the likelihood that a person will reoffend. TIP is strictly a voluntary program where participants receive wrap around services which include intensive case management services, mental health treatment, substance abuse treatment, housing assistance, trauma therapy, and cognitive behavioral therapy while under rigorous judicial monitoring and accountability.

Drug Court

The Winnebago County Drug Court was established in 1996. The Boone County Drug Court was established in 2013. Our Drug Courts were established to help rebuild the lives of individuals who are charged with felony offenses and suffer from underlying substance use disorder. Drug Court represents the combined efforts of justice and treatment professionals in actively intervening and breaking the cycle of substance abuse, crime, delinquency, and child maltreatment. Drug Court participants undergo an intensive regimen of substance abuse treatment, case management, drug testing, supervision and monitoring, and immediate sanctions and incentives while regularly reporting to scheduled court hearings before a judge presiding in the Drug Court program. The overall benefit to individuals recovering from substance abuse problems are immeasurable, including but not limited to improving relationships with their families, increased self-esteem, better health and heightened likelihood for employment and educational success.



Veterans Court

The Veteran's Court in Winnebago County was established in January 2012 to respond to the unique needs of justice involved veterans who are eligible for VA benefits. This specialty court is unique in that veterans are able to participate in the court with pending and post plea charges. Case management is provided by a Veteran's Justice Outreach Specialist who works through the Department of Veterans Affairs in Madison, WI. Veterans are linked with a variety of services available through Veteran's Affairs in Rockford and in Madison, WI.

Family Recovery Court

The 17th Circuit Court established a Family Recovery Court in the Winnebago County Juvenile Abuse and Neglect Court in December 2009. FRC is a specialized program designed to assist families where at least one parent's substance abuse was the cause of involvement in the child welfare system. Wrap around services are given to the entire family which include substance abuse treatment, mental health treatment, housing assistance, trauma therapy and the participants are subject to judicial monitoring and accountability. The goal is to assist the parent(s) to recovery in order that their children can safely remain in their care and end their involvement in the child welfare system and juvenile court.

Youth Recovery Court

The Youth Recovery Court (YRC) spans both Winnebago and Boone County and is the first juvenile mental health court in Illinois. The Youth Recovery Court was created to serve youth involved with juvenile delinquency court in Winnebago County with non-violent offenses, ages 10 – 17, who have a mental illness or co-occurring disorder. The program provides intensive case management, priority and specialized services and court oversight. Winnebago County Juvenile Probation, Boone County Juvenile Probation, and Rosecrance clinicians provide intensive, home-based therapeutic interventions, while under judicial monitoring.

Wellness Track

The Wellness Track, established in 2022, is a specialized docket for adult non-violent, misdemeanor cases where the individual charged has underlying mental health or substance use disorder needs. This docket allows community providers and stakeholders to link the individuals with misdemeanor charges to community treatment services. Upon completion of linking with services, the case is often dismissed.

Domestic Violence Coordinated Court

Established in 2012 with a grant award from the Department of Justice/Office on Violence Against Women, the 17th Judicial Circuit Winnebago County Domestic Violence Coordinated Court (DVCC) has continued to operate with an enhanced focus on victim safety and offender accountability. The DVCC is comprised of a dedicated domestic violence criminal court and a dedicated domestic violence civil court, which adjudicate all levels and types of intimate-partner related criminal and civil cases. Grant funds support victim advocacy within the court setting, offender accountability and compliance monitoring practices, and provide intensive training to judicial and court staff. To date, the DVCC has heard over 14,000 intimate partner domestic violence cases.

Justice for Families (JFF) Grant Program

The Winnebago County 17th Judicial Circuit Court has received multiple grants since 2011 to establish, enhance and expand the work of the DVCC. The Department of Justice/Office on Violence Against Women's Justice for Families grant program supports the work of the Domestic Violence Coordinated Courts through providing funds to support administrative staff, victim advocates, legal assistance, and training. Current Justice for Families grant goals and objectives include increasing access to justice for underserved populations, improving services within the Domestic Violence Assistance Center, and working with the Juvenile courts to enhance domestic violence responses.

Domestic Violence Mentor Court Initiative

The 17th Judicial Circuit Court Domestic Violence Coordinated Court has twice served as a nationally recognized Domestic Violence Mentor Court since 2014. This recognition has allowed the 17th Judicial Circuit DVCC to host several site visits from jurisdictions across the country interested in creating or enhancing their own Domestic Violence Court. As a Mentor Court, the DVCC shared its specialized practices and procedures with courts and technical assistance providers nationwide, and continues to provide guidance to jurisdictions that reach out for assistance.

Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking (ICJR) Grant Program

The 17th Judicial Circuit Court is a recipient of the Improving Criminal Justice Responses to Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking (ICJR) grant program from the Department of Justice/Office on Violence Against Women. The ICJR grant program supports the work of the Domestic Violence Coordinated Court through its focus on victim safety, offender accountability, coordinated community response, and specialized training. The ICJR grant program seeks to identify gaps and develop improved responses to violation of protective orders to improve victim safety and offender accountability, strengthen advocacy services, and coordinate training for prosecution and other members of our community's coordinated community response to domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking.

Enhancing Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life (ALL) Grant Program

Winnebago County is a recipient of the Enhancing Training and Services to End Abuse in Later Life (ALL) grant program from the Department of Justice/Office on Violence Against Women. This grant program addresses elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation, including domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault or stalking, against victims who are 50 years of age or older. Goals of this grant program include establishing a coordinated community response to address victimization in later life, training for law enforcement, prosecutors, victim service providers, and courts, and victim advocacy for victims of abuse in later life.

Multi-Disciplinary Teams and a Coordinated Community Response

The Domestic Violence Coordinated Court and its related initiatives participate in a wide range of Multi-Disciplinary Teams and Coordinated Community Responses focused on ending family and intimate partner violence. These teams include the Strangulation Task Force, Abuse in Later Life Coordinated Community Response Team, Protection Order Violation and Enforcement Team, Victim Safety and Security Committee, and the City of Rockford Mayor's Task Force on Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking.

Department of Court Services

Deb Jarvis, Director of Court Services

The Department of Court Services supervises individuals involved in our criminal justice system. By incorporating core values of integrity, respect, accountability, fairness and professionalism, Court Services strives to promote community safety, reduce recidivism and improve the quality of life for offenders.

Court Services is comprised of an Adult Probation Division, Juvenile Probation Division, Juvenile Detention Division and Pre-Trial Division. Additionally, the department operates the Resource Intervention Center which enables community service agencies to provide much needed services to the adult and juvenile offenders under one roof.



Winnebago County Adult Probation Division

Lorraine Dixon, Deputy Director

The mission of the Adult Probation Division is to serve the court, reduce recidivism, facilitate positive change and promote community safety in Winnebago County. Probation officers are able to accomplish this mission through skilled and targeted supervision in collaboration with the court and community service providers. Probation officers also monitor court-ordered conditions which could be remedial (public service, restitution); punitive (incarceration, fines and court costs); or rehabilitative (counseling, community assistance programs).

Winnebago County Adult Probation supervised an average of 1,933 offenders in 2022. Adult Probation employs a Deputy Director, three Supervisors, thirty-four Probation Officers, and four support staff. This division of Court Services consists of the following units:

- Assessment Unit
- General Unit
- Domestic Violence Unit
- Drug Court Unit
- DUI Unit (Court Supervision/Conditional Discharge)
- Therapeutic Intervention Program ("TIP Unit"- mental health cases)
- Inter/Intra-State Transfer Unit
- Presentence Investigation Unit
- Public Service Work Unit
- Sex-Offender Unit
- Specialized Supervision Unit

Winnebago County Adult Probation Officers utilize Illinois Probation Casework Standards, which consists of an intake process and case management. After being sentenced to probation, clients complete the Adult Risk Assessment (ARA) with a probation officers. The ARA tool identifies the client's problem/need areas, risk levels, barriers, and strengths. Following the completion of the ARA, the supervising officer provides feedback to the client by applying Core Correctional Practices and by developing an individualized case plan. Throughout a client's term of probation, officers utilize supervision strategies, which include following the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts' contact standards, behavioral change management, and structured sessions to reduce recidivism. Officers also adhere to the Risk, Need, Responsivity Model and incorporate Evidenced Based Practices when working with clients.

Winnebago County Juvenile Probation Division

Taryn Marko, Deputy Director

The Winnebago County Juvenile Probation Department provides services and supervision for youth arrested for delinquent behavior. Our mission is to provide for a safer community, to help reduce juvenile delinquency, and to promote quality services to all youth, victims, and families.

The Winnebago County Juvenile Probation Department employs a Deputy Director, four Supervisors, seventeen full-time Probation Officers, and two support staff. Juvenile Probation consists of both an Intake Unit and a Field Unit. The Intake Unit utilizes early intervention strategies that include substantive probation adjustments and informal supervision to address issues and divert certain youth from the Juvenile Justice System while holding the youth accountable for their behavior. In 2022, there were approximately 197 probation adjustments as well as 34 minors who were placed on informal supervision. The Field Unit provides supervision and case management to minors assigned to probation. A probation term may involve treatment referrals and counseling, various internal and community-based programming, public service work, restitution, detention time, foster care, or residential placement with the goal of rehabilitating juvenile offenders.

The Department has several specialized Probation Officers, including five School-Based Officers. The School-Based Officers are assigned to each of the Rockford Public High Schools and Harlem High School. They provide on-site prevention and intervention services, which allows the juvenile to focus on their educational needs. Using the Effective Casework Model (ECW) for assessment and case management, the Probation Officer works with the youth and his/her family to address identified issues and encourage positive change. At the end of 2022, there were 215 active juvenile probation cases with an average caseload of 20 minors per Probation Officer.

Juvenile Probation also oversees operation of the Juvenile Assessment Center. This is a central reception center for police agencies to bring youth who have been arrested for violating the law or taken into custody for non-criminal reasons, i.e. running away. Probation Officers at this location utilize a screening instrument that determines if the arrested minors should be detained or released back to their guardian. The Probation Officers at this location also conduct assessments of the arrested minors to refer to services and to recommend whether the minors should be referred to court or if the cases should be handled informally with no further court action. Illinois Crisis Intervention Services (ICIS) advocates work with the non-arrest cases that require specific family services.

Boone County Probation Department

Amy Gallano, Deputy Director

The mission of the Boone County Probation Department is to provide the Court with a system of quality programs which are responsive to constitutional and statutory requirements and reflect judicial priorities and community needs. The focus is to restore the offender to productive citizenship without compromising the safety of the community. Probation Officers provide assistance and guidance to those individuals so that they may be reintegrated into society in a productive and meaningful manner, while holding them accountable for court ordered conditions.

The Department consists of a Deputy Director, Senior Probation Officer, two Adult Probation Officers, one Pretrial Officer, one Drug Court Coordinator/Probation Officer, one Juvenile Probation Officer, one Hybrid Officer who supervises both adult and juvenile clients and an Administrative Assistant. In 2013, Drug Court was implemented in Boone County for adult clients whose criminal behavior is directly linked to a substance abuse diagnosis. The juvenile probation officers supervise a diversion program designed to keep less serious offenders from entering the court system. A juvenile officer also participates in Youth Recovery Court; a specialized problem-solving court for juveniles whose delinquent behavior is linked directly to a mental health diagnosis. In 2019 the Department formalized a Pretrial Services Division.

In 2022, Boone County supervised an average of 237 adult probationers and 59 juvenile probationers. There were 309 Pretrial Release Reports completed and an average of 183 pretrial defendants supervised.

Winnebago County Pretrial Services Division

Jodi Gerue, Deputy Director

Jodi Campbell, Supervisor

The Pretrial Services Division was established in July of 1990 to help alleviate jail overcrowding. Our mission is to promote pretrial justice while enhancing community safety. In 2022, we continued to assist the Court in making decisions regarding release and supervision by providing the court with bond reports and risk assessment information on defendants who were arrested and remained in custody prior to arraignment. The Pretrial Services Division employs a Deputy Director (who also oversees the Resource Intervention Center), one Supervisor, one Senior Pretrial Officer, nine Pretrial Officers, and one support staff.

The bond report prepared by Pretrial Services provided the court with information about a defendant's background, criminal history, marital and family information allowing the Court to make timely and informed bond decisions. Pretrial Services prepared a total of 3,198 reports in 2022.

Pretrial Services also conducted the revised Virginia Pretrial Risk Assessment Instrument. This risk assessment predicts the likelihood of pretrial failure (failure to appear in court or to be charged with a new arrest during the pretrial stage). In addition, Pretrial Services completed the Domestic Violence Screening Instrument (DVSI) in domestic violence cases alleging intimate partner violence. Pretrial Services conducted 3,198 pretrial risk assessments and 1,221 of those reports included domestic violence screenings in 2022.

Pretrial Services supervised defendants released on bond and monitored conditions of release including reporting to Pretrial Services, curfew check, urinalysis, breathalyzer, assessment, treatment, counseling, education and employment. In 2022, Pretrial Services supervised 2,058 defendants released on conditions of bond.

Winnebago County Juvenile Detention Center

Julie McCray-Grotto, Superintendent

The Winnebago County Juvenile Detention Center is a secure, 48 bed facility housing minors between the ages of 10 and 20 who are awaiting proceedings in Juvenile and, in some circumstances, Adult Court. The detention center was built in 1992 and was expanded to its current capacity in 1995.

In calendar year 2022, the average daily population was 33.5. This was an increase from 2021 when the facility had an average of 18.1. The below capacity average daily population is attributed to the efforts of the Court, State's Attorney and Public Defender working to handle cases more efficiently. The increase in daily population is correlated to the effects of juveniles' adjustment in post-pandemic times..

The Detention Center provides a variety of programming for the minors lodged here. Rosecrance provides behavioral health services for the minors in detention through a contract with University of Illinois School of Medicine-Rockford. Behavioral Health Services will be expanded in the upcoming year due to funding received through the Winnebago County Community Mental Health Board funding. In addition, three District 205 special education certified teachers work with the youth on either their home school work or on a core curriculum of Math, English, and Geography. In 2020, the District installed Wi-Fi in the building which enables the minors to use tablets for their work now. Detention Center staff and outside volunteers supplement their formal education with career exploration, art, and teaching a variety of life skills.

Resource Intervention Center (RIC)

Jodi GeRue, Deputy Director

Karen Mohr, Supervisor



The Resource Intervention Center (RIC) opened for service February 11, 2008. In 2021, the RIC continued to house comprehensive services for individuals being supervised by the Winnebago County Adult Probation Division and the Winnebago County Pretrial Services Division. The Resource Intervention Center employs a deputy director (who also oversees the Pretrial Division), one supervisor, one RIC PM Coordinator, three probation officers, one therapist (Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor), and one support staff.

The mission of the RIC is to enhance community safety by providing evidence-based targeted interventions. Probation Officers completed validated risk/need assessments that identify areas of concern in an offender's life and predict the likelihood of recidivism. Interventions at the RIC targeted the identified areas of risk and needs.

Pretrial Officers completed risk assessments that identify areas of risk related to the likelihood of failure to appear and arrest for a new offense during the pretrial stage. Interventions at the RIC targeted the identified areas of risk.

Probationers and pretrial defendants referred to the RIC were assessed for readiness to change using the URICA (University of Rhode Island Change Assessment) tool. Based on this score, many individuals who were identified as not being ready to change were recommended to an integrated cognitive behavioral change program to address treatment readiness.

The RIC's collaborative service providers included Rock Valley College Foundation-HEARR (Higher Education Alliance for the Rock River Valley) who provided a high school equivalency (GED) program. Rosecrance and Remedies provided substance use assessment and substance use disorder treatment. Youth Services Bureau provided parenting classes. Remedies provided partner abuse intervention programs using a cognitive behavioral approach. Northern Illinois University provided a Job Readiness program. Tommy Meeks provided the Wake Up group, providing support and mentoring to participants.

RIC staff provided the integrated cognitive behavioral change group, Thinking for a Change (T4C), addressing cognitive, social and emotional needs. They provided Beyond Trauma: A Healing Journey for Women and Exploring Trauma: A Brief Interaction for Men, addressing the area of trauma. They provided Anger Management and Beyond Violence using a cognitive based approach. They provided A New Direction Relapse Prevention and Moving Forward (aftercare), addressing the area of recovery. Additionally, they provided an orientation group, grief and loss support group, and life skills groups.

On September 12, 2022, the RIC expanded services by offering a Thinking for Change (T4C) program and Partner Abuse Intervention Programs in the evening. This expansion addressed participant barriers for those working, in school or providing childcare during daytime hours.

In 2022, the most utilized programs at the RIC included treatment for substance use disorders and cognitive behavioral programs.

Court Programs and Activities

Judicial Speakers Bureau

The 17th Circuit Judicial Speakers Bureau was established to help the community gain an understanding and knowledge of what can be a very complex legal system and the various programs in which the court is involved. The Judicial Speakers Bureau is comprised of judges who preside in both Boone County and Winnebago County. Judges are available to speak to any school, community group or civic organization in the Seventeenth Circuit that would like to further their understanding of our court systems and the administration of justice. In 2022, judges not only visited various grade schools, but they also volunteered at Rockford Public School's Academy Expo and hosted virtual Law Day programming for area high schools.

Guided tours of our court facilities are also available. These tours offer groups the opportunity to see firsthand the operations and inner workings of the several components which make up our Justice System. To arrange for a speaker or schedule a courthouse tour, contact the Court Administration Office.

Small Claims Mediation Program

Since 2006, pro se litigants in small claims cases have been able to actively resolve disputes through our free voluntary mediation program. At mediation, the parties meet with a neutral, certified mediator, who listens to both sides and helps the parties find their own solution. Mediators do not make any decisions for the parties, but will assist the parties in the preparation of orders to be filed with the court.

Family Mediation Program

The 17th Circuit Court Family Law Mediation Program provides a way for parents to work out child custody and visitation agreements with the assistance of a neutral third party. All mediators who participate in this program have extensive training and must be approved by the Presiding Judge of the Family Division.

Eviction Mediation Program

The 17th Circuit's Eviction Mediation Program provides free services in Winnebago County to housing providers and tenants with pending residential eviction court cases. In addition to providing mediation, the program refers parties to appropriate services, including rental assistance programs. The Circuit partnered with the nonprofit organization Resolution Systems Institute (RSI), to coordinate the program and deliver virtual mediation programming.

Court-Annexed Major Civil Mediation

Any contested civil matter asserting a claim in excess of \$50,000.00, or other contested civil matters such as chancery, miscellaneous remedy or probate case may be referred to mediation by a judge or by stipulation of the parties involved.

Residential Foreclosure Mediation Program

The Residential Foreclosure Mediation Program, serving Winnebago and Boone Counties, is located in the lower level of the Winnebago County Courthouse. The Program supports homeowners as they organize their financial paperwork to present to their lender. After the lender reviews the paperwork, a trained mediator helps borrowers and lenders communicate to explore available options that may resolve the foreclosure process. In 2022, 40.5% of homeowners who made it through the pre-mediation phase retained their home.

This program is available to homeowners in residential foreclosure cases filed in both Winnebago County and Boone County. Program participation is voluntary and homeowners incur no costs for the housing counseling and mediation services.

National Adoption Day

National Adoption Day, occurring each November, is celebrated in the 17th Circuit with a gathering and celebration finalizing adoptions of children previously residing in foster care.

National Adoption Day is a collective national effort to raise awareness of the estimated 100,000 children in foster care that are ready for adoption and waiting for a family. On this day, court staff, attorneys and social service agency professionals from all across the United States work together to finalize adoptions and celebrate all of the families participating in adoptions. Over the last eighteen years on National Adoption Day, a total of 421 children have been adopted into permanent loving families in the 17th Circuit.

Justice Partner Collaborations



Family Violence Coordinating Council

The 17th Judicial Circuit Family Violence Coordinating Council (FVCC) is a collaborative group of professionals from across disciplines who meet regularly to promote a coordinated response to family violence- including domestic violence, teen dating violence, child abuse, elder abuse, sexual assault, and stalking. The FVCC's five committees focus their efforts in three primary areas: training, prevention, and awareness.

In April 2022, the FVCC hosted "Hands Around the Courthouse" to raise awareness for and support Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month. In October 2022, the FVCC sponsored Domestic Violence Awareness Month events for Winnebago and Boone counties. These events included a movie showing and panel discussion, a Rockford City Market booth, and the annual Shining the Light on Domestic Violence ceremony at the end of the month.

The Honorable Jennifer Clifford continues to serve as the Chair of the Family Violence Coordinating Council.

Criminal Justice Coordinating Council

The Winnebago County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council is a group of various stakeholders in the criminal justice system. Members include representatives from the Court, law enforcement, local prosecutors and defense attorneys, and county and municipal officials. Their task is to ensure that all of the elements of the criminal justice system remain aware of their colleagues' efforts and activities. In addition, local crime and court data are analyzed to ascertain our current status and how improvements might be made.

Juvenile Justice Coordinating Council

The Winnebago County Juvenile Justice Council is a group formed pursuant to the Juvenile Court Act whose Executive Committee is comprised of the State's Attorney, the Public Defender, the Court Services Director, the Deputy Director of Juvenile Probation, the Juvenile Justice Coordinator, the Chairman of the Winnebago County Board, the Sheriff of Winnebago County, the Chief of the Rockford City Police Department and the Presiding Judge of Juvenile Delinquency court. Additional stakeholders include the Office of the Mayor of the City of Rockford, Redeploy Illinois representatives from Youth Services Network and the Director of the Juvenile Detention Center as well as three committees of stakeholders comprised of an Education Committee, a Mental Health Committee and a Youth Organization Committee. The Council is tasked with providing a forum for the development of a community-based assessment of the local juvenile justice system, to develop a juvenile justice plan for the prevention of juvenile delinquency and to make recommendations to the county boards for more effectively utilizing existing community resources in dealing with juveniles found to be involved in crime. Additionally, the Council aims to analyze the risks, needs and characteristics of youth in contact with the juvenile justice system with the aim to develop strategies to prevent or mitigate juvenile delinquency, produce positive youth outcomes and enhance public safety.

The Kids' Place



The Kids' Place facilities are secure waiting areas for children ages two through twelve. These facilities are available free of charge to parents and guardians who are required to appear in either the Winnebago County Courthouse or Criminal Justice Center. The Kids' Place facilities are located in the lower level of the Winnebago County Courthouse and off the first floor lobby in the Criminal Justice Center. Both facilities are supervised by professional YMCA staff and provide cheerful atmospheres for children to take part in fun activities like arts, crafts, organized games, reading and music. Since its beginning in 1998, over 52,308 children have used the services of The Kids' Place. In 2022, a total of 496 children were entrusted in the care of the Kids' Place.



Volunteer Therapy Dog Program

Coming to court can be a stressful experience, but having a therapy dog with you can help ease some of that anxiety. Our program currently has 16 therapy dog teams. The program launched late 2017, and since inception the Winnebago County Courthouse has had over 463 visits from the therapy dog teams. In 2022, there were 74 visits. The teams visited courthouse facilities to support court patrons, but also visited staff in Court Services during Probation Officers Week and with families on National Adoption Day.

Domestic Violence Assistance Center

The Domestic Violence Assistance Center (DVAC) is located in the Winnebago County Courthouse, on the 3rd floor of the "Old Courthouse" above Traffic Court. The DVAC offers free and confidential Order of Protection assistance for those who qualify. For more information contact 815-962-9980.

Children's Safe Harbor



Children's Safe Harbor

Children's Safe Harbor is located at 1416 20th Street in Rockford, Illinois and provides supervised visitation and safe child exchange services. Children's Safe Harbor focuses on the needs of children who may be experiencing difficulties due to divorce, separation and/or family violence. Families enrolled at Children's Safe Harbor can be ordered by the court, referred by an agency or self-request use of services. Priority is given to residents of Winnebago County. Families may utilize Children's Safe Harbor as long as necessary at no cost.

Supervised Visitation and Visitation Exchange

Children's Safe Harbor provides supervised visitation services for adult and child victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, dating violence, stalking and child abuse. Children's Safe Harbor's programming is grounded in the belief that domestic violence impacts the whole family; therefore services are rooted in safety of both adult victims and children.

Supervised visitation is limited to providing services between custodial and non-custodial parents. Victim safety is considered whether the parent is custodial or non-custodial. Fair and respectful treatment of all family members is provided while not ignoring the circumstances that bring families to the program. Parents enter and exit the center through separate entrances, park in separate parking lots and arrive/depart at pre-scheduled staggered times.

Children's Safe Harbor allows parents to conduct visitation exchanges without coming in contact with each other. Parents enter and exit the visitation center through separate entrances, park in separate parking lots and arrive/depart at pre-scheduled staggered times.

For more information about Children's Safe Harbor contact 815-316-7772 or access www.childrenssafeharbor.net.

2022 Court Statistics

The year-end data in this report includes the number of cases filed, number of cases closed and the percentage of cases closed. This measures “clearance rate,” or whether the court is able to keep up with its incoming caseload. These numbers can be closely monitored by court administrators, which in turn helps the Chief Judge make important decisions about allocation of the circuit court’s resources.

The Manual on Recordkeeping, providing uniform procedures for creation of files and case numbering for Circuit Clerk’s Offices throughout Illinois, was modified January 1, 2022. The modifications made have an impact on how the court collects its statistics.

Revisions of the Manual include several new and revised case category designations:

- LA: Law. Previously known as the “L” case type
- FC: Foreclosure. New, previously part of Chancery (CH) case types
- EV: Eviction. New, previously part of Law Minor (LM) case types
- GC: Government Corporation. New, previously known as the Municipal Corporation (MC) case type.
- GR: Guardianship. New, previously part of Probate (P) case types.
- PR: Probate. Previously known as the “P” case types
- DC & DN: Divorce with Children and Divorce without Children, respectively. Previously part of the Dissolution (D) case type.
- FA: Family. Previously known as the “F” case type.
- JV: Juvenile. Previously known as the “J” case type.
- DV: Domestic Violence. New, previously part of Misdemeanor (CM) or Felony (CF) case types.
- MT: Major Traffic. New, previously part of Traffic (TR) case type.
- QC: Quasi-Criminal. New, catchall for Petty or Business Offenses.
- MX: Miscellaneous Criminal. New, previously part of Miscellaneous Remedy (MR) case type.

Additionally, the Manual indicates that in criminal cases, when a complaint, indictment or information contains more than one count, the highest classified charge shall direct the case category assigned to all counts. The hierarchy is: (1) CF, (2) DV, (3) DT, (4) CM, (5) MT, (6) TR, (7) CV, (8) QC, & (9) OV. Multiple charges issued to a defendant out of the same occurrence are now assigned one case number. Previously, multiple case numbers would have been assigned. For example, there may have been a Criminal Felony (CF) case and a Traffic (TR) case out of the same occurrence and would have received two case numbers. For the year 2022 and beyond, just one case number would be assigned.

In 2022, total new case filings decreased in both Winnebago and Boone Counties. However, it is important to note that the changes to the Manual on Recordkeeping would have some effect on this. For example, you will notice that Misdemeanor (CM) case types were affected by the 2022 recordkeeping changes. The drop in CM case filings is in large part due to the CM charges being “bundled” as counts within CF cases starting in 2022. This same analysis can be made for Traffic (TR) and DUI (DT) cases.

Winnebago County Year End 2022

CASE TYPE		FILINGS 1-1-2022 to 12-31-22	CLOSED 1-1-2022 to 12-31-22	Difference	Percent of Cases Closed	PENDING CASELOAD as of 12-31-22
LAW (OVER \$50,000)	L	0	299	-299	100%	455
LAW (OVER \$50,000)	LA	413	67	346	16.22%	347
LAW (UNDER)	LM	48	379	-331	789.58%	393
ARBITRATION	AR	525	536	-11	102.1%	339
SMALL CLAIMS	SC	2,897	2,872	25	99.14%	3,198
CHANCERY	CH	81	318	-237	392.59%	213
EMIN. DOMAIN	ED	3	2	1	66.67%	3
FORECLOSURE	FC	569	198	371	34.8%	371
EVICTION	EV	2,096	1,662	434	79.29%	444
TAX	TX	206	217	-11	105.34%	95
GOV. CORP.	GC	1	0	1	0%	0
MUN. CORP	MC	0	0	0	100%	0
MISC. REMEDY	MR	470	475	-5	101.06%	388
MENTAL HEALTH	MH	289	272	17	94.12%	68
GUARDIANSHIP	GR	271	136	135	50.18%	135
PROBATE	P	0	385	-385	100%	5,227
PROBATE	PR	417	38	379	9.11%	382
ADOPTION	AD	223	217	6	97.31%	70
DISSOLUTION	D	0	475	-475	100%	344
DISS. w/CHILDREN	DC	414	159	255	38.41%	256
DISS w/o CHILDREN	DN	539	261	278	48.42%	275
FAMILY	F	0	290	-290	100%	1,154
FAMILY	FA	844	353	491	41.82%	491
ORDER PROTECTION	OP	2,901	2,901	0	100%	00
JUVENILE	J	0	18	-18	100%	117
JUVENILE	JV	17	5	12	29.41%	11
JUVENILE ABUSE	JA	547	663	-116	121.21%	1,281
JUVENILE DEL.	JD	386	385	1	99.74%	705
CRIMINAL FELONY	CF	3,057	2,621	436	85.74%	4,161
CRIMINAL MISD.	CM	2,039	2,613	-574	128.15%	6,326
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	DV	469	146	323	31.13%	322
DUI	DT	841	982	-141	116.77%	1,760
MAJOR TRAFFIC	MT	3,374	1,884	1,490	55.84%	1,490
MINOR TRAFFIC	TR	14,273	20,010	-5,737	140.19%	30,177
ORDIN VIOL.	OV	397	394	3	99.24%	479
QUASI-CRIMINAL	QC	1	1	0	100%	0
CONSERVATION.	CV	91	93	-2	102.2%	186
CIVIL LAW	CL	80	95	-15	118.75%	55
CONTEMPT COURT	CC	36	24	12	66.67%	44
MISC. CRIM	MX	864	811	-53	93.87%	53
TOTAL CASES		39,679	43,257	-3,578	109.02%	61,815

Boone County Year End 2022

CASE TYPE		FILINGS 1-1-2022 to 12-31-22	CLOSED 1-1-2022 to 12-31-22	Difference	Percent of Cases Closed	PENDING CASELOAD as of 12-31-22
LAW (OVER)	L	0	31	-31	100%	36
LAW (OVER)	LA	23	5	18	21.74%	16
LAW (UNDER)	LM	21	43	-22	204.76%	4
ARBITRATION	AR	54	57	-3	105.56%	29
SMALL CLAIMS	SC	404	478	-74	118.32	129
CHANCERY	CH	17	47	-30	276.47%	32
EMIN. DOMAIN	ED	0	0	0	100%	0
FORECLOSURE	FC	97	28	69	28.87%	68
EVICITION	EV	89	80	9	89.89%	8
TAX	TX	19	13	6	68.42%	8
GOV. CORP.	GC	0	0	0	100%	0
MUN. CORP	MC	0	0	0	100%	0
MISC. REMEDY	MR	22	25	-3	113.64%	8
MENTAL HEALTH	MH	0	0	0	100%	0
GUARDIANSHIP	GR	24	10	14	41.67%	13
PROBATE	P	0	53	-53	100%	73
PROBATE	PR	62	11	51	17.74%	51
ADOPTION	AD	12	14	-2	116.67%	3
DISSOLUTION	D	0	90	-90	100%	19
DISS. w/CHILDREN	DC	75	28	47	37.33%	46
DISS w/o CHILDREN	DN	74	45	29	60.81%	28
FAMILY	F	0	43	-43	100%	7
FAMILY	FA	79	40	39	50.63%	39
ORDER PROTECTION	OP	276	271	5	98.19%	032
JUVENILE	J	0	1	-1	100%	1
JUVENILE	JV	0	0	0	100%	0
JUVENILE ABUSE	JA	18	23	-5	127.78%	78
JUVENILE DEL.	JD	88	119	-31	135.23%	41
CRIMINAL FELONY	CF	324	364	-40	112.35%	466
CRIMINAL MISD.	CM	139	246	-107	176.98%	705
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	DV	64	23	41	35.94%	41
DUI	DT	181	251	-70	138.67%	379
MAJOR TRAFFIC	MT	628	405	223	64.49%	223
MINOR TRAFFIC	TR	2,661	3,757	-1,096	141.19%	8,787
ORDIN VIOL.	OV	241	219	22	90.87%	67
QUASI-CRIMINAL	QC	0	0	0	100%	0
CONSERVATION.	CV	8	7	1	87.5%	1
CIVIL LAW	CL	11	11	0	100%	1
CONTEMPT COURT	CC	4	3	1	75%	1
MISC. CRIM	MX	131	116	15	88.55%	13
TOTAL CASES		5,846	6,957	-1,111	119%	11,453