

VAN WERT COUNTY COMMON PLEAS

JUDGE CHARLES D. STEELE – MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2012

Van Wert County Common Pleas Judge Charles D. Steele has release the following report of the court's activities for the month of December, 2012.

Twelve Defendants were arraigned on felony criminal charges as a result of indictments issued by the Grand Jury or Bills of Information presented by the Prosecuting Attorney. The Court conducted 31 criminal pretrial conferences, 9 defendants were convicted as a result of trial or guilty pleas. 10 motion hearings were held. There was 1 criminal jury trial.

Five search warrants were signed by Judge Steele in December.

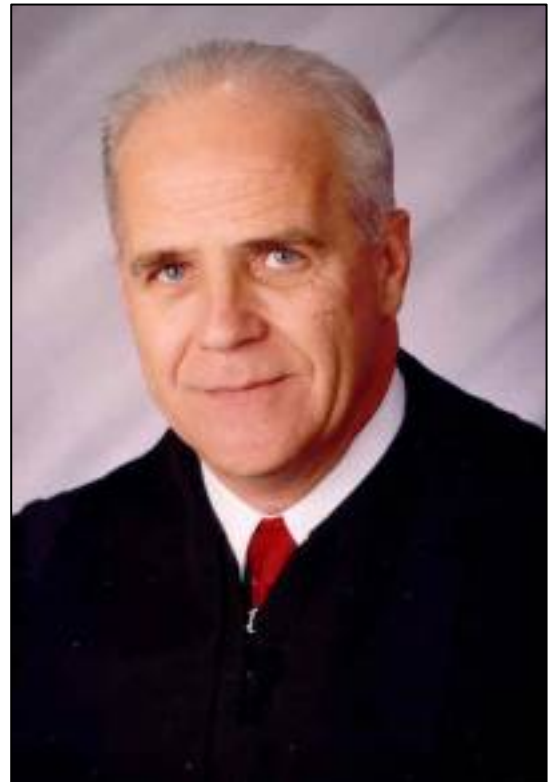
Ten defendants were sentenced to incarceration with the Ohio Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Western Ohio Regional Treatment and Habilitation Center (WORTH), the Van Wert County Correctional Facility or Electronically Monitored House Arrest. Seven defendants were placed under Community Control Intensive Supervision under the supervision of the Van Wert County Adult Probation Department.

The Adult Probation Department supervised a total of 264 probationers presently under Community Control Sanctions and defendants released on bond pending disposition of pending criminal proceedings. There were 301 required reporting visits by probationers and

defendants on bond. The department conducted 11 drug tests, and there were 121 hours of community service work completed by probations under supervision of the Probation Department.

One probationer had his/her probation revoked for violations of Community Control Sanctions. Two defendants had his/her bond revoked for violation of bond conditions. Two probationers successfully completed his/her terms of probation and were released. The court collected \$3,525.80 in fines and court costs.

Judge Steele reported 14 Civil cases were filed during the month. The Court conducted no Trials to Court, held 9 civil pretrial conferences, and heard 13 motions. Eight cases were dismissed due to the parties reaching a settlement. Judgment was rendered in 13 cases. There were no cases



terminated by Summary Judgment in December. There were no cases stayed by Bankruptcy. There was 1 civil case referred to mediation/arbitration. There were no civil jury trials held this month.

Nine Domestic Relations cases were filed during the month. Domestic Relations Magistrate, Joseph Quatman conducted 12 pretrial conferences and 3 hearings on motions regarding modification of custody or visitation. No Civil Protective Orders were filed, and there were 10 Final Divorce or Dissolution of Marriage Hearings. There was 1 case referred to mediation regarding issues of custody, visitation and property. The Court also heard 5 cases presented by the Child Support Enforcement Agency for collection of delinquent court-ordered child support payments.