

RECORDER'S COURT

COLUMBUS, GEORGIA

Annual Update

We have a GREAT Team!



What We Do

Cases from:



What We Do

Criminal Cases Only

- Traffic citations
- City ordinance violations
- Certain state misdemeanor charges



Bench Trials Only (No Jury Trials)

What We Do

Criminal Cases Only

- Initial Appearance Hearing (Rights Advisement)
- Preliminary Hearings
 - Determine probable cause
 - If probable cause, set bond



What We Do

- Arrest Warrants
- Search Warrants
- Orders for Production of Documents
- Collect \$ Millions in Fines and Bonds



CASE CATEGORY	2022	2023	2024	% Increase from Year Before
City Ordinance Viol	230	438	607	↑36%
Misdemeanor	3,199	3,414	3,932	↑15%
Felony	1,779	1,927	2,280	↑18%
Traffic	15,765	17,626	22,964	↑30%
TOTAL CASES	20,873	23,405	26,801	↑37%

Financial Summary

It is not the Court's purpose or goal to raise revenue; however, we believe that the increased revenue is a by-product of more officers, additional motor squad officers, and equally applying and upholding the law in our community, in a fair and impartial manner.

Revenue	2022	2023	2024	CHANGE from Year Before
TOTAL REVENUE	\$1,723,027 .99	\$3,117,467. 72	\$4,364,708 .14	+\$1,247,240 .42
Law Library	\$34,906.00	\$67,518.95	\$78,843.50	+\$11,324.55
Local Victim's Asst Fund	\$38,819.01	\$79,398.44	\$109,565.1 8	+\$30,166.74

Quick Summary

	2022	2023	2024
Total # Cases	20,973	23,405	29,801
Total Fines	\$1,723,027. 99	\$3,117,467. 72	\$4,364,708. 14

Separating Courts

More Court Sessions/Shorter Sessions

RECORDER'S COURT ANNEX

PATROL TRAFFIC COURT

*Mondays – Thursdays 8:00 a.m., 10:00
a.m., and 2:00 p.m.



New RC Annex

1000 5th Ave



Separating Courts

RECORDER'S COURT COURTROOM I (Main Building)

PRELIMINARY HEARINGS (aka Jail Cases or Probable Cause Hearings)

- Mon – Fri – 8:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
- Sat and Holidays – Initial Appearance Hearings 8:00 a.m.

Separating Courts

RECORDER'S COURT COURTROOM II

SPECIALTY COURTS

Mon *9:00 a.m. – Georgia State Patrol cases ONLY

Tues *8:45 a.m. – CPD Motor Squad cases
*1:45 p.m. – CPD Tag Reader cases

Wed *1st and 3rd Wed – 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. – Code
Enforcement/Environmental Court
*2nd and 4th Wed – 9:00 a.m. – MCSD School Zone Camera

Cases

Thurs *9:00 a.m. – Principal Summons (PS) Cases
*1:45 p.m. – CPD Motor Squad cases
*Fridays – Reserved for Superior Court use

School Zone Camera Cases

MCSD Only (Not Brookstone or St. Luke Private Schools school zones)

Wednesdays 1st and 3rd Wed - 9:00 a.m.

Challenges We Face

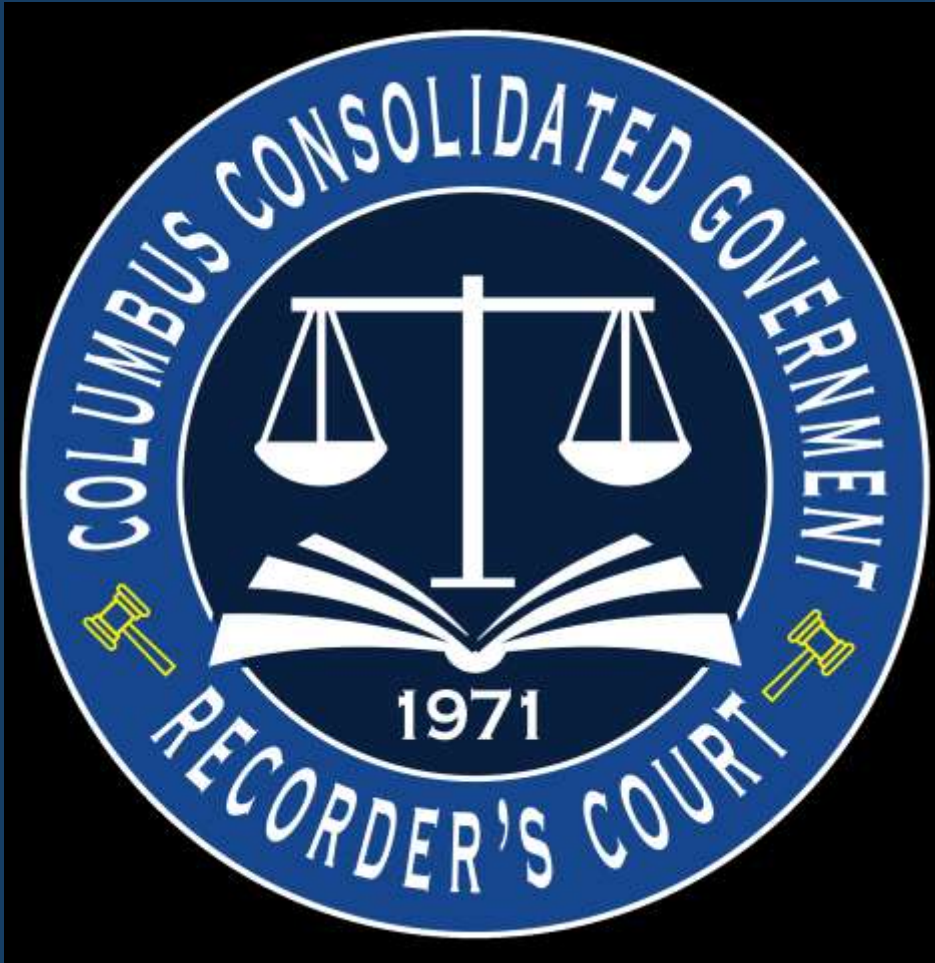
Mental Health

Facilities

Personnel/Retention

"Continuous improvement means that we never perceive current success as our final achievement."

John Hunter



Questions?

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