



NATIONAL COUNCIL OF
JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JUDGES

Pennsylvania

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- In 2024, the NCJFCJ fulfilled four requests for technical assistance in **Pennsylvania**.
- In 2024, the NCJFCJ trained 142 judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family court-related professionals working to protect **Pennsylvania's** children, families, and victims in our communities.
- The NCJFCJ's research division, the National Center for Juvenile Justice (NCJJ), was established in **Pittsburgh** in 1973 to support the NCJFCJ's mission with national children and youth data collections and ground-breaking applied research in juvenile and family court systems.
- The NCJJ Director and the NCJFCJ Director of State and Legal Initiatives hosted a booth for a joint law school resources event for law students at the **Thomas R. Kline School of Law, Duquesne University**.
- With funding from the Office for Victims of Crime, the NCJFCJ provides training and technical assistance to the **WRAP Court** in **Philadelphia** to enhance juvenile and family court responses to human trafficking.
- The NCJFCJ held the Enhanced Resource Guidelines Training other Trainers in **Pittsburgh** to train judicial faculty on adult learning principles and the Enhanced Resource Guidelines.
- The **Allegheny County Court of Common Pleas Family Division** Mentor Model Court, is recognized for its efforts to improve outcomes for abused and neglected children and their families.
- Multidisciplinary campus professionals representing student conduct, law enforcement, and prevention participated in the Office on Violence Against Women's Campus Training and Technical Assistance Institute (TTI), an opportunity extended to each campus grantee five times over the course of three years. These in-person institutes combined with webinars and intensive, customized support from national experts are designed to help college and university campuses enhance their capacity to address domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking on campus.
- Judges and justice system professionals from **Pennsylvania** received specialized child welfare, domestic violence, and juvenile justice training on current and cutting-edge topics and research during the NCJFCJ's Annual Conference and National Conference on Juvenile Justice.
- The state of **Pennsylvania** contributes juvenile court data to the National Juvenile Court Data Archive, funded by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP). This national project of the NCJFCJ provides detailed and accurate information on the activities of the nation's juvenile courts to juvenile justice professionals, policy makers, researchers, and the public.
- The NCJFCJ has 60 Judicial and Associate Members in **Pennsylvania**.
- **Judge Tiffany Sizemore** of **Pittsburgh** is a NCJFCJ Board Director. **Judith T. Horgan** of **Pittsburgh** is a Sustaining Member of the NCJFCJ and a NCJFCJ Amicus Council Member. **Judge Kim Berkeley Clark** of **Pittsburgh** served as a 2024 Days on the Hill Delegate. **Judge Dwayne Woodruff** of **Pittsburgh** was a NCJFCJ Board Director.

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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