



## ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE of PENNSYLVANIA COURTS

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### Automation in Pennsylvania's Courts

The Pennsylvania court system is a national leader in building statewide automation systems that have streamlined internal court operations and provided the public with electronic access to court opinions, dockets and other court-related information.

Statewide automation has been a goal of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court since the early 1980s. The Judicial Automation department of the Administrative Office of Pennsylvania Courts has the task of making the goal a reality.

Since the early 1990s, the Judicial Automation department has developed four major statewide systems, several smaller systems and a number of Web applications that are extensions of the major case management systems. It also provides office automation support for the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and the AOPC staff. The department has a disaster recovery site and a continuity of operations plan for all major automated systems utilizing a secondary data center in western Pennsylvania. The four case management systems are:

- PACMS - Pennsylvania Appellate Court Case Management System
- CPCMS - Common Pleas Court Criminal Case Management System
- MDJS - Magisterial District Judge System
- UJS Web Portal - Unified Judicial System Web Application Portal

The first three systems serve the courts that are identified by the systems' names. Through the fourth system, court calendars, rules and Web dockets sheets of the magisterial district courts, county criminal courts and state appellate courts are available online at <http://ujportal.pacourts.us>.

Opinions of the Supreme Court, the Superior Court and the Commonwealth Court as well as information about these and other courts are available on the Web site of Unified Judicial System at [www.pacourts.us](http://www.pacourts.us).