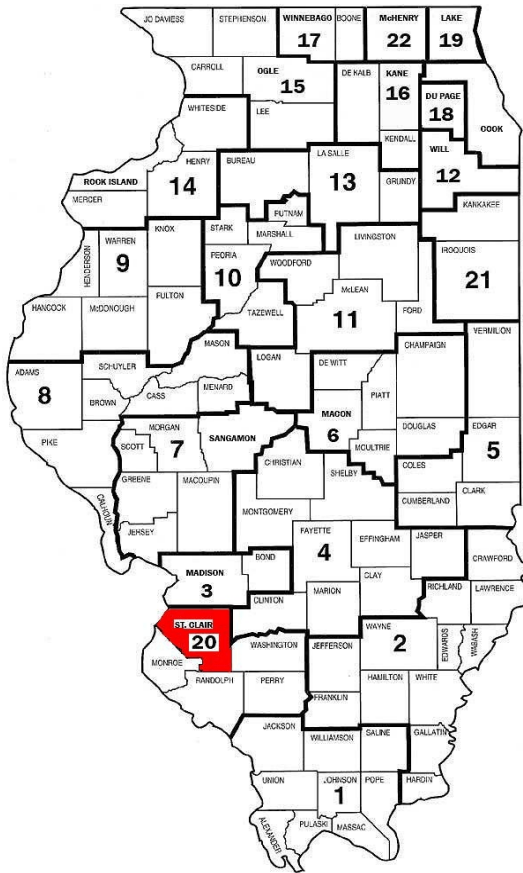


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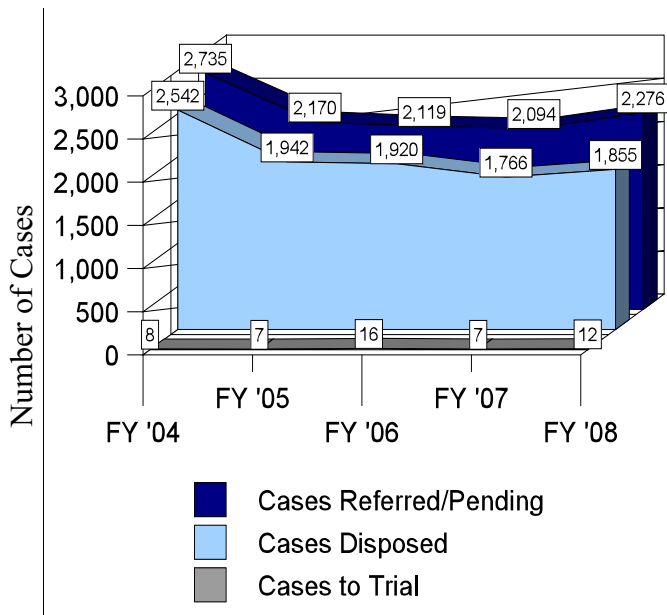
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Arbitration Program Information

The Twentieth Judicial Circuit is comprised of five counties: St. Clair, Perry, Monroe, Randolph and Washington. The Supreme Court approved the request of St. Clair County to begin an arbitration program in May of 1993 and the first hearings were held in February 1994. The arbitration center is located across the street from the St. Clair County Courthouse. A supervising judge is assigned to oversee arbitration matters and is assisted by an arbitration program administrator.



St. Clair County
Five-Year Disposition Trend



The chart to the left presents information regarding the total number of cases litigated in arbitration which were resolved during the arbitration process or ultimately went to trial. Program data indicates that 82% (1,855 of 2,276 cases were disposed) of the cases filed in the St. Clair County arbitration program for State Fiscal Year 2008 were disposed. This disposition rate is lower than the five year average of 88% and higher than the statewide average of 78%.

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**State Fiscal Year 2008
St. Clair County
At A Glance Arbitration Caseload
Information**

Number of Cases Pending/Referred to Arbitration	2,276
Number of Cases Disposed	1,855
Number of Arbitration Hearings ...	129
Number of Awards Accepted	53
Number of Awards Rejected	40
Number of Cases Filed in Arbitration which Proceeded to Trial	12

The data for St. Clair County's 2008 arbitration operations is reflected in the chart to the left. In St. Clair County, less than 1% of cases (12 of the 2,276) filed in arbitration proceeded to trial.