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BOARD OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT
FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 FOURTH QUARTERLY REPORT
(For the period 4/1/13 through 6/30/13)
Due 9/20/13

The number of complaints OPENED¹ this quarter is 92. Year to date the number is 373.

The number of complaints CLOSED this quarter is 97. Year to date the number is 350.

The DISPOSITION of the complaints closed this quarter is:

	YTD (Year to Date)	
Dismissed, complaint about court ruling----	60	209
Dismissed, no jurisdiction -----	3	15
Dismissed, inadequate factual basis -----	20	99
Dismissal with warning -----	6	11
Dismissal after full investigation -----	0	0
Deferred discipline agreement -----	0	1
Private reprimand -----	2	8
Private censure -----	0	0
Public reprimand -----	4	5
Public censure -----	1	1
Other -----	0	0
Retired complaint, no longer a judge -----	1	1
Suspension -----	0	0
Recommendation of removal from office --	0	0
TOTAL	97	350

The number of complaints PENDING on the last day of this quarter is 57.

The number of complaints for which PROBABLE CAUSE WAS FOUND² this quarter is 3.
The number year to date is 20.

The number of complaints for which FORMAL CHARGES WERE FILED this quarter is 1.
The number year to date is 1.

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

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. "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 law:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	20	74
Circuit -----	17	50
Chancery -----	2	21
General Sessions -----	13	63
Juvenile -----	0	5
Magistrate and Referee-----	9	17
Municipal -----	1	5
Commissioner -----	0	3
Probate -----	0	3
Appellate Court -----	1	1
Senior and Retired -----	1	3
Other -----	1	8 (Non-judge, deceased judge, judge from another
TOTAL	65	253 state, etc.)

B) Bias, prejudice and unfairness:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	1	6
Circuit -----	1	6
Chancery -----	1	4
General Sessions -----	3	10
Juvenile -----	0	3
Magistrate and Referee-----	0	4
Municipal -----	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	0
Appellate Court -----	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	0	0
TOTAL	6	33

C) Discourtesy:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	3	4
Circuit -----	2	3
Chancery -----	0	0
General Sessions -----	1	4
Juvenile -----	0	0
Magistrate and Referee-----	2	3
Municipal -----	1	2
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	1
Appellate Court -----	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	0	0
TOTAL	9	17

D) Abuse of office:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	0	0
Circuit -----	0	5
Chancery -----	0	0
General Sessions -----	1	9
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	1
Other -----	0	0
TOTAL	1	17

E) Delay:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	3	9
Circuit -----	1	2
Chancery -----	0	1
General Sessions -----	1	4
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	16

F) Ex parte communications:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	0	1
Circuit -----	0	0
Chancery -----	0	1
General Sessions -----	2	5
Juvenile -----	0	0
Magistrate and Referee-----	1	2
Municipal -----	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	0
Appellate Court -----	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	0	1
TOTAL	3	10

G) Disability:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	0	2
Circuit -----	0	0
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 -----	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	0	4

H) Political violation:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	0	0
Circuit -----	0	1
Chancery -----	0	2
General Sessions -----	0	0
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 -----	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
TOTAL	1	5

I) Recusal:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	0	3
Circuit -----	0	3
Chancery -----	1	2
General Sessions -----	1	10
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 -----	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	2	18

J) Miscellaneous:		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	0	0
Circuit -----	0	1
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	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>

Respectfully submitted,


 CHRIS CRAFT, Board Chair
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