

JUVENILE COURT

2016 BUDGET
PRESENTATION



VISION

The Juvenile Court's vision is to achieve excellence by providing quality services for the positive development of children, the safety of the community, and the preservation of the family unit.



MISSION

*The mission of the Juvenile Court of
Gwinnett County is:*

*To enhance the likelihood of rehabilitation
and behavior reform of delinquent children so
that they shall be restored, if possible, as
secure law-abiding members of society.*

*To provide the forum, personnel, and
facilities required for the fair, impartial and
efficient administration of justice.*



MISSION

To ensure that each child coming before the court shall receive the care, guidance, and control that is in the best interest of the child and the safety of the citizens of Gwinnett County and the State of Georgia.

To promote the healing and recovery of abused and neglected children and to promote permanency for those that have been removed from their home.



OVERVIEW

The Juvenile Court is a constitutional court. We are governed by State and Federal Statutory laws and rules. These laws and rules authorize the operation and jurisdiction of the court.



OVERVIEW

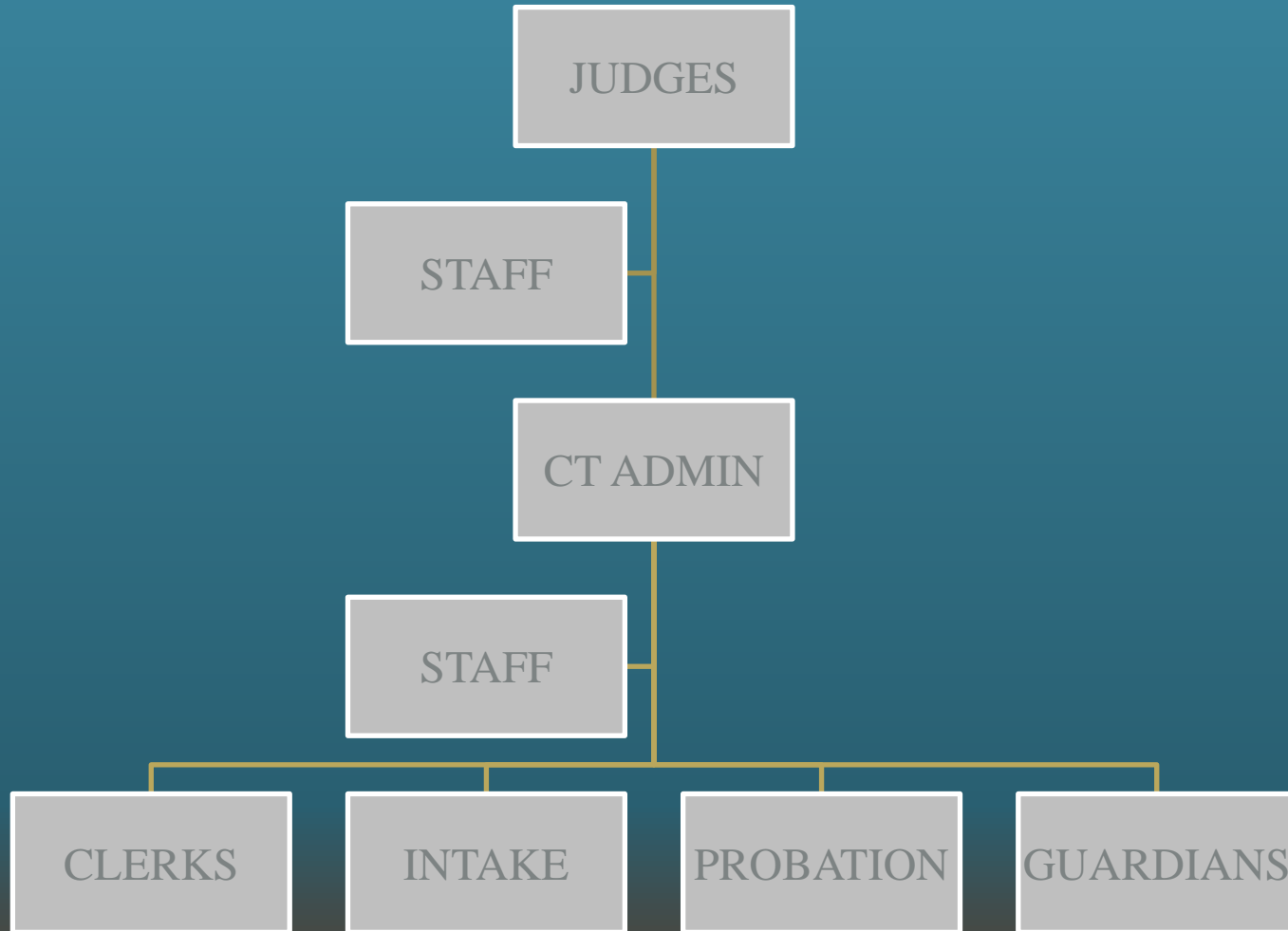
The Juvenile Court currently has 60 full-time employees, down from 61 employees in January of 2010

We have 7 divisions:

<i>Clerks Division</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>employees</i>
<i>Intake Division</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>employees</i>
<i>Probation Division</i>	<i>18</i>	<i>employees</i>
<i>Guardian ad litem</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>employees</i>
<i>Volunteer Resources</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>employees</i>
<i>Administration</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>employees</i>
<i>Judicial</i>	<i>9</i>	<i>employees</i>



ORGANIZATION



DECISION PACKAGE

The Juvenile Court is submitting 1 decision package this year. To add 2 Guardian ad Litem and a Case Coordinator for the Guardian's Division.



DECISION PACKAGE

Attorney II Positions

The Juvenile Justice Reform Act contains 190 separate time limits and mandates additional hearings on dependency cases that were previously not required.

These number 1110 additional hearings over 2013, this is a 35% increase and we are expecting 2000 additional this year. Which will be over a 60% increase over 2013.



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In addition our Custody Transfer hearings have doubled since 2008 from 400 to 800 in 2014.

These cases require a great deal of preparation and court time for the Guardian ad Litem Attorneys



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Case Coordinator

This position is the support position for the 2 Guardian ad Litem Attorneys.

They act as an assistant and investigator to the attorneys assisting in interviews, home evaluations, gathering records, family histories and making recommendations.



DECISION PACKAGE

Positions

<i>Attorney II</i>	<i>Grade 105</i>	<i>\$77,613</i>
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<i>Case Coordinator</i>	<i>Grade B24</i>	<i>\$43,286</i>
<i>Benefits</i>	<i>37.26%</i>	<i>\$73,966</i>
<i>Total Cost</i>		<i>\$272,478</i>
<i>Total Cost (effective 3\1\16)</i>		<i>\$230,038</i>



QUESTIONS

