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Summary

- **Filings**

2023 annual filings. The filings in 2023 were: 319 dependency cases, 168 termination cases, 111 at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 1,560 truancy cases, and 351 others.

2024 annual filings. The filings in 2024 were: 430 dependency cases, 127 termination cases, 90 at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 1,571 truancy cases, and 609 others.

2025 YTD filings. The YTD filings in 2025 were: 126 dependency cases, 26 termination cases, 19 at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 510 truancy cases, and 212 others.

- **Resolutions (approval or dismissal of petitions)**

Resolution is defined as either the “approval” or the “dismissal” of the petition.

2023 annual resolutions. The resolutions in 2023 were: 319 dependency cases, 223 termination cases, 110 at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 887 truancy cases, and 323 others.

2024 annual resolutions. The resolutions in 2024 were: 255 dependency cases, 163 termination cases, 85 at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 1,390 truancy cases, and 517 others.

2025 YTD resolutions. The YTD resolutions in 2025 were: 109 dependency cases, 16 termination cases, 19 at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 306 truancy cases, and 197 others.

- **Pending Resolution**

At the end of March 2025, the pending resolution (petitions are neither approved nor dismissed yet) caseload was: 339 dependency cases, 104 termination cases, 44 at-risk-youth and child-in-need of service cases, 2,063 truancy cases, and 194 others.

- **Age of Pending Resolution Cases**

At the end of March 2025, there were cases older than 180 days since filing which remained as unresolved (still pending the approval or dismissal of the petitions): 141 dependency cases, 49 termination cases, 24 at-risk-youth and child-in-need of service cases, 1,329 truancy cases, and 59 other cases.

- **Number of Fact-findings (FF)**

2023 annual fact-findings. The number of fact-findings in 2023 were: 222 for dependency cases, 140 for termination cases, 75 for at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 39 for truancy cases, and 268 for others.

2024 annual fact-findings. The number of fact-findings in 2024 were: 198 for dependency cases, 64 for termination cases, 44 for at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 85 for truancy cases, and 456 for others.

2025 YTD fact-findings. The 2025 YTD numbers of fact-findings were: 82 for dependency cases, 10 for termination cases, 4 for at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 35 for truancy cases, and 179 for others.

- **Number of Hearings (non Fact-findings)**

2023 annual hearings. The number of non fact-finding hearings in 2023 were: 7,477 for dependency cases, 785 for termination cases, 173 for at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 302 for truancy cases, and 708 for others.

2024 annual hearings. The number of non fact-finding hearings in 2024 were: 7,952 for dependency cases, 450 for termination cases, 149 for at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 528 for truancy cases, and 622 for others.

2025 YTD hearings. The 2025 YTD numbers of non fact-finding hearings were: 1,926 for dependency cases, 77 for termination cases, 19 for at-risk-youth and children-in-need of service cases, 208 for truancy cases, and 214 for others.

“Others” category includes the following case types: DDP - Developmental Disability; DGN - Dependency Guardianship; RVS - Relative Visitation; EFC - Extended Foster Care, Dependency; GFC - Guardianship Foster Children; RPR - Reinstatement of Parental rights; and VYG - Vulnerable Youth Guardianship.

Terminology

Filings

Number of petitions (cases) filed.

Resolutions

Number of petitions (cases) resolved, either by “approval” or “dismissal” of petitions. Unlike the definition of “resolution” for other Superior Court case types, the “resolution” for these case categories does not indicate the end of judicial involvement if the petition is approved.

Pending Resolution

Number of active cases that have not been resolved, namely the petition has neither been approved nor dismissed yet.

Resolved, Pending Completion

Number of cases for which the petition has been approved, but issues (sometime significant issues) still remain in which the court is actively involved.

Resolution Age

Time (days) from filing to resolution, less suspense time if applicable.

Pending Resolution Case Age

Time (days) from filing to the last day of the reporting period for these cases that still remain unresolved (no approval or dismiss yet), less suspense time, if applicable.

Pending Completion Case Age since the Approval of Petition

Time (days) from filing from the approval of the original petition (resolution) to the last day of the reporting period for those cases that still remain uncompleted (resolved, but with court activities), less suspense time, if applicable.

Number of Fact-findings (FF)

This is an estimate of actual fact-finding hearings held due to siblings belonging to one family unit having data entered on each case for the same fact-finding hearing proceeding.

Number of Hearings (non Fact-findings)

Number of all hearings other than fact-findings entered during the reporting period. The number of hearings is further divided into “pre-resolution” and “post-resolution” hearings depending on the time of the hearings in relation to the resolution date.

Table 1. Dependency Statistics

	2024 Dependency					2025 Dependency				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
Filings										
SEA	65	85	99	66	315	73				73
KNT	17	18	37	43	115	53				53
BOTH SEA/KNT	82	103	136	109	430	126				126
Resolutions										
SEA	37	49	57	49	192	76				76
KNT	16	10	25	12	63	33				33
BOTH SEA/KNT	53	59	82	61	255	109				109
Pending Resolution										
SEA	170	173	210	220		308				
KNT	72	73	86	113		131				
BOTH SEA/KNT	242	246	296	333		439				
Resolved, Pending Completion										
SEA	410	399	374	369		371				
KNT	403	389	370	346		340				
BOTH SEA/KNT	813	788	744	715		711				
Resolution Age (days)										
% of Cases within 75 days	19%	20%	18%	18%		11%				
% of Cases within 90 days	28%	24%	21%	25%		3%				
% of Cases within 120 days	49%	31%	39%	31%		7%				
% of Cases within 180 days	66%	46%	65%	48%		28%				
% of Cases >180 days	34%	54%	35%	52%		51%				
Total # of Cases Resolved	53	59	82	61		109				
Pending Resolution Case Age										
# of Cases less than 75 days	70	66	112	78		108				
# of Cases between 76 and 90 days	4	21	8	21		13				
# of Cases between 90 and 120 days	6	25	28	55		28				
# of Cases between 121 and 180 days	45	39	36	50		49				
# of cases > 180 days	117	95	112	129		141				
Total # of Pending Resolution Cases	242	246	296	333		339				
Pending Completion (but resolved) Case, Age Since Filing										
# of Cases less than 1 year	64	74	75	78		94				
# of Cases between 1 and 2 years	142	161	157	144		138				
# of Cases between 2 and 3 years	175	156	131	138		129				
# of Cases between 3 and 4 years	126	114	128	106		102				
# of Cases between 4 and 5 years	110	79	64	60		62				
# of cases > 5 years	196	204	189	189		186				
Total # of Pending Completion (resolved) Cases	813	788	744	715		711				

Annual total reflects the year-end update and adjustment.

Table 1 (continued). Dependency Statistics

	2024 Dependency					2025 Dependency				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD
Pending Completion (but resolved) Case, Age Since Approval of Petition										
# of Cases less than 1 year	164	181	159	162		193				
# of Cases between 1 and 2 years	168	158	168	157		141				
# of Cases between 2 and 3 years	134	120	115	105		103				
# of Cases between 3 and 4 years	103	113	96	90		74				
# of Cases between 4 and 5 years	69	47	41	46		51				
# of cases > 5 years	175	169	165	155		149				
Total # of Pending Completion (resolved) Cases	813	788	744	715		711				
Number of Fact-findings										
SEA	24	43	62	49	178	54				54
KNT	5	2	7	6	20	28				28
BOTH SEA/KNT	29	45	69	55	198	82				82
Number of Hearings (Non fact-findings)										
SEA	1058	2040	1124	1165	5387	1120				1120
KNT	644	604	596	721	2565	806				806
BOTH SEA/KNT	1702	2644	1720	1886	7952	1926				1926

Table 2. Termination Statistics

	2024 Termination					2025 Termination				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
Filings										
SEA	21	17	21	26	85	22				22
KNT	5	19	9	9	42	4				4
BOTH SEA/KNT	26	36	30	35	127	26				26
Resolutions										
SEA	35	34	27	21	117	10				10
KNT	7	12	17	10	46	6				6
BOTH SEA/KNT	42	46	44	31	163	16				16
Pending Resolution										
SEA	89	72	65	72		79				
KNT	24	34	27	25		25				
BOTH SEA/KNT	113	106	92	97		104				
Resolution Age (days)										
% of Cases within 75 days	5%	2%	0%	0%		0%				
% of Cases within 90 days	5%	2%	0%	0%		0%				
% of Cases within 120 days	22%	17%	32%	16%		6%				
% of Cases within 180 days	38%	32%	52%	39%		75%				
% of Cases >180 days	62%	67%	48%	61%		19%				
Total # of Cases Resolved	42	46	44	31		16				
Pending Resolution Case Age										
# of Cases less than 75 days	17	23	27	27		22				
# of Cases between 76 and 90 days	7	12	2	5		4				
# of Cases between 90 and 120 days	4	5	8	10		11				
# of Cases between 121 and 180 days	5	11	7	14		18				
# of cases > 180 days	80	55	48	41		49				
Total # of Pending Resolution Cases	113	106	92	97		104				
Number of Fact-findings										
SEA	18	10	10	14	52	6				6
KNT	3	5	1	3	12	4				4
BOTH SEA/KNT	21	15	11	17	64	10				10
Number of Hearings (Non fact-findings)										
SEA	114	78	78	58	328	56				56
KNT	32	27	31	32	122	21				21
BOTH SEA/KNT	146	105	109	90	450	77				77

Annual total reflects the year-end update and adjustment.

Table 3. ARY/CHINS Statistics

	2024 ARY/CHINS					2025 ARY/CHINS				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
Filings										
SEA	8	2	10	4	7					7
KNT	16	14	12	24	12					12
BOTH SEA/KNT	24	16	22	28	19					19
Resolutions										
SEA	7	7	3	8	7					7
KNT	24	13	8	15	12					12
BOTH SEA/KNT	31	20	11	23	19					19
Pending Resolution										
SEA	21	15	23	20	20					
KNT	10	12	13	24	24					
BOTH SEA/KNT	31	27	36	44	44					
Resolved, Pending Completion										
SEA	58	57	48	51	53					
KNT	33	36	28	26	27					
BOTH SEA/KNT	91	93	76	77	80					
Resolution Age (days)										
% of Cases within 75 days	48%	70%	46%	70%	48%					
% of Cases within 90 days	48%	75%	56%	74%	48%					
% of Cases within 120 days	55%	75%	56%	83%	55%					
% of Cases within 180 days	65%	90%	73%	87%	65%					
% of Cases >180 days	35%	10%	27%	13%	35%					
Total # of Cases Resolved	31	20	11	23	19					
Pending Resolution Case Age										
# of Cases less than 75 days	9	5	12	10	13					
# of Cases between 76 and 90 days	0	1	4	3	2					
# of Cases between 90 and 120 days	2	2	1	6	0					
# of Cases between 121 and 180 days	2	2	2	7	5					
# of cases > 180 days	18	17	17	18	24					
Total # of Pending Resolution Cases	31	27	36	44	44					
Pending Completion (but resolved) Case - Age Since Filing										
# of Cases less than 1 year	34	31	18	18	19					
# of Cases between 1 and 2 years	4	8	4	4	6					
# of Cases between 2 and 3 years	3	4	4	4	2					
# of Cases between 3 and 4 years	2	2	2	3	3					
# of Cases between 4 and 5 years	1	1	1	1	2					
# of cases > 5 years	47	47	47	47	48					
Total # of Pending Completion (resolved) Cases	91	93	76	77	80					

Annual total reflects the year-end update and adjustment.

Table 3 (continued). ARY/CHINS Statistics

	2024 ARY/CHINS					2025 ARY/CHINS				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD
Pending Completion (but resolved) Case – Age Since Approval of Petition										
# of Cases less than 1 year	37	38	20	19		21				
# of Cases between 1 and 2 years	3	2	2	4		5				
# of Cases between 2 and 3 years	2	3	4	4		3				
# of Cases between 3 and 4 years	1	2	2	2		2				
# of Cases between 4 and 5 years	1	1	1	1		1				
# of cases > 5 years	47	47	47	47		48				
Total # of Pending Completion (resolved) Cases	91	93	76	77		80				
Number of Fact-findings										
SEA	3	2	0	4	9	3				3
KNT	16	9	5	5	35	1				1
BOTH SEA/KNT	19	11	5	9	44	4				4
Number of Hearings (Non fact-findings)										
SEA	11	9	5	8	33	4				4
KNT	39	29	26	22	116	15				15
BOTH SEA/KNT	50	38	31	30	149	19				19

Table 4. Truancy Statistics

	2024 Truancy					2025 Truancy				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Annual
Filings										
SEA	189	176	4	104	473	195				195
KNT	449	367	129	153	1098	315				315
BOTH SEA/KNT	638	543	133	257	1571	510				510
Resolutions										
SEA	78	178	123	91	470	163				163
KNT	146	374	247	153	920	143				143
BOTH SEA/KNT	224	552	370	244	1390	306				306
Pending Resolution										
SEA	722	722	598	621		649				
KNT	1370	1359	1231	1244		1414				
BOTH SEA/KNT	2092	2081	1829	1865		2063				
Resolved, Pending Completion										
SEA	60	107	95	94		116				
KNT	76	111	91	83		82				
BOTH SEA/KNT	136	218	186	177		198				
Resolution Age (days)										
% of Cases within 75 days	5%	4%	0%	3%		5%				
% of Cases within 90 days	6%	5%	1%	3%		6%				
% of Cases within 120 days	8%	11%	2%	17%		8%				
% of Cases within 180 days	9%	20%	5%	26%		9%				
% of Cases >180 days	91%	80%	95%	74%		91%				
Total # of Cases Resolved	224	552	370	244		306				
Pending Resolution Case Age										
# of Cases less than 75 days	544	467	131	229		446				
# of Cases between 76 and 90 days	82	58	2	21		55				
# of Cases between 90 and 120 days	89	194	201	5		130				
# of Cases between 121 and 180 days	110	360	300	95		103				
# of cases > 180 days	1267	1002	1195	1515		1329				
Total # of Pending Resolution Cases	2092	2081	1829	1865		2063				
Pending Completion (but resolved) Case - Age Since Filing										
# of Cases less than 1 year	26	66	63	42		35				
# of Cases between 1 and 2 years	66	101	96	100		113				
# of Cases between 2 and 3 years	19	30	21	31		41				
# of Cases between 3 and 4 years	1	1	0	1		9				
# of Cases between 4 and 5 years	1	1	0	0		0				
# of cases > 5 years	23	19	6	3		0				
Total # of Pending Completion (resolved) Cases	136	218	186	177		198				

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Table 4 (continued). Truancy Statistics

	2024 Truancy					2025 Truancy				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	YTD
Pending Completion (but resolved) Case - Age Since Approval of Petition										
# of Cases less than 1 year	88	160	145	129		147				
# of Cases between 1 and 2 years	23	37	35	39		43				
# of Cases between 2 and 3 years	0	0	0	6		8				
# of Cases between 3 and 4 years	1	1	0	0		0				
# of Cases between 4 and 5 years	1	1	0	0		0				
# of cases > 5 years	23	19	6	3		0				
Total # of Pending Completion (resolved) Cases	136	218	186	177		198				
Number of Fact-findings										
SEA	0	43	6	9	58	35				35
KNT	5	19	2	1	27	0				0
BOTH SEA/KNT	5	62	8	10	85	35				35
Number of Hearings (Non Fact-findings)										
SEA	64	101	17	81	263	130				130
KNT	86	124	9	46	265	78				78
BOTH SEA/KNT	150	225	26	127	528	208				208

Table 5. Case Filing, Resolution and Pending for Other Causes of Action

	DDP/EFC/GFC/RPR/RVS etc.									
	Q1/2024	Q2/2024	Q3/2024	Q4/2024	2024 Annual	Q1/2025	Q2/2025	Q3/2025	Q4/2025	2025 Annual
Filings										
SEA	50	82	71	117	320	98				98
KNT	52	63	81	93	289	114				114
Both SEA/KNT	102	145	152	210	609	212				212
Resolutions										
SEA	49	80	68	82	279	95				95
KNT	48	48	71	71	238	102				102
Both SEA/KNT	97	128	139	153	517	197				197
Pending Resolution										
SEA	69	71	71	104		108				
KNT	29	45	50	71		86				
Both SEA/KNT	98	116	121	175		194				
Pending Completion										
SEA	261	278	281	94		298				
KNT	191	208	234	83		277				
Both SEA/KNT	452	486	515	177		575				
Number of Fact-findings										
SEA	40	72	55	76	243	80				80
KNT	43	44	60	66	213	99				99
BOTH SEA/KNT	83	116	115	142	456	179				179
Number of Hearings (non FF)										
SEA	111	98	89	107	405	130				130
KNT	48	47	65	57	217	74				74
BOTH SEA/KNT	159	145	154	164	622	204				204

This tables includes case flow information for the following causes of actions under case type 7: DDP (developmental Disability), GFC includes the following case types: DDP - Developmental Disability; DGN - Dependency Guardianship; RVS - Relative Visitation; EFC - Extended Foster Care, Dependency; GFC - Guardianship Foster Children; RPR - Reinstatement of Parental rights; and VYG - Vulnerable Youth Guardianship.

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