

Eleventh Judicial Circuit

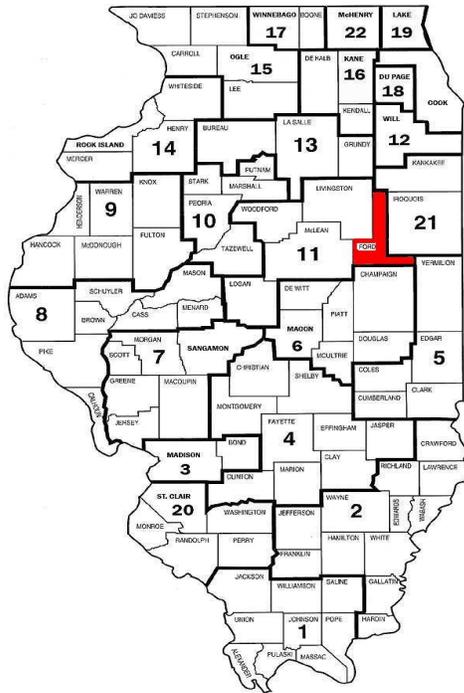
(Ford and McLean Counties)

Arbitration Program Information

Ford County

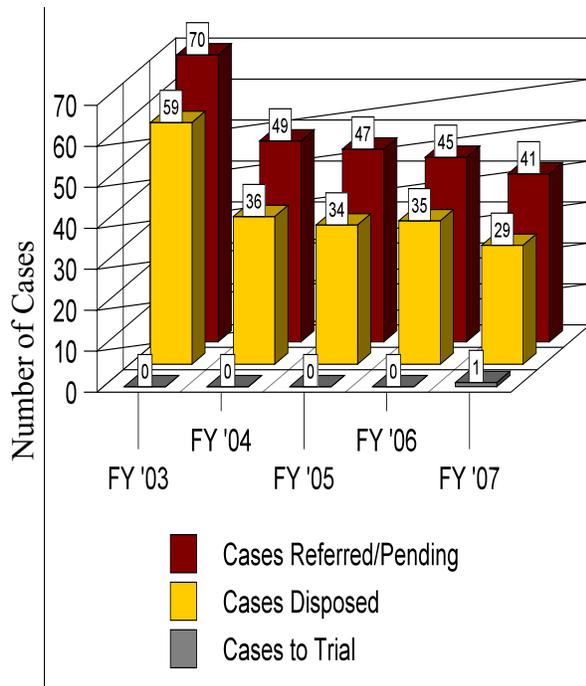
In March of 1996, the Supreme Court of Illinois entered an order which authorized Ford and McLean Counties in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit to begin operating arbitration programs. The arbitration program center for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit is located near the McLean County Law and Justice Center in Bloomington, Illinois which hosts hearings for both counties. A supervising judge from each county is assigned to oversee arbitration matters and both are assisted by an arbitration program administrator.

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 indicates that either a settlement or dismissal was reached in 71% (29 of 41 cases were disposed) of the cases filed in the Ford County arbitration program for State Fiscal Year 2007. This disposition rate is lower than the five year average of 79% and the statewide average of 81%.



Ford County

Five - Year Disposition Trend



Ford County

**State Fiscal Year 2007
Ford County
At A Glance Arbitration Caseload
Information**

Number of Cases Pending / Referred to Arbitration	41
Number of Cases Settled /Dismissed .	29
Number of Arbitration Hearings	4
Number of Awards Accepted	4
Number of Awards Rejected	1
Number of Cases Filed in Arbitration which Proceeded to Trial	1

The data for Ford County's 2007 arbitration operations is reflected in the chart to the left. In Ford County, only one case filed in arbitration proceeded to trial.

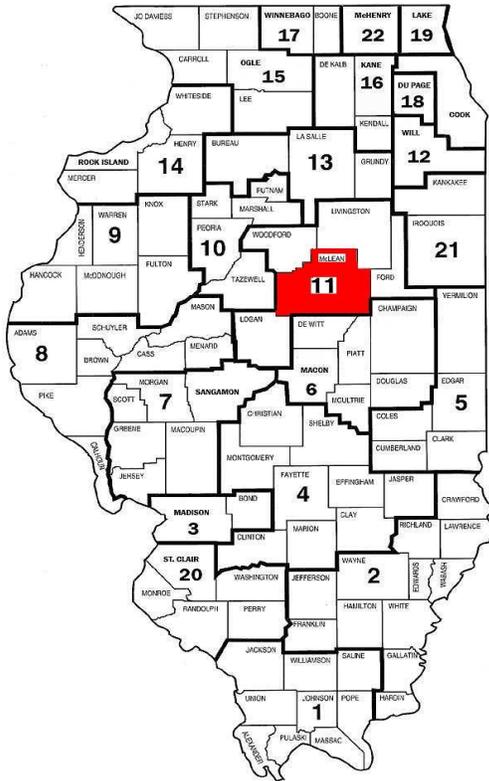
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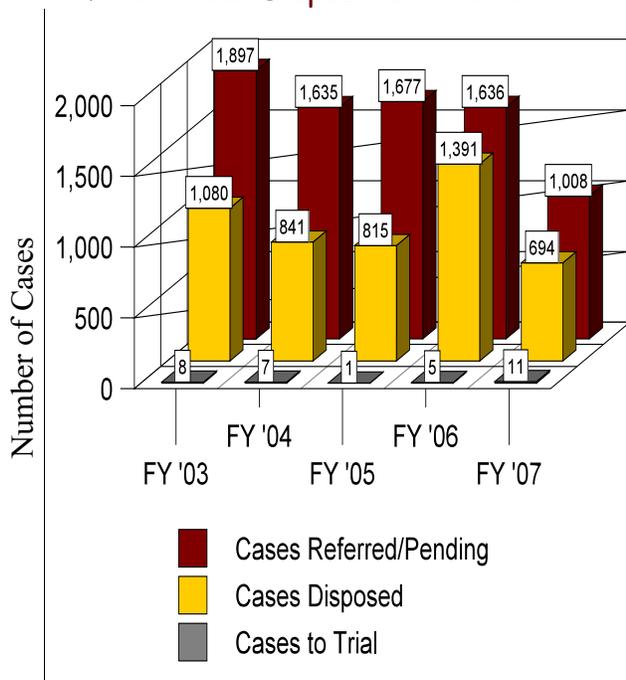
McLean County

While cases referred to McLean County's arbitration program vary annually, an average of 880 cases per year were referred to arbitration over the past five state fiscal years.

The chart to the left presents information on a five year trend for the total number of cases litigated in arbitration which were either resolved during the arbitration process, or ultimately went to trial. Program data indicates that either a settlement or dismissal was reached in 69% (694 of 1,008 cases were disposed) of the cases filed in the McLean County arbitration program for State Fiscal Year 2007. This disposition rate is higher than the five year average of 64%, but is lower than the statewide average of 81%.



McLean County
Five - Year Disposition Trend



McLean County

**State Fiscal Year 2007
McLean County
At A Glance Arbitration Caseload
Information**

Number of Cases Pending / Referred to Arbitration	1,008
Number of Cases Settled / Dismissed	694
Number of Arbitration Hearings ...	66
Number of Awards Accepted	32
Number of Awards Rejected	18
Number of Cases Filed in Arbitration which Proceeded to Trial	11

The data for McLean County's 2007 arbitration operations is reflected in the chart to the left. In McLean County, slightly more than one percent (1%) of the cases litigated in arbitration proceeded to trial.