



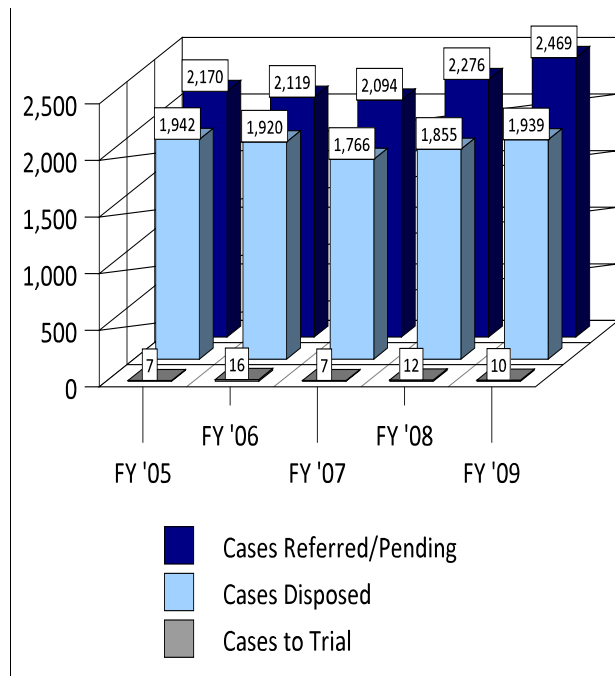
Twentieth Judicial Circuit

(St. Clair County)

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 either resolved during the arbitration process, or ultimately went to trial. Program data indicate that either a settlement or dismissal was reached in 79 percent (1,939 of 2,469 cases were disposed) of the cases filed in the St. Clair County arbitration program for State Fiscal Year 2009. This disposition rate is lower than the five-year average of 85 percent and slightly higher than the statewide average of 78 percent.

St. Clair County

**State Fiscal Year 2009
St. Clair County
At-a-Glance Arbitration Caseload
Information**

Number of Cases Pending/Referred to Arbitration	2,469
Number of Cases Settled/Dismissed . . .	1,939
Number of Arbitration Hearings	120
Number of Awards Accepted	51
Number of Awards Rejected	42
Number of Cases Filed in Arbitration that Proceeded to Trial	10

The data for St. Clair County's 2009 arbitration operations are reflected in the chart to the left. In St. Clair County, less than one percent of cases (10 of the 2,469) filed in arbitration proceeded to trial.

