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The Honorable Bert Stedman  
Co-Chair, Senate Finance  
Alaska State Legislature  
State Capitol  
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Senator Stedman:

Following testimony on SB 246 this past Friday, you asked for a breakdown of superior court case filing statistics by judicial district going back to FY 2000. You also asked how many superior court judges have been added to the bench since that time and where those judges were seated.

**Number of superior court cases filed by year and judicial district**

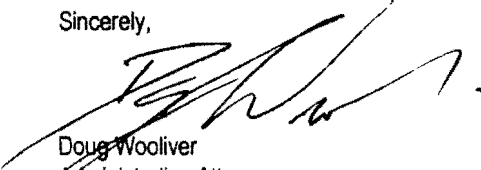
<u>First District</u>	<u>Second District</u>	<u>Third District</u>	<u>Fourth District</u>
FY 00 1,966	FY 00 1,035	FY 00 11,300	FY 00 3,484
FY 01 1,988	FY 01 985	FY 01 11,388	FY 01 3,441
FY 02 2,102	FY 02 1,063	FY 02 11,431	FY 02 3,547
FY 03 2,028	FY 03 911	FY 03 11,953	FY 03 3,692
FY 04 2,103	FY 04 865	FY 04 12,614	FY 04 3,784
FY 05 2,100	FY 05 1,070	FY 05 13,156	FY 05 3,635
FY 06 2,183	FY 06 982	FY 06 13,133	FY 06 3,729
FY 07 2,035	FY 07 938	FY 07 13,495	FY 07 3,800
FY 08 2,091	FY 08 966	FY 08 13,731	FY 08 3,678
FY 09 1,954	FY 09 936	FY 09 13,605	FY 09 3,808

**New superior court judges added since 2000**

Since 2000, the legislature has increased by eight the number of superior court judges in the state. In 2001, one new judge was added in Anchorage and one in Bethel; in 2006, two judges were added Anchorage, two were added in Palmer, one was added in Kenai and one was added in Fairbanks.

I hope that this answers your questions. Please let me know if you would like any additional information.

Sincerely,

  
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