

TULALIP TRIBAL COURT

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MEMORANDUM

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FROM: TULALIP TRIBAL COURT JUDGES

SUBJECT: FOURTH QUARTER REPORT--2010

DATE: JANUARY 21, 2011

This report covers the Fourth Quarter of 2010, from October through December.

I. Quarterly Statistics.

TULALIP TRIBAL COURT			
ACTIVITY REPORT FOR THE PERIOD			
OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER 2010			
Types of Cases	Filed	Disposed	Total Pending
Criminal Involving Alcohol	7	9	28
Criminal Involving Drugs	16	4	26
Criminal Involving Domestic Violence	11	13	26
Criminal Involving Fishing	2	2	16
Criminal General (not in above categories)	34	52	160
TOTAL CRIMINAL CASES*	72	102	264
Criminal Traffic	235	277	202
TOTAL TRAFFIC & CRIMINAL CASES	307	379	277
Civil Anti-Harassment	3	1	10
Child Support**	8	1	104
Civil Child Custody	16	2	207
Civil Divorce	9	2	107
Civil Employment	4	1	32
Civil Gaming	5	2	27
Civil General	34	11	443
Civil Guardianship	6	6	200
Civil Paternity	0	0	13
Civil Restraining Order	10	3	94
Civil Youth in Need of Care	15	8	215
TOTAL CIVIL CASES***	131	40	1650
Total for Quarter	438	419	2116

- * **Criminal Separated from Traffic New for 2008**
- ** **New Category for 2008**
- *** **Other Types of Cases included in Total Numbers**

II. Narrative of Activities:

- A. **COURT ACTIVITIES NOT REFLECTED IN STATISTICS:**
 1. **Wellness Court:** The Court continues to process and accept new clients. A total of 2 clients are in Wellness Court, with 1 client in stage 4 and three clients in the first phase. The Wellness Team continues to meet weekly.
 2. **Elders Panel:** The Elder's Panel continues to meet at least once a month on Fridays. Like Wellness Court team members, the Elder's Panel continues to volunteer their time on Friday mornings. This quarter the Elder's Panel expanded its requirement to allow participants who are under 37 years of age and may expand to assist with appropriate probation clients.
 3. **Other Caseload Statistics:** The Court continues to issue and quash warrants including search warrants. One jury trial was held this quarter. The Court held 2265 hearings in the fourth quarter which is slightly higher than the first and second quarters but down from the third quarter. Both civil and criminal caseload filings are overall the same as last quarter. Infractions continue to be about double over the fourth quarter of 2009. Thus, overall the number of filings is relatively equal to the 3rd quarter.

- B. **MEETINGS AND TRAININGS:**
 1. **Law and Justice Committee:** We continue to meet every month with the Law and Justice Committee.
 2. **Court Staff Meetings:** The court continues having monthly staff meetings to problem-solve issues, manage workload, review and implement policies and procedures, plan for document management, and to address Tulalip policies. Updating and standardizing forms has been the priority for this quarter.
 3. **Juvenile Diversion Panel:** Judge Bass continues to be involved and has successfully implemented the Community Accountability Board (CAB) for Tulalip Youth working in connection with Snohomish County Juvenile Court. The panel is seeing Tulalip Youth and meets once a month.
 4. **Presentations and Training:** Judge Pouley was appointed by President Obama to the federal Indian Law and Order Commission (ILOC) this quarter. She also was a participant at the "listening session" of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges Association meeting to plan and implement strategies for including tribal judges in the curriculum for training. Judge Bass attended the National Judicial

College training on criminal procedure and evidence to keep updated on legal issues.

5. The Judges continue to meet with the Domestic Violence Program at their regular monthly meetings and continue participation Law and Justice regular meetings. The Quarter Tulalip received two grants which the Judges and Court Director are attending planning meetings for. The Tribal Court received one Domestic Violence Grant for which the Court Director attended a mandatory training session in Florida. The Court Director is now involved and/or responsible for four grants.

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