



NATIONAL COUNCIL OF
JUVENILE AND FAMILY COURT JUDGES

IN YOUR
STATE
2024



Wisconsin

- In 2023, the NCJFCJ fulfilled six requests for technical assistance.
- In 2023, the NCJFCJ trained 98 judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family court-related professionals working to protect **Wisconsin's** children, families, and victims in our communities.
- The **Milwaukee NCJFCJ Mentor Child Abuse and Neglect Model Court** is recognized for its efforts to improve outcomes for abused and neglected children, juvenile offenders, and their families.
- Judicial system professionals from **Wisconsin** attended the Enhancing Judicial Skills in Domestic Violence Cases (EJS) workshop. Participants engaged in practical courtroom exercises and learned about victim and perpetrator behavior and fairness and culture issues in domestic violence cases.
- A judicial system professional from **Wisconsin** attended the NCJFCJ's Judicial Engagement Network (JEN) Leadership in Practice Summit. The Summit focused on highlighting strategies currently implemented by jurisdictions to promote, implement, and sustain positive systemic changes that improve court and community responses to intimate partner violence in civil and criminal settings.
- Justice system professionals from **Wisconsin** attended the 2023 All Technical Assistance Provider Training and Technical Assistance for a Changing World meeting. Participants heard presentations on the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act, copyright and ownership of technical assistance resources, training and technical assistance for sexual assault service providers, and the use of social media to engage the community.
- Judges and justice system professionals from **Wisconsin** 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 **Wisconsin** 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 landscape of juvenile justice in **Wisconsin** is detailed through the Juvenile Justice Geography Policy Practice and Statistics website (JJGPS.org), a project of the NCJFCJ's research division, the National Center for Juvenile Justice (NCJJ). JJGPS is an online resource that tracks juvenile justice reform in each state, allowing for comparisons within and across states.
- The NCJFCJ has 18 Judicial and Associate Members in **Wisconsin**.
- **Judge Ramona A. Gonzalez** of **La Crosse** is a Past President of the NCJFCJ.

National Impact

In 2023, the NCJFCJ work impacted approximately **4 million** families across the nation. The team fulfilled about **550** requests for technical assistance and trained approximately **7,500** judges, judicial officers, attorneys, and other juvenile and family-court related professional across the nation.

AREAS OF FOCUS

- ▶ **Diversity, Equity, and Justice**
Diversifying the bench to better represent the children and families served
- ▶ **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 and 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 and Wellness**
Promoting judicial self-care and wellness for centering oneself for leadership
- ▶ **Court Leadership**
Equip judges, court professionals, & community members with knowledge & skills to improve the justice system

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