

YEAR in REVIEW

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

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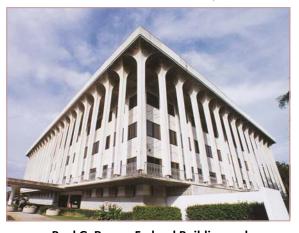
Wilkie D. Ferguson, Jr. U.S. Courthouse 400 North Miami Avenue Miami, FL 33128



James Lawrence King Federal Justice Building 99 N.E. Fourth Street Miami, FL 33132



U.S. Federal Building and Courthouse 299 East Broward Boulevard Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301



Paul G. Rogers Federal Building and U.S. Courthouse 701 Clematis Street West Palm Beach, FL 33401



Sidney M. Aronovitz U.S. Courthouse 301 Simonton Street Key West, FL 33040



Alto Lee Adams, Sr. U.S. Courthouse 101 South U.S. Highway 1 Fort Pierce, FL 34950

THE DISTRICT JUDGES OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Chief Judge K. Michael Moore

Nominated by: President George H. W. Bush Commission Date: February 10, 1992 J.D. Fordham University School of Law, 1976 B.A. Florida State University, 1972

Judge Federico A. Moreno

Nominated by: President George H. W. Bush Commission Date: July 16, 1990 J.D. University of Miami School of Law, 1978 B.A. University of Notre Dame, 1974

Judge Ursula Ungaro

Nominated by: President George H. W. Bush Commission Date: October 9, 1992 J.D. University of Florida College of Law, 1975 B.A. University of Miami, 1973

Judge Donald M. Middlebrooks

Nominated by: President William J. Clinton Commission Date: May 27, 1997 J.D. University of Florida College of Law, 1972 B.S., B.A. University of Florida, 1968

Judge William P. Dimitrouleas

Nominated by: President William J. Clinton Commission Date: May 22, 1998 J.D. University of Florida College of Law, 1975 B.A. Furman University, 1973

Judge Jose E. Martinez

Nominated by: President George W. Bush Commission Date: September 17, 2002 J.D. University of Miami School of Law, 1965 B.B.A. University of Miami, 1962

Judge Cecilia M. Altonaga

Nominated by: President George W. Bush Commission Date: May 7, 2003 J.D. Yale University of Law, 1986 B.A. Florida International University, 1983

Judge Marcia G. Cooke

Nominated by: President George W. Bush Commission Date: May 18, 2004 J.D. Wayne State University Law School, 1977 B.S.F.S. Georgetown University, 1975

Judge Kathleen M. Williams

Nominated by: President Barack Obama Commission Date: August 4, 2011 J.D. University of Miami School of Law, 1982 B.A. Duke University, 1978

THE DISTRICT JUDGES OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Judge Robert N. Scola, Jr.

Nominated by: President Barack Obama Commission Date: October 20, 2011 J.D. Boston College Law School, 1980 B.A. Brown University, 1977

Judge Darrin P. Gayles

Nominated by: President Barack Obama Commission Date: June 19, 2014 J.D. George Washington University Law School, 1993 B.A. Howard University, 1990

Judge Beth Bloom

Nominated by: President Barack Obama Commission Date: June 24, 2014 J.D. University of Miami School of Law, 1988 B.S. University of Florida, 1984 A.A. Broward Community College, 1982

Judge Robin L. Rosenberg

Nominated by: President Barack Obama Commission Date: July 24, 2014 J.D. Duke University School of Law, 1989 M.A. Duke University, 1989 B.A. Princeton University, 1983

Senior Judge James Lawrence King

Nominated by: President Richard M. Nixon
Commission Date: October 19, 1970
Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters,
St. Thomas University, 1992
LL.B. University of Florida College of Law, 1953
B.A.E. University of Florida, 1949
A.A. University of Florida, 1947

Senior Judge Jose A. Gonzalez, Jr.

Nominated by: President Jimmy Carter
Commission Date: July 28, 1978

J.D. University of Florida College of Law, 1957

B.A. University of Florida, 1952

Senior Judge William J. Zloch

Nominated by: President Ronald Reagan Commission Date: November 4, 1985 J.D. Notre Dame Law School, 1974 B.A. University of Notre Dame, 1966

Senior Judge Donald L. Graham

Nominated by: President George H. W. Bush Commission Date: September 16, 1991 J.D. The Ohio State University College of Law, 1974 B.A. West Virginia State University, 1971

Senior Judge Daniel T. K. Hurley

Nominated by: President William J. Clinton Commission Date: March 11, 1994 J.D. George Washington University National Law Center, 1968 A.B. Saint Anselm's College, 1964

THE DISTRICT JUDGES OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Senior Judge Joan A. Lenard

Nominated by: President William J. Clinton Commission Date: December 26, 1995 J.D. Antioch School of Law, 1976 B.A. Roger Williams College, 1973

Senior Judge Patricia A. Seitz

Nominated by: President William J. Clinton Commission Date: October 1, 1998 J.D. Georgetown University Law Center, 1973 B.A. Kansas State University, Manhattan 1968

Senior Judge Paul C. Huck

Nominated by: President William J. Clinton Commission Date: July 11, 2000 J.D. University of Florida College of Law, 1965 B.A. University of Florida, 1962

Senior Judge Kenneth A. Marra

Nominated by: President George W. Bush Commission Date: September 13, 2002 J.D. Stetson University College of Law, 1977 B.A. State University of New York at Stony Brook, 1973

Senior Judge James I. Cohn

Nominated by: President George W. Bush Commission Date: August 1, 2003 J.D. Cumberland Law School, 1974 B.A. University of Alabama, 1971

THE MAGISTRATE JUDGES OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Chief Magistrate Judge Frank J. Lynch, Jr. Initial Appointment: February 18, 1993 Retired June 1, 2017 Chief Magistrate Judge
Andrea M. Simonton
Initial Appointment:
April 1, 1999
Chief—June 1, 2017

Magistrate Judge William C. Turnoff Initial Appointment: February 24, 1986

Magistrate Judge Lurana S. Snow Initial Appointment: March 10, 1986 Magistrate Judge Barry S. Seltzer Initial Appointment: March 18, 1991 Magistrate Judge John J. O'Sullivan Initial Appointment: April 1, 1999

Magistrate Judge Patrick A. White Initial Appointment: April 2, 2003 Magistrate Judge James M. Hopkins Initial Appointment: October 15, 2003 Magistrate Judge Edwin G. Torres Initial Appointment: October 31, 2003

THE MAGISTRATE JUDGES OF THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

Magistrate Judge Chris M. McAliley Initial Appointment: March 25, 2004 Magistrate Judge Jonathan Goodman Initial Appointment: July 23, 2010 Magistrate Judge
Dave Lee Brannon
Initial Appointment:
February 24, 2012

Magistrate Judge
Alicia M. Otazo-Reyes
Initial Appointment:
April 12, 2012

Magistrate Judge
William Matthewman
Initial Appointment:
July 2, 2012

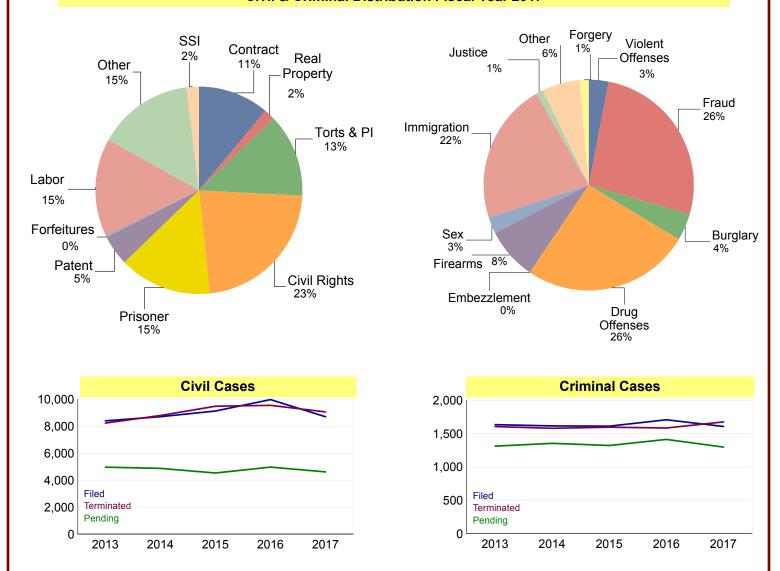
Magistrate Judge
Patrick M. Hunt
Initial Appointment:
January 28, 2013

Magistrate Judge Alicia O. Valle Initial Appointment: August 9, 2013 Magistrate Judge Shaniek Maynard Initial Appointment: June 26, 2017 Magistrate Judge Barry L. Garber Initial Appointment: September 18, 1991 Recalled

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA DISTRICT CASELOAD INFORMATION

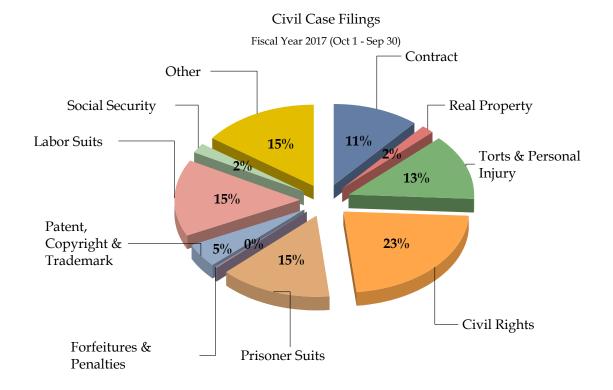
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	% Change 2016-2017	% Change 2013-2017		
FILINGS									
Civil Cases	8,398	8,704	9,126	9,974	8,700	-12.8%	3.6%		
Criminal Cases	1,632	1,614	1,610	1,705	1,605	-5.9%	-1.7%		
Criminal Defendants	2,469	2,324	2,439	2,481	2,394	-3.5%	-3.0%		
Total Cases	10,030	10,318	10,736	11,679	10,305	-11.8%	2.7%		
			TERMINAT	IONS					
Civil Cases	8,232	8,795	9,481	9,546	9,060	-5.1%	10.1%		
Criminal Cases	1,604	1,577	1,594	1,582	1,673	5.8%	4.3%		
Criminal Defendants	2,576	2,453	2,357	2,354	2,528	7.4%	-1.9%		
Total Cases	9,836	10,372	11,075	11,128	10,733	-3.5%	9.1%		
PENDING									
Civil Cases	4,961	4,870	4,531	4,969	4,609	-7.2%	-7.1%		
Criminal Cases	1,311	1,353	1,321	1,411	1,297	-8.1%	-1.1%		
Criminal Defendants	2,127	2,006	2,041	2,137	1,971	-7.8%	-7.3%		
Total Cases	6,272	6,223	5,852	6,380	5,906	-7.4%	-5.8%		

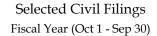
Civil & Criminal Distribution Fiscal Year 2017

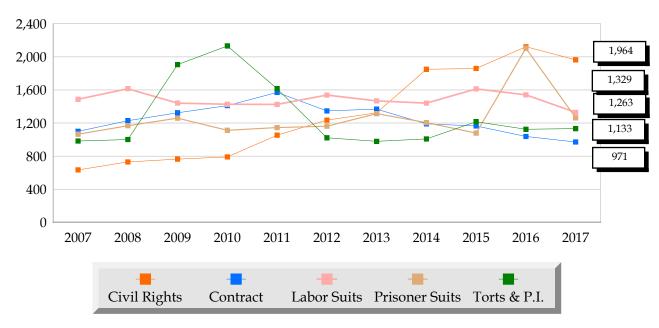


Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts (2013-2017). Tables: C, C3, D, D3. http://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/JudicialBusiness.aspx

STATISTICS - CIVIL







Notes: Includes original and reopened filings. Excludes miscellaneous filings.

Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts (2007-2017). Table: C3. http://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/JudicialBusiness.aspx

STATISTICS - CIVIL

Civil Filings

Fiscal Year (Oct 1 - Sep 30)

	2016	2017	Change
Civil Rights	2,122	1,964	-7.4%
Contract	1,038	971	-6.5%
Forfeitures & Penalties	23	20	-13.0%
Labor Suits	1,541	1,329	-13.8%
Patent, Copyright & Trademark	518	410	-20.8%
Prisoner Suits	2,104	1,263	-40.0%
Real Property	159	135	-15.1%
Social Security	152	178	17.1%
Torts & Personal Injury	1,125	1,133	0.7%
Other	1,192	1,297	8.8%
Total	9,974	8,700	-12.8%

Civil Filings Fiscal Year 2017 (Oct 1 - Sep 30)



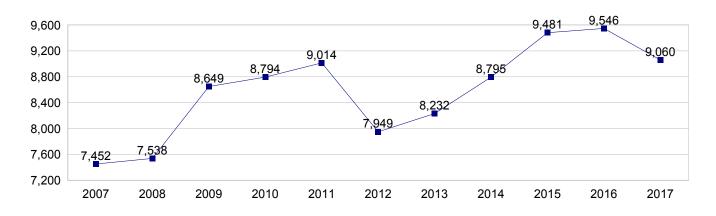
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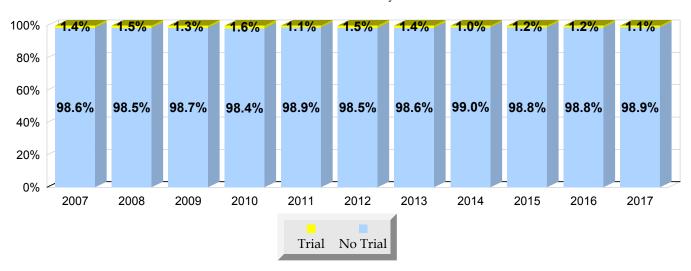
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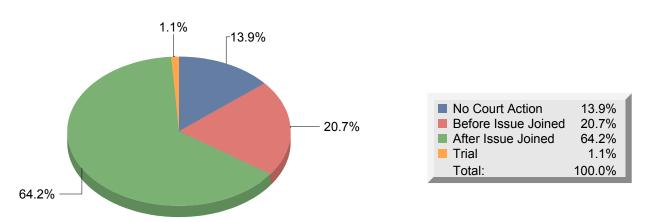
Civil Cases Terminated Fiscal Year (Oct 1 - Sep 30)



Civil Cases Terminated by Trial



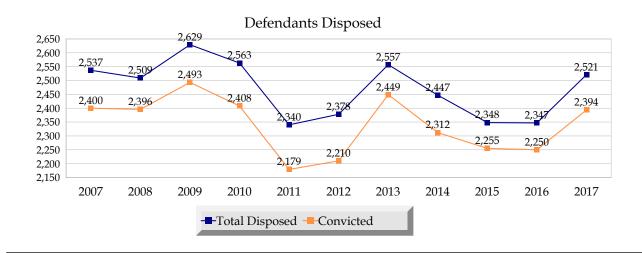
Progress at Termination Fiscal Year 2017 (Oct 1 - Sep 30)



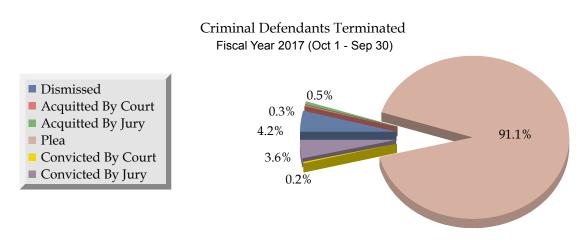
Sources: CM/ECF; Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts (2007-2017). Table: C. http://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/JudicialBusiness.aspx

STATISTICS - CRIMINAL

Criminal Defendants Terminated Fiscal Year (Oct 1 - Sep 30)



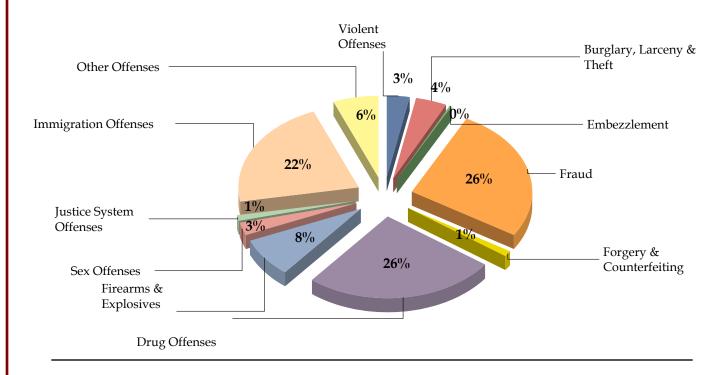




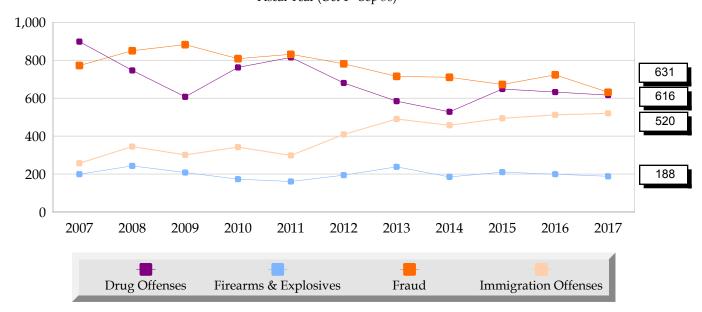
Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts (2007-2017). Table: D-7. http://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/JudicialBusiness.aspx

STATISTICS - CRIMINAL

Criminal Defendants Commenced Fiscal Year 2017 (Oct 1 - Sep 30)



Selected Criminal Defendants Commenced Fiscal Year (Oct 1 - Sep 30)



Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts (2007-2017). Tables: D,D-3. http://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/JudicialBusiness.aspx

STATISTICS - CRIMINAL

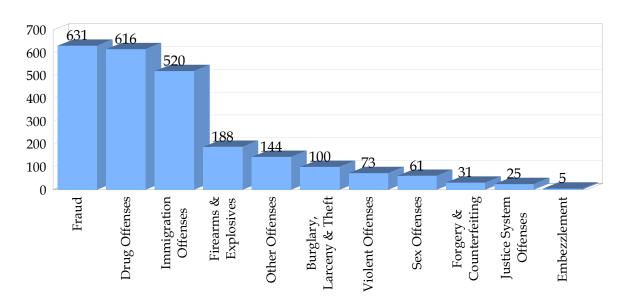
Criminal Defendants Commenced

Fiscal Year (Oct 1 - Sep 30)

	2016	2017	Change
Burglary, Larceny & Theft	85	100	17.6%
Drug Offenses	632	616	-2.5%
Embezzlement	8	5	-37.5%
Firearms & Explosives	199	188	-5.5%
Forgery & Counterfeiting	22	31	40.9%
Fraud	723	631	-12.7%
Immigration Offenses	512	520	1.6%
Justice System Offenses	27	25	-7.4%
Sex Offenses	61	61	0.0%
Violent Offenses	85	73	-14.1%
Other	127	144	13.4%
Total	2,481	2,394	-3.5%

Criminal Defendants Commenced

Fiscal Year 2017 (Oct 1 - Sep 30)

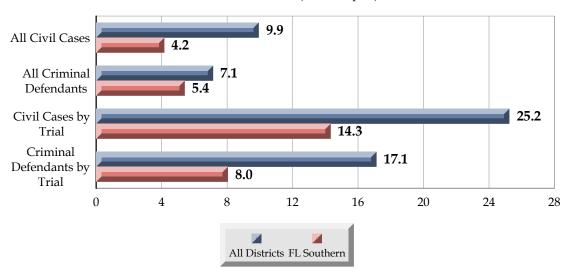


STATISTICS - DISPOSITION TIMES

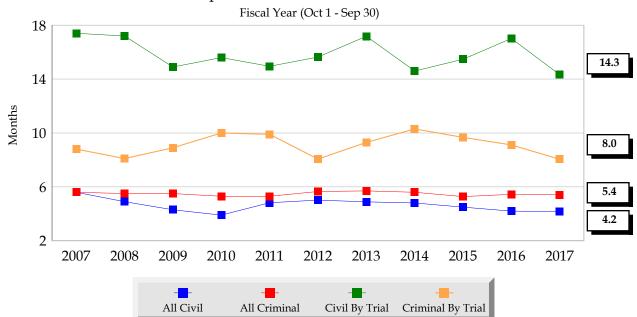
Median Months Filing to Disposition

Disposition Time Comparison

Fiscal Year 2017 (Oct 1 - Sep 30)



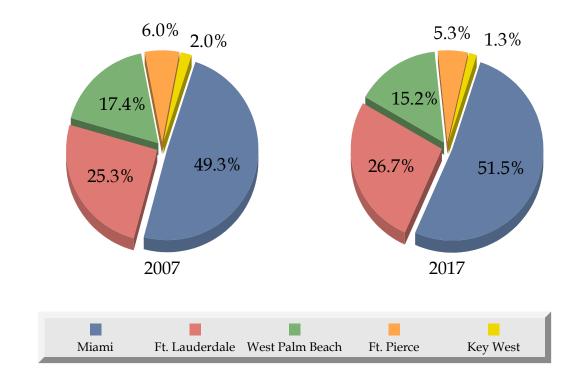
Disposition Time - Florida Southern



Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts (2007-2017). Tables: C-5, D-6. http://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/JudicialBusiness.aspx

STATISTICS - TOTAL FILINGS

Civil and Criminal Filings by Division Fiscal Year (Oct 1 - Sep 30)



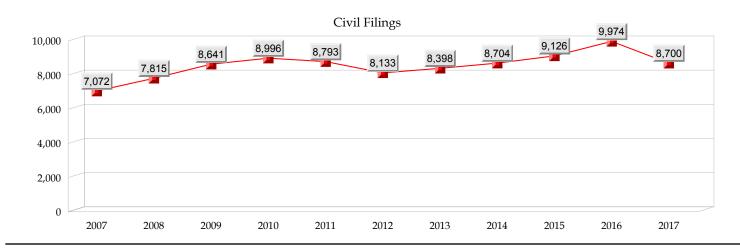
	Civil Filings			Criminal Filings			Total Filings		
	2007	2017	Change	2007	2017	Change	2007	2017	Change
Miami	3,321	4,388	32.1%	957	923	-3.6%	4,278	5,311	24.1%
Ft. Lauderdale	1,891	2,441	29.1%	304	309	1.6%	2,195	2,750	25.3%
West Palm Beach	1,316	1,319	0.2%	197	244	23.9%	1,513	1,563	3.3%
Ft. Pierce	432	459	6.3%	88	88	0.0%	520	547	5.2%
Key West	112	93	-17.0%	62	41	-33.9%	174	134	-23.0%
District	7,072	8,700	23.0%	1,608	1,605	-0.2%	8,680	10,305	18.7%

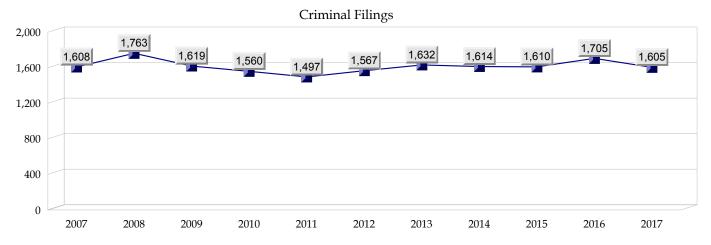
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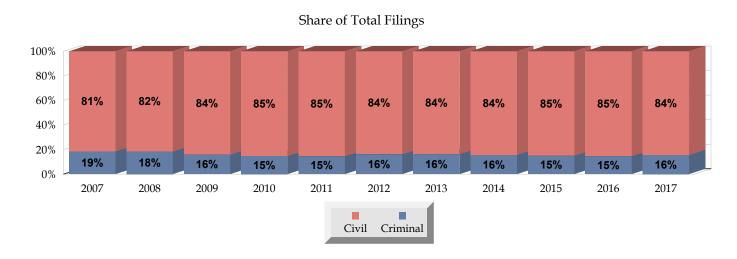
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STATISTICAL CHARTS AND GRAPHS OF COURT OPERATIONS TOTAL FILINGS

Case Filings Fiscal Year (Oct 1 - Sep 30)





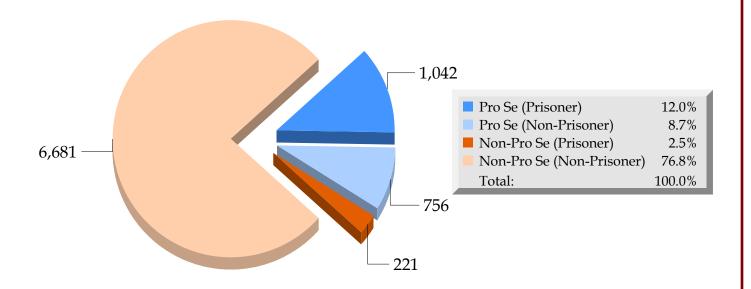


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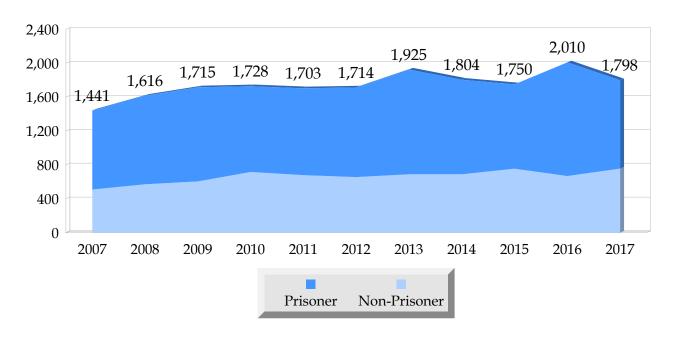
Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts (2007-2017). Tables: C, D. http://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/JudicialBusiness.aspx



Pro Se Case Filings Fiscal Year 2017 (Oct 1 - Sep 30)

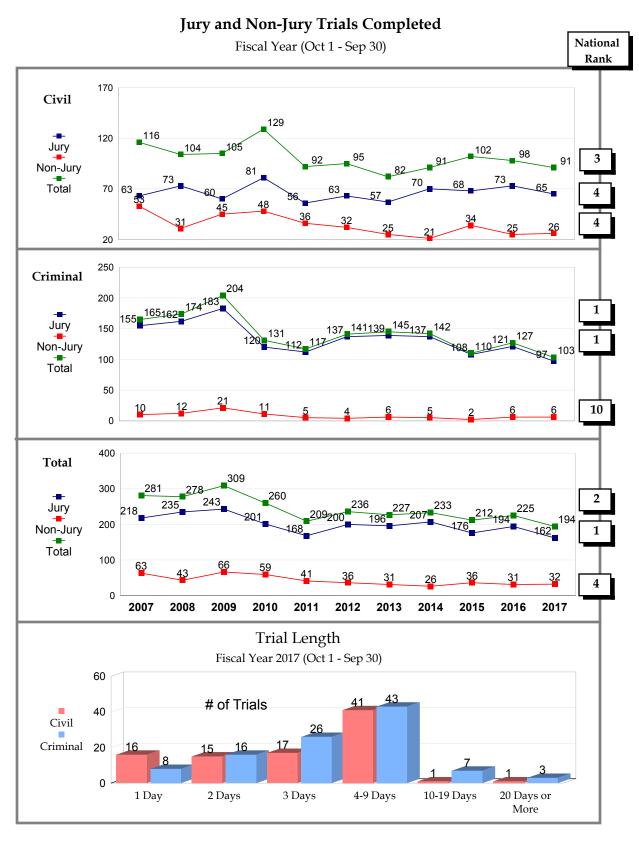


Pro Se Case Filings Fiscal Year (Oct 1 - Sep 30)



Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts (2007-2017). Table: C-13,S-23,S-24. http://www.uscourts.gov/Statistics/JudicialBusiness.aspx

STATISTICS - TRIALS



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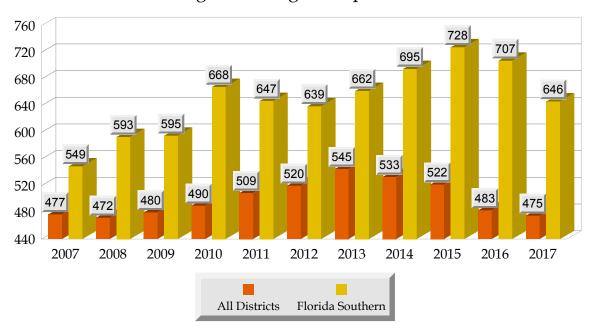
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STATISTICS - WEIGHTED FILINGS

Weighted Filings per Authorized Judgeship

Fiscal Year (Oct 1 - Sep 30)

Weighted Filings Comparison



Weighted Filings Detail - Florida Southern

Fiscal Year (Oct 1 - Sep 30)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Civil</u>	<u>Criminal</u>	Supervised Release	<u>Total</u>	National Rank
			Release		Nank
2007	413	133	2.90	549	16
2008	451	139	3.19	593	9
2009	470	122	3.61	595	11
2010	540	124	3.47	668	8
2011	511	133	3.30	647	13
2012	507	128	3.52	639	13
2013	537	121	3.50	662	12
2014	576	115	3.73	695	7
2015	604	120	3.63	728	6
2016	512	192	3.00	707	7
2017	459	184	3.41	646	11

New weights beginning 2016. Not comparable to earlier years.

Source: Administrative Office of the United States Courts. Judicial Business of the U.S. Courts (2007-2017). Table: X-1A.

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Black History Month Celebration
February 3, 2017
Committee Chair, District Judge Darrin P. Gayles









THE JUDGES OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

INVITE YOU TO THEIR ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

THE JUDICIAL LEGACY OF THE RECONSTRUCTION AMENDMENTS

PANELISTS:

PAMELA BRANDWEIN, PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN PAUL BUTLER, PROFESSOR OF LAW, GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER CHARLTON COPELAND, PROFESSOR OF LAW, UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI SCHOOL OF LAW

MODERATOR: TAMARA LAWSON, ASSOCIATE DEAN, ST. THOMAS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2017 TIME: 11:30 A.M.

RECEPTION IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING PROGRAM

WILKIE D. FERGUSON, JR. COURTHOUSE 400 NORTH MIAMI AVENUE CEREMONIAL COURTROOM, 13TH FLOOR MIAMI, FL

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ABA Award Presentation in Recognition for Outstanding Contributions to the Operation and Administration of Justice in the Federal Courts

Senior District Judge Donald L. Graham

Chief Bankruptcy Judge Laurel M. Isicoff

Magistrate Judge Patrick A. White

February 3, 2017







Reception honoring the retirement of Chief Magistrate Judge Frank J. Lynch, Jr. March 16, 2017

















The Court held a special Naturalization Ceremony at the HistoryMiami Museum with Guest Speaker Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen and District Judge Jose E. Martinez presiding.

This coincided with Law Day hosted by District Judge Beth Bloom, Chief Bankruptcy Judge Laurel M. Isicoff, and student attendees

May 5, 2017







Southern District of Florida Biennial Bench and Bar Conference May 12, 2017

Keynote Speaker, Commentator and Humorist Dave Barry













Outreach Programs

TD Squared is a program that brings students into the federal courthouse, during which they actively participate in discussions with judges and volunteer lawyers related to critical life skills, civil discourse and adult decisions with permanent legal consequences.

Care Academy provides an opportunity to enrich the educational experience of school age children and expose them to career choices that are available if they set goals and work toward a strong academic foundation.

Legal Up! is a collaborative effort under the auspices of the Miami-Dade Family Learning Partnership, led by District Judge Ursula Ungaro in which over 190 prominent local attorneys, judges, and law students provide civic and life skills education to at-risk youth and juveniles in Miami-Dade County.

For more information on the Court's Outreach Programs, visit our website at http://www.flsd.uscourts.gov/community-and-educational-outreach-civics-education-and-volunteer-opportunities



Care Academy October 3, 2017



Palm Beach Lakes High School October 12, 2017



Fort Pierce Central High School and Westwood High School October 13, 2017



Fort Lauderdale High School November 29, 2017

National Pro Bono Week Celebration and Reception Honoring

ABA President Hilarie Bass

October 24, 2017



National Pro Bono Celebration
October 2017

THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA CELEBRATES
NATIONAL PRO BONO WEEK 2017



FIND A PRO BONO OPPORTUNITY TODAY!

FBA South Florida Chapter: www.fba-sdfla.org/pro-bono/ Bankr. Bar Assoc. S. D. of Florida: www.bbasdfl.org/article.html?aid=107

NATIONAL PRO BONO WEEK 2017 LOCAL EVENTS

(Please visit our court websites for a complete calendary

- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida: www.flsd.uscourts.go
- Pro Bono Sign-Up Tables at Fort Lauderdale, and Palm Beach Courthouse Oct. 23 – Oct. 27 all day / at Miami Courthouse during Training and R
- FBA Broward Chapter Luncheon / Tower Club / Oct. 19 at 12 pm
 FBA Balm Beach Chapter Resention / The Krayle Center / Oct. 5 at 5:30 pm
- FBA South Florida Chapter Pro Bono Volunteer Attorney Training and Reception / Wilkie D.
 Ferguson Courthouse / Oct. 24 / Training: 3:30 cm = 5:30 cm / Reception: 5:30 cm.
- II.S. Bankruntey Court. Southern District of Florida: www.fish.uscourts.dow
- No. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Florida: www.lkb.uscourts.gov/
 Pro Bono Attorney Training / C. Clyde Atkins Courthouse (Mia) / Oct. 23 at 8 am
- Pro Bono Attorney Training / C. Clyde Attains Courtnoise (Ma) / Oct. 23 at 8 am
 Pro Se Bankruptcy Clinic / 1515 N. Flagler Drive, 8th Floor (W. Palm Beach) / Oct. 4 at noor
- Pro Se Bankruptcy Clinic / C. Clyde Atkins Courthouse (Mia) / Oct. 13 at noon
 Pro Se Bankruptcy Clinic / 299 East Broward Blvd. Room 112 (Ft. Laud.) / Oct. 27 at noon



















Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration October 26, 2017 Committee Chair, Magistrate Judge Alicia O. Valle





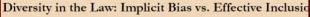






The Judges of the United States District Court Southern District of Florida

Invite you to attend the Court's Hispanic Heritage Month Program and Celebration



An Expert Panel Discussion

Panelists: Raoul G. Cantero, III, Esq.

Partner, White & Case

Former Justice, Supreme Court of Florida

Honorable Rodolfo Ruiz

Circuit Judge, Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Florida

Jessica MacFarlane, MPH

Research Associate, Perception Institute

Moderator: Corali Lopez-Castro, Esq.

Partner, Kozyak Tropin & Throckmorton LLP

Thursday, October 26, 2017 Time: 4:30 P.M.

Reception immediatel following program 14th Floor Wilkie D. Ferguson, Jr. Courthouse 400 North Miami Avenue Ceremonial Courtroom, 13th floor Miami, FL

Please RSVP by October 19, 2017 Email: FLSD_Reception@flsd.usc









Fort Lauderdale Congressional Swearing-In January 17, 2017



Judge James Lawrence King
Portrait Unveiling, commissioned by
members of the Bar
to honor Judge King's legacy and
commitment to the administration of justice
April 26, 2017





Magistrate Judge Shaniek Maynard's Investiture May 3, 2017

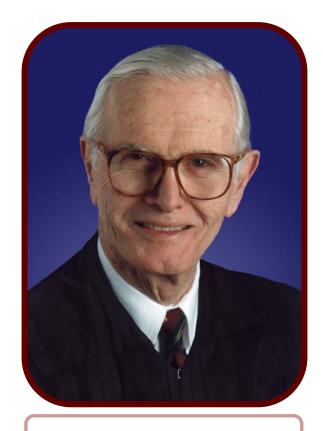


Chief Probation Officer Reginald D. Michael Retirement June 5, 2017

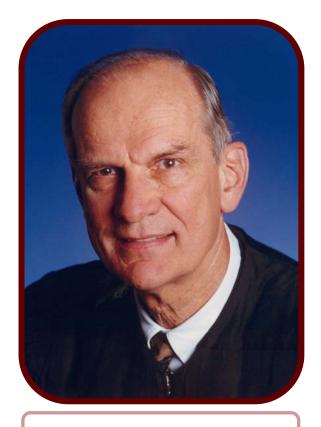


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