

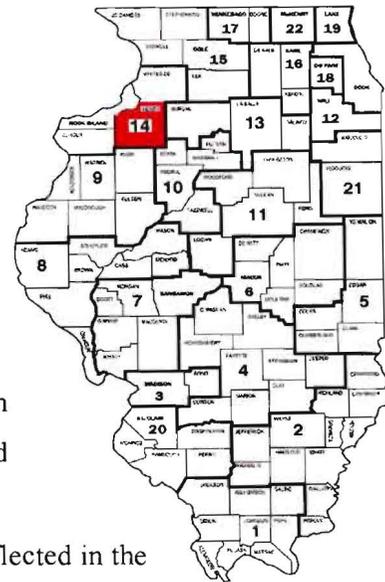
## Fourteenth Judicial Circuit

### Henry County

Arbitration Caseload FY 10	
<b>Cases Pending/Referred to Arbitration</b>	<b>98</b>
<b>Cases Settled/Dismissed</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>Arbitration Hearings</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Awards Accepted</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Awards Rejected</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Cases Filed in Arbitration that Proceeded to Trial</b>	<b>0</b>

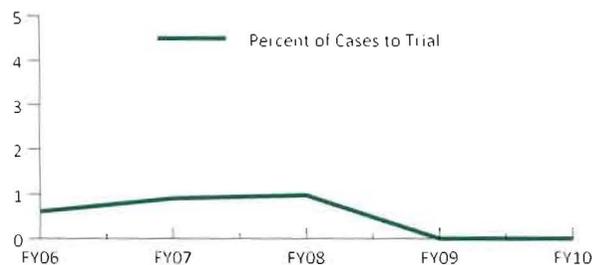
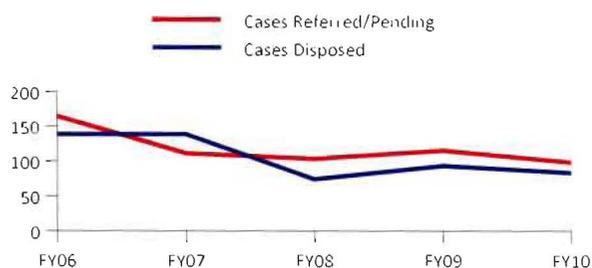
The Fourteenth Judicial Circuit is comprised of Henry, Mercer, Rock Island and Whiteside Counties. In November 1999, the Supreme Court authorized the inception of the program in all four counties of the circuit, and arbitration hearings began in October 2000. This circuit is the first to receive permanent authorization to

hear cases with damage claims up to \$50,000. The table 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 indicate that either a settlement or dismissal was reached in 85 percent (83 of 98 cases were disposed) of the cases filed in the Henry County arbitration program for State Fiscal Year 2010. This disposition rate is lower than the five-year average of 89 percent and higher than the statewide average of 75 percent.



While the number of cases referred to Henry County's arbitration program vary annually, on average, 118 cases per year have been referred to, or are pending in, arbitration over the past five state fiscal years.

The data for Henry County's 2010 arbitration operations are reflected in the graphs below. In Henry County, none of the cases filed in arbitration proceeded to trial.



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## Mercer County

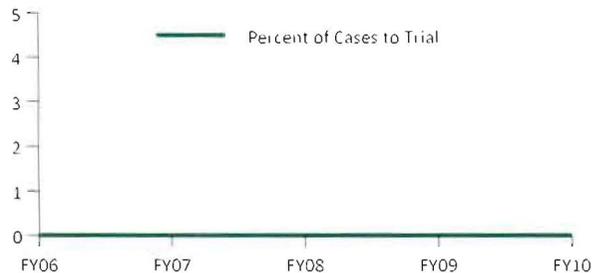
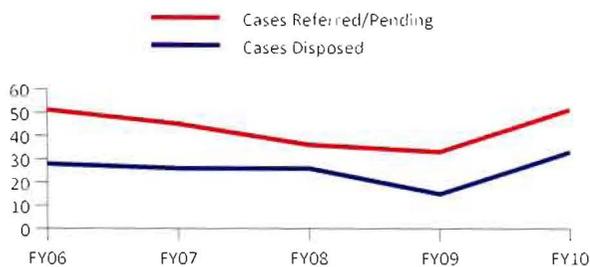
Arbitration Caseload FY 10	
Cases Pending/Referred to Arbitration	51
Cases Settled/Dismissed	33
Arbitration Hearings	2
Awards Accepted	0
Awards Rejected	0
Cases Filed in Arbitration that Proceeded to Trial	0

While the number of cases referred to Mercer County's arbitration program vary annually, on average, 41 cases per year have been referred to, or are pending in, arbitration over the past five state fiscal years.

The table 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 indicate that either a settlement or dismissal was reached in 65 percent (33 of 51 cases were disposed) of the cases filed in the Mercer County arbitration program for State Fiscal Year 2010. This disposition rate is higher than the five-year average of 59 percent and lower than the statewide average of 75 percent.

The data for Mercer County's 2010 arbitration operations are reflected in the graphs below. In Mercer County, none of the cases litigated in arbitration since 2006 have proceeded to trial.



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### Rock Island County

Arbitration Caseload FY 10	
<b>Cases Pending/Referred to Arbitration</b>	<b>583</b>
<b>Cases Settled/Dismissed</b>	<b>394</b>
<b>Arbitration Hearings</b>	<b>34</b>
<b>Awards Accepted</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Awards Rejected</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Cases Filed in Arbitration that Proceeded to Trial</b>	<b>4</b>

An average of 653 cases per year have been referred to, or are pending in, arbitration over the past five state fiscal years.

The table 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 indicate that either a settlement or dismissal was reached in 68 percent (394 of 583 cases were disposed) of the cases filed in the Rock Island County arbitration program for State Fiscal Year 2010. This disposition rate is higher than the five-year average of 66 percent and less than the statewide average of 75 percent.

The data for Rock Island County's 2010 arbitration operations are reflected in the graphs below. In Rock Island County, less than one percent of the cases (4 of 583) filed in arbitration proceeded to trial.

