

SUPREME COURT Narrative Summary

During fiscal year 2003, there were 1,190 cases filed in the Supreme Court, a decrease of 3.0% in total filings from the 1,227 cases filed in FY 2002. The categories with the largest percentage decreases were All Other cases, which decreased 34.4% from 32 in FY 2002 to 21 in FY 2003, and Rule 28 Petitions (-28.0%), which went from 50 in FY 2002 to 36 in FY 2003. Numerically, Criminal Petitions for Review case filings showed the greatest decrease (-48) and accounted for a drop of 11.0%. The categories with the largest percentage increase was Civil Appeals (+500.0%). In general, most case filing categories in Petitions to Review increased from FY 2002 levels as 3 of the 5 categories showed increases between 7.2% and 18.2%.

In the same period, the Supreme Court disposed of 1,200 cases, a decrease of 5.1% from the 1,264 cases disposed during the previous fiscal year.

The differences between filings and terminations resulted in a pending caseload increase of 1.8%, from 395 cases on July 1, 2002 to 402 cases on June 30, 2003.

Detailed breakdowns of “State Bar Matters” and “All Other Cases” and a State Bar Activity Report follow the filings and terminations summaries.

ABBREVIATIONS
(Appellate)

App. Sp. Examiner.....	Appointment of Special Examiner
Corp. Commission	Corporation
Decis	Decisions
DOC	Department of Corrections
Exam/Admiss.....	Examination/Admission
Extraord.....	Extraordinary
Ind./Industrial Comm.....	Industrial Commission
Jud. Cond. Comm.	Commission on Judicial Conduct
Memo	Memorandum
MH Sexual Predator.....	Mental Health Sexual Predator
Post-Conv. Rel.	Post-Conviction Relief
P.R.....	Petition for Review
Ques.	Questions
S.A.	Special Action
Stat. Adj.	Statistical Adjustment
Susp. Spec. Rule	Suspensions Under Specific Rule
TERM.	Terminated
Trans. Disability.....	Disability Transfers
Trans. In	Transferred In
Trans. Out	Transferred Out
Unemp. Board	Unemployment Board

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003

ALL CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING 7/1/2002	CASES FILED	REIN- STATED	TRANS- FER IN	TRANS- FER OUT	STAT ADJ	TOTAL CASES ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2002	
								PENDING 7/1/2001	CASES FILED
CIVIL APPEALS	0	6	0	0	0	0	6	0	1
CRIMINAL APPEALS	23	8	9	0	0	0	40	25	6
POST-CONV RELIEF	7	18	0	0	0	0	25	7	13
SPECIAL ACTION	4	39	0	0	0	0	43	3	37
SP ACTION-OTHER	10	48	2	0	0	0	60	5	46
STATE BAR MATTERS	21	154	1	0	0	0	176	23	170
HABEAS CORPUS	7	54	0	0	0	0	61	7	47
RULE 28	24	36	3	0	0	0	63	23	50
ALL OTHER CASES	14	21	0	0	0	0	35	10	32
SUBTOTAL	110	384	15	0	0	0	509	103	402
PET REV-CIVIL	111	373	0	0	0	0	484	127	348
PET REV-CRIMINAL	166	388	0	0	0	0	554	175	436
PET REV-IND COMM	7	26	0	0	0	0	33	16	22
PET REV-JUVENILE	1	11	0	0	0	0	12	21	10
PET REV-TAX	2	8	0	0	0	0	10	12	9
SUBTOTAL	287	806	0	0	0	0	1,093	351	825
TOTAL	397	1,190	15	0	0	0	1,602	454	1,227

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003

ALL CASES TERMINATED

TYPE OF ACTION	CASES TERMINATED				TOTAL		FISCAL YEAR 2002	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS	CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2003	TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2002
CIVIL APPEALS	2	4	0	0	6	0	0	1
CRIMINAL APPEALS	14	0	1	0	15	25	8	23
POST-CONV RELIEF	4	0	5	0	9	16	13	7
SPECIAL ACTION	4	1	36	0	41	2	37	4
SP ACTION-OTHER	0	0	53	0	53	7	39	10
STATE BAR MATTERS	1	2	159	0	162	14	165	21
HABEAS CORPUS	0	0	52	0	52	9	45	7
RULE 28	0	0	41	0	41	22	50	24
ALL OTHER CASES	3	0	19	0	22	13	29	11
SUBTOTAL	28	7	366	0	401	108	386	108
PET REV-CIVIL	23	1	323	0	347	137	404	70
PET REV-CRIMINAL	5	2	407	0	414	140	435	166
PET REV-IND COMM	0	0	25	0	25	8	17	21
PET REV-JUVENILE	0	0	7	0	7	5	16	15
PET REV-TAX	0	0	6	0	6	4	6	15
SUBTOTAL	28	3	768	0	799	294	878	287
TOTAL	56	10	1,134	0	1,200	402	1,264	395

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003

"ALL OTHER CASES" DETAIL
CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING 7/1/2002	CASES FILED	REIN- STATED	TRANS- FER IN	TRANS- FER OUT	STAT ADJ	TOTAL CASES ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2002	
								PENDING 7/1/2001	CASES FILED
EXTRAORD MATTERS	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	9
JUDICIAL CONDUCT	1	3	0	0	0	0	4	0	3
TRANSFERS	0	12	0	0	0	0	12	0	10
WATER CASES	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	7	2
WCIR CASES	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	.	0
GRAND JURY	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
CERTIFIED QUESTION	3	1	0	0	0	0	4	3	6
ORIGINAL COMPLAINT	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	.	0
TOTAL	14	21	0	0	0	0	35	10	32

"ALL OTHER CASES" DETAIL
CASES TERMINATED

TYPE OF ACTION	CASES TERMINATED				TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2003	FISCAL YEAR 2002	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS			TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2002
EXTRAORD MATTERS	0	0	2	0	2	0	9	0
JUDICIAL CONDUCT	0	0	3	0	3	1	2	1
TRANSFERS	0	0	12	0	12	0	10	0
WATER CASES	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	7
WCIR CASES	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
GRAND JURY	0	0	2	0	2	0	2	0
CERTIFIED QUESTION	3	0	0	0	3	1	6	3
ORIGINAL COMPLAINT	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
TOTAL	3	0	19	0	22	13	29	11

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003

"STATE BAR MATTERS" DETAIL
MATTERS ON FILE

TYPE OF MATTER	PENDING 7/1/2002	MATTERS FILED	REIN- STATED	STAT ADJ	TOTAL MATTERS ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2002	
						PENDING 7/1/2001	MATTERS FILED
DISCIPLINARY	18	84	1	0	103	23	113
TRANSFER TO DISB.	.	.	.	.	.	.	0
PR EXAM/ADMISS	0	10	0	0	10	0	7
APPT SP EXAMINER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RESIG IN GOOD STAND	0	50	0	0	50	0	40
RULE 39	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
RULE 40	1	6	0	0	7	0	6
REINSTATEMENTS	0	4	0	0	4	.	1
MISCELLANEOUS	2	0	0	0	2	.	2
TOTAL	21	154	1	0	176	23	170

"STATE BAR MATTERS" DETAIL
MATTERS TERMINATED

TYPE OF MATTER	MATTERS TERMINATED				TOTAL MATTERS TERM	PENDING 6/30/2003	FISCAL YEAR 2002	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS			TOTAL MATTERS TERM	PENDING 6/30/2002
DISCIPLINARY	1	2	87	0	90	13	113	18
TRANSFER TO DISB	.	.	.	.	.	.	0	0
PR EXAM/ADMISS	0	0	9	0	9	1	6	1
APPT SP EXAMINER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RESIG IN GOOD STAND	0	0	50	0	50	0	37	0
RULE 39	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
RULE 40	0	0	7	0	7	0	6	1
REINSTATEMENTS	0	0	4	0	4	0	1	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	1
TOTAL	1	2	159	0	162	14	165	21

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003

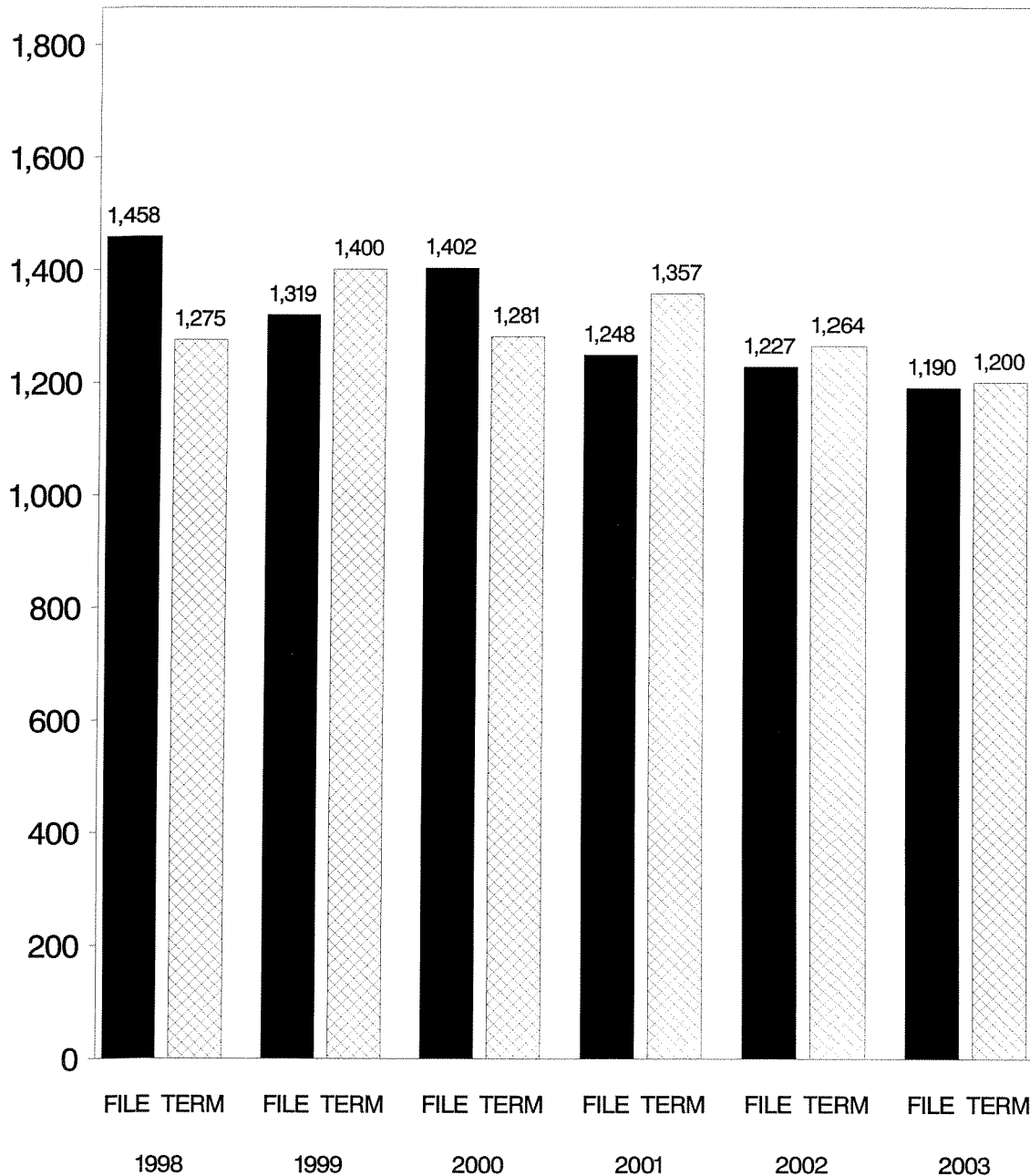
STATE BAR ACTIVITY REPORT

		FISCAL YEAR 2002 NUMBER
TYPE OF ACTIVITY	NUMBER	
ADMISSIONS	617	441
ADMISSIONS BY AFFIDAVIT	51	58
REINSTATEMENTS [ADMIN/AFFADAVIT]	87	109
SERVICE OF COMPLAINT AND SUBPOENAS	0	0
CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING	131	70
ATTORNEY SUSPENSIONS [DUES/MCLE]	224	228
RULE 38 (CERTIFICATIONS)	168	187
TRANSFERS TO DISABILITY INACTIVE STATUS [DC ORDER]	2	5
TOTAL	1,280	1,098

SUPREME COURT

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 1998 – 2003

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED



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COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION ONE
Narrative Summary

Division One of the Court of Appeals experienced an increase in case filings in fiscal year 2003. Total filings increased by 5.9%, from 2,596 in FY 2002 to 2,749 in FY 2003. Both Post Conviction Relief and Unemployment Board case categories showed the greatest numerical increase in filings, increasing by 70 (21.9%) and 38 (56.7%) respectively, from the previous fiscal year. Juvenile case filings experienced the largest numerical decrease (8 or 4.5%), followed by Industrial Commission (3 or 2.4%). Criminal case filings increased by 10.9%, from 734 in FY 2002 to 742 in FY 2003.

Total case dispositions showed an increase, from 2,510 in FY 2002 to 2,585 in FY 2003, an increase of 3.0%.

The total pending caseload figure increased from 1,931 on July 1, 2002 to 2,133 on June 30, 2003, an increase of 10.5%.

A new mental health case filing category was added in FY 2000, called Mental Health Sexual Predator. This category tracks the division-reported number of sexual predator cases filed. Division One began breaking out sexual predator cases from the mental health case category in fiscal year 2002, while Division Two began reporting sexual predator cases separately from mental health cases in fiscal year 2000.

COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003
DIVISION ONE
ALL CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING 7/1/2002	CASES FILED	REIN- STATED	TRANS- FER IN	TRANS- FER OUT	STAT ADJ	TOTAL CASES ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2002	
								PENDING 7/1/2001	CASES FILED
CIVIL	614	815	26	6	0	-42	1,419	469	804
RULE 29	1	0	0	1	0	8	10	1	0
SETTLEMENT CONF	0	0	0	-1	6	34	27	0	0
MENTAL HEALTH	6	11	0	0	0	-1	16	4	6
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	7	15	0	0	0	2	24	.	3
SPECIAL ACTIONS	67	340	2	0	0	0	409	67	322
CRIMINAL	733	742	20	0	0	1	1,496	716	734
POST CONV RELIEF	294	390	10	0	0	9	703	301	320
INDUSTRIAL COMM	69	123	0	0	36	0	156	78	126
JUVENILE	102	169	3	0	0	0	274	138	177
HABEAS CORPUS	4	11	1	0	0	1	17	3	10
UNEMPLOY BOARD	7	105	0	0	0	0	112	8	67
TAX	26	25	0	0	0	0	51	21	26
CORP COMM/ELECTR POWER	1	3	0	0	0	0	4	9	1
TOTAL	1,931	2,749	62	6	42	12	4,718	1,815	2,596

COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003
DIVISION ONE

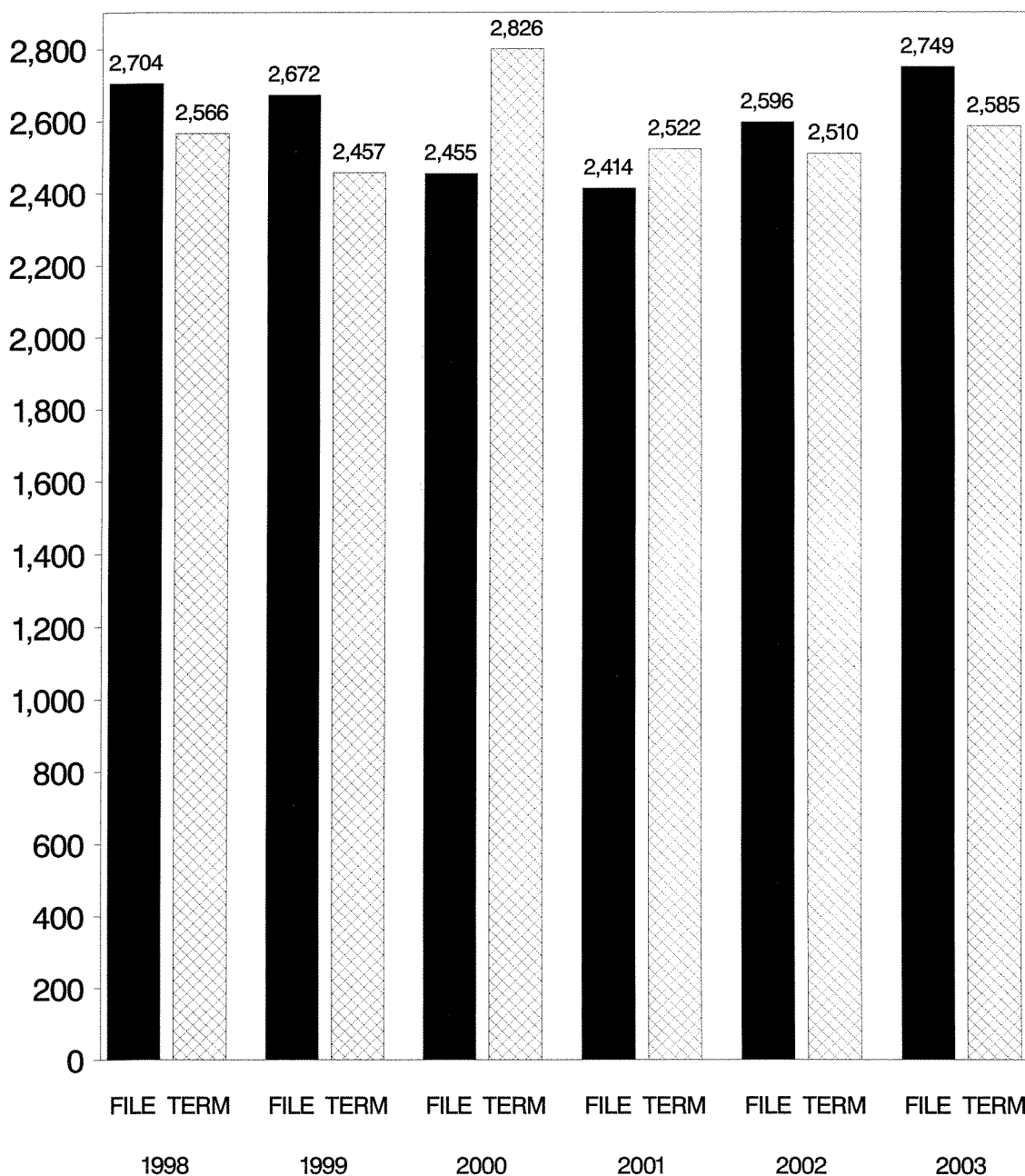
ALL CASES TERMINATED

TYPE OF ACTION	CASES TERMINATED				TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2003	FISCAL YEAR 2002	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS			TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2002
CIVIL	56	324	3	377	760	659	652	614
RULE 29	0	5	1	0	6	4	5	1
SETTLEMENT CONF	0	0	0	21	21	6	28	0
MENTAL HEALTH	0	4	0	4	8	8	5	6
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	1	5	1	11	18	6	4	7
SPECIAL ACTIONS	12	6	27	277	322	87	323	67
CRIMINAL	21	526	0	214	761	735	737	733
POST-CONV RELIEF	1	15	4	287	307	396	332	294
INDUSTRIAL COMM	4	53	1	31	89	67	104	69
JUVENILE	5	134	0	31	170	104	214	102
HABEAS CORPUS	0	3	2	7	12	5	9	4
UNEMPLOY BOARD	0	0	0	91	91	21	68	7
TAX	5	9	0	5	19	32	21	26
CORP COMMISSION	0	0	0	1	1	3	8	1
TOTAL	105	1,084	39	1,357	2,585	2,133	2,510	1,931

COURT OF APPEALS, DIVISION 1

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 1998 – 2003

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COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION TWO

Narrative Summary

Division Two of the Court of Appeals experienced a decline in case filings. In fiscal year 2003, total filings decreased by 5.8%, from 1,023 in FY 2002 to 964. The most notable decline was in Post Conviction Relief filings which decreased by 15.4%, from 221 filings in FY 2002 to 187 in FY 2003. The other category that shows a significant decline in filings was the Criminal case category which dropped from 314 in FY 2002 to 281 in FY 2003, or 10.5%. Special Actions case filings decreased from the previous fiscal year by 11.9%, from 143 in FY 2002 to 126 in FY 2003.

Dispositions showed a decrease of 16.5%, from 1,045 in FY 2002 to 873 in FY 2003. Most of the decrease was in the “Criminal” and “Post Conviction Relief” categories.

The total pending caseload figure increased from 1,070 on July 1, 2002 to 1,194 on June 30, 2003. This is an increase of 11.6%.

A new mental health case filing category was added in FY 2000, called Mental Health (MH) Sexual Predator. This category tracks the division-reported number of sexual predator cases filed. Division One began breaking out sexual predator cases from the mental health case category in fiscal year 2002, while Division Two began reporting sexual predator cases separately from mental health cases in fiscal year 2000.

COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003
DIVISION TWO
ALL CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING 7/1/2002	CASES FILED	REIN- STATED	TRANS- FER IN	TRANS- FER OUT	STAT ADJ	TOTAL CASES ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2002	
								PENDING 7/1/2001	CASES FILED
CIVIL	174	168	0	0	0	0	342	201	159
RULE 29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
SETTLEMENT CONF	21	40	0	0	0	0	61	25	45
MENTAL HEALTH	4	9	0	0	0	0	13	2	6
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	11	5	0	0	0	0	16	.	6
SPECIAL ACTIONS	47	126	0	0	0	0	173	32	143
CRIMINAL	523	281	0	0	3	0	801	477	314
POST CONV RELIEF	176	187	0	1	0	0	364	162	221
INDUSTRIAL COMM	28	4	0	35	0	0	67	39	0
JUVENILE	74	127	0	0	0	0	201	57	121
HABEAS CORPUS	12	17	0	0	0	0	29	38	8
CORP COMM/ELECTR POWER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1,070	964	0	36	3	0	2,067	1,035	1,023

COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY
FISCAL YEAR 2003
DIVISION TWO

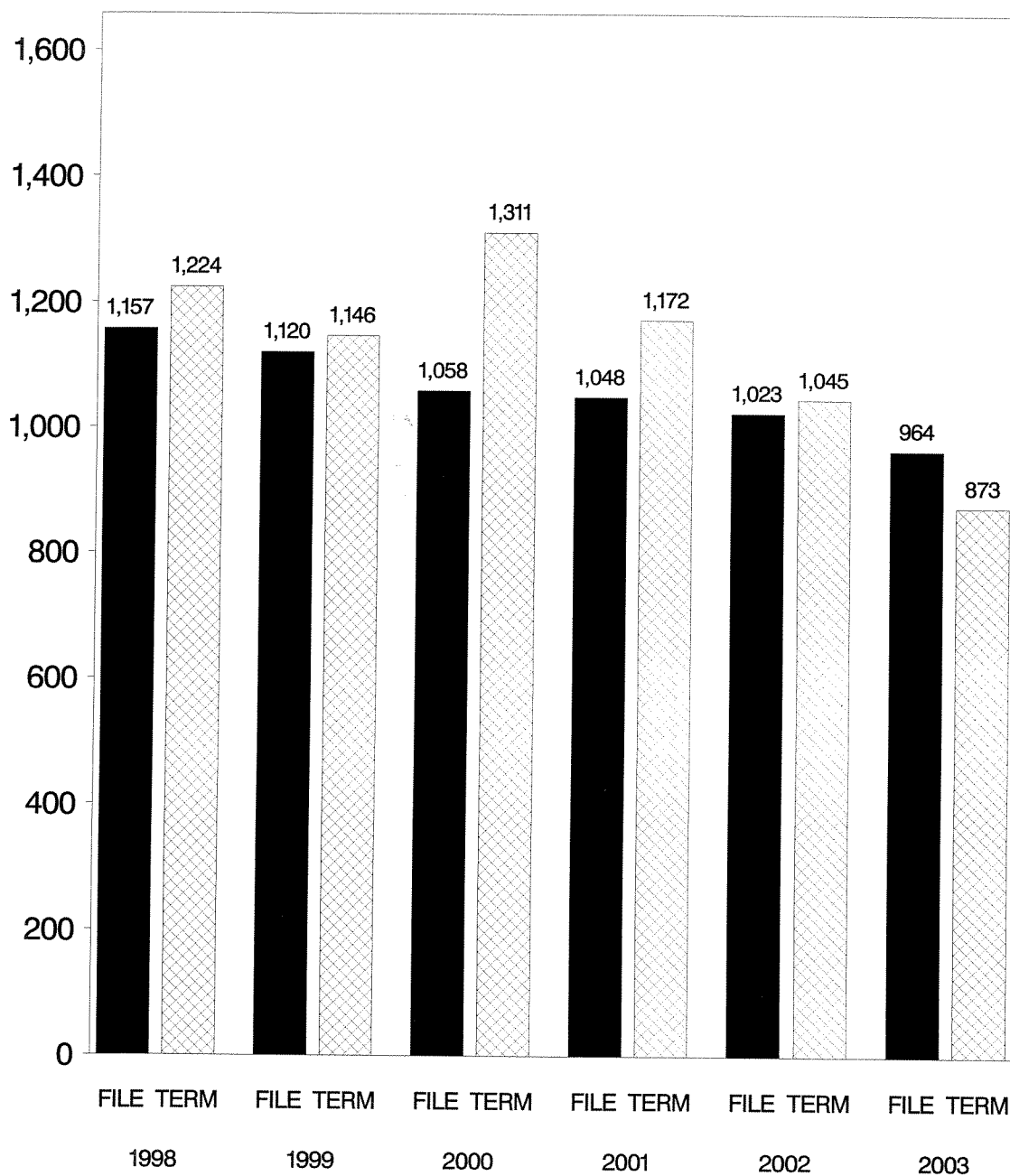
ALL CASES TERMINATED

TYPE OF ACTION	CASES TERMINATED				TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2003	FISCAL YEAR 2002	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS			TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2002
CIVIL	16	80	45	34	175	167	201	174
RULE 29	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
SETTLEMENT CONF	0	0	10	17	27	34	39	21
MENTAL HEALTH	0	2	4	1	7	6	4	4
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	0	0	0	1	1	15	1	11
SPECIAL ACTIONS	7	1	62	56	126	47	129	47
CRIMINAL	12	167	41	23	243	558	271	523
POST-CONV RELIEF	3	109	18	19	149	215	215	176
INDUSTRIAL COMM	2	16	7	3	28	39	44	28
JUVENILE	1	67	20	15	103	98	104	74
HABEAS CORPUS	0	11	2	1	14	15	34	12
CORP COMMISSION	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	41	453	209	170	873	1,194	1,045	1,070

COURT OF APPEALS, DIVISION 2

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 1998 – 2003

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED



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