

Breaking New Ground in Judicial Education

Funded through the STOP Grant, judicial education programs heavily focused on understanding, recognizing and addressing human trafficking. Workshops and trainings on the topic were offered to magisterial district and trial judges, court reporters and court interpreters.

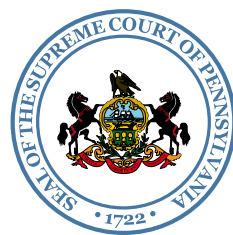
Some topics of judicial education:

- Artificial Intelligence
- Child Custody
- Immigration Law
- Criminal Sentencing: Community Based Options
- The Science of Truth Telling
- Social Media & IT Security
- Court Continuity Operational Plans (COOP)
- Practical Issues at Preliminary Hearing
- Wellness and the Legal Profession
- Pretrial Risk Assessments and Bail

1,183 Pennsylvania judges attended

33,366

total hours of continuing education in 2019.



Chief Justice Thomas G. Saylor
Justice Max Baer
Justice Debra Todd
Justice Christine Donohue
Justice Kevin M. Dougherty
Justice David N. Wecht
Justice Sallie Updyke Mundy

2020
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2021

Judicial Budget Request

In 2019 Pennsylvania Courts ...

Joined the governor and legislative leaders in the creation of a **Juvenile Justice Task Force** to assess how Pennsylvania administers juvenile justice and develop recommendations on how to strengthen the system.

Developed and launched system to implement the **Clean Slate Act** that automatically removes certain criminal history record information from public view. **Over**

26 million cases

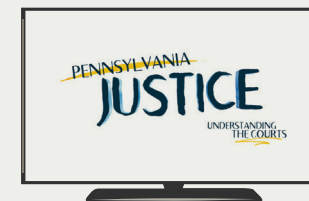
have been sealed (as of Feb. 1).



Used **GTS** to track

18,416

active guardianship cases with assets totaling \$1,474,332,359 under court supervision.



Produced a new, modern education video on Understanding the PA Courts - watch at pacourts.us.



Facilitated over

41,000

requests for interpreters.

Court Technology

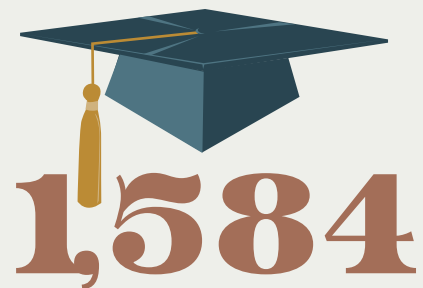


Received two national court technology awards for development of a new **Guardianship Tracking System (GTS)** and **PDF/A electronic document archival solution**.



Over **2.6 million cases** were docketed in 2019.
Over **133 million docket sheets** were viewed in 2019.

Problem-Solving Courts



1,584 participants graduated successfully from problem-solving court programs.



304 of the participants discharged in 2018 improved their level of education between time of admission and discharge.



635

law enforcement agencies are now electronically filing traffic/parking citations and criminal complaints - **165 of which started e-filing in 2019**.

A record

\$145 million

in fines, fees and restitution was paid online through **PAePay** - more than an **11% increase** from last year.



557

became employed between admission and discharge.



31,034

hours of community service completed by problem-solving court participants.

Collections

Over the past 10 years, the judiciary has **collected** over **\$4.67 billion**.

Collecting fines, fees, costs and restitution is a priority for the judiciary - with **\$480 million collected in 2019 alone**. These dollars flow back into the state budget and Pennsylvania communities, and to victims of crime.

State (\$240.6 million)

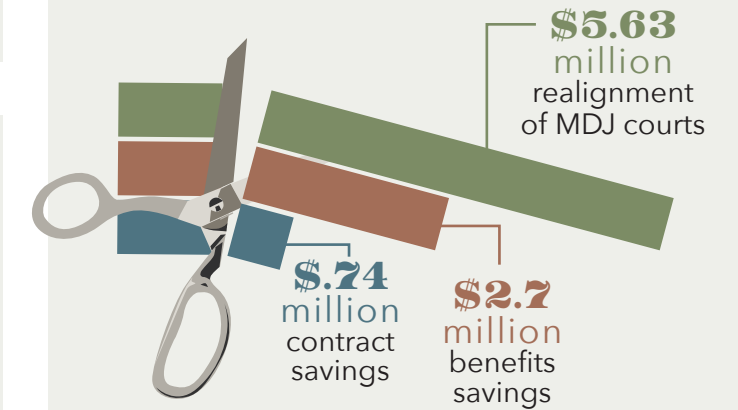
Local governments (\$198.3 million)

Victims of crime (\$37.7 million)

Airports, parking authorities, libraries, schools, etc. (\$3.8 million)

Saving Tax Dollars

Saving tax dollars through various cost saving measures remains a priority through renegotiating leases and contracts, containing benefit costs and the right sizing of the judiciary including the realignment of Pennsylvania's magisterial district courts.

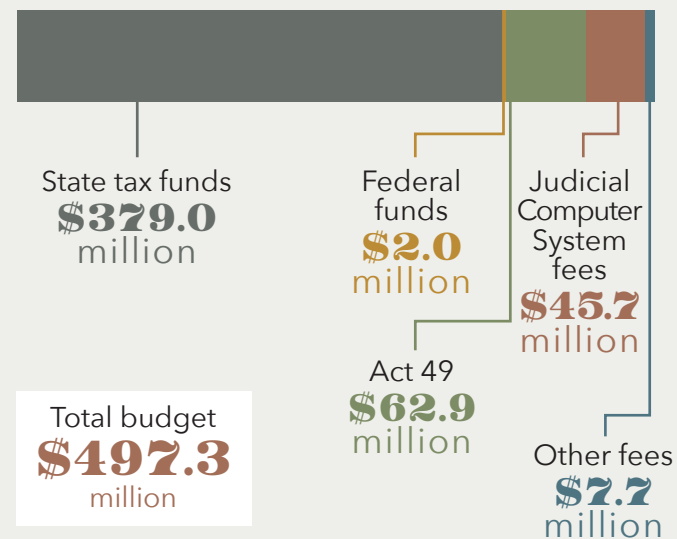


Over the past 12 years, the judiciary has saved a combined

\$92.3 million.

Funding sources

Proposed 2020-2021 Funding



The judiciary receives about **0.5%** of the state budget.

Since 2009, fee revenue has been used to fund a portion of the judiciary's annual general fund budget, currently about

13% of the total.