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**Improving and Leading
the Nation's Urban Courts**

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A Professional Association
of Leadership Judges and Court Executives
Dedicated to Improving and Leading
the Nation's Urban Trial Courts

Membership Information

The National Conference of Metropolitan Courts

NCMC is an independent, nonprofit education and research organization of administrative leadership judges and court executives in the nation's largest state and local courts.

NCMC was created in 1963 through the impetus of United States Supreme Court Associate Justice Tom C. Clark and a small group of urban chief judges and court administrators. Reducing trial court delay and cost in courts was a major thrust. Many of the caseflow standards and performance guidelines today were generated by the Conference working with the American Bar Association. Case processing remains a major Conference direction.

NCMC is the only organization exclusively serving urban general and limited jurisdiction state and local trial courts. It is committed to enhancing the effective management of metro courts, modernizing adjudication and business processes, streamlining performance, advancing the Rule of Law, and promoting judicial independence and accountability.

An Invitation to Join

Membership in the National Conference of Metropolitan Courts is open to chief, presiding, administrative, and leadership judges, court executives and others interested in improving urban courts. Generally, metro courts are defined as those serving populations of over 500,000 residents. In smaller states, the threshold population is 300,000. This criteria is structured by virtue of the fact that large courts have complex, unique problems often occasioned by staff size, caseload, calendaring and specialized programs.

Benefits

- ✓ Network with professionals regarding ideas, programs and solutions to urban court problems;
- ✓ Learn about innovations, trends and new approaches for better public service at annual conferences and education events;
- ✓ Obtain surveys and research on topics of special interest to metro court professionals provided by the National Center for State Courts and other court reform organizations;
- ✓ Participate in mentoring and coaching programs for new leadership judges and court executives;
- ✓ Attend special metro-related workshops and seminars at reduced rates;
- ✓ Liaison with other national court improvement organizations on policies and projects important to urban justice; and
- ✓ Stay up-to-date on urban court reforms that are replicable and proven to produce results.



One felony and four misdemeanors are filed in state courts each year for every 100 adults in the U.S.
Source: NCSC

Membership Choices

Option 1: Active Member

Annual dues of \$100 per member for a chief, presiding or administrative judge, and up to 3 judges and a court executive. Court executives must be designated for membership by their chief judge.

Option 2: Court System Member

Annual dues of \$500 for courts serving a population of 500K or less provides 5 memberships and one registration fee waiver at the annual conference.

Annual dues of \$750 for courts serving populations of 500 to 750K provides 5 memberships and two registration fee waivers at the annual conference.

Annual dues of \$1000 for courts serving populations of 750K or more provides 5 memberships and three registration fee waivers at the annual conference.

Option 3: Retired Member

Annual dues of \$50 per member for former active members who have retired from full-time judging.

Option 4: Associate Member

Annual dues of \$100 per member. A member may be an organization or a person as permitted by the Board of Directors upon request.

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