

CLEVELAND HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL COURT

ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1990

SARA R. HUNTER, JUDGE

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STATE OF OHIO

40 SEVERANCE CIRCLE, CLEVELAND HEIGHTS, OHIO 44118-9988

Sara R. Hunter, *Judge*

Nancy S. Welchans, *Clerk*

Anthony C. Tomaro, *Bailiff*

To: Council of the City of Cleveland Heights
Board of Commissioners of Cuyahoga County

Annual Report for Year of 1990

(Pursuant to Section 1901.14, Ohio Revised Code)

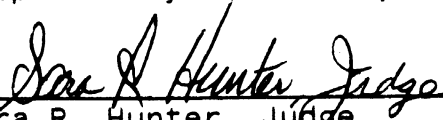
This report for 1990 is somewhat slimmer than in previous years. The end of the year saw the Court entering the computer age with a municipal court software system that integrates our various functions and offers increased information. The changeover left no time for some of the manual counting usually included in this report. Next year's report should be bigger and better.

Case filings as reported to the Supreme Court of Ohio are reported on two charts for 1990. One is new filings. The other shows new and reactivated cases. Reactivated criminal cases are those cases which had previously been reported as unavailable. The most frequent reason for unavailability is a warrant for failure to appear. These cases are reactivated when an arrest is made. Reactivated civil cases are those transferred from the small claims docket to the regular docket. The totals are slightly but not significantly higher than those of 1989.

Filings by charge are among the casualties of the conversion but will reappear next year, counted by computer.

In keeping with the community's concern with housing, the Court hired a new deputy bailiff to serve arrest warrants in housing cases. He is also responsible for courtroom security, a growing concern nationwide. This is the first uniformed and armed bailiff that the court has employed.

Respectfully submitted,



Sara R. Hunter, Judge

NEW CASES FILED-1990-FROM SUPREME COURT REPORT

	FELONY	MISD.	DWI	TRAFFIC	TORT CONTRACT	F.E.D.	OTHER CV	S.C.	TOTAL	
JAN	24	135	4	1411	15	98	34	80	42	1843
FEB	13	192	8	996	9	118	33	74	28	1471
MAR	18	254	6	1337	4	100	30	41	59	1849
APR	8	159	6	1248	11	105	29	66	39	1671
MAY	13	242	11	1201	8	68	31	59	40	1673
JUN	18	167	9	1190	8	102	36	72	61	1663
JUL	26	189	6	1098	6	55	35	77	48	1540
AUG	25	239	15	1747	5	147	22	56	58	2314
SEP	11	146	9	1448	4	56	36	43	39	1792
OCT	27	255	10	1510	8	127	38	60	43	2078
NOV	33	303	5	1319	2	63	26	68	54	1873
DEC	15	161	6	1554	5	51	27	53	31	1903
TOTAL	231	2442	95	16059	85	1090	377	749	542	21670

NEW CASES FILED AND REACTIVATED-1990--SUPREME COURT REPORT

	FELONY	MISD.	DWI	TRAFFIC	TORT CONTRACT	F.E.D.	OTHER CV	S.C.	TOTAL	
JAN	24	137	4	1440	16	99	34	80	42	1876
FEB	13	198	8	1033	9	118	33	74	28	1514
MAR	19	255	6	1423	4	100	30	41	59	1937
APR	8	165	6	1322	11	105	29	66	39	1751
MAY	13	242	12	1249	8	68	31	59	40	1722
JUN	18	176	9	1241	8	102	36	72	61	1723
JUL	26	189	6	1156	7	60	35	77	48	1604
AUG	25	239	15	1803	5	147	22	56	58	2370
SEP	11	146	9	1473	4	56	36	43	39	1817
OCT	27	257	10	1546	8	127	38	61	43	2117
NOV	33	307	5	1346	2	63	26	68	54	1904
DEC	15	166	6	1610	5	51	27	53	31	1964
TOTAL	232	2477	96	16642	87	1096	377	750	542	22299

CRIMINAL BRANCH

1990 RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1990 \$ 43,727.73

Receipts:

Traffic Fines	\$ 202,857.55	
Misdemeanor Fines	47,624.34	
Costs	29,915.96	
Housing - Special	7,123.00	
Reparations Rotary Fund	9,246.00	
General Revenue Fund	15,131.00	
Expungements	450.00	
Seat Belt Fines	840.00	
RRF-GRF Reserve	21,870.00	
Bad checks Redeemed	1,385.00	
Stale Checks	178.00	
Deposited	<u>1,021.00</u>	\$ 337,642.85
		<u>\$ 381,370.58</u>

Disbursements:

City of Cleveland Heights		
Fines and Costs	\$ 266,455.20	
Special Housing Costs	6,998.00	
Stale Checks	<u>178.00</u>	\$ 273,631.20
Cuyahoga County:		
Law Library Assessment	\$ 1,275.00	
RRF-GRF - Bind Overs	<u>2,430.00</u>	\$ 3,705.00
State of Ohio:		
Expungement Costs	\$ 390.00	
Reparations Rotary Fund	9,000.00	
General Revenue Fund	14,512.00	
Seat Belt Fines	<u>340.00</u>	\$ 24,242.00

Other:

Payment Refunds	\$ 532.93	
Bad Checks Not Redeemed	2,278.00	
Deposited in Wrong Account	230.00	
RRF-GRF Refunds	<u>9,607.00</u>	\$ 12,647.93
		\$ 314,226.13

Balance on Hand, December 31, 1990 67,144.45

\$ 381,370.58

CRIMINAL BONDS - 1990

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1990		\$ 40,197.66
Bonds Collected	\$ 217,902.55	
Credit Meno	666.20	<u>218,568.75</u>
		<u>\$ 258,766.41</u>

Disbursements:

Bond Refunds	\$ 131,848.00	
10% Bonds	18,767.50	
Bonds to Other Courts	5,753.55	
Bonds to Common Pleas	26,300.00	
Bond Forfeitures	23,332.50	
Check Order	146.21	
Stop Check Charge	30.00	
Duplicate Check	180.00	
Unclaimed Funds	<u>1,625.00</u>	\$ 207,982.76

Balance on Hand, December 31, 1990		<u>50,783.65</u>
		<u>\$ 258,766.41</u>

VIOLATION BUREAU - CRIMINAL DIVISION

1990

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1990

\$ 24,970.00

Collections:

Traffic Fines	\$ 393,419.41	
Traffic Costs	12,232.00	
Misdemeanor Fines	2,270.00	
Seat Belt Fines	11,900.00	
Reparation Rotary Fund	18,304.00	
General Revenue Fund	30,410.00	
Bad Checks Redeemed	2,007.00	
Stale Checks	<u>15.00</u>	<u>470,557.41</u>

\$ 495,527.41

Disbursements:

City of Cleveland Heights

Traffic Fines	401,801.41	
Traffic Costs	11,090.00	
Misdemeanor Fines	2,225.00	
Wrong Account	<u>160.00</u>	415,276.41

State of Ohio

Seat Belt Fines	11,710.00	
RRF	16,506.00	
GRF	<u>27,520.00</u>	55,736.00

Bad Checks Not Redeemed

2,565.00

Refunds

380.00

Stale Check

15.00

2,960.00

473,972.41

Balance on Hand, December 31, 1990

21,555.00

\$ 495,527.41

PARKING -1990

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1990 \$ 33,476.33

Collections:

Parking Fines	\$ 219,896.76	
Parkings Costs	219,896.75	
Bad Checks Redeemed	1,730.00	
Stale Checks	295.00	
Unclaimed Checks	40.00	
Bank Adjustment	13.47	441,871.98
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		\$ 475,348.31
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Disbursements:

City of Cleveland Heights:

Parking Fines	\$219,169.87	
Parking Costs	219,169.84	438,339.71
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Bad Checks not redeemed	3,305.00	
Refunds	2,562.00	
Stale Checks	295.00	
Unclaimed Checks	40.00	
Bank Credit Adjustment	5.00	6,207.00
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		\$ 444,546.71

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1991 30,801.60
\$ 475,348.31

CLEVELAND HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL COURT
CIVIL BRANCH
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Balance on hand, January 1, 1990 \$ 17,939.90

Receipts:

Costs	\$114,271.00
Judgments	292,117.48
Jurors fees	-0-
State costs	5,009.00
Other monies on deposit	<u>177,828.47</u>

589,225.95

Total

607,165.85

Disbursements:

City of Cleveland Heights	114,767.62
Judgments	292,117.48
Jurors fees	-0-
State costs	5,011.38
Returned to depositor	<u>167,015.12</u>

578,911.60

Total

28,254.25

Balance on hand, December 31, 1990

607,165.85

CASES FILED

Cognovits	1
Transfers	677
Contracts	1038
Small Claims	511
Torts	80
Replevins	2
Forcible Entries	350
License Suspensions	<u>19</u>

Total

2678

CIVIL CONTINUED

Proceedings after Judgment:

Garnishments	5337	
Levies	40	
Certificate of Judgment	<u>281</u>	
Total		5658
		<u> </u>
Motions		245
Weddings		40

TRUSTEESHIP

Pending - January 1, 1990	6	
Reinstated cases	<u>2</u>	
		8
		<u> </u>
Cases disposed of:		
At debtor's request	1	
For non-compliance	2	
Filed bankruptcy	1	
Paid in full	<u>1</u>	
Total		5
		<u> </u>
Pending December 31, 1990	<u>3</u>	
		8
		<u> </u>
Balance on hand - January 1, 1990	\$ 3,384.15	
Receipts - 1990	<u>20,374.39</u>	
Total		\$23,758.54
		<u> </u>
Returned to depositor	\$ 23.10	
Disbursements to creditors	19,786.35	
Costs paid to city	<u>482.09</u>	
Total disbursements		\$20,291.54
Balance on hand - December 31, 1990		<u>3,467.00</u>
Total		\$23,758.54
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LANDLORD - TENANT

Cases pending - January 1, 1990	3	
Cases filed	<u>9</u>	<u>12</u>
Cases disposed of	9	
Cases pending - December 31, 1990	<u>3</u>	<u>12</u>
Balance on hand - January 1, 1990	\$ 2,318.30	
Total receipts - 1990	<u>8,065.00</u>	<u>\$10,383.30</u>
Disbursements to landlords	\$ 7,024.05	
Disbursements to tenants	99.00	
Costs paid to city	82.45	
Other payments ordered by Court	<u>1,197.90</u>	
Total Disbursements		\$ 8,403.40
Balance on hand		<u>1,979.90</u>
Total		<u>\$10,383.30</u>

SERVING THE COURT IN AN OFFICIAL CAPACITY AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1990
WERE:

Sara R. Hunter, Judge
Nancy S. Welchans, Clerk of Court
Anthony C. Tomaro, Bailiff

Manuel M. Rucker, Assigned Judge
Glenn Billington, Acting Judge
Janet R. Burnside, Acting Judge
Bernard B. Drenfeld, Acting Judge
Ranelle Gamble, Acting Judge
Mark L. Hoffman, Acting Judge
Dennis J. Niermann, Acting Judge

David Goodwin, Referee
Georgeann Schmidt, Referee

Elaine Pearse, Deputy Bailiff
Nancy A. Simpson, Deputy Bailiff
Kenneth Sutherland, Deputy Bailiff

JoAnn Gallitto, Chief Deputy Clerk, Civil Division
Patricia M. Wokety, Chief Deputy Clerk, Criminal Division

Ruth Andreano, Deputy Clerk
Hazel Grant, Deputy Clerk
Irene Humanchuk, Deputy Clerk
Ann Ludwig, Deputy Clerk
Jeanette Politi, Deputy Clerk
Belinda Ross, Deputy Clerk
Rochelle Smith, Deputy Clerk
Diane Williams, Deputy Clerk
Louise Zito, Deputy Clerk
Frances Barnett, Part Time Clerical Assistant
Dorothy Horton, Part Time Deputy Clerk
Joye Wilson, Part Time Clerical Assistant

John Gustat, Housing Specialist
William Uzl, Law Clerk

James Miller, Chief Probation Officer
Valinda Tyus-Garner, Probation Officer
Celeste Corbin, Probation Secretary

This report covers all operations and costs of the Cleveland Heights Municipal Court as verily prepared.



Sara R. Hunter, Judge

APPENDIX:

The following are volunteers who served Cleveland Heights Municipal Court during 1990:

Gary Axner and Robert Vecchio served as referees,

Pauline Chavis served through the Retired Seniors Volunteer Program.

Two deputy clerks, Pricilla Carter and Andrea Slosar, resigned during 1990 and one, Louise Zito, was hired. Frances Barnett and Joye Wilson were hired part time in the Clerk's Office. A new deputy bailiff, Kenneth Sutherland, was hired to serve housing warrants and provide security in the courtroom.