



NATIONAL COUNCIL OF
JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JUDGES

Oregon

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- In 2024, the NCJFCJ fulfilled four requests for technical assistance in **Oregon**.
- In 2024, the NCJFCJ trained 91 judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family court-related professionals working to protect **Oregon's** children, families, and victims in our communities.
- The NCJFCJ is funded by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) to provide targeted support to the **Washington County** and **Lane County Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Teams**, which are implementing the Juvenile Drug Treatment Court Guidelines and other key recommended practices. The NCJFCJ provides targeted support through court assessments; onsite court observation; strategic planning activities; peer-to-peer learning; and individualized training.
- The **Clackamas County Juvenile Court** Mentor Child Abuse and Neglect Implementation Site is recognized for their efforts to improve outcomes for abused and neglected children and juvenile offenders.
- The NCJFCJ, with funding from the State Justice Institute, selected the **Lane County Juvenile Court** as an Enhanced Juvenile Justice Guidelines demonstration site, which works on evaluating current programs and creating avenues for diversion.
- With funding support from the NoVo Foundation, the NCJFCJ provided training and technical assistance to the **Clackamas County Juvenile Court** to identify and promote promising practices in juvenile and family courts to address child sex trafficking.
- The NCJFCJ conducted a session on child sex trafficking at the Through the Eyes of a Child Judicial Conference held in **Silverton**.
- **Oregon** judicial system professionals participated in the NCJFCJ's Child Abuse and Neglect Institute (CANI). The CANI brought together expert judicial faculty and other subject matter experts to engage participants through exemplary instruction, case scenarios, and other active learning strategies. Some of the core topics of CANI include: the leadership role of the judge in child abuse and neglect cases; a review of federal laws and policies that drive the child abuse and neglect process; the Indian Child Welfare Act; reasonable efforts in judicial decision making; judicial ethics; and emerging issues in child welfare.
- **Judge Katherine Tennyson**, NCJFCJ Past President from **Oregon**, serves as lead faculty for the NCJFCJ Wellness Symposium — Centering Ourselves for Leadership.
- The NCJFCJ has 46 Judicial and Associate Members in **Oregon**.
- **Judge Dale R. Koch (Ret.)** and **Judge Katherine Tennyson (Ret.)** of **Portland** are NCJFCJ Past Presidents. **Judge Tennyson** is also a NCJFCJ Amicus Council Member. **Judge Valeri L. Love of Eugene** is a NCJFCJ Board Member and served as a 2024 Days on the Hill delegate for the NCJFCJ.

National Impact

In 2024, the NCJFCJ's work impacted approximately **4 million** families across the nation. Our publications amassed over **94,000** views, the team fulfilled over **150** requests for technical assistance, and trained over **15,000** judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family-court related professionals across the nation.

- **Court Leadership & Education**
Educate judges, court professionals, and community members about leadership skills and best practices to improve the justice system
- **Domestic Child Sex Trafficking**
Improving outcomes for vulnerable and victimized children through judicial education and action
- **National Judicial Institute on Domestic Violence**
Enhancing judicial skills to promote victim safety and batterer accountability
- **Juvenile Justice GPS**
Providing juvenile justice policy, practice, and statistics by state
- **Trauma-Informed Courts & the Adolescent Brain**
Promoting trauma-responsive courts and practices informed by science
- **Child Abuse & Neglect Institute**
Improving outcomes for abused and neglected children through dependency court best practices
- **Military-Connected Families**
Enhancing judicial skills to best serve military-connected families
- **Tribal Courts & ICWA**
Promoting collaboration between tribal and state courts
- **Juvenile Drug Treatment Courts**
Enhancing effectiveness in addressing youth substance abuse
- **Animal Cruelty**
Understanding the link between animal abuse and other forms of violence
- **Implementation Sites & Project ONE**
Approaching families holistically and improving outcomes for children in care
- **Self-Care & Wellness**
Promoting judicial self-care and wellness for centering oneself for leadership

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