# COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT ANNUAL REPORT

For the period July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004

# **COMPLAINTS TO BE PROCESSED**

Complaints pending July 1, 2003 Complaints received this fiscal year: First Quarter (July 1, 2003 through Sept. 30, 2003) Second Quarter (Oct. 1, 2003 through Dec. 31,2003)	78 85
Third Quarter (Jan. 1, 2004 through Mar. 31, 2004) Fourth Quarter (April 1, 2004 through June 30, 2004)	82 83 ===
PLUS TOTAL complaints received this fiscal year	328 <b>+328</b> ====
TOTAL-pending and received complaints for fiscal year July 1, 2003 through June 30,2004	369
DISPOSITION OF CONCLUDED COMPLAINTS	
Dismissed by Disciplinary Counsel after review (no jurisdiction) Dismissed by Disciplinary Counsel after preliminary investigation	205
(lack of evidence)  Dismissed by Investigative Panel after preliminary investigation	46 22
Dismissed by Investigative Panel after full investigation	3
Dismissed by Hearing Panel Dismissed by Supreme Court	0 1
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(Total Dismissed	
Letter of Caution without finding of misconduct	18
Letter of Caution with finding of minor misconduct	8
Deferred Disciplinary Agreement Admonition (Confidential)	4 3
Admonition (Public but not Published)	0
Public Reprimand	2
Suspension	4
Removal from Office	4
Referral to Another Agency	0
Other (Closed but not Dismissed)	2
(Total Not Dismissed45)	===
LESS TOTAL complaints concluded this fiscal year	322 <b>-322</b>
TOTAL complaints pending as of June 30, 2004	47

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### SOURCES OF COMPLAINTS

Of the 328 new complaints filed with the Commission during the 2003-2004 reporting period, such complaints originated from the following sources:

Litigant	246
Relative or friend of litigant or defendant	21
Interested citizen	7
Disciplinary counsel	20
Law enforcement officer	3
Another judge	11
Government Official	6
Attorney	5
Anonymous	0
Self-Report	9

### BREAKDOWN BY TYPES OF JUDGES AGAINST WHOM COMPLAINTS WERE FILED

Of the 328 new complaints filed with the Commission during the 2003-2004 reporting period, complaints received were against the following categories of judges:

Appellate Court	6
Circuit Court	71
Family Court	58
Masters and Referees	6
Probate Court	29
Municipal Court	31
Magistrates	127

#### COMMISSION ACTIVITIES

Meetings of investigative panels this fiscal year	4
Meetings of hearing panels this fiscal year	0
Meetings of full commission this fiscal year	0