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**5th Quarter Court Monitor Report
July 1 – September 30, 2008**

I monitored 22 out of 28 hearings this quarter. In the hearings that I monitored, I found compliance at the bench level. In monitoring these hearings, I used the guidelines set forth in the Ramsey County Implementation Policy of 2001 regarding the Indian Child Welfare and the Minnesota Indian Family Preservation Act.

There were a total of 20 children. Of these children, 10% were in preservation and 90% were in reunification. In Out-of-Home Placement, 28% were placed with relatives and 72% were placed with non-relatives.

There were a total of 28 cases – twenty-six CHIPS (90%), two TPR (7%), and one Educational Neglect (3%).

There were a total of 28 hearings: 9 Intermediate Dispositional Hearings (32%), 9 Pre-Trial (32%), 4 Permanent Placement Hearings (15%), 3 Admit/Deny Hearings (11%), 2 Review Hearings (7%), and 1 Motion Hearing (3%).

There was one dismissal and one ICWA ineligible.

Number of Children
20

Number of Children in Preservation i.e., with parent(s)	Number of Children in Reunification i.e., Out-of-Home
2	18

Placements of Children in Out of Home	
With Relatives	Foster Care
5	13

Tribal Affiliation by Cases	
<i>Tribe</i>	<i>Number of Cases</i>
<i>Ojibwe</i>	
Leech Lake (Minnesota)	1
White Earth (Minnesota)	4
Red Lake (Minnesota)	1
Lac du Flambeau (Wisconsin)	1
Total Ojibwe Cases = 7	

<i>Sioux</i>	
Standing Rock (North/South Dakota)	2
Yankton Sioux (South Dakota)	1
Rosebud (South Dakota)	1
<i>Total Sioux Cases = 4</i>	
<i>Other Tribes</i>	
Mescalero Apache (New Mexico)	1
<i>Total Other Tribes = 1</i>	
<i>Total Tribes = 12</i>	

Types of Cases	
CHIPS	26
Educational Neglect	1
TPR	2
<i>Total Cases = 28</i>	

Cases Dismissed	Cases ICWA Ineligible
1	1

Number of Hearings	
IntDispHrg	9
Pre-Trial	9
Motion	1
PermPlcHrg	4
RvwHrg	2
Adm/DnyHrg	3
<i>Total Number of Hearings = 28</i>	

Dates of Hearings (Parenthesis indicate hearings held within a day)	Judge Presiding
7/17 (3); 9/25 (2)	Stephenson
7/31 (1); 8/7 (6); 8/19 (1)	Tilsen
7/29 (6)	Gearin
7/22 (2); 7/24 (2)	Finley
9/9 (2); 9/30 (3)	Bastian

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