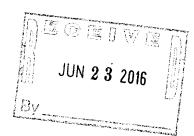
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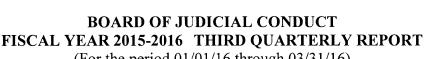
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Dear Chief Clerks:

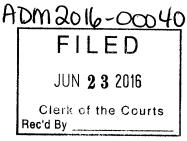
Please find enclosed the Quarterly Report for the third quarter of this fiscal year, as mandated by Tenn. Code Ann. § 17-5-207(b).

Sincerely,

CHRIS CRAFT Board Chair



(For the period 01/01/16 through 03/31/16) Due 6/20/16



The number of complaints OPENED¹ this quarter is 99. Year to date the number is 317.

The number of complaints CLOSED this quarter is 106. Year to date the number is 301.

The DISPOSITION of the complaints closed this quarter is:

	YTD (Year to Date)
Dismissed, complaint about court ruling 67	195
Dismissed, no jurisdiction 1	7
Dismissed, inadequate factual basis 25	77
Dismissal with warning 1	3
Dismissal after full investigation 0	0
Deferred discipline agreement 1	2
Private reprimand 4	6
Private censure 0	0
Public reprimand 3	5
Public censure 0	0
Other 3	4
Retired complaint, no longer a judge 1	2
Cease and Desist Order 0	0
Suspension 0	0
Recommendation of removal from office 0	0
TOTAL 106	301

The number of complaints PENDING on the last day of this quarter is 68.

The number of complaints for which PROBABLE CAUSE WAS FOUND² this quarter is 15. The number year to date is 22.

The number of complaints for which FORMAL CHARGES WERE FILED this quarter is 0. The number year to date is 0.

^{1.} A single complaint naming several judges is counted as a separate complaint against each judge. A complaint whose allegations encompass more than one category is listed under the most serious category alleged.

^{2. &}quot;Probable cause was found" means that Disciplinary Counsel and the investigative panel believe that there is evidence supporting the allegations against a judge and the investigative panel has authorized a full investigation pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. §17-5-304 (c)(3).

The NATURE of the complaints filed and the TYPE OF JUDGE according to the following categories is:

A) Failure to comply with the	he law:	YTD
Criminal	26	77
Circuit	13	46
Chancery	5	18
General Sessions	23	62
Juvenile	1	1
Magistrate and Referee	1	6
Municipal	3	4
Commissioner	1	3
Probate	0	1
Appellate Court	0	10
Senior and Retired	0	1
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Other TOTAL	74	3 (Non-judge, deceased judge, judge from another
IOIAL	/4	232 state, etc.)
B) Bias, prejudice and unfa	irness:	YTD
Criminal	2	4
Circuit	1	5
Chancery	0	3
General Sessions	2	6
Juvenile	0	0
Magistrate and Referee	0	5
Municipal	0	0
Commissioner	0	0
Probate	0	0
Appellate Court	0	0
Senior and Retired	0	0
Other	0	0
TOTAL	5	 <u>23</u>
101112		20
C) Discourtesy:		YTD
Criminal	0	2
Circuit	0	1
Chancery	0	1
General Sessions	5	5
Juvenile	0	0
Magistrate and Referee	0	0
Municipal	0	0
Commissioner	0	0
Probate	0	0
Appellate Court	0	0
Senior and Retired	0	0
Other	0	0
TOTAL	5	9

D) Abuse of office:		$\underline{\text{YTD}}$
Criminal	0	1
Circuit	0	0
Chancery	0	1
General Sessions	1	1
Juvenile	0	0
Magistrate and Referee	0	0
Municipal	0	0
Commissioner	0	0
Probate	0	0
Appellate Court	0	0
Senior and Retired	0	0
Other	0	0
TOTAL	1	3
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F) Dolove		YTD
E) Delay: Criminal	1	5
Circuit	2	6
		0
Chancery		· ·
General Sessions	0	8
Juvenile	0	0
Magistrate and Referee	0	1
Municipal	0	0
Commissioner	0	0
Probate	0	0
Appellate Court	0	1
Senior and Retired	0	0
Other		0
TOTAL	3	21
F) Ex parte communication	ıs:	$\underline{\text{YTD}}$
Criminal	0	0
Circuit	1	2
Chancery	0	0
General Sessions	0	1
Juvenile	0	0
Magistrate and Referee	0	0
Municipal	0	1
Commissioner	0	0
Probate	0	0
Appellate Court	0	0
Senior and Retired	0	0
Other	0	0
TOTAL	1	4
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G) Disability:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal	0	0
Circuit	0	0
Chancery	0	0
General Sessions	0	0
Juvenile	0	0
Magistrate and Referee	0	0
Municipal	0	0
Commissioner	0	0
Probate	0	0
Appellate Court	0	0
Senior and Retired	0	0
Other	0_	0
TOTAL	0	0
H) Political violation:		YTD
Criminal	0	0
Circuit	0	0
Chancery	0	0
General Sessions	0	0
Juvenile	0	0
Magistrate and Referee	0	0
Municipal	0	0
Commissioner	0	1
Probate	0	0
Appellate Court	0	0
Senior and Retired	0	0
Other	0	0
TOTAL	0	<u> </u>
TOTAL	U	1
I) Recusal:		YTD
Criminal	0	4
Circuit	3	8
	0	0
Chancery	0	5
General Sessions Juvenile	1	1
	0	
Magistrate and Referee		1 1
Municipal	0	
Commissioner	0	0
Probate	0	0
Appellate Court	0	3
Senior and Retired	0	0
Other	0	$-\frac{0}{22}$
TOTAL	4	23

J) Miscellaneous:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal	0	1
Circuit	0	0
Chancery	0	0
General Sessions	0	0
Juvenile	0	0
Magistrate and Referee	0	0
Municipal	0	0
Commissioner	0	0
Probate	0	0
Appellate Court	0	0
Senior and Retired	0	0
Other	0_	0
TOTAL	0	1

Member Voting

		YTD		
	D	FI	D	FI
Hon. Norma Ogle	16	1	43	1
Edward G. Phillips	20	1	45	3
Judge Kenny Armstrong	18	3	36	7
Miles Burdine	17	0	64	0
Judge Angelita Dalton	16	0	44	3
Judge Joe Fowlkes	10	14	39	18
Robert Gardner	15	1	51	5
Ronald Hickman	16	18	41	26
Chris Hodges	15	1	35	1
Thomas Lawless	13	0	41	0
Judge Christy Little	21	1	65	1
Judge Larry Logan	18	2	48	6
Judge Michael Sharp	17	1	49	1
Judge Dwight Stokes	19	3	43	7
Judge Dee Gay	12	17	36	20

D= Dismissals

FI= Full Investigations

Respectfully submitted,

CHRIS CRAFT, Board Chair

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