

# Fiscal Year 2009/2010 Budget Program Description

## Court Administration

### Department Mission Statement:

To effectively manage the administrative functions of the Courts and judicial system, fully utilizing technological advancements and to provide the best service possible to jurors, the bar and the public, while seeking the highest possible public understanding, trust and confidence. To ensure the continued development of an accessible, independent court system through planning, research and development of programs and procedures, through evaluation and use of modern management approaches and technology.

Program Description (By OCA Code)	Customers Served	Mandated Service	Funding Source
<p><u>OCA: 420005 Administration</u> : The 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit is the judicial branch of government in McHenry County. As such, the 22<sup>nd</sup> judicial circuit is mandated to provide access to all individuals for the purposes of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Doing individual justice in individual cases.</li> <li>2. To provide a formal resolution of legal disputes.</li> <li>3. To protect the individual from the arbitrary use of government power.</li> <li>4. To make a formal record of legal status.</li> <li>5. To deter criminal behavior.</li> <li>6. To aid in the rehabilitation of persons convicted of crimes.</li> <li>7. To separate some convicted persons from society.</li> </ol> <p>In order to perform these functions it is necessary to comply with all applicable Illinois statutes and all Illinois Supreme Court Rules to ensure the rights of all people, provide access to adequate representation, etc.</p> <p>The 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit is comprised of both limited and general jurisdiction cases. The court is responsible for all civil, probate, tort, juvenile, family/divorce, minor traffic, criminal misdemeanor and criminal felony offenses.</p>	<p>Citizens of McHenry County, attorneys, litigants and criminal defendants</p>	<p>Pursuant to Illinois Compiled Statutes:</p> <p>Chapters            720/Criminal Proceedings            725/Criminal Proceedings            705/Juvenile Proceedings            5/Labor Relations            405/ Mental Health            735/Land lord tenant            35/ Tax Revenue            55/ Election Procedure            750/Family Court Proceedings            755/Probate Proceedings            815/Law/Tort Proceedings</p> <p>The Rules of the Supreme Court of Illinois</p>	<p>General Fund</p>