

SUPREME COURT Narrative Summary

During fiscal year 2001, there were 1,248 cases filed in the Supreme Court, a decrease of 11.0% in total filings from the 1,402 cases filed in FY 2000. The categories with the largest percentage decreases were Habeas Corpus cases, which decreased 64.2% from 81 in FY 2000 to 29 in FY 2001, and Rule 28 Petitions (-36.6%), which went from 30 in FY 2000 to 19 in FY 2001. Numerically, Criminal Petitions for Review case filings showed the greatest decrease (-178) and accounted for a drop of 26.7%. The categories with the largest percentage increase was State Bar Matters (+124.4%). In general, most case filing categories declined from FY 2000 levels as 11 of the 14 categories showed declines between 8.7% and 64.2%.

In the same period, the Supreme Court disposed of 1,357 cases, an increase of 5.9% from the 1,281 cases disposed during the previous fiscal year.

The differences between filings and terminations resulted in a pending caseload decrease of 21.7%, from 580 cases on July 1, 2000 to 454 cases on June 30, 2001.

Detailed breakdowns of "State Bar Matters" and "All Other Cases" and a State Bar Activity Report follow the filings and terminations summaries.

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ABBREVIATIONS
(Appellate)

App. Sp. Examiner	Appointment of Special Examiner
Corp. Commission	Corporation
Decis	Decisions
DOC	Department of Corrections
Exam/Admiss	Examination/Admission
Extraord	Extraordinary
Ind./Industrial Comm.	Industrial Commission
Jud. Cond. Comm.	Commission on Judicial Conduct
Memo	Memorandum
MH Sexual Predator	Mental Health Sexual Predator
Post-Conv. Rel.	Post-Conviction Relief
P.R.	Petition for Review
Ques.	Questions
S.A.	Special Action
Stat. Adj.	Statistical Adjustment
Susp. Spec. Rule	Suspensions Under Specific Rule
TERM.	Terminated
Trans. Disability	Disability Transfers
Trans. In	Transferred In
Trans. Out	Transferred Out
Unemp. Board	Unemployment Board

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2001

ALL CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING	CASES	REIN-	TRANS-	TRANS-	STAT	TOTAL	FISCAL YEAR 2000	
	7/1/2000	FILED	STATED	FER IN	FER OUT	ADJ	CASES ON FILE	PENDING 7/1/1999	CASES FILED
CIVIL APPEALS	1	14	0	0	0	0	15	0	4
CRIMINAL APPEALS	21	8	0	0	0	0	29	17	9
POST-CONV RELIEF	2	11	0	0	0	0	13	6	13
SPECIAL ACTION	8	28	1	0	1	0	36	6	31
SP ACT-DOC INMATES	7	36	0	0	0	-3	40	5	43
STATE BAR MATTERS	12	184	0	0	0	-5	191	8	82
HABEAS CORPUS	10	29	0	0	0	-2	37	5	81
RULE 28	28	19	1	0	0	0	48	27	30
ALL OTHER CASES	13	22	0	0	0	1	36	13	29
SUBTOTAL	102	351	2	0	1	-9	445	87	322
PET REV-CIVIL	147	353	0	0	0	-2	498	160	359
PET REV-CRIMINAL	279	488	0	0	0	-7	760	188	666
PET REV-IND COMM	20	28	0	0	0	0	48	22	24
PET REV-JUVENILE	17	21	0	0	0	0	38	24	23
PET REV-TAX	15	7	0	0	0	0	22	12	8
SUBTOTAL	478	897	0	0	0	-9	1,366	406	1,080
TOTAL	580	1,248	2	0	1	-18	1,811	493	1,402

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY

FISCAL YEAR 2001

ALL CASES TERMINATED

TYPE OF ACTION	CASES TERMINATED				TOTAL		FISCAL YEAR 2000	
	WRITTEN	MEMO	ORDER	OTHER	CASES	PENDING	TOTAL	PENDING
	OPINION	DECIS		DECIS			TERM	
CIVIL APPEALS	5	5	5	0	15	0	3	1
CRIMINAL APPEALS	4	0	0	0	4	25	4	21
POST-CONV RELIEF	0	0	6	0	6	7	16	2
SPECIAL ACTION	6	0	27	0	33	3	25	8
SP ACT-DOC INMATES	0	0	35	0	35	5	42	7
STATE BAR MATTERS	2	0	166	0	168	23	78	12
HABEAS CORPUS	0	0	30	0	30	7	75	10
RULE 28	0	0	25	0	25	23	29	28
ALL OTHER CASES	1	0	24	1	26	10	28	13
SUBTOTAL	18	5	318	1	342	103	300	102
PET REV-CIVIL	18	1	351	1	371	127	370	147
PET REV-CRIMINAL	4	0	581	0	585	175	550	279
PET REV-IND COMM	1	1	30	0	32	16	26	20
PET REV-JUVENILE	1	0	16	0	17	21	30	17
PET REV-TAX	1	0	9	0	10	12	5	15
SUBTOTAL	25	2	987	1	1,015	351	981	478
TOTAL	43	7	1,305	2	1,357	454	1,281	580

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2001

"ALL OTHER CASES" DETAIL
CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING 7/1/2000	CASES FILED	REIN- STATED	TRANS- FER IN	TRANS- FER OUT	STAT ADJ	TOTAL CASES ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2000	
								PENDING 7/1/1999	CASES FILED
EXTRAORD MATTERS	0	9	0	0	0	1	10	0	8
JUD CONDUCT COMM	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	2
TRANSFERS	2	7	0	0	0	0	9	2	13
WATER CASES	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	0
GRAND JURY	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
CERTIFIED QUESTION	3	3	0	0	0	0	6	2	4
TOTAL	13	22	0	0	0	1	36	13	29

"ALL OTHER CASES" DETAIL
CASES TERMINATED

TYPE OF ACTION	CASES TERMINATED				TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2001	FISCAL YEAR 2000	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS			TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2000
EXTRAORD MATTERS	0	0	9	1	10	0	8	0
JUD CONDUCT COMM	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	1
TRANSFERS	0	0	9	0	9	0	13	2
WATER CASES	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	7
GRAND JURY	0	0	2	0	2	0	2	0
CERTIFIED QUESTION	0	0	3	0	3	3	3	3
TOTAL	1	0	24	1	26	10	28	13

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2001

"STATE BAR MATTERS" DETAIL
MATTERS ON FILE

TYPE OF MATTER	PENDING 7/1/2000	MATTERS FILED	REIN- STATED	STAT ADJ	TOTAL MATTERS ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2000	
						PENDING 7/1/1999	MATTERS FILED
SUSP SPEC RULE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
DISCIPLINARY	10	133	0	-3	140	8	43
TRANS DISABILITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PR EXAM/ADMISS	1	6	0	0	7	0	7
APPT SP EXAMINER	0	2	0	0	2	0	0
RESIGNATION	0	37	0	-2	35	0	28
RULE 38 (WAIVER)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RULE 39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RULE 40	1	6	0	0	7	0	3
TOTAL	12	184	0	-5	191	8	82

"STATE BAR MATTERS" DETAIL
MATTERS TERMINATED

TYPE OF MATTER	MATTERS TERMINATED				TOTAL MATTERS TERM	PENDING 6/30/2001	FISCAL YEAR 2000	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS			TOTAL MATTERS TERM	PENDING 6/30/2000
SUSP SPEC RULE	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
DISCIPLINARY	2	0	115	0	117	23	42	10
TRANS DISABILITY	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
PR EXAM/ADMISS	0	0	7	0	7	0	5	1
APPT SP EXAMINER	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0
RESIGNATION	0	0	35	0	35	0	28	0
RULE 38 (WAIVER)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RULE 39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RULE 40	0	0	7	0	7	0	2	1
TOTAL	2	0	166	0	168	23	78	12

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2001

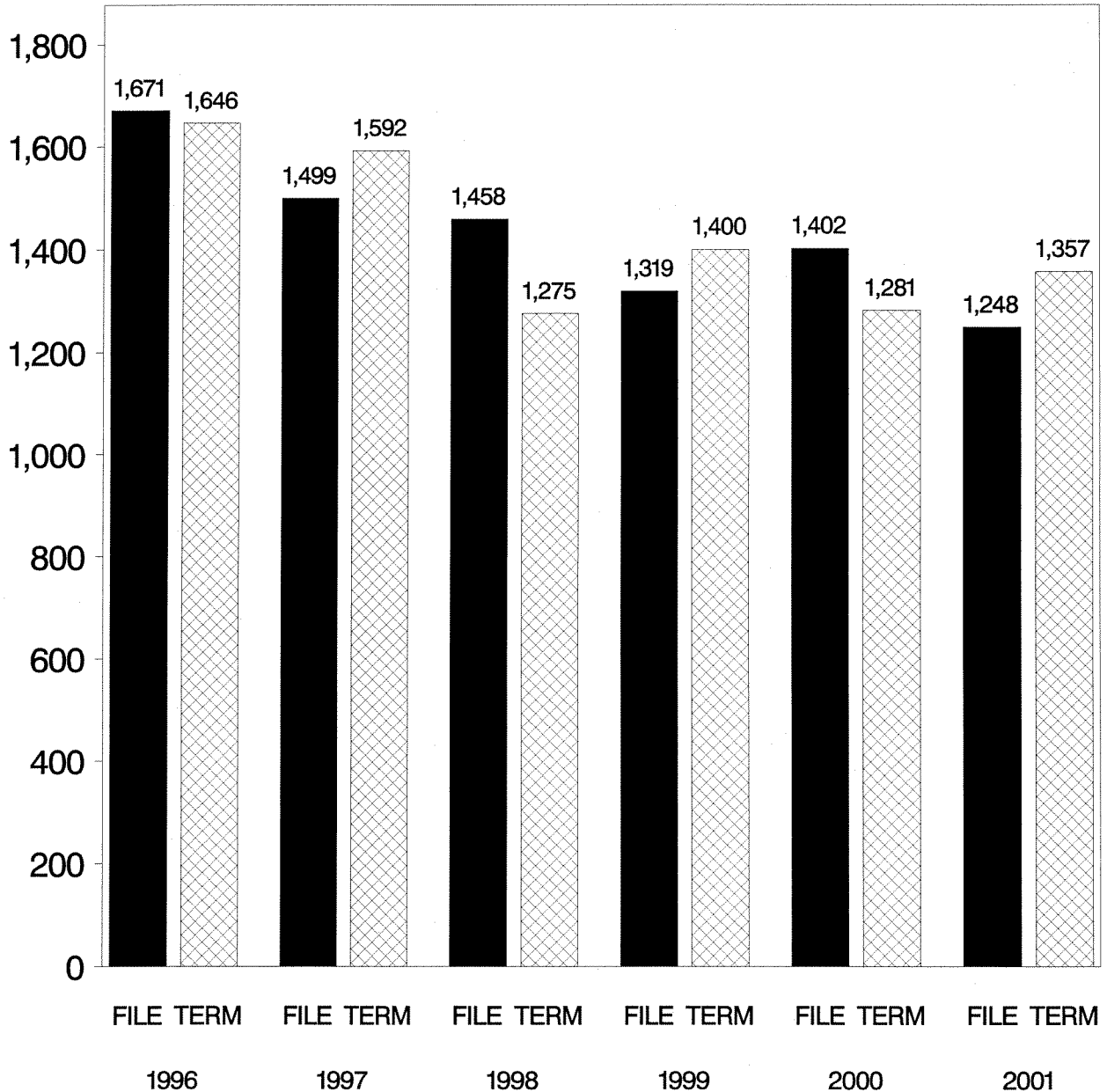
STATE BAR ACTIVITY REPORT

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	NUMBER	FISCAL YEAR 2000 NUMBER
ADMISSIONS	566	598
ADMISSIONS BY AFFIDAVIT	47	56
REINSTATEMENTS	67	0
SERVICE OF COMPLAINT AND SUBPOENAS	2	0
CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING	235	280
ATTORNEY SUSPENSIONS (FAILURE TO PAY BAR FEES)	204	0
RULE 38 (CERTIFICATIONS)	135	156
TRANSFERS TO DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS	7	5
TOTAL	1,263	1,095

SUPREME COURT

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 1996 – 2001

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED



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COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION ONE
Narrative Summary

Division One of the Court of Appeals experienced a decrease in case filings in fiscal year 2001. Total filings decreased by 1.7%, from 2,455 in FY 2000 to 2,414. The Special Actions category showed the greatest numerical decrease in filings, declining by 83 (or 24.7%) from the previous fiscal year. Both Criminal and Civil case filings increased in FY 2001. Criminal case filings rose 5.9%, from 716 in FY 2000 to 758 in FY 2001. Civil case filings rose slightly, from 576 in FY 2000 to 582 in FY 2001, and increase of 1.1%.

Total case dispositions showed a decrease, from 2,826 in FY 2000 to 2,522 in FY 2001, a decrease of 10.8%.

The total pending caseload figure decreased from 1,918 on July 1, 2000 to 1,823 on June 30, 2001, a decline of 5.0%.

A new mental health case filing category was added in FY 2000, called Mental Health Sexual Predator. This category tracks the division-reported number of sexual predator cases filed. Division One began breaking out sexual predator cases from the mental health case category this fiscal year, while Division Two began reporting sexual predator cases separately from mental health cases in FY 2000.

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COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY
 FISCAL YEAR 2001
 DIVISION ONE
 ALL CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING 7/1/2000	CASES FILED	REIN- STATED	TRANS- FER IN	TRANS- FER OUT	STAT ADJ	TOTAL CASES ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2000	
								PENDING 7/1/1999	CASES FILED
CIVIL	494	582	8	0	0	-36	1,048	635	576
RULE 29	4	0	0	0	0	6	10	5	0
SETTLEMENT CONF	0	0	0	0	0	29	29	0	0
MENTAL HEALTH	8	9	0	0	0	-8	9	2	10
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	.	3	0	0	0	8	11	.	.
SPECIAL ACTIONS	106	253	1	0	0	1	361	74	336
CRIMINAL	754	758	20	0	1	0	1,531	816	716
POST CONV RELIEF	258	352	18	0	0	0	628	446	287
INDUSTRIAL COMM	108	132	3	0	37	0	206	107	181
JUVENILE	136	250	1	0	0	0	387	146	214
HABEAS CORPUS	5	4	0	0	0	0	9	7	11
UNEMPLOY BOARD	6	49	0	0	0	0	55	7	91
TAX	29	16	0	0	0	0	45	25	26
CORP COMM/ELECTR POWER	10	6	0	0	0	0	16	4	7
TOTAL	1,918	2,414	51	0	38	0	4,345	2,274	2,455

COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2001
DIVISION ONE

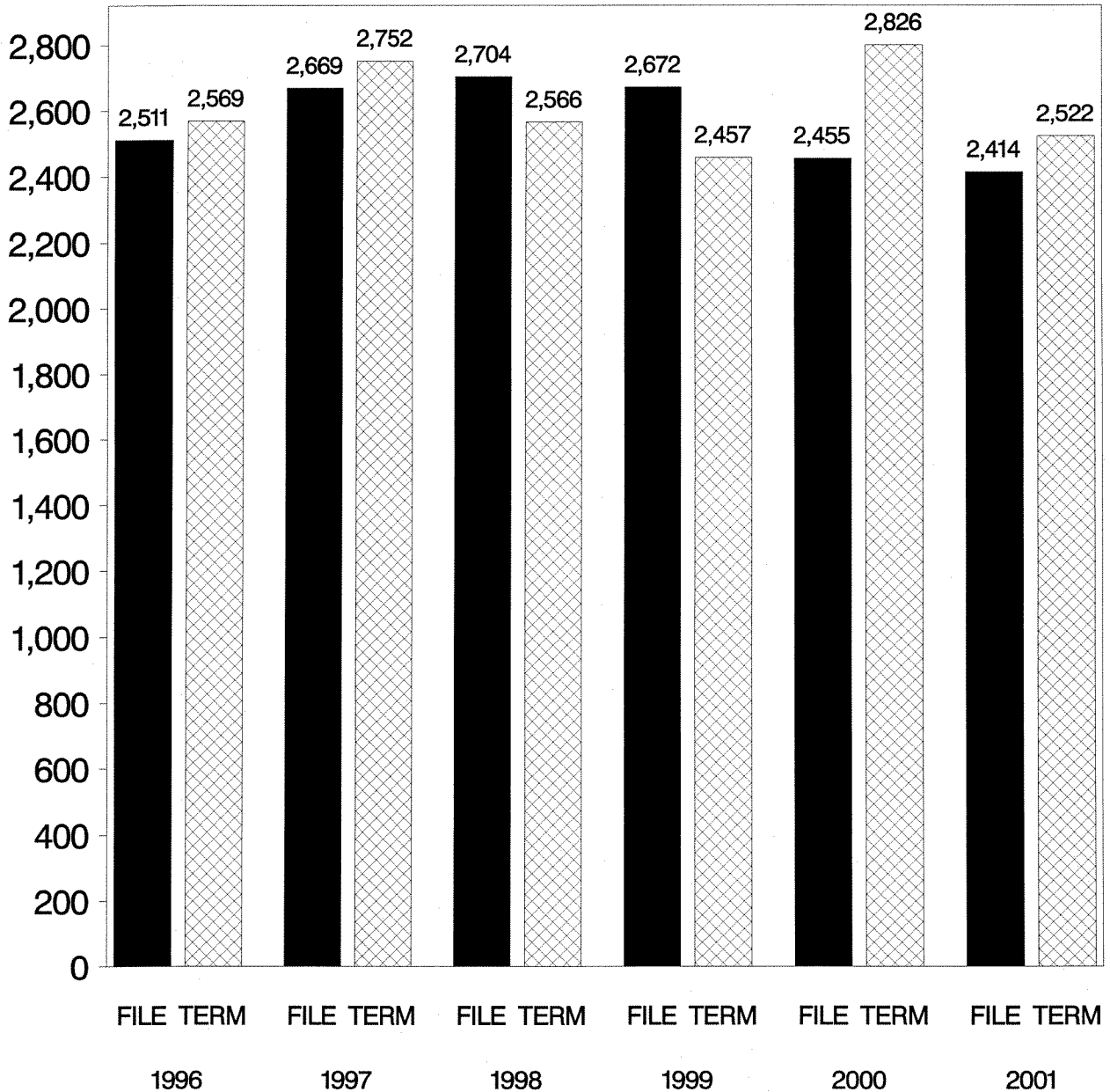
ALL CASES TERMINATED

TYPE OF ACTION	CASES TERMINATED				TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2001	FISCAL YEAR 2000	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS			TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2000
CIVIL	60	309	4	206	579	469	700	494
RULE 29	0	3	1	5	9	1	13	4
SETTLEMENT CONF	0	0	0	29	29	0	21	0
MENTAL HEALTH	0	4	0	1	5	4	4	8
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	0	1	0	2	3	8	.	.
SPECIAL ACTIONS	7	11	17	259	294	67	311	106
CRIMINAL	25	587	0	203	815	716	804	754
POST-CONV RELIEF	1	11	0	315	327	301	487	258
INDUSTRIAL COMM	6	67	0	55	128	78	132	108
JUVENILE	9	184	0	56	249	138	227	136
HABEAS CORPUS	0	3	0	3	6	3	13	5
UNEMPLOY BOARD	0	1	0	46	47	8	92	6
TAX	8	12	0	4	24	21	21	29
CORP COMMISSION	0	1	0	6	7	9	1	10
TOTAL	116	1,194	22	1,190	2,522	1,823	2,826	1,918

COURT OF APPEALS, DIVISION 1

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 1996 – 2001

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COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION TWO
Narrative Summary

Following the overall trend in the appellate courts, Division Two of the Court of Appeals experienced a decline in case filings. In fiscal year 2001, total filings decreased by 1.0%, from 1,058 in FY 2000 to 1,048. The most notable decline was in Special Action filings which decreased by 20.3% from the previous fiscal year. Criminal, Civil and Habeas Corpus case filings increased from the previous fiscal year by 0.9%, 4.5% and 310.0% respectively.

Dispositions showed a decrease of 10.6%, from 1,311 in FY 2000 to 1,172 in FY 2001. Most of the decrease was in the "Criminal" and "Post Conviction Relief" categories.

The total pending caseload figure decreased from 1,101 on July 1, 2000 to 1,041 on June 30, 2001. This is a decrease of 5.5%.

A new mental health case filing category was added in FY 2000, called Mental Health (MH) Sexual Predator. This category tracks the division-reported number of sexual predator cases filed. Division One began breaking out sexual predator cases from the mental health case category this fiscal year, while Division Two began reporting sexual predator cases separately from mental health cases in FY 2000.

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COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY
 FISCAL YEAR 2001
 DIVISION TWO
 ALL CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING 7/1/2000	CASES FILED	REIN- STATED	TRANS- FER IN	TRANS- FER OUT	STAT ADJ	TOTAL CASES ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2000	
								PENDING 7/1/1999	CASES FILED
CIVIL	203	161	3	0	3	14	378	198	154
RULE 29	4	0	1	0	0	10	15	3	0
SETTLEMENT CONF	19	73	0	0	0	-22	70	17	83
MENTAL HEALTH	6	8	0	0	0	0	14	9	21
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	5	4	0	0	0	0	9	.	4
SPECIAL ACTIONS	51	118	0	1	0	0	170	36	148
CRIMINAL	512	337	11	0	3	-1	856	598	334
POST CONV RELIEF	176	207	10	0	0	2	395	284	206
INDUSTRIAL COMM	58	0	1	39	1	2	99	44	0
JUVENILE	61	99	1	0	0	0	161	73	98
HABEAS CORPUS	6	41	0	0	0	-1	46	3	10
CORP COMM/ELECTR POWER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1,101	1,048	27	40	7	4	2,213	1,265	1,058

COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2001
DIVISION TWO

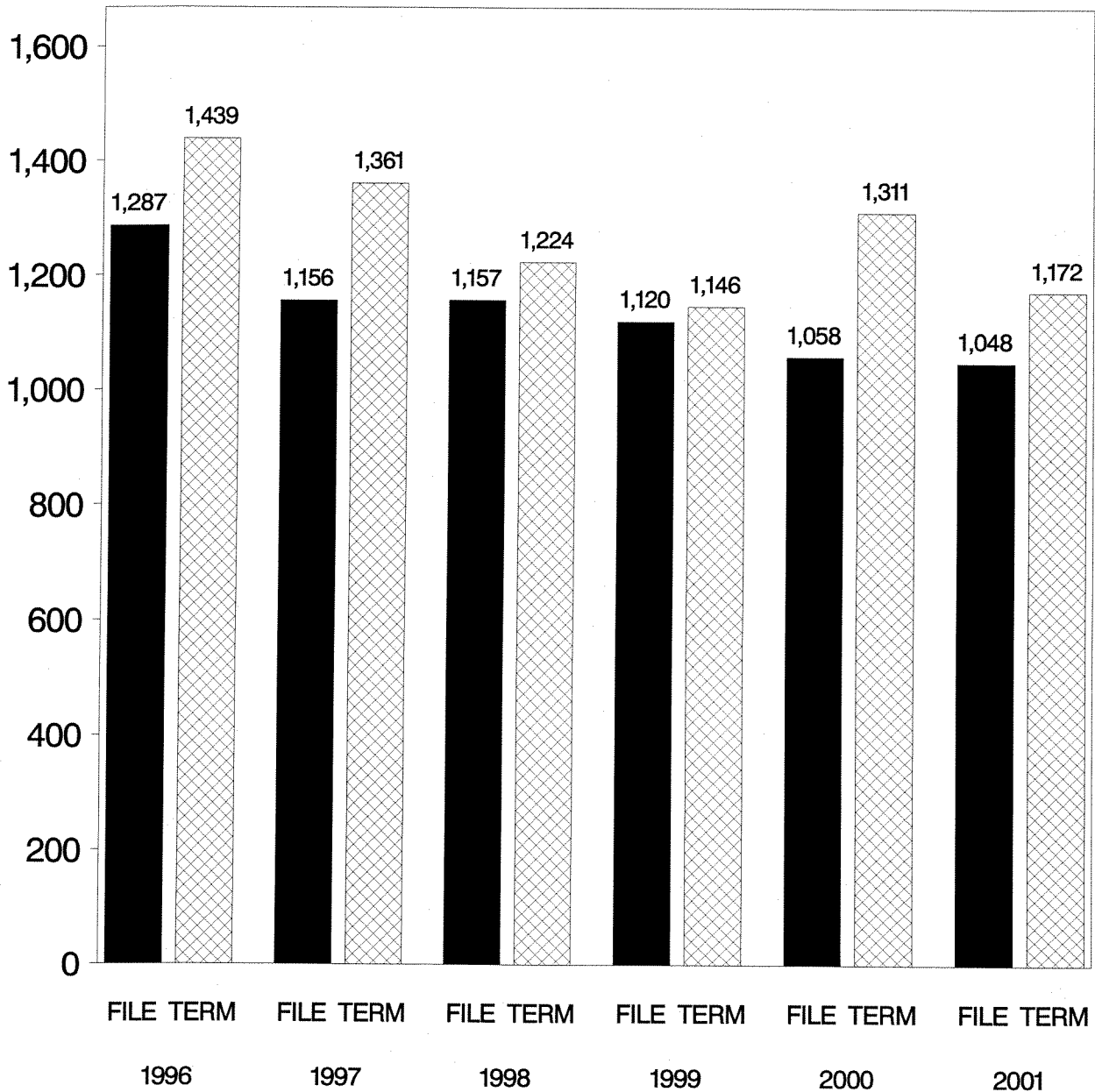
ALL CASES TERMINATED

TYPE OF ACTION	CASES TERMINATED				TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2001	FISCAL YEAR 2000	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS			TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2000
CIVIL	22	97	2	56	177	201	191	203
RULE 29	0	0	13	0	13	2	8	4
SETTLEMENT CONF	0	0	0	45	45	25	37	19
MENTAL HEALTH	0	6	0	6	12	2	21	6
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	0	3	0	0	3	6	0	5
SPECIAL ACTIONS	2	0	19	117	138	32	135	51
CRIMINAL	12	284	0	83	379	477	429	512
POST-CONV RELIEF	4	180	0	49	233	162	328	176
INDUSTRIAL COMM	2	45	1	12	60	39	43	58
JUVENILE	3	66	1	34	104	57	111	61
HABEAS CORPUS	0	4	0	4	8	38	8	6
CORP COMMISSION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	45	685	36	406	1,172	1,041	1,311	1,101

COURT OF APPEALS, DIVISION 2

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 1996 – 2001

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED



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