

**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 Narrative Summary**

During fiscal year 2011, there were 1,018 cases filed in the Supreme Court, a decrease of 6.3% in total filings from the 1,086 cases filed in FY 2010. The categories with the largest decreases were the petitions for review criminal cases, which decreased by 5.9% from 404 in FY 2010 to 380 in FY 2011, and petitions for review Civil Appeals cases (5.9%), which went from 320 in FY 2010 to 301 in FY 2011. Percentage wise, State Bar Matters case filings showed the greatest increase and accounted for an increase of 10.5% from 124 in FY 2010 to 137 in FY 2011.

In the same period, the Supreme Court disposed of 1,022 cases, an increase of 6.5% from the 960 cases disposed during the previous fiscal year.

The difference between filings and terminations resulted in a pending caseload decrease of 1.3%, from 395 cases on July 1, 2010 to 390 cases on June 30, 2011.

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

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY  
FISCAL YEAR 2011

ALL CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING	CASES	REIN-	TRANS-	TRANS-	STAT	TOTAL	FISCAL YEAR 2010	
	7/1/2010	FILED	STATED	FER IN	FER OUT	ADJ	CASES ON FILE	PENDING 7/1/2009	CASES FILED
CIVIL APPEALS	4	3	0	0	0	0	7	0	5
CRIMINAL APPEALS	31	9	0	0	0	0	40	21	16
POST-CONV RELIEF	3	7	0	0	0	0	10	3	5
SPECIAL ACTION	3	31	0	0	0	0	34	6	29
SP ACTION-OTHER	5	37	0	0	0	0	42	4	46
STATE BAR MATTERS	12	137	0	0	0	0	149	12	124
HABEAS CORPUS	2	28	0	0	0	0	30	1	27
RULE 28	49	26	0	0	0	0	75	46	52
ALL OTHER CASES	7	17	0	0	0	-1	23	7	11
SUBTOTAL	116	295	0	0	0	-1	410	100	315
PET REV-CIVIL	118	301	0	0	0	0	419	78	320
PET REV-CRIMINAL	150	380	1	0	0	-1	530	82	404
PET REV-IND COMM	2	12	0	0	0	0	14	6	6
PET REV-JUVENILE	9	25	0	0	0	0	34	2	38
PET REV-TAX	0	5	0	0	0	0	5	1	3
SUBTOTAL	279	723	1	0	0	-1	1,002	169	771
TOTAL	395	1,018	1	0	0	-2	1,412	269	1,086

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY  
FISCAL YEAR 2011

ALL CASES TERMINATED

TYPE OF ACTION	CASES TERMINATED				TOTAL		FISCAL YEAR 2010	
	WRITTEN	MEMO	OTHER	TOTAL	PENDING	TOTAL	PENDING	
	OPINION	DECIS	ORDER [1]	DECIS [1]	TERM	6/30/2011	TERM	6/30/2010
CIVIL APPEALS	4	1	1	0	6	1	1	4
CRIMINAL APPEALS	11	0	1	0	12	28	7	31
POST-CONV RELIEF	0	0	9	0	9	1	5	3
SPECIAL ACTION	0	0	29	0	29	5	32	3
SP ACTION-OTHER	0	0	30	0	30	12	45	5
STATE BAR MATTERS	1	0	133	1	135	14	124	12
HABEAS CORPUS	0	0	26	0	26	4	26	2
RULE 28	0	0	37	0	37	38	49	49
ALL OTHER CASES	1	0	13	0	14	9	11	7
SUBTOTAL	17	1	279	1	298	112	300	116
PET REV-CIVIL	15	0	291	0	306	113	279	118
PET REV-CRIMINAL	11	0	364	0	375	155	336	150
PET REV-IND COMM	1	0	9	0	10	4	10	2
PET REV-JUVENILE	1	0	29	0	30	4	31	9
PET REV-TAX	1	0	2	0	3	2	4	0
SUBTOTAL	29	0	695	0	724	278	660	279
TOTAL	46	1	974	1	1,022	390	960	395

[1] Per the Arizona Supreme Court Clerk, data was revised in May 2013 to reflect more accurate statistics (see "Other" terminations).

SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY  
FISCAL YEAR 2011

"ALL OTHER CASES" DETAIL  
CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING 7/1/2010	CASES FILED	REIN- STATED	TRANS- FER IN	TRANS- FER OUT	STAT ADJ	TOTAL CASES ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2010	
								PENDING 7/1/2009	CASES FILED
EXTRAORD MATTERS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
JUDICIAL CONDUCT	1	4	0	0	0	-1	4	1	1
TRANSFERS	0	8	0	0	0	0	8	0	3
WATER CASES	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0
WCIR CASES	3	1	0	0	0	0	4	4	1
GRAND JURY	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
CERTIFIED QUESTION	1	2	0	0	0	0	3	0	3
ORIGINAL COMPLAINT	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>11</b>

"ALL OTHER CASES" DETAIL  
CASES TERMINATED

TYPE OF ACTION	CASES TERMINATED				TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2011	FISCAL YEAR 2010	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER [1]	OTHER DECIS [1]			TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2010
EXTRAORD MATTERS	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
JUDICIAL CONDUCT	0	0	3	0	3	1	1	1
TRANSFERS	0	0	6	0	6	2	3	0
WATER CASES	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
WCIR CASES	0	0	2	0	2	2	2	3
GRAND JURY	0	0	2	0	2	0	2	0
CERTIFIED QUESTION	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	1
ORIGINAL COMPLAINT	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>

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SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY  
FISCAL YEAR 2011

"STATE BAR MATTERS" DETAIL  
MATTERS ON FILE

TYPE OF MATTER	PENDING 7/1/2010	MATTERS FILED	REIN- STATED	STAT ADJ	TOTAL MATTERS ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2010	
						PENDING 7/1/2009	MATTERS FILED
DISCIPLINARY	5	51	0	0	56	8	65
TRANSFER TO DISB.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONDITIONAL ADMISS	0	13	0	0	13	2	20
PR EXAM/ADMISS	4	15	0	0	19	1	8
APPT SP EXAMINER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RESIG IN GOOD STAND	0	11	0	0	11	0	11
RULE 39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RULE 40	0	4	0	0	4	0	4
REINSTATEMENTS	0	15	0	0	15	0	6
MISCELLANEOUS	3	28	0	0	31	1	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>137</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>124</b>

"STATE BAR MATTERS" DETAIL  
MATTERS TERMINATED

TYPE OF MATTER	MATTERS TERMINATED				TOTAL MATTERS TERM	PENDING 6/30/2011	FISCAL YEAR 2010	
	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER [1]	OTHER DECIS [1]			TOTAL	PENDING
							TERM	6/30/2010
DISCIPLINARY	1	0	50	0	51	5	68	5
TRANSFER TO DISB	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
CONDITIONAL ADMISS	0	0	12	1	13	0	22	0
PR EXAM/ADMISS	0	0	18	0	18	1	5	4
APPT SP EXAMINER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RESIG IN GOOD STAND	0	0	10	0	10	1	11	0
RULE 39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RULE 40	0	0	4	0	4	0	4	0
REINSTATEMENTS	0	0	14	0	14	1	6	0
MISCELLANEOUS	0	0	25	0	25	6	8	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>12</b>

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SUPREME COURT CASE ACTIVITY  
FISCAL YEAR 2011

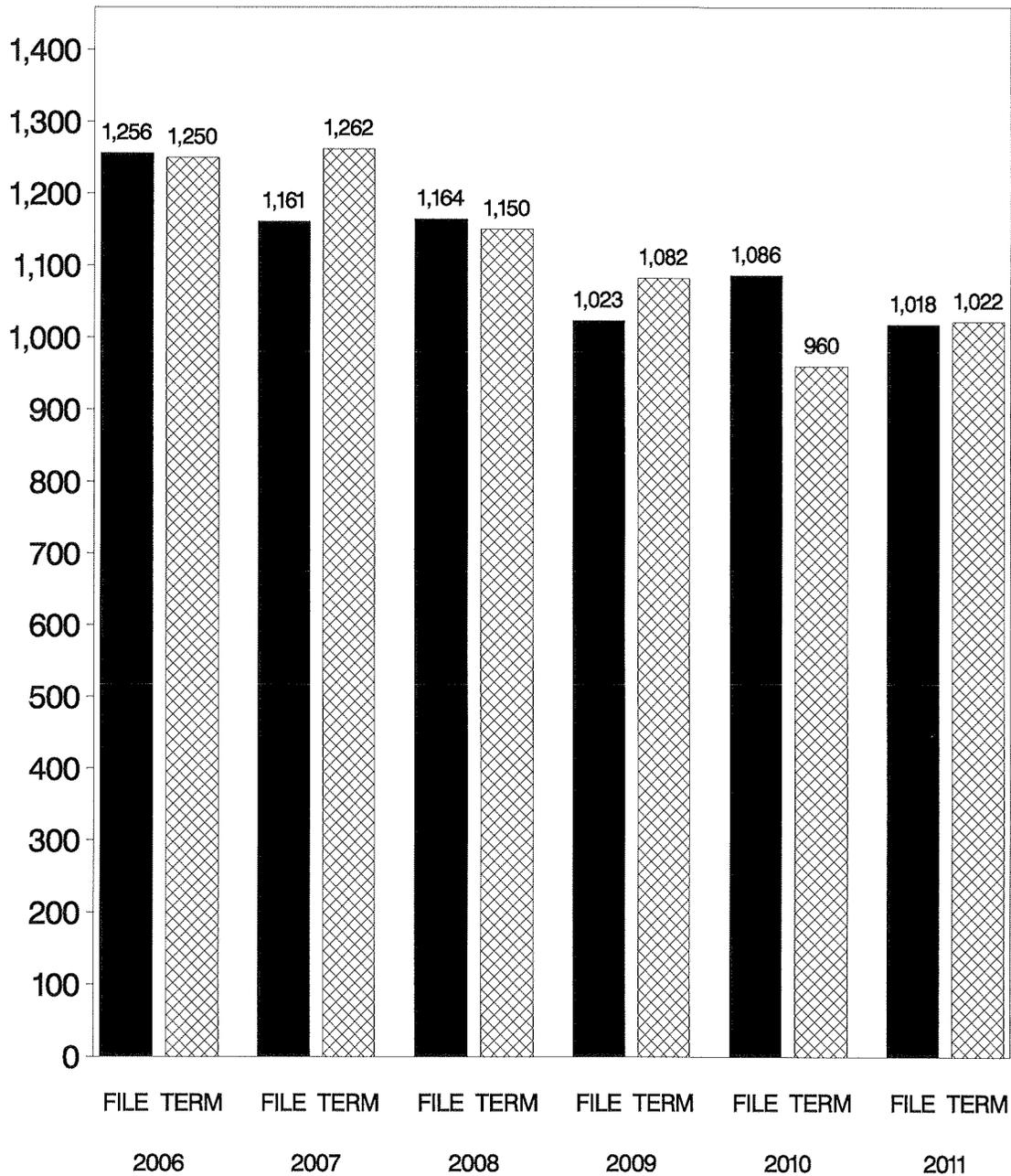
STATE BAR ACTIVITY REPORT

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	NUMBER	FISCAL YEAR 2010 NUMBER
ADMISSIONS	61	59
ADMISSIONS BY MAIL	611	528
ADMISSIONS BY MOTION	232	55
REINSTATEMENTS	31	15
SERVICE OF COMPLAINT AND SUBPOENAS	0	0
CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING	525	597
ATTORNEYS SUSPENDED	27	148
EXPUNGED	1	1
RULE 38 (CERTIFICATIONS)	302	246
TRANSFERS TO DISABILITY	0	1
TOTAL	1,790	1,650

# SUPREME COURT

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 2006 – 2011

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 2011. Total filings increased by 2.3%, from 2,970 in FY 2010 to 3,039 in FY 2011. Unemployment Board case filings experienced the largest numerical and percentage increase (187 or 62.5%). The criminal case category showed a numerical decrease in filings, decreasing by 70 (9.8%) compared with the previous fiscal year.

Total case dispositions increased from 3,020 in FY 2010 to 3,118 in FY 2011, an increase of 3.2%.

The total pending caseload figure decreased by three cases from 2,438 on July 1, 2010 to 2,399 on June 30, 2011, a decrease of 1.6%.

A new mental health case filing category was added in fiscal year 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 2003, while Division Two began reporting sexual predator cases separately from mental health cases in fiscal year 2000.

COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY  
FISCAL YEAR 2011  
DIVISION ONE  
ALL CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING 7/1/2010	CASES FILED	REIN- STATED	TRANS- FER IN	TRANS- FER OUT	STAT ADJ	TOTAL CASES ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2010	
								PENDING 7/1/2009	CASES FILED
CIVIL	759	853	17	13	10	0	1,632	731	852
RULE 29	0	0	0	9	0	0	9	0	0
SETTLEMENT CONF	1	0	0	14	8	0	7	3	0
MENTAL HEALTH	30	86	0	0	0	1	117	57	85
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	3	2	0	0	0	0	5	0	3
SPECIAL ACTIONS	65	311	2	0	0	7	385	79	319
CRIMINAL	906	643	7	0	0	0	1,556	911	713
POST CONV RELIEF	395	312	4	0	0	13	724	385	325
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION	57	89	0	0	20	-9	117	56	93
JUVENILE	121	243	0	0	0	1	365	102	277
HABEAS CORPUS	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
UNEMPLOYMENT BOARD	89	486	0	0	0	0	575	99	299
TAX	7	12	1	0	0	1	21	14	2
CORP COMM/ELECTR POWER	5	1	0	0	0	-3	3	4	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,438</b>	<b>3,039</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5,517</b>	<b>2,441</b>	<b>2,970</b>

COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY  
FISCAL YEAR 2011  
DIVISION ONE

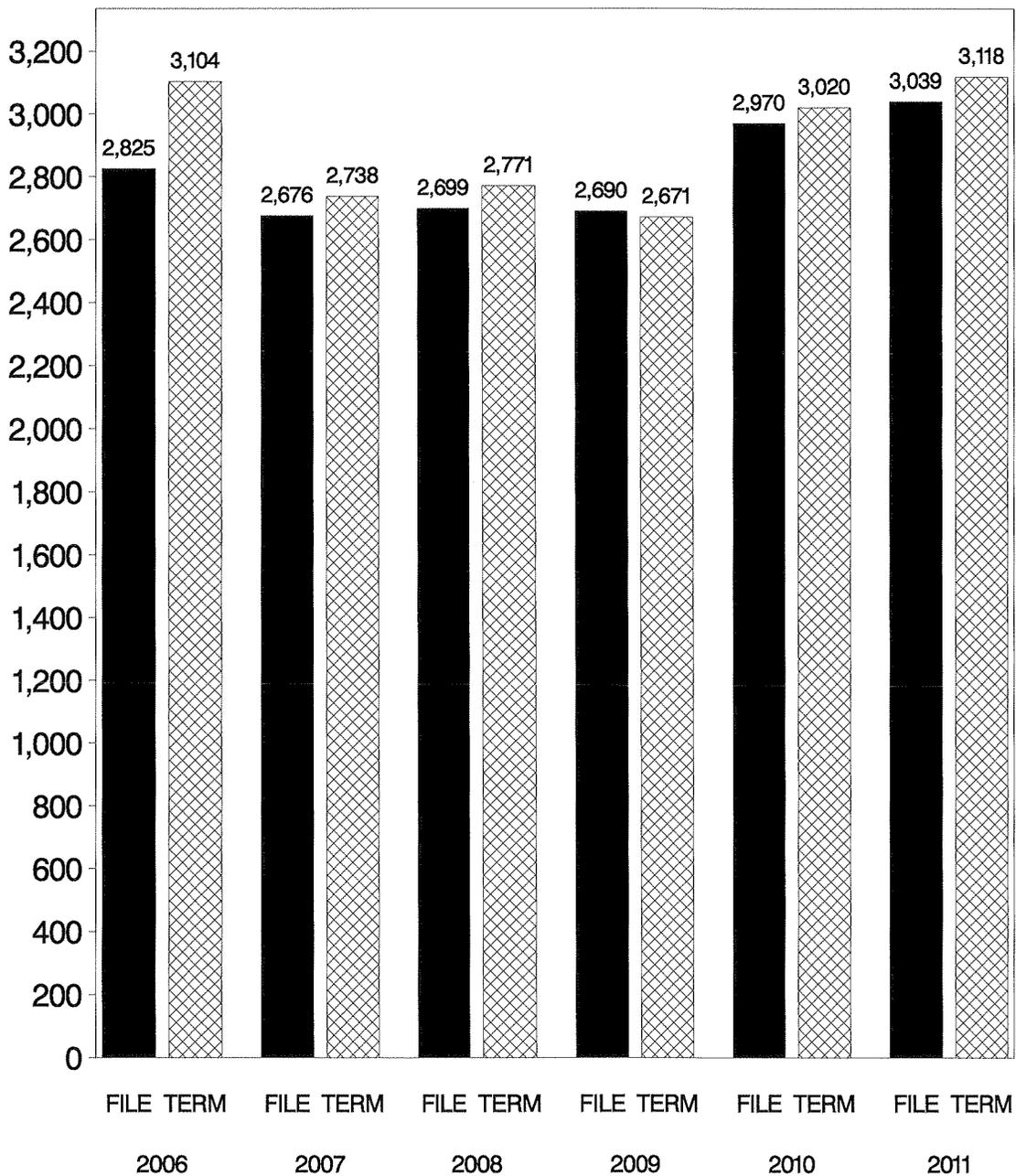
ALL CASES TERMINATED

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	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS			TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2010
CIVIL	86	345	26	461	918	714	850	759
RULE 29	1	6	2	0	9	0	0	0
SETTLEMENT CONF	0	0	0	4	4	3	0	1
MENTAL HEALTH	2	18	0	65	85	32	113	30
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	1	1	1	0	3	2	0	3
SPECIAL ACTIONS	17	6	33	242	298	87	332	65
CRIMINAL	32	564	3	168	767	789	727	906
POST-CONV RELIEF	0	3	11	259	273	451	323	395
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION	3	35	1	31	70	47	92	57
JUVENILE	9	139	0	125	273	92	261	121
HABEAS CORPUS	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
UNEMPLOYMENT BOARD	0	10	2	394	406	169	312	89
TAX	7	0	0	2	9	12	9	7
CORP COMM/ELECTR POWER	0	1	0	2	3	0	1	5
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>1,128</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>1,753</b>	<b>3,118</b>	<b>2,399</b>	<b>3,020</b>	<b>2,438</b>

# COURT OF APPEALS, DIVISION 1

ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 2006–2011

CASES FILED AND TERMINATED



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**COURT OF APPEALS - DIVISION TWO**  
**Narrative Summary**

Division Two of the Court of Appeals experienced a decrease in case filings. In fiscal year 2011, total filings decreased by 2.5%, from 890 in FY 2010 to 868 in FY 2011. The most notable increase was in the Special Action case filing category which increased by 30.9%, from 81 filings in FY 2010 to 106 in FY 2011. Post conviction relief cases reported an decrease of 13.2%, from 182 in FY2010 to 158 in FY2011. Mental Health category increased from 5 in FY2010 to 15 in FY2011, an increase of 200.0%. Criminal cases reported a decrease of 6.1%, from 245 in FY2010 to 230 in FY2011.

Dispositions showed an increase of 5.5%, from 897 in FY 2010 to 946 in FY 2011. The largest increase was in the Civil case category, which went from 175 cases terminated in FY2010 to 210 cases terminated in FY2011, an increase of 20.0%.

The total pending caseload figure decreased from 733 on July 1, 2010 to 679 on June 30, 2011, a decrease of 7.4%. The Criminal and Civil case categories showed the greatest numerical change in pending caseload, decreasing by 30 (8.3%) and decreasing by 17 (10.5%) respectively, from the previous fiscal year.

A new mental health case filing category was added in fiscal year 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 2003, while Division Two began reporting sexual predator cases separately from mental health cases in fiscal year 2000.

COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY  
 FISCAL YEAR 2011  
 DIVISION TWO  
 ALL CASES ON FILE

TYPE OF ACTION	PENDING 7/1/2010	CASES FILED	REIN- STATED	TRANS- FER IN	TRANS- FER OUT	STAT ADJ	TOTAL CASES ON FILE	FISCAL YEAR 2010	
								PENDING 7/1/2009	CASES FILED
CIVIL	162	192	1	1	0	-1	355	135	199
RULE 29	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
SETTLEMENT CONF	17	21	0	0	0	0	38	10	24
MENTAL HEALTH	3	15	0	0	0	0	18	0	5
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	2	0	0	0	0	-2	0	4	1
SPECIAL ACTIONS	30	106	0	0	0	0	136	39	81
CRIMINAL	363	230	3	0	0	0	596	390	245
POST CONV RELIEF	46	158	1	0	0	0	205	29	182
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION	16	0	0	20	0	0	36	19	0
JUVENILE	85	145	0	0	0	0	230	85	142
HABEAS CORPUS	8	1	0	0	0	0	9	1	10
CORP COMM/ELECTR POWER	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>733</b>	<b>868</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>1,625</b>	<b>712</b>	<b>890</b>

COURT OF APPEALS CASE ACTIVITY  
FISCAL YEAR 2011  
DIVISION TWO

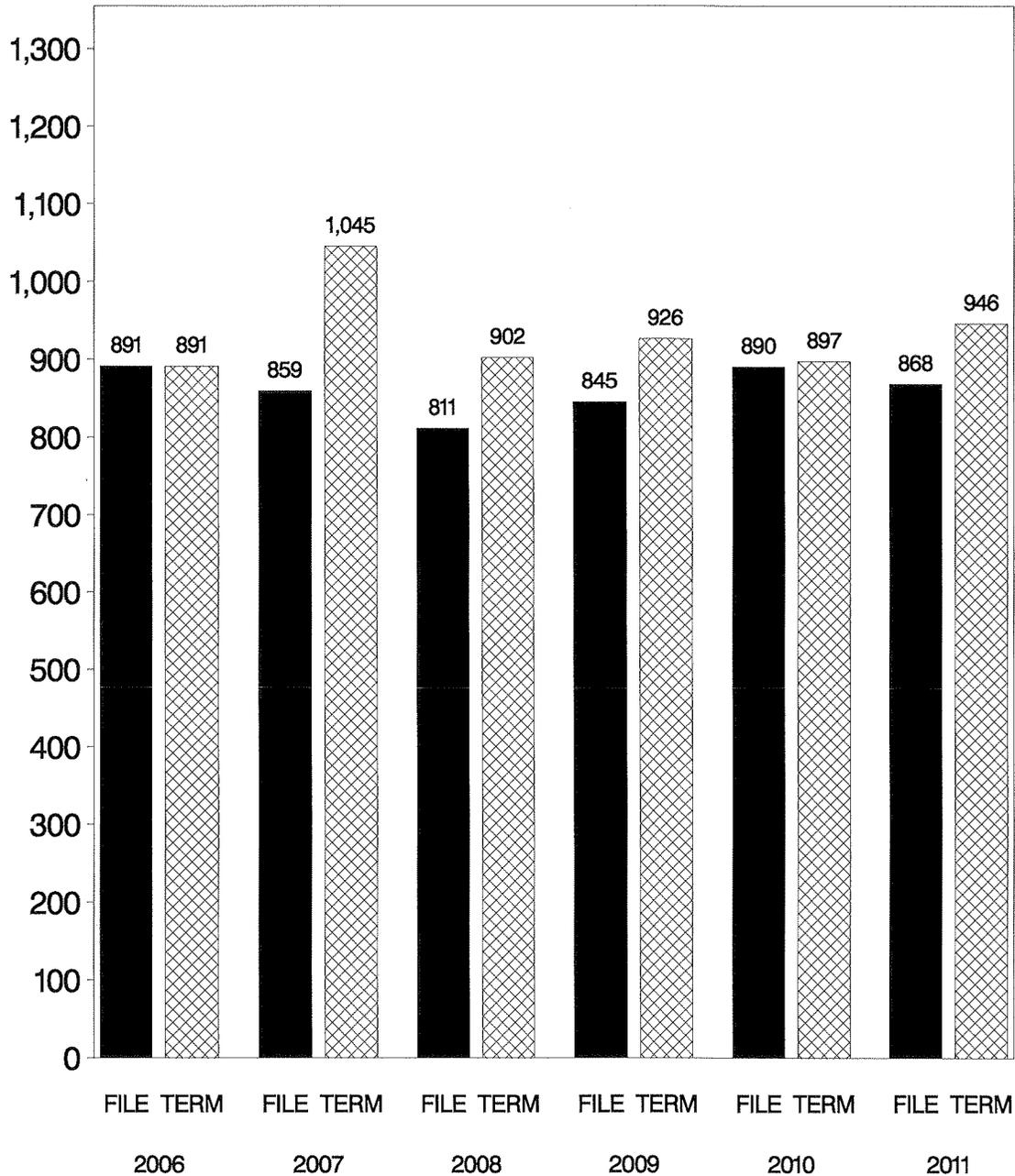
ALL CASES TERMINATED

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	WRITTEN OPINION	MEMO DECIS	ORDER	OTHER DECIS			TOTAL CASES TERM	PENDING 6/30/2010
CIVIL	15	113	0	82	210	145	175	162
RULE 29	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
SETTLEMENT CONF	0	0	0	11	11	27	17	17
MENTAL HEALTH	1	4	0	7	12	6	2	3
MH SEXUAL PREDATOR	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2
SPECIAL ACTIONS	5	1	7	85	98	38	91	30
CRIMINAL	19	205	0	39	263	333	277	363
POST-CONV RELIEF	5	153	0	18	176	29	168	46
INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION	0	6	0	8	14	22	19	16
JUVENILE	1	82	0	72	155	75	142	85
HABEAS CORPUS	0	3	0	2	5	4	3	8
CORP COMM/ELECTR POWER	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>567</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>946</b>	<b>679</b>	<b>897</b>	<b>733</b>

# COURT OF APPEALS, DIVISION 2

## ANNUAL CASE ACTIVITY, FY 2006–2011

### CASES FILED AND TERMINATED



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