

## MAGISTRATE JUDGES' WORKLOAD

In addition to their numerous duties and responsibilities, the two magistrate judges are also assigned approximately 30% of all Southern and Eastern civil cases for all purposes, including trial and entry of judgment, under the Magistrate Judge Opt-Out Program. In addition, the magistrate judges are randomly assigned all newly-filed prisoner and pro se cases, subject to receiving the express consent of all parties. During 2005, the magistrate judges also conducted 34 settlement conferences, with approximately a 60% success ratio.

Although the federal courts are no longer obligated to hold naturalization ceremonies, the District of Idaho believes in the importance of these proceedings. Magistrate Judge Mikel H. Williams will preside over six ceremonies throughout the course of the year, to be held in both Boise and Pocatello.

**A. Chief Magistrate Judge Boyle's Workload** During 2005, with respect to various criminal duties performed under 28 U.S.C. § 636(a), the total number was up 29%. Some of the more substantial component increases in that area included: a 95% rise in search warrants; a 54% increase in initial appearances; a 35% hike in detention hearings, a 12% increase in arraignments; a 17% rise in CJA fee applications and a 44% increase in grand jury sessions. On the civil side, under § 636(b) duties, settlements conferences increased some 20% while other supplemental civil consent duties rose 28%.

**B. Magistrate Judge Williams' Workload** During 2005, civil consent case terminations under § 636(c) increased 38%, while the overall totals under § 636(b) duties rose 11%. Within that area, non-dispositive motions were up 20% while fee applications had a 33% hike and settlement conferences increased by 22%. Likewise, supplemental civil consent information totals rose 31%. On the criminal side, petty offenses increased by 177%. Under 28 U.S.C. § 636(a) duties, there was an overall gain of 58%, with significant increases in a number of categories. Search warrants rose 60%; initial appearances went up 16%; Attorney appointment hearings rose 23%; detention hearings increased 61%; arraignments rose 91% while CJA fee applications increased 72%.

**U.S. Magistrate Judge Civil Workload**  
**For the 12 Month Period Ending December 31**  
**Chief Magistrate Judge Boyle**

	2003	% Change	2004	% Change	2005
<b>PRISONER CASES</b>					
State Habeas	0	-	1	-	0
Federal Habeas	0	-	0	-	0
Civil Rights	0	-	0	-	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>PRISONER CASES - SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION</b>					
Pretrial Conferences	0	-	0	-	0
Non-Dispositive Motions	0	-	0	-	0
In Forma Pauperis Grants	0	-	0	-	0
Fee Applications	0	-	0	-	0
Other	0	-	0	-	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>ADDITIONAL CIVIL DUTIES § 636(b)</b>					
Non-Dispositive Motions	250	-52%	121	-10%	109
Dispositive Motions	13	-62%	5	-100%	0
Evidentiary Hearings	0	-	0	-	0
Fee Applications	0	-	0	-	0
Social Security Appeals	1	-100%	0		1
Settlement Conferences	14	-29%	10	20%	12
Pretrial Conferences	0	-	0	-	0
Motion Hearings /Arguments	19	-74%	5	0%	5
Other	0	-	0	-	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>-53%</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>-10%</b>	<b>127</b>
<b>CIVIL CONSENT CASES § 636(c)</b>					
Without Trial	83	40%	116	-34%	76
Jury Trial	1	0%	1	100%	2
Bench Trial	0	-	1	100%	2
<b>Total Case Terminations</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>-32%</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL CIVIL CONSENT INFORMATION</b>					
Motions	697	25%	874	-15%	744
Pre-Trial Conferences	90	-9%	82	-24%	62
Other	13	38%	18	28%	23
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>974</b>	<b>-15%</b>	<b>829</b>

**U.S. Magistrate Judge Criminal Workload**  
**For the 12 Month Period Ending December 31**  
**Chief Magistrate Judge Boyle**

	2003	% Change	2004	% Change	2005
<b>PETTY OFFENSES</b>					
Dismissed/Acquitted Without Trial	0	-	0	-	1
Dismissed/Acquitted With Trial	0	-	0	-	0
Convicted Without Trial	0	-	0	-	7
Convicted With Trial	0	-	0	-	2
<b>TOTAL DISPOSITIONS</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>28 U.S.C. § 636(a) DUTIES &amp; MISC</b>					
Search Warrants	65	-34%	43	95%	84
Summonses	22	-73%	6	0%	6
Arrest Warrants	26	-12%	23	-4%	22
Initial Appearances	111	-14%	96	54%	148
Attorney Appointment Hearings	0	-	1	-	0
Detention Hearings	84	15%	97	35%	131
Bail Reviews / Forfeitures	0	-	0	-	0
Preliminary Exams	10	60%	16	-31%	11
Arraignments	177	-6%	166	12%	186
Judgement Debtor Exams	6	-100%	0	-	0
Contempt Proceedings	0	-	0	-	0
CJA Fee Applications	104	4%	108	17%	126
Grand Jury Sessions	18	0%	18	44%	26
Naturalization Proceedings	5	-40%	3	-100%	0
Other	1	-100%	0	-	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>629</b>	<b>-8%</b>	<b>577</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>743</b>
<b>§ 636(b) DUTIES (FELONIES)</b>					
Non-Dispositive Motions	119	25%	149	-4%	143
Dispositive Motions	11	-82%	2	300%	8
Evidentiary Hearings	0	-	0	-	0
Pretrial Conferences / Omnibus Hearings	2	-	0	-	1
Mental Competency Hearings	0	-	0	-	0
Probation / Supervised Release Revocation Hearings	11	-73%	3	-100%	0
Writs	58	-26%	43	-51%	21
Motion Hearings / Arguments	2	150%	5	60%	8
Guilty Plea Proceedings	93	-18%	76	-50%	38
Other	0	-	0	-	0

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Magistrate Judge Williams**

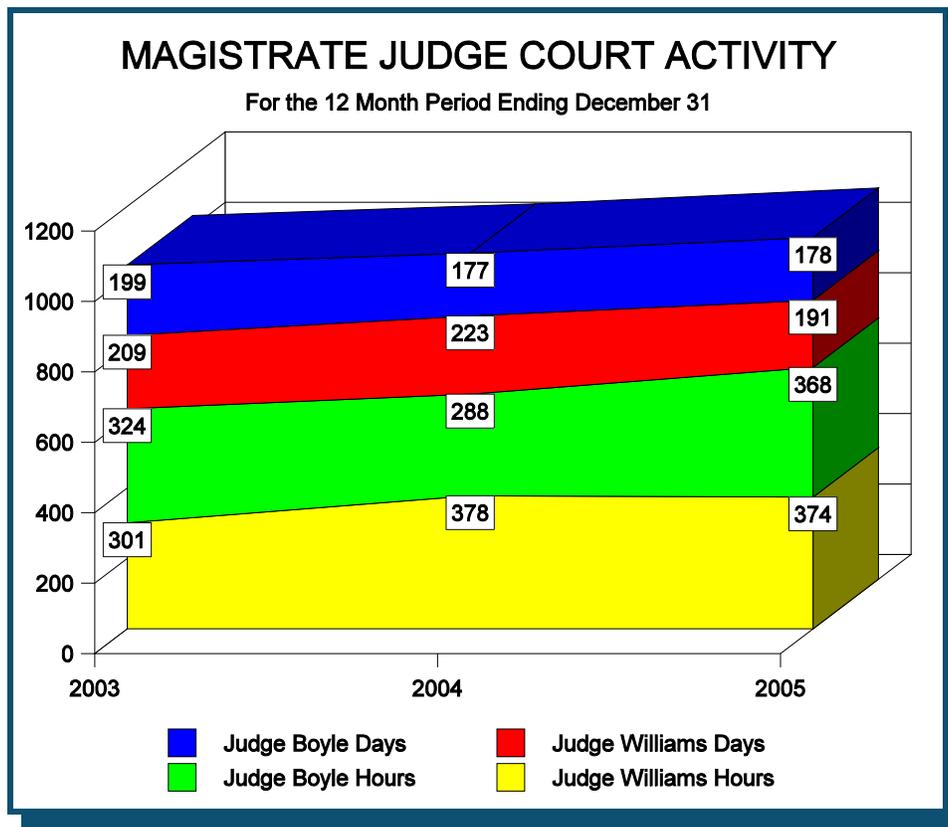
	2003	% Change	2004	% Change	2005
<b>PRISONER CASES</b>					
State Habeas	0	-	0	-	0
Federal Habeas	0	-	0	-	0
Civil Rights	0	-	0	-	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>PRISONER CASES - SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION</b>					
Pretrial Conferences	0	-	0	-	1
Non-Dispositive Motions	0	-	0	-	0
In Forma Pauperis Grants	0	-	0	-	18
Fee Applications	0	-	0	-	0
Other	0	-	0	-	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>ADDITIONAL CIVIL DUTIES § 636(b)</b>					
Non-Dispositive Motions	229	-28%	164	20%	196
Dispositive Motions	18	44%	26	-81%	5
Evidentiary Hearings	0	-	0	-	0
Fee Applications	3	0%	3	33%	4
Social Security Appeals	0	-	0	-	32
Settlement Conferences	15	20%	18	-6%	17
Pretrial Conferences	0	-	2	-50%	1
Motion Hearings /Arguments	17	106%	35	-40%	21
Other	0	-	0	-	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>282</b>	<b>-12%</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>276</b>
<b>CIVIL CONSENT CASES § 636(c)</b>					
Without Trial	92	5%	97	33%	129
Jury Trial	0	-	0	-	2
Bench Trial	0	-	1	300%	4
Total Case Terminations	92	7%	98	38%	135
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL CIVIL CONSENT INFORMATION</b>					
Motions	635	11%	708	27%	901
Pre-Trial Conferences	39	72%	67	37%	92
Other	29	21%	35	106%	72
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>703</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>1,065</b>

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**Magistrate Judge Williams**

	2003	% Change	2004	% Change	2005
<b>PETTY OFFENSES</b>					
Dismissed/Acquitted Without Trial	1	1000%	11	-9%	10
Dismissed/Acquitted With Trial	0	-	2	-	0
Convicted Without Trial	10	-30%	7	671%	54
Convicted With Trial	0	-	6	33%	8
<b>TOTAL DISPOSITIONS</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>136%</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>177%</b>	<b>72</b>
<b>28 U.S.C. § 636(a) DUTIES &amp; MISC</b>					
Search Warrants	53	13%	60	60%	96
Summonses	1	4900%	50	94%	97
Arrest Warrants	10	420%	52	-8%	48
Initial Appearances	88	30%	114	16%	132
Attorney Appointment Hearings	61	16%	71	23%	87
Detention Hearings	84	17%	98	61%	158
Bail Reviews /Forfeitures	0	-	0	-	0
Preliminary Exams	5	-40%	3	433%	16
Arraignments	170	-18%	140	91%	268
Judgement Debtor Exams	3	233%	10	-100%	0
Contempt Proceedings	0	-	0	-	0
CJA Fee Applications	83	70%	141	72%	243
Grand Jury Sessions	19	-26%	14	43%	20
Naturalization Proceedings	9	-33%	6	233%	20
Other	7	14%	8	200%	24
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>593</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>767</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>1,209</b>
<b>§ 636(b) DUTIES (FELONIES)</b>					
Non-Dispositive Motions	250	-36%	159	-4%	153
Dispositive Motions	45	11%	50	26%	63
Evidentiary Hearings	0	-	0	-	0
Pretrial Conferences / Omnibus Hearings	106	-30%	74	100%	148
Mental Competency Hearings	1	300%	4	-100%	0
Probation / Supervised Release Revocation Hearings	20	-90%	2	250%	7
Writs	20	215%	63	27%	80
Motion Hearings / Arguments	0	-	0	-	2
Guilty Plea Proceedings	52	-10%	47	-23%	36
Other	0	-	0	-	0

C. **Magistrate Judge Court Activity** During 2005, the amount of Magistrate Judge court hours increased overall by 11%, while the number of court days dropped by 8%. There were significant increases in both Boise (13%) and Pocatello (51%). Although approximately 59% of the magistrate court proceedings involve Boise cases, both magistrate judges routinely conduct court proceedings in Pocatello, Moscow, and Coeur d'Alene. Video conferencing is also extensively used by the magistrate judges in an effort to save travel costs and time.

<b>Magistrate Judge Court Activity</b>						
<b>For the 12 Month Period Ending December 31</b>						
		2003	% Change	2004	% Change	2005
Judge Boyle	Hours	324	-11%	288	28%	368
	Days	199	-11%	177	1%	178
Judge Williams	Hours	301	26%	378	-1%	374
	Days	209	7%	223	-14%	191
Total	Hours	625	7%	666	11%	742
	Days	408	-2%	400	-8%	369



Magistrate Judge Court Activity by Location §						
For the 12 Month Period Ending December 31						
		2003	% Change	2004	% Change	2005
Boise	Hours	304	28%	390	13%	442
	Days	221	12%	247	-3%	240
Pocatello	Hours	205	-27%	150	51%	227
	Days	103	-18%	84	-12%	74
Moscow	Hours	28	-18%	23	-26%	17
	Days	25	-36%	16	-25%	12
Coeur d'Alene	Hours	89	17%	104	-45%	57
	Days	59	-10%	53	-19%	43
Total	Hours	626	7%	667	11%	743
	Days	408	-2%	400	-8%	369

§ Note - It is the divisional code of the assigned case **not** the physical location of the judge that determines where the time is logged.

