

# Judicial Branch of the Navajo Nation



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## I. Message from the Chief Justice

Ya'at'eeh, Honorable Delegates of the Navajo Nation Council. I present to you the Judicial Branch of the Navajo Nation 2nd Quarter Report for Fiscal Year 2017.

It is once again that time of the year that the Judicial Branch reflects on our history and celebrates the creation of our Navajo court system. Each year, the judicial district courts of the Navajo Nation do this with the public in mind, inviting them to visit our courts for Justice Day activities. The public is given the opportunity to tour the courts and learn more about the justice system during these events. Our staff look forward to the interaction and public education that are the hallmarks of Justice Day each year. Please take the time to visit your local court during Justice Day. The remaining Justice Day events include Chinle Judicial District on April 21, Window Rock Judicial District on May 2, Shiprock and Ramah Judicial Districts on May 5, Alamo Court on May 8 and To'hajiilee Court on May 9, 2017. We look forward to visitation by our leadership on these days.

This year, Window Rock Judicial District's Justice Day will take place at its new location behind Navajo Arts and Crafts store. The facility that the Window Rock staff had been occupying with Public Safety was built in 1959 and now has numerous issues that cannot be fixed, including its HVAC ventilation system, deterioration of its structural support beams and roof. As a result, the court had to find a new facility and relocate operations. The staff spent many hours ensuring that they will be able to provide court and probation services to the public at the new location. Nevertheless, they will be occupying a temporary facility and continue to remain in need of a permanent facility where services for the people can be provided in an efficient manner.

In our continuing efforts to standardize court services and operations and to make our Diné justice system more accessible to the People, we made a commitment to provide ongoing public education on the justice system as part of goals and objectives we established during the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit held in late January and early February. During the summit, various components of the justice system including prosecutors, Division of Social Services, Division of Public Safety, Division of Natural Resources rangers and others came together to hear about the state of our criminal justice system and learn best practices from across the nation. By pulling these ideas together,

brainstorming and having intense discussions, we came up with goals that we want to accomplish in the short- and mid-terms. Through this, we realized there is a need for public awareness and coordination of services. To accomplish that, we have made plans to hold regular resource meetings, provide trainings in Dine Bi Benahaz'áanii and increase public education, including through the conduct of *pro se* clinics for litigants whom are representing themselves in court. Our goal has always been to make our services accessible to the people. We hope to fully realize the potential to engage the public in ensuring that our justice system is responsive to the needs of the Navajo Nation.

We are also pleased to announce that the e-payment system that I discussed in previous messages has finally come to fruition. The system began its roll-out at the Kayenta Judicial District on April 12, 2017 and is now fully operational at that court with the other judicial districts to follow shortly. Online payment of fines and fees, card-swipe capability at the local court house and telephone payments will now be the norm instead of the inconvenience of money order process.

Another project that will help us to reach our potential to engage the public and coordinate services is the development of the Diné Action Plan. The plan is coordinating our efforts and services to address our most pressing issues as a Nation, including violence, substance abuse and suicide. These are issues that can be prevented. With input from all branches of government, we are working to put this plan together for final approval. Once approved, the challenge becomes implementation. We are proposing an advisory group that will ensure the plan is implemented. The plan itself is in the final stages of review. The team that has been working diligently to draft the document is taking it to various leaders for their review. We look forward to adopting and implementing a plan that will address the needs identified by our people.

The Judicial Branch of course is only one part of a complex criminal justice system. The justice system is at a point where all resources are operating with minimal resources. While we work on goals to maximize what few resources we have, the ultimate goal is to ensure a viable and effective criminal justice system for our people. To accomplish that, all components of the criminal justice system must be supported by our leadership and be provided the resources necessary to carry out our functions.

One of our most urgent needs within the Judicial Branch that must be addressed is the need for judges. We have been working with the Law and Order Committee to screen all applicants for district court judges, associate justice and chief justice. Once these applicants are vetted through the Law and Order Committee, they are sent to the President for his consideration for appointment, and then finally to the Navajo Nation Council for confirmation. We look forward to bringing forth new candidates for consideration in the near future with the help of our oversight committee.

Though we have been recruiting at job fairs and law schools, the fact remains that judicial positions are very difficult to fill. Some positions have been vacant for years and we only receive a handful of applications each year. There is a need to attract qualified applicants to serve as the next generation of judges and justices. This is why the issue of

retirement continues to be an important one for the branch. We cannot expect to fill these important positions within the judiciary if we are not competitive with salaries and benefits. We have made our position known that we support making no changes to the retirement age or benefits for judges and that we support a 20-year amortization period, as opposed to a 10-year period. Our need to fix our justice system outweighs the need to obtain a 100 percent funded retirement system, especially considering that 80 percent, which both our employee and judicial retirement funds exceed, is above average compared to other jurisdictions. It remains my position that the best way to strengthen the retirement fund is to hire for vacant positions. This is where our leadership should concentrate efforts to ensure a strong retirement system for our employees and judicial system.

With due respect,

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## III. Vision, Mission and Strategic Goals

### VISION

It is our vision that the present judicial system, consisting of an adversarial-style tribal court system modeled on Anglo courts, a peacemaking system modeled on Diné original dispute resolution methods, and Probation and Parole Services, will fully embody the values and processes of the Navajo People, including family and clan-centered Navajo values. Our justice system as a whole will truly reflect the heart and soul of the Diné. It will be one that the People can recognize as their own and fully participate in the spirit of nábináhaazláago.

### MISSION

The Judicial Branch will provide stability in the Navajo Nation government by providing court, peacemaking, and probation and parole services, to adjudicate cases, resolve disputes, rehabilitate individuals and families, restore harmony, educate the public, agencies, services and other governments in Diné bi beenahaz' áanii, and protect persons and property pursuant to Navajo Nation laws, customs, traditions, and applicable federal laws. Pursuant to Diné bi beenahaz' áanii, the Judicial Branch will carefully develop a justice system that fully embodies the traditional values and processes of the Navajo People.

### STRATEGIC GOALS

- One:* As the Navajo Nation court, peacemaking, and probation and parole system, we will ensure the continued provision of efficient, fair, and respectful judicial services.
- Two:* We will ensure access to the judicial system by the public.
- Three:* We will address the infrastructure needed to maximize partnerships across branches, agencies, and communities.
- Four:* We will develop a judicial system in accordance with Diné bi beenahaz' áanii that fully incorporates Navajo values and processes.
- Five:* We will address facilities needs.

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## V. Administrative Office of the Courts

### A. Archiving

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The information data technician prepared, organized, and scanned 8,860 documents/files, including:

- Tuba City Judicial District: Inactive 2006 Traffic Civil Records
- Dził Yijiin Judicial District: Inactive 2013 Criminal Records
- Shiprock Judicial District: 2015-2016 Record Search Requests
- Crownpoint Judicial District: 2016 Record Search Requests

The information data technician assisted Chinle, Window Rock, Tuba City, Shiprock, and Crownpoint Judicial Districts with retrieval of archived microfilm records. The Judicial Branch has only one machine at the Administrative Office of the Courts in Window Rock to view and print records. District personnel have to travel to or send films to Window Rock to retrieve and print records. 50 microfilmed cartridges were received from five judicial districts to print records requested by the public.

The information data technician assisted Dził Yijiin Judicial District with saving (back up) scanned court records onto DVDs for safe keeping.

The information data technician:

- provided training at Shiprock, Dilkon, and Tuba City Judicial Districts on how to use and access the WebXtender program for archiving court records.
- assisted IT personnel with maintaining an inventory of computer equipment, i.e., laptops used as loaners or for training, and completed/scanned/emailed travel requests for IT staff to judicial districts.
- assisted IT personnel by receiving and processing IT service requests submitted by the Judicial Branch districts and programs.

The information data technician's scanner was out of service for a month, and a service technician was called to get the scanner back in service.

2. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter:

To complete scanning closed 2006 traffic civil records for Tuba City Judicial District.

To scan inactive personnel records for Judicial Branch Human Resources.

To receive IT service requests from judicial districts, supreme court, office of the chief justice, probation services, peacemaking, and Administrative Office of the Courts.

To provide assistance, as needed, to the Judicial Branch IT Section, Fiscal Services, Human Resources, and Office of the Chief Justice.

To perform other duties as assigned.

## B. Facilities

Alamo Court. The Alamo Court is in full operation with no more water leaks. NN Facilities Maintenance installed caps around perimeter of roof. NN Design & Engineering Services is looking for original construction contract to determine if contractor can be held responsible to recoat roof (slight elevation pitch).

Alamo Peacemaking Hogan. There has been discussion with the Alamo Chapter and other local entities, but no action implemented to provide connections for water and waste water or install concrete floor in the hogan.

Shiprock Justice Center. No new activity. Need to get people moving to encourage Navajo Nation to secure BIA funds, issue bond financing, or appropriate NN funds for construction of court, corrections, and law enforcement facilities. This project is on the NNC approved 5-year plan (CAP-18-14) which will expire in 2018. The Shiprock Planning Committee needs to review the project to determine readiness for construction. A meeting was scheduled for October 11, 2016, in Shiprock, but it was postponed and no date has been set for the next meeting. The court administrator will make efforts to get the Justice Center Planning Committee to push for funding.

Judicial Branch/Public Safety Construction Priorities. Chief Justice Allen Sloan and Public Safety Director Jessie Delmar met to establish a priority list for 2017-2018. Based on the Fund Management Plan, a list is supposed to be developed every 2 years. A priority list for 2017-2018 was signed by Chief Justice Sloan and Public Safety Director Jessie Delmar. The signed priority list was reported to the Law and Order Committee with the understanding that the Chief Justice and Director of Public Safety would review the list and the submit to the Law & Order Committee for approval. The 3 locations that are on the Navajo Nation Council approved CIP list (resolution CAP-18-14) could be considered for inclusion, to be consistent between actions by the Navajo Nation Council and the Law & Order Committee for 2017-2018.

NNC 5-Year Approved Construction List. Resolution CAP-18-14 includes three Judicial Branch projects that are construction ready. They are (1) Supreme Court, Administrative Office of the Courts, and Peacemaking Program in Window Rock, (2) Dził Yijiin Court in Pinon, and (3) Shiprock Justice Center.

Window Rock Judicial District Modular building. Before court services can be provided in this building, electrical power needs have to be evaluated, and, if necessary, upgraded to provide adequate electrical power for operation of equipment. Judicial Branch carpenters are finishing interior work. The project is nearing completion.

### Administrative Office of the Courts/Navajo Nation Supreme Court

- Extension of Retaining Wall. Establishment of a concrete wall was necessary to increase the parking area available for access to the buildings. The wall has been completed
- Water/Waste Water Project. NTUA and NECA completed the installation of the water line and waste water line to the buildings.
- Electrical Service Project. Dustin Sagg of NTUA completed the design and drawings for the power line to the site. The design and drawings have been approved with cost estimates. A contract signed by NTUA has been returned to the Administrative Office of the Courts with supporting documents. The contract has been submitted to the Navajo Nation 164 process for review and approval. A Request For Proposals is being developed by AOC to contract a certified electrician to order materials needed for the installation of electrical power to the

buildings. Some of the materials have to be custom made and could take up to 8 weeks for delivery to Window Rock.

Ramah Court. Williams Professional Cleaning Services of Fort Defiance was hired to clean the interior of the building and to block rodent entry into the attic and building. This project has been completed.

Dził Yijiin Judicial District. Court staff moved out of the Whippoorwill court building after water damage occurred and are now providing services at the Pinon chapter house. The Law & Order Committee approved use of the Whippoorwill building renovation budget to purchase a new modular building. The next step is to develop Request For Proposals to purchase a modular building. Utilities have to be established so services to the public can be provided in Pinon, Arizona.

Pueblo Pintado. NN Risk Management hired a company to remediate water damage to the interior of the court building. This project should be complete soon. A certified electrical contractor will be selected soon to make the final connections of electricity to the court building.

To'hajiilee Court. Contact has been made with the company that constructed the building to discuss roof repair without cost to the Judicial Branch based on a roof warranty. The Branch needs to secure a copy of the original construction contract to determine if the contractor can be held responsible for repair of roof leaks.

Chinle Justice Center. The Chinle Justice Center construction is finished and has been dedicated. Personnel have not moved into the court or law enforcement buildings. Brown & Associates inspected the buildings and a few deficiencies need to be corrected. After Brown & Associates completes its inspections, a request will be submitted to BIA-Albuquerque Office to conduct a final inspection of the court and law enforcement buildings so a Certificate of Occupancy (COO) can be issued. After the BIA inspections, staff can occupy the building and begin providing services.

## **C. Grants Section**

### Judicial Branch External Grants

- K150801 – Process Serving to Ensure Victim Safety: Private process servers are being compensated for protection orders that are being served on behalf of victims of family violence.
- K140803 – Tribal Justice Strategic Planning: The Diné Action Plan (DAP) draft document is in the review and input phase of the strategic planning process. The plan will be forwarded for legislation once the review and input phase is complete.
- K140804 – Violence Against Women – Family Advocacy Center: A budget revision is pending with the Office of Violence Against Women that will accommodate an indirect cost rate. Once the budget is settled, the contract with Tsehootsooi Medical Center can be finalized. Meanwhile, services are being provided to domestic violence victims at the Family Advocacy Center in Fort Defiance.
- K140805 – Tribal Victim Assistance Program – Services are being provided to victims of crimes at the Family Advocacy Center. Services will be supplemented and supported with the contract with the Navajo Nation that is pending release by OMB.

- K140806 – Navajo Justice System Assessment and Evaluation: This grant is supporting the strategic planning process of the Diné Action Plan. The draft document is in the review and input phase of the process with finalization expected this summer.
- K140801 – Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO) – The VJO coordinator has been working with local veterans and veteran’s organizations in an effort to reach out to as many veterans as possible. The VJO project is also working with the Albuquerque Metro Court – Urban Healing to Wellness Court. Recently, the VJO collaborated with the Gathering of Native Americans project.
- K1405102 – Tribal Court improvement Project: The grant received an extension and is now pending a budget revision. Services have continued under the Peacemaking Program to provide services to children and families with the goal of keeping families intact.
- K120801 – The Peacemaking Teen Court is providing prevention services as a part of the college life success dual enrollment offered at the To’hajiilee High School in collaboration with the University of New Mexico. Recently, they combined prevention efforts with the Gathering of Native Americans project.

#### Webinars and Trainings

- JAG Activity Report: Training Webinar Web Seminar
- Tribal Access Program: Criminal Agency Onboarding and Vetting Webinar
- ODDJP: Juvenile Drug Treatment Court (JDTC) Guidelines

#### Grant Applications

- Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Purpose Area 3 (Indian Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention Program): \$709,675
- Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Purpose Area 8 (Juvenile Healing to Wellness Court): \$349,662
- Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation Purpose Area 9 (Tribal Youth Program): \$349,630
- Bureau of Indian Affairs – Tribal Justice Program (Domestic Violence Hearing Officers/Document Technicians): \$292,816 Awarded
- Webinars/Trainings

## **D. Information Technology**

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

Provided continual HP AlphaServer, case management system (CMS), hardware, and other applicable network support at Ramah Court.

Provided continual personal computer support at Tuba City, Kayenta, Chinle, Dził Yijiin, Window Rock, Crownpoint, Ramah, Alamo, To’hajiilee, Dilkon, and Aneth courts. Personal computer support consisted of hardware/software support and software patches/updates for personal computers.

Provided continual support for digital recording systems, archival scanning systems, and video conferencing equipment.

Provided system administration support for the Justware computer software application for Navajo Nation Supreme Court; Shiprock court, probation, prosecutor; Dilkon court, probation, peacemaking, prosecutor; Chinle court, probation, peacemaking, and

prosecutor; Aneth court, probation, peacemaking; Kayenta court, probation, peacemaking, prosecutor; Tuba City court, probation, and peacemaking; Window Rock court, probation, peacemaking, prosecutor; Crownpoint court, probation, peacemaking, prosecutor; Dził Yijiin court; To'hajiilee court, probation, peacemaking, prosecutor; Alamo court, probation, peacemaking and prosecutor.

Provided general information technology support to Judicial Branch and NNIJISP participants.

2. Other significant accomplishments

Continued teleconference meetings with Journal Technologies personnel/project managers to continue implementation and configuration for e-file, e-view, e-payment, and e-discovery in JusticeWeb.

Continued setup/configuration of digital recorder computers to replace current equipment at the courts.

Conducted Justware refresher classes for the court clerks and other personnel.

Researched and will select permanent internet service provider for the Ramah court, peacemaking, and probation services.

Administer Sharepoint websites for peacemaking and probation services.

Worked with DNA Legal Services and the Navajo Nation Office of the Prosecutor to begin utilizing video conferencing with the courts for arraignments at all NN judicial districts.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To maintain HP AlphaServer computer support at Ramah Judicial District and the Administrative Office of the Courts.

To maintain personal computer support at Tuba City, Kayenta, Chinle, Window Rock, Shiprock, Crownpoint, Ramah, Alamo, To'hajiilee, Dilkon, Aneth, and Dził Yijiin courts.

To continue limited support of the digital recorders and document archival computer systems.

To provide configuration/maintenance support to the NNIJISP Project at the Tuba City, Kayenta, Chinle, Window Rock, Shiprock, Crownpoint, Dilkon, To'hajiilee, Aneth, Alamo, and Dził Yijiin courts and probation and peacemaking offices.

To provide limited configuration/maintenance support to the NNIJISP Project at the Tuba City, Kayenta, Chinle, Window Rock, Shiprock, Crownpoint, Dilkon, To'hajiilee, and Alamo prosecutor offices.

To continue replacement of digital recording PCs and hardware (mics, sound boards, etc.)

To provide continued support and training for Journal Technologies Justware application for all NN courts, prosecutors, peacemaking, probation, and public defender staff.

To provide continual support for video conferencing at all NN judicial districts.

To implement and enable e-view, e-payment, e-discovery, and e-file.

To install and configure computer network cabling and network devices for the new Supreme Court and AOC modular buildings.

To complete deployment and implementation of Justware at Ramah Court.

To convert current CMS data to the Justware application at the Ramah Court.

To complete deployment and implementation of recycled Justware servers at DIT to store digitized court case documents for online retrieval.

## **E. Navajo Nation Integrated Justice Information Sharing Project (NNIJISP)**

- Assisted with consolidating “drop down” options in Justware for NN Probation Services.
- Attended meetings regarding the implementation of the JusticeWeb ePayment application.
- Participated in the Diné Action Plan (DAP) work sessions to assist with compiling information on problems and health issues occurring on the reservation. The finalized document will be used by the Judicial Branch and other Navajo Nation departments/programs to apply for grant funding.
- Assisted in coordinating training for peacemaking and probation services on using SharePoint.
- Worked with Sacred Wind Communications (SWC) in coordinating efforts to provide faster and more stable internet services at the To’hajiilee Court. The SWC contract was submitted for approval through the 164 Review Process on March 29, 2017.
- Closed out the OSO Internet Solutions internet service contract to provide faster internet service to Ramah Court. On February 4, 2017, installation, configuration, and set up were completed.
- Participated in AOC manager’s meeting to provide updates on routine activities, special projects, and assisted with tasks.
- Completed FMIS 164 B on-line training on March 9, 2017, sponsored by the Judicial Branch Fiscal Services.
- Assisted in work sessions with Judicial Branch attorneys to consolidate forms used by the districts in Justware.
- Attended the January 25, 2017, NNIJISP meeting to discuss the possibility of the Kayenta Police District officers utilizing Justware.
- Worked on file conversion of all Justware forms from JDA format to Word format. Compiled JDA forms to be distributed for review by assigned Judicial Branch attorneys.
- Assisted information data technician Teresa Chee with set up and configuration of WebXtender at district offices.
- Assisted with submitting Netro invoice for payment. Netro provides support for the Omni Center software, which provides preventive maintenance and monitoring of network devices across the Navajo Nation networks.
- Provided technical support to AOC staff and judicial districts.
- Monitored expenditures and budget for the NNIJISP Business Unit 118019.

- Worked on routine assignments and provided technical assistance to Judicial Branch offices or programs.
- Assisted at NNIJISP meetings, trainings, or work sessions by taking notes.

## VI. Navajo Nation Peacemaking Program

### A. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

Reduced resources continue to be an obstacle for the Peacemaking Program. In spite of fiscal limitations, peacemaking has exceeded its quarterly performance goals. Youth apprentice peacemaker training continues to be successful. Several students have come forward to request training whether funds are available or not. Curriculum training is continuing in schools and is well-received. Continuation of the Youth Apprentice Program will be difficult without funds for community-based peacemakers to act as mentors. Traditional program specialists (TPS) do this work as they are available, but there is concern about the momentum of the program without funding for strong mentorship.

The Peacemaking Program met or exceeded all of its quarterly performance criteria goals. In addition, the program is advancing its administrative goals:

1. Seeking grant funding for programs. In March 2017, the program applied for a grant that would support youth education, prevention, and intervention services for another three years. The grant applied for in December is still awaiting a decision. The program appreciates the assistance of grant administrator Raquel Chee.
2. Completion of grant-funded work. A request for extension to fully utilize the remaining TCIP grant funds was approved. The extension of time will allow use of approximately \$27,000 to complete set goals.
3. Community-based peacemakers. Community-based peacemakers are being engaged to handle more peacemaking sessions and counseling. During the second quarter, there were 62 instances of using community-based peacemakers. Yeel is being paid by the participants.
4. Conduct most work at or near peacemaking facilities. The program no longer has tribal vehicles nor funds for mileage reimbursement. TPS are adapting to this change and use their own vehicles without reimbursement when necessary.
5. Focus on youth. Over 60 young people received curriculum training and other direct culturally-based services, even with reduced funding for this work.
6. Maintain our professionalism. The Peacemaking Program conducted a training/meeting in March. The agenda included professionalism-building discussions about strategic relationships and the people and organizations that receive the program's work products. Considering their needs and expectations from their viewpoint set a strong tone of customer service for the meeting. The group discussed stakeholders' needs for accurate, timely reporting of our work, and the context of changes in assignments that result in changes in reporting methods. All TPS worked together to improve understanding and quality of reporting information. The second day focused on the technical aspects of our work, including case management processes and forms, school curriculum and mentoring, facilities, scheduling, and the Life Value Engagement process. The last day wrapped up with discussion and review of traditional concepts and stories used in peacemaking, including the Diné constellations, Ma'ii stories and their moral teachings, and the traditional research approach. The group also discussed the draft Title 25 and the strategic long-term direction for peacemaking.

7. Advance our mission. The program's core work is conducting peacemaking sessions, Life Value Engagements, and other elements of traditional problem-solving. The youth initiative and a strong curriculum for youth apprentices was added. This work is continuing with high quality.
- In keeping the vision and role of peacemaking in mind, daily tasks are important in delivering services, but so is the voice of Diné traditions in interagency planning and policy development. By strengthening Diné culture, the program assists people in finding their pride and strength. During the second quarter, work continued with Navajo Nation-wide service providers on policy and program approaches to improve approaches to domestic violence, addiction, and suicide in the Diné Action Plan (DAP). The DAP draft presented to the planning group was accepted as the base document. It now includes the story of the Twins Slaying Monsters, and relates that story to our modern monsters of suicide, addiction, and violence. The DAP is based on the four Diné steps for problem-solving, *Nítsáhákéés*, *Nahat'á*, *Iiná*, and *Sihasin*, and includes planning for executive coordination and accountability at the task level.
  - The Judicial Commission sought input regarding traditional approaches. The Peacemaking Program is cross-training and commencing discussions with NN Probation Services for prisoner re-entry and other collaboration planning. Plans are to apply for a grant that would be helpful for re-entry programs. The City of Winslow, the Navajo Nation Human Rights Commission, and Peacemaking Program met three times to negotiate peacemaking's role in working with urban Navajos. The Peacemaking Program also presented at the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit which was attended by over 150 people. Additional training was provided to the Fort Defiance Indian Health Services, Navajo Nation Department of Behavioral Health Services, Tuba City Judicial District, and Peacemaking Program.
  - In Tuba City, the judge, prosecutor, and staff attorney worked with the peacemaking coordinator in processing a difficult truancy matter. The Dilkon judge is working with peacemaking to address probate, suicide, and burial matters before the court.
  - Discussions with legislative officials regarding changes to Title 25 and the role and scope of peacemaking was also part of the mission to advance peacemaking as a core government function. The Title 25 draft is being refined after presentations to probation services/peacemaking cross-training and the Navajo Technical University. It has also been emailed for comments to the chief justice, associate justice, and supreme court attorney. Most TPS had opportunities to discuss Navajo traditional culture and peacemaking in chapters, communities, or educational groups.

B. The Peacemaking Program prioritized work based on the goals set by the Navajo Nation Council as well as the Judicial Branch. These are examples from some of the Judicial Districts:

Alamo Judicial District.

- In January 2017, a verbal agreement was made with council delegate Norman Begay, HHSE committee member, Navajo Nation Department of Behavioral Health Services, Navajo Nation Judicial Branch, and Kaufmann & Associate/SAMSHA Tribal Training and Technical Assistance Center to assist and provide cohort 4 intensive engagements to the Alamo community for mental health and suicide prevention.
- On February 7, 2017, the Navajo Nation Department Behavioral Health Services, Judicial Branch, Alamo/To'hajiilee Office of Prosecutor, Alamo/To'hajiilee Division of Social Services, Alamo Navajo Clinic, Socorro County Commissioner, Alamo/To'hajiilee Probation Services, and Alamo community members came together to plan the Gathering of Native Americans to bring local community members together to strategize community prevention



planning. The Peacemaking Program's involvement is to provide education on Navajo traditional values and practice, then integrate the education and teachings in community prevention plans by utilizing community peacemakers. The TPS facilitated a talking circle and provided guidance during the event.

- On February 13-14, 2017, a pre-technical site visit was made to complete the Alamo community readiness assessment and provide an overview of evidence, culture, practiced-based interventions for mental health and suicide prevention. Strategies were recommended for preplanning of the Gathering of Native American and community prevention planning event.
- On March 14-16, 2017, a three-day event was held with stakeholders, i.e., tribal leaders and local service providers, families, elders, and youth. The Peacemaking Program was part of this initiative to provide a cultural approach and to enhance the GONA framework. Community members were very appreciative for this type of healing to take place. The event was a success and the Socorro community newspaper reported about the event.

Dilkon Judicial District. The TPS worked with community-based peacemakers in delivering peacemaking sessions, traditional teachings, and presentations in the schools. Hands-on presentations were done with the Winslow Residential Hall, Inc., Greasewood Springs Community School, Dilkon Community School, and are receiving group support, group sharing, group teaching & learning, and group therapy. These presentations are held with the schools on a monthly basis. Participants are home living managers, residential advisors, parents, and students.

Ramah Judicial District. The Ramah TPS worked with local schools on truancy and violence. The district has not had a prosecutor for an extended period of time, so cases are not being filed, but the TPS is stressing the need for prosecution as a last resort. The TPS is advocating for traditional counseling and services in the home and school for troubled youth.

Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District. The Alamo and To'hajiilee quarterly peacemakers meeting was held on February 17, 2017, and it was a success. There were 20 people in attendance, including To'hajiilee chapter president Mark Begay and council delegate Norman Begay.

Program Coordinator, Traditional Researcher, Central Program Staff. The peacemaking coordinator has been active in policy work, outreach to other agencies and colleagues, and training. Collaboration with other agencies has focused on the policy and program advancement for suicide, domestic violence, and substance abuse. Outreach has focused on changes to peacemaking's role and responsibilities under proposed legislative changes. The traditional researcher supported a new TPS in Chinle with training, Life Value Engagement and other services, and administrative orientation. He is also researching a traditional law question for a judge and will provide a written response.

C. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To work, plan, and prepare for the closeout process for the TCIP grant.

To work with Chief Justice Sloan and others to advance peacemaking as a separate branch of government.

To address issues that constrain productivity due to current budget authority.

To improve relationships with judges, educators, and service providers in order to better utilize peacemaking services.

To provide education regarding Diné Fundamental Law and traditional education.

To coordinate trainings, i.e., peacemaking orientation, for peacemakers, community members, and Judicial Branch employees.

To implement the Community Service Plan in priority communities.

To provide services, such as peacemaking sessions, Individual Life Value Engagement (ILVE), Group Life Value Engagement (GLVE), and Diné Family Group Conferences (DFGC).

## **VII. Navajo Nation Probation Services**

### **A. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter**

A two-day probation and peacemaking collaboration training was a success. The two programs discussed and shared information, and presented their duties and responsibilities as probation officers and traditional program specialists. Staff familiarized themselves with their respective program objectives and mission and began discussions on how to work side by side in assisting clients who are in need of services through peacemaking. The two groups agreed to develop and implement a protocol for both programs to follow to ensure services are readily available for individuals coming through the court system. Further discussions regarding this initiative will continue between the two programs.

The NN Probation Services staff held its first quarterly meeting on March 29, 2017, to provide updates and inform probation staff of upcoming events, tasks, and projects for their respective districts. The meeting was informative and productive.

NN Probation Services staff were encouraged to establish working relationships and to initiate meetings with local service providers to educate them on probation services' role in the criminal justice community and to ensure that probation services is represented at monthly service provider meetings in the districts.

### **B. Other significant accomplishments**

Shiprock probation officer Lucy Yesslith was assigned as the Justware subject matter expert (SME) for the Eastern Region for the NN Probation Services. Ms. Yesslith will provide technical assistance with Justware-related issues to other staff and attend scheduled work sessions.

The Probation Services Management Team conducted three management meetings to obtain updates, identify tasks, develop and implement projects for probation enhancement for services and staff, and to discuss issues regarding achievements and concerns that have an impact on services as well as staff. Successful client services stories within the districts were shared.

The chief probation officer and three senior probation officers were given opportunity to attend the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit at the Twin Arrows Resort and Casino near Flagstaff, Arizona, to identify and develop a "best practice" model for the branch services and information sharing and coordination within the criminal justice community. Information, ideas, and recommendations obtained will be shared with staff at the direct service level.

The senior probation officers scheduled interviews to fill a vacant probation officer position in the Kayenta Judicial District. After scoring the highest points, Ms. Sheila Begishie was offered the position. Ms. Begishie, former office technician at the Kayenta PPS, accepted the offer and is currently serving her 90-day introductory period.

Tuba City court administrator Alice Huskie and staff attorney Tina Tsinigine requested a meeting regarding truancy issues with peacemaking coordinator Roman Bitsuie, senior probation officer Larry Tsosie, and CPO Lucinda Yellowhair. The group identified an early intervention process that would be beneficial for students upon initial referral by the school to peacemaking or probation. Non-compliance by the student would result in filing of a dependency or CHINS case by the Office of the Prosecutor. The team is still in the planning stages and further meetings and discussions will be held.

CPO Lucinda Yellowhair attended Justware work sessions held for both, the courts and probation services, and shared information with staff on the progress and enhancements for both departments so staff can navigate the Justware system accordingly.

The CPO and senior probation officers met to work on revising the NN Probation Services Standard Operating Procedures Manual. The group is making progress; however, there is still a number of topics to discuss and revise. Alamo/To'hajiilee staff attorney Alisha Thompson joined in discussions to assist with the legal aspects of the revisions. Her assistance and legal guidance has tremendously helped in clarifying issues or questions. Ms. Thompson will continue working with the group to complete the revisions.

NN Probation Services staff from throughout the districts attended training on the Employee Policies and Procedures (EPP) sponsored by human resources director Ralph Roanhorse. Mr. Roanhorse went over the manual with emphasis in certain areas where there are problems and answered questions posed by the participants. All probation services staff will have attended the EPP training by the end of this month.

CPO attended a meeting with NAHWCASA, a group of victim advocates from local regional health services and other tribal advocates. Judith Wolfe, sexual assault care coordinator, spearheads these meetings across the Navajo Nation to share information about the group and its intent and purpose. NN Probation Services provides services to victims of crime and this group would be beneficial in giving a presentation and sharing information with the probation officers.

C. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To host a week-long Navajo Nation Probation Services Train-the-Trainer Seminar for probation staff.

To work on the revisions of the Standard Operating Procedures Manual with assistance by staff attorney Alisha Thompson.

To implement the Moral Recognition Therapy (MRT) as a pilot project in the Tuba City Probation Services.

To relocate the Window Rock Probation Services and the Office of Probation Services to their new office space at the Navajo Shopping Center Pad 21.

To work on the FY2018 general fund budget for the probation services business unit.

## VIII. Courts of the Navajo Nation

### A. Supreme Court of the Navajo Nation

#### 1. Caseload Statistics

##### a. Civil

	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Total</b>
(1) Cases Filed	7	8	6	21
-Certified Question .....				0
-Child Support .....				0
-Contract .....				1
-Decedent Estate .....				0
-Domestic Relations.....				2
-Elections .....				2
-Employment/Labor.....				7
-Ethics .....				1
-Grazing .....				0
-Tort .....				2
-Writs .....				6
-Reconsiderations .....				1
(2) Cases Completed	1	7	1	9
(3) Hearing(s) Held	0	1	0	1
(4) Total Decisions this Quarter:				
(a) Memorandum Decisions	0	2	0	2
(b) Orders	5	19	7	31
(c) Opinions	0	0	0	0

##### b. Criminal

	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Total</b>
(1) Cases Filed	0	0	0	0
(2) Cases Completed	2	0	0	2
(3) Hearing(s) Held	0	0	0	0
(4) Total Decisions this Quarter:				
(a) Memorandum Decisions	0	0	0	0
(b) Orders	3	0	1	4
(c) Opinions	0	0	0	0

##### c. Navajo Nation Bar Association

	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Total</b>
(1) Cases Filed	0	0	0	0
(2) Cases Completed	1	2	0	3
(3) Hearing(s) Held	0	0	0	0
(4) Total Decisions this Quarter:				
(a) Memorandum Decisions	0	0	0	0
(b) Orders	1	2	0	3
(c) Opinions	0	0	0	0

d. Special Proceedings

	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Total</b>
(1) Cases Filed	0	0	0	0
(2) Cases Completed	0	0	0	0
(3) Hearing(s) Held	0	0	0	0
(4) Total Decisions this Quarter:				
(a) Memorandum Decisions	0	0	0	0
(b) Orders	0	0	0	0
(c) Opinions	0	0	0	0

e. Summary of all cases on appeal

(1) Brought Forward	: 90
(2) Filed	: 21
(3) Reconsiderations	: 1
(4) Closed	: 14
(5) Pending	: 98

<b>Pending Cases</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>Total</b>
Civil	2	7	10	10	23	22	19	<b>93</b>
Criminal	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	<b>4</b>
NNBA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Special Proceedings	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>98</b>

2. Motions Reviewed and Decided

<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Total</b>
1	14	3	<b>18</b>

3. Oral Arguments/Hearings Held: 1

4. Pro Bono and ProHac Vice Appointments

	<b>Jan</b>	<b>Feb</b>	<b>Mar</b>	<b>Total</b>
Tuba City/Kayenta	6	7	8	<b>21</b>
Window Rock/Chinle	5	6	26	<b>37</b>
Crownpoint/Shiprock	2	4	6	<b>12</b>
Ramah/Alamo/To'hajiilee	0	1	0	<b>1</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>71</b>

5. Accomplishments by Supreme Court Justices and Staff

Criminal Justice Summit. Chief Justice Allen Sloan and Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley participated in monthly meetings to help identify issues within the criminal justice system and to plan a Navajo Nation-wide criminal justice summit. The group requested that a representative from the Judicial Branch provide a detailed presentation on the Tribal Law and Order Act for the Navajo Nation. The Public Safety Summit took place from January 30 to February 3, 2017, at the Twin Arrows Resort and Casino. The summit helped to identify specific issues and needs from each program/department within the criminal justice community and develop a strategy for the Navajo Nation.

Public Safety Summit. On January 29 to February 3, 2017, Chief Justice Allen Sloan, Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley, and government relations officer Karen Francis participated in the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit, “Ensuring Safety and Protection for Our Families and Communities,” at the Twin Arrows Resort and Casino near Flagstaff, Arizona.

Law and Order Committee. On March 28–30, 2017, Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley, law clerk Laverne Garnenez, and government relations officer Karen Francis met with the Law and Order Committee in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Confirmation of Permanent Appointment. On January 26, 2017, Dilkon Judge Cynthia Thompson was confirmed as a permanent Navajo Nation judge by the Navajo Nation Council. Judge Thompson will continue her assignment at the Dilkon Judicial District.

Judicial District/AOC/Executive Planning Meetings. Throughout the quarter, Chief Justice Allen Sloan and Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley met with the executive staff, judicial districts, NN Probation Services, and NN Peacemaking Program regarding Judicial Branch-related matters, i.e., ongoing projects, personnel, budgets, grants, office space, and facilities.

Navajo Nation Supreme Court Justices Meetings. Throughout the quarter, Chief Justice Allen Sloan, Justice Eleanor Shirley, law clerk LaVerne H. Garnenez, and district judges assigned by designated orders met on pending cases, cases that were heard, upcoming hearings, pending motions, opinions, and writs filed with the Supreme Court, and held oral arguments.

Oaths of Office by Chief Justice Allen Sloan

- January 6, 2017, Navajo Nation Chief Prosecutor Gertrude Lee;
- January 11, 2017, newly elected chapter officials and school board members in the Central Navajo Agency;
- January 12, 2017, newly elected chapter officials and school board members in the Western Navajo Agency;
- January 23, 2017, re-selected Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council Lorenzo Bates.

Oaths of Office by Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley

- January 10, 2017, newly elected chapter officials and school board members in the Ft. Defiance Agency;
- January 13, 2017, newly elected chapter officials and school board members in the Northern Navajo Agency;
- February 16, 2017, Randall Comb, grazing committee member/Tse Si Ani Chapter; Pierette Baldwin, secretary-treasurer/St. Michaels Chapter; Benson Stewart, chapter president/Indian Wells Chapter; Jonas Mustache, farm board member and Crystal Boarding School board member/Red Lake Chapter;
- February 24, 2017, Franklin Thompson, Red Willow Farm Board/Tohatchi Chapter.

Employee Housing Committee. Karen Francis and Linda Bitsoi represent the Judicial Branch on the Navajo Nation Employee Housing Committee. During this quarter, the committee held a regular meeting on January 3, 2017, and a work session on January 30, 2017, to make tribal housing assignments and work on revising the Employee Housing Rules and Regulations and Plan of Operations.

Motor Vehicle Review Board. Sandra Dalgai and Linda Bitsoi represent the Judicial Branch on the Navajo Nation Motor Vehicle Review Board. During this quarter, they attended regular monthly meetings as well as special meetings. Meetings are held to discuss purchase of vehicles for Navajo Nation programs/departments, assignments of tribal vehicles, and misuse and abuse of tribal vehicles.

Navajo Nation Insurance Commission. Linda Bitsoi is the Judicial Branch representative on the Navajo Nation Insurance Commission. During this quarter, she attended monthly meetings and special sessions of the commission. The commission meets to ensure there is adequate insurance coverage and protection for the Navajo Nation government and its political subdivisions, enterprises, assets, property, and employees.

6. Accomplishments by government relations officer Karen Francis

- Attended Law and Order Committee meeting on January 9, February 27, March 13, March 20 and March 27, 2017. Also attended joint committee meeting of Health, Education and Human Services Committee, Law and Order Committee, and Budget and Finance Committee on retirement issues on February 7, 2017. Assisted with preparation of presentation and in the presentation to the Law and Order Committee during the leadership meeting on March 30, 2017. The Judicial Branch presented on accomplishments, current issues, and goals, including an update on the Judicial Conduct Commission.
- Attended Budget and Finance Committee meeting on March 7; Health, Education and Human Services Committee meeting on March 8 and March 27; Naabikiyati Committee special meeting on January 5; and the Navajo Nation Council winter session the week of January 23, 2017.
- Attended Chief Prosecutor Gertrude Lee's welcome ceremony and swearing in on January 6, 2017, at the Navajo Nation Museum.
- Attended the swearing in ceremony for chapter and school board officials of the Fort Defiance Agency in Tohatchi, New Mexico, on January 10, 2017.
- Attended Supreme Court hearing on a writ requested by Lawrence Morgan against Window Rock District Court.
- Participated in the Diné Action Plan (DAP) work session on January 17, conference call on February 14, work session on February 22, and work session on March 11-12, 2017. The work sessions were to continue drafting the DAP and reviewing the work that has been done thus far. The DAP is now in the final stages of review.
- Participated in the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit on January 31 to February 3, 2017. Heard presentations on the status of current criminal justice system and best practices. Worked in teams to identify resources, values, vision and goals for the next three months. For example, judicial wants to implement quarterly resource meetings, hold pro se clinics.
- Released Diné Justice newsletters on February 7 and March 6, 2017.
- Assisted with facilitation of the Judicial Conduct Commission work session and meeting on January 11-12, 2017. Prepared agenda, meeting minutes, and other documents for the work session and meeting. The Commission reviewed sample complaints and came up with a process that the members could use if they were to receive such a complaint. The Commission also set a date to meet with the Law and Order Committee to discuss its role.

## B. Tuba City Judicial District

### 1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

General Staff Meetings. Three (3) general staff meetings were held during this reporting period. Judge Victoria Yazzie, staff attorney Tina Tsinigine, and court administrator Alice Huskie gave updates on court operations and shared with the staff information on planned activities in the upcoming months.

Pro Se Training. Staff attorney Tina Tsinigine provided four (4) pro se trainings for the public. Training topics included dissolution of marriage, paternity, child visitation, child custody, child support, correction of record, name change, declaration of name, answering a petition, guardianship of a minor, and probate. Trainings are held for individuals who wish to file pro se packets with the court. An individual who wants to represent himself/herself is required to attend pro se training so he/she is aware of what the law requires and his/her duties and responsibilities in court. The total number of attendees for the pro se trainings was 55 participants.

Criminal Justice Summit (CJS). On February 17, 2017, the Tuba City Judicial District held two CJS meetings. Programs in attendance included law enforcement, corrections, probation/parole services, peacemaking, social services, courts, and other local service providers that have an interest in delivery of services by the justice system. With collaborative efforts, the group hopes to continue work on identifying ways to share and streamline existing processes to better serve the community.

Justware Work Session. On March 1, 2017, court clerk Lenora A. Begay and staff from judicial districts across the Navajo Nation attended a Justware work session in Window Rock, Arizona. The group reviewed and recommended changes to the program. Navajo courts use Justware as its case management software program.

Training. Trainings on court procedures and processes on district and family court cases are held on a regular basis for court clerks by Judge Victoria Yazzie, staff attorney Tina Tsinigine, and court administrator Alice Huskie.

#### Daily Visitor Sign-in and Metal Detector Count for January, February, March 2017

MONTHS	Court Hearing	Protection Order	Pay Fine/Cash Bond	Filing Documents	Obtain Information	Check Mail	Attend Training	Background Check	Oath of Office	Maintenance Building	Attend Meetings	Other Hearings	Other	Total Clients Served	Metal Detector Reading
Jan 2017	449	58	40	169	475	113	24	4	60	8	0	0	111	1,561	2,039
Feb 2017	376	68	23	120	401	87	57	2	3	3	3	2	106	1,249	1,770
Mar 2017	711	58	42	173	478	117	190	3	0	2	43	2	224	2,043	2,672
Total	1,586	184	105	462	1,354	317	271	9	63	13	46	2	441	4,853	6,481



Requests for court documents for January, February, March 2017

	Jan 2017	Feb 2017	Mar 2017	Total
Total court document requests	38	16	28	82
Completed document requests	36	14	24	74
Pending document requests	2	2	4	8

Requests for audio recordings for January, February, March 2017

	Jan 2017	Feb 2017	Mar 2017	Total
Total audio requests	2	3	9	14
Completed audio requests	2	3	6	11
Pending audio requests	0	0	3	3

2. Other significant accomplishments

Public Safety Summit. On January 30 through February 3, 2017, Judge Victoria Yazzie, staff attorney Tina Tsinigine, and court administrator Alice Huskie attended the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit at Twin Arrows, Arizona. The summit covered the district’s planning for the criminal justice teams, identifying short- and long-range goals for the public safety department. Via video conferencing, programs from other tribes presented their initiatives and how they collaborate with their local service providers.

Oaths of Office. During this reporting period, Judge Victoria Yazzie administered oaths of office to 42 individuals from the police department, school board members, chapter officials, and district grazing officials.

Diné Fundamental Laws. On February 17, 2017, peacemaking coordinator Roman Bitsuie gave training on “Diné Fundamental Laws” to the Tuba City Criminal Justice Summit participants. Service providers had many questions and held lengthy discussions on certain topics of interest. The overall training was well received and appreciated by the participants.

WebXtender Training. On March 30, 2017, information data technician Teresa Chee provided hands-on training for eight court personnel at the Tuba City Judicial District. The operations manual was provided.

Judicial Branch Employee Policies and Procedures. On March 31, 2017, human resources director Ralph Roanhorse presented on the Judicial Branch EPP manual and explained to the staff so they have a better understanding of the personnel policies. The much needed training was informational and well received by the staff of the Tuba City and Kayenta Judicial Districts.

Private Process Servers. On January 19, 2017, staff attorney Tina Tsinigine provided a “how to be private process server” training for nine private process servers registered with the Tuba City Judicial District. The training covered the rules and applications of the statutes and answering questions posed by participants.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To review court operations and processes to become more efficient and to eliminate duplications of services for court.

To close adjudicated cases.

To provide in-service training for the court staff.

To sponsor the annual Justice Day event on April 7, 2017.

## **C. Kayenta Judicial District**

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The Kayenta Judicial District provided mobile court services at Shonto Chapter House in Shonto, Arizona, on January 13, 2017. Services included new Navajo Nation court case filings, pending family and district case inquiries, fine and fee payments, probation services and free pro se clinic. The community was very thankful and appreciated the “Justice on Wheels.”

Judge Malcolm Begay, court administrator Lavonne K. Yazzie, and staff attorney Letitia Stover actively participated in the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit on January 30 – February 3, 2017, in Twin Arrows, Arizona. The event brought together core public safety entities to collaborate on strategies to ensure safety and protection for Navajo families and communities by identifying the current crime and resource statistics on the Nation. Presentations on public safety best practices in Indian country were given to develop a strategy for taking on the Nation’s criminal and social problems. The group successfully created specific plans of action to meet their mission and commitment to work together to maximize effectiveness, engage with the community, and focus on the youth and communicate across districts.

The Kayenta Judicial District staff participated in a mandatory training in Judicial Branch Employee Policies and Procedures (EPP) on March 31, 2017, in Tuba City, Arizona, to obtain a uniform interpretation and purpose of the policy.

2. Other significant accomplishments

By invitation, Judge Malcolm P. Begay rendered oaths of office to seven newly elected Kayenta Township Commissioners; Kayenta and Chilchinbeto community school board members; and Chilchinbeto, Dennehotso, and Bodaway/Gap chapter officials on January 23, 2017, in Kayenta, Arizona.

The Judicial Branch has been working with n-Court and Journal Technologies to make the vision of e-Payment a reality. The Kayenta Judicial District was selected to begin rollout of the Judicial Branch e-Payment initiative. With e-Payment, the public will have the ability to pay court fines or fees within the Kayenta Judicial District by credit card at the court or by credit card on a secure website. Currently, those who have had to pay for fines or fees with the Navajo Nation court system are required to obtain money orders to make payment. The rollout at Kayenta will allow the Judicial Branch to troubleshoot unanticipated complications before extending the capability to all judicial districts. To

meet this challenge, the Kayenta staff accomplished the bold step of updating 32,328 traffic civil records from 1998 to 2017 in preparation for the rollout.

Judge Malcom P. Begay represented the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch at the Arizona State, Tribal and Federal Court Forum on January 27, 2017, in Phoenix, Arizona. Members and participants addressed child support guideline development, probation supervision on reservations, Indian Child Welfare Act developments, and involuntary commitment legislation updates.

On February 13, 2017, court administrator Lavonne K. Yazzie and chief probation officer Lucinda Yellowhair successfully obtained consent from the Kayenta Township Commission to allow Kayenta Probation Services and Peacemaking Program staff to occupy a 28 x 80 modular building that was reassigned to the judicial district. The commission was supportive of efforts to obtain a sound, safe facility for the staff.

Staff attorney Letitia Stover provided three pro se trainings for 39 individuals. Trainings are held for individuals who wish to represent themselves and file pro se packets with the court.

Court administrator Lavonne K. Yazzie actively participated in a NNIJISP Justware court software work sessions to review and recommend enhancements to the court software program on March 1, 2017, in Window Rock, Arizona.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To conduct a successful 2017 Justice Day.

To ensure that all staff receive training on the case management system, equipment is upgraded and configurations are complete, and to actively work with Navajo Nation Financial Services to implement the e-Payment project.

To assist the Kayenta Probation Services and Peacemaking Program in cleaning and minor renovation to acquire final building inspection clearance to occupy their reassigned 28 x 80 modular building.

To conduct three in-service trainings for the district staff.

To implement the district bi-annual cross training rotation of the court clerks.

## **D. Aneth Judicial District**

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

From January 30, 2017, to February 3, 2017, Judge Irene S. Black, staff attorney Glen Renner, and court administrator Susie Martin attended the Public Safety Summit at the Twin Arrows Casino in Flagstaff, Arizona. The summit brought together vital programs/departments to address the growing need for services to the public in all aspects of public safety.

Bailiff Darin Roberts successfully completed his 90-day introductory period. The Aneth Judicial District confirmed Mr. Roberts as the permanent district court bailiff on March 3, 2017.

On March 20, 2017, the Aneth Judicial District staff obtained six hours of instruction on the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch Employee Policies and Procedures from human resources director Ralph Roanhorse. Mr. Roanhorse reviewed with the staff policies governing each Navajo Nation Judicial Branch employee. Probation officers from the Kayenta, Chinle, and Shiprock Judicial Districts also attended this training in Aneth, Utah.

2. Other significant accomplishments

The U.S. District Court of Utah, Tribal and Community Reentry Court (TCRC) held three hearing at the Aneth Judicial District this quarter. TCRC meets with participants to address the high recidivism rate of individuals re-offending who have been released from federal incarceration. TCRC holds monthly review hearings with participants to assist them with re-entry into the Aneth community. The TCRC Program conducted hearings at the Aneth Court on January 6, 2017, February 3, 2017, and March 2, 2017.

On February 24, 2017, staff attorney Glen Renner facilitated a pro sé clinic for seven individuals at the Aneth Court. In addition, Ms. Renner assisted 81 individuals who came to the court for court-related information and questions.

Court administrator Susie Martin and court clerk Darlena Mustache attended Justware work sessions on February 28, 2017 and March 01, 2017, to work on the case management system for the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch.

On March 03, 2017, court administrator Susie Martin assisted with interviews of four applicants for the office technician position at the Dził Yijiin Judicial District in Pinon, Arizona. The interview team made a selection and forwarded the recommendation for hire to Judicial Branch Human Resources.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To participate in meetings with resources to meet the needs of clients and the public.

To host the Annual Justice Day with focus on public education of the Navajo Nation justice system.

To support at least four (4) hours of training for the staff in their respective fields.

To begin planning for the FY2018 fiscal budget proposal for the Aneth Judicial District.

## E. Chinle Judicial District

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

Chinle Justice Center. The final project site and building inspections were scheduled for March 30, 2017. However, as of this writing, there has not been any updates. The certificate of occupancy will be issued once all certifications and requirements are met,

and after the BIA Division of Safety and Risk Management (DSRM) does its inspection. The Chinle Judicial District staff look forward to moving in soon.

Public Safety Summit. Judge Rudy Bedonie and court administrator Vanessa Mescal participated in the Public Safety Summit at Twin Arrows Resort in Flagstaff, Arizona. Judge Bedonie and Ms. Mescal had opportunity to meet with local service providers to plan and implement services to better serve clients that go through the court system. The latter part of the week was devoted to identifying ways to improve services and to work better with other service providers. The process showed the different ways services are provided to meet the needs of clients and the local communities.

Judicial Branch Employee Policies and Procedures. Judicial Branch human resources director Ralph Roanhorse gave training on the Judicial Branch Employee Policies and Procedures to the staff. Staff had opportunity to ask questions and get clarifications on questionable parts of the JBEPP. The training was beneficial to all staff.

Justware Training. The Chinle Judicial District requested that programmer support specialist Melanie Price provide training to the staff on Justware financials and an overall refresher course on the court's case management system. Prior to the training, there were some confusion about entering accounting codes for bonds. Ms. Price provided scenarios of the court financials and how to better address them using data entry, demonstrated step by step how to enter financial information, and provided tips in maneuvering through Justware. The training was beneficial to the staff.

Staff Attorney Position. The Chinle Judicial District hired Chris Benally as its staff attorney. Judge Bedonie and Ramah staff attorney Dan Moquin will be orientating Mr. Benally about the position and Judicial Branch. Mr. Benally was formerly with the Tuba City Prosecutor's Office.

Administrative Assignment. Judge Rudy Bedonie continued to hear cases at the Dził Yijiin Judicial District in Whippoorwill, Arizona, on Wednesdays and Thursdays. The two court administrators worked together to coordinate the judge's schedule and availability.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

The Chinle Judicial District judge and court administrator will participate in meetings with service providers and the Office of the Chief Justice.

The Chinle Judicial District will work towards meeting its performance criteria goals.

The court administrator will provide technical assistance to the court clerks, bailiffs, office technicians, and custodian.

The Chinle Judicial District will support the goals and objectives of the Navajo Nation Probation Services.

The Chinle Judicial District will work with the goals and objectives of the Peacemaking Program.

## F. Dził Yijiin Judicial District

### 1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The Dził Yijiin Judicial District delivered services and coordinated meetings with chapters and service providers within the Dził Yijiin region.

On January 10, 2017, court administrator Arlene Lee attended the Pinon Chapter meeting, and on January 12, 2017, she attended the Dził Yijiin Regional Council meeting to advocate and obtain chapter and council resolutions to support the budget modification to purchase a modular building as an immediate remedy to house the Dził Yijiin Judicial District.

On March 27, 2017, Legislation No. 0099-17, budget modification of supplemental funds in the amount of \$340,725 was successfully approved by the Law and Order Committee of the Navajo Nation Council to purchase a modular building for the Dził Yijiin Judicial District.

### 2. Other significant accomplishments

On January 30 to February 3, 2017, court administrator Arlene Lee participated in the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit in Twin Arrows, Arizona.

On February 21 and 22, 2017, court administrator Arlene Lee and IT manager Ben Mariano coordinated with CellularOne to relocate the server to the current court location. The Judicial Branch IT staff configured the network and completed installation.

The district staff attended training on the Judicial Branch Employee Policies and Procedures at Window Rock District Court on February 28, 2017,

Court clerk Myron Begay and court administrator Arlene Lee attended a Justware work session on March 1, 2017, in St. Michaels, Arizona.

Throughout the second quarter, court administrator Arlene Lee contributed in various work sessions and/or meetings to advocate for the needs of Dził Yijiin Judicial District:

- January 6, 2017, met with council delegates Dwight Witherspoon and Kee Allen Begay, Pinon chapter officials Bessie Allen, Evelyn Meadows, and Ramona Nelwood, and Ed Martin to discuss recommendations to modify a funding request to purchase a modular building instead of the original plan to renovate an existing modular building.
- January 9, 2017, met with the Law and Order Committee (LOC) to request for legislation to modify the intent of the appropriation to purchase a modular building with the utility infrastructure.
- January 25, March 15, and March 29, 2017, participated in court administrator meetings in Window Rock or St. Michaels, Arizona.
- February 9, 2017, met with VCBO Architecture and capital projects management in Window Rock on the design development for the Pinon Justice Center.
- March 3, 2017, held interviews to fill the vacant office technician position.
- March 20 and March 27, 2017, met with LOC to obtain legislation for budget modification.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

Dził Yijiin Judicial District will work persistently to achieve its program performance criteria goals.

The presiding district judge and the court administrator will participate in meetings with service providers and Dził Yijiin Regional Council to collaborate and to provide effective services.

Dził Yijiin Judicial District will schedule two in-service training for the district staff.

## **G. Window Rock Judicial District**

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The Window Rock Judicial District:

- completed the sentencing of all cases filed by the special prosecutor involving discretionary funds.
- had a high domestic violence docket, including several complex employment and domestic violence cases involving child custody issues. Efforts are made to ensure that orders are issued as quickly as possible.
- worked closely with law enforcement and mental health professionals to address ongoing issues about detainment of mental health individuals and escapees.
- set aside one week each month to schedule complex civil case hearings.
- assigned 51 criminal cases to Window Rock Probation Services for conditions to their sentence on January 31, 2017.
- assigned 45 criminal cases to Window Rock Probation Services for conditions to their sentence on February 28, 2017.
- assigned 28 criminal cases to Window Rock Probation Services for conditions to their sentence on March 31, 2017.

On January 27 and February 24, 2017, traditional program specialist Elaine Henderson conducted workshops on “Life Value Engagement” to defendants at the Window Rock District Court. On February 16, 2017, she conducted a peacemaking hearing.

On January 30 to February 4, 2017, Judge Carol Perry, Judge Geraldine Benally, staff attorney Robyn Neswood-Etsitty, and court administrator Verlena Hale participated in the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit at Twin Arrows Navajo Casino & Resort in Flagstaff, Arizona.

Administrative Order 04-2017. Standing Order of Assignment of Acting Chief Justice issued on January 8, 2017, delegates Judge Geraldine Benally to serve as acting chief justice when Chief Justice Allen Sloan and Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley are away from the jurisdiction of the Navajo Nation.

Activities by Judge Carol Perry and Judge Jennifer Benally

- Judge Carol Perry presided over family court case DK-FC-353-16 in Dilkon, Arizona.
- Judge Carol Perry was appointed to preside over case CH-DV-672-16, in the Chinle Judicial District.

- Judge Geraldine Benally attended the National Conference on Juvenile Justice in New York City, New York, on February 10, 2017. Topics included alternatives to detention, trauma informed justice, programs that assist youth who are dependent & delinquent, teen dating violence, recidivism issues, LGBTQ issues, sex trafficking of minors, drug courts, and runaways. All expenses were paid by the Casey Foundation for Judge Geraldine Benally and Judge Genevieve Woody.
- Judges Carol Perry and Geraldine Benally assisted other districts with coverage as needed.

#### Activities by Court Administrator Verlena Hale

- actively worked with AOC and NNSCI and attended meetings regarding renovation of the NNSCI Pad 21 modular building to serve as the Window Rock Judicial District court facility pending construction of a permanent facility. Court staff are busy packing and completing assigned tasks in preparation for the relocation of staff, services, equipment, and furniture.
- assisted with administrative matters at other districts, i.e., on January 10, 2017, served on interview panel to fill the vacant traditional program specialist position with Shiprock District, and, on March 3, 2017, served on interview panel to fill vacant office technician position at the Dził Yijiin District.
- Attended court administrator meetings in Twin Arrows, Arizona, on January 30, 2017; in St. Michaels, Arizona, on March 15, 2017, and in Window Rock, Arizona, on March 29, 2017.
- involved in discussions and planning of the proposed Window Rock Justice Center. On January 10, 2017, court clerk Corina Begay represented the Window Rock Courts at a scheduled meeting.
- attended a meeting regarding a training academy on March 7, 2017, for the current police and court building.

#### Activities by Staff Attorney Robyn Neswood-Etsitty

- assisted Judge Perry with the complex civil docket.
- conducted pro se classes on adult guardianship to 12 families on January 26, 2017; 5 families on February 16, 2017; and 11 families on March 16, 2017.
- assisted families in signing up for adult guardianship pro se consultations and providing pro se packets for a better understanding of the process.
- provided assistance with legal research and drafting bench memo when requested.
- met with Acting Chief Prosecutor Jaime High regarding concerns over the lack of probation revocations filed by the Office of the Prosecutor in the Window Rock District Court.
- drafted and filed responses to writs against the Window Rock Judicial District.
- assisted and worked on issues for Chief Justice Allen Sloan, as assigned.
- recruited retired Judge LaVerne Johnson to serve as a DV commissioner commencing January 2017.
- met with the Navajo Nation Chief of Police to discuss service of process of TPOs from outside jurisdictions and traffic citations.
- worked with the DV clerk and DV commissioners in providing improved services to the parties and the public, addressing the high caseload, and providing clarifications of proceedings to the public.
- worked with the staff, public, attorneys, and other departments regarding various issues.



- assisted the court administrator with legal issues concerning employment or JB EPP matters.
- collaborated with the court administrator to prepare a proposal for grant funding for judicial hearing officer and document technician positions.
- assisted the court administrator and staff in providing direct services to the public.
- assisted the Chinle Judicial District with a jury trial.
- attended a hearing with Sherilyn Skeet regarding the Lawrence Morgan discretionary funds case.

#### Trainings and/or Work Sessions

- On February 28, 2017, staff of Window Rock and Dził Yijiin Judicial Districts attended training on Navajo Nation Judicial Branch Employee Policies and Procedures presented by human resources director Ralph Roanhorse.
- On March 1, 2017, court clerk Corina Begay participated in a Justware work session in Window Rock, Arizona.

## 2. Other significant accomplishments

#### Statistical Information on Direct Services to the Public:

January = 1,245; February = 942; March = 936; Total = 3,123.

Total number of document requests completed by the Window Rock Judicial District: January = 52; February = 44; March = 58; Total = 154. These figures are relatively low because most records are archived and need to be researched, which is time consuming. The court continued to be inundated daily with requests which are being completed.

#### Oaths of Office by Judges Geraldine Benally and Carol Perry

- January 13, 2017, Police Officer Darwin Dooley (Perry)
- January 19, 2017, Navajo Board of Election Supervisor with the Chinle Agency (Perry)
- February 6, 2017, Police Officers Marvin Curley and Stanley Ashley (Benally)
- February 9, 2017, Corrections Officers T. Toledo, F. Ramone, A. Ashley, F. Coonsis, L. Burbank, D. Cowboy, H. Attakai, Jr, E. Harry, E. Williams, O. Begay, T. Begay, C. Attson, and N. Slivers (Benally)
- February 24, 2017, Police Officer Samantha Yazzie (Benally)
- February 28, 2017, Police Officer Dempsey Harvey (Benally)

The Window Rock Family Court has seen an increase in the number of Mental Health Commitment Act filings in this quarter.

In January 2017, 132 family court and 298 district court hearings were held.  
 In February 2017, 118 family court and 279 district court hearings were held.  
 In March 2017, 157 family court and 250 district court hearings were held.

## 3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

The Window Rock Judicial District judges will conduct presentations as requested by other tribal departments/programs or outside entities.

The Window Rock Judicial District will work on meeting its performance criteria goals.

The probation officers will work with the court in conducting field visits as ordered by the judges and complete field studies and reports on behalf of clients.

The probation officers will work with the court in seeking services from service providers in the Fort Defiance Agency for clients.

The traditional program specialist will work with the court in conducting presentations on “Life Value Engagement.”

## **H. Shiprock Judicial District**

### **1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter**

On March 31, 2017, the Shiprock Judicial & Public Safety Facilities Task Force met with Mabel Desiderio, Department of Corrections, Edward Preston, Design and Engineering Services, Andy Thomas, Capital Improvement Projects, Chief of Police Phillip Francisco, and other members of the project. Discussions included an update on the project, the need to update the master plan to include not only a corrections facility, but courts and law enforcement facilities as well; funding to demolish the 54-year old former Boys and Girls Club building, floor plans, and requesting \$2 million for planning.

The Shiprock Judicial District management focused on archiving court records this quarter by assigning additional clerks to prepare cases and setting up a second archiving work station. A total of 2,995 cases were scanned.

### **2. Other significant accomplishments**

The Shiprock Judicial District’s fines and fees collection for this quarter totaled \$6,836.00 and traffic fines collection totaled \$13,285.00. The grand total fines & court collected totaled \$20,120.03.

The Shiprock Judicial District’s total caseload for the second quarter was 3,288, including 2,475 cases brought forward from the first quarter; 813 new filings; 910 cases closed; and leaving a balance of 2,378 cases to be carried over into the third quarter.

From January 29 to February 3, 2017, Judge Genevieve Woody and court administrator Ethel Laughing attended the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit at Twin Arrows Navajo Casino & Resort in Flagstaff, Arizona. The summit focused on development of goals and objectives, collecting statistics, identifying issues with law enforcement, prosecution, public defender, courts, corrections, social services, behavioral health services; information technology, and communications. Also discussed were resource mapping, best practices, developing strategies, ideal resource mapping for responses to incidents, and identifying resources to stabilize the public safety system and resource needs.

On February 2, 2017, during the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit, court administrator Ethel S. Laughing participated in a meeting regarding the implementation of the JusticeWeb e-payment application.

On March 3, 2017, court administrator Ethel S. Laughing and court clerks Lucia Barton-Jensen and Caroline Barber participated in an overview, via Skype, of the JusticeWeb e-

payment application. Participants viewed a demonstration of how to create an account and viewing traffic court case(s) and online payments. The Shiprock Judicial District is looking forward to the roll out of the JusticeWeb e-payment application. Access to on-line payments will be beneficial for customers. On March 30, 2017, information on Justware updates and making entries, statistical reporting, and JusticeWeb e-payment implementation was share with the district court clerks.

On March 8, 2017, Judge Genevieve Woody participated in a coalition meeting with the Shiprock Central Consolidated Schools. The coalition met to discuss issues facing the Central Consolidated Schools, identifying problems, and making positive solutions and recommendations. Two of the issues raised by Judge Woody was the need for mental health evaluations for juveniles and the obstacles in identifying treatment.

The Shiprock Judicial District is coordinating plans with the Shiprock Navajo Department of Law Enforcement to hold its annual Justice Day in conjunction with Law Day on May 5, 2017. The planning group held its first meeting on March 27, 2017, to discuss the logistics of the event, i.e., location; preliminary layout of activities; draft program agenda; and meals and refreshments to be served. This initiative was taken in support of the recent Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit held at Twin Arrows.

The Shiprock daily registry for this quarter was 10,787. The breakdown on purpose of visit is summarized below:

MONTH	District Court Hearing	Questions	Citation/Pay Fine	Paperwork	Family Court Hearing	Questions	Pay Fine	Protection Order	Paperwork	Peacemaking Session	Questions	Pay Stipend Fee	Probation Services	Questions	Others	TOTAL CLIENTS	METAL DETECTOR READINGS
Jan. 2017	193	116	58	61	212	90	3	59	229	6	0	0	8	0	336	1,371	3,689
Feb. 2017	130	83	77	50	204	100	4	36	227	11	0	0	11	0	279	1,212	3,078
Mar. 2017	306	94	64	81	229	116	12	48	284	10	0	0	19	0	397	1,660	4,020
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>740</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,012</b>	<b>4,243</b>	<b>10,787</b>

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To plan the 2017 Justice Day event in conjunction with Law Day on May 5, 2017.

To participate in the budget orientation and budget development process for FY2018.

To actively participate in the implementation of the JusticeWeb on-line payment application.

To renovate the public and employee restrooms.

To focus on the district archiving backlog.

To complete case inventory, data updates, and merge duplicate name records in JustWare.

To complete inventory of pending family civil cases.

To participate in planning of the public safety and judicial facility.

## **I. Crownpoint Judicial District**

### 1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The following is the second quarter results of Program Performance Criteria goals set by the two courts:

#### Crownpoint Court

1. Close criminal, traffic criminal & traffic civil court cases:  
Goal 250; closed 474 cases; goal exceeded
2. Close civil and family court cases:  
Goal 150; closed 286 cases; goal exceeded
3. Provide access to the Navajo courts through education and user friendly form services: goal achieved
4. Sponsor, conduct, participate in interagency planning and local trainings/orientations: goal achieved
5. Prepare/scan/store court records for archiving: goal achieved

#### Pueblo Pintado Circuit Court

1. Close criminal, traffic criminal & traffic civil court cases:  
Pueblo Pintado: goal 10; closed 18 cases; goal exceeded
2. Close civil and family court cases:  
Pueblo Pintado: goal 20; closed 33 cases; goal exceeded
3. Provide access to the Navajo courts through education and user friendly form services: goal achieved
4. Sponsor, conduct, participate in interagency planning and local trainings/orientations: goal achieved
5. Make visits to chapters and area resources to introduce new court: goal achieved

The district coordinated four presentations for staff training and education. Topics included case management, case process procedures, Justware changes/updates, and Employee Policies and Procedures by human resource director Ralph Roanhorse.

The clean-up process including removal of mold from the Pueblo Pintado modular building is near completion. AOC is working on contracting with a vendor to get the electrical connection to the building completed.

### 2. Other significant accomplishments

Judge Irene Toledo handled cases in the Crownpoint Judicial District and the Pueblo Pintado Circuit Court.

Court administrator Rena Thompson, staff attorney Sharon Noel, and Judge Irene Toledo attended a week-long Public Safety Summit in Twin Arrows, Arizona. The summit enlightened participants with information on public safety and the need to work with the community towards a safer environment. Goals were set by participating departments,

including law enforcement, corrections, prosecutors, social services, public defenders, and the courts.

Judge Irene Toledo administered oaths of office to Eastern Navajo Agency chapter officials and members of the Crownpoint land or school boards. Judge Leonard Livingston, Ramah Judicial District, assisted with administering oaths of office to law enforcement officers, dispatchers, and criminal investigators.

As part of their assignments, court clerks are cross trained so each clerk can answer questions and/or concerns regarding a court case either in person or telephonically.

There were 83 dispositional requests honored this quarter. Requests ranged from individuals needing criminal or traffic background checks completed for employment purposes to requesting copies of traffic citation payments or orders involving name changes or correction of record for the purpose of obtaining a state driver's license.

The court administrator provided input during discussions on agenda items at court administrator meetings and Justware work sessions.

The Crownpoint Judicial District assisted Window Rock Family Court with a video hearing for a juvenile who was incarcerated in Crownpoint.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To host the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Justice Day to commemorate the establishment of the Navajo Nation Courts.

To schedule in-service training, education, and/or presentations for the staff.

To actively work on the opening of the Pueblo Pintado Circuit Court.

## **J. Ramah Judicial District**

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

The Ramah Judicial District provided court services and coordinated plans with the Ramah Navajo Chapter and service providers in the community.

The district scanned 416 closed civil traffic cases. Family court cases will be scanned in the next quarter.

Annual performance evaluations of the Ramah District Court staff were completed and submitted to the Judicial Branch Human Resources.

2. Other significant accomplishments

During daily court operations, staff:

- maintained contact with the community and local service population, i.e., service providers, prosecutor, attorneys, legal services, social services, and police officers.
- maintained a daily incoming/outgoing interdepartmental mail log for police officers, social services, and prosecutor.

- maintained incoming/outgoing mail, phone, and fax logs.
- maintained sign-in sheets for parties coming before the court.
- updated the bench warrant list in coordination with Ramah Navajo Department of Law Enforcement.
- made bank deposits (fines, fees, and cash bond) in Gallup, New Mexico.

The logs maintained by the court showed that approximately 230 people signed in for court services, made 459 incoming/outgoing telephone calls, and recorded 3,960 incoming/outgoing fax services. The bailiff's security report reflected 135 people served, 5 bench warrants, and 22 public intoxications.

Staff attorney Dan Moquin assisted with cases at three judicial districts and the Navajo Nation Supreme Court. He assisted Ramah Navajo Social Services with grant writing. Other assignments he worked on are school truancy, staff development, staff attorney meetings, Title 7 revisions, Title IV-E Project, and the Navajo Nation Tribal Action.

Court administrator Esther Jose and staff attorney Dan Moquin hosted a resource meeting to provide an important mechanism for interagency planning and coordination at the service delivery level, as well as to help define a vision for strategies to coordinate future services, programs, and other initiatives, particularly for the youth. Key stakeholders representing all cultural communities and groups and educational institutions are given opportunity to participate in these resource meetings at the Ramah District Court. Meetings conclude with a comment and question session and serving of refreshments.

On January 11, 2017, Louis Uttaro, Oso Internet Solutions, installed internet services for Ramah Judicial District with assistance by IT manager Ben Mariano.

On January 12, 2017, Judge Leonard Livingston, staff attorney Dan Moquin, and court administrator Esther M. Jose met with Ramah Navajo Department of Law Enforcement, regarding service of domestic violence petitions.

From January 30 to February 3, 2017, Judge Leonard Livingston, staff attorney Dan Moquin, and court administrator Esther M. Jose attended the Navajo Nation Public Safety Summit at Twin Arrows Resort in Flagstaff, Arizona. The criminal justice community met to ensure the safety and protection of families and communities.

On February 7 and February 24, 2017, staff attorney Dan Moquin participated in meetings regarding future planning for the judges' retirement plan in Window Rock, Arizona.

On February 16, 2017, Judge Leonard Livingston and staff attorney Dan Moquin met with leaders of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and toured their governmental facilities.

On March 1, 2017, court clerk Jennifer Jim-Cly and court administrator Esther M. Jose attended a mandatory Justware training held for Judicial Branch court clerks and court administrators and other Justware users. IT manager Ben Mariano and programmer support specialist Melanie Price provided information on the financial and reporting portions of Justware.

On March 2, 2017, Judge Leonard Livingston, staff attorney Dan Moquin, and court administrator Esther M. Jose met with Chief Justice Allen Sloan to discuss the proposed Ramah court facility, i.e., status, land site, etc.

The Ramah Judicial District court building was closed from March 20 to March 22, 2017, for rodent eradication and cleaning of the building. Temporary office space was provided by the Ramah Navajo Chapter for court, probation, and peacemaking staff to accept court filings and documents.

Court administrator Esther Jose participated in court administrator meetings on March 15 and March 29, 2017. Court administrator meetings are held regularly to discuss Judicial Branch-related issues.

On March 31, 2017, Judge Leonard Livingston participated in the tribal/state consortium quarterly meeting at the Pueblo of Pojoaque Tribal Council Chambers.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To facilitate a successful Ramah Judicial District 2017 Justice Day community event.

To archive closed court case files.

To promote more positive and effective working relationships with the community, local law enforcement, and other public service organizations through monthly service provider meetings.

## **K. Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District**

1. Accomplishments of objectives set the previous quarter

Judge William Platero, staff attorney Alisha Thompson, and court administrator Regina Roanhorse attended a three-day Navajo Public Safety Summit at the Twin Arrows Navajo Resort and Casino near Flagstaff, Arizona. Participants included the Navajo Division of Public Safety, Department of Law Enforcement, Department of Corrections, Judicial Branch, Navajo Nation Attorney General, Office of the Prosecutor, Office of the Public Defender, Division of Social Services, Department of Behavioral Health Services, Epidemiology Center, Division of Natural Resources, Department of Information Technology, and the Telecommunications Regulatory Commission. A variety of topics were discussed including data collection and analysis, victim advocacy, SORNA, and Healing to Wellness Courts. On behalf of the Alamo/To'hajiilee Healing to Wellness Court, court administrator Regina Roanhorse gave a presentation about the continuum of care model and lessons learned for developing a drug court utilizing fundamental law and restorative justice principles as provided by Navajo Nation law. Over 100 participants attended the event sponsored by the USDOJ grants that the Judicial Branch received for the Coordinated Tribal Assistance Solicitation (CTAS). Data collected by the Judicial Branch shows that over 80% of the cases are related to alcohol and substance abuse. In Title 17, sentencing amendments, there is a provision for restorative justice and a focus on rehabilitation and treatment. At the summit, other courts in Alaska, Wisconsin, and Washington provided support for the development of drug courts also known as Healing to Wellness Courts as an alternative sentencing effort of the tribe. In Wisconsin, the

judge stated that it can take up to three years for a justice-involved defendant to finish the wellness court provisions because the addiction and readiness for change requires it.

The Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District received funding from the Bureau of Justice Assistance in 2011 to develop a wellness court. At present, the court is working with the off-reservation Healing to Wellness Court in Bernalillo County Metro Court on inclusion of the Peacemaking Program's Life Value Engagement curriculum in their service array. This is an example of service delivery for communities to respond to the high rates of alcohol-related deaths and court cases. The Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District no longer has funding from BJA or the Navajo Judicial Branch, but staff continue to work with probation services and the Veterans Justice Outreach Project. Coordination of services for the community and the navigation that it takes to engage public health providers with the courts is a necessary component of success for wellness courts given that our systems of care are because the need for staff to coordinate between the justice and health communities for rehabilitation and treatment services for justice-involved defendants and their communities.

2. Other significant accomplishments

Native Aspirations Gathering of Native Americans. On February 7, 2017, the Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District's Peacemaking Program and wellness/teen court team met with local Alamo resources and the Navajo Department of Behavioral Health Services to kick off activities for developing a community prevention plan to address substance abuse and mental health through funding provided by the Navajo Department of Behavioral Health Services and Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The group met on February 12-13, 2017, to finalize meetings scheduled for the Gathering of Native Americans (GONA) and worked on a community readiness assessment as to whether the community was ready to address substance abuse issues in the community. The judicial district created a steering committee in 2011 and held regular meetings over the years. The steering committee changed its name to the Alamo Navajo Drug Abuse Prevention Task Force, and, in 2016, changed it to "Naasgo Hozho Whinziin" (Hope for Future Generation). The kick-off event was to bring Kauffman and Associates, a Spokane-based, Native-owned firm, to help the group update its strategic plan. Over 105 Alamo Navajo community members and local resources attended the March 14-16, 2017, GONA mobilization and planning event at the Alamo Wellness Center. Kauffman & Associates coordinates the GONA and Native Aspirations for SAMHSA. Native Aspirations provides planning framework, training, technical assistance, and small grants for communities with high risk for youth violence, bullying, and suicides. The project empowers communities to collect their cultural traditions and identify their strengths as they come together to develop prevention plans and implement evidence-based interventions against violence and suicide. Alamo was one of four selected by the Navajo Nation to receive this intervention.

The community groups formed into "clans" and identified strong partnerships formed with the Navajo Department of Behavioral Health Services to provide support and technical advice in developing a prevention plan for the Alamo community. The group identified a vision, mission statement, and three goals, and will meet later in the year to refine the goals. Funding for the prevention activities will be provided through the SAMHSA grant with assistance of the Navajo Department of Behavioral Health Services.



Hiring of Teen Court Coordinator. The Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District hired Sherrilyn Apache as its new teen court coordinator. Ms. Apache is working on developing a program with the wellness court team that includes working with the prosecutor's office to engage youth in the Alamo community to address and reduce truancy.

Urban Healing to Wellness. A meeting was held with Judge Maria Dominguez and her treatment team to discuss implementation of peacemaking in the next round of participants at her court. An RFP was issued and a selection made to provide traditional cultural services. The Peacemaking Program is working on getting mileage and honorarium for peacemakers to provide cultural teachings to native participants. Also, an MOU with their court for these services was discussed.

Veterans Justice Outreach. The Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District met with the military support group to develop another operation wellness event to outreach and engage returning military personnel to access services for behavioral health. The group discussed facility usage, speakers, and gourd dance efforts at the planning meeting on January 28, 2017.

Specialty Courts. The Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District met on January 27, 2017, to discuss a new program and inclusion of teen court in post- and possibly pre-adjudication processes for truancy cases in the Alamo community. Due to the lack of law enforcement officers in the community, the focus will be to target youth to improve attendance rates, but also to build resiliency skills against meth, heroin, and other drugs, which seems to be the big issue.

Native American Subcommittee. The court administrator and teen court coordinator gave an update on the wellness courts and teen courts during the Native American Subcommittee meeting for the New Mexico Governor's Behavioral Health Council on March 23, 2017. This is a multi-jurisdictional and tribal meeting of mostly 638 tribal programs and state departments to address alcohol death rates in New Mexico on tribal lands or in the counties. At this particular meeting, the Urban Healing to Wellness Court presented to the group by former care coordinator Dorothy Waisanen received overwhelming support from tribal programs for wellness courts in the state and tribal lands of New Mexico.

3. Objectives to be accomplished in the next quarter

To complete Alamo Naasgo Hozhoogo Whinzin Strategic Plan with assistance of the SAMHSA Native Aspirations Program.

## IX. Judicial Branch Statistical Caseload Reports

### FY2017 SECOND QUARTER OVERALL STATISTICS BY LOCATION

LOCATION	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Supreme Court	90	0.5%	22	0.3%	112	0.4%	14	0.2%	98	0.5%
Alamo	87	0.5%	32	0.5%	119	0.5%	35	0.5%	84	0.5%
Aneth	375	2.0%	189	2.8%	564	2.2%	194	2.9%	370	2.0%
Chinle	971	5.2%	764	11.2%	1,735	6.8%	733	10.8%	1,002	5.4%
Crownpoint	1,030	5.6%	579	8.5%	1,609	6.3%	760	11.2%	849	4.6%
Dilkon	836	4.5%	330	4.8%	1,166	4.6%	284	4.2%	882	4.7%
Dzif Yijiin	388	2.1%	208	3.0%	596	2.3%	140	2.1%	456	2.5%
Kayenta	1,633	8.8%	438	6.4%	2,071	8.2%	373	5.5%	1,698	9.1%
Pueblo Pintado	95	0.5%	139	2.0%	234	0.9%	51	0.8%	183	1.0%
Ramah	1,958	10.6%	124	1.8%	2,082	8.2%	57	0.8%	2,025	10.9%
Shiprock	2,475	13.3%	813	11.9%	3,288	12.9%	910	13.4%	2,378	12.8%
To'hajiilee	294	1.6%	35	0.5%	329	1.3%	36	0.5%	293	1.6%
Tuba City	1,108	6.0%	824	12.0%	1,932	7.6%	744	11.0%	1,188	6.4%
Window Rock	4,389	23.7%	833	12.2%	5,222	20.6%	820	12.1%	4,402	23.7%
Probation Services	2,256	12.2%	1,209	17.7%	3,465	13.6%	1,206	17.8%	2,259	12.1%
Peacemaking	566	3.1%	310	4.5%	876	3.4%	432	6.4%	444	2.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,551</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6,849</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>25,400</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6,789</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>18,611</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### FY2017 SECOND QUARTER OVERALL STATISTICS BY CASE TYPE

CASE TYPE	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	1,527	8.2%	297	4.3%	1,824	7.2%	247	3.6%	1,577	8.5%
Criminal	5,621	30.3%	1,759	25.7%	7,380	29.1%	1,329	19.6%	6,051	32.5%
Civil Traffic	3,562	19.2%	1,518	22.2%	5,080	20.0%	1,762	26.0%	3,318	17.8%
Criminal Traffic	1,477	8.0%	195	2.8%	1,672	6.6%	258	3.8%	1,414	7.6%
Family Civil	2,016	10.9%	584	8.5%	2,600	10.2%	529	7.8%	2,071	11.1%
Domestic Violence	830	4.5%	866	12.6%	1,696	6.7%	934	13.8%	762	4.1%
Dependency	394	2.1%	53	0.8%	447	1.8%	48	0.7%	399	2.1%
Delinquency	140	0.8%	29	0.4%	169	0.7%	23	0.3%	146	0.8%
CHINS	72	0.4%	7	0.1%	79	0.3%	7	0.1%	72	0.4%
Supreme Court	90	0.5%	22	0.3%	112	0.4%	14	0.2%	98	0.5%
Probation/Parole	2,256	12.2%	1,209	17.7%	3,465	13.6%	1,206	17.8%	2,259	12.1%
Peacemaking	566	3.1%	310	4.5%	876	3.4%	432	6.4%	444	2.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,551</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6,849</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>25,400</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>6,789</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>18,611</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

### SUPREME COURT OF THE NAVAJO NATION

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Reconsiderations		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	80	89%	21	100%	1	100%	102	91%	9	64%	93	95%
Criminal	6	7%	0	0%	0	0%	6	5%	2	14%	4	4%
NNBA	3	3%	0	0%	0	0%	3	3%	3	21%	0	0%
Special Proceedings	1	1%	0	0%	0	0%	1	1%	0	0%	1	1%
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>100%</b>

### ALAMO COURT

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	23	26.4%	6	18.8%	29	24.4%	6	17.1%	23	27.4%
Criminal	16	18.4%	0	0.0%	16	13.4%	1	2.9%	15	17.9%
Civil Traffic	1	1.1%	0	0.0%	1	0.8%	0	0.0%	1	1.2%
Criminal Traffic	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>40</b>		<b>6</b>		<b>46</b>		<b>7</b>		<b>39</b>	
Family Civil	26	29.9%	5	15.6%	31	26.1%	10	28.6%	21	25.0%
Domestic Violence	1	1.1%	15	46.9%	16	13.4%	13	37.1%	3	3.6%
Dependency	9	10.3%	2	6.3%	11	9.2%	1	2.9%	10	11.9%
Delinquency	2	2.3%	1	3.1%	3	2.5%	2	5.7%	1	1.2%
CHINS	9	10.3%	3	9.4%	12	10.1%	2	5.7%	10	11.9%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>47</b>		<b>26</b>		<b>73</b>		<b>28</b>		<b>45</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**ANETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	20	5.3%	7	3.7%	27	4.8%	12	6.2%	15	4.1%
Criminal	215	57.3%	42	22.2%	257	45.6%	40	20.6%	217	58.6%
Civil Traffic	31	8.3%	84	44.4%	115	20.4%	91	46.9%	24	6.5%
Criminal Traffic	57	15.2%	8	4.2%	65	11.5%	12	6.2%	53	14.3%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>323</b>		<b>141</b>		<b>464</b>		<b>155</b>		<b>309</b>	
Family Civil	40	10.7%	27	14.3%	67	11.9%	17	8.8%	50	13.5%
Domestic Violence	9	2.4%	20	10.6%	29	5.1%	22	11.3%	7	1.9%
Dependency	3	0.8%	1	0.5%	4	0.7%	0	0.0%	4	1.1%
Delinquency	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
CHINS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>52</b>		<b>48</b>		<b>100</b>		<b>39</b>		<b>61</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>375</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>370</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**CHINLE JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	87	9.0%	40	5.2%	127	7.3%	34	4.6%	93	9.3%
Criminal	295	30.4%	322	42.1%	617	35.6%	242	33.0%	375	37.4%
Civil Traffic	144	14.8%	204	26.7%	348	20.1%	235	32.1%	113	11.3%
Criminal Traffic	135	13.9%	49	6.4%	184	10.6%	51	7.0%	133	13.3%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>661</b>		<b>615</b>		<b>1,276</b>		<b>562</b>		<b>714</b>	
Family Civil	122	12.6%	57	7.5%	179	10.3%	58	7.9%	121	12.1%
Domestic Violence	146	15.0%	77	10.1%	223	12.9%	107	14.6%	116	11.6%
Dependency	27	2.8%	6	0.8%	33	1.9%	4	0.5%	29	2.9%
Delinquency	12	1.2%	9	1.2%	21	1.2%	1	0.1%	20	2.0%
CHINS	3	0.3%	0	0.0%	3	0.2%	1	0.1%	2	0.2%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>310</b>		<b>149</b>		<b>459</b>		<b>171</b>		<b>288</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>971</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,735</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>733</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,002</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**CROWNPOINT JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	64	6.2%	34	5.9%	98	6.1%	43	5.7%	55	6.5%
Criminal	527	51.2%	105	18.1%	632	39.3%	195	25.7%	437	51.5%
Civil Traffic	65	6.3%	223	38.5%	288	17.9%	252	33.2%	36	4.2%
Criminal Traffic	96	9.3%	7	1.2%	103	6.4%	27	3.6%	76	9.0%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>752</b>		<b>369</b>		<b>1,121</b>		<b>517</b>		<b>604</b>	
Family Civil	175	17.0%	90	15.5%	265	16.5%	113	14.9%	152	17.9%
Domestic Violence	49	4.8%	112	19.3%	161	10.0%	113	14.9%	48	5.7%
Dependency	44	4.3%	5	0.9%	49	3.0%	10	1.3%	39	4.6%
Delinquency	8	0.8%	3	0.5%	11	0.7%	7	0.9%	4	0.5%
CHINS	2	0.2%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	2	0.2%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>278</b>		<b>210</b>		<b>488</b>		<b>243</b>		<b>245</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>1,030</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,609</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>760</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>849</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**DILKON JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	103	12.3%	9	2.7%	112	9.6%	8	2.8%	104	11.8%
Criminal	422	50.5%	100	30.3%	522	44.8%	49	17.3%	473	53.6%
Civil Traffic	50	6.0%	127	38.5%	177	15.2%	167	58.8%	10	1.1%
Criminal Traffic	75	9.0%	8	2.4%	83	7.1%	8	2.8%	75	8.5%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>650</b>		<b>244</b>		<b>894</b>		<b>232</b>		<b>662</b>	
Family Civil	117	14.0%	38	11.5%	155	13.3%	20	7.0%	135	15.3%
Domestic Violence	32	3.8%	47	14.2%	79	6.8%	32	11.3%	47	5.3%
Dependency	20	2.4%	1	0.3%	21	1.8%	0	0.0%	21	2.4%
Delinquency	17	2.0%	0	0.0%	17	1.5%	0	0.0%	17	1.9%
CHINS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>186</b>		<b>86</b>		<b>272</b>		<b>52</b>		<b>220</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>836</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,166</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>882</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**DZİŁ YIJIIN JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	18	4.6%	5	2.4%	23	3.9%	10	7.1%	13	2.9%
Criminal	232	59.8%	131	63.0%	363	60.9%	64	45.7%	299	65.6%
Civil Traffic	39	10.1%	5	2.4%	44	7.4%	11	7.9%	33	7.2%
Criminal Traffic	22	5.7%	6	2.9%	28	4.7%	7	5.0%	21	4.6%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>311</b>		<b>147</b>		<b>458</b>		<b>92</b>		<b>366</b>	
Family Civil	55	14.2%	18	8.7%	73	12.2%	9	6.4%	64	14.0%
Domestic Violence	8	2.1%	38	18.3%	46	7.7%	34	24.3%	12	2.6%
Dependency	12	3.1%	2	1.0%	14	2.3%	5	3.6%	9	2.0%
Delinquency	1	0.3%	1	0.5%	2	0.3%	0	0.0%	2	0.4%
CHINS	1	0.3%	2	1.0%	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	3	0.7%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>77</b>		<b>61</b>		<b>138</b>		<b>48</b>		<b>90</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**KAYENTA JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	60	3.7%	32	7.3%	92	4.4%	14	3.8%	78	4.6%
Criminal	908	55.6%	91	20.8%	999	48.2%	80	21.4%	919	54.1%
Civil Traffic	212	13.0%	196	44.7%	408	19.7%	177	47.5%	231	13.6%
Criminal Traffic	170	10.4%	0	0.0%	170	8.2%	16	4.3%	154	9.1%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>1,350</b>		<b>319</b>		<b>1,669</b>		<b>287</b>		<b>1,382</b>	
Family Civil	101	6.2%	26	5.9%	127	6.1%	11	2.9%	116	6.8%
Domestic Violence	145	8.9%	88	20.1%	233	11.3%	73	19.6%	160	9.4%
Dependency	35	2.1%	5	1.1%	40	1.9%	1	0.3%	39	2.3%
Delinquency	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%	1	0.3%	1	0.1%
CHINS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>283</b>		<b>119</b>		<b>402</b>		<b>86</b>		<b>316</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>1,633</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2,071</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>373</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,698</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**PUEBLO PINTADO COURT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	15	15.8%	23	16.5%	38	16.2%	9	17.6%	29	15.8%
Criminal	47	49.5%	50	36.0%	97	41.5%	16	31.4%	81	44.3%
Civil Traffic	2	2.1%	4	2.9%	6	2.6%	2	3.9%	4	2.2%
Criminal Traffic	5	5.3%	5	3.6%	10	4.3%	0	0.0%	10	5.5%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>69</b>		<b>82</b>		<b>151</b>		<b>27</b>		<b>124</b>	
Family Civil	10	10.5%	17	12.2%	27	11.5%	4	7.8%	23	12.6%
Domestic Violence	7	7.4%	31	22.3%	38	16.2%	18	35.3%	20	10.9%
Dependency	9	9.5%	9	6.5%	18	7.7%	2	3.9%	16	8.7%
Delinquency	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
CHINS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>26</b>		<b>57</b>		<b>83</b>		<b>24</b>		<b>59</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**RAMAH JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	42	2.1%	4	3.2%	46	2.2%	6	10.5%	40	2.0%
Criminal	297	15.2%	72	58.1%	369	17.7%	7	12.3%	362	17.9%
Civil Traffic	1,403	71.7%	22	17.7%	1,425	68.4%	21	36.8%	1,404	69.3%
Criminal Traffic	54	2.8%	6	4.8%	60	2.9%	3	5.3%	57	2.8%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>1,796</b>		<b>104</b>		<b>1,900</b>		<b>37</b>		<b>1,863</b>	
Family Civil	67	3.4%	9	7.3%	76	3.7%	5	8.8%	71	3.5%
Domestic Violence	71	3.6%	9	7.3%	80	3.8%	14	24.6%	66	3.3%
Dependency	12	0.6%	0	0.0%	12	0.6%	1	1.8%	11	0.5%
Delinquency	12	0.6%	2	1.6%	14	0.7%	0	0.0%	14	0.7%
CHINS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>162</b>		<b>20</b>		<b>182</b>		<b>20</b>		<b>162</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>1,958</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2,082</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2,025</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**SHIPROCK JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	174	7.0%	32	3.9%	206	6.3%	56	6.2%	150	6.3%
Criminal	937	37.9%	256	31.5%	1,193	36.3%	251	27.6%	942	39.6%
Civil Traffic	311	12.6%	185	22.8%	496	15.1%	222	24.4%	274	11.5%
Criminal Traffic	562	22.7%	57	7.0%	619	18.8%	99	10.9%	520	21.9%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>1,984</b>		<b>530</b>		<b>2,514</b>		<b>628</b>		<b>1,886</b>	
Family Civil	350	14.1%	114	14.0%	464	14.1%	94	10.3%	370	15.6%
Domestic Violence	92	3.7%	164	20.2%	256	7.8%	179	19.7%	77	3.2%
Dependency	15	0.6%	2	0.2%	17	0.5%	6	0.7%	11	0.5%
Delinquency	19	0.8%	3	0.4%	22	0.7%	3	0.3%	19	0.8%
CHINS	15	0.6%	0	0.0%	15	0.5%	0	0.0%	15	0.6%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>491</b>		<b>283</b>		<b>774</b>		<b>282</b>		<b>492</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>2,475</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3,288</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>910</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2,378</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**TOHAJILEE COURT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	4	1.4%	1	2.9%	5	1.5%	1	2.8%	4	1.4%
Criminal	123	41.8%	11	31.4%	134	40.7%	10	27.8%	124	42.3%
Civil Traffic	76	25.9%	0	0.0%	76	23.1%	1	2.8%	75	25.6%
Criminal Traffic	24	8.2%	0	0.0%	24	7.3%	3	8.3%	21	7.2%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>227</b>		<b>12</b>		<b>239</b>		<b>15</b>		<b>224</b>	
Family Civil	29	9.9%	11	31.4%	40	12.2%	11	30.6%	29	9.9%
Domestic Violence	15	5.1%	8	22.9%	23	7.0%	7	19.4%	16	5.5%
Dependency	7	2.4%	2	5.7%	9	2.7%	2	5.6%	7	2.4%
Delinquency	4	1.4%	0	0.0%	4	1.2%	0	0.0%	4	1.4%
CHINS	12	4.1%	2	5.7%	14	4.3%	1	2.8%	13	4.4%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>67</b>		<b>23</b>		<b>90</b>		<b>21</b>		<b>69</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**TUBA CITY JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	34	3.1%	21	2.5%	55	2.8%	23	3.1%	32	2.7%
Criminal	494	44.6%	338	41.0%	832	43.1%	163	21.9%	669	56.3%
Civil Traffic	242	21.8%	307	37.3%	549	28.4%	386	51.9%	163	13.7%
Criminal Traffic	71	6.4%	4	0.5%	75	3.9%	6	0.8%	69	5.8%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>841</b>		<b>670</b>		<b>1,511</b>		<b>578</b>		<b>933</b>	
Family Civil	178	16.1%	31	3.8%	209	10.8%	66	8.9%	143	12.0%
Domestic Violence	47	4.2%	103	12.5%	150	7.8%	84	11.3%	66	5.6%
Dependency	40	3.6%	17	2.1%	57	3.0%	13	1.7%	44	3.7%
Delinquency	2	0.2%	3	0.4%	5	0.3%	3	0.4%	2	0.2%
CHINS	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>267</b>		<b>154</b>		<b>421</b>		<b>166</b>		<b>255</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>1,108</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,932</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,188</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**WINDOW ROCK JUDICIAL DISTRICT**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Civil	883	20.1%	83	10.0%	966	18.5%	25	3.0%	941	21.4%
Criminal	1,108	25.2%	241	28.9%	1,349	25.8%	211	25.7%	1,138	25.9%
Civil Traffic	986	22.5%	161	19.3%	1,147	22.0%	197	24.0%	950	21.6%
Criminal Traffic	206	4.7%	45	5.4%	251	4.8%	26	3.2%	225	5.1%
<b>District Total</b>	<b>3,183</b>		<b>530</b>		<b>3,713</b>		<b>459</b>		<b>3,254</b>	
Family Civil	746	17.0%	141	16.9%	887	17.0%	111	13.5%	776	17.6%
Domestic Violence	208	4.7%	154	18.5%	362	6.9%	238	29.0%	124	2.8%
Dependency	161	3.7%	1	0.1%	162	3.1%	3	0.4%	159	3.6%
Delinquency	61	1.4%	7	0.8%	68	1.3%	6	0.7%	62	1.4%
CHINS	30	0.7%	0	0.0%	30	0.6%	3	0.4%	27	0.6%
<b>Family Total</b>	<b>1,206</b>		<b>303</b>		<b>1,509</b>		<b>361</b>		<b>1,148</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>4,389</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>833</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>5,222</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>4,402</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**NAVAJO NATION PROBATION SERVICES**

Case Type	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Adult Probation	740	32.8%	173	14.3%	913	26.3%	205	17.0%	708	31.3%
Adult Parole	12	0.5%	12	1.0%	24	0.7%	8	0.7%	16	0.7%
Adult Short-Term Probation	1,380	61.2%	981	81.1%	2,361	68.1%	948	78.6%	1,413	62.5%
<b>Adult Probation Total</b>	<b>2,132</b>		<b>1,166</b>		<b>3,298</b>		<b>1,161</b>		<b>2,137</b>	
Juvenile Probation	40	1.8%	5	0.4%	45	1.3%	11	0.9%	34	1.5%
Juvenile Short-Term Probation	84	3.7%	38	3.1%	122	3.5%	34	2.8%	88	3.9%
<b>Juvenile Probation Total</b>	<b>124</b>		<b>43</b>		<b>167</b>		<b>45</b>		<b>122</b>	
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>2,256</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,209</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>3,465</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,206</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>2,259</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

**NAVAJO NATION PEACEMAKING PROGRAM**

District	Brought Forward		Filed		Caseload		Closed Cases		Pending	
Alamo	3	0.5%	0	0.0%	3	0.3%	1	0.2%	2	0.5%
Aneth	14	2.5%	22	7.1%	36	4.1%	2	0.5%	34	7.7%
Chinle	37	6.5%	31	10.0%	68	7.8%	2	0.5%	66	14.9%
Crownpoint	35	6.2%	51	16.5%	86	9.8%	17	3.9%	69	15.5%
Dilkon	82	14.5%	54	17.4%	136	15.5%	23	5.3%	113	25.5%
Dził Yijiin	2	0.4%	3	1.0%	5	0.6%	3	0.7%	2	0.5%
Kayenta	4	0.7%	24	7.7%	28	3.2%	10	2.3%	18	4.1%
Shiprock	145	25.6%	58	18.7%	203	23.2%	144	33.3%	59	13.3%
Ramah	14	2.5%	3	1.0%	17	1.9%	10	2.3%	7	1.6%
To'hajiilee	11	1.9%	0	0.0%	11	1.3%	6	1.4%	5	1.1%
Tuba City	162	28.6%	50	16.1%	212	24.2%	180	41.7%	32	7.2%
Window Rock	57	10.1%	14	4.5%	71	8.1%	34	7.9%	37	8.3%
<b>Quarter Caseload</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>876</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

## X. Judicial Branch Budgets and Expenditures

The Judicial Branch receives operating funds from two main sources of continual appropriations to provide court services within the Navajo Nation.

### A. Navajo Nation General Fund

The 23<sup>rd</sup> Navajo Nation Council approved Resolution CS-49-16 on 9/27/16 for the NN Fiscal Year 2017 & Comprehensive Budget from October 01, 2016 to September 30, 2017. The Judicial Branch General Fund budget allocation was \$13,072,846 plus Indirect Cost Recovery of \$133,897 totaling \$13,206,743 (Original Budget). The General Fund Original Budget was revised to include \$61,387.89 in prior year encumbrance carryover on 10/1/16. On 12/3/16 Resolution No. CN-58-16 was approved; amending CS-49-16 for the NN Fiscal Year 2017 & Comprehensive Budget which included Supplemental Funding in the amount of \$689,701. The budget was again revised in January 2017 to include \$25,908 and \$36,813 in carryover funds for Dził Yijiin and Judicial Conduct Commission respectively; and \$92,972 in unexpended FY 2016 balance per CS-49-16. The budget revision also includes \$34,671 in FY 2016 IDC carryover for a Grand Total of \$14,148,195.89 (Revised Budget). As of 3/31/17, the Judicial Branch's FY 2017 General Fund Budgets consists of eighteen (18) Business Units plus one (1) NN Integrated Justice - Fixed Cost Budget as follows:

No.	Business Unit/Object Code	Program/Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encumbrances	Budget Available	% Expensed of Total
<b>1</b>	<b>102001</b>	<b>Admin Office of the Courts</b>						
	1942	Prior Year Carry Over	0.00	(165,889.96)	0.00	0.00	(165,889.96)	0.00%
	1992	IDC Recovery	(133,897.00)	(133,897.00)	(56,943.79)	0.00	(76,953.21)	42.53%
	1996	Allocation	(1,271,316.00)	(1,396,604.00)	0.00	0.00	(1,396,604.00)	0.00%
	1000	Revenues	(1,405,213.00)	(1,696,390.96)	(56,943.79)	0.00	(1,639,447.17)	3.36%
	2000	Personnel Expenses	1,350,479.00	1,350,479.00	605,004.46	0.00	745,474.54	44.80%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	54,734.00	300,077.96	51,431.09	27,214.57	221,432.30	26.21%
	9000	Capital Outlay	0.00	45,834.00	0.00	0.00	45,834.00	0.00%
	2000	Expenses	1,405,213.00	1,696,390.96	656,435.55	27,214.57	1,012,740.84	40.30%
<b>2</b>	<b>102002</b>	<b>Chinle Judicial District</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	883,626.00	883,626.00	373,120.85	0.00	510,505.15	42.23%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	52,740.00	77,027.00	17,253.29	0.00	59,773.71	22.40%
	2000	Expenses	936,366.00	960,653.00	390,374.14	0.00	570,278.86	40.64%
<b>3</b>	<b>102003</b>	<b>Crownpoint Judicial District</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	754,864.00	754,864.00	350,684.03	0.00	404,179.97	46.46%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	44,001.00	68,889.00	15,329.63	0.00	53,559.37	22.25%
	2000	Expenses	798,865.00	823,753.00	366,013.66	0.00	457,739.34	44.43%
<b>4</b>	<b>102004</b>	<b>Window Rock Judicial District</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	939,257.00	939,257.00	432,077.51	0.00	507,179.49	46.00%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	37,657.00	118,731.00	15,630.75	0.00	103,100.25	13.16%
	2000	Expenses	976,914.00	1,057,988.00	447,708.26	0.00	610,279.74	42.32%
<b>5</b>	<b>102005</b>	<b>Shiprock Judicial District</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	840,045.00	840,045.00	387,050.77	0.00	452,994.23	46.08%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	43,961.00	79,431.00	23,248.09	0.00	56,182.91	29.27%
	2000	Expenses	884,006.00	919,476.00	410,298.86	0.00	509,177.14	44.62%
<b>6</b>	<b>102006</b>	<b>Tuba City Judicial District</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	719,626.00	719,626.00	331,766.20	0.00	387,859.80	46.10%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	42,865.00	83,381.00	17,586.93	0.00	65,794.07	21.09%
	2000	Expenses	762,491.00	803,007.00	349,353.13	0.00	453,653.87	43.51%

No.	Business Unit/Object Code	Program/Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encumbrances	Budget Available	% Expended of Total
<b>8 102008 Supreme Court</b>								
1942		Prior Year Carry Over	0.00	(15,000.00)	0.00	0.00	(15,000.00)	0.00%
1996		Allocation	(708,227.00)	(727,827.00)	0.00	0.00	(727,827.00)	0.00%
1000		Revenues	(708,227.00)	(742,827.00)	0.00	0.00	(742,827.00)	0.00%
2001		Personnel Expenses	664,358.00	664,358.00	303,470.32	0.00	360,887.68	45.68%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	43,869.00	78,469.00	28,071.84	0.00	50,397.16	35.77%
2000		Expenses	708,227.00	742,827.00	331,542.16	0.00	411,284.84	44.63%
<b>9 102009 Peacemaking Program</b>								
2001		Personnel Expenses	1,174,114.00	1,174,114.00	525,714.89	0.00	648,399.11	44.78%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	18,862.00	52,229.00	16,435.61	0.00	35,793.39	31.47%
2000		Expenses	1,192,976.00	1,226,343.00	542,150.50	0.00	684,192.50	44.21%
<b>10 102010 Kayenta Judicial District</b>								
2001		Personnel Expenses	831,728.00	831,728.00	318,336.14	0.00	513,391.86	38.27%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	53,662.00	67,270.00	15,262.53	0.00	52,007.47	22.69%
2000		Expenses	885,390.00	898,998.00	333,598.67	0.00	565,399.33	37.11%
<b>11 102011 Dilkon Judicial District</b>								
2001		Personnel Expenses	634,443.00	634,443.00	274,895.49	0.00	359,547.51	43.33%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	50,868.00	74,814.00	15,639.00	0.00	59,175.00	20.90%
2000		Expenses	685,311.00	709,257.00	290,534.49	0.00	418,722.51	40.96%
<b>12 102012 Aneth Judicial District</b>								
2001		Personnel Expenses	533,465.00	533,465.00	244,000.72	0.00	289,464.28	45.74%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	47,809.00	67,559.00	18,198.01	0.00	49,360.99	26.94%
2000		Expenses	581,274.00	601,024.00	262,198.73	0.00	338,825.27	43.63%
<b>13 102013 Tohajiilee Judicial District</b>								
2001		Personnel Expenses	533,465.00	533,465.00	247,422.20	0.00	286,042.80	46.38%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	51,622.00	71,922.00	19,084.63	0.00	52,837.37	26.54%
2000		Expenses	585,087.00	605,387.00	266,506.83	0.00	338,880.17	44.02%
<b>14 102014 Alamo Judicial District</b>								
2001		Personnel Expenses	136,278.00	136,278.00	62,083.82	0.00	74,194.18	45.56%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	32,048.00	49,456.00	10,400.83	0.00	39,055.17	21.03%
2000		Expenses	168,326.00	185,734.00	72,484.65	0.00	113,249.35	39.03%
<b>15 102015 Dzil Yijin Judicial District</b>								
1942		Prior Year Carry Over	0.00	(25,908.00)	0.00	0.00	(25,908.00)	0.00%
1996		Allocation	(383,229.00)	(404,410.00)	0.00	0.00	(404,410.00)	0.00%
1000		Revenues	(383,229.00)	(430,318.00)	0.00	0.00	(430,318.00)	0.00%
2001		Personnel Expenses	344,069.00	344,069.00	87,891.21	0.00	256,177.79	25.54%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	39,160.00	86,249.00	12,124.36	0.00	74,124.64	14.06%
2000		Expenses	383,229.00	430,318.00	100,015.57	0.00	330,302.43	23.24%
<b>16 102017 Pueblo Pintado Circuit Court</b>								
1942		Prior Year Carry Over	0.00	(1,204.99)	0.00	0.00	(1,204.99)	0.00%
1996		Allocation	(102,834.00)	(129,436.00)	0.00	0.00	(129,436.00)	0.00%
1000		Revenues	(102,834.00)	(130,640.99)	0.00	0.00	(130,640.99)	0.00%
2001		Personnel Expenses	102,197.00	102,197.00	46,957.76	0.00	55,239.24	45.95%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	637.00	28,443.99	1,307.34	0.00	27,136.65	4.60%
2000		Expenses	102,834.00	130,640.99	48,265.10	0.00	82,375.89	36.94%
<b>17 102018 Probation Services</b>								
2001		Personnel Expenses	1,565,891.00	1,570,755.00	729,344.31	0.00	841,410.69	46.43%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	38,566.00	111,456.00	20,300.23	0.00	91,155.77	18.21%
2000		Expenses	1,604,457.00	1,682,211.00	749,644.54	0.00	932,566.46	44.56%



No.	Business Unit/Object Code	Program/Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encumbrances	Budget Available	% Expensed of Total
<b>18 102019 Judicial Conduct Commission</b>								
1942		Prior Year Carry Over	0.00	(42,998.71)	0.00	0.00	(42,998.71)	0.00%
1996		Allocation	0.00	(51,432.00)	0.00	0.00	(51,432.00)	0.00%
1000		Revenues	0.00	(94,430.71)	0.00	0.00	(94,430.71)	0.00%
2001		Personnel Expenses	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	0.00	94,430.71	13,368.93	0.00	81,061.78	14.16%
2000		Expenses	0.00	94,430.71	13,368.93	0.00	81,061.78	14.16%
<b>Judicial Branch General Fund Total:</b>			<b>13,206,743.00</b>	<b>14,148,195.89</b>	<b>5,882,442.62</b>	<b>32,910.24</b>	<b>8,232,843.03</b>	<b>41.81%</b>
<b>Overall Breakdown of General Funds:</b>								
2000		Personnel Expenses	12,523,143.00	12,528,007.00	5,552,885.26	0.00	6,975,121.74	44.32%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	683,600.00	1,574,354.89	329,557.36	32,910.24	1,211,887.29	23.02%
9000		Capital Outlay	0.00	45,834.00	0.00	0.00	45,834.00	0.00%
2000		Expenses	13,206,743.00	14,148,195.89	5,882,442.62	32,910.24	8,232,843.03	41.81%
<b>19 118019 NN Integrated Justice (Fixed Costs)</b>								
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	300,000.00	569,314.67	147,831.17	258,546.78	162,936.72	71.38%
9000		Capital Outlay	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
2000		Expenses	300,000.00	569,314.67	147,831.17	258,546.78	162,936.72	71.38%
<b>Overall Breakdown of General Funds &amp; Fixed Costs:</b>								
2000		Personnel Expenses	12,523,143.00	12,528,007.00	5,552,885.26	0.00	6,975,121.74	44.32%
3000-7000		Operating Expenses	983,600.00	2,143,669.56	477,388.53	291,457.02	1,374,824.01	35.87%
9000		Capital Outlay	0.00	45,834.00	0.00	0.00	45,834.00	0.00%
2000		Expenses	13,506,743.00	14,717,510.56	6,030,273.79	291,457.02	8,395,779.75	42.95%

## B. External Funds

The Judicial Branch currently has nineteen (19) External Fund Budgets (1) K120801 Alamo/To'hajiilee Youth Court - Substance Abuse Prevention Initiative, Contract Term, 10/1/11 - 9/30/15 - extended to 9/30/17; (2) K120802 Aneth/Alamo/To'hajiilee - Community Wellness Courts, Contract Term, 10/1/11 - 9/30/15 - expired 9/30/16 - pending closeout report; (3) K1205113 DHHS Peacemaking Toward Asset - Building in Navajo Nation Rural Communities, Contract Term, 10/1/12 - 9/30/13 - extended to 9/30/16 - pending closeout report; (4) K130591 DHHS Peacemaking Toward Asset - Building in Navajo Nation Rural Communities, Contract Term, 10/1/13 - 9/30/14 - extended to 9/30/16 - to be carried over to K1405102; (5) K1405102 DHHS Peacemaking Toward Asset - Building in Navajo Nation Rural Communities, Contract Term, 10/1/14 - 9/30/15 - extended to 9/29/17; (6) K100803 Peacemaker Youth Education Apprentice Program, Contract Term, 10/01/09 - 9/30/15 - extended to 9/30/16 - pending closeout report; (7) K110801 NNIJISP Tribal Court - Navajo Nation Integrated Justice Sharing Project, Contract Term 10/1/10 - 9/30/15 - extended to 9/30/16 - closed; (8) K120810 JAG-Juvenile Peacemaking Project, Contract Term, 10/1/11 - 9/30/15 - extended to 9/30/17; (9) K140801 Healing to Wellness Veteran, Contract Term 10/1/13 - 9/30/17; (10) K140802 FY '13 Edward Byrne Memorial; JAG, Contract Term 10/1/12 - 9/30/16 - pending close out report; (11) K140803 CTAS 2014 TJSP, Contract Term 10/01/14 - 03/31/17; (12) K140804 CTAS 2014 VAW, Contract Term 10/01/14 - 9/30/17; (13) K140805 CTAS 2014 TVAP, Contract Term, 10/01/14 - 9/30/17; (14) K140806 CTAS 2014 TVAP, Contract Term 1/1/13 - 9/30/17; (15) K150801 FY 15 Edward Byrne JAG, Contract Term 10/1/14 - 9/30/18; (16) K120725 CY 12 Tribal Courts, Contract Term 1/1/12 - 12/31/14 FIFO to K150735; (17) K150735 CY 15 Tribal Courts, Contract Term 1/1/15 - 12/31/15 FIFO to K160736; (18) K160736 CY 16 Tribal Courts, Contract Term 1/1/16 - 12/31/16, extended to 12/31/17; and (19) K160781 CY 16 Judicial One Time Funding, Contract Term 1/1/12 - 12/31/17. Four (4) Public Law 93-638 Indian Self-Determination Act, multi-year contracts with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) to provide court services within the Navajo Nation.

No.	Business Unit/Object Code	Program/Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encumbrances	Budget Available	% Expended of Total
<b>1</b>	<b>K120801</b>	<b>Alamo/Tohajiille Youth Court</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	188,437.00	287,890.00	151,050.21	0.00	136,839.79	52.47%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	228,646.00	131,526.00	72,076.82	0.00	59,449.18	54.80%
	9000	Capital Outlay	6,000.00	78,950.00	78,950.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	75,283.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00%
	2000	Expenses	498,366.00	498,366.00	302,077.03	0.00	196,288.97	60.61%
<b>2</b>	<b>K120802</b>	<b>Aneth/Alamo/Tohajiilee Comm</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	318,998.00	332,596.00	326,799.86	0.00	5,796.14	98.26%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	103,110.00	93,322.00	83,677.68	0.00	9,644.32	89.67%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	76,190.00	72,380.00	70,258.43	0.00	2,121.57	97.07%
	2000	Expenses	498,298.00	498,298.00	480,735.97	0.00	17,562.03	96.48%
<b>3</b>	<b>K1205113</b>	<b>DHHS Peacemaking Bldg.</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	60,403.00	17,739.14	17,739.14	0.00	0.00	100.00%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	64,898.00	6,245.45	6,245.45	0.00	0.00	100.00%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	21,301.00	4,065.39	4,065.39	0.00	0.00	100.00%
	2000	Expenses	146,602.00	28,049.98	28,049.98	0.00	0.00	100.00%
<b>4</b>	<b>K130591</b>	<b>DHHS Peacemaking Bldg.</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	65,753.00	67,714.00	37,045.03	0.00	30,668.97	54.71%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	57,980.00	56,019.00	41,934.87	0.00	14,084.13	74.86%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	21,035.00	21,035.00	13,387.09	0.00	7,647.91	63.64%
	2000	Expenses	144,768.00	144,768.00	92,366.99	0.00	52,401.01	63.80%
<b>5</b>	<b>K1405102</b>	<b>DHHS Peacemaking Bldg.</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	67,121.00	151,865.00	134,569.42	0.00	17,295.58	88.61%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	53,952.00	70,473.00	64,220.52	0.00	6,252.48	91.13%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	20,522.00	37,809.02	34,152.14	0.00	3,656.88	90.33%
	2000	Expenses	141,595.00	260,147.02	232,942.08	0.00	27,204.94	89.54%
<b>6</b>	<b>K100803</b>	<b>PM Youth Educ/Apprentice</b>						
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	450,000.00	450,000.00	449,998.75	0.00	1.25	100.00%
	2000	Expenses	450,000.00	450,000.00	449,998.75	0.00	1.25	100.00%
<b>7</b>	<b>K110801</b>	<b>2010 NNIJISP Tribal Court</b>						
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	420,020.00	423,792.00	420,219.09	0.00	3,572.91	99.16%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	75,812.00	72,040.00	71,792.28	0.00	247.72	99.66%
	2000	Expenses	495,832.00	495,832.00	492,011.37	0.00	3,820.63	99.23%
<b>8</b>	<b>K120810</b>	<b>JAG-Juvenile Peacemaking</b>						
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	73,497.00	73,497.00	68,574.33	0.00	4,922.67	93.30%
	2000	Expenses	73,497.00	73,497.00	68,574.33	0.00	4,922.67	93.30%
<b>9</b>	<b>K140801</b>	<b>Healing to Wellness Veteran</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	205,199.00	205,199.00	49,032.07	0.00	156,166.93	23.89%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	370,558.00	370,558.00	50,121.09	0.00	320,436.91	13.53%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	97,591.00	97,591.00	17,024.89	0.00	80,566.11	17.45%
	2000	Expenses	673,348.00	673,348.00	116,178.05	0.00	557,169.95	17.25%
<b>10</b>	<b>K140802</b>	<b>FY '13 Edward Byrne Memorial JAG</b>						
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	71,121.00	71,121.00	71,121.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	7,102.00	7,102.00	7,102.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
	2000	Expenses	78,223.00	78,223.00	78,223.00	0.00	0.00	100.00%
<b>11</b>	<b>K140803</b>	<b>CTAS 2014 TJSP</b>						
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	63,762.00	63,762.00	57,488.56	2,639.12	3,634.32	94.30%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	10,808.00	10,808.00	9,770.75	0.00	1,037.25	90.40%
	2000	Expenses	74,570.00	74,570.00	67,259.31	2,639.12	4,671.57	93.74%
<b>12</b>	<b>K140804</b>	<b>CTAS 2014 VAW</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	55,229.00	55,229.00	0.00	0.00	55,229.00	0.00%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	385,409.00	385,409.00	0.00	0.00	385,409.00	0.00%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	9,362.00	9,362.00	0.00	0.00	9,362.00	0.00%
	2000	Expenses	450,000.00	450,000.00	0.00	0.00	450,000.00	0.00%
<b>13</b>	<b>K140805</b>	<b>CTAS 2014 TVAP</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	124,262.00	124,262.00	0.00	0.00	124,262.00	0.00%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	304,675.00	304,675.00	0.00	0.00	304,675.00	0.00%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	21,063.00	21,063.00	0.00	0.00	21,063.00	0.00%
	2000	Expenses	450,000.00	450,000.00	0.00	0.00	450,000.00	0.00%

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<b>14</b>	<b>K140806</b>	<b>CTAS 2014 TVAP</b>						
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	68,318.00	68,318.00	31,213.15	0.00	37,104.85	45.69%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	6,832.00	6,832.00	2,465.70	0.00	4,366.30	36.09%
	2000	Expenses	<u>75,150.00</u>	<u>75,150.00</u>	<u>33,678.85</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>41,471.15</u>	<u>44.82%</u>
<b>15</b>	<b>K150801</b>	<b>FY 15 EDWARD BYRNE JAG</b>						
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	53,456.00	53,456.00	0.00	0.00	53,456.00	0.00%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	5,346.00	5,346.00	0.00	0.00	5,346.00	0.00%
	2000	Expenses	<u>58,802.00</u>	<u>58,802.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>58,802.00</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
		Judicial Branch External Funds	<b>\$ 4,309,051.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,309,051.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,442,095.71</b>	<b>\$ 2,639.12</b>	<b>\$ 1,864,316.17</b>	<b>56.73%</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>K120725</b>	<b>CY 12 Tribal Courts</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	503,197.00	3,718,811.28	4,002,992.88	0.00	(284,181.60)	107.64%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	846,462.00	1,159,233.52	972,877.12	0.00	186,356.40	83.92%
	9000	Capital Outlay	0.00	368,380.20	270,555.00	0.00	97,825.20	73.44%
	2000	Expenses	<u>1,349,659.00</u>	<u>5,246,425.00</u>	<u>5,246,425.00</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>100.00%</u>
<b>17</b>	<b>K150735</b>	<b>CY 15 Tribal Courts</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	248,709.00	1,422,999.00	1,168,472.78	0.00	254,526.22	82.11%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	36,939.00	169,966.00	17,285.99	0.00	152,680.01	10.17%
	2000	Expenses	<u>285,648.00</u>	<u>1,592,965.00</u>	<u>1,185,758.77</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>407,206.23</u>	<u>74.44%</u>
<b>18</b>	<b>K160736</b>	<b>CY 16 Tribal Courts</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	1,334,724.00	1,263,888.58	1,080,337.32	0.00	183,551.26	85.48%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	101,577.00	377,598.47	144,005.51	41,836.13	191,756.83	49.22%
	9000	Capital Outlay	0.00	84,284.00	0.00	84,283.92	0.08	100.00%
	2000	Expenses	<u>1,436,301.00</u>	<u>1,725,771.05</u>	<u>1,224,342.83</u>	<u>126,120.05</u>	<u>375,308.17</u>	<u>78.25%</u>
<b>19</b>	<b>K160781</b>	<b>CY 16 Judicial One Time Funding</b>						
	2001	Personnel Expenses	276,511.00	276,511.00	0.00	0.00	276,511.00	0.00%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	16,305.00	16,305.00	0.00	0.00	16,305.00	0.00%
	2000	Expenses	<u>292,816.00</u>	<u>292,816.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>292,816.00</u>	<u>0.00%</u>
<b>Total CY 14; CY 15; CY 16; CY 16 Jud. One Time Funding</b>			<b>\$ 3,364,424.00</b>	<b>\$ 8,857,977.05</b>	<b>\$ 7,656,526.60</b>	<b>\$ 126,120.05</b>	<b>\$ 1,075,330.40</b>	<b>87.86%</b>
<b>Judicial Branch External Funds &amp; P.L. 93-638 Grand Total:</b>			<b>\$ 7,673,475.00</b>	<b>\$ 13,167,028.05</b>	<b>\$ 10,098,622.31</b>	<b>\$ 128,759.17</b>	<b>\$ 2,939,646.57</b>	<b>77.67%</b>
<b>Overall Breakdown of External Funds and Tribal Courts:</b>								
	2000	Personnel Expenses	3,448,543.00	7,924,704.00	6,968,038.71	0.00	956,665.29	87.93%
	3000-7000	Operating Expenses	3,770,685.00	4,345,276.44	2,551,059.93	44,475.25	1,749,741.26	59.73%
	9000	Capital Outlay	6,000.00	531,614.20	349,505.00	84,283.92	97,825.28	81.60%
	9500	Matching & Indirect Cost	448,247.00	365,433.41	230,018.67	0.00	135,414.74	62.94%
	2000	Expenses	<u>\$ 7,673,475.00</u>	<u>\$ 13,167,028.05</u>	<u>\$ 10,098,622.31</u>	<u>\$ 128,759.17</u>	<u>\$ 2,939,646.57</u>	<u>77.67%</u>
<b>General &amp; External Funds - Grand Totals:</b>			<b>\$ 21,180,218.00</b>	<b>\$ 27,884,538.61</b>	<b>\$ 16,128,896.10</b>	<b>\$ 420,216.19</b>	<b>\$ 11,335,426.32</b>	<b>59.35%</b>

## XI. Judicial Branch Fines and Fees Collection

### FY 2017 - 2nd Quarter - Budget Status Report as of 3/31/17 - BU 107008

Object Code	Description	Original Budget	Revised Budget	Actuals - YTD	Encumbrances	Budget Available	% Expensed of Total
1400	Financial Revenues	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	
1600	Fines & Court Fees	(400,000.00)	(400,000.00)	(190,965.44)	0.00	(209,034.56)	47.74%
1850	Other Revenue Sources	0.00	0.00	(490.57)	0.00	490.57	0.00%
1000	Revenues	(\$400,000.00)	(\$400,000.00)	(\$191,456.01)	\$0.00	(\$208,543.99)	47.86%

### Court Fines & Fees Collected by Quarter

Object Code	Description	FY 2017 1st Qtr.	FY 2017 2nd Qtr.	FY 2017 3rd Qtr.	FY 2017 4th Qtr.	TOTAL - YTD
<b>1600</b>	<b>Fines &amp; Court Fees</b>					
1611	District Court - Chinle	5,138.85	6,278.60	0.00	0.00	11,417.45
1612	District Court - Crownpoint	3,918.65	7,178.30	0.00	0.00	11,096.95
1613	District Court - Kayenta	1,852.66	1,678.70	0.00	0.00	3,531.36
1614	District Court - Ramah	308.78	657.60	0.00	0.00	966.38
1615	District Court - Shiprock	10,264.55	4,834.88	0.00	0.00	15,099.43
1616	District Court - Tuba City	3,254.10	3,572.27	0.00	0.00	6,826.37
1617	District Court - Window Rock	5,314.65	4,328.05	0.00	0.00	9,642.70
1618	District Court - Dilkon	579.25	503.15	0.00	0.00	1,082.40
1619.02	District Court - Aneth	670.00	1,236.65	0.00	0.00	1,906.65
1619.04	District Court - Dzil Yijiin	1,172.00	1,138.40	0.00	0.00	2,310.40
<b>1610</b>	<b>Dist. Fines &amp; Court Fees Total:</b>	<b>\$32,473.49</b>	<b>\$31,406.60</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$63,880.09</b>
<b>1620</b>	<b>Family</b>					
1621	Family Court - Alamo	193.15	215.65	0.00	0.00	408.80
1622	Family Court - Chinle	1,180.00	1,090.00	0.00	0.00	2,270.00
1623	Family Court - Crownpoint	1,928.00	1,685.50	0.00	0.00	3,613.50
1624	Family Court - Kayenta	135.00	700.00	0.00	0.00	835.00
1625	Family Court - Ramah	175.00	90.00	0.00	0.00	265.00
1626	Family Court - Shiprock	1,623.60	2,000.65	0.00	0.00	3,624.25
1627	Family Court - Tohajiilee	55.00	220.00	0.00	0.00	275.00
1628	Family Court - Tuba City	728.25	1,185.25	0.00	0.00	1,913.50
1629	Family Court - Window Rock	1,340.00	2,720.00	0.00	0.00	4,060.00
1630	Family Court - Dilkon	632.80	840.00	0.00	0.00	1,472.80
1631.02	Family Court - Aneth	140.00	340.00	0.00	0.00	480.00
1631.04	Family Court - Dzil Yijiin	170.00	230.00	0.00	0.00	400.00
<b>1620</b>	<b>Family Court Total:</b>	<b>\$8,300.80</b>	<b>\$11,317.05</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$19,617.85</b>
<b>1640</b>	<b>Circuit</b>					
1642	Circuit Court - Alamo	126.35	375.65	0.00	0.00	502.00
1644	Circuit Court - Tohajiilee	154.95	243.55	0.00	0.00	398.50
<b>1640</b>	<b>Circuit Court Total:</b>	<b>\$281.30</b>	<b>\$619.20</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$900.50</b>
<b>1650</b>	<b>Supreme</b>					
1652	Supreme Court - WR	1,813.50	2,849.00	0.00	0.00	4,662.50
<b>1650</b>	<b>Supreme Court Total:</b>	<b>\$1,813.50</b>	<b>\$2,849.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$4,662.50</b>
<b>1601</b>	<b>Court Total:</b>	<b>\$42,869.09</b>	<b>\$46,191.85</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$89,060.94</b>

Object Code	Description	FY 2017 1st Qtr.	FY 2017 2nd Qtr.	FY 2017 3rd Qtr.	FY 2017 4th Qtr.	TOTAL - YTD
<b>1660</b>	<b>Public Safety Fines</b>					
1661	Traffic					
1662	Traffic Fines - Alamo	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1663	Traffic Fines - Chinle	7,517.00	6,760.00	0.00	0.00	14,277.00
1664	Traffic Fines - Crownpoint	3,629.25	7,641.75	0.00	0.00	11,271.00
1665	Traffic Fines - Kayenta	6,865.00	11,090.00	0.00	0.00	17,955.00
1666	Traffic Fines - Ramah	772.00	97.50	0.00	0.00	869.50
1667	Traffic Fines - Shiprock	11,026.50	13,284.50	0.00	0.00	24,311.00
1668	Traffic Fines - Tohajiilee	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1669	Traffic Fines - Tuba City	5,145.00	10,176.00	0.00	0.00	15,321.00
1670	Traffic Fines - Window Rock	3,907.50	4,427.50	0.00	0.00	8,335.00
1671	Traffic Fines - Dilkon	1,107.50	3,157.50	0.00	0.00	4,265.00
1672.02	Traffic Fines - Aneth	2,150.00	3,025.00	0.00	0.00	5,175.00
1672.04	Traffic Fines - Dzil Yijjin	125.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	125.00
<b>1661</b>	<b>Traffic Total:</b>	<b>\$42,244.75</b>	<b>\$59,659.75</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$101,904.50</b>
<b>1600</b>	<b>Fines &amp; Court Fees Totals:</b>	<b>\$85,113.84</b>	<b>\$105,851.60</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$190,965.44</b>

**Judicial District Court Fines & Fees Summary:**

1600	Fines & Court Fees	32,473.49	31,406.60	0.00	0.00	63,880.09
1620	Family	8,300.80	11,317.05	0.00	0.00	19,617.85
1640	Circuit	281.30	619.20	0.00	0.00	900.50
1650	Supreme	1,813.50	2,849.00	0.00	0.00	4,662.50
1661	Traffic	42,244.75	59,659.75	0.00	0.00	101,904.50
	<b>Grand Totals:</b>	<b>\$85,113.84</b>	<b>\$105,851.60</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$190,965.44</b>