# JUDICIARY OF GUAM Annual Report

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Message from the Chief Justice and the Administrator of the Courts

## Håfa Adai!

On behalf of the Judiciary of Guam, it is our privilege to present our 2017 Annual Report. The report highlights many of the initiatives undertaken by the Judiciary in the past year. We take this occasion to both celebrate the many goals we have achieved and resolve anew to accomplish those tasks that remain.

During 2017, the Judiciary continued its active involvement in a wide range of efforts to improve the delivery of justice in Guam. We implemented the Driving While Impaired (DWI) Treatment Court in an effort to reduce the recidivism rate among DWI offenders. The newly launched Guam Family Recovery Program assists families in cases of child abuse and neglect stemming from parental substance abuse. Our new Guam Immediate Violation Enforcement (GIVE) Program imposes swift, certain and fair sanctions for defendants with drug offenses who violate the conditions of their probation. Answering the nationwide call to action in civil justice reform, we began the development of an action plan for improving the management of civil cases in our trial courts.

In an ever-changing world, we are constantly confronted with new challenges to maintaining a fair, efficient, and responsive system of justice on our island. Guam faces financial challenges at a time when the legal needs of the people—and the growing demands on our courts—are greater than ever. Despite these challenges, our dedicated judicial officers, court managers, and staff strive every day to foster excellence and fulfill our core mission—to administer justice by interpreting and upholding the laws, resolving disputes in a timely manner, and providing accessible, efficient, and effective court services. We are confident that through our shared commitment to the cause of justice, we will continue to expand and improve our service to the people of Guam.

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KATHERINE A. MARAMAN Chief Justice of Guam



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# COURT GOVERNANCE AND ADMINISTRATION



# Judicial Council of Guam

The Judicial Council of Guam is the governing body of the Judiciary of Guam. Pursuant to law, it is composed of all full-time justices of the Supreme Court, the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court, and a delegated Superior Court judge. The current composition of the Judicial Council was created in 2003, and in 2004, in Public Law 108-378, Congress amended the Organic Act of Guam, declaring the judicial branch a separate and co-equal branch of the Government of Guam. Under 48 U.S.C. § 1421-1(b), the Chief Justice of Guam retains all supervisory authority of the judicial branch. With the advice of the Judicial Council, the Chief Justice governs the divisions and offices within the Judiciary of Guam.

The Judicial Council holds regular monthly meetings. Public notice is provided of all regular meetings, and any interested person may attend to learn more about the challenges facing the Judiciary as it ensures the fair administration of justice to the people of Guam.

In 2017, the Judicial Council adopted 29 resolutions, which are available for review on the Judiciary of Guam website. These resolutions addressed governance of the judicial branch, including:

- Approval of the appointment of a new Marshal of the Court
- Approval of the FY2018 Judiciary of Guam budget
- Recommendation to the Supreme Court of Guam that the DWI docket of the Superior Court of Guam be converted to a treatment court

#### Members of the Judicial Council of Guam:

Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman, Chairwoman Justice F. Philip Carbullido Justice Robert J. Torres Presiding Judge Alberto C. Lamorena III Judge Arthur R. Barcinas



# Administrative Office of the Courts

The Administrative Office of the Courts has the primary responsibility of ensuring the efficient and effective operations of the Judiciary of Guam, providing services to both the Supreme and Superior Courts. The Administrative Office oversees the following five divisions of the Judiciary: Court Administrative Services (Court Programs, Human Resources, Financial Management, Management Information Systems, and Procurement & Facilities Management), Client Services & Family Counseling, Probation Services, Marshal Services, and Courts & Ministerial.

#### The Administrative Office of the Courts consists of:

John Q. Lizama, Administrator of the Courts Robert Cruz, Deputy Administrative Director of the Courts Eulogio S. "Shawn" Gumataotao, Director of Policy, Planning and Community Relations Sophia Santos Diaz, Staff Attorney for the Unified Judiciary of Guam Kristina L. Baird, Staff Attorney for the Unified Judiciary of Guam



#### Justices of the Supreme Court of Guam

Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman joined the Supreme Court of Guam in 2008 and was sworn in as Chief Justice on January 17, 2017. She is the first female Chief Justice of Guam. Prior to her appointment to the Supreme Court, she served as a Judge for the Superior Court of Guam for 14 years.

Chief Justice Maraman serves as a part-time Associate Justice for the Supreme Court of Palau and as Justice Pro Tempore for the Supreme Court of the CNMI. She currently chairs the Drafting & Grading Committee for the Guam Board of Law Examiners, the Judiciary's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan Focus Area on Employee Excellence and Satisfaction, the Security and Emergency Committee, and the Criminal Justice Automation Commission. Additionally, Chief Justice Maraman chairs the Judiciary's subcommittee on Rules of Criminal Procedure and co-chairs the subcommittees on Criminal Jury Instructions, Rules of Evidence, and Rules of Civil Procedure. She is also an Adjunct Professor at the University of Guam.

Chief Justice Maraman received a B.A. in Economics, cum laude, from Colorado College and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of New Mexico.

Associate Justice F. Philip Carbullido was appointed to the Supreme Court of Guam in 2000 and served as Chief Justice for three terms.

Justice Carbullido presently serves as chair of the Education Committee of the Pacific Judicial Council (PJC), which consists of the Chief Justices of Guam, the CNMI, Palau, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and American Samoa. The PJC provides training for judicial officers and administrators throughout the Pacific. Additionally, he previously served as Vice President and as a member of the Board of Directors of the Conference of Chief Justices, a forum comprised of the highest judicial officers of the United States, its commonwealths, and its territories. Justice Carbullido continues to serve as Justice Pro Tempore for the Supreme Court of the CNMI. He chairs the Judiciary's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan Focus Area on Effective Case Management and Timely Resolution as well as the subcommittee on the Guam Rules of Appellate Procedure.

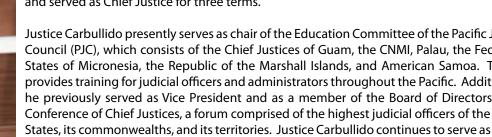
Justice Carbullido received his B.S. in Political Science in 1975 from the University of Oregon and his Juris Doctor degree in 1978 from the University of California, Davis School of Law. He and his wife Fay have four children and one grandson, Kellan Philip.



Associate Justice Robert J. Torres, Jr. was appointed to the Supreme Court of Guam in 2004 and completed his second term as Chief Justice in January 2017.

Justice Torres is President-Elect of the American Judges Association and serves on its Executive Committee and Board of Governors. Over the past few years, he has been selected by the National Center for State Courts to educate and assess the courts in various developing countries in Asia and the Pacific, lecturing in more than 20 countries on a variety of subjects including the International Framework for Court Excellence, cultural competency, court community communication, alternative dispute resolution, technology, and judicial ethics and discipline. Justice Torres also serves as Justice Pro Tempore for the Supreme Court of the CNMI and chairs various Judiciary subcommittees.

Justice Torres received a B.B.A. in Accounting (magna cum laude; Beta Gamma Sigma; Beta Alpha Psi) in 1980 from the University of Notre Dame, a Juris Doctor degree from Harvard Law School in 1985, and was awarded a Doctor of Laws (LL.D.), Honoris Causa, from the University of Cebu and from Centro Escolar University in the Philippines. He and his wife, Mary, have three children and nine grandchildren.









#### Judges of the Superior Court of Guam

**Presiding Judge Alberto C. Lamorena III** presides over the Superior Court of Guam and is a member and former chairman of the Judicial Council, the Guam Public Defender Service Corporation Board of Trustees, and the Guam Board of Law Examiners. He also is a member of the Committee on Judicial Discipline. He previously served as chairman of the Criminal Justice Automation Commission, which he founded, as chairman of the Board of Directors for the Guam Legal Services Corporation, and as a member of the Committee on Attorney Discipline for the U.S. District Court of Guam under the late Judge Cristobal C. Duenas. Prior to his appointment to the bench in 1988, he maintained a private practice and was an accomplished legislator serving in leadership positions, such as Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means and Minority Leader, in the 15th through 19th Guam Legislatures. He established the Pacific Judicial Council in 1991, whose membership includes justices and judges from jurisdictions in the Western Pacific. He was elected as PJC's first President and was reelected three times thereafter. He currently serves as PJC's Treasurer.

Presiding Judge Lamorena initiated the concept of therapeutic courts in Guam. He established the Adult Drug Court, Family Violence Court, Mental Health Court, and DWI Treatment Court; served as chairman of the task force to create the Veterans Treatment Court; and created the Adult Reentry Court for high- and medium-risk offenders who are likely to recidivate, the Family Drug Court for families in need of services, and the GIVE Program for defendants with multiple probation violations. He currently presides over General Jurisdiction cases, DWI Treatment Court, and Adult Reentry Court. He co-chairs the Judiciary's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan Focus Area on Court Partnerships and Community Relations, and he chairs the Criminal Sexual Offender Management Committee.

Presiding Judge Lamorena received a B.A. in Political Science from the University of Illinois, Urbana in 1971, a B.A. in Accounting from the University of Texas, Austin in 1974, and his J.D. from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa in 1977. He also received an honorary Doctor of Law degree from the University of Guam in 1997 in recognition of his distinguished service towards the advancement of the People of Guam. He is active in various civic and community organizations, and was recognized by the Lions Club International Foundation as a Melvin Jones Fellow for dedicated humanitarian services.

Judge Michael J. Bordallo was appointed to the Superior Court of Guam in 1998. Prior to joining the Judiciary, Judge Bordallo was a private practitioner for nine years and also served as an Assistant Attorney General for Guam. He currently presides over General Jurisdiction cases, Juvenile Drug Court cases and other juvenile matters. He serves on the Juvenile Justice Community Supervision Taskforce's subcommittee on Juvenile Probation Review and Reform Efforts. He serves as co-chairperson of the Judiciary's subcommittees on Civil Jury Instructions and Alternative Dispute Resolution, as well as the Guam Board of Law Examiners Drafting and Grading Committee. He also chairs the Judiciary's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan Focus Area on Access to Courts and Delivery of Services. He previously served as President of the Board of Trustees for the Guam Law Library.

Judge Bordallo received a B.B.A. in 1983 and a J.D. in 1987 from the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana. Judge Bordallo believes in remaining part of the community and has been actively involved in the local soccer community, having served as its President, Vice President, and General Secretary of the Guam Football Association. He currently serves as Chairman of its Disciplinary Committee and as a Match Commissioner for the AFC and FIFA.

Judge Anita A. Sukola maintained a private practice for nearly 11 years and was a full-time Assistant Professor at the University of Guam prior to her judicial appointment in 2002. Judge Sukola's public service includes: Director of Education (1989-1991); Deputy Director of Education (1987-1988); and Attorney at the Public Defender's Office. She has also served as legal counsel for the Port Authority of Guam Board of Directors and the Chamorro Land Trust Commission, as well as Staff Attorney to Senator Don Parkinson (17th Guam Legislature).

Judge Sukola currently presides over General Jurisdiction cases and the Adult Drug Court. She co-chairs the Judiciary's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan Focus Area on Access to Courts and Delivery of Services.

Judge Sukola obtained a B.A. in History and Secondary Education from Washington State University in 1973 and a J.D. from the People's College of Law in 1983.



Judge Arthur R. Barcinas has served as a judge of the Superior Court of Guam since 2005. He maintained a private practice for 14 years prior to his judicial service, and he served as a Hearings Officer for Small Claims Court, as Traffic Court Judge Pro Tempore, and as an Administrative Hearings Officer prior to becoming a judge. He also served as legal counsel to Governor Felix P. Camacho and as Chairman of the Chamorro Land Trust Commission Board of Directors.

Judge Barcinas currently presides over General Jurisdiction cases. He is a member of the Judicial Council, and he co-chairs the Judiciary's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan Focus Area on Facilities and Security, and the subcommittee on Rules Governing the Admission to the Practice of Law and the Rules for the Discipline of Attorneys. Additionally, he is a member of the subcommittees on Pro Se Litigation, Criminal Jury Instructions, Rules of Civil Procedure & Rules of Court Revision, and E-Filing Rules.

Judge Barcinas received a B.S. in Political Science from the University of Hawaii at Manoa in 1986 and a J.D. from Gonzaga University School of Law in 1989.

Judge Vernon P. Perez was appointed to the Superior Court of Guam in 2008. He began his legal career as an Assistant Attorney General in the Family Division of the Office of the Attorney General of Guam. In 2002, he became a Deputy Judge Advocate General with the Guam National Guard. He also served in the public sector as: Executive Director of the Guam Civil Service Commission; Legislative Assistant to Senator Felix P. Camacho; Press Secretary to Congressman Ben Blaz in the U.S. House of Representatives; and Math and English teacher at F.B. Leon Guerrero Middle School.

Judge Perez currently presides over General Jurisdiction cases and is assigned the Family Violence Court docket, which includes all family violence related felony, misdemeanor, domestic, and protective order cases. He co-chairs the Judiciary's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan Focus Area on Employee Excellence and Satisfaction and the subcommittee on E-Filing Rules. He is also the President of the Guam Law Library Board of Trustees.

Judge Perez obtained a B.A. from the University of California, San Diego in 1987 and a J.D. from the University of Hawaii William S. Richardson School of Law in 1997.

Judge Maria Teresa Bonifacio Cenzon was appointed to the Superior Court of Guam in 2012 and is the first Filipina-American to serve on the bench in Guam courts. She has over a decade of experience in the private sector, where she served as counsel to large local and international corporations as well as some of the largest agencies of the Government of Guam. Her private practice concentrated on commercial and transactional law. Her previous civic involvement included serving as a member of the Guam Chamber of Commerce and its Armed Forces Committee, an allied member of the Guam Hotel and Restaurant Association, a member and Secretary of the Guam Bar Association Board of Governors, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Guam Legal Services Corporation—Disability Law Center.

Judge Cenzon presides over General Jurisdiction cases, Mental Health Court, and the Veterans Treatment Court, which she launched in 2015. She co-chairs the Judiciary's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan Focus Area on Court Partnerships and Community Relations.

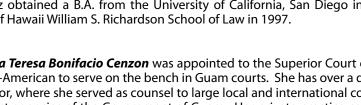
Judge Cenzon received her B.A. from Marguette University and her J.D. from Loyola University Chicago School of Law. In 2014, the Filipina Women's Network named Judge Cenzon as one of the 100 Most Influential Filipina Women in the World. She is a member of the Guam National Sports Shooting Federation and the Guam National Team in Shooting, winning Gold and Silver in the 2015 Pacific Games in Papua New Guinea.



Judge Elyze M. Iriarte was appointed to the Superior Court of Guam in 2016 after 15 years of practice in the private sector. She began her legal career as a law clerk at the District Court of Guam. As an associate, partner and a founding partner, her private practice experience focused predominantly in civil litigation, with notable cases in the employment law sector. She also has experience in criminal law and federal criminal cases, including the District Court of Guam's first sequestered jury.

Judge Iriarte has served on the U.S. District Court of Guam Committee to Reappoint the Magistrate Judge, the U.S. District Court Committee on Local Rules of Practice for Civil Procedure, the Judiciary of Guam's Committee for Revision of the Local Rules of Practice for Civil Procedure, Pro Bono Rules Committee, and the Committee for Rules on E-Filing. She serves on the Juvenile Justice Community Supervision Taskforce's subcommittee on Family Engagement/Disproportionate Minority Population. Currently, she presides over General Jurisdiction cases and juvenile matters.

Judge Iriarte earned her B.A. in Law Letters & Society from the University of Chicago in 1998. She obtained her J.D. in 2001 from the University of Southern California School of Law, where she was the articles editor for the Southern California Review of Law & Women's Studies. She is admitted to practice law in Guam, California, Hawaii, Republic of Palau, and Northern Mariana Islands.





## Other Judicial Officers of the Superior Court of Guam



**Magistrate Judge Benjamin C. Sison, Jr.** was appointed to the Superior Court of Guam in 2016. Prior to his appointment as Magistrate Judge, he served as a part-time Referee presiding over traffic and small claims cases. He also actively practiced law from 1994, and served as a full-time Assistant Professor in the Criminal Justice and Social Sciences Department and adjunct Professor for the Business Department of the Guam Community College from 2008. Between 1990 and 1992, he served as an Assistant Attorney General for the Washington State Attorney General's Office.

Magistrate Judge Sison received a B.S. in Biology in 1986 from the University of Hawaii at Manoa; a J.D. in 1990 from Boston College Law School; an M.B.A. in 1994 from Seattle University Albers School of Business; and an LL.M. in 2004 from the University of Washington School of Law.



**Family Court Referee Linda L. Ingles** began her career at the Superior Court of Guam in 1993 as a Judge Pro Tempore adjudicating cases in Small Claims and Traffic Court, as well as domestic and family court matters. In 1995, she assumed the position of Administrative Hearings Officer, presiding over the Judicial Hearings Division of the Superior Court of Guam and providing expedited adjudication of child support matters. She also has served as a Judge Pro Tempore during the vacancy of a Superior Court judge. She currently presides over juvenile status offender cases, persons in need of services cases, and designated family court matters. She co-chairs the Judiciary's 2016-2019 Strategic Plan Focus Area on Court Partnerships and Community Relations.

Referee Ingles' legal career began as a law clerk for the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court of Guam and as an Assistant Public Defender. Prior to taking the bench, she practiced extensively in both the private and public sector. As a founding partner of the law firm of Lamorena & Ingles, P.C., she litigated a multitude of civil, domestic and criminal matters. She also served the public in various capacities as legal counsel to the Governor of Guam, counsel for Guam Housing Corporation and for Senators of the Guam Legislature.

Referee Ingles obtained a B.S. in Political Science from the University of Oregon and a J.D. from Whittier College School of Law.



**Administrative Hearings Officer B. Ann Keith** was appointed to the Judicial Hearings Division of the Superior Court of Guam in 2016 to adjudicate child support cases on a full-time basis. Since moving to Guam in 1984, she has held positions at the District Court of Guam, the Office of the Attorney General, and the Supreme Court of Guam. Prior to her appointment as hearings officer, she was the Judiciary's Staff Attorney for nine years.

Administrative Hearings Officer Keith graduated magna cum laude and Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Colorado at Boulder, and received her law degree from the University of Tulsa College of Law. She is a member of the Muscogee (Creek) Nation, a federally-recognized Native American tribe.

# **2017 YEAR IN REVIEW**

#### Installation of Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman

Guam made history as our first female Chief Justice was sworn in on January 17, 2017. The Honorable Katherine A. Maraman is the first woman to serve as Chief Justice in Guam and Micronesia. During remarks at her installation ceremony, Chief Justice Maraman highlighted the various leadership roles women are playing in the judiciary and in other government organizations across the region.

"I hope for the day when there will have been so many women in these government positions that we no longer can name them or count them on both hands. I am encouraged and believe that more young Guamanian and Micronesia women are aspiring to positions of leadership just as young Guamanian and Micronesian men do. It all begins with the desire to serve, and the belief that you can—serve your families, your people, your island—to make them better."

Chief Justice Maraman expressed that she will be relying on her fellow judicial officers and the employees of the Judiciary of Guam to enhance the rule of law throughout the island.



#### **Stakeholder Recognition Ceremony**

At a special recognition ceremony held in January 2017, the Judiciary of Guam expressed its appreciation to government agencies, community organizations, and law enforcement entities, whose cooperative efforts ensure the fair and efficient administration of justice in Guam. The highlight of the ceremony was the presentation of plaques and framed certificates to stakeholder organizations and their representatives. Mistresses of Ceremonies, Superior Court Judge Maria T. Cenzon and Family Court Referee Linda L. Ingles, described the contributions made by each organization, including:



- Department of Public Health and Social Services, for supporting the Judiciary's efforts to establish the Guam Adult Reentry Court Program and Family Drug Court;
- Guam Homeland Security/Office of Civil Defense, for its instrumental role in securing federal funding for off-island anti-terrorism training;
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Community-Based Outpatient Clinic, for its partnership with the Judiciary in implementing the Veterans Treatment Court; and
- Elim Pacific Ministries Oasis Empowerment Center, for providing residential treatment services for female Adult Drug Court participants needing a more intensive program.

Through its collaborative relationships with these organizations, the Judiciary can continue to work towards providing a judicial process that is fair, a rehabilitative perspective that promotes reentry into the law-abiding community, and especially, the safety of the people of Guam.





#### **New Judicial Education Center Opens Doors**

An exponential growth in the Judiciary's education, training and career development programs over the years made the establishment of a dedicated training space a top priority in 2017. The Judiciary was fortunate to lease a portion of the Guam Law Library to create a new Judicial Education Center, which opened its doors with a ribbon-cutting ceremony in April 2017. This facility, which can accommodate up to 100 people, offers a computer lab, a conference room, two classrooms, office space for education staff, restrooms, and a break room.





#### 2017 State of the Judiciary Address

On May 2, 2017, Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman delivered her first State of the Judiciary address. The event was attended by island dignitaries, court staff, and honored guests, and was held at the newly renovated Guam Congress Building, a place Chief Justice Maraman first visited over 40 years ago as a young practicing attorney. Chief Justice Maraman described her plans for the Judiciary over the next three years and highlighted the Judiciary's recent accomplishments, emphasizing the Judiciary's unique role in promoting public safety and the rule of law.

"We cannot forget that, in the midst of all our reform efforts, community outreach initiatives, and therapeutic models of justice, the core of our mission still rests largely in the "traditional" work that we do inside the courtrooms—adjudicating persons charged with crimes, and resolving disputes between private citizens. Our efforts spent in fulfilling this mission are a crucial component in promoting the rule of law, and ultimately, public safety. My predecessors, in past addresses, have expounded on the critical function our branch serves in ensuring law and order. And I stress this to you again. Without a stable court system and the technical infrastructure to support it, public safety will be diminished."



## Judiciary Holds First Institute for Court Management (ICM) Course

In May 2017, select Judiciary employees, including judicial officers, managers, supervisors, and members of the inaugural University of Guam – Judiciary of Guam Master of Public Administration Cohort, attended the National Center for State Courts ICM course, "Purposes and Responsibilities of Courts." Certified course instructor, Attorney Danielle T. Rosete (Superior Court Clerk of Court), taught the two-day course, which provided a historical and societal context for the development of the American court system. The course provided participants an opportunity to study and devise strategies to align the performance, structure, operations, and processes of their court with court purposes.







# Twelve Receive MPA with an Emphasis on Judicial Administration

At a formal hooding ceremony on May 17, 2017, twelve employees received a Master of Public Administration (MPA) with an Emphasis on Judicial Administration. Through a partnership with the University of Guam School of Business and Public Administration, and as part of the Judiciary's commitment to giving employees opportunities to advance in their training and education, the cohort met every Friday evening and every Saturday for one year to complete the twelve-course program.

# Goodwill Ambassador Award Presented to Judge Anita A. Sukola

On May 24, 2017, Judge Anita A. Sukola was awarded the Goodwill Ambassador Award for Juvenile Justice from ICAREGUAM. The award was presented during a ceremony at the Guam Legislature. Judge Sukola was nominated by Annie F.B. Unpingco of the Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center for her continued efforts in promoting the System of Care model and the associated professional and cultural sensitivities in her courtroom in juvenile cases.







#### **Judiciary Receives Fourth Pro Patria Award**

For the fourth year in a row, the Judiciary received the Pro Patria Award presented by the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) Guam-CNMI Committee. This award is presented to one small, one large, and one public sector employer who has demonstrated the greatest support to Guard and Reserve employees through leadership and practices that make it easier for employees to participate in the National Guard and Reserve. It is the highest level award bestowed by the ESGR Guam-CNMI Committee. The award was presented during the ESGR's 8th Annual Employer Awards Gala in June 2017.

#### **Employees Lend a Hand at Neighborhood School**

Rain didn't stop dozens of court employees from helping Agana Heights Elementary School get ready for the new school year. On July 29, 2017, the employees prepared trees on campus, and cleaned and painted sidewalks, decks, and benches for the incoming Bumblebees. The event was a community service project spearheaded by the court's Employee Recognition Program. Principal Hannah Gutierrez extended her thanks for the hard work of the Judiciary employees, and appreciated the renewed partnership with the Judiciary.



#### **Guam Immediate Violation Enforcement (GIVE) Program**

In July 2017, the Judiciary launched the GIVE Program, which imposes graduated sanctions for traditional probationers with drug offenses who violate their conditions. The goal of the program is to increase public safety and improve the outcome of probation for those who participate in the program. The program is funded through a federal grant from the U.S. Department of Justice and is modeled after the Hawaii Opportunity Probation with Enforcement program (Project HOPE).

## **Pacific Judicial Council**

The Pacific Judicial Council (PJC) is a regional organization of judicial officers from: Guam; the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) and the states of Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei, and Yap; American Samoa; and the Republic of Palau. PJC provides educational and training opportunities to the judicial officers, administrators, and employees of the PJC's member jurisdictions.

PJC training events in 2017 included:

- Probation Officer Training, June 5-7, 2017, in Guam
- Biennial Conference, September 26-29, 2017, in Saipan
- Environmental Law & Science Conference, November 13-17, 2017, in Guam













#### **Judiciary Supervisors Honored as Patriotic Bosses**

In August 2017, several Judiciary of Guam supervisors were recognized by the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) Guam-CNMI Committee as Patriotic Bosses for contributing to national security and protecting liberty and freedom by supporting employee participation in the National Guard and Reserve. The supervisors were nominated for the award by service-member employees, and the awards were presented by the ESGR Committee in a special ceremony at the courthouse.



#### Justice Robert J. Torres Named American Judges Association President-Elect

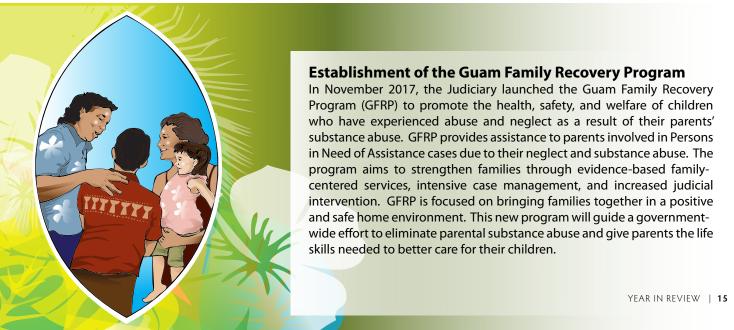
In September 2017, Supreme Court of Guam Associate Justice Robert J. Torres was selected by the members of the American Judges Association (AJA) as its President-Elect. An Executive Committee Member of the AJA since 2016, Justice Torres is the first member from a U.S. Territory to be elected President. Justice Torres was selected to the Executive Board of the AJA in 2016 by then-AJA President Russell Otter following his election to the organization's Board of Governors. At over 3,000 members, the AJA is the largest judges' organization in North America, representing all levels of courts and jurisdictions in the United States and its territories, Canada, and Mexico.





#### **Judiciary Website Takes on a New Look**

In October 2017, the Judiciary unveiled a new look for its website, www.guamcourts.org. The update included a launch of a mobile version of the website, providing a more streamlined, interactive and user-friendly platform for those who access the site on smart-phones and tablets. The website provides links to the most common online legal resources, as well as links to the Judiciary's social media feeds.



#### **Veterans and Military Service Recognition Ceremony**

On November 9, 2017, the Judiciary held its annual ceremony to recognize its employees who are veterans of various branches of the military as well as those who are currently serving as Guardsmen and Reservists. The ceremony featured the unveiling of a new Judiciary of Guam Veterans Pin and performance of patriotic music by the Guam Territorial Band.













#### **Civil Justice Reform**

In May 2017, Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman and Superior Court Clerk of Court, Attorney Danielle T. Rosete, attended the National Center for State Courts Civil Justice Summit to learn about civil reform efforts in other jurisdictions and to develop an action plan for improving the management of civil cases filed in the Superior Court. Following the recommendations from the Civil Justice Improvements Committee, the establishment of a Civil Case Management Team (CCMT) is underway, including the creation and recruitment of a Civil Case Manager. The CCMT, comprised of General Jurisdiction judges and court staff, will undertake a review of civil and domestic cases in the Superior Court.

#### **DWI Treatment Court Implementation**

In July 2017, the Judiciary formally implemented the Driving While Impaired (DWI) Treatment Court. Judiciary leaders, along with Melynda Benjamin of the National Drug Court Institute and Cliff Jacobs of the National Center for DWI Courts, met with the Governor of Guam and leaders of the Guam Legislature to discuss the formal implementation of the treatment court. In November 2017, the visiting team held technical assistance meetings with the Judiciary, executive branch agencies, and DWI Treatment Court stakeholders.



#### **New Appointments**



#### John Q. Lizama, Administrator of the Courts

In May 2017, Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman, with approval from the Judicial Council of Guam, appointed John Lizama as the new Administrator of the Courts. Prior to his appointment, Lizama served as Chief Probation Officer for the Judiciary of Guam – a position he held since 2001. His government career has spanned three decades and includes work at the Guam Department of Youth Affairs and the Guam Department of Corrections. He is a retired Lieutenant Colonel of the U.S. Army Reserve, and served one active duty tour in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2006.



#### Eulogio S. "Shawn" Gumataotao, Director of Policy, Planning and Community Relations

In May 2017, Shawn Gumataotao joined the Judiciary as the Director of Policy, Planning and Community Relations. Having served as Deputy Chief of Staff and Director of Policy for former Guam Governor Felix P. Camacho from 2003 – 2010, Gumataotao comes to the Judiciary from GET, LLC, a Guam-based consulting and construction materials company. An award-winning television news reporter and videographer, Gumataotao is also an Adjunct Instructor at the University of Guam in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences – Division of Communications and Fine Arts.

#### Kristina L. Baird, Staff Attorney

In May 2017, Attorney Kristina Baird joined the Administrative Office of the Courts as a Staff Attorney for the Judiciary of Guam. With over 25 years of experience, Attorney Baird has a diverse and distinct employment background with extensive commercial and litigation experience in both the private and public sector. She has a Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Taxation and is admitted to practice law in four jurisdictions.

#### Troy D.M. Pangelinan, Marshal of the Court

In January 2017, Troy Pangelinan was appointed to serve as Marshal of the Court. Prior to his appointment, Pangelinan served as a Deputy Marshal Supervisor for the Judiciary of Guam. A decorated law enforcement officer, Pangelinan's career with the Judiciary of Guam's Marshals division spans 20 years.



#### Retirements

The Superior Court of Guam's first appointed Magistrate Judge,

Alberto E. Tolentino, retired at the conclusion of his second four-year appointment as Magistrate. First appointed as Magistrate in 2009, his 16 years in the Government of Guam included service as Chief Deputy Attorney General of Guam and as the Ethics Prosecutor.

Nine other Judiciary employees retired in 2017, including Lolita C. Salas, Court Reporter Supervisor, who provided 35 years of service to the Judiciary of Guam. Deputy Clerk Supervisor Therese M. Blas retired following a 32-year career in the Judiciary. Courtroom/Chamber Clerk Tammy L. Pinaula and Deputy Marshal Supervisor Roland E. Okada both retired after 28 years of service. The Judiciary also thanked Judicial Armorer Kenneth L. Weibling (27 years) and Human Resources Management Officer Julie T. Terlaje-Williams (24 years) for their years of service. The Marshals Division saw the departure of several tenured employees, including Deputy Marshal II James M. Robinson (24 years) and Deputy Marshal I Frank A.D. Cruz (22 years). Court Fiscal Officer II Harry A. Azicate was recognized for his 21 years of service to the Judiciary.

# COMMUNITY OUTREACH AND EDUCATION

# Law Month 2017 "The 14th Amendment: Transforming American Democracy"

Law Day, held annually on May 1, is a national day set aside to celebrate the rule of law. Over the last ten years, the Judiciary's Law Day celebration has evolved from a week-long to a month-long event. In February 2017, Guam was awarded its fifth national ABA Law Day Outstanding Activity Award for Best Public Program. The 2017 Law Month theme, "The 14th Amendment: Transforming American Democracy," provided the opportunity to explore the many ways that the 14th Amendment has reshaped American law and society. The Judiciary, along with its co-sponsors, the District Court of Guam and the Guam Bar Association, hosted numerous events throughout the month of May to commemorate this transformative amendment.

To kick off the celebration, all three branches of government joined in a proclamation and resolution presentation, underscoring the importance of the 14th Amendment and highlighting the month's schedule of events.



## **Fairy Tale Mock Trials**

Courtrooms were packed as over 500 elementary and middle school students performed fairy tale mock trial plays in front of family, friends, and other members of the island community. By far the most popular Law Month event, students enthusiastically reinterpreted classic stories in a courtroom setting. Many island residents also attended the Judiciary's Open House which included guided tours of the Superior Court and Supreme Court.



#### Islandwide High School Mock Trial Competition

Participants in the Islandwide High School Mock Trial Competition were honored at a special awards ceremony held during the Law Street Fair.

The following winners were recognized:

First Place – Notre Dame High School Second Place – Simon Sanchez High School Third Place – St. John's High School Outstanding Witness – Erin Camemo, Notre Dame High School Outstanding Attorneys – Josiah Mesngon, Notre Dame High School Noel DeGracia, Simon Sanchez High School Devin Eligio, Simon Sanchez High School



Notre Dame High School, islandwide champions for the second year in a row, represented Guam in the 2017 National High School Mock Trial Championship in Hartford, Connecticut.

### **Coloring, Art, and Essay Contests**

The artistic talents of the island's elementary school children in grades K – 5 were displayed in the Judiciary's atrium throughout Law Month. Hundreds of colorful artwork entries were submitted for the Art and Coloring Contests. Middle and high school students participated in the local Law Day Essay Contest, which asked them to explain which clause of the 14th Amendment they felt was most important.

The following winners of the Coloring, Art, and Essay contests were honored at a special ceremony during the Law Street Fair:

#### **Coloring Contest**

#### K - 2nd Grade

First Place – Chaise Bamba, Saint Anthony Catholic School
Second Place – Kailee Mendiola, Saint Anthony Catholic School
Third Place – Hunter Reyes, Bishop Baumgartner Memorial Catholic School

#### **Art Contest**

3rd-5th Grade

First Place – Ceanna Termulo, Saint Anthony Catholic School Second Place – Steven Rosh F. Magno, Upi Elementary School Third Place – Lauren Valencia, Bishop Baumgartner Memorial Catholic School

#### **Essay Contest**

Middle School

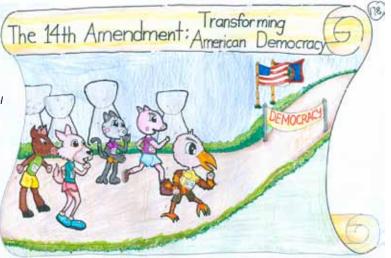
First Place – Tano Taimanglo, St. Francis Catholic School Second Place – Nevaeh Duenas, St. Francis Catholic School Third Place – Lexis Sablan, Luis P. Untalan Middle School Fourth Place – Megan Roberto, St. Francis Catholic School

#### High School

First Place – Jamabeva Masangkay, John F. Kennedy High School Second Place – Jun Yi-Wu, John F. Kennedy High School Third Place – Joshua Cepeda, John F. Kennedy High School Honorable Mention – Gabrielle Gonzaga, Academy of Our Lady of Guam



Chaise Bamba, Saint Anthony Catholic School



Ceanna Termulo, Saint Anthony Catholic School



#### **Hustisia** Award

The 2017 Hustisia Award was presented to Inafa' Maolek, a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting peaceful conflict resolution. The annual award recognizes a person or organization that has contributed significantly to the administration of justice and good government in Guam. Inafa' Maolek was recognized for its contributions in providing mediation services in countless disputes before the court, as well as for the education and training it has provided to the community in areas such as suicide prevention, conflict resolution, and peer mediation.

#### **Law Street Fair**

The annual Law Fair took a culinary twist this year, as organizers invited members of the island's growing food truck community to take part in the event, fittingly dubbed a "Law Street Fair." Island residents crowded the courthouse grounds to watch fairy tale mock trial performances and learn more about the legal community and court partners. Event goers were entertained by military canine demonstrations, a flash mob, and various arts-and-crafts booths.





# **Juror Appreciation Week**

In recognition of the importance of jury service in our legal system, the Judiciary celebrated Juror Appreciation Week in June. All three branches of government came together for a joint proclamation and resolution presentation in the Guam Judicial Center atrium. Throughout the week, judicial officers and court managers thanked jurors for their continued service and explained the importance of their role in a trial.



Juries are the Voice of Our Communities.

Thank you for your service!

# JUROR APPRECIATION WEEK

#### Race Judicata 5K Run/Walk

Over 750 participants were doused in brightly colored powders as they raced for the finish line in the annual "Race Judicata: Under 'Colors' of Law" 5K Run/Walk. Proceeds benefited the Guam Legal Services Corporation, the island's only private, non-profit corporation that provides civil legal services to low-income individuals.





## 2017 Relay for Life

The Judiciary continued its years-long tradition of supporting the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, held annually in May. Through its various fundraising efforts, Team Kotte achieved Platinum donor status. The team joined hundreds of participants from across the island on the George Washington High School track during the parade of teams, and participated in the luminaria ceremony and closing ceremony.



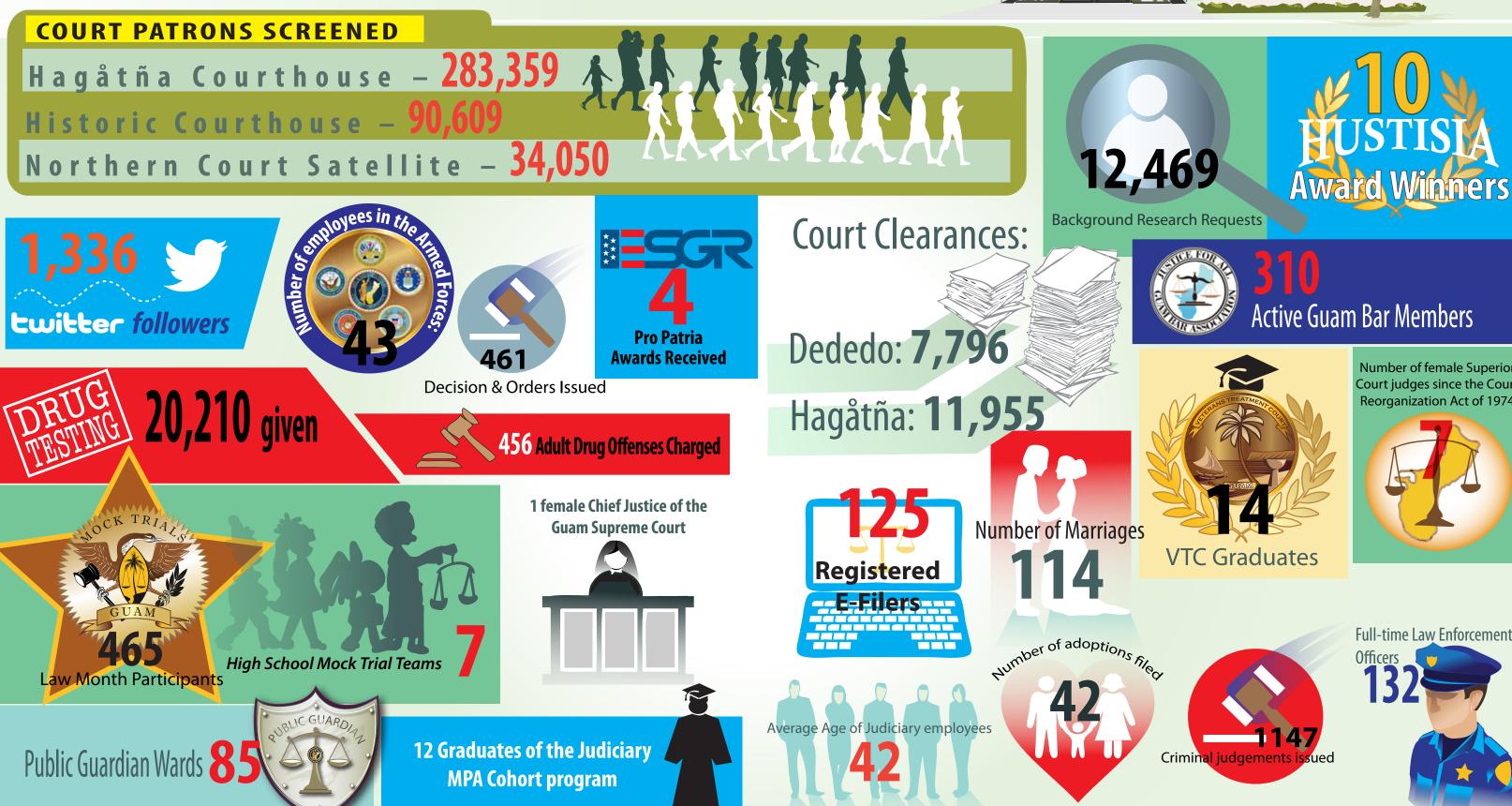






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Number of female Superior Court judges since the Court Reorganization Act of 1974





# Safe & Drug-Free Schools Project

2017 marked a decade of community partnership between the Judiciary of Guam and the Guam Department of Education (DOE) in law-related prevention education. The Judiciary's Safe and Drug-Free Schools Project collaborates with public and private schools to teach and implement evidence-based and proven programs and practices. The U.S. Department of Education Title V-A Consolidated Grant #84-403A is the primary funding source for the Project. In an effort to prevent youth crime and violence, the Project trains students, school faculty and staff, parents, and the community at large. Certified trainers Joleen Respicio (Project Manager), Danielle Rosete (Superior Court Clerk of Court), and Lisa Baza (Individual, Marriage, & Family Therapist) provide training using leading-edge, empowering strategies and practices on trending issues that affect today's youth and families.

## **Olweus® Bullying Prevention Program**

The OBPP is a comprehensive approach to bullying and violence prevention. With over 35 years of research, it is the most-researched and best-known evidence-based program proven to prevent or reduce bullying in schools. The program is designed to promote positive, safer school climates and improve peer relations. Certified trainers conducted training presentations primarily to middle school students throughout the year. Training focused on definitions, effects, trends, laws, and consequences of bullying, cyber bullying, and sexting. In 2017, five private elementary and middle schools administered the annual evaluation survey, the Olweus® Bullying Questionnaire (OBQ), to 1,086 students in grades 3 – 8. The rate of girls and boys responding as having been bullied decreased cumulatively by a positive relative change of 11% between School Year (SY) 2015-2016 and SY 2016-2017. Cyber bullying decreased among girls by 21%.



## Safe School Ambassadors® Program

2017 marked the SSA Program's fifth year in Guam schools. Since 2012, the Project has provided training to 660 students and 100 adults in 17 of the island's public and private schools. In the SSA Program, change happens in schools from the inside out through the power of students and a supportive team of adults. The program is designed to help students prevent and stop mistreatment and violence among their peers. Students see, hear, and know things adults don't. They can prevent and intervene in ways that adults can't. Students ultimately create and maintain the social norms that determine what's cool, what's not, and what is acceptable.





#### Play by the Rules<sup>™</sup> Program

Since 2008, Guam students have participated in the highlyinteractive PBR Program that teaches Guam-specific law-related education proven to prevent juvenile crime. Through the program, each student is provided a personal copy of a color-illustrated, Q&A student book covering over 200 laws, promoting the idea that we each "own the law." In 2017, the Judiciary published the Second Edition of the PBR book and conducted three workshops to public and private school teachers. Additionally, certified trainers conducted outreach training on Guam's youth laws on bullying, cyber bullying, and sexting to public school students.





#### **School Resource Officer Program**

School Resource Officers (SROs) are special probation officers with school-based law enforcement training. The SRO Program uses the National Association of School Resource Officers' "triad" concept of school-based policing. SROs are law-related educators, law enforcement officers, and informal counselors or mentors within the context of knowledge, training, and expertise as a law enforcement officer.

In 2017, six SROs were assigned to the island's six public high schools. The SROs assisted in handling 412 DOE level-three incidents (criminal in nature). Over the course of the year, the SROs conducted and/or coordinated approximately 130 classroom presentations to 3,300 high school students. The 2017 annual SRO survey included 3,278 students (35% of all public high school students) and 278 school staff (35% of all public high school staff). Overall, students perceived the role of the SRO in schools as adding value to their respective school's safety and security. 64% of students supported having an SRO in their schools. 41% to 57% of students felt SROs had reduced disciplinary behaviors and their fear of crime, and had increased their awareness of legal matters. 12% of students (406) had spoken to their SRO privately on law-related matters.





# **Constitution Week and ABA Magna Carta Exhibit**

In September, the Judiciary held its annual Constitution Week celebration and outreach. All three branches of government participated in a proclamation and resolution signing commemorating the event. Judges, justices, Judiciary attorneys and law clerks, and members of the bar visited a number of schools throughout the island to teach a lesson on the Bill of Rights. Through interactive lessons, over 800 students learned about the history and importance of the Bill of Rights and the unique way in which it impacts and applies to Guam. Students received pocket Constitutions as prizes for participation.

Additionally, throughout the month of September, the Judiciary hosted a national traveling exhibit, "Magna Carta: Enduring Legacy, 1215-2015." Developed in collaboration between the American Bar Association (ABA) Standing Committee on the Law Library of Congress and the Law Library of Congress, the exhibit commemorates the 800th anniversary of the sealing of Magna Carta and celebrates its enduring legacy. The 16-panel exhibit shares images from Library of Congress collections that illustrate Magna Carta's influence throughout the centuries and explain the document's long history. The Judiciary's hosting of the exhibit marked the first time the exhibit had traveled to a U.S. Territory.





# **EMPLOYEE TRAINING**

# **Employee Training and Development**

Recognizing the importance of developing the skills and knowledge of its employees, the Judiciary of Guam provided nearly 500 training sessions for court employees throughout 2017, addressing topics that ranged from emergency planning to cultural sensitivity.

With the combined efforts of the staff of the Human Resources Office, Judicial Educator Dr. Richard W. Fee, and Program Coordinator IV Michelle Cruz, the Judiciary provided numerous educational and training sessions. In 2017, Judiciary employees completed more than 400 classes via online learning, webinars, and user-defined tasks. Many events were held in the new Judicial Education Center, a training facility located in the Guam Law Library building.

Notable training events in 2017:

• Mr. Don Clark, Ombudsman Director of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), conducted six training sessions, entitled "Building Relationships Between Employers and Today's Military," to train court managers, supervisors, and team leaders on the Uniformed Services Employment and Re-employment Rights Act (USERRA).

• The Training and Development Section of the Marshals Division conducted eight refresher courses on Administrative Response to Active Shooter situations. This training was especially relevant in light of the active shooting event that claimed the lives of 59 victims and injured more than 800 people attending a concert in Las Vegas, Nevada.

• Three comprehensive On-Boarding programs for new court employees were held in January, May, and October. A total of 28 new employees completed the new two-day curriculum, taking classes in Introduction to Judiciary, Anatomy of the Court, HR Policies, Court Culture, Code of Conduct, Social Media, the Learning Management System, Occupant Emergency Plans, Active Shooter, and Equal Employment Opportunity/Americans with Disabilities Act Compliance.

• All Judiciary employees attended one of eight classes on "Occupant Emergency Planning: Nuclear Threat." This training was developed and conducted in response to the highly publicized threats from North Korea in 2017.

• Ongoing and additional training for Judiciary probation officers in the Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS) Suite of Tools took place in January and December, supported by technical assistance from the National Institute of Corrections. The goal of the training was to support reform efforts for adult probationers, giving probation officers the necessary training and guidance to embrace the shift from traditional methods of supervision to the use of more evidence-based practices.



• Representatives from the Mental Health Association of Oregon and Peerlink National Technical Assistance Center provided a two-day peer mentoring training session and technical assistance and guidance to assist with the implementation of the Peer Recovery Support Services for the Adult Drug Court Enhancement Project.

• In May and November, Mr. Russ Bermejo, Mr. Phil Breitenbucher, and Ms. Theresa Lemus of Children and Family Futures provided training and assistance to promote the implementation of the Guam Family Recovery Program. They met with the Guam program team, conducted visits with program partners, and conducted several training sessions.

• Mr. Alexis Q. Silverio of the Guam Department of Public Health and Social Services' Guam Office of Minority Health presented three workshops, entitled "Cultural and Linguistically Appropriate Services," to Judiciary law enforcement officers. The course fulfills one of the educational requirements of the Guam Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST) Commission. Judiciary employees also conducted training sessions for partners in our community.

• Marshals in the FBI's National Crime Information Center (NCIC) Unit provided training to 165 individuals regarding the important information that can be retrieved and utilized in the NCIC database, as well as the Virtual Computerized Criminal History (VCCH) system. The Judiciary of Guam has primary responsibility of maintaining these databases for Guam's law enforcement community.

• The Marshals Division's Training and Development Section provided Private Process Server Training to those interested in serving as process servers for court documents. Three classes were offered, for a total of twelve hours of training.



# **Master of Public Administration, Judiciary Cohort**

In partnership with the University of Guam, the Judiciary developed a graduate-level program with specific emphasis on judicial administration. A cohort of twelve Judiciary employees were selected to participate in this intensive year-long program, completing a total of twelve courses leading to a Master's degree in Public Administration with an Emphasis on Judicial Administration.

The program culminated in the cohort's capstone project, entitled the "D.R.E.A.M. Project," which had the goal of developing responsible, empathetic, appreciative members within the local community. The D.R.E.A.M. Project analyzed juvenile delinquency crime trend data, criminogenic risk-and-need factors, and the gaps in services. The cohort's goal was to reduce the incidence of juvenile crime, and to provide the island's youth with the knowledge and skills to appreciate the law as they develop into adults.

The twelve members of the cohort were honored in a formal hooding ceremony on May 17, 2017. Graduates represented several divisions of the Judiciary:

#### **Courts and Ministerial Division**

- Andrea Blas, Management Officer
- Evelyn Borja, Deputy Clerk Supervisor

#### **Financial Management Division**

• Lia Carino, Court Fiscal Officer II

#### Administrative Office of the Courts

• Michelle Cruz, Program Coordinator IV

#### **Probation Services Division**

- Erika Perez, Case Manager
- Roseanna Castro, Senior Probation Officer
- Maria Chaco, Probation Officer I
- Randall Yasuhiro, Probation Officer I
- Jeremiah Cruz, Senior Probation Officer

#### **Client Services and Family Counseling Division**

• Melissa C. Chargualaf, Senior Judicial Therapist

#### **Marshals Services Division**

- Victor Camacho, Deputy Marshal III
- Misty Palomo, Deputy Marshal I



# JUDICIAL STATISTICS AND DIVISION REPORTS

#### **Supreme Court of Guam**

The Supreme Court of Guam has jurisdiction to hear appeals over any cause decided by the Superior Court of Guam or other courts created by Guam law. Additionally, the Supreme Court has supervisory jurisdiction over the Superior Court and all other courts created by Guam law, and it has original jurisdiction over proceedings necessary to protect its appellate jurisdiction and supervisory authority. The Supreme Court also has the authority to make and promulgate rules governing the practice and procedure in the courts of Guam.

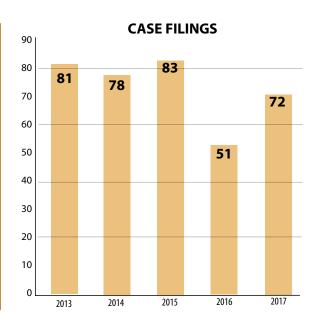
The Supreme Court's authority also extends to attorney and judicial discipline and the practice of law in Guam, including admission to practice law and the conduct and discipline of persons admitted to practice law. The Board of Law Examiners is comprised of the Chief Justice of Guam (chairperson), the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court (members), and the Presiding Judge of the Superior Court and the President of the Guam Bar Association (ex-officio members). The Supreme Court Clerk of Court serves as the ex-officio secretary-treasurer of the Board. The Board administers the Guam bar examination, and manages the review of the character and fitness of all applicants for admission.

The Justices of the Supreme Court of Guam are: Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman Associate Justice F. Philip Carbullido Associate Justice Robert J. Torres

Hannah G. Arroyo, Clerk of Court

CASETYPE	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Appellate Procedure	0	0	0	0	0
Attorney Discipline	6	6	8	9	16
Certified Question	0	2	1	0	1
Civil Case	39	37	30	23	30
Criminal Case	24	27	40	15	19
Pro Hac Vice	0	2	1	0	0
Promulgation Order	3	2	1	1	1
Writ of Habeas Corpus	0	0	0	0	1
Writ of Mandamus	5	2	2	2	2
Writ of Prohibition	4	0	0	1	2
GRAND TOTAL	81	78	83	51	72

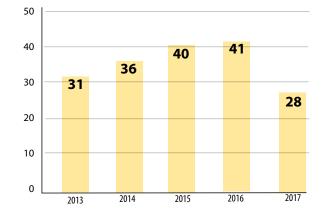
#### CHART 1: TOTAL CASE FILINGS — FIVE-YEAR TREND



#### **CHART 2: TOTAL OPINIONS ISSUED — FIVE-YEAR TREND**

CASE TYPE	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Civil	23	23	23	14	13
Criminal	7	11	17	26	14
Certified Question	0	2	0	1	1
Writ	1	0	0	0	0
GRAND TOTAL	31	36	40	41	28

#### **OPINIONS ISSUED**



## **Supreme Court Offices**

The Supreme Court of Guam has administrative oversight over the following offices: the Compiler of Laws, the Ethics Prosecutor, and the Public Guardian.

#### Office of the Compiler of Laws

The Office of the Compiler of Laws provides online access to Guam law, free of charge, through its website, www.guamcourts.org/compileroflaws. As mandated by statute, the Compiler's Office electronically publishes Guam's statutory code, the Guam Code Annotated, as well as the Guam Administrative Rules and Regulations, and opinions of the Supreme Court of Guam. The Compiler's Office continually reviews duly enacted public laws for codification, assists in publication of Supreme Court opinions, and works with agencies, departments, and the Office of the Attorney General to update rules and regulations. The Compiler of Laws also serves as the Executive Director/Librarian of the Guam Law Library, the island's only publically accessible law library.

Geraldine Amparo Cepeda, Compiler of Laws

#### **Office of the Ethics Prosecutor**

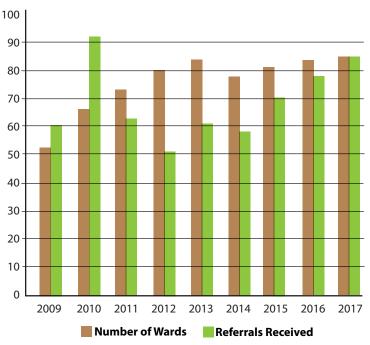
The Office of the Ethics Prosecutor handles complaints alleging possible misconduct by lawyers or judicial officers. In each system, the process involves an initial screening by the ethics prosecutor and, if authorized by the relevant ethics committee, further investigation into the allegations by the ethics prosecutor. The process may result in the filing of formal charges against a lawyer or judicial officer. The proceedings are generally confidential; however, the office explains the disciplinary process to complainants and apprises them of the status of their complaints including final disposition.

Fifty-one new lawyer discipline matters were opened in 2017. Additionally, 27 matters were open when the year began. At yearend, 40 matters remained open, including 11 which were stayed or held in abeyance. Thus, 38 matters were brought to conclusion during 2017. The 29 open and active matters at year-end consisted of 17 opened in 2017, 6 opened in 2016, and 6 opened prior to 2016.

Three new judicial discipline matters were opened in 2017. Additionally, one matter was open when the year began. At year-end, one matter (opened in 2017) remained open. Thus, three matters were brought to conclusion during 2017, all of which were dismissed without the imposition of formal discipline.

The ethics prosecutor also fielded an average of more than a dozen informal inquiries each month from members of the bar and the public regarding the lawyer and judicial discipline systems.

Bruce Bradley, Ethics Prosecutor



#### **Office of the Public Guardian**

The Public Guardian serves as a guardian of the person or estate of an adult who, by reason of age, disease, or disability, is unable to properly manage and take care of him or herself or his or her property without assistance. Referrals for guardianship services are submitted to the Office of the Public Guardian (OPG) from Superior Court judges; from families of adults who need assistance; and from government offices, including the Guam Memorial Hospital and the Skilled Nursing Unit, Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center, and Adult Protective Services of the Department of Public Health and Social Services. Community organizations, such as Catholic Social Services and St. Dominic's, also contact the OPG for referrals and assistance. The OPG also assists and advises guardians, those who are seeking to become guardians, and the court in proceedings involving the appointment and supervision of guardians.

The OPG continues to work on initiatives to assist guardians, including the establishment of the Working Interdisciplinary Networks of Guardianship Stakeholders (WINGS) program on Guam, with the assistance of a grant from the State Justice Institute, and the creation of a Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) program.

#### Marcelene C. Santos, Public Guardian

## **Superior Court of Guam**

The Superior Court of Guam, our island's court of general jurisdiction, has seven judges, one magistrate judge, a Family Court Referee, and an Administrative Hearings Officer. The seven judges preside over a variety of cases at the Hagåtña Court and the Northern Court Satellite, from felony and misdemeanor cases, juvenile matters, civil matters, divorce and custody cases, to probate and special proceedings. The magistrate judge has jurisdiction over certain proceedings in criminal and civil cases, uncontested divorces, and matters heard before the Small Claims Court and Traffic Court. The Family Court Referee presides over juvenile, domestic custody, and child support matters. The Administrative Hearings Officer presides over child support cases.

The judicial officers of the Superior Court of Guam are:

Presiding Judge Alberto C. Lamorena III Judge Michael J. Bordallo Judge Anita A. Sukola Judge Arthur R. Barcinas Judge Vernon P. Perez Judge Maria T. Cenzon Judge Elyze M. Iriarte Magistrate Judge Benjamin C. Sison, Jr. Family Court Referee Linda L. Ingles Administrative Hearings Officer B. Ann Keith

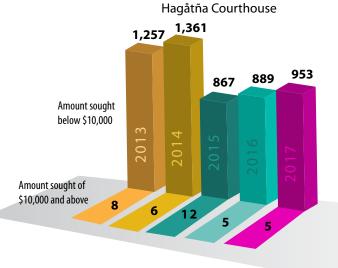
Cases Filed	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Adoption	43	52	40	39	42
Child Support	312	287	170	356	321
Civil	1,608	1,181	1,182	1,155	1,340
Criminal Felony	710	696	797	768	745
<b>Criminal Misdemeanor</b>	1,083	1,156	996	918	752
Domestic	720	739	657	647	683
Foreign Order	0	1	4	5	1
Juvenile Delinquency	221	217	193	208	286
Juvenile Drug Court	176	146	233	200	0*
Juvenile Proceedings	705	705	609	504	395
Land Registration	7	5	5	3	4
Probate	168	169	208	168	204
Special Proceedings	197	185	187	220	203
Protective Orders	167	131	117	122	135
<b>Restitution (Collection)</b>	40	67	64	59	51
Small Claims	1,932	2,014	1,580	1,662	1,707
Traffic	11,867	10,983	11,787	8,023	7,543
Total	19,956	18,734	18,829	15,057	14,412

Juvenile Drug court cases which involve a drug or alcohol offense are now filed as Juvenile Delinquency cases. Juvenile Proceedings cases include juvenile guardianship matters, truancy, status offenses, and juvenile abuse and neglect cases. Domestic cases comprise divorce actions, custody, paternity, and child support matters.

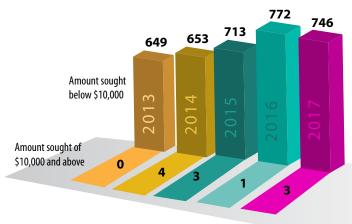
In 2017, the overall juvenile case filings decreased by 25% from the previous year. The number of traffic citations continues to decline. Total criminal filings also reduced in 2017, but the Superior Court saw an increase in other case filing types like civil which increased 16% and domestic matters up 6% from the previous year.

TOP FELONIES CHARGED	
2017	# offenses
Possession of Schedule II Controlled Substance	217
Terrorizing	105
Special Allegation - Commission of a Felony While on Felony Release	92
Special Allegation - Deadly Weapon Use in Felony	88
session and Use of a Deadly Weapon in the Commission of a Felony	80
2016	
Possession of Schedule II Controlled Substance	253
Criminal Mischief	114
Terrorizing	98
Special Allegation - Deadly Weapon Use in Felony	86
Aggravated Assault - Serious Bodily Injury to another	82
2015	
Possession of Schedule II Controlled Substance	222
Theft of Property	122
Terrorizing	104
Criminal Mischief	101
Second Degree CSC - contact & victim is less than 14 years old	92

## SMALL CLAIMS CASES FILED - FIVE-YEAR TREND



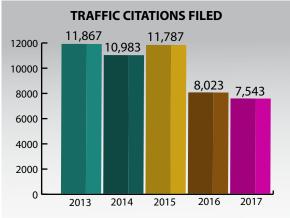
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TOP OFFENSES CHARGED OVERALL		
2017	# offenses	
Family Violence	372	
Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol	292	
Possession of Schedule II Controlled Substance	217	
Assault - Recklessly Cause / Attempt to Cause Bodily Injury	182	
Harassment	140	
2016		
Family Violence	457	
Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol	341	
Possession of Schedule II Controlled Substance	253	
Assault - Recklessly Cause / Attempt to Cause Bodily Injury	181	
Public Drunkenness	149	
2015		
Family Violence	472	
Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol	399	
Assault - Recklessly Cause / Attempt to Cause Bodily Injury	232	
Possession of Schedule II Controlled Substance	222	

Harassment 187

TOP MISDEMEANORS CHARGED	
2017	# offenses
Family Violence	366
Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol	285
Assault - Recklessly Cause / Attempt to Cause Bodily Injury	182
Harassment	140
Reckless Driving - Without Injuries	110
2016	
Family Violence	446
Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol	331
Assault - Recklessly Cause / Attempt to Cause Bodily Injury	181
Public Drunkenness	149
Harassment	143
2015	
Family Violence	454
Driving While Under the Influence of Alcohol	383
Assault - Recklessly Cause / Attempt to Cause Bodily Injury	232
Harassment	187
Public Drunkenness	165



Traffic Citations Filed in 2017: Northern Court Satellite – **2,121** Hagåtña Courthouse – **5,422** 

#### **Courts and Ministerial Division**

The Courts and Ministerial Division (C&M), one of the most critical divisions in court operations, plays a vital role in the judicial process. The C&M staff provides the highest level of service to members of the bench, the bar, and the public at two court locations – the Hagåtña Court and the Northern Court Satellite. Some essential duties of the Division include managing and processing all Superior Court case filings; maintaining the custody and control of all Superior Court records; assembling juries; providing court transcription services; preparing court clearances; and processing traffic citations.

Other essential services include the fair and equitable assignment of cases to Superior Court judicial officers, providing support staff for judges' chambers, managing the Court Interpreter Registry Program, and facilitating the use of the Self-Represented Litigants Kiosk by those citizens representing themselves in court proceedings. Applying case flow principles, the C&M Division continues its efforts to timely manage and process cases filed in the Superior Court, but the Division is also exploring ways to improve the timely processing of cases that are more technology-driven and easily accessible to the public.

C&M includes the following units:

- Intake, Mid-intake & E-Filing
- Records
- Traffic Violations Bureau
- Small Claims Court
- Team Units
- Appeals
- Jury Unit
- Master Calendar Cases
- Court Reporters Unit
- Court Interpreter Registry Program

Danielle T. Rosete, Clerk of Court

#### **Court Interpreter Registry Program**

The Court Interpreter Registry Program (Program) promotes the accuracy and integrity of judicial proceedings and preserves fundamental principles of fairness and access to justice by providing interpreter services to persons with limited English proficiency. Judiciary staff trains interpreters and provide interpreter services in both court hearings and non-courtroom matters.

In 2017, the Program trained and recruited 19 additional interpreters. Currently, the Program has 75 registered interpreters who provide interpreter services for more than 17 languages. The Program provided interpreter services in more than 8,000 court hearings and over 1,500 non-courtroom matters.

#### **Jury Management Statistics**

The Jury Unit oversees the jury process for matters brought before the Superior Court and is primarily responsible for ensuring the availability of grand jurors and trial jurors. Each year, the Superior Court summonses thousands of island residents, representing a fair cross-section of the community for jury duty. The Jury Unit conducts orientations for the summoned jurors to provide jurors the necessary information for jury service. In 2017, over 16,000 jurors were present for jury service.



#### **Jury-Related Expenses and Trials**

Five-Year Comparative January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2017

JURY MANAGEMENT STATISTICS

YEAR	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Petit Jury Orientations	24	30	26	29	37
Petit Jury Trial Case Appearance (Days)	318	404	271	208	226
Grand Jury Selections	2	2	2	1	2
Grand Jury Appearance (Days)	172	169	192	192	188
Grand Jury Cases Heard	720	701	821	742	747
Jurors Present	20,375	20,629	16,688	15,200	16,878

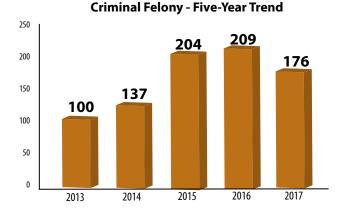
# THERAPEUTIC COURTS

#### **Adult Drug Court**

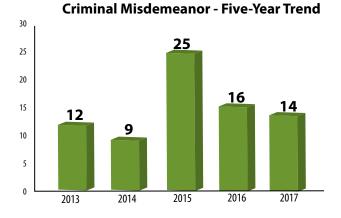
The Adult Drug Court (ADC) involves cases where adult defendants are charged with a drug offense (and may include other criminal offenses in addition to the drug offense). The goal of the ADC program is to provide intensive treatment and counseling services to help participants with their substance abuse addictions. Participants eligible for the ADC program must undergo frequent random drug testing and agree to sanctions for failure to comply with the program guidelines. There are two tracks to the ADC program – ADC I for first-time possession offenders, and ADC II for repeat offenders whose offenses were related to drug or alcohol use.

In 2017, the Adult Drug Court I (ADC I) Program provided drug and alcohol treatment services for 166 participants. Three graduation ceremonies were held with 28 participants successfully graduating from ADC I. Forty participants from ADC II received drug and alcohol treatment services in 2017 and six participants successfully graduated from the program. The drug court enhancement grant received in 2017, will also expand and improve treatment services for ADC participants and increase the capacity to accept more eligible participants.

Judge Anita A. Sukola presides over the Adult Drug Court docket.



Adult Drug Court filings:



#### **Juvenile Drug Court**

The Juvenile Drug Court (JDC) involves juvenile cases with a drug or alcohol offense. In 2017, as part of the Judiciary's Juvenile reform efforts, cases involving a drug or alcohol offense are now filed as Juvenile Delinquency cases. Evidencebased risk assessment tools are used to determine if a juvenile is eligible for the JDC Program. Once eligible, participants receive drug treatment services, recognizing that substance abuse addictions may develop in youth and that delinquent behavior may stem from substance abuse related issues. Participants also have frequent hearings, random testing, group counseling sessions, life skills workshops, and recreational therapy sessions.

Judge Michael J. Bordallo presides over the Juvenile Drug Court docket.



#### **Juvenile Drug Court filings:**

\*Juvenile Drug court cases are now filed as Juvenile Delinquency cases.

#### **Family Violence Court**

The Family Violence Court is an integrated domestic violence court that allows a family to have all civil and criminal cases arising from the same incident heard by the same judge who addresses legal issues that arise within families. The "One Judge, One Family" concept helps improve caseload efficiency while increasing the services provided to victims and increasing defendant accountability. User-friendly court forms for persons seeking a restraining order are accessible at the Judiciary's Self Represented Kiosks and the court website. The Client Services and Family Counseling Division also provides individual and group counseling to defendants in criminal family violence cases.

Judge Vernon P. Perez presides over the Family Violence Court docket.

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Year	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Criminal Felony	134	117	134	146	154
Criminal Misdemeanor	309	277	216	280	236
Protective Order	167	131	116	122	135
Domestic	3	5	13	8	13
Civil	1	0	2	2	0

#### Family Violence Court filings:

#### **Mental Health Court**

The Mental Health Court strives to provide sustainable and adequate treatment for adult defendants who are mentally impaired or developmentally disabled – a segment of our population that too often is misunderstood and underserviced. This specialty court provides wraparound community-based treatment and services to defendants diagnosed with a mental illness brought before the court for alleged criminal behavior. The court ensures that qualified defendants are properly screened, evaluated, and treated. Defendants in the program are closely followed and encouraged to attend appointments, take prescribed medications, and report to the probation office as directed. In 2017, the Mental Health Court served a total of 39 clients.

Judge Maria T. Cenzon presides over the Mental Health Court docket.

#### **Veterans Treatment Court**

The Veterans Treatment Court (VTC) aims to intersect justice-involved veterans and divert them into treatment, judicial monitoring, and supervision. Consistent with best and promising practices, evidence-based principles are implemented in the program, including Screening and Assessment, Procedural and Distributive Justice, Judicial Interaction, Monitoring, Treatment and Other Services, Relapse Prevention, Aftercare and Community Integration. Veteran participants of the program are provided with specialized services and support through a network of service providers, including the Guam Community-Based Outpatient Clinic, Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center, Guam VET Center, and Guam Veterans Affairs Office.

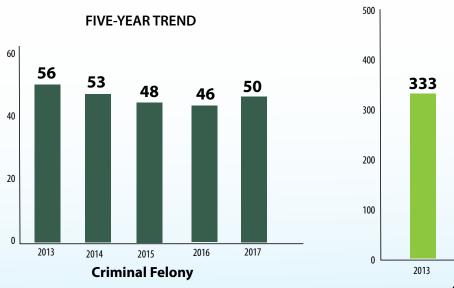
In 2017, 11 new justice-involved veterans entered VTC. A total of 30 veterans actively participated in the program. The VTC held two graduations in 2017, and 14 veterans successfully graduated.

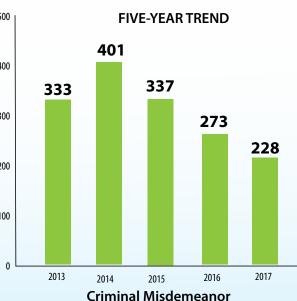
Judge Maria T. Cenzon presides over the Veterans Treatment Court docket.

#### **DWI Treatment Court**

The DWI Treatment Court was formally implemented in July 2017 to address cases involving Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) and Driving Under the Influence (DUI) offenses. The mission of the treatment court is to increase public safety and improve the quality of life of the participants by providing holistic supervised treatment to reduce recidivism. Defendants charged with a DWI or DUI offense must be eligible before entering the treatment court. Ineligible defendants proceed on the traditional track.

Presiding Judge Alberto C. Lamorena III presides over the DWI Treatment Court.





#### **DWI Court Filings:**

# **Court Administrative Services Division**

The Judiciary's Court Administrative Services Division consists of the following offices: Court Programs, Human Resources, Financial Management, Management Information Systems, and Procurement & Facilities Management.

#### **Court Programs Office**

The Court Programs Office is responsible for obtaining and managing federal grants to fund Judiciary programs and initiatives. These grants allow the Judiciary to develop new programs in response to the emerging needs of the community, and to enhance existing initiatives, without relying solely on local appropriations. The office's consistent performance in compliance monitoring and programmatic and fiscal reporting has assured grantors that the Judiciary is a responsible administrator of federal monies.

In addition to managing the \$4.7 million in grants for 17 ongoing projects from previous fiscal years, the Court Programs Office secured an additional \$1,178,725 in new federal grant funding in 2017. These new projects include:

- \$597,588 for National Criminal History Improvement Program
- \$301,529 for Guam SMART Sex Offender Registry Enhancement Program
- \$163,468 for SAMHSA Adult Drug Court Enhancement Project
- \$74,999 for Guam Correctional Treatment and Rehabilitative Project
- \$29,641 for STOP VAW (Violence Against Women)
- \$11,500 for DWI Alcohol Education Project

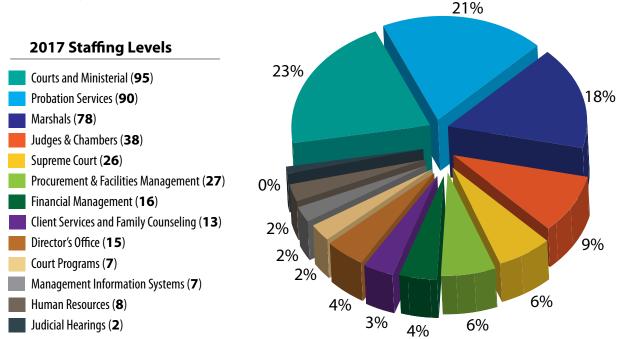
Cerina Y. Mariano, Court Programs Administrator

#### **Human Resources Office**

The Human Resources (HR) Office oversees and manages the recruitment and selection, compensation and benefits, training and development, performance management, and workforce discipline of Judiciary employees. Additionally, the HR Office ensures the Judiciary's compliance with federal and local employment-related statutes, administrative employee management policies, and promulgated personnel rules and regulations of the Judiciary. HR strives to continuously improve standards to attract and maintain a competent, skilled and professional workforce.

In 2017, the HR Office provided services to 422 Judiciary employees. An important project involved the ongoing review and update of job standards using the Hay Methodology to review all Judiciary positions. In August 2017, the Judicial Council approved the updated position descriptions and adopted an Executive Pay Plan for certain management positions. All other Judiciary positions continue to be evaluated, to determine whether they have been described and graded appropriately. Also in 29017, the HR Office was instrumental in the Judiciary's health and wellness program, assisting in organizing orientation sessions, monthly provider visits, and health fairs where employees were able to obtain blood sugar testing, blood pressure screening, and fitness consultations.

Barbara Jean T. Perez, Human Resources Administrator



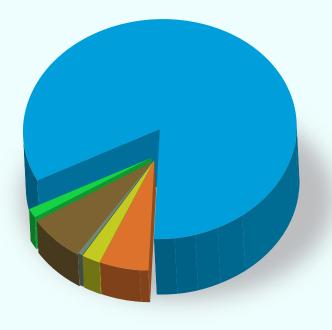
#### **Financial Management Division**

The Financial Management Division (FMD) is responsible for the effective management and administration of the Judiciary's financial resources. FMD also has administrative and fiduciary responsibilities over trust funds established by the courts or by law on behalf of its wards, victims, and other clients. The duties of FMD include: financial reporting; budget, revenue and expenditure forecasting; overseeing revenue collection; managing appropriations from federal and local sources; processing payroll for more than 400 Judiciary employees; handling accounts receivable, accounts payable, and cash disbursement; developing internal audit financial policies and procedures; and conducting internal audits and ensuring compliance with local and federal laws and regulations.

In 2017, FMD implemented the use of project accounting for federal grants and capital projects, thereby brining the Judiciary into full compliance with federal grant reporting requirements. In addition, FMD implemented several modules in the financial management system, including grant accounting, bank reconciliation, and miscellaneous billing, thereby improving workflows, automating certain processes, and ultimately gaining increased efficiency. FMD also reorganized the timing of trust accounting disbursements for restitution and bail, allowing faster and more frequent payments to victims of crimes, plaintiffs, and those who are due bail refunds.

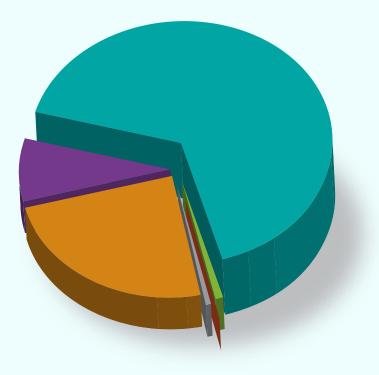
Christopher M. Budasi, Controller

<b>2017</b> FUNDING SOURCES	
Appropriations	34,290,090
Federal Grants	2,379,522
Traffic Fines	868,827
Fines	338,061
Fees	2,763,489
Miscellaneous	559,502
<b>Total Funding Sources</b>	\$41,199,490



# **MANDATORY EXPENSES**

Personnel	21,241,805
Overtime	179,315
Night Differential	10,649
Hazardous Pay	250,173
Employee Benefits	7,687,274
Indigent Client Services	
Professional / Consultant Service	50,443
Interpreters	193,235
Law Enforcement Escort Costs	15,959
Alternate Public Defender	1,239,791
Private Attorney Panel	851,760
Erica's House	202,200
Investigator Claims	74,195



#### **Management Information Systems**

The Management Information Systems (MIS) section is responsible for all aspects of the Judiciary's computer network and information systems at the Guam Judicial Center, Judicial Annex (Historic Courthouse), and the Compiler of Laws in Hagåtña, as well as the Northern Court Satellite (NCS) operation in Dededo. MIS provides technical support for the Judiciary's case management system, JustWare, which is used by more than 87% of Judiciary employees for all case-related records and filings. MIS also supports the Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)/Logos software database application, used to manage all human resource, purchasing and accounting transactions of the Judiciary. In addition to application maintenance and support, MIS maintains all security access servers for entrance throughout Judiciary facilities, video conferencing for inmate appearances, and facility management servers (air conditioning and elevator controls).

MIS plays an essential role in maintaining several law enforcement databases used to assist 19 law enforcement organizations (9 local and 10 federal) by providing information relating to criminal history, background checks, warrants, sex offender history, and other information vital to enforcement of all local and federal laws.

Joseph Mannion, Management Information Systems Administrator

#### **Procurement and Facilities Management**

The Procurement and Facilities Management section has two primary responsibilities in supporting Judiciary operations. The Procurement division handles purchases and contracts for supplies, services, construction, professional engineering services, professional consulting services, and group health insurance for Judiciary employees. It also manages capital improvement projects, executes Judicial Building Fund projects, provides contract management services, and performs other duties related to negotiation and management with vendors. In 2017, the division aggressively used competitive and bulk purchase pricing to achieve significant savings in supply purchases. In addition, the entire staff of the Procurement division gained certification and completed the mandated training programs offered by the Guam Community College.

The Facilities Management division maintains a safe and secure environment for patrons, employees, and judicial officers. In 2017, it oversaw the completion of several improvement projects, including the construction of the Judicial Education Center and the renovation of the Northern Court Satellite to accommodate the Child Support Hearing Room and offices. It also coordinated contractor services for the demolition of the Judiciary roof in anticipation of its replacement and the interior demolition and fencing of the Route 4 facility designated to house the Probation Services Division. Additionally, the team coordinated with the Marshals Division to complete several projects identified in the Security and Facilities task force report.

Gloria Long, Procurement & Facilities Management Administrator

#### 2017 Statistics

Security Services Section & North Court Satellite Section	ern
Adult detainees managed	6,806
Department of Youth Affairs clients managed	85
Visitors to the Judicial Center	283,359
Visitors to the Historic Courthouse	90,609
Visitors to Northern Court Satellite	34,050
NCIC Unit	
Criminal misdemeanor and felony files processed	2,767
Firearm ID applicant checks processed and submitted to the FBI	887
Background history checks for the courts and law enforcement agencies	501
Warrants entered	736
Warrants cleared	641
Field Services Section	
Documents tasked and handled by Criminal, Traffic, Civil and Small Claims, and Child Support sections	37,166

#### **Marshal Services Division**

The Marshal Services Division is responsible for ensuring the safety and security of judicial officers, court employees, and patrons, at the judicial facilities, including the Judicial Center and the Historic Courthouse in Hagåtña, the Northern Court Satellite in Dededo, and Erica's House family visitation center. As the law enforcement arm of the Judiciary, the division covers a wide range of duties, including preserving order in the courtrooms, handling defendants in connection with their court appearances, serving court documents, and executing warrants.

The Marshal Services Division consists of several sections: Administration; Security Services; Criminal Services; Civil & Small Claims Services; Training and Staff Development; Supreme Court Security; Northern Court Satellite; Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS)/National Crime Information Center (NCIC) Unit; and Child Support Unit.

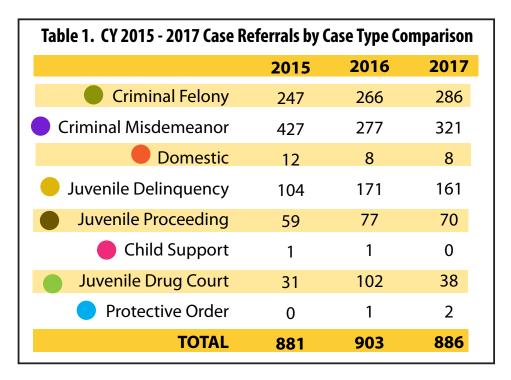
Troy M. Pangelinan, Marshal of the Courts

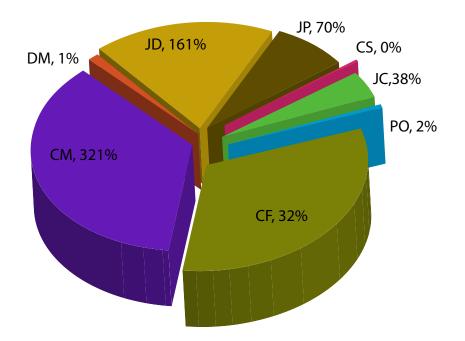
## **Client Services and Family Counseling**

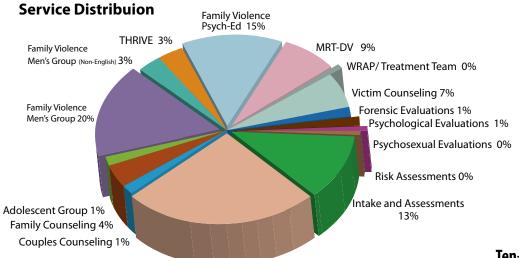
The Client Services and Family Counseling (CSFC) Division's mission to provide clinical services in support of the judicial process is the foundation of its programs, services, collaboration, and outreach. CSFC provides essential support to the court through the delivery of clinical and forensic evaluation services, which assists the court in making informed decisions in cases.

CSFC plays an integral role in evaluating defendants, juveniles, and their families, and in advising the court regarding their behavioral healthcare needs. Additionally, CSFC provides court-involved individuals and their families with a variety of therapeutic, psychological, consultative, and educational services. CSFC collaborates with Probation and other service providers to deliver individualized, holistic, and integrated services to their clients. CSFC continues to work on developing and promoting a uniform spectrum of services, case management practices and decision-making tools to respond effectively to the needs of individuals, families and children.

Virginia W. Yasuhiro, CSFC Administrator

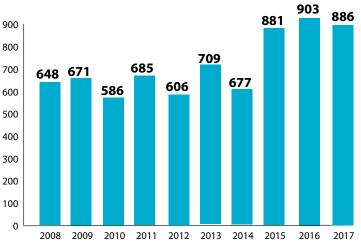






Individual Counseling 30%

# Ten-Year Referral Trends



# Services - Performance Outcome 2017

	Visits	No Shows	Client r-s	CSFC r-s	Total
Forensic Evaluations	66	17	2	18	103
Psychological Evaluations	37	9	4	8	58
Psychosexual	15	4	0	1	20
Risk Assessments	7	1	1	4	13
Intake and Assessments	704	243	150	100	1197
Individual Counseling	1653	378	335	155	2521
Couples Counseling	49	7	9	4	69
Family Counseling	196	22	26	10	254
Adolescent Group	55	32	8	0	95
KIDs Group	21	6	0	1	28
Supervised visitation	22	3	0	0	25
FVMG	1142	382	137	3	1664
FVMG-NE	147	82	15	0	244
MRT-DV	509	568	20	0	1097
THRIVE	171	45	44	0	260
FV Psych-educational Group	440	224	44	1	709
WRAP/Treatment Team	4	0	0	0	4
Victim Counseling	410	75	57	21	<b>56</b> 3
Grand Total	5648	2098	852	326	8924

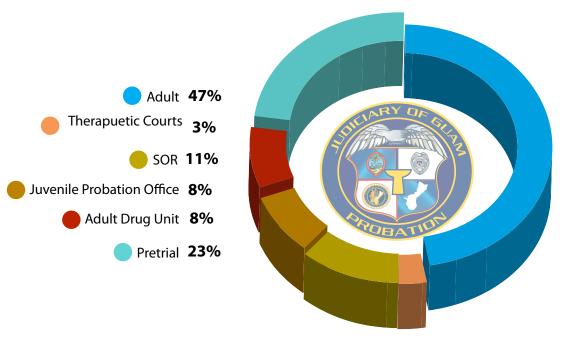
#### **Probation Services Division**

The mission of the Probation Services Division (PSD) is to reduce the incidence and impact of criminal behavior of court-involved juveniles and adults by using evidence-based practices and treatment strategies that change criminal thinking, produce positive outcomes and ultimately increase community safety.

Effective community supervision in the 21st century is an overarching goal of PSD. Probation officers are moving away from traditional surveillance and supervision methods to more data-driven practices that hold individuals accountable while providing opportunities for successful outcomes. Presently, PSD is responsible for managing and monitoring court orders for more than 7,000 court-involved juveniles and adults placed on supervised release. Additionally, PSD maintains Guam's sex offender registry. PSD's several duties include: monitoring compliance of court orders; tracking and enforcing fines, restitution payments, and court-ordered treatment services; and administering drug and alcohol testing. The division also administers several programs for its clients, including community service and service learning programs, the Driving with Care program, theft diversion programs, educational/rehabilitative programs, and anger and stress management programs. PSD is also involved in community policing through the School Resource Officer program.

In 2017, PSD was involved in the implementation of several new Judiciary programs, including the DWI Treatment Court, the Smart on Juvenile Justice Community Supervision Implementation Plan, the Guam Immediate Violation Enforcement (GIVE) Program, and the Guam Family Recovery Program.

Melanie W. Brennan, Chief Probation Officer

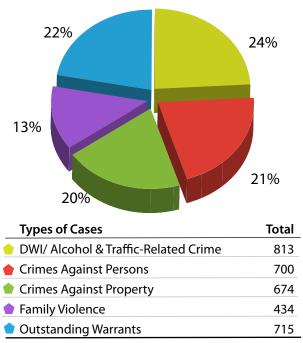


## **Probation Services Caseload Distribution**

Alternative Sentencing Offic	e Program Statistics:
Driving With Care Program (Eng	glish)
Referral	349
Completion	199
Non-Compliance	150
Driving with Care Program (Ch	uukese)
Referral	59
Completion	22
Non-Compliance	37
Anger and Stress Management	Program (ASMP-Adult)
Referral	81
Completion	34
Non-Compliance	47
Domestic Abuse Project (DAP-A	Adult)
Referral	4
Completion	2
Pending/Non-Compliance	2
Petty Theft Diversionary Progra	
Referral	91
Completion	57
Pending/Non-Compliance	34
Sessions Attended	210
Court Crime Prevention Progra	
Referral	20
Completion of program	17
Non-Compliance	3
Anger and Stress Management	
Referral	19
Completion	8
Non-Compliance	5
Sessions Attended	69

Community Service Program - Adults			
Referral	1,196		
Completion	469		
Hours Completed	129,172		
Hours Converted to a fine	13,693		
Hours Received for Treatment Completion	21,262		

**Adult Probation Caseload Distribution** 





19%

Pretrial New Case Distribution

# **Types of Cases**

🔶 Crimes Against Person/Property/Misc.	700
Sex Crimes/Mental Health Clients	81
Warrants of Arrest	615
Family Violence	403
DUI / Traffic-Related Offenses	309

# DIRECTORY

# SUPREME COURT OF GUAM

Chambers of Chief Justice Katherine A. Maraman Associate Justice F. Philip Carbullido Associate Justice Robert J. Torres	475-3413
Clerk of Court	
Supreme Court Security Section Facsimile	475-3168
Guam Board of Law Examiners (BOLE) C/O Supreme Court Facsimile Website: www.guamsupremecourt.com/bole E-mail: bole@guamsupremecourt.com	475-3180 475-3181
Office of the Public Guardian Facsimile E-mail: publicguardian@opg.guamcourts.org	
Guam Law Library Compiler of Laws Facsimile Website: www.guamcourts.org/compileroflaws E-mail: guamcompiler@gmail.com	472-1246

# **Marshals Division**

Marshal of the Courts	
Deputy Chief Marshal	
Criminal/Field Section	
Civil/Small Claims Section	
Traffic Section	
Family/Child Support Section	1475-3508
Security Section	
Post 1	

# SUPERIOR COURT OF GUAM

Chambers of Presiding Judge Alberto C. Lamorena III	5-3384 5-3502 5-3323 5-3223 5-3346
General Administration Administrator of the Courts	5-3128 0-9282 5-3202
Family Counseling Division	2-5450 7-8043
Courts and Ministerial Division	5-3340 4/3326 5/3274 5-3440 2-2856
Child Support Office	9/3494

# **Probation Division**

Chief Probation	475-3448
Pre-Trial	
Alternative Sentencing Office	
Juvenile Probation Services	
Juvenile Drug Court	
Adult Probation Services	
Office Duty/Intake	475-3388/3174
Adult Drug Court	
Adult Drug Unit	
Facsimile	477-4944





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