



OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER

ANNUAL REPORT

2009

INTRODUCTION

2009 was a year of continued challenges, and expanded initiatives in the Monroe County Public Defender's Office. The City of Rochester maintained its "Zero Tolerance Program" which resulted in a 15% increase in the number of criminal cases handled by the Office in 2009 compared to 2007 caseloads. Additionally, new changes to New York family law continued to impose greater burdens on the Family Court Bureau.

Despite these challenges, due to the extraordinary dedication of the attorneys and support staff, we were able to continue to provide excellent representation for our clients. Such dedication was exhibited in the enormous amount of unpaid overtime worked by the attorneys in the Office, and the efforts of the support staff. The 59 attorneys in this Office worked almost 7000 hours of unpaid overtime last year, and the support staff expended considerable effort in assisting the attorneys in dealing with the enormous increase in cases.

In 2009 the Office continued its efforts in examining how to improve the representation we provide our clients. In 2009 we completed several initiatives began in 2008, and began several new initiatives, all designed to improve the quality of services we provide.

In Part I of this Report, the Office's efforts to improve client representation, increase contact with the community that we serve, continue our efforts to recruit highly qualified attorneys to be assistant public defenders, and improve diversity in our

staff will be discussed. In Part II of this Report, the Office, its staffing, and caseloads will be outlined. Part III of this Report will discuss community involvement and support, and Part IV will discuss future plans for the Office.

PART I: OFFICE INITIATIVES

A. Introduction

The strength of this Office is in the enormously talented and committed people who work here. It is through their efforts that the following improvements and initiatives were undertaken and accomplished in 2009.

B. Hiring Committee

Ensuring that each new hire exemplifies the qualities that make an excellent public defender is the responsibility of the hiring committee. Chaired by Special Assistant Public Defender John Bradley, the committee members (Special Assistant Public Defender Drew DuBrin, Special Assistant Public Defender Julie Cianca, Second Assistant Public Defender Jill Paperno, Assistant Public Defender Karine Haselbauer, and Assistant Public Defender Amanda Conner) screen all applicants for open attorney positions, conduct all initial interviews with prospective applicants, and recommend to the Public Defender the top three applicants for each open position.

Based upon their excellent work this past year, the Office has hired four attorneys, who were well-qualified for the position of assistant public defender and who exhibited a commitment to public defense. Three assistant public defenders that were hired had prior

experience with institutional defender offices, one with the Jefferson County Public Defender's Office, and two with prior experience in the Monroe County Public Defender's Office (one as a special assistant public defender, and another who had previously worked in the office as an attorney in the non-violent felony bureau). One attorney had recently graduated from law school with excellent academic credentials and a dedication to public interest law, and had interned at the Monroe County Public Defender's Office (and local criminal defense law firms) throughout law school.

C. Recruitment and Diversity Committee

A highly qualified, racially and ethnically diverse staff is essential to the ability of the Monroe County Public Defender's office to fulfill its mission of providing quality legal representation to poor persons in family and criminal courts in Monroe County. To ensure that the Office is making the maximum effort in recruiting highly qualified assistant public defenders, and in expanding our Office's diversity, the recruitment and diversity committee was established. The Committee is chaired by Special Assistant Public Defenders Andre Vitale and Julie Cianca. It is a testament to this Office's commitment to diversity that in addition to Ms. Cianca, and Mr. Vitale, nine other attorneys have volunteered their time and effort to ensure that we hire qualified, committed candidates who also increase our staff's diversity. To that end, we have been in contact with a variety of organizations and associations indicating our desire to hire dedicated attorneys from a wide range of backgrounds.

I am pleased to report that these efforts continue to be highly successful. Last year, with the assistance of the diversity and recruitment committee and the hiring committee, the Office hired four attorneys. All are excellent attorneys who are committed to the goal of this Office - seeking justice for our clients. Of these attorneys, one is a Hispanic woman, increasing an already diverse office to an even greater extent.

The members of the recruitment and diversity committee have also been very active in traveling to various law schools in New York State to promote this Office and the important work that it does for our clients and the community. For example, recently members of the committee traveled to Buffalo Law School for the Public Interest Law Job/Internship Networking Night to promote the Office to law students interested in public interest work. Through these efforts, we hope to attract other highly qualified and committed young attorneys to be assistant public defenders.

D. Continuing Legal Education (CLE) Committee

In order to effectively represent our clients, our attorneys must be provided frequent and regular trainings on changes in the law, and how to improve their trial skills. Additionally, given the enormous amount of legal talent in this Office, staff attorneys routinely conduct CLE programs for the outside defense and family law communities.

The Monroe County Public Defender's Office is an accredited CLE provider. The Office strives to provide staff attorneys and attorneys in the legal community high-quality CLE programs at no

cost. It is the responsibility of the CLE Committee to organize continuing legal education programs for staff attorneys and the legal community. In 2009 it was chaired by First Assistant Public Defender Roger Brazill.

In 2009 the CLE committee organized CLE programs on such topics as: the Attorney Grievance Procedure and the New Rules of Professional Conduct; Closing Arguments; DWI Defense Basics; "Street Encounters"; Automobile Stops; CPL Article 240 Discovery; Identification Procedures; Subpoenas - Law & Practice; CPL 30.30; Basic Sentencing; Preliminary Hearing Practice; Presumptions; 710.30 Notices; and an Update on Immigration Consequences.

Additionally, the Office developed a trial technique program for the town court attorneys. All new attorneys in the Office will be required to attend a 12 week course of basic trial techniques.

On September 12, 2009, the Office, in conjunction with the Monroe County's Socio-Legal Center, sponsored a CLE for the local defense community entitled "Mental Health Issues and the Criminal Justice System". Over 65 attorneys and judges attended and learned about mental health issues, and how the criminal justice system handles the mentally ill.

On September 29, 2009, the Office sponsored a CLE for the local defense bar entitled "The Judicial Diversion Program, (a/k/a 'Felony Drug Court'): The Defense Perspective". Over 60 attorneys attended to learn about the new judicial diversion program instituted in October of 2009.

On October 10, 2009, as a result of the hard work of the CLE

Committee, the Office co-sponsored a CLE with the New York State Defenders Association, and the local criminal defense firm of Easton, Thompson, Kasperek, Shiffrin, LLP. Several attorneys in the Office were faculty at the CLE program. Over 100 hundred attorneys from Western New York attended and the CLE program received very favorable reviews.

Attorneys in the Office are often asked to present at various CLE programs throughout New York State. In 2009 Office attorneys presented at CLEs sponsored by the New York State Bar Association, the Monroe County Bar Association, the New York State Defenders Association, and the New York State Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers.

Because of the work of this committee, and the attorneys in this Office who donated their time and effort speaking at CLEs, the legal community received valuable instruction in criminal and family law.

E. Law Office Technology Committee

Co-chaired by Assistant Public Defenders Don Scalia and James Eckert, this committee examines ways to use affordable technology to improve Office operations. In 2008 as a result of the efforts of this Committee, the Office implemented a new document library, and automated telephone answering system.

In 2009 the Office continued its efforts. A new web-site was developed, and with it a new "message board" to assist local defense attorneys in resolving issues or questions they may have in their case. The message board will be moderated by local attorneys,

including special assistant public defenders in this Office. It is the goal of the Office to make the web-site as informative as possible for our clients and the community.

In 2010 this committee plans to look into automatic document generation to assist support staff in generating routine documents necessary in each case.

F. Investigators Committee

Defense investigation is a specialty in the area of criminal investigations. Our investigators must be up-to-date on innovative investigation techniques and it is the goal of this committee to ensure that is the case. Chaired by Special Assistant Public Defender Erik Teifke, the committee is responsible for organizing trainers for staff investigators. The committee is also responsible for assessing and improving how the investigators and attorneys work together to obtain the best possible result for our clients.

G. Internship Committee and Program

In 2009 the Office continued its expansion of our internship program. In addition to placing college students as interns, the Office expanded the program to place law students, and in select cases, high school students.

Thanks to the efforts of Special Assistant Public Defender Andre Vitale, in 2009 the Office began an "externship program" with the University of Buffalo's Law School. As a result, in the Spring Semester of 2010, two UB Law students will work with attorneys in the felony sections of the Office to learn about criminal law. These students will receive course credit towards their degree

requirements, but also learn valuable knowledge about our criminal justice system. Additionally, they will assist attorneys in the Office by conducting legal research, drafting motions, and other forms of legal assistance.

Andre Vitale and Assistant Public Defender Don Scalia continue their efforts to place law students as interns in the Public Defender's Office. Law students who are interested in criminal defense volunteer their time learning about the criminal justice system, and gain valuable experience in criminal law, and trial practice. Additionally, they assist staff attorneys in the preparation of motions, briefs, memorandums of law, and research.

In addition to the internship programs offered to local college students throughout the year, in 2009 the Office expanded the program to include select high school students. Our internship coordinators, Kelly Sands and Maria Camacho, work very hard to provide our interns a challenging, positive experience as they work in the criminal justice community. Ms. Sands and Ms. Camacho work with Special Assistant Public Defender Andre Vitale and Assistant Public Defender Don Scalia to place interns with our paralegal bureau, our investigators section, or individual staff attorneys.

College and high school interns are offered the opportunity to observe the criminal justice system from a unique perspective, and they gain valuable experience. Working with their attorney-supervisors, interns review client files, assist staff during court proceedings, and observe a variety of court proceedings. Our interns also assist the Office, as we ask each intern to volunteer

a few hours per week performing office work, such as filing and copying. We receive very positive reviews from the students who intern in the Office, and have successfully placed students from SUNY Brockport, SUNY Geneseo, the University of Rochester, and Nazareth College.

In 2009 the continued its collaboration with the Strong Hospital Legal Nurse Consultant Program. Students in the program are registered nurses who are seeking to become legal nurse consultants. As part of their instruction, students from the program interned in the Office and assisted staff with reviewing and interpreting medical records, and researching medical issues.

PART II: OFFICE ORGANIZATION

A. Creation of Office and its jurisdiction

In a 1963 landmark decision, the Supreme Court of the United States ruled that all indigent defendants had the right to be represented by counsel in criminal proceedings. In order to comply with the Supreme Court ruling, Article 18-B of the County Law of the State of New York was adopted by the State Legislature in 1965. This law required the various counties throughout the State to adopt a plan for the representation of indigent defendants. In compliance with the state mandate, on May 23, 1968, by virtue of Resolution No. 250 of 1968, the Monroe County Legislature adopted Local Law No. 5 of 1968, thus creating the Office of the MONROE COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDER.

By law, the Public Defender is required to "represent, without charge, at the request of the defendant, or by order of the court

with the consent of the defendant, each indigent defendant who is charged with a crime...in the county...in which such public defender serves."

The Monroe County Public Defender's Office represents individuals in the courts within Monroe County, including the City of Rochester and the towns and villages within the geographical boundaries of the County. This area has a population of approximately 700,000 people.

The office handles cases in:

- A. Town and Village Justice Courts
- B. Rochester City Court
- C. County Court
- D. Supreme Court
- E. Family Court
- F. Appellate Division and Court of Appeals
- G. United States Supreme Court (when required)

The Public Defender represents the indigent accused at every stage of the criminal proceeding from the arraignment through final disposition, including, when appropriate, appeals from adverse judgments and decisions.

Our goal is to provide to the poor who are accused of a crime, or who are entitled to representation in family court, truly competent legal representation which is at least equal to that which they would expect to obtain from privately retained counsel. An individual's constitutional rights must be protected regardless of his or her financial circumstances.

B. Staff

During 2009, our staff included 59 attorneys, 1 confidential assistant, 6 investigators, 5 investigative assistants, 2 Alternatives to Incarceration workers, 10 full-time secretaries and 2 receptionists, both of whom are bilingual. The attorneys are precluded from engaging in private practice.

Assistant public defenders are assigned to work in the Town Court Bureau, the City Court Bureau, the Superior Court Bureau (Non-Violent Felony Section and the Violent Felony Section), the Family Court Bureau, or the Appeals Bureau.

C. City Court Bureau

The Rochester City Court has a heavier caseload than any other Criminal Court in Monroe County. All felonies, misdemeanors and violations of the law committed within the geographical boundaries of the City of Rochester are handled by City Court. A City Court judge has preliminary jurisdiction over all felonies and complete jurisdiction over misdemeanors and violations.

The responsibilities of the Assistant Public Defender assigned to City Court include gathering information to assist the court in determining a defendant's eligibility for representation, appearing at arraignment, making bail applications, participating in pre-trial conferences, investigating and preparing a defense to the charges, preparation and argument of various types of motions, pre-trial hearings, preliminary hearings, trials, social service agency referrals, and sentencing. The City Court Section also has the added responsibility of representing individuals who were charged

with violations of their parole,¹ and individuals whose cases have been transferred to Rochester Drug Treatment Court, Monroe County Mental Health Court, the Integrated Domestic Violence Court, or Monroe County Veterans Court.

In 2009, all of these responsibilities were carried out by a total of fourteen Assistant Public Defenders and one Special Assistant Public Defender, who is in charge of the City Court Section. The attorneys share the enumerated responsibilities on a rotating basis.

In 2009, this Office was called upon to represent clients in approximately 13,000 cases in the City Court of Rochester. In addition, the attorneys in this section were assigned to represent more than 835 parolees who were charged with violating the conditions of their parole release. That means, on average, each Assistant Public Defender would have been assigned to approximately 988 cases during the course of the year. That number of case assignments is more than double the recommended maximum caseload as established by the National Legal Aid and Defender's Association.

D. Town Court Bureau

The office is required to represent persons accused of crimes in the various town and villages throughout the County. There are seven attorneys (one Special Assistant Public Defender and six Assistant Public Defenders) assigned to cover the Town and Village

¹ The Executive Law was amended, effective January 1, 1978, to require that counsel be assigned to alleged parole violators in order to provide legal representation at their final parole revocation hearings. Counsel may also be assigned to represent parolees at their preliminary parole revocation hearings.

Justice Courts within the 21 towns and villages of Monroe County.²

The newly hired Assistant Public Defenders are traditionally assigned to the Town Courts. The Town Courts have heavy case loads, erratic court hours and varying local court procedures. The assignment of a Special Assistant Public Defender to the section enables us to provide our new attorneys with the appropriate training and orientation to the local justice court process and essential supervision so as to ensure quality representation for our clients.

In 2009, approximately 4,700 clients were assigned to our Justice Court Staff of six full-time attorneys. Therefore, each of the newly hired attorneys in the section was assigned to an average of approximately 765 cases. In the busier courts, our caseload is compressed due to the fact that the court is only in session once or twice a week. This means that an attorney may be required to represent as many as fifty clients during a single court night.

E. Superior Court Bureau

In 2009, the Superior Court Bureau (divided into the non-violent felony section and the violent felony section) was staffed with 19 attorneys, including the First Assistant Public Defender, the Second Assistant Public Defender, and four Special Assistant Public Defenders.

The attorneys in the Bureau handled felony cases, the most serious charges against the indigent accused. The attorneys

² Although there are 21 Town and Villages in Monroe County with a justice court, almost all of those courts have at least two judges. The attorneys in the Town Court section must handle 46 separate courts in the 21 Towns and Villages in

appeared in all courts, including: Supreme Court, County Court, City Court and Town/Justice Courts. The Bureau handled violent and nonviolent felony offenses.

The attorneys in this Bureau handled most aspects of the criminal process, including local court preliminary hearings, local court pleas and sentencing; superior court pleas and sentencing, hearings, motions, and trials. In addition, these attorneys handle probation violation proceedings, parole cases (preliminary hearings, final hearings, administrative appeals), habeas corpus proceedings, and mental health proceedings under the Criminal Procedure Law.

While our present staffing level does not permit us to provide vertical representation in all felony cases, we do provide this type of representation in violent felony offender and repeat offender cases. Vertical representation was also provided in all homicide cases and to select clients charged with other serious felonies, such as class A and B drug offenses.

This office remains committed to providing vertical representation whenever possible since it provides the indigent accused the most effective representation possible. Our goal is to provide vertical representation to all those accused of a felony offense.

In 2009, we were assigned to approximately 4,000 felony cases. The felony caseload per attorney ratio is approximately 210 new cases per attorney. That represents a current felony assignment

rate which is far above national standards for caseload maximums.

The felony trial staff was involved in 59 trials in 2009. Three of the 59 trials (5%) ended in mistrials; 56 trials went to verdict. Of those 56 trials, 18 resulted in a complete acquittal (32%), and 8 resulted in an acquittal on the "top count" and a conviction of lesser charges (14%).

F. Family Court Bureau

The role of the Public Defender's Office in Family Court has continually grown. The State Legislature has consistently expanded the right to counsel for indigent persons involved in the Family Court process to include more cases where counsel is required.³ The State has also passed legislation requiring more court appearances in certain types of family court actions which requires are family court attorneys to devote a significant amount of time to appearing in court.

Our Family Court staff is comprised of one Special Assistant Public Defender and seven Assistant Public Defenders. Each attorney is assigned to the "intake part" on a rotating basis and is responsible for handling the cases assigned to our office through completion.

In 2009, this office was assigned to represent 4,566 new clients. To put this caseload into a historical perspective, in 1987, there were five attorneys in our Family Court section who

³ The Public Defender's jurisdiction in Family Court is specifically set forth in §262 of the Family Court Act which includes representing indigent respondents in child abuse, child neglect, permanent termination of parental rights, family offense, custody, paternity/support and support violation cases.

were assigned to represent 865 clients. That 1987 caseload was within 10% of management guidelines which suggest that a maximum caseload of approximately 150 cases be assigned to each attorney per year. Currently our eight Family Court attorneys are each required to provide representation to significantly greater number of clients each year. Last year, each family court attorney was asked to represent over 400 clients per year.

The goal of our office is to try and maintain the family unit whenever possible and to assist clients to negotiate the network of court-ordered services and providers thereby holding the state to its statutorily mandated obligation "to help the family with services [in order] to prevent its breakup."

G. Appeals Bureau

A person who is aggrieved by the final determination of a court has the constitutional right to at least one appeal. The Public Defender's Office is assigned by the Appellate Division or the appropriate appellate court to handle such proceedings. The Public Defender is assigned to appeal not only cases of our clients, but also for those defendants who want to appeal, but have exhausted their funds and who, after it is determined by the Court, cannot afford to retain private attorneys for purpose of an appeal.

The preparation and argument of appeals are specialties within the field of criminal law. Proper appellate practice requires not only a strong background in law, but also strong writing skills and

the ability to orally argue the law before an appellate court. The appellate attorney must first familiarize himself with what went on in the court below and then must research the law pertaining to the issues which have been discovered. The appeals attorneys argue cases before the Monroe County Court, Appellate Division (Fourth Department), Court of Appeals and the United States Supreme Court (when required).

In 2009, our authorized appeal staff consisted of the Special Assistant Public Defender in-charge of the section and eight Assistant Public Defenders.

The attorneys in the Appeals Bureau of the Monroe County Public Defender are primarily responsible for representing persons appealing felony convictions, and perfecting family court appeals.

Finally, the Bureau has continued to assist in the research, analysis and presentation of trial court cases. This work is instrumental in insuring that our attorneys are able to provide the best possible representation for our clients. This work occurs on a variety of levels. Pretrial motions and written requests for jury charge in felony cases are regularly reviewed and edited by attorneys from this Bureau. Additionally, Bureau attorneys research numerous evidentiary issues, -- sometimes preparing memoranda or motions. Bureau attorneys have also assisted trial attorneys on collateral issues which sometimes arise.

In 2009, the eight attorneys in our Appeals Bureau closed 211 cases. Included in this number was six cases perfected at the Court of Appeals (New York's highest appellate court). As the Court of

Appeals typically considers approximately 60 criminal cases per year for the entire State of New York, this is a very impressive number and a testament to the quality of the work performed by the attorneys in the Bureau.

H. Investigation Bureau

During 2009, the Monroe County Public Defender's Office employed six full-time investigators, one of whom is the Chief Investigator in charge of the section.

The statistics for 2009 are as follows:

	Criminal Trial Parts	Family Court Appeals Court	Total
Investigations/ Interviews	2,735	456	3,191
Subpoenas	541	361	902
Other Misc. Matters	179	39	218

In 2009 more than 3,190 criminal investigation requests were handled by our investigative staff. The work performed by our investigative staff is reflected in our ability to successfully resolve cases for our clients either by disposition or trial.

PART III: COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND SUPPORT

Not only are the staff of this Office committed to the service of the indigent accused, but we also want to make a contribution to our community and to agencies or groups who are concerned about those in need. This commitment is reflected in the fact that many members of this office are active members, volunteers, and/or board members in more than numerous agencies and organizations within the community.

The Office is also proud that members of the community are interested in and take an active role in this Office. Numerous community organizations are part of the Public Defender Advisory Committee. The individuals on this committee have been of valuable assistance to me in planning to meet the needs of our community. The members of this committee represent the following agencies or organizations: Action for a Better Community; Ibero-American Action League; Jail Ministry; Judicial Process Commission; League of Women Voters; Monroe County Bar Association; and the Urban League of Rochester.

It is important to note that the success this Office has achieved is due in part to the support given to us by the Monroe County Legislature and the Administration. Both the Legislature and the Administration take seriously the obligation of government to ensure justice for all. We would like to take this opportunity to express our thanks for that support, and we look forward to their support in the future.

PART IV: THE FUTURE OF THE OFFICE

2010 will be a challenging year for the Office. It is anticipated that caseloads will remain at their very high levels, and that there will be increasing pressure on the Office to provide excellent representation to our clients, while maintaining costs. As such, the Office will continue its efforts at improving efficiencies in each Bureau, ever mindful that our number one priority is our clients. We are confident that given the enormously talented and committed staff at this Office we will meet those

challenges.

As we look ahead to 2010 the Office plans to continue its efforts to improve our representation to our clients, continue our discourse with the community we serve, and improve the diversity of our staff.

The initiatives outlined above will continue as well. We will continue looking at how technology may improve Office operations. In 2010 we hope to integrate our Case Management System with County systems to reduce the amount of time support staff spends in file management. We will fully implement our web-site, and believe it will be a valuable resource for clients, and criminal law practitioners.

Working with the New York State Defenders Association, we hope to implement State-wide trainers for family law practitioners, and develop an on-line database of legal documents available to those who practice in the area of family law.

We also plan to expand our outreach to local law schools in the hope of attracting highly qualified young attorneys to this Office, and improving Office diversity. Working with a local law school we also hope to create a law school criminal law clinic and immigration law clinic in this Office.

PART V: CONCLUSION

Each and every member of the Public Defender's Office is proud of the amount of work done in the past year, but each individual takes a great deal more pride in the quality of the services we provide. We continue to stress respect for the judicial process

and absolute integrity in the handling of all cases assigned to this Office.

I would also like to note that in 2010 two respected attorneys left the Office to pursue other opportunities. Special Assistant Public Defender Leanne Lapp left the Office to become the 1st Assistant Public Defender in Ontario County. Assistant Public Defender Mary Willkens left the Office to join Mental Hygiene Legal Services as a staff attorney

Both will be sorely missed.

In concluding, I would like to note that this Office's excellent reputation is the result of the dedication, commitment, and talent of the attorneys and the support staff of this Office. I am enormously proud of their efforts and the results they achieve for our clients.

PUBLIC DEFENDERS

Charles L. Willis	Jul., 1968 - Dec., 1969
Nicholas P. Varlan	Jan., 1970 - Dec., 1973
Peter L. Yellin	Apr., 1974 - Jan., 1977
Edward J. Nowak	Apr., 1977 - Dec., 2007
Timothy P. Donaher	Feb., 2008 - Present

Respectfully submitted for
The Public Defender's Office

TIMOTHY P. DONAHER
Monroe County Public Defender

COURT ACTIVITY SUMMARY 2009

NEW CLIENTS.....27,970

FELONY..... 2,223
 FELONY (Drug A and B).. 542
 FELONY (VFO)..... 1,198
 MISDEMEANOR.....11,716
 VIOLATION..... 5,213
 (City and Justice)
 PROBATION VIOLATION.... 494
 (Superior)
 PROBATION VIOLATION.... 849
 (City and Towns)
 APPEALS..... 185
 FAMILY COURT..... 4,566
 PAROLE..... 835
 FUGITIVES..... 85
 SORA..... 64
PLEAS AS CHARGED.....2,871
 FELONY..... 509
 MISDEMEANOR..... 1,650
 VIOLATION..... 712
PLEAS TO LESSER
 FELONIES.....1,045
 To Lesser Felony..... 173
 To Misdemeanor..... 872

PLEAS TO LESSER (Con't)

MISDEMEANORS.....2,653
 To Lesser Misd..... 255
 To Violation..... 2,398

CLOSED CASES: [OTHER]:

A.C.D..... 3,237
 PRIVATE ATTY..... 758
 ASSIGNED COUNSEL..... 4,936
 W/D D.A, DIS'D ON MOTION..... 4,759

TRIALS.....236

FELONY..... 59
 MISDEMEANOR.....127
 VIOLATION..... 54

FINDING AFTER TRIAL

GUILTY AS CHARGED
 (or to part of indict.
 when highest court)..... 64
 GUILTY TO LESSER
 (or to part of indict.
 when lesser court)..... 40
 NOT GUILTY..... 98
 TRIAL ORDER OF DISMISSAL..... 13
 MISTRIAL..... 3

PUBLIC DEFENDER STAFF
(as of 3/1/10)

Administration

Donaher, T. Public Defender
Brazill, R. 1st Asst. Pub. Def.
Tronolone, T. Conf. Asst. to the Public Defender
Prescott, M. Exec. Secretary to the Public Defender
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Rivera, N. Receptionist-Bilingual

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Doran, M. Spec. Asst. (Drug)
Teifke, E. Spec. Asst. (VFO)
Lopez, M. Spec. Asst. (Parole)

Cook, K. Secretary

Abdallah, W. Asst. Pub. Def.
Brach, K. Asst. Pub. Def.
Griffin, J. Asst. Pub. Def.
Haselbauer, K. Asst. Pub. Def.
Johnson, N. Asst. Pub. Def.
Karnyski, K. Asst. Pub. Def.
Morrow, J. Asst. Pub. Def.
Riley, E. Asst. Pub. Def.
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Stubbe, J. Asst. Pub. Def.
Van Hooft, B. Asst. Pub. Def.
Winward, T. Asst. Pub. Def.
Yoon, J. Asst. Pub. Def.
Zoghlin, S. Asst. Pub. Def.

Appeals

DuBrin, D. Spec. Asst. (Appeals)
Amiger, S. Secretary
DeMonte, J.C. Secretary
Abbatoy, D. Asst. Pub. Def.
Davis, T. Asst. Pub. Def.
Duguay, Kim Asst. Pub. Def.
Clark, M. Asst. Pub. Def.
Eckert, J. Asst. Pub. Def.
Myers, G. Asst. Pub. Def.
Somes, J. Asst. Pub. Def.

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Allen, F. Invest. Asst.
Warner, S. Invest. Asst.

Afoh-Manin, J. Asst. Pub. Def.
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Conner, A. Asst. Pub. Def.
Gross, R. Asst. Pub. Def.
Harned, L. Asst. Pub. Def.
Juergens, D., Asst. Pub. Def.
Lopez, S. Asst. Pub. Def.
Lugbill, R. Asst. Pub. Def.
Newman, E. Asst. Pub. Def.
Oathout, B. Asst. Pub. Def.
Oren, A. Asst. Pub. Def.
Rosmus, E. Asst. Pub. Def.
Valleriani, S. Asst. Pub. Def.
Zaidi, A. Asst. Pub. Def.

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McKie, M. Secretary
Camacho, M. Invest. Asst.
Sands, K. Invest. Asst.

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Hagen, M. Asst. Pub. Def.
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Mazzarella, J. Asst. Pub. Def.
Rissew, A. Asst. Pub. Def.
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Johnson, J. Spec. Urban Inv.
Pagan, G. Spec. Urban Inv.
Chambers, P. Spec. Urban Inv.
Morse, L. Spec. Urban Inv.