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1. ANNUAL MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE NAVAJO NATION

This past year, there were several developments in the Judicial Branch, paramount among them, the hiring of key project staff in furtherance of restorative justice, and the beginning of the Nábináhaazláago Initiative, in which case management services are provided to juveniles in detention. The Branch also initiated a revision of its Personnel Rules. We currently have working groups on the revisions and will soon submit the package to the Judiciary Committee.

During the first quarter, the Judicial Branch began the implementation of an innovative new civil traffic infraction program based on traditional Diné principles after extensive discussions with the Attorney General and Chief Prosecutor. A number of considerations went into the design of the new program. Chief among these considerations was the Council's mandate that the values and principles of Diné bi beenahaz'áanii be upheld in the interpretation of our laws and in rendering decisions and judgments. Eventually the Branch hired four judicial hearing officers, but, unfortunately, they had to be laid off from employment because of the budget deficit. The trial judges have resumed hearing traffic cases. It is hoped that there will be funds available in the future to resume the program, but the rules and procedures that were developed for the new program are available for the judges' use.

Budget

Budget matters took priority the first part of the year, on February 4 and 13, 2009, Chief Justice Yazzie participated in three branch chief's meetings with the Budget and Finance Committee on the revenue shortfall. The Chief Justice, associate justices, and members of Judicial Administration executive staff met on February 10 to discuss the budget shortfall. On March 17, 2009, Chief Justice Yazzie participated in a meeting of the Budget and Finance Committee. Due to the projected shortfall, the Judicial Branch was asked to make deep cuts in its operations.

There were several meetings related to the projected budget shortfalls. On May 21, 2009, Chief Justice Yazzie met with staff of OMB and Controller Mark Grant on the FY2010 budget. On June 5, 2009, Chief Justice Yazzie attended a Three Branch Chief's meeting with the Budget and Finance Committee on the revenue shortfall and the FY2010 Budget. The branch began planning for possible layoffs for FY2010 but we were able to recover by the end of the year.

Meetings

On January 28 and March 4, the recently established branch-wide legal team meetings continued to be attended by Chief Justice Yazzie and branch attorneys. These meetings are held to discuss the dual roles of staff attorneys in serving districts and the branch, the strategic plan, and project assignments. Meetings were also held with relevant personnel to address personnel policies revisions and peacemaking guidelines revisions.

Consultation pursuant to 7 N.N.C. §601 proceeded on Adult Civil Traffic Infraction (ACTI) procedures. On February 19 and again on March 16, Chief Justice Yazzie, associate attorney Josephine Foo, Judge William Platero, and judicial hearings officers from Chinle, Window Rock,

Crownpoint and Tuba City met with Legislative Counsel Frank Seanez and NNBA President Levon Henry.

Chief Justice Yazzie traveled to Ramah Judicial District on April 2 and to Kayenta Judicial District on April 3 to be the guest speaker and attend each district's Justice Day activities. On April 2, Chief Justice Yazzie traveled to Alamo Judicial District to attend and be the guest speaker at the Peacemaking Program's hogan dedication. On June 15, Chief Justice Yazzie traveled to Chinle to attend "We the People" conference as the guest speaker, on the topic of the Navajo Nation Court System. On April 30 and May 1, 2009, Chief Justice Yazzie, Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley, and law clerk LaVerne Garnenez traveled to ASU Law School to attend seminars on Indian Legal Research (CLE).

On May 26 - 29, 2009, Chief Justice Yazzie, Judge Genevieve Woody, Judge Irene Black, and associate attorney Josephine Foo traveled to New York at the invitation of the Center for Court Innovation (CCI) to visit the Red Hook Community Justice Center in Brooklyn, NY. CCI has partnered with the Judicial Branch on one of its grants for a community court.

Red Hook has become in recent years a world-renowned restorative court model that appears to rely on principles that follow tribal emphasis on restorative justice. It combines restorative tools in a single court rather than have a separate criminal court, drug court, DV court, etc. The Bureau of Justice Assistance at the USDOJ, the American Bar Association, the National Conference of State Court Judges, and State Court Administration of New York have all endorsed or are actively adopting the Red Hook model. It is a type of problem-solving court that addresses punishment and services at a single hearing, reducing need for report writing, increasing judicial oversight and engaging judges in communities at an unprecedented level, speeding up dispositions, and very much increasing restorative tools judges have at their disposal.

There are 30 such courts in the US, most in New York City and State, and up to 10 international models based on the Red Hook or Midtown Manhattan Community Courts. The visit was extremely informative and productive. Aneth is currently using the model.

Inter-branch Taskforces

The Judicial Branch participated in several inter-branch task forces and consultation groups addressing Navajo Nation Code or rule adoption, clarifications, or revisions, including the Children's Code, The Sex Offender Registry Act, Garnishment Act, Arbitration Act, Pro Bono Service Rules, Judicial Conduct Commission, service of process rules, and Adult Civil Traffic Infraction (ACTI) procedures. Many of these meetings were attended by Chief Justice Yazzie. As detailed in previous messages, the branch has continued to participate in several inter-branch taskforces and consultation groups addressing Navajo Nation Code or rule adoption. None of these taskforces have reached the end of their efforts as of this past year.

Courts

Supreme Court: We welcomed LaVerne Garnenez, formerly Dilkon Court staff attorney, who filled the Supreme Court law clerk position. Ms. Garnenez remains the point of contact for all court construction projects. In the third quarter, University of Georgia law student Michael

Baumrind, Yale University law student Maile Tavepholjalern, and University of Miami law student Thomas Hart externed with the Supreme Court assisting in the production of research memoranda for the justices on pending cases and research and writing projects for the Court.

The Aneth Judicial District advised us that they are completing community resource mapping to get contact information and basic descriptions of services provided and population served of all the various programs, agencies and stakeholders within the Aneth Judicial District. They are awaiting a newly devised survey form by Court Innovation to be distributed to community members to get their feedback about problems needing to be addressed in the community and evaluations of the current court practices. Brett Taylor and Aaron Arnold from Court Innovation visited Aneth District Court in mid-May to meet with chapters and stakeholders for feedback and information. Aneth also has semi-regular telephonic conferences with Court Innovation to keep abreast of information. They also held service provider meetings about every two months with discussions concerning this project.

In July 2009, we dedicated the new Dilkon court complex to ensure that the building properly reflects Navajo concepts. Judge Leroy Bedonie and Judge T.J. Holgate were temporarily assigned to Dilkon. The courtrooms are hogan-shaped and do not contain a raised judge's bench as in typical Western courtrooms. Judges sit at eye level with case participants and do not wear the ordinary black judges' robes.

The dome of the hogan represents the universe. The hogan is a sanctuary whose shape stands for the philosophical structure on which our laws are based. As used here, it reminds us that our laws must be shaped by principles embedded in our culture which continue to help form and give our society substance. These principles serve to shape and vest our laws.

Assistant Secretary of the Interior, Larry Echo Hawk visited the Dilkon court complex and was impressed with the notion of tribal buildings expressing deep-rooted tribal concepts by their architecture, and indicated that the BIA would pursue such designs in the upcoming construction of tribal buildings throughout the United States.

Judge Carol Perry was reassigned to Window Rock. Judge Laverne Johnson was transferred to Crownpoint Judicial District. Judge Wilson Yellowhair of Alamo/To'hajiilee was reassigned to the Ramah District. William Platero of Crownpoint took Judge Yellowhair's place at Alamo/To'hajiilee. Window Rock Judge Allen Sloan was reassigned to Tuba City to fill an urgent vacancy there. Kayenta–no updates, Chinle–no updates.

Shiprock is the site for our new joint information sharing project (see NNIJISP below) and will be tested as a "proof of concept" in the Shiprock Judicial and Police District. Justice components receiving the system will be the courts, probation services, prosecutor, peacemaking, and public defender. Following a successful test phase, the system will be rolled out district-by-district to the rest of the Navajo Nation.

Conferences

Four quarterly conferences of Navajo Nation justices and judges were held to discuss issues and share service-related information. They were attended by justices, judges, court administrators, staff attorneys, and executive staff.

On June 16 to 19, 2009, the Judicial Branch 2009 Annual Conference was convened in Ft. McDowell, Arizona, and was attended by all Judicial Branch staff. The theme was "Navajo Justice 1959-2009 -- 50 Years of Reflection." A wide range of topics were covered, including the Navajo Nation Sex Offender Registry and discussions on fundamental law, Navajo statutory law and federal requirements.

Peacemaking

In spring 2009, the Peacemaking Program sponsored a UserBase work session for court administrators, IT staff, and peacemaker liaisons followed by a work session on revisions of the Peacemaking Guidelines. The liaisons recruited and trained peacemakers, as well as sponsoring work sessions at Camp Verde with staff, peacemaker liaisons, judiciary committee, associate attorneys, and the Chief Justice.

They also hosted the Navajo Peacemaking Conference in Acoma, New Mexico, on July 22-24, 2009, where peacemakers were recognized and given certificates of appreciation for their services. The Peacemaking Program staff assisted in the blessings of the Chinle hogan and the new Dilkon judicial complex. On September 28–30, 2009, the Peacemaking Program sponsored the "Historic Exploration to Dinetah–the Land of Our Ancestors" training in Dinetah, Blanco, New Mexico.

Justice Information Sharing

After an extensive SAS review process commencing on November 13, a contract was signed with New Dawn Technologies for the procurement and implementation of JustWare, an objectbased integrated case management system for the courts, prosecutor, public defender, probation services and peacemaking. The incoming system is funded by a combination of Navajo Nation, federal, and state grants obtained by the Judicial Branch, and a federal grant obtained by the Navajo Nation Office of the Prosecutor.

For several decades, the Navajo Nation Council made the automation and sharing of justice data a priority goal. Navajo Nation Council Resolution ACS-157-83, codified at 2 N.N.C. §1986, requires the Office of the Chief Prosecutor to establish a central records keeping system (September 22, 1983). <u>CAP-30-02</u> supports the development of an integrated criminal justice information system and mandates cooperation and coordination in its development (April 19, 2002). CAP-20-06 contains a directive to all branches to cooperate in developing an integrated justice information system (April 26, 2006). The Navajo Nation Sex Offender Registry Act, enacted in May 2006 requires that a sex offender registry be maintained by the Chief of Police while the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 enacted by the Federal Government requires Indian Tribes to post sex offender data on the internet for public view. All of the above requires uniform automation capability among Navajo Nation judicial and justice components; stable and secure internet connectivity; and teamwork between the components operating in unison in the best interest of the Navajo Nation. In October 2007, the Judicial Branch took the lead in gathering together a team of Navajo Nation judicial and justice components under the Navajo Nation Integrated Justice Information Sharing Project (NNIJISP). Over the past two years, this team has been solid in its cooperative spirit. The integrated justice project has shown unified commitment in obtaining both Navajo Nation and grant funding for justice automation and information sharing; in exploring wide-ranging solutions; and in discussing and compromising on measures to be taken in the expense of funds.

Following a lengthy information gathering and procurement process, an integrated case management system was selected by the project committee in September 2009. The new system will be "object" based rather than "code" based. Like most other case management systems, the system is flexible to tribal justice needs and enables changes and modifications to be made by inhouse administrators on-site rather than require expensive support from off-site external experts. This system will permit expansion to other governmental agencies in future.

In order to limit the "risk" or investment of the Navajo Nation into this new system that may present issues due to the IT infrastructure, suitability for use by all agencies, and other issues, the new system will be tested as a "Proof of Concept" in the Shiprock Judicial and Police District. Justice components receiving the system will be the courts, probation services, prosecutor, peacemaking, and public defender. Following a successful test phase, the system will be rolled out district-by-district to the Navajo Nation. The vendor has agreed to also roll in support costs over time according to our schedule and user needs.

I am proud to announce that the Judicial Branch has received a federal ARRA formula passthrough grant through the State of Utah, Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice, in the amount of \$177,023.00 to fund a Database and Business Systems Administrator position for two years. This person will coordinate with the CMS vendor in developing and maintaining the database and business applications in the NNIJISP covered courts and programs and plan trainings in the new system. The position will also coordinate and plan trainings with Division of Public Safety's CODY RMS managers, all of whom are Navajo Nation law enforcement officers serving part-time as CODY managers.

Navajo Nation Nábináhaazláago Initiative

New staff joined us in November 2009. Funded by a \$1.3 million ARRA grant obtained by the Judicial Branch, eleven new positions were filled. These positions are an operations analyst, liaison officer, and office technician to serve in the Administrative Offices of the Courts, and case management supervisors, case management officers, and support staff to serve the Tohatchi Juvenile Facility and the Western Navajo Juvenile Services Center in Tuba City. All these positions are part of the Nábináhaazláago Initiative which strives to provide services to juveniles in detention and ensure that they are on the right track when they are returned home.

The objectives of Nábináhaazláago is to: (1) ensure through case management that assessment, services and treatment are provided to juveniles in detention; (2) formulate agreements incorporated into and supportive of a plan for inter-agency collaboration; (3) devise and implement a data collection plan; and (4) reduce recidivism.

Herb Yazzie, Chief Justice of the Navajo Nation

2. 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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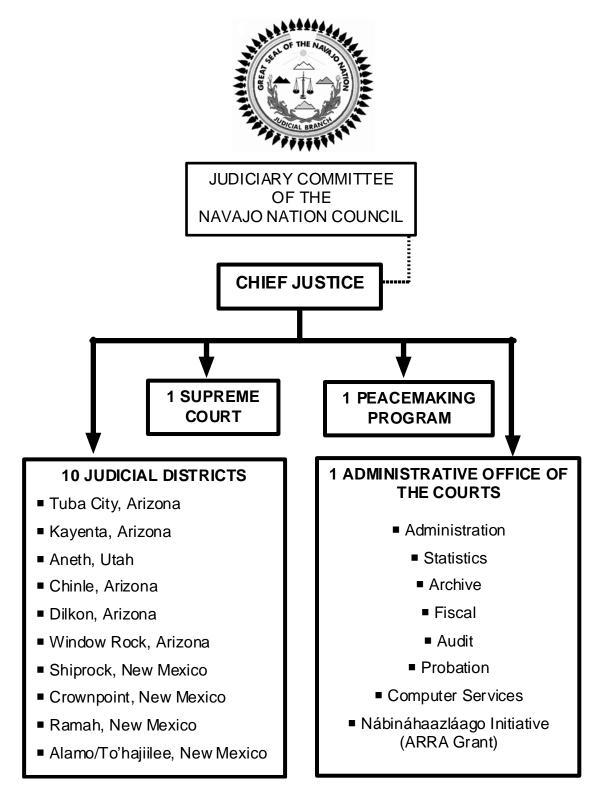
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4. JUDICIAL BRANCH ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



5. JUDICIAL BRANCH REPORTS

A. SUPREME COURT OF THE NAVAJO NATION

FY2009 Case Activity Report

Civil Cases	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed	7	5	8	6	5	9	3	2	2	5	11	6	69
Cases Completed	4	11	3	8	7	15	6	1	2	9	10	4	80
Hearings Held	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	2	1	2	0	0	11
Opinions	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	0	2	2	2	0	17
Orders	7	15	10	14	15	21	10	7	5	22	11	13	150
Memo Decisions	2	0	3	1	0	3	1	1	1	0	1	0	13
Criminal Cases	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
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Active Cases by Years

-	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>Total</u>
Civil	11	10	14	35
Criminal	0	0	1	1
NNBA	0	9	11	20
Special Proceedings	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	11	19	26	56

Annual Revenue/Account Recap

	ОСТ	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	TOTAL
Fines	\$ -												
Photocopying	\$ 16.80	\$ 0.35	\$ 4.55	\$ -	\$ 5.95	\$ -	\$ 4.20	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 4.55	\$ 33.25	\$ 28.00	\$ 117.65
Certifications	\$ -												
Filing Fees	\$ 420.00	\$ 245.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 180.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 2,765.00
Postage	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16.50	\$ 35.00	\$ -	\$ 17.50	\$ 17.50	\$ 70.00	\$ 35.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 191.50
Passport/Fee	\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 175.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 325.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,600.00
TOTALS	\$ 486.80	\$ 270.35	\$ 389.55	\$ 246.50	\$ 420.95	\$ 365.00	\$ 376.70	\$ 447.50	\$ 455.00	\$ 319.55	\$ 518.25	\$ 378.00	\$ 4,674.15

Sales of Navajo Reporter

	c	СТ	N	VOV		DEC		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN		JUL	AUG	SEP	TOTAL
Volume 1	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45.00	\$ -	\$ 45.00	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90.00
Volume 2	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45.00	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45.00
Volume 3	\$	-	\$	-	\$	45.00	\$	45.00	\$ 45.00	\$ -	\$ 90.00	\$ -	\$ 45.00	\$	90.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 450.00
Volume 4	\$	-	\$	-	\$	45.00	\$	45.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 90.00	\$ -	\$ 45.00	\$	90.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00	\$ 405.00
Volume 6	\$	-	\$	-	\$	50.00	\$	50.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 50.00	\$	150.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 700.00
Volume 7	\$	-	\$	-	\$	100.00	\$	150.00	\$ -	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 50.00	\$	150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 1,000.00
Volume 8	\$	-	\$	-	\$1	,350.00	\$1	,500.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 650.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 100.00	\$	650.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 5,150.00
Tax & Shipping	\$	-	\$	-	\$	68.60	\$	33.60	\$ 12.80	\$ 4.00	\$ 117.00	\$ 77.00	\$ 55.20	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 368.20
TOTALS	\$	-	\$	-	\$1	,658.60	\$1	,823.60	\$ 257.80	\$ 104.00	\$ 1,292.00	\$ 577.00	\$ 435.20	\$1	,130.00	\$ 490.00	\$ 440.00	\$ 8,208.20

Passport Applications Accepted

•	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
	3	1	1	2	8	5	7	14	12	5	5	2	65
Pro B	ono Ap	pointm	nents										

Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Total
13	13	23	23	23	35	13	17	9	18	15	21	223

Opinions Issued

- 1. SC-CV-37-08, <u>Jovita Baldwin v. Chinle Family Court and Concerning Ronaldo Carroll and</u> <u>The Navajo Nation, Real Parties in Interest</u>, October 30, 2008;
- 2. SC-CV-40-08, Marcella Begay v. Shannette Alonzo, November 7, 2008;
- 3. SC-CV-19-07, <u>Johnny Charley and Fannie Looking Glass v. Irene Benally, et al.</u>, December 10, 2008;
- 4. SC-CV-33-07, Ford Motor Company v. Kayenta District Court and Concerning Joe and Mary <u>Todecheene</u>, December 18, 2008;
- 5. SC-CV-12-08, Gene Salt v. Sally Martinez, January 21, 2008;
- 6. SC-CV-52-07, Winifred Hall f/d/a Winifred Watson v. Roy Watson, February 24, 2009;
- 7. SC-CV-52-08, <u>Vincent Johnny v. Delores Greyeyes</u>, <u>Director</u>, <u>Department of Corrections</u>, February 27, 2009;
- 8. SC-CV-12-08, Gene Salt v. Sally Martinez, March 5, 2009;
- SC-CV-09-09, <u>Dail F. Cody v. Delores Greyeyes</u>, <u>Director</u>, <u>Department of Corrections</u>, March 11, 2009;
- 10. SC-CV-51-06, Jimmy and Martina Begay, April 13, 2009;
- 11. SC-CV-12-06, John Goldtooth v. Naa Tsis' Aan Community School, Inc., April 16, 2009;
- 12. SC-CV-24-09, In the Matter of the Navajo Nation Election Administration's Determination of Insufficiency Regarding Two Initiative Petitions Filed by Navajo Nation President Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr.: Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr., President v. Office of Hearings and Appeals; Initiative Petition Committee, Real Party in Interest, June 22, 2009;
- 13. SC-CV-49-08, In the Matter of the Estate of Nat D. Benally, Decedent, Lucinda Henry, Administratrix v. Donald Kee, Ida Mae Sandoval and Daniel Kee, June 25, 2009;
- 14. SC-CV-51-06, SC-CV-20-09, <u>Rodriguez A. Wood v. Window Rock District Court, The Navajo</u> <u>Nation, Real Party in Interest</u>, July 1, 2009;
- SC-CV-28-09, <u>In the Matter of the Navajo Nation Election Administration's Determination of</u> <u>Insufficiency Regarding Two Initiative Petitions Filed by Navajo Nation President Dr. Joe</u> <u>Shirley, Jr.: Navajo Election Administration v. Dr. Joe Shirley, Jr., Designated Representative,</u> July 30, 2009;
- 16. SC-CV-27-09, <u>Veronica Wauneka v. Navajo Department of Law Enforcement</u>, August 12, 2009;
- 17. SC-CV-34-06, Larry Tsosie v. Central Consolidated School District, No. 22, August 12, 2009.

Oral Arguments

- 1. October 23, 2008, SC-CV-52-08, <u>Vincent Johnny v. Delores Greyeyes, Director, Department</u> of <u>Corrections</u>, heard at NNLC Hearing Room, Window Rock, Arizona, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley;
- November 12, 2008, SC-CV-54/56-08, <u>Brenda Moody Whinery, as Chapter 11 Bankruptcy</u> <u>Trustee for Fort Defiance Housing Corporation, Real Party in Interest</u>, heard at Church Rock Chapter House, Church Rock, New Mexico, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley;
- February 20, 2009, SC-CV-12-06, <u>John Goldtooth v. Naa Tsis' Aan Community School, Inc.</u>, heard at Kayenta District Court, Kayenta, Arizona, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley;
- February 20, 2009, SC-CV-09-09, <u>Dail F. Cody v. Delores Greyeyes, Director, Department of Corrections</u>, heard at Kayenta District Court, Kayenta, Arizona, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley;
- March 31, 2009, SC-CV-03-07, <u>Gary Lee Werito, Sr., v. Tuba City Unified School District No.</u> <u>15</u>, heard at the Dook'O'oosliid Office Facility Conference Room in Tuba City, Arizona, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley;
- April 29, 2009, SC-CV-20-09, <u>Rodriquez A. Wood v. Window Rock District Court, The Navajo</u> <u>Nation</u>, heard at St. Michael Indian School, St. Michael, Arizona, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley;
- May 13, 2009, SC-CV-19-06, <u>Winifred Etsitty v. Dine Bii Association for Disabled Citizens</u>, <u>Inc.</u>, heard at the Tuba City Peacemaking Hogan, Tuba City, Arizona, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley;
- May 14, 2009, SC-CV-24-09, <u>In the Matter of the Navajo Nation Election Administration's</u> <u>Determination of Insufficiency Regarding the Two Initiative Petitions Filed by Navajo Nation</u> <u>President Dr. Joe Shirley Jr., Joe Shirley Jr., President, The Navajo Nation v. Office of</u> <u>Hearings and Appeals, Initiative Petition Committee</u>, heard at St. Michael Chapter House, St. Michael, Arizona, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley;
- June 4, 2009, SC-CV-49-08, <u>In the Matter of the Estate of: Nat D. Benally, Decedent, Lucinda</u> <u>Henry v. Donald Kee, Ida Mae Sandoval and Daniel Kee</u>, heard at the Navajo Nation Bar Association 2009 Annual Conference in Flagstaff, Arizona, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley;
- July 15, 2009, SC-CV-23-07, <u>Iris Shirley Begaye v. Navajo Nation Environmental Protection</u> <u>Agency, Air and Toxics Department</u>, heard at the Navajo Nation Labor Commission, Window Rock, Arizona, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley;
- 11. July 27, 2009, SC-CV-28-09, <u>In the Matter of the Navajo Election Administration's</u> <u>Determination of Insufficiency Regarding Two Petitions Filed by the Navajo Nation President</u>, <u>Dr. Joe Shirley Jr., The Navajo Election Administration v. Dr. Joe Shirley Jr., Designated</u> <u>Representative for the Initiative Petition Committee</u>, heard at the Navajo Nation Museum Auditorium, Window Rock, Arizona, before Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Justice Louise G. Grant, and Justice Eleanor Shirley.

NNBA Admission Hearings

- 1. SC-NB-72-08 Timothy J. Atler
- 2. SC-NB-73-08 Benson Begay
- 3. SC-NB-74-07 Michelle Begay
- 4. SC-NB-75-07 Ethel Branch
- 5. SC-NB-76-07 Carolyn M. Drouin
- 6. SC-NB-77-07 Cherie Espinosa
- 7. SC-NB-78-07 Katharine Lackemann

8.	SC-NB-79-07	Mathew Vanwormer
9.	SC-NB-39-09	Malcolm Begay
10.	SC-NB-40-09	Sandra Clark
11.	SC-NB-41-09	Jerome Clark
12.	SC-NB-42-09	Coleen E. Hunt
13.	SC-NB-43-09	William Greg Kelly
14.	SC-NB-44-09	Sophia Kelly
15.	SC-NB-45-09	J. Tyler Martin
16.	SC-NB-46-09	Jeremiah T. Oster
17.	SC-NB-47-09	Rebecca Parrish
18.	SC-NB-48-09	Lindsay H. F. Rich
19.	SC-NB-49-09	Ronald Rosier
20.	SC-NB-50-09	Nathan Fidel
21.	SC-NB-51-09	Jaclyn R. Johnson
22.	SC-NB-52-08	Mary Modrich-Alvardo

Significant accomplishments by Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Associate Justice Louise G. Grant, and Associate Justice Eleanor Shirley

The Chief Justice, associate justices, and court staff held numerous meetings throughout the year to discuss pending cases, assignments to district court judges, writing policies, and application of the Fundamental Laws of Diné. They conducted hearings in different locations. The Supreme Court eliminated a significant number of backlogged and pending cases.

On February 2-3, 2009, Chief Justice Herb Yazzie was a presenter at the FY2011 Navajo Region budget formulation meeting in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Items discussed included the FY2008 carryover, FY2009 P.L. 93-638 funding, congressional affairs, FY2011 budget formulation, timelines for Navajo Nation programs, and Navajo Nation priorities.

On February 4 and 13, 2009, Chief Justice Herb Yazzie and the other two branch chiefs met with the Budget and Finance Committee on the revenue shortfall. He also participated in other meetings with the Budget and Finance Committee on March 17, 2009, June 5, 2009, August 4 and 10, 2009, on behalf of the Judicial Branch.

Chief Justice Herb Yazzie conducted regular quarterly judicial conferences on October 24, 2008, at Tse daa K'aa, New Mexico; January 29, 2009, in Crownpoint, New Mexico; April 24, 2009, in Monument Valley, Utah; and, on July 31, 2009, in Dilkon, Arizona. Judicial conferences are attended by justices, judges, staff attorneys, court administrators, and executive personnel to address Judicial Branch-related issues.

On February 19, 2009, Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, associate attorney Josephine Foo, and Judges Allen Sloan and William Platero met with judicial hearings officers from Chinle, Window Rock, Crownpoint, and Tuba City, legislative counsel Frank Seanez, and DNA Legal Services' director Levon Henry regarding the Judicial Branch Hearing Officers Rules and Procedures for the Adult Civil Traffic Infraction Program. On March 16, 2009, Chief Justice Yazzie participated in a traffic consultations meeting. On March 27, 2009, he reported on the Adult Civil Traffic Infraction Procedures during a meeting of the Policy Subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.

Judicial hearing officers were hired in March 2008 to assist the judicial districts with their caseload in handling traffic citations and domestic violence protection orders, develop the adult traffic program, and educate the public. The judicial hearing officer positions were abolished from the FY2010 budget and their employment ended on September 30, 2009.

In July and August 2009, Judge Cathy J. Begay underwent judicial performance evaluations for permanent appointment. A public hearing was held in Shiprock, New Mexico, on July 28, 2009. On August 17, the judicial evaluation team completed its review of Judge Begay and, on August 24, the Judiciary Committee and the Chief Justice met with Judge Cathy J. Begay. On August 31, 2009, the Judiciary Committee scheduled its final public hearing in Shiprock at which time the Committee voted to not recommend Judge Begay for permanent appointment.

The following oaths of office were administered by the justices in FY2009:

- January 7, 2009, newly elected Chinle Agency chapter officials by Chief Justice Herb Yazzie.
- January 9, 2009, newly elected Shiprock Agency chapter officials by Chief Justice Herb Yazzie.
- April 16, 2009, Chinle Agency Board of Election Supervisors member Norman Begay by Justice Eleanor Shirley.
- June 4, 2009, newly admitted members of the Navajo Nation Bar Association by Justices Louise G. Grant and Eleanor Shirley.
- June 8, 2009, Office of the Prosecutor presenting officers Malcolm Begay and Colleen Hunt by Justice Louise G. Grant.
- July 23, 2009, newly appointed probationary judge Cynthia Thompson by Justice Eleanor Shirley.
- September 2, 2009, new chief prosecutor Bernadine Martin by Justice Louise G. Grant.

Chief Justice Herb Yazzie and associate attorney Josephine Foo served on the Technology Oversight Committee for the Navajo Nation Information Justice Sharing Project (NNIJISP). Ms. Foo served as project coordinator for the NNIJISP Technology Oversight Committee (TOC) which targeted an end-of-September vendor selection date. The RFP process began in June and involved Navajo Nation DOJ's approval of RFP contract terms and drafting of the entire RFP by Ms. Foo with involvement of all NNIJISP members and with major technical and review assistance from RFP consultant Susan Laniewski. Bid opening commenced on July 14 and closed on August 17. The selection process then began, again with major assistance on-site from Laniewski, and the formation of an evaluation team. Best and final offer presentations were held Sept 8-9, 2009, at Kirtland High School in Kirtland, New Mexico. The final vendor was selected by the NNIJISP TOC on September 11 by a vote of 8-1. Ms. Foo finalized contract terms with the selected vendor with assistance by Laniewski, Navajo Nation Business Regulatory, and Navajo Nation Department of Justice. Ms. Foo coordinated and attended NNIJISP procurement meetings.

Significant accomplishments by Supreme Court Law Clerk LaVerne H. Garnenez

On October 20, 2008, LaVerne H. Garnenez was hired as the law clerk with the Navajo Nation Supreme Court.

Ms. Garnenez was previously employed as the staff attorney in the Dilkon Judicial District. After she was hired, Ms. Garnenez remained as the point of contact for the Dilkon Court construction project and provided coordination services until the completion of the project. The facility was completed and the grand opening and building dedication occurred in July 2009.

Ms. Garnenez is also in charge of the summer internship program with the Navajo Nation Supreme Court. The program offers opportunity for select law school students from various law schools to assist the Supreme Court justices in producing research memoranda on pending cases and conduct research and writing projects for the court. The following students completed externships with the Navajo Nation Supreme Court in 2009: Siiri Wilson, University of Washington School of Law, January 5, 2009, to March 13, 2009; Michael Baumrind, University of Georgia School of Law, May 4 to May 29, 2009; Maile Tavepholjalern, Yale Law School, May 25, 2009, to July 10, 2009; and Thomas Hart, University of Miami, June 8, 2009, to July 31, 2009.

Significant accomplishments by Associate Attorney Josephine Foo

Throughout the year, associate attorney Josephine Foo worked on several projects, i.e., NNIJISP, grant applications/awards/compliance, assisted the Chief Justice and the judicial districts, and provided legal support as needed. She attended meetings on behalf of the Judicial Branch.

<u>Grants Awarded</u>: The following grants applied for by Associate Attorney Foo in the previous quarter have been awarded to date:

- \$131,454.61 -- Sub-recipient of <u>New Mexico 09 Recovery Act: Edward Byrne Memorial</u> <u>Justice Assistance Grant</u>—to purchase a bi-directional CODY/COBRA Interface with law enforcement. GRANT No.: RA-JAG-Navajo Nation-SFY10.
- \$10,000 Subrecipient of <u>Utah 09 Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) ARRA Federal Stimulus</u> <u>Block Grant</u>— to purchase a bi-directional CODY/COBRA Interface with law enforcement. Our grant is administered by the State of Utah (grant # 9AR-34) the federal award number for the Utah 2009 JAG - ARRA grant program is 2009-SU-B9-0045 and the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number is 16.803.
- \$135,417 This grant began as an ARRA subgrant application, however Arizona converted this into a state funded grant to hire 4 archive clerks in 4 district courts for one year. ACJC GRANT NO: CRI09-10-301.
- \$1,362,906 over 2 years—Direct award from <u>FY 09 Recovery Act Rural Law Enforcement</u> <u>Assistance: Combating Rural Crime Grant Assistance Program</u>, to provide assessments, services, and treatment to our juveniles in detention. It will also ensure data collection and reporting on recidivism. Eleven (11) new jobs will be created immediately, including a new category of probation officers who will also serve as case managers. A Steering Committee will also be formed that will enter into partnerships with and guide the participation of major Navajo Nation justice agencies and juvenile service providers. *GRANT No. 2009-SD-B9-0203.*
- \$450,000 over 4 years—Direct award from <u>FY 09 Tribal Youth Program Grant Assistance Program</u>, to provide prevention services through traditional dispute resolution, violence prevention, community building and traditional teachings to our tribal communities, in particular to our youth. *GRANT No.: 2009-TY-FX-0026*. The program will: 1) Establish a curriculum for traditional teaching that blends Navajo peacemaking and western best practices and therapies for dispute resolution, violence prevention, community building in schools; 2) Provide for Navajo Peacemakers to work individually with delinquent and at risk youth and their families through the provision of traditional teaching and counseling; and 3) Establish a youth peer apprentice peacemaker program. Strategic and curriculum planning and project evaluation will be accomplished by the Peacemaking Program contracting with the American Humane Association.

<u>Outstanding Grant</u>. The following grant applied for by Ms. Foo remains outstanding: ARRA/Recovery Act Byrne Competitive grant for the Navajo Nation Community Court/Peacemaking Project in the amount of \$425,973 with a \$186,280 match.

<u>New Grant Application</u>. Ms. Foo submitted a project abstract to the Utah JAG ARRA grant for JCRR / category 3 - Criminal Justice Technology. Request is for \$177,023 for a database and business systems administrator and hardware/software to support unified CMS and address trainings, beginning in Shiprock and rolling out to all districts.

<u>Judicial Branch Website</u>. Ms. Foo maintains the Judicial Branch website, including generating contents, creating pages for Supreme Court opinions and pending legislations on website per staff attorneys needs, and editing the format of content. She continued to upload resolutions, opinions, and rules; created layers for each component; contracted with DIT for a Judicial Branch/Chief Justice link on the Navajo Nation web page; contracted for a feedback e-form and administrative sharepoint with DIT; created HTML and powerpoint for peacemaking guidelines

and common law project for the bi-culture training manager. She responded to multiple general public queries submitted via e-mail on the Judicial Branch website

B. JUDICIAL DISTRICTS OF THE NAVAJO NATION

TUBA CITY JUDICIAL DISTRICT

<u>Planning of One-Stop-Shop</u>. Judge Jennifer Benally, court administrator Alice Huskie, and staff attorney Tina Hatathli served on a local task force to assist with the planning of the Tuba City Judicial/ Public Safety building. In 2008, the Judiciary and Public Safety Committees established a priority list and ranked Tuba City as number one and Crownpoint as number two. The priority list was based on construction readiness. The proposed building will house a number of programs affiliated with the justice system. Initial planning of this project transpired about 5-6 years ago and, from those plans, a master plan was developed. In addition to the local task force, an executive task force was established to meet and plan on behalf of the local districts at the Window Rock level. The executive task force interviewed and hired a project manager, a construction management at risk, and an architect/engineer. The group identified office space needed for various departments and selected a scheme to continue work with the architect.

<u>Temporary Closure of Court Building</u>. The Tuba City Judicial District was temporarily closed from December 1 to December 30, 2008, due to the amount of dust that entered the court building through the ceiling vents. Court employees were seen at TCIMC for coughing spasms, skin irritation, dry throat, eye irritation, and headaches. The To'Nanaees Dizi Chapter had contracted with Ironhorse for asbestos abatement during the demolition of the former detention and police buildings. It was found that, during the demolition, the contractor had not wet down the place to keep the dust from becoming airborne. Then, on December 30, 2008, contract workers while removing an old 4,000 gallon butane tank dropped the tank causing a butane leak. Employees from the court, nearby trailers, police department, and corrections were evacuated and buildings closed for safety reasons. Navajo Nation Risk Management, Navajo OSHA, and Office of Environmental Health monitored the demolition project for safety standards. During the temporary closure, the court relocated and operated out of the TANF building. The court staff returned to the court building on January 20, 2009, after the air ducts were thoroughly cleaned, carpets steamed cleaned, and the walls and equipment wiped down.

<u>Navajo Nation Title IV-E</u>. Judge Jennifer Benally and Judge William Platero participated in numerous work sessions to review and make recommendations to amend the Navajo Nation Children's Code. The group obtained an overview of the new law for Title IV-E tribal access, access to technical assistance, and start-up funds. Other issues addressed included cost allocations, the role of the State of Arizona, required court orders, developing plans to implement Title IV-E, and tribal and state contracts. Family connections grant legislative analyst Thomas Cody with the Division of Social Services facilitated the work sessions.

<u>BIA 638 Audit</u>. On March 13, 2009, the BIA monitoring team consisting of Irene Herder and Edison Leslie made an on-site visit to the Tuba City Judicial District. An entrance meeting was held with court administrator Alice Huskie, office technician Orlando Sam, court clerk Brenda Donald, and fiscal director Jimmy Yellowhair. The monitoring team reviewed records and checked for compliance with the provisions of the contract. At the conclusion, an exit meeting was held with the group and the monitoring team reported that records and files were maintained in an excellent manner and that the court was found to be in compliance with their audit check list.

<u>Service of Process</u>. Judge Allen Sloan, staff attorney Tina Hatathli, and court administrator Alice Huskie participated in quarterly meetings concerning service of process for domestic violence petitions. Local programs identified issues and concerns regarding service of process in their districts. An OVW grant will reimburse police officers for the time they spend serving domestic

protection petitions on their days off. The group also identified ways on how to provide collaborative services and how to address concerns and issues in local districts.

<u>School Visitations</u>. Judge Jennifer Benally, staff attorney Tina Hatathli, court administrator Alice Huskie, and peacemaker liaison Emmett Kerley visited local schools to present information on how truancies can be handled through the peacemaking program. School officials were very appreciative of the information shared and some schools even requested that more training be held during the school year.

<u>Justice Day</u>. On April 30, 2009, the Tuba City Judicial District celebrated its annual justice day with an open house and serving of lunch to the public. More than 800 students and the general public participated in the event and had opportunity to meet the judge and visit the courtroom without the formalities of a court hearing. The public enjoyed presentations on justice symbols, the meaning of the justice scale, and learned why Lady Justice is blindfolded. The staff explained courtroom rules, the different types of hearings held by the family and district courts, as well as the types of cases referred to probation and peacemaking. Overall, the event turned out excellent.

<u>Peacemaking Hogan</u>. On April 28, 2009, the Tuba City Judicial District dedicated its peacemaking hogan with a blessing ceremony by a local medicine man. The purpose of the hogan is to bring people together in a familiar home setting to discuss and resolve issues and concerns.

<u>Judicial Branch 2009 Annual Conference</u>. The Navajo Nation Judicial Branch celebrated 50 years of existence with a conference at the Radisson Fort McDowell Casino/Resort at the Fort McDowell Yavapai Indian Nation in Phoenix, Arizona. The conference theme, "50 years of Reflection," focused on Navajo Justice from 1959 to 2009. Several retired judges/justices shared their experiences on the history of the Navajo courts. The staff enjoyed the conference and expressed a lot of good comments. Court administrator Alice Huskie and court clerk Kandi Robbins served on the planning committee to help organize the conference.

<u>Navajo Nation Integrated Justice Information Sharing Project (NNIJISP)</u>. Judge Allen Sloan, staff attorney Tina Hatathli, judicial hearing officer Thomas Laughter, court administrator Alice Huskie, peacemaker liaison Emmett Kerley, and court clerk Kandi Robbins participated in the NNIJISP. When implemented, the project will permit sharing of information among Navajo Nation justice departments. The project will be piloted in the Shiprock Judicial District and eventually be implemented in other districts.

KAYENTA JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Pursuant to Chief Justice of the Navajo Nation's Administrative Order 13-2009, Judge Rudy I. Bedonie was reassigned to the Dilkon Judicial District as the trial judge on September 8, 2009. In turn, the Kayenta Judicial District welcomed Judge Jennifer D. Benally from the Tuba City Judicial District as its new trial judge.

The Kayenta Judicial District staff earned an average of 32 hours of continued legal education training throughout the year on topics such as *customer service, communication skills, case management, ethics, unauthorized practice of law and working with litigants, domestic violence, probation officer safety training, and critical incident and emergency planning for the courts.* These courses give the district staff opportunity to enhance and foster their professionalism in public contact and in providing judicial services.

Judge Rudy I. Bedonie successfully completed 32 hours of continued legal education at the 34th Annual FBA Indian Law Conference, 2009 Annual Judicial Branch Conference, and the 2009 Navajo Nation Bar Association Annual Conference.

The Kayenta Judicial District showcased its successful 2009 Justice Day in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Judicial Branch of the Navajo Nation at the Kayenta Community Center on May 3, 2009, in Kayenta, Arizona. Major features were educational legal information, service provider information booths, and a free luncheon for all participants.

Judge Rudy I. Bedonie, court administrator Lavonne K. Yazzie, and staff attorney Shawn R. Attakai participated in numerous budget meetings and presented the Kayenta Judicial District's proposed FY2010 Navajo Nation General Fund Budget before the Judiciary Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. The Committee was very sensitive and supportive to the district's proposed portion of the Judicial Branch's overall budget despite a substantial shortfall in budget funding.

Court administrator Lavonne K. Yazzie and court clerks Linda M. James and Thomasine James actively participated in a court administrators' work session to finalize enhancements to the current district and family court software program. The enhancements were successfully installed at the Kayenta Judicial District.

In reward for years of advance planning by Kayenta Township Commission, the Kayenta law enforcement and judicial district; the Kayenta community was awarded a \$31 million to construct a new 38-bed detention facility in Kayenta, Arizona. Special thanks are given to the Navajo Nation Judiciary and Public Safety Committees for their lobbying efforts to obtain the American Recovery Act funding for the construction-ready phase of the proposed Kayenta Judicial and Public Safety Complex project. The design and engineering plans for the law enforcement and judicial facility should be complete in the next fiscal year.

Court administrator Lavonne K. Yazzie and staff attorney Shawn R. Attakai participated in several Navajo Nation Process Serving Task Force meetings this fiscal year. In collaborative efforts, the Navajo Department of Law Enforcement, Navajo Nation Office of the Prosecutor, and the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch recommended modifications to the current service of process of court documents to improve protocol for more efficient service to the public.

With the lack of jail facilities on the Navajo Nation, it is the job of probation officers to supervise defendant sentencing and assure compliance. To ensure compliance, the Kayenta Probation Services conducted 89 field visits and facilitated traffic safety and substance abuse education classes for 210 defendants this fiscal year. The field visits lend opportunity to interview defendants and victims to obtain information and facts to include in court ordered pre-sentence reports.

Pursuant to the Judicial Branch Consolidation Policy, the court clerks and office technicians completed two bi-annual rotations that promotes cross-training in different areas as aspects of district and family court work and responsibilities.

ANETH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

From December 1-3, 2008, the court administrators and peacemaker liaisons jointly collaborated efforts to devise a court software program for the Peacemaking Program.

In efforts to enhance the Aneth Peacemaking Program, a meeting was held to improve and coordinate case processing between the district court and peacemaking. The meeting was attended by Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, associate attorney Josephine Foo, peacemaking coordinator Gloria Benally, and judges from Shiprock, Kayenta, and Aneth Judicial Districts.

Aneth staff attorney Curtis Heeter and court administrator Susie Martin were invited to participate in a roundtable discussion on criminal justice concerns in the Shiprock and Aneth Judicial Districts. Other participants included representatives from Shiprock police department, prosecutor office, and department of corrections. The officials identified areas of concerns and how they may relay efficient services to the public. The meeting was successful in addressing concerns with various departments. At the conclusion, the representatives agreed to continue criminal justice meetings on a quarterly basis.

In addressing FY2009 legislative concern #9, staff attorney Curtis Heeter and court administrator Susie Martin participate in a Navajo Nation Process Serving Task Force meeting in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on February 26, 2009. Participants recommended modifications to the current service of process of court documents and devised committees from each judicial/police district to improve protocol for more efficient court documents service to the public. The committees planned to schedule future meetings to assess district development and devise a plan of action.

On March 30, 2009, the court staff and peacemaker liaison for the Aneth Judicial District obtained training on criminal and civil procedures compared to use of fundamental law in the peacemaking program. Judge Irene S. Black and staff attorney Curtis Heeter taught staff the rules of criminal and civil procedures of the Navajo Nation Courts, while peacemaking coordinator Gloria Benally and bi-culture training manager Roger Begay gave details on the use of fundamental law in Navajo courts.

On May 15, 2009, court administrator Susie Martin participated in a meeting to obtain information on needs assessment generated by the Navajo Nation Integrated Justice Information Sharing Project (NNIJISP) in conjunction with the National Center for State Courts. The meeting concluded the need for an automated communication system among the Navajo Nation criminal justice community.

From May 26 to May 29, 2009, Judge Irene S. Black participated in the Center for Court Innovation at the Red Hook Community Justice Center of New York. The program encourages community involvement and accountability of various recourses as well as keeping defendants involved in pursing positive changes using methods of encouragement and community involvement.

To enhance quality and coordinate case management, the Aneth Judicial District received the enhanced automated case management system (CMS). Information technology manager Ben Mariano completed installation of the CMS enhancements for the Aneth case management system.

From August 25 to August 27, 2009, the Aneth Judicial District court clerks obtained training on court case management system and case flow. The court clerks gained knowledge of basic case flow, accounting, jury management, archiving, and use of the automated case management system.

On September 16, 2009, court administrator Susie Martin and staff attorney Curtis Heeter met with representatives of the Navajo Nation Division of Social Services to collaborate efforts to plan a community intervention program in the Aneth region. The program is designed to encourage community involvement on matters related to children's cases.

CHINLE JUDICIAL DISTRICT

<u>Training with Local Resources</u>. Judge Geraldine Benally and judicial hearing officer Charlotte Miranda conducted a training session on the new traffic hearing guidelines for the staff of Chinle Judicial District and Chinle Navajo Department of Law Enforcement. The information provided focused on the civil traffic citation process and effective and efficient collaboration in processing civil citations by both departments.

<u>Court Security</u>. As a result of a thorough court security assessment by the Chinle Fire Department, court bailiffs Brinda Begay and Joseph Bedonie implemented emergency response

and evacuation procedures for the judicial buildings. The procedures were distributed among staff to use in case of an emergency.

<u>In-House Trainings</u>. The Chinle Judicial District hosted and participated in in-house trainings as follows:

- Judicial Branch Personnel Rules by Aneth staff attorney Curtis Heeter;
- Domestic Violence by Carol Leonard of Chinle ADABI;
- Writ of Habeas Corpus by Chinle staff attorney Rod Begay;
- Processing Legal Documents Among Departments by DNA Legal Services;
- Use of Fundamental Laws by Chinle peacemaker liaison Russell Thomas.

<u>Service of Process</u>. The Chinle Judicial District and Chinle Department of Law Enforcement collaborated to identify solutions in processing and serving domestic violence petitions. Both departments participated in three meetings this year and slowly began making progress to assure service of protection orders. Commissioned police officers are advised to utilize funds to serve documents on their days off. The grant is funded through the Office of the Chief Prosecutor and Gwen Williams has been coordinating and organizing efforts to have departments collaborate to a reasonable consensus of serving domestic violence summons.

<u>Hiring of Employees</u>. Chinle Judicial District was successful in hiring three additional staff, namely, court clerk Winifred Jones, custodian Gilbert Yazzie, and office technician Dorothea Paul. Two of the staff successfully completed 90 days probation and were granted permanent status. One employee is pending further inquiry before permanent status is recommended.

<u>2009 Justice Day</u>. On April 9, 2009, the Chinle Judicial District celebrated its 2009 Justice Day with an open house, information booths by local service providers, and a presentation on the "History of the Navajo Courts" by retired Chief Justice Robert Yazzie. Lunch was served.

<u>Domestic Violence Video Project</u>. Judge Geraldine Benally and representatives from Ama Doo Alchini Bighaan, Inc., (ADABI), Chinle Department of Law Enforcement, and Chinle IHS Counseling Services and Social Services collaborated in developing a video that focuses on the negative infliction to families and home as a result of domestic violence. The video sends an awareness message to the Navajo people to come together to combat the seriousness of domestic violence and its effects.

<u>Reassignment of Judges</u>. Pursuant to an administrative order issued by Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Judge Geraldine Benally was reassigned to the Window Rock Judicial District, and recently appointed probationary judge Cynthia Thompson was assigned to the Chinle Judicial District.

<u>Probation Services</u>. The Chinle Probation Services facilitated 12 defensive driving and domestic violence courses for 246 defendants/respondents ordered by the court to attend. The classes focus on the negative effects of alcohol on self and family.

<u>Hogan Project</u>. The Chinle Judicial District completed its final walkthrough of the newly constructed hogan. The staff held a dedication ceremony on September 22, 2009, and the hogan is now being used for the purpose and perspective of traditional restorative justice.

<u>FY2010 General Fund Budget</u>. Court administrator Cindy Yellowhair, Judge Leroy S. Bedonie, and Judge Geraldine Benally made preparations and presented the Chinle Judicial District's proposed FY2009 general fund budget to the Judiciary Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.

<u>Staff Attorney</u>. Chinle staff attorney Rod Begay assisted in discussions to revise the Judicial Branch Personnel Rules. The team is currently working towards completing a final draft of the revised rules.

DILKON JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Construction of the new Dilkon Court facility was completed, and the parking lot paved. A grand opening celebration held July 31, 2009, featured a program with guest speakers, an open house, information booths by local service providers, and serving of lunch to special guests and the general public. It was a privilege to celebrate this special occasion with all three branch chiefs of the Navajo Nation present: Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, President Joe Shirley, and Speaker of the Navajo Nation Council Lawrence Morgan. It was a wonderful day. The building is beautiful and a dream come true.

The court case management program that was installed in the Dilkon Judicial District will focus on enhancements for peacemaking and probation/parole services. The accounting section and the new docket entries for 2009 were established.

The Dilkon Judicial District celebrated its 2009 Justice Day on April 17, 2009, with the theme "Dilkon Judicial District—Past, Present, and Future." This year, the Judicial Branch celebrated its 50th anniversary of providing judicial services to the Navajo people. The event featured a public information day with displays on the history of the courts and the planning/development of the Dilkon Court. There were information booths by local service providers and serving of refreshments.

Court administrator Darlene LaFrance participated in meetings with the Division of Public Safety regarding planning of the judicial campus setting to include detention and law enforcement services. Other participants included local council delegates and representatives from Department of Behavioral Health Service, Division of Public Safety Criminal Investigations and Department of Corrections.

The Dilkon Judicial District hired Jordan Hale as its staff attorney. Window Rock staff attorney Jennifer Balin orientated Mr. Hale on his new job duties and responsibilities.

All Dilkon Judicial District personnel participated in the Judicial Branch 2009 Annual Conference in Fort McDowell, Arizona.

On July 30, 2009, Judge Leroy Bedonie and court administrator Darlene LaFrance presented Dilkon's proposed FY2010 general fund budget before the Judiciary Committee of the Navajo Nation Council.

Judge Rudy Bedonie, formerly with the Kayenta Judicial District, was assigned as the presiding judge for Dilkon Judicial District. The staff welcomed Judge Bedonie to the Dilkon community. Pending assignment of a permanent judge, other judges assisted the Dilkon Judicial District, including Judge Leroy Bedonie, Judge Thomas Holgate, Judge Carol Perry, and Judge Allen Sloan.

WINDOW ROCK JUDICIAL DISTRICT

<u>Foreign Visitor</u>. Mrs. Keiko Amano from Aichi Prefectural University in Nagakute, Japan, visited the Window Rock Judicial District. The court administrator and Judge T.J. Holgate shared with Mrs. Amano information on the Navajo courts and peacemaking. She was also given a tour of the Window Rock courts and had an opportunity to sit in on a peacemaking session. She enjoyed her visit.

<u>Judicial Education on Domestic Violence</u>. Judge T.J. Holgate was selected to participate in the development of an educational curriculum on domestic violence for judicial service providers and practitioners in the state of New Mexico and other Native American communities. The educational curriculum was simulcast on April 23, 2009.

<u>NNBA Presentation</u>. Judge Laverne Johnson volunteered to teach on the Navajo Nation Children's Code and its application as presented in court during the Navajo Nation Bar Association bar examination.

<u>2009</u> Justice Day. The Window Rock Judicial District had an excellent turnout for its annual justice day. There was a program with guest speakers, an open house, pro se clinics, service provider booths, and a luncheon for guests and public. Promotional items were disseminated to visitors, including school-aged children and elderly. The staff had a great time serving the public and sharing information about the Navajo courts.

<u>IJIS On-Site Visit and Presentation</u>. The Window Rock Judicial District hosted a meeting where representatives from the IJIS center, law enforcement, courts, peacemaking, and prosecutors discussed identification of the current data system used by the courts, law enforcement, and prosecutors.

<u>Annual Judicial Branch Conference</u>. The Window Rock staff participated in the 2009 Annual Conference in Fort McDowell, Arizona. The staff enjoyed time away from the court and an opportunity to refresh their job responsibilities and duties. The staff received jackets and certificates for their dedicated services to the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch and in celebration of 50 years of Navajo Justice to the Diné people.

<u>Confirmation of Judge Cynthia Thompson</u>. Cynthia Thompson was confirmed as probationary judge during the Navajo Nation Council summer session. Prior to her confirmation, she was with the Window Rock Judicial District as its judicial hearing officer where she heard civil traffic and domestic violence cases. Her services to the Window Rock Judicial District were very much appreciated. After her appointment, Judge Thompson was assigned to the Chinle Judicial District.

<u>FY2010 Budget Process</u>. The judges, court administrator, and staff attorney participated in the annual budget process. The Window Rock Judicial District extended its hospitality by allowing use of its court room to the Judiciary Committee to conduct their budget hearings. During the Window Rock Judicial District budget hearing, Judge T.J. Holgate pleaded with the Judiciary Committee to not lay off any staff and that the district would be willing to make cuts in other line items within its operating expenses. The staff were in attendance at the oversight committee budget hearings.

<u>Visit by Secretary of Indian Affairs</u>. The Window Rock Judicial District had the grand opportunity of meeting Secretary of Indian Affairs Ken Salazar, Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Larry Echohawk, and Interior Department Solicitor Hillary Tompkins. The visitors toured the court and met with the Window Rock court staff.

<u>Case Mananement Training</u>. The court administrator, court clerks, and staff attorney participated in the court clerks' case management training in Towaoc, Colorado. The training was in response to comments received from the court clerks during the annual conference. During the training, the court clerks obtained information on case management in various sections of the court, i.e., civil, family civil, children, criminal, traffic civil, etc., which was also in conjunction with the court software program. There were also presentations on jury management, archiving, and financial accounting of court fees and fines.

SHIPROCK JUDICIAL DISTRICT

An IJIS consultant made an on-site visit to Shiprock Judicial District on May 14, 2009, to observe a demo of the court case management system and to address needs and enhancements of an automated system to all components of the district criminal justice system. The consultant gave an assessment report and provided recommendations on May 15, 2009. Following the visit, the Shiprock District was selected to serve as the pilot site for the case management system project

that will integrate information sharing among the courts, probation, peacemaking, prosecutor, and public defender. The system will also integrate the CODY system used by law enforcement. The Shiprock court administrator served on an evaluation team involved in the proposal review for the Navajo Nation Integrated Justice Information Sharing Project (NNIJISP); including proposal review and scoring; reporting to NNIJISP Technology Oversight Committee; participating in software demonstration by three vendor finalists; and scoring of the software and selecting a vendor. The vendor selected was New Dawn Technologies.

The Shiprock Peacemaking Program successfully provided community education as follows: The Shiprock peacemakers sponsored the Diné Youth Education 2009 on June 29, 2009, with the theme, "Empowering Youth with Tradition" at the Shiprock Fairgrounds in Shiprock, New Mexico. The event was broadcast by KNDN Radio of Farmington, New Mexico. Traditional teachings featured butchering, fry bread making, preparing traditional food (yellow/blue cornmeal), Diné leadership, self-awareness, Diné sweat, traditional hair tie, cradle board stories, clanship, and weaving. The conference attracted people of all ages.

On June 30, 2009, the peacemaker liaison conducted two presentations on the traditional male role based on peacemaking concepts of Ké and Hozho at a youth conference sponsored by the Shiprock Restoring and Celebrating Family Wellness Organization. The Shiprock Peacemaking Program also partnered with the local Restoring and Celebrating Family Wellness Committee in sponsoring a free workshop for the public at the Shiprock Chapter House on March 31, 2009. Peacemaker liaison Raymond Deal conducted a presentation on "Community Spirituality." Five local peacemakers assisted Mr. Deal with his presentation.

With assistance by the Shiprock PHS Four Directions Health Communication, the Shiprock Peacemaking Program produced a video and a CD to promote peacemaking, including a general introduction to peacemaking, traditional conflict resolution, and the Fundamental Laws of the Diné. These promotional videos and CDs were distributed for use by local resources.

From June 15-19, 2009, the Shiprock Judicial District personnel participated in the Judicial Branch 2009 Annual Conference in Fort McDowell, Arizona. The conference included general sessions, motivational sessions, and group breakout sessions with the theme "Navajo Nation Courts, A Time for Reflection." Topics included a history of the Navajo courts, ethics, harassment in the workplace, an overview of the draft Judicial Branch Personnel Rules, community court model, etc. Chief Justice Herb Yazzie shared with the staff his vision for the Judicial Branch and the need to develop a system of Diné restorative justice, one that reflects Diné values, principles, and practices. Court personnel were presented certificates of appreciation, jackets, insulated lunch bags, and conference portfolios with pens. Based on numerous positive feedback by Judicial Branch personnel, the conference was a success.

The Peacemaking Program successfully contributed to district staff development. Peacemaking coordinator Gloria Benally and bi-culture training manager Roger Begay gave training on Hooghan Hazaadoo Nanitin, awareness of the Diné way of life, and concepts of the fundamental laws. The court personnel enjoyed team building activities and interaction that were incorporated in the training. Other in-service trainings included Navajo language, Ké in the workplace, and teachings of early dawn.

The Shiprock court clerks received case management training on August 25-27, 2009. Each court clerk received a binder containing the Navajo Rules of Civil Procedure; Navajo Rules of Exclusion Proceedings; Navajo Rules for Small Claims Proceedings; Navajo Rules of Criminal Procedure; Navajo Rules Probate Procedure; Navajo Children's Code Rules of Procedure; and Navajo Rules of Civil Appellate Procedure. Judicial Branch staff attorneys gave training on these rules and on jury management. There were demonstrations of the case management system (civil, criminal, traffic, family, juvenile and accounting) and case archiving. The group also obtained an update on the Navajo Nation Integrated Justice Information Sharing Project.

Bid invitations for proposals to design the Shiprock Court parking lot were submitted by engineering firms on December 9, 2008. Dibe' Niista Engineering Firm was awarded the bid. The parking lot paving design is 90% complete. The contractor is finalizing the design and cost estimates, and an RFQ should be issued soon.

The Shiprock Judicial District hosted a bench and bar meeting on August 28, 2009, to address court etiquette, court rules, and case management issues.

The Shiprock Judicial District successfully attained its performance criteria goals in three quarters of FY2009; the exception was the third quarter, which was due to closure of the court for one week during the Judicial Branch 2009 Annual Conference.

A total of 4,863 cases were archived for permanent storage, including 172 dependency cases from 1994-1998; 431 domestic violence cases from 1997; 667 district civil cases from 1990-1996; 411 small claims from 1990-1996; and 3,182 criminal cases from 1997-1998. A total of 3,000 criminal cases from 1999 to 2000 were prepared for scanning.

A criminal justice summit meeting was held February 2, 2009, at the Shiprock Judicial District. Dr. Chris Morris and staff of the Department of Behavioral Health Services (DBHS) provided an orientation on treatment of meth users and related statistics; plans to locate a counselor with the courts/jail complex; coordination between DBHS and probation services; update on the 72-bed residential treatment facility. The group also received feedback on the anti-meth summit, "Let's Take Our Community Back–Proud to be Diné and Meth Free" which was held July 16, 2008, at the Shiprock Chapter House.

CROWNPOINT JUDICIAL DISTRICT

The Crownpoint Judicial District focused on archiving backlogged court cases. The goal is to archive all district and family court cases from calendar years 2000 to 2007 in the next two years. A total of 4,734 traffic court cases and 988 probation cases have been electronically scanned.

The Crownpoint peacemaker liaison assisted with two presentations on peacemaking. The first was at the Second Annual Statewide ADR Conference in Denver, Colorado, and the second was during the safe school project work session in Flagstaff, Arizona. The safe school project is in collaboration with the Peacemaking Program's efforts to reduce violence and substance abuse among children and to increase school attendance. The representatives can now educate others on Navajo peacemaking.

The 2008 annual case certification was completed and submitted to the Administrative Office of the Courts. In 2008, the Crownpoint Judicial District handled a total of 6,521 cases, including probation and peacemaking cases. The certification showed that all cases were accounted for.

The court staff and local peacemakers heard a presentation by the Fort Defiance Land Department on land issues and procedures and statutory information.

Two presentations were provided to the court staff by the Family Harmony Project and the Crownpoint Fleet Management Department.

Judge Laverne Johnson was assigned to the Crownpoint Judicial District as its presiding judge. Judge Johnson replaced Judge William Platero who was assigned to the Alamo/To'hajiilee Judicial District. Judge Johnson has been assisting Judge Irene Toledo in handling cases as well as closing cases in her former district, Window Rock Judicial District. Judge Johnson continued to participate in group meetings to revise the Navajo Nation Children's Code. The entire staff of Crownpoint Judicial District participated in the 2009 Annual Conference in Fort McDowell, Arizona. The staff expressed appreciation and many noted that they gained valuable information relating to their positions.

Paperwork relating to the Crownpoint peacemaking hogan was submitted and a vendor selected to construct the hogan. Construction is to begin in October 2009.

The court administrator, peacemaker liaison, and probation officer participated in an educational field trip to Dinétah near Farmington, New Mexico. The field trip inspired one's mind to appreciate and value our Navajo culture.

All Crownpoint court clerks participated in training on case management in Towaoc, Colorado. The clerks expressed appreciation for information gained during this conference.

RAMAH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

A total of 1,010 district/family court cases were heard by the assigned presiding judge this year. The annual district/family court case certification forms for calendar year 2008 were completed and submitted to the Administrative Office of the Courts.

The judge, staff attorney, and court administrator participated in the annual judicial conference, quarterly judicial conferences, FY2010 budget hearings, and various trainings that benefit their positions. Further, the court staff participated in trainings that benefit their positions.

An office technician was hired to provide clerical assistance to the Ramah Probation Services and Ramah Peacemaking Services.

Every Monday morning, the judge, court administrator, and court staff held weekly management meetings to address concerns/issues involving personnel and court operations. These meetings help the staff tremendously, and, also improve working relationships among the staff and the public.

The Ramah Judicial District was able to employ two personnel using external funds: a high school summer student worker assigned by the Ramah Navajo Chapter for two months under the Youth Opportunity Program Eastern Agency from Crownpoint, New Mexico, and the other a self-reliance worker under the Navajo Nation TANF Program who worked one month as a part-time secretary and assisted with other work at the court.

The Ramah Judicial District hosted monthly joint resource meetings for local service providers, i.e., Department of Behavioral Health Services, prosecutor, IHS, social services, school officials, etc. The court administrator, peacemaker liaison, probation officer, judge, and staff attorney participated in these meetings to share information about resources available to defendants and community members, and to address concerns to the resource providers.

The Ramah Judicial District 2009 staff development day was held at the Ford Canyon Recreation Camp in Gallup, New Mexico.

The Ramah Judicial District celebrated its 50th Annual Justice Day with guest speakers, an open house, and serving of lunch to the public.

In FY2009, the Ramah Judicial District collected \$1,399.45 in district court fines/fees; \$475.00 in family court fines/fees; \$10,724.64 in traffic fines; and \$3,620.50 in cash bonds. The total fines/fees, traffic fines, and cash bond collected this fiscal year totaled \$16,219.59.

The probation officer, peacemaker liaison, and district staff submitted all reports, i.e., quarterly, statistical, weekly revenue recaps, monthly vehicle mileage logs, etc., on a timely basis without being reminded or penalized.

The judge and staff attorney revised sample orders so that disposition of cases can be done more expeditiously.

ALAMO COURT

The Alamo Court's greatest accomplishment was successfully meeting its performance criteria goals. During the period October 1, 2008, to May 8, 2009, Judge Wilson Yellowhair heard 222 cases, and, from May 11, 2009, to September 30, 2009, Judge William Platero heard 87 cases. Alamo Court collected \$5,050.25 in fines and fees.

The judge, staff attorney, and court administrator presented the proposed FY2010 budget for review by the Judiciary Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. Alamo Court expended 96% of its FY2009 budget allocation.

The Alamo court clerk and office technician earned 20 hours of continued legal education in district/family case management, case flow charts, archiving, jury management, and accounting during the 2009 Court Clerks Conference at the Ute Mountain Casino in Towaoc, Colorado.

The Alamo peacemaking hogan was completed on April 15, 2009. It was dedicated with a blessing ceremony by medicineman Alfred Gibson on June 2, 2009. Appointed peacemakers are now utilizing the hogan to conduct mediation sessions to address and resolve disputes.

The Alamo Court staff participated in the 2009 Judicial Branch Annual Conference in Fort McDowell, Arizona, from June 16 to 19, 2009. Staff earned 28 hours of continued legal education as required by the Judicial Branch Training Policy. The staff obtained training to enhance and foster their professionalism in providing quality judicial services to the public.

On April 1, 2009, Alamo Court successfully celebrated its 50th Annual Justice Day with the theme "Strengthening Diné Justice." The event featured presentations by Chief Justice Herb Yazzie, Vice-President Ben Shelly, Speaker Lawrence T. Morgan, and community involvement specialist Jess Kirwin. There was entertainment by local royalties, information booths by service providers, career development, and health awareness. The event concluded with an Easter egg hunt and free lunch for all participants.

Aside from his regular duties, staff attorney Daniel Moquin assisted with the re-writing of the Judicial Branch Personnel Rules (JBPR) and the Navajo Nation Children's Code. He participated in meetings and provided updates at quarterly judicial conferences. Mr. Moquin also provided presentations on civil procedures at conferences sponsored by the Judicial Branch.

During monthly and quarterly staff meetings throughout the year, the judge, staff attorney, and court administrator conducted in-house orientations on current policies, i.e., Judicial Branch Personnel Rules, Peacemaking Guidelines, being amended by the Judicial Branch.

Probation officer Lauren Billy implemented requirements according to the Probation Services' Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) by utilizing standard forms in case management and following procedures established by the SOP. The Alamo Probation Services established protocol in filing petitions for truancy through the Navajo Nation Office of the Prosecutor with Alamo Navajo School and Magdalena Public Schools. The Alamo Probation Services assisted with setting up Diné traffic survival schools at Alamo and To'hajiilee Courts for offenders who are court ordered to complete DUI/DWI school.

The Alamo staff continued to participate in meetings of the New Mexico Tribal-State Judicial Consortium. The focus of the consortium is benefits and challenges in implementing a common first page in domestic violence protection orders. The group also indentified nation-wide recognition in utilizing this common first page which will greatly benefit this initiative within due time.

TO'HAJIILEE COURT

The To'hajiilee Court's greatest accomplishment was successfully meeting its performance criteria goals. During the period October 1, 2008, to May 8, 2009, Judge Wilson Yellowhair heard 454 cases, and from May 11, 2009, to September 30, 2009, Judge William Platero heard 290 cases. To'hajiilee Court collected \$4,039.75 in fines and fees.

The district judge, staff attorney, and court administrator presented To'hajiilee's proposed FY2009 budget for review by the Judiciary Committee of the Navajo Nation Council and advocated to retain the staff attorney position in the To'hajiilee budget. The To'hajiilee Court expended 100% of its FY2009 budget allocation.

The To'hajiilee court clerks earned 20 hours of continued legal education in district/family case management, case flow charts, archiving, jury management, and accounting during the 2009 Court Clerks Conference at the Ute Mountain Casino in Towaoc, Colorado. Court clerk Tanya Chavez, with the assistance of staff attorney Dan Moquin and court administrator Caroline Padilla, gave a presentation on the small claims case flow chart.

The To'hajiilee Court staff participated in the 2009 Judicial Branch Annual Conference in Fort McDowell, Arizona, from June 16 to 19, 2009. Staff earned 28 hours of continued legal education as required by the Judicial Branch Training Policy. The staff obtained training to enhance and foster their professionalism in providing quality judicial services to the public.

On April 3, 2009, the To'hajiilee Court successfully celebrated its 50th Annual Justice Day with the theme "Strengthening Diné Justice." The event featured a program with presentations by council delegate Lawrence R. Platero, To'hajiilee chapter president Raymond Secatero, and Navajo Nation Supreme Court Associate Justice Louise G. Grant. There was entertainment by Miss Navajo Yolanda Charley and other local musicians, information booths by service providers, career development, health awareness. The event concluded with an Easter egg hunt and free lunch for all participants.

Staff attorney Daniel Moquin aside from his regular duties continued to assist with the re-writing of both the judicial branch personnel rules and the Navajo Nation Children's Code through the fiscal year by attending meetings, providing update at quarterly judicial conferences and provided presentations at conference sponsored by the judicial branch.

During monthly and quarterly staff meetings throughout the year, the judge, staff attorney, and court administrator conducted in-house orientations on current policies, i.e., Judicial Branch Personnel Rules, Peacemaking Guidelines, being amended by the Judicial Branch.

The To'hajillee probation officer provided education on truancy and fighting to school officials in nearby border towns and in the Albuquerque Public Schools. He also provided information about how the Navajo Nation Probation Services can assist with placement of school children in treatment centers, group homes, or other facilities such as the New Mexico Military Institutes to give students an opportunity to complete their high school education or attain a GED. Some schools requested more intense probation involvement within their school environment and even offered use of an office space to counsel children.

Each quarter, two resource meetings were conducted to address concerns brought forth by community members and resource programs. Interested parties planned to implement a truancy

protocol for students and set standard procedures for truancy issues, including the court, prosecutor, school administrative staff, behavioral health, social workers, probation services, school board, and local chapter officials. The community is particularly excited in using peacemaking in teaching the youth about traditional values. Chief prosecutor Bernadine Martin informed the community about changes affecting the local prosecutor office and addressed concerns expressed by the community. Effective immediately, the prosecutor will be relieved of all other assignments so he can concentrate on the To'hajiilee and Alamo communities.

C. ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

DIRECTOR OF JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATION

<u>Judicial Administration</u>. The Director of Judicial Administration assisted by support personnel is responsible for directing and managing the non-judicial functions and operations of the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch. Accomplishments are through a coordination of services and programs provided by administrators and personnel at one Supreme Court, ten judicial districts, one administrative office, and one peacemaking program. Judicial districts and services are located across the vast Navajo reservation. Communication is maintained to promote active interaction with the Navajo Nation Legislative and Executive Branches. Together, the government has to provide adequate funds to provide services and safe facilities for the people.

<u>Retiree</u>. This year, Deputy Director of Judicial Administration Dan Vicenti with the Administrative Office of the Courts retired after devoting 18 years of service to the people. His valuable contributions to development and improvement of court services are well appreciated. We wish him continued success and happiness.

<u>Meetings with the Judiciary Committee of the Navajo Nation Council</u>. Administrative Office of the Courts personnel assisted with Committee oversight responsibilities. Meetings were attended and reports, information materials, and documentation for Committee resolutions and actions were prepared and presented. Staff were called on to prepare paperwork and questionnaires so the Committee could complete required annual and probation evaluation of judges and justices.

<u>Meetings with Court Administrators and Program Managers</u>. Sixteen meetings were held to discuss administrative, policies and fiscal matters. The Director of Judicial Administration, Judicial Executive Secretary, and other personnel met with court administrators and program managers once or twice a month. The purpose of the meetings were to share information, discuss needs, express concerns, prepare budgets, establish performance criteria, work on projects and plan for improvement of services to the Navajo public. Meetings were also held to plan for the Judicial Branch 2009 Annual Conference attended by all justices, judges, and court personnel in Fort McDowell, Arizona.

<u>Judicial Branch Performance Criteria</u>. The Director of Judicial Administration worked with the district court administrators and program managers to modify the Fiscal Year 2009 Performance Criteria as a condition of appropriation established by the Navajo Nation Council. The modified performance criteria were submitted to the Judiciary Committee for action.

<u>Fiscal Year 2010 General Fund Budget Process</u>. The Director of Judicial Administration, Fiscal Director, judges, court administrators, and support personnel worked with Chief Justice Herb Yazzie at planning meetings to establish a budget based on an amount allocated to the Judicial Branch. This budget was finalized by the Fiscal Office and presented to the Branch Chiefs, Navajo Nation Office of Management and Budget and accepted by the Judiciary Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. The Navajo Nation Budget & Finance Committee then submitted the Fiscal Year 2010 Judicial Branch General Fund budget to the Navajo Nation Council for approval in the amount of \$13,442,652.00. The approved budget is significantly less than the funds

needed for adequate operations of court services. Necessary expenditures for travel, training, and other operation costs will be severely hampered unless additional funds are appropriated. To prepare for the anticipated shortfall, the Fiscal Director prepared and submitted an unmet needs budget package in the amount of \$7,309,054.00 which may be considered by the Navajo Nation Council during Fiscal Year 2010.

<u>District Court Judge Vacancies</u>. The Administrative Office of the Courts is responsible for advertising judge vacancies and assisting the Judiciary Committee with screening applications and arranging interviews of applicants. The Judiciary Committee submitted the names of Cynthia Thompson, Lee R. Belone, and Lawrence John to President Joe Shirley for appointment as judges. Cynthia Thompson was appointed by President Shirley and the Navajo Nation Council confirmed the probationary appointment in the 2009 summer Council session. Three district court judge vacancies remain at Tuba City, Kayenta, and Window Rock.

<u>Judicial Branch Case Management Software</u>. The Administrative Office of the Courts personnel and the associate attorney in the Office of the Chief Justice are actively involved in the upgrade and improvement of the current program used by the courts. At the same time, the Judicial and Executive Branches have teamed up to create a new case management software program to be used by law enforcement, corrections, prosecutors, public defenders, attorneys, advocates, and other tribal services. A software vendor was selected and funding has been secured to develop a new case management program which will eventually replace the current program.

<u>Dilkon Judicial District – A Judicial Branch Project</u>. Construction of a court facility was started in June 2008 and was completed in June 2009. This was a joint project of the Navajo Nation, Dilkon Chapter, and the state of Arizona. The dedication and grand opening was held July 31, 2009. Before the construction of this facility, people had to travel to Tuba City, Chinle, or Window Rock for services.

Judicial/Public Safety Facilities, The Chief Justice, Director of Public Safety, Corrections Director, Court Administrators, Director of Judicial Administration, police and support staff have participated in many planning meeting over the past few years to be ready for construction of new facilities. The Judiciary Committee and Public Safety Committee approved use of the Fund Management Plan account to hire a Project Manager and Construction Manager to coordinate the site preparation at Tuba City, Arizona, and Crownpoint, New Mexico. The Project Manager and Construction Manager have been hired. An architect has also been hired to create building plans and designs. Many more meetings are anticipated before construction can begin. New facilities will house courts, law enforcement, corrections, prosecutors, and public defenders. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) approved \$38.6 million dollars for construction of the corrections facility at Tuba City, Arizona. Funds are still needed to complete non-correction facilities at Tuba City and for construction of the entire facilities at Crownpoint. New Mexico. Funding discussions have been held with the Controller of the Navajo Nation, Budget and Finance Committee of the Navajo Nation Council, Judiciary Committee of the Navajo Nation Council, and the Public Safety Committee of the Navajo Nation Council for the court/public safety facilities in Tuba City, Arizona, and Crownpoint, New Mexico. Plans have been initiated to seek approval by the Navajo Nation Council for a loan of \$60 million dollars to complete construction of the facilities.

<u>Shiprock Judicial/Public Safety Parking Lot Improvement</u>. The State of New Mexico awarded \$275,000 for pavement of the parking lot around the present facilities for the Shiprock police and court. The scope of work was developed to address the need for pavement of the parking lot. A request for bids was issued and a vendor selected to design the parking lot. The parking lot drawing is 80% complete. Upon completion of the drawing, the bid for construction will be issued. Paving will commence in the next fiscal year. Proposed New Mexico Highway Department construction to resolve water drainage problems has delayed completion of the parking lot.

<u>Pinon Judicial/Public Safety Facility</u>. The Pinon Chapter and surrounding chapters are actively pursuing plans to have a facility constructed. Land has been allocated and required studies and surveys are being completed. Design of the facility will soon be underway with the active participation of the Judicial Branch and Public Safety. Additional funds are needed to construct the new court/public safety facility.

<u>Hogans for Peacemaking Services</u>. Construction of hogans were completed at Tuba City, Arizona, Chinle, Arizona, and Alamo, New Mexico. Utilities have been established and the buildings have been dedicated and blessed. The new hogans are being used for peacemaking and traditional counseling services to individuals and families processed through the courts. A hogan was also constructed at Crownpoint, New Mexico, and will be available for use in the new fiscal year.

<u>Office Buildings</u>. Construction contracts are in the final stages of review and negotiations for approval to construct modular office buildings at Judicial Branch locations in Shiprock, Crownpoint, and the Administrative Office of the Courts/Supreme Court in Window Rock, Arizona. Construction is planned in the next fiscal year.

<u>Navajo Nation Motor Vehicle Review Board (MVRB)</u>. Director of Judicial Administration and the Human Resource Director are members of the Navajo Nation MVRB. As members, they attended official meetings to authorize acquisition of fleet vehicles and to require supervisors to resolve Navajo Nation tribal vehicle misuse and abuse complaints against tribal employees.

<u>Navajo Nation Employee Housing Committee</u>. The Director of Judicial Administration and the Human Resource Director represent the Judicial Branch on the Committee. Meetings are held when housing units become available for assignment to tribal employees. The demand for tribal employee housing exceeds the availability of houses or apartments. A meeting was held with the tenants to discuss housing rules and policies. A work session was then held to review and begin revisions of the Navajo Nation Employee Housing Rules and Regulations. Amended Employee Housing Rules and Regulations should be approved by the Employee Housing Committee in the next year.

<u>Hardin Simmons University Presentation</u>. At the request of the university, the Director of Judicial Administration presented information on the Navajo court system and tribal government to 15 college students and faculty.

<u>National Judicial College</u>. The Director of Judicial Administration served as an instructor to judges and court administrators at the Reno, Nevada, campus on court budgeting, personnel management, and strategies of team building.

CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER

In August 2009, the chief probation officer (CPO) and 30 Navajo Nation probation officers participated in the First Annual Tribal Probation Officers Conference in Gallup, New Mexico. The three-day conference, under the auspices of the Navajo, Laguna, and Zuni Tribal Probation Services and assistance from the District of New Mexico Probation/Parole and Pre-trial Services, focused on assessing cases, identifying risks, effective interviewing skills, addressing non-compliance, team building, officer safety, federal/tribal juvenile issues, mental health, substance abuse, Indian Country trends, perspectives from the Judicial Branch, offender perspectives, and stress management.

CPO provided technical assistance to all district probation services to develop an improved and more comprehensive automated case management system to track probation cases, i.e., progress, case statistics, etc.

CPO participated in quarterly meetings with the Arizona Committee on Probation with the Superior Court of Arizona. He also participated in meetings of adult probation services to address probation and parole issues, administrative policies, and supervision of Navajo probationers and parolees.

CPO assisted the Navajo Nation Sex Offenders Task Force with development of policies and procedures to register and track sex offenders and to address related compliance issues and mandate problems.

CPO continually contributed in meetings of federal, state, counties, and local tribal probation services by processing courtesy supervision of Navajo probationers/parolees.

CPO provided technical assistance to each judicial district in the hiring of applicants for vacant probation/parole officer positions at the districts.

	Total	Adult	Parole	Juvenile							
Brought Forward	1,387	1,302	1	84							
Filed	7,076	6,622	46	408							
Caseload	8,463	7,924	47	492							
Closed	6,778	6,371	33	374							
Pending	1,685	1,553	14	118							

FY2009 Probation Services Caseload Summary

To address the 8,463 probation and parole caseload with a carryover of 1,685 cases for the year, the treatment plans most frequently used are on an individual and out-patient basis. There were 7,924 adult probation cases supervised of which 6,371 cases were closed leaving a carryover of 1,553 cases. During this same period, parole services provided supervision of 47 parolees, closed 33 cases, and, had at the end of the year, a carryover of 14 cases. Additionally, PPS provided supervision of 492 juveniles, closed 374 juvenile cases, and had a carryover of 118 cases. Probation and parole services provided direct supervision over temporary release cases, community services cases, pre-trial diversion cases, and a number of courtesy supervision cases.

COMPLIANCE AUDITOR

The Compliance Auditor assisted the Judicial Branch with efforts to strengthen its internal controls to maintain confidence in its accounting system. This goal was achieved by (1) promoting accountability within the system, and (2) assuring that operations are continually improved for the people served. Internal auditing serves as a management tool within the Judicial Branch to help assure that financial operations are properly conducted and to correct deficiencies before they become major. Another purpose is to assure that reports received by the Administrative Office of the Courts from the judicial districts contain accurate, reliable, and relevant data.

Internal auditing, which entails periodic visits to the courts to examine records, journals, and reports, also helps to prevent uneconomical practices within the Judicial Branch.

Due to the amount of time involved in conducting full-scope audits and the number of courts that need auditing, the Compliance Auditor has been limited to responding to requests made by judges and court administrators. Also, based on the findings of the preliminary audit(s), the extent of audit work varies from one judicial district to another.

Site visits were made to all eleven courts in FY2009; some districts were visited more than once in order to do follow ups. Site visits entail follow up on the district accounting procedures and outstanding cash bonds still pending from previous years.

Revenue Collection Summary

<u>Fines and Fees</u>. In FY2009, the district and family courts collected and deposited into the Navajo Nation's general funds account a grand total of \$928,786.94 in fines and fees.

District Courts	Family C	ourts		
Fines	\$71,114.41	8.0%	\$ 400.00	1.0%
Fees	\$ 87,477.18	9.9%	\$ 39,089.50	90.0%
Traffic	\$ <u>726,818.35</u>	<u>82.1%</u>	\$ <u>3,887.50</u>	<u>9.0%</u>
TOTAL	\$ 885,409.94	100%	\$ 43,377.00	100%

<u>Trust Monies</u>. The district courts collected a total of \$259,152.79 as cash bond (trust funds). Cash bonds are collected by the courts to assure that defendants return for court hearings. Cash bonds are deposited into a bank trust account (not into the Navajo Nation's general funds account) because they are held in trust for individual defendants.

Disbursements from all judicial district trust accounts were as follows:

Refunds (cases dismissed)	\$ 192,734.76
Transfers (defendants' request)	\$ 26,184.00
Forfeits (no shows)	\$ 14,712.03
Peacemaking (other alternatives)	<u>\$ 16,752.00</u>
	\$250,382.79

NOTE: Disbursements of cash bonds can overlap in months/years.

COURT STATISTICAL TECHNICIAN

The Court Statistical Technician compiled the statistics received from the ten judicial districts, probation services, peacemaking, and Supreme Court and prepared them for inclusion in reports. The Court Statistical Technician also developed graphs and charts to help make these reports more interesting and the numbers easier for the general public to understand. The Judicial Branch maintains detailed statistics by categories which may be obtained by contacting the Court Statistical Technician.

The caseload grand total for FY2009 was 73,193 cases. The number of closed cases was 54,770 leaving 18,423 pending. This pending number is carried into the next reporting period. The caseload summaries compiled by categories for FY2009 are as follows:

In addition to providing information related to Judicial Branch statistics, the Court Statistical Technician provided clerical assistance to the Judicial Branch Fiscal Office, i.e., answering telephone calls, receiving visitors, photocopying for administrators, etc.

DOCUMENT TECHNICIAN

The primary objective of the Digital Archiving Section is to scan closed civil, criminal, traffic criminal/civil, family civil case files for all judicial districts.

The Document Technician checked all compact discs (CDs) received from the judicial districts to ensure that they are accurately scanned, recorded, labeled, processed, and archived for safekeeping.

The Document Technician assisted Ramah Judicial District with the scanning of and burning onto CDs 1,709 closed case files. This included criminal/traffic criminal/civil case files from 1994 to 1998 that were not previously microfilmed or scanned.

The Document Technician prepared and scanned 5,850 closed personnel files for the Judicial Branch Human Resource Office and administrative orders, complaints, and Supreme Court case files that were handled by Chief Justice Herb Yazzie.

The Document Technician assisted the Window Rock, Tuba City, Chinle, Shiprock, Crownpoint, Dilkon, Aneth, Ramah, Alamo, and To'hajiilee Courts with retrieval of inactive records from the archiving section. Further, she provided orientation on the Super File-It database archiving system. All eleven courts received archiving equipment consisting of a hard drive, monitor, and scanner.

On request, the Document Technician assisted judicial districts with retrieval of microfilmed documents.

The Document Technician assisted the Judicial Branch Fiscal Office on a stand-by basis, i.e., providing receptionist duties, answering telephone calls, logging in daily mail, etc. She logged in a total of 4,626 incoming mail this fiscal year for the Judicial Branch Fiscal Office.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MANAGER

Provided and maintained MicroVAX computer support, personal computer hardware support, and computer software support at the Administrative Office of the Courts, Tuba City, Kayenta, Chinle, Window Rock, Shiprock, Crownpoint, Ramah, Alamo, and To'hajiilee Courts.

Provided and maintained the NN Courts Information System, a case management software at Tuba City, Kayenta, Chinle, Window Rock, Shiprock, Crownpoint Courts.

Conducted workshops for the development and enhancement to the courts and peacemaking modules of the NN Courts Information System software.

Installed/configured personal computers, printers, computer network, and internet connection at the newly built Dilkon District Court.

D. PEACEMAKING PROGRAM

Jay C. McCray was hired as the Diné Traditional Researcher on July 6, 2009.

The Peacemaking Program was awarded a grant in the amount of \$450,000 from the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention to promote and provide peacemaking services to schools on the Navajo reservation and to address juvenile problems, i.e., truancy, school dropout rates, suicide, depression, alcohol and drug abuse, family disruptions, abuse and neglect, and teen pregnancy. In the process, the peacemaking program has been meeting and planning

strategies in a collaborative effort with the Division of Diné Education as well as other service providers according to the provisions of the grant.

The Navajo Division of Social Services and the Peacemaking Program successfully completed the "Breakthrough Series Collaborative on Safety and Risk Assessment" with assistance from the American Human Society. This was a two-year project for Child Protective Service workers and peacemakers to develop a program to work together to help families resolve problems related to child neglect and abuse. The tasks focused on cases that lacked procedural processes, documentation, evidential substances, and cases that could not be filed with the Navajo Nation family courts. These services were provided by Shiprock and Aneth Peacemaking Programs within the previous two years. The program has now ended and continuing efforts and services have been forwarded and extended to social services and peacemaking programs within the Navajo Nation.

The Navajo Peacemaking and Safe School Project are presently developing strategies, consulting with resources, and making progress. Services are being provided by district peacemaker liaisons and local peacemakers at the STAR School, Little Singer Elementary, and Shonto Preparatory School, while Chilchinbeto and Borrego Pass Schools are still in the initial planning and development stages. Peacemaker liaisons are currently providing training to parents and teachers at respective program sites. To ensure quality, effective, and successful implementation of the program's goals and objectives, ongoing guidance, coordination, training, and technical assistance are being provided for peacemakers, school counselors, and site coordinators by Star School and the Peacemaking Program. The Peacemaking Program implemented instructional learning and technical assistance in the form of Diné traditional concepts of home teaching, aspects, and perspectives of traditional discipline in character development. The goal is to reach and immerse each child in need of traditional concepts of home discipline and the importance of individualized character development and learning so that they can apply it to themselves in an appropriate manner in the educational environment.

Hogans for meetings, peacemaking sessions, and instructional learning were constructed at Tuba City, Chinle, and Alamo Courts. The hogan at the Crownpoint Judicial District is approximately 90% complete.

The Peacemaking Program sponsored a work session for peacemakers and the Judiciary Committee of the Navajo Nation Council. During the work session, educational presentations were provided on the Peacemaking Program's overall progress and needs for improvement. Improving the peacemaking program and its relationship with the courts were discussed at great length. Recommendations for improvements and solutions were agreed on. This is by far an ongoing process of unity, coordination, collaboration and development. To update the ongoing collaborative effort, the Peacemaking Program is planning a meeting/training session in Monument Valley, Utah, in March 2010. The Peacemaking Program staff also provided education on the peacemaking process and services and how it can extend services to schools in San Juan County, Utah.

The Bi-Culture Training Manager provided Navajo language awareness and learning for the branch staff, court staff, peacemaker liaisons, and peacemakers at all judicial districts. The strategy is in progress and has already completed introductory of written and spoken language, its history and communicative awareness and training at the Tuba City Judicial District. The accomplishment is well noted and has received positive feedback from the learners through their training evaluations. The training will be scheduled at each district in the next fiscal year and will be divided into two presentations, one for the court staff and the other for peacemakers. Teaching materials were developed and made available to participants.

The Diné Traditional Researcher developed solid relationships with district judges, court administrators, staff attorneys, branch staff, and peacemaker liaisons. He developed and presented Navajo culture material to the Alamo/To'hajiilee, Window Rock, Kayenta, and Dilkon

Courts. The Diné Traditional Researcher is also taking on a stronger role in the implementation of the Tribal Youth Program Grant; he performed outreach to several schools and promoted the grant initiatives and goals.

The staff of the Peacemaking Program continued to provide technical assistance to all judicial districts, including provision of services to the public and to children and parents at local schools.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PEACEMAKING PROCESS IN THE NAVAJO CHAPTERS ACTIVITY REPORT FOR OCTOBER 1, 2008 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2009

Tuba City		Kayenta		Aneth		Chinle		Dilkon		Window Roo	k	Shiprock		Crownpoint	t	Ramah		Alamo/To'hajii	lee	TOTAL
Bodaway/Gap Cameron Coalmine Canyon Coppermine Kaibeto LeChee TohNaneesDizi Tonalea	1 1 2 1 3 4 4 2	Chilchinbeto Dennehotso Inscription House Kayenta Navajo Mountain Oljato Shonto	0 1 0 5 1 1 2	Aneth Mexican Water Red Mesa Sweetwater TeecNosPos	1 4 2 5	Black Mesa Blue Gap/Tachee Chinle Forest Lake Hardrock Low Mountain Lukachukai Many Farms Nazlini Pinon Rock Point Rough Rock Round Rock Tsaile/Wheatfields Tselani-Cottonwood Whipporwill	1 2 4 1 1 0 1 1 1 3 3 2 1 1 3 0	Birdsprings Dilkon GreasewoodSprings Indian Wells Jeddito Leupp Teesto Tolani Lake White Cone	1 2 2 0 1 2 1 2 2	Cornfields Crystal Fort Defiance Ganado Houck Kinlichee Klagetoh Lupton Manuelito NahataDziil Oak Springs Red Lake Rock Springs Sawmill St. Michaels Steamboat Tsayatoh Wide Ruins	2 5 5 2 4 3 1 0 0 3 2 0 1 2 1 0 0	Beclabito Burnham Cove Gadiiahi/To'koi Hogback Naschitti Nanahnezad Newcomb Red Valley San Juan Sanostee Sheepsprings Shiprock Toadlena/TGH Upper Fruitland	0 1 0 2 1 1 2 2 4 1 1 1	Baca/Prewitt Becenti Bread Springs Casamero Lake Chichiltah Church Rock Counselor Coyote Canyon Crownpoint Huerfano Iyanbito Lake Valley Litte Water Mariano Lake Mexican Springs Nageezi Nahodishgish Ojo Encino Pinedale Pueblo Pintado Red Rock Smith Lake Standing Rock Thoreau Tohatchi Torreon Twin Lakes Whitehorse Lake Whiterock	3 3 1 2 1 3 1 4 5 2 1 2 1 3 2 2 3 1 3 1 1 3 1 1 1 4 2 1	Ramah	9	Alamo To'hajiilee	6 5	
Total Peacemakers	18	Total Peacemakers	10	Total Peacemakers		Total Peacemakers	25	Total Peacemakers	13	Total Peacemakers	33	Total Peacemakers	18	Total Peacemakers	59	Total Peacemakers	9	Total Peacemakers	11	212
Chapters with Peacemakers	8	Chapters with Peacemakers	5	Chapters with Peacemakers	5	Chapters with Peacemakers	14	Chapters with Peacemakers	8	Chapters with Peacemakers	13	Chapters with Peacemakers	11	Chapters with Peacemakers	29	Chapters with Peacemakers	1	Chapters with Peacemakers	2	96
Chapters without Peacemakers	0	Chapters without Peacemakers	2	Chapters without Peacemakers		Chapters without Peacemakers	2	Chapters without Peacemakers	1	Chapters without Peacemakers	5	Chapters without Peacemakers	4	Chapters without Peacemakers	0	Chapters without Peacemakers	0	Chapters without Peacemakers	0	14
Total Chapters	8	Total Chapters	7	Total Chapters	5	Total Chapters	16	Total Chapters	9	Total Chapters	18	Total Chapters	15	Total Chapters	29	Total Chapters	1	Total Chapters	2	110

LOCATION	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	ł	Caseloa	d	Closed C	ases	Pendir	ng
Tuba City	1,428	6.72%	4,471	8.61%	5,899	8.06%	4,911	8.97%	988	5.36%
Kayenta	859	4.04%	5,076	9.77%	5,935	8 .11%	4,654	8.50%	1,281	6.95%
Aneth	243	1.14%	1,410	2.72%	1,653	2.26%	1,188	2.17%	465	2.52%
Chinle	5,127	24.11%	12,679	24.42%	17,806	24.33%	13,542	24.73%	4,264	23.14%
Dilkon	1,203	5.66%	3,293	6.34%	4,496	6.14%	3,656	6.68%	840	4.56%
Window Rock	2,778	13.06%	8,096	15.59%	10,874	14.86%	8,734	15.95%	2,140	11.62%
Shiprock	3,969	18.67%	8,447	16.27%	12,416	16.96%	8,672	15.83%	3,744	20.32%
Crownpoint	3,850	18.11%	5,827	11.22%	9,677	13.22%	6,499	11.87%	3,178	17.25%
Ramah	964	4.53%	1,443	2.78%	2,407	3.29%	1,453	2.65%	954	5.18%
Alamo	225	1.06%	467	0.90%	692	0.95%	513	0.94%	179	0.97%
Tohajiilee	525	2.47%	592	1.14%	1,117	1.53%	783	1.43%	334	1.81%
Supreme Court	92	0.43%	129	0.25%	221	0.30%	165	0.30%	56	0.30%
TOTAL	21,263	100%	51,930	100%	73,193	100%	54,770	100%	18,423	100%

6. JUDICIAL BRANCH STATISTICAL CASELOAD REPORTS

CASE TYPE	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	ł	Caseloa	d	Closed C	ases	Pendir	ng
Civil	1,592	7.49%	2,749	5.29%	4,341	5.93%	3,062	5.59%	1,279	6.94%
Criminal	6,366	29.94%	7,826	15.07%	14,192	19.39%	7,522	13.73%	6,670	36.20%
Civil Traffic	6,924	32.56%	23,634	45.51%	30,558	41.75%	26,946	49.20%	3,612	19.61%
Criminal Traffic	2,222	10.45%	2,209	4.25%	4,431	6.05%	2,319	4.23%	2,112	11.46%
Family Civil	1,170	5.50%	2,179	4.20%	3,349	4.58%	2,065	3.77%	1,284	6.97%
Domestic Violence	716	3.37%	4,572	8.80%	5,288	7.22%	4,428	8.08%	860	4.67%
Dependency	261	1.23%	180	0.35%	441	0.60%	200	0.37%	241	1.31%
Delinquency	179	0.84%	384	0.74%	563	0.77%	348	0.64%	215	1.17%
CHINS	133	0.63%	301	0.58%	434	0.59%	290	0.53%	144	0.78%
Probation	1,387	6.52%	7,076	13.63%	8,463	11.56%	6,778	12.38%	1,685	9.15%
Peacemaking	221	1.04%	691	1.33%	912	1.25%	647	1.18%	265	1.44%
Supreme Court	92	0.43%	129	0.25%	221	0.30%	165	0.30%	56	0.30%
TOTAL	21,263	100%	51,930	100%	73,193	100%	54,770	100%	18,423	100%

SUPREME COURT	Brought Fo	orward	Filed		Casel	oad	Closed C	ases	Pendir	ng
Civil	49	80%	68	34%	117	54%	82	56%	35	52%
Criminal	1	8%	1	1%	2	4%	1	7%	1	1%
NNBA	41	11%	60	65%	101	41%	81	37%	20	45%
Special Proceedings	1	2%	0	0%	1	1%	1	0%	0	1%
TOTAL	92	100%	129	100%	221	100%	165	100%	56	100%

CIVIL	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	ł	Caselo	bad	Closed C	Cases	Pendi	ng
TUBA CITY	82	5%	277	10%	359	8%	286	9%	73	6%
KAYENTA	56	4%	224	8%	280	6%	208	7%	72	6%
ANETH	24	2%	59	2%	83	2%	42	1%	41	3%
CHINLE	183	11%	487	18%	670	15%	372	12%	298	23%
DILKON	126	8%	147	5%	273	6%	216	7%	57	4%
WINDOW ROCK	440	28%	545	20%	985	23%	714	23%	271	21%
SHIPROCK	186	12%	416	15%	602	14%	388	13%	214	17%
CROWNPOINT	275	17%	370	13%	645	15%	457	15%	188	15%
RAMAH	190	12%	125	5%	315	7%	298	10%	17	1%
ALAMO	5	0%	28	1%	33	1%	25	1%	8	1%
TOHAJIILEE	25	2%	71	3%	96	2%	56	2%	40	3%
TOTAL	1,592	100%	2,749	100%	4,341	100%	3,062	100%	1,279	100%

CRIMINAL	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	ł	Caselo	bad	Closed C	Cases	Pendi	ng
TUBA CITY	680	11%	814	10%	1,494	11%	1,134	15%	360	5%
KAYENTA	264	4%	960	12%	1,224	9%	711	9%	513	8%
ANETH	48	1%	93	1%	141	1%	68	1%	73	1%
CHINLE	706	11%	2,240	29%	2,946	21%	1,442	19%	1,504	23%
DILKON	475	7%	432	6%	907	6%	645	9%	262	4%
WINDOW ROCK	298	5%	469	6%	767	5%	398	5%	369	6%
SHIPROCK	1,457	23%	1,162	15%	2,619	18%	1,171	16%	1,448	22%
CROWNPOINT	2,036	32%	1,140	15%	3,176	22%	1,383	18%	1,793	27%
RAMAH	172	3%	300	4%	472	3%	309	4%	163	2%
ALAMO	66	1%	74	1%	140	1%	79	1%	61	1%
TOHAJIILEE	164	3%	142	2%	306	2%	182	2%	124	2%
TOTAL	6,366	100%	7,826	100%	14,192	1 00 %	7,522	100%	6,670	1 00 %

CV-TRAFFIC	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	k	Caselo	bad	Closed C	Cases	Pendi	ng
TUBA CITY	320	5%	1,977	8%	2,297	8%	2,119	8%	178	5%
KAYENTA	191	3%	2,002	8%	2,193	7%	2,078	8%	115	3%
ANETH	61	1%	843	4%	904	3%	773	3%	131	4%
CHINLE	3,377	49%	5,687	24%	9,064	30%	7,878	29%	1,186	33%
DILKON	257	4%	1,811	8%	2,068	7%	1,871	7%	197	5%
WINDOW ROCK	1,046	15%	5,095	22%	6,141	20%	5,563	21%	578	16%
SHIPROCK	745	11%	3,484	15%	4,229	14%	3,860	14%	369	10%
CROWNPOINT	358	5%	2,025	9%	2,383	8%	2,103	8%	280	8%
RAMAH	285	4%	546	2%	831	3%	368	1%	463	13%
ALAMO	89	1%	63	0%	152	0%	111	0%	41	1%
TOHAJIILEE	195	3%	101	0%	296	1%	222	1%	74	2%
TOTAL	6,924	100%	23,634	100%	30,558	100%	26,946	100%	3,612	100%

CR-TRAFFIC	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	k	Caselo	bad	Closed C	Cases	Pendi	ng
TUBA CITY	68	3%	90	4%	158	4%	98	4%	60	3%
KAYENTA	99	4%	260	12%	359	8%	246	11%	113	5%
ANETH	31	1%	73	3%	104	2%	49	2%	55	3%
CHINLE	416	19%	537	24%	953	22%	597	26%	356	17%
DILKON	62	3%	127	6%	189	4%	114	5%	75	4%
WINDOW ROCK	127	6%	179	8%	306	7%	166	7%	140	7%
SHIPROCK	946	43%	659	30%	1,605	36%	656	28%	949	45%
CROWNPOINT	408	18%	231	10%	639	14%	323	14%	316	15%
RAMAH	41	2%	28	1%	69	2%	48	2%	21	1%
ALAMO	3	0%	4	0%	7	0%	5	0%	2	0%
TOHAJIILEE	21	1%	21	1%	42	1%	17	1%	25	1%
TOTAL	2,222	100%	2,209	100%	4,431	100%	2,319	100%	2,112	100%

FAMILY CIVIL	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	k	Caselo	bad	Closed C	ases	Pendi	ng
ТИВА СІТҮ	62	5%	178	8%	240	7%	155	8%	85	7%
KAYENTA	55	5%	127	6%	182	5%	121	6%	61	5%
ANETH	25	2%	89	4%	114	3%	64	3%	50	4%
CHINLE	120	10%	348	16%	468	14%	300	15%	168	13%
DILKON	70	6%	109	5%	179	5%	101	5%	78	6%
WINDOW ROCK	486	42%	424	19%	910	27%	465	23%	445	35%
SHIPROCK	153	13%	348	16%	501	15%	324	16%	177	14%
CROWNPOINT	163	14%	430	20%	593	18%	428	21%	165	13%
RAMAH	16	1%	35	2%	51	2%	36	2%	15	1%
ALAMO	8	1%	37	2%	45	1%	30	1%	15	1%
TOHAJIILEE	12	1%	54	2%	66	2%	41	2%	25	2%
TOTAL	1,170	100%	2,179	100%	3,349	100%	2,065	100%	1,284	100%

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	k	Caselo	bad	Closed C	Cases	Pendi	ng
TUBA CITY	39	5%	462	1 0 %	501	9%	443	10%	58	7%
KAYENTA	72	10%	457	1 0 %	529	10%	385	9%	144	17%
ANETH	28	4%	136	3%	164	3%	109	2%	55	6%
CHINLE	87	12%	835	18%	922	17%	751	17%	171	20%
DILKON	59	8%	276	6%	335	6%	275	6%	60	7%
WINDOW ROCK	173	24%	849	19%	1,022	19%	877	20%	145	17%
SHIPROCK	73	10%	706	15%	779	15%	676	15%	103	12%
CROWNPOINT	133	19%	574	13%	707	13%	613	14%	94	11%
RAMAH	32	4%	121	3%	153	3%	128	3%	25	3%
ALAMO	10	1%	98	2%	108	2%	105	2%	3	0%
TOHAJIILEE	10	1%	58	1%	68	1%	66	1%	2	0%
TOTAL	716	100%	4,572	1 00 %	5,288	100%	4,428	100%	860	100%

DEPENDENCY	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	k	Caselo	bad	Closed C	ases	Pendi	ng
TUBA CITY	43	16%	25	14%	68	15%	34	17%	34	14%
KAYENTA	7	3%	11	6%	18	4%	7	4%	11	5%
ANETH	5	2%	7	4%	12	3%	8	4%	4	2%
CHINLE	65	25%	47	26%	112	25%	28	14%	84	35%
DILKON	19	7%	12	7%	31	7%	23	12%	8	3%
WINDOW ROCK	18	7%	11	6%	29	7%	13	7%	16	7%
SHIPROCK	39	15%	15	8%	54	12%	18	9%	36	15%
CROWNPOINT	47	18%	39	22%	86	20%	48	24%	38	16%
RAMAH	11	4%	7	4%	18	4%	12	6%	6	2%
ALAMO	4	2%	2	1%	6	1%	5	3%	1	0%
TOHAJIILEE	3	1%	4	2%	7	2%	4	2%	3	1%
TOTAL	261	100%	180	1 00 %	441	100%	200	100%	241	100%

DELINQUENCY	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	b	Casel	bad	Closed C	ases	Pendi	ng
TUBA CITY	8	4%	31	8%	39	7%	27	8%	12	6%
KAYENTA	2	1%	0	0%	2	0%	1	0%	1	0%
ANETH	0	0%	6	2%	6	1%	3	1%	3	1%
CHINLE	17	9%	154	40%	171	30%	89	26%	82	38%
DILKON	17	9%	22	6%	39	7%	29	8%	10	5%
WINDOW ROCK	19	11%	72	19%	91	16%	71	20%	20	9%
SHIPROCK	51	28%	45	12%	96	17%	54	16%	42	20%
CROWNPOINT	37	21%	8	2%	45	8%	19	5%	26	12%
RAMAH	7	4%	7	2%	14	2%	14	4%	0	0%
ALAMO	5	3%	11	3%	16	3%	8	2%	8	4%
TOHAJIILEE	16	9%	28	7%	44	8%	33	9%	11	5%
TOTAL	179	100%	384	100%	563	100%	348	100%	215	1 00%

CHINS	Brought Fo	orward	File	d	Casel	oad	Closed C	Cases	Pending	
TUBA CITY	5	4%	30	1 0 %	35	8%	24	8%	11	8%
KAYENTA	0	0%	1	0%	1	0%	1	0%	0	0%
ANETH	2	2%	6	2%	8	2%	6	2%	2	1%
CHINLE	7	5%	20	7%	27	6%	11	4%	16	11%
DILKON	1	1%	0	0%	1	0%	0	0%	1	1%
WINDOW ROCK	27	20%	75	25%	102	24%	79	27%	23	16%
SHIPROCK	50	38%	84	28%	134	31%	79	27%	55	38%
CROWNPOINT	15	11%	68	23%	83	19%	55	19%	28	19%
RAMAH	5	4%	3	1%	8	2%	8	3%	0	0%
ALAMO	13	10%	12	4%	25	6%	17	6%	8	6%
TOHAJIILEE	8	6%	2	1%	10	2%	10	3%	0	0%
TOTAL	133	100%	301	100%	434	100%	290	100%	144	100%

Adult Probation	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	k	Caselo	bad	Closed C	Cases	Pending	
TUBA CITY	58	8%	57	4%	115	5%	88	6%	27	4%
KAYENTA	55	7%	193	13%	248	11%	153	11%	95	13%
ANETH	3	0%	11	1%	14	1%	11	1%	3	0%
CHINLE	73	10%	319	22%	392	18%	224	16%	168	22%
DILKON	19	3%	37	3%	56	3%	35	2%	21	3%
WINDOW ROCK	71	10%	95	7%	166	8%	98	7%	68	9%
SHIPROCK	154	21%	419	29%	573	26%	408	29%	165	22%
CROWNPOINT	71	10%	121	8%	192	9%	131	9%	61	8%
RAMAH	167	23%	111	8%	278	13%	151	11%	127	17%
ALAMO	6	1%	42	3%	48	2%	39	3%	9	1%
TOHAJIILEE	62	8%	27	2%	89	4%	77	5%	12	2%
TOTAL	739	100%	1,432	100%	2,171	100%	1,415	100%	756	100%

PAROLE	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	b	Caselo	bad	Closed C	Cases	Pendi	ng
TUBA CITY	0	0%	5	11%	5	11%	4	12%	1	7%
KAYENTA	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
ANETH	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
CHINLE	0	0%	24	52%	24	51%	16	48%	8	57%
DILKON	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
WINDOW ROCK	1	100%	8	17%	9	19%	4	12%	5	36%
SHIPROCK	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
CROWNPOINT	0	0%	9	20%	9	19%	9	27%	0	0%
RAMAH	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
ALAMO	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
TOHAJIILEE	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
TOTAL	1	100%	46	100%	47	100%	33	100%	14	1 00 %

Adult Short Term Probation	Brought Fo	Brought Forward		Filed		bad	Closed C	Cases	Pending	
TUBA CITY	17	3%	395	8%	412	7%	373	8%	39	5%
KAYENTA	45	8%	749	14%	794	14%	657	13%	137	17%
ANETH	3	1%	36	1%	39	1%	30	1%	9	1%
CHINLE	48	9%	1,758	34%	1,806	31%	1,651	33%	155	19%
DILKON	23	4%	230	4%	253	4%	226	5%	27	3%
WINDOW ROCK	38	7%	161	3%	199	3%	169	3%	30	4%
SHIPROCK	73	13%	991	19%	1,064	18%	946	19%	118	15%
CROWNPOINT	280	50%	724	14%	1,004	17%	832	17%	172	22%
RAMAH	30	5%	113	2%	143	2%	33	1%	110	14%
ALAMO	5	1%	13	0%	18	0%	18	0%	0	0%
TOHAJIILEE	1	0%	20	0%	21	0%	21	0%	0	0%
TOTAL	563	100%	5,190	1 00 %	5,753	100%	4,956	100%	797	100%

Juvenile Probation	Brought Fo	orward	File	b	Caselo	bad	Closed C	Cases	Pendi	ng
TUBA CITY	9	15%	4	3%	13	7%	10	9%	3	4%
KAYENTA	4	7%	0	0%	4	2%	4	4%	0	0%
ANETH	0	0%	2	2%	2	1%	1	1%	1	1%
CHINLE	6	10%	33	27%	39	21%	15	13%	24	35%
DILKON	6	10%	4	3%	10	5%	6	5%	4	6%
WINDOW ROCK	2	3%	21	17%	23	13%	14	12%	9	13%
SHIPROCK	17	28%	13	11%	30	16%	20	18%	10	14%
CROWNPOINT	4	7%	0	0%	4	2%	4	4%	0	0%
RAMAH	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
ALAMO	6	10%	24	20%	30	16%	21	18%	9	13%
TOHAJIILEE	7	11%	21	17%	28	15%	19	17%	9	13%
TOTAL	61	100%	122	100%	183	100%	114	1 00 %	69	100%

Juvenile Short Term Probation	Brought Fo	orward	File	b	Caselo	bad	Closed C	Cases	Pendi	ng
TUBA CITY	2	9%	15	5%	17	6%	11	4%	6	12%
KAYENTA	0	0%	2	1%	2	1%	2	1%	0	0%
ANETH	0	0%	4	1%	4	1%	2	1%	2	4%
CHINLE	2	9%	158	55%	160	52%	138	53%	22	45%
DILKON	0	0%	5	2%	5	2%	3	1%	2	4%
WINDOW ROCK	2	9%	45	16%	47	15%	38	15%	9	18%
SHIPROCK	7	30%	15	5%	22	7%	20	8%	2	4%
CROWNPOINT	6	26%	1	0%	7	2%	7	3%	0	0%
RAMAH	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%
ALAMO	4	17%	33	12%	37	12%	31	12%	6	12%
TOHAJIILEE	0	0%	8	3%	8	3%	8	3%	0	0%
TOTAL	23	100%	286	100%	309	100%	260	100%	49	100%

PEACEMAKING	Brought Fo	orward	Filed	t	Casel	oad	Closed C	Cases	Pendi	ing
TUBA CITY	35	16%	111	16%	146	16%	105	16%	41	15%
KAYENTA	9	4%	90	13%	99	11%	80	12%	19	7%
ANETH	13	6%	45	7%	58	6%	22	3%	36	14%
CHINLE	20	9%	32	5%	52	6%	30	5%	22	8%
DILKON	69	31%	81	12%	150	16%	112	17%	38	14%
WINDOW ROCK	30	14%	47	7%	77	8%	65	10%	12	5%
SHIPROCK	18	8%	90	13%	108	12%	52	8%	56	21%
CROWNPOINT	17	8%	87	13%	104	11%	87	13%	17	6%
RAMAH	8	4%	47	7%	55	6%	48	7%	7	3%
ALAMO	1	0%	26	4%	27	3%	19	3%	8	3%
TOHAJIILEE	1	0%	35	5%	36	4%	27	4%	9	3%
TOTAL	221	100%	691	100%	912	100%	647	100%	265	100%

7. JUDICIAL BRANCH FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

A. BUDGETS AND EXPENDITURES

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

 <u>Navajo Nation General Fund – Reporting Period October 1, 2008 – September 30, 2009</u>. By Resolution CAU-36-08, the Navajo Nation Council approved the FY2009 Judicial Branch general fund operating budgets separated by 14 business units. The total budget allocations for the period of October 1, 2008, through September 30, 2009, started as \$13,442,652.00 are as follows:

(1) Business Unit 102001 - Administrative Office of the Courts.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$1,297,384.37	\$175,645.30	\$1,121,739.07	\$1,079,863.76	\$0.00	\$41,875.31	96%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$206,511.63	\$0.00	\$206,511.63	\$206,106.41	\$0.00	\$405.22	100%
	Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$1,503,896.00	\$175,645.30	\$1,328,250.70	\$1,285,970.17	\$0.00	\$42,280.53	97%

(2) Business Unit 102002 – Chinle Judicial District.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$1,215,367.00	\$52,665.91	\$1,162,701.09	\$1,211,978.33	\$0.00	-\$49,277.24	104%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$161,941.00	\$0.00	\$161,941.00	\$155,286.15	\$0.00	\$6,654.85	96%
	Capital Outlay	\$45,097.35	\$0.00	\$45,097.35	\$45,097.35	\$0.00	\$0.00	100%
	Grand Total	\$1,422,405.35	\$52,665.91	\$1,369,739.44	\$1,412,361.83	\$0.00	-\$42,622.39	103%

(3) Business Unit 102003 – Crownpoint Judicial District.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$1,164,839.00	\$52,603.54	\$1,112,235.46	\$1,160,141.47	\$0.00	-\$47,906.01	104%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$119,446.78	\$0.00	\$119,446.78	\$123,901.63	\$0.00	-\$4,454.85	104%
	Capital Outlay	\$121,412.22	\$0.00	\$121,412.22	\$60,705.11	\$60,707.11	\$0.00	100%
	Grand Total	\$1,405,698.00	\$52,603.54	\$1,353,094.46	\$1,344,748.21	\$60,707.11	-\$52,360.86	104%

(4) Business Unit 102004 – Window Rock Judicial District.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$1,306,043.30	\$45,430.16	\$1,260,613.14	\$1,252,939.44	\$0.00	\$7,673.70	99%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$123,188.70	\$0.00	\$123,188.70	\$118,043.51	\$0.00	\$5,145.19	96%
	Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$1,429,232.00	\$45,430.16	\$1,383,801.84	\$1,370,982.95	\$0.00	\$12,818.89	99%

(5) Business Unit 102005 – Shiprock Judicial District.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$1,054,571.84	\$99,468.00	\$955,103.84	\$972,758.58	\$0.00	-\$17,654.74	102%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$151,379.16	\$0.00	\$151,379.16	\$140,988.50	\$0.00	\$10,390.66	93%
	Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$1,205,951.00	\$99,468.00	\$1,106,483.00	\$1,113,747.08	\$0.00	-\$7,264.08	101%

(6) Business Unit 102006 – Tuba City Judicial District.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$1,075,720.00	\$45,851.41	\$1,029,868.59	\$1,073,893.30	\$0.00	-\$44,024.71	104%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$164,783.00	\$0.00	\$164,783.00	\$164,845.27	\$0.00	-\$62.27	100%
	Capital Outlay	\$44,425.40	\$0.00	\$44,425.40	\$44,425.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	100%
	Grand Total	\$1,284,928.40	\$45,851.41	\$1,239,076.99	\$1,283,163.97	\$0.00	-\$44,086.98	104%

(7) Business Unit 102007 – Ramah Judicial District.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$536,221.33	\$30,787.29	\$505,434.04	\$525,723.36	\$0.00	-\$20,289.32	104%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$98,791.00	\$0.00	\$98,791.00	\$89,969.36	\$0.00	\$8,821.64	91%
	Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$635,012.33	\$30,787.29	\$604,225.04	\$615,692.72	\$0.00	-\$11,467.68	102%

(8) Business Unit 102008 – Navajo Nation Supreme Court.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$726,825.80	\$52,320.19	\$674,505.61	\$686,316.45	\$0.00	-\$11,810.84	102%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$135,333.20	\$0.00	\$135,333.20	\$130,666.35	\$0.00	\$4,666.85	97%
	Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$862,159.00	\$52,320.19	\$809,838.81	\$816,982.80	\$0.00	-\$7,143.99	101%

(9) Business Unit 102009 – Peacemaking Program.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$260,143.00	\$13,016.89	\$247,126.11	\$251,347.57	\$0.00	-\$4,221.46	102%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$146,382.00	\$0.00	\$146,382.00	\$147,820.28	\$0.00	-\$1,438.28	101%
	Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$406,525.00	\$13,016.89	\$393,508.11	\$399,167.85	\$0.00	-\$5,659.74	101%

(10) Business Unit 102010 – Kayenta Judicial District.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$973,114.53	\$39,133.04	\$933,981.49	\$942,789.17	\$0.00	-\$8,807.68	101%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$122,720.47	\$0.00	\$122,720.47	\$116,795.89	\$0.00	\$5,924.58	95%
	Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$1,095,835.00	\$39,133.04	\$1,056,701.96	\$1,059,585.06	\$0.00	-\$2,883.10	100%

(11) Business Unit 102011 – Dilkon Judicial District.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$684,962.68	\$139,162.53	\$545,800.15	\$513,774.61	\$0.00	\$32,025.54	94%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$109,369.32	\$0.00	\$109,369.32	\$106,781.26	\$0.00	\$2,588.06	98%
	Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$794,332.00	\$139,162.53	\$655,169.47	\$620,555.87	\$0.00	\$34,613.60	95%

(12) Business Unit 102012 – Aneth Judicial District.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$532,896.31	\$21,135.46	\$511,760.85	\$523,640.54	\$0.00	-\$11,879.69	102%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$98,011.09	\$0.00	\$98,011.09	\$95,209.64	\$0.00	\$2,801.45	97%
	Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$630,907.40	\$21,135.46	\$609,771.94	\$618,850.18	\$0.00	-\$9,078.24	101%

(13) Business Unit 102013 – To'hajiilee Court.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$508,127.44	\$25,171.01	\$482,956.43	\$494,383.96	\$0.00	-\$11,427.53	102%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$80,345.69	\$0.00	\$80,345.69	\$77,774.61	\$0.00	\$2,571.08	97%
	Capital Outlay	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$588,473.13	\$25,171.01	\$563,302.12	\$572,158.57	\$0.00	-\$8,856.45	102%

(14) Business Unit 102014 – Alamo Court.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$182,174.99	\$30,294.10	\$151,880.89	\$145,529.05	\$0.00	\$6,351.84	96%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$76,929.00	\$0.00	\$76,929.00	\$75,111.18	\$0.00	\$1,817.82	98%
	Capital Outlay	\$45,769.30	\$0.00	\$45,769.30	\$45,769.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	100%
	Grand Total	\$304,873.29	\$30,294.10	\$274,579.19	\$266,409.53	\$0.00	\$8,169.66	97%

Business Unit 118019 (Fixed Cost) – Navajo Nation Integrated Justice Information Sharing **Project.** This grant is to establish a unified automated case management program to the courts, probation, corrections, prosecutor, law enforcement, and public defender. The project period is October 1, 2008, through September 30, 2009.

Object Code	Description	FY2009 Original Budget	Reductions by NNC Resolution CJY-18-09	FY2009 Revised Budget	FY2009 Year-End Expenditures	Encumbrances	Fund Balance	% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$350,000.00	\$0.00	\$67,361.61	\$0.00	\$67,361.61	\$282,638.39	19%
	Capital Outlay	\$150,000.00	\$0.00	\$146,241.60	\$0.00	\$146,241.60	\$3,758.40	97%
	Grand Total	\$500,000.00	\$0.00	\$213,603.21	\$0.00	\$213,603.21	\$286,396.79	43%

Note: Navajo Nation Council Resolution CS-29-09 approved the carryover of unexpended balances from Navajo Nation Fiscal Year 2009 into Fiscal Year 2010 as follows: (a) All unexpended balances for the Judicial Branch Information Sharing Project, Business Unit # 118019.

2. Federal Funds – Reporting Period January 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009

(1) Bureau of Indian Affairs. Through Public Law 93-638 (Indian Self-Determination Act), the Bureau of Indian Affairs approved a multi-year contract so that court services can be provided in calendar years 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, and 2011. The annual contract period is from January 1, 2009, through December 31, 2009.

Object Code	Description	Calendar Year 2009 Revised Budget	Expenditures Subtotal	Encumbrances	Year-To-Date Third Qtr Expenditures		% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$3,836,990.72	\$3,542,936.29	\$0.00	\$3,542,936.29	\$294,054.43	92%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$388,944.56	\$163,928.93	\$75,431.82	\$239,360.75	\$149,583.81	62%
	Equipment	\$382,791.72	\$130,423.82	\$125,958.56	\$256,382.38	\$126,409.34	67%
	Grand Total	\$4,608,727.00	\$3,837,289.04	\$201,390.38	\$4,038,679.42	\$570,047.58	88%

(2) Navajo Nation Integrated Justice Information Sharing Project. Through the Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs (OJP), the Bureau of Justice Assistance approved the Edward Byrne Memorial Discretionary Program grant to establish and expand a unified automated case management program to the courts, probation, corrections, prosecutor, and public defender. The period project is October 1, 2007, through September 30, 2010.

Object Code	Description	Revised Budget	Expenditures Subtotal	Encumbrances	Year-To-Date Expenditures		% Used
2000	Personnel Services	\$42,419.00	\$42,417.60	\$0.00	\$42,417.60	\$1.40	100%
3000-7000	Operating Expenses	\$74,519.00	\$4,852.72	\$0.00	\$4,852.72	\$69,666.28	7%
9140	Equipment	\$183,062.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$183,062.00	0%
	Grand Total	\$300,000.00	\$47,270.32	\$0.00	\$47,270.32	\$252,729.68	16%

DISTRICT COURT		F	irst Quarter	Se	cond Quarter	Tł	hird Quarter	Fo	urth Quarter	C	Grand Total	TOTAL
TUBA CITY	Fines	\$	940.00	\$	100.00	\$	200.00	\$	300.00	\$	1,540.00	
	Fees	\$	3,307.66	\$	2,669.00	\$	1,871.45	\$	2,275.24	\$	10,123.35	
	Traffic	\$	16,896.50	\$	16,857.15	\$	15,240.00	\$	10,062.50	\$	59,056.15	\$ 70,719.50
KAYENTA	Fines	\$	440.00	\$	750.00	\$	740.00	\$	1,300.00	\$	3,230.00	
	Fees	\$	1,862.43	\$	1,658.59	\$	1,352.37	\$	1,989.92	\$	6,863.31	
	Traffic	\$	18,576.00	\$	24,025.00	\$	19,800.00	\$	18,282.00	\$	80,683.00	\$ 90,776.31
ANETH	Fines	\$	200.00	\$	-	\$	500.00	\$	932.00	\$	1,632.00	
	Fees	\$	265.00	\$	420.00	\$	384.55	\$	484.70	\$	1,554.25	
	Traffic	\$	6,315.00	\$	7,737.50	\$	11,265.00	\$	6,291.00	\$	31,608.50	\$ 34,794.75
CHINLE	Fines	\$	6,420.00	\$	6,677.50	\$	10,904.00	\$	7,461.00	\$	31,462.50	
	Fees	\$	4,679.05	\$	5,479.55	\$	2,735.25	\$	3,889.70	\$	16,783.55	
	Traffic	\$	64,562.50	\$	48,536.10	\$	49,385.02	\$	43,429.50	\$	205,913.12	\$ 254,159.17
DILKON	Fines	\$	1,249.64	\$	1,029.31	\$	845.09	\$	450.00	\$	3,574.04	
	Fees	\$	1,361.75	\$	946.20	\$	1,110.30	\$	1,262.08	\$	4,680.33	
	Traffic	\$	11,423.50	\$	8,175.50	\$	8,647.50	\$	8,142.50	\$	36,389.00	\$ 44,643.37
WINDOW ROCK	Fines	\$	2,380.00	\$	300.00	\$	1,327.50	\$	695.00	\$	4,702.50	
	Fees	\$	4,267.65	\$	5,539.40	\$	4,058.29	\$	4,321.25	\$	18,186.59	
	Traffic	\$	25,560.06	\$	22,297.50	\$	22,136.00	\$	20,413.96	\$	90,407.52	\$ 113,296.61
SHIPROCK	Fines	\$	5,672.50	\$	5,984.43	\$	1,618.69	\$	3,662.75	\$	16,938.37	
	Fees	\$	3,325.52	\$	3,532.93	\$	2,846.70	\$	3,891.40	\$	13,596.55	
	Traffic	\$	39,430.41	\$	34,342.60	\$	30,446.06	\$	37,502.23	\$	141,721.30	\$ 172,256.22
CROWNPOINT	Fines	\$	2,860.00	\$	1,350.00	\$	800.00	\$	470.00	\$	5,480.00	
	Fees	\$	3,836.40	\$	4,011.55	\$	2,605.50	\$	2,945.05	\$	13,398.50	
	Traffic	\$	15,093.32	\$	14,219.00	\$	17,812.24	\$	12,767.06	\$	59,891.62	\$ 78,770.12
RAMAH	Fines	\$	310.00	\$	532.00	\$	137.50	\$	575.00	\$	1,554.50	
	Fees	\$	51.45	\$	252.70	\$	115.80	\$	252.70	\$	672.65	
	Traffic	\$	4,439.56	\$	3,572.50	\$	2,712.58	\$	5,487.50	\$	16,212.14	\$ 18,439.29
ALAMO	Fines	\$	225.50	\$	-	\$	50.00	\$	50.00	\$	325.50	
	Fees	\$	175.05	\$	324.90	\$	226.15	\$	326.25	\$	1,052.35	
	Traffic	\$	326.00	\$	720.50	\$	139.00	\$	606.50	\$	1,792.00	\$ 3,169.85
TO'HAJIILEE	Fines	\$	275.00	\$	100.00	\$	300.00	\$	-	\$	675.00	
	Fees	\$	311.50	\$	176.80	\$	8.75	\$	68.70	\$	565.75	
	Traffic	\$	1,803.50	\$	1,006.50	\$	236.00	\$	98.00	\$	3,144.00	\$ 4,384.75
TOTAL FINES		\$	20,972.64	\$	16,823.24	\$	17,422.78	\$	15,895.75	\$	71,114.41	
TOTAL FEES		\$	23,443.46	\$	25,011.62	\$	17,315.11	\$	21,706.99	\$	87,477.18	
TOTAL TRAFFIC		\$	204,426.35	\$	181,489.85	\$	177,819.40	\$	163,082.75	\$	726,818.35	
TOTAL COLLECTION		\$	248,842.45	\$	223,324.71	\$	212,557.29	\$	200,685.49	\$	885,409.94	\$ 885,409.94

DISTRICT COURT FINES & FEES COLLECTION OCTOBER 1, 2008 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2009

FAMILY COURT		First Quarter		Second Quarter		Third Quarter		Fourth Quarter		Grand Total		TOTAL	
TUBA CITY	Fines Fees	\$ \$	- 680.00	\$ \$	- 1,105.00	\$ \$	- 765.00	\$ \$	- 1,100.00	\$ \$	- 3,650.00		
	Traffic	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	3,650.00
KAYENTA	Fines	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-		
	Fees	\$	385.00	\$	375.00	\$	340.00	\$	450.00	\$	1,550.00		
	Traffic	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,550.00
ANETH	Fines	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-		
	Fees	\$	155.00	\$	250.00	\$	281.00	\$	330.00	\$	1,016.00		
	Traffic	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,016.00
CHINLE	Fines	\$	-	\$	-	\$	50.00	\$	-	\$	50.00		
	Fees	\$	1,620.00	\$	1,400.50	\$	1,240.00	\$	1,600.00	\$	5,860.50		
	Traffic	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	50.00	\$	50.00	\$	5,960.50
DILKON	Fines	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-		
	Fees	\$	550.00	\$	685.00	\$	350.00	\$	643.00	\$	2,228.00		
	Traffic	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,228.00
WINDOW ROCK	Fines	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	+	_,
	Fees	\$	1,350.00	\$	2,070.00	\$	2,025.00	\$	2,440.00	\$	7,885.00		
	Traffic	\$	312.50	\$	87.50	\$	175.00	\$	187.50	\$	762.50	\$	8,647.50
SHIPROCK	Fines	\$	-	\$	-	\$	200.00	\$	150.00	\$	350.00	Ŧ	0,011100
	Fees	\$	1,120.00	\$	1,565.00	\$	1,680.00	\$	1,755.00	\$	6,120.00		
	Traffic	\$	273.00	\$	230.00	\$	275.00	\$	330.00	\$	1,108.00	\$	7,578.00
CROWNPOINT	Fines	\$	270.00	\$	200.00	\$	270.00	\$	-	\$	1,100.00	Ψ	7,570.00
	Fees	\$	1,985.00	\$	1,925.00	\$	2,175.00	\$	2,340.00	\$ \$	8,425.00		
		\$	461.00	\$	381.50	φ \$	317.00	\$	2,340.00	\$ \$	1,967.00	\$	10,392.00
RAMAH	Traffic	\$	401.00	\$	301.30	φ \$	317.00	φ \$	007.50	φ \$	1,907.00	φ	10,392.00
	Fines		- 370.00		- 35.00		- 70.00		- 55.00		- 530.00		
	Fees	\$	370.00	\$ \$	35.00	\$	70.00	\$	55.00	\$	530.00	*	520.00
	Traffic	\$	-		-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	530.00
ALAMO	Fines	\$	-	\$	-	Э Ф	-	\$	-	\$	-		
	Fees	\$	350.00	\$	150.00	\$	265.00	\$	190.00	\$	955.00	•	055.00
	Traffic	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	955.00
TO'HAJIILEE	Fines	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-		
	Fees	\$	205.00	\$	460.00	\$	150.00	\$	55.00	\$	870.00		
	Traffic	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	870.00
TOTAL FINES		\$	-	\$	-	\$	250.00	\$	150.00	\$	400.00		
TOTAL FEES		\$	8,770.00	\$	10,020.50	\$	9,341.00	\$	10,958.00	\$	39,089.50		
TOTAL TRAFFIC		\$	1,046.50	\$	699.00	\$	767.00	\$	1,375.00	\$	3,887.50		
TOTAL COLLECTION		\$	9,816.50	\$	10,719.50	\$	10,358.00	\$	12,483.00	\$	43,377.00	\$	43,377.00

FAMILY COURT FINES & FEES COLLECTION OCTOBER 1, 2008 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2009

CASH BOND ACCOUNT
OCTOBER 1, 2008 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2009

District Court	Cash Bond Received	Refunds	Transfers			Forfeitures	P	eacemaking Stipends	Total Disbursed	
TUBA CITY	\$ 7,090.00	\$ 4,195.00	\$	235.00	\$	90.00	\$	3,410.00	\$	7,930.00
KAYENTA	\$ 34,813.43	\$ 32,395.93	\$	537.50	\$	890.00	\$	1,860.00	\$	35,683.43
CHINLE	\$ 96,259.07	\$ 59,866.00	\$	16,630.00	\$	4,825.00	\$	1,110.00	\$	82,431.00
DILKON	\$ 7,187.00	\$ 2,520.71	\$	-	\$	-	\$	2,100.00	\$	4,620.71
WINDOW ROCK	\$ 32,516.63	\$ 31,208.83	\$	1,650.00	\$	4,322.03	\$	1,620.00	\$	38,800.86
SHIPROCK	\$ 23,821.58	\$ 22,064.55	\$	360.00	\$	1,525.00	\$	3,320.00	\$	27,269.55
CROWNPOINT	\$ 50,028.08	\$ 35,613.24	\$	6,646.50	\$	3,060.00	\$	3,212.00	\$	48,531.74
RAMAH	\$ 7,437.00	\$ 4,870.50	\$	125.00	\$	-	\$	120.00	\$	5,115.50
ALAMO	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
TO'HAJIILEE	\$ -	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-
YEAR TOTAL	\$ 259,152.79	\$ 192,734.76	\$	26,184.00	\$	14,712.03	\$	16,752.00	\$	250,382.79