

Understanding the Display of Case Information

If you have a question that is not covered on this page about the information displayed for civil, family, housing or small claims cases, choose from the list of options found at [Contact Us](#) to send an e-mail. You may view additional information about the Judicial Branch by going to [Frequently Asked Questions](#).

Timeliness of information

Most case information is updated as the information is entered into the case management system, but scheduled events are updated nightly. **Short Calendars** are generally available on Thursday afternoon.

Short Calendars

The short calendar is a list of cases with motions or pleadings that require action by a judge or family support magistrate. Short calendars are generally scheduled each week in each judicial district.

Court Date	The date the calendar is scheduled for
Category	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Magistrate: Family Support Magistrate Short Calendars • Short Calendar - CV: Short Calendar for Civil Cases • Short Calendar - FA: Short Calendar for Family Cases
Case Name	Usually the Plaintiff versus (v.) the Defendant
District	The judicial district (JD) where the court is located
Docket Number	A unique number assigned to a case to identify the case. Each docket number starts with a three-letter location code, which represents the location of the appropriate court. These three letters are followed by two letters that tell the type of case: civil (including housing and small claims)(CV); or family (FA). The next two numbers represent the year the case was filed, followed by the seven digit docket number. The Docket Number must be on all documents filed with the court.
Entry No	An identifying number assigned to each motion, document or activity by the clerk's office or by the e-filing system. The entry number appears to the left of the document name on the short calendar and on the case detail page. Certain documents are not assigned a number, such as an appearance or a reclaim.
List No.	The number of the calendar. The calendars are numbered from 01 to 10 in every district. Some districts have additional short calendar numbers from 11 to 18, for individual calendaring judges' short calendars. Short Calendar - CV 01 lists arguable matters; 02 lists foreclosure matters; 03 lists special proceedings; 10 lists non-arguable matters; Short Calendar - FA 04 and 05 list family matters. Some districts have Short Calendar - FA 06 as well. Family Support Magistrate Calendars do not necessarily have the same calendar numbers from location to location. When the calendar displays, the position number for the motion or objection appears to the left of each matter on the calendar.
Location	The city or town where the court is located
Motion/Objection	A brief description of the name of the motion or pleading that is on the calendar
Posted	The date when the calendar is posted on the website

Attorney/Firm Case List

To see a list of the cases in which an attorney or law firm has filed an appearance, select this link and enter the juris number of the attorney or firm. **The list will include civil and family cases, housing session cases filed on or after March 1, 2016, and small claims cases filed on or after October 16, 2017 or small claims cases filed before October 16, 2017 and then transferred to the small claims docket in the appropriate judicial district or housing session location, subject to the disclaimer found on the Case Look-up homepage. Go to the case look-up pages for housing and small claims cases for more information.

Attorney/Firm Look-up

To find the juris number and other information about an attorney or firm, choose this link and enter the juris number or the name and the city or town, if you know it. The inquiry displays information about firms and information about attorneys admitted to practice law in Connecticut. It also shows the attorney's licensing and disciplinary history.

Party Name Search

To look for a case, you can type the last name or part of the name of any party in the case or the name or part of the name of a business, firm or company party. If you are not sure of the correct spelling of a name, you can enter a few letters of a name. For example, you could enter SMITH or SMI in the Last Name field and get a list of all cases with party names beginning with SMITH or with SMI.

If the party name you are searching for has an apostrophe, search for the name both with the apostrophe and without the apostrophe. For example, you would enter **O'Connor** (with the apostrophe) in the Last Name field and get a list of cases, and then enter **OConnor** (without the apostrophe), and get a different list of cases. The system search looks for an exact match, and the results of your search can be different depending upon how the name was entered in the system when the case was filed.

Case Detail Screen (with Parties & Motions)

The Case Detail Screen contains a history of a case including a list of parties, attorneys, motions, pleadings, objections filed, and the status of each. This screen displays information about the case in six sections:

1. Case Header

Case Name	Usually the Plaintiff versus the Defendant
Case Type	Cases are identified by the major and minor case type codes used on the summons. A complete list is found in form JD-CL-134 .
Docket Number	A unique number assigned to a case identify the case. Each docket number starts with a three-letter location code, which represents the location of the appropriate court. These three letters are followed by two letters that tell the type of case: civil (including housing and small claims)(CV); or family (FA). The next two numbers represent the year the case was filed, followed by the seven digit docket number. The Docket Number must be on all documents filed with the court.
File Date	The date the case was filed
Return Date	The date on which the 90-day waiting period for a divorce begins. Also, the date that starts the countdown for things taking place in a case, such as the deadlines for filing certain papers, including the date by which the defendant should <i>file</i> an appearance. Nothing happens in court on the return date and no one needs to go to court on the return date.

2. Case Information

Case Type	Cases are identified by the major and minor case type codes used on the summons and the explanation of what the code means.
Court Location	The city/town where the court is located for a case
Financial Disputes/Parenting Disputes	For family cases only, the case detail will display the status of any financial or parenting disputes.
Last Action Date	The date the data was entered, not the actual date of the action taken
List Type	For civil cases only, a party will file a certificate of closed pleadings and claim the case to a specific trial list. The list is displayed on the case detail. Administrative Appeals (AA) - The case appears on the administrative appeals calendar. Court (CT) - The case has been claimed for a trial before a judge. Hearings in Damages (HD) - The case has been claimed for a hearing on the issue of the amount of damages only. Jury (JY) - The case has been claimed for a trial before a jury. No List Type – A party has not yet filed a certificate of closed pleadings to claim the matter to a trial list.
RFTD Referral/RFTD Accepted	A family case can be referred to the Regional Family Trial Docket and that referral can be accepted or declined.
Trial List Claim	Displays the date a party filed a certificate of closed pleadings to claim a matter to the trial list.

3. Disposition Information

Disposition	Displays a description of the way that the case is settled or resolved
Disposition Date	The date the court entered judgment or dismissed the case, or the case was withdrawn
Judge/Magistrate	The name of the Judge or Magistrate who entered the judgment or dismissal

4. Party/Appearance/ IV-D Authorized Filer Information

Party Information	The name, juris number (if applicable), address, and telephone number (if available) of the attorney(s) representing each party or of a self-represented party. All party names will display, but a party's address only displays if the party has filed an appearance as a self-represented party.
File Date	The date the attorney or self-represented party filed an appearance.
Non Appearing	Display indicates the party has not filed an appearance with the court.

Party Category	The type of party is displayed, such as plaintiff, defendant, or DSS (Family).
Party Number	The number of the party. Plaintiffs and Defendants are assigned numbers when the names are entered as parties in a case. 'P' indicates party is a Plaintiff, 'D' indicates party is a Defendant. Other common indicators are Family (F) (such as an authorized IV-D filer) and Other (O) (such as a Committee).

Party Type	The type of party, including person, firm or corporation, government entity, or executor/administrator.
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5. Motions/Pleadings/Documents/Case Status

Arguable	If a "Yes" appears, the motion or objection <i>can</i> be argued on a Short Calendar provided the motion is marked when it appears on the short calendar.
Description	The name of the motion or pleading that was filed.
Entry Number	An identifying number assigned to each motion, document or activity by the clerk's office or by the e-filing system. The entry number appears to the left of the document name on the short calendar and on the case detail page. Certain documents are not assigned a number, such as an appearance or a reclaim.
Filed By	The party who filed the document or took the action in the case is identified: P for Plaintiff; D for Defendant; and C for Court are common identifiers.
File Date	The date the document was filed
Result	A brief description of what happened to the motion or objection, including the name of the judge, magistrate or clerk who acted on the motion or objection and the date the motion or objection was acted on.

6. Scheduled Court Dates

Date	Date of the event
Event Description	Events include scheduled events, such as trial management conferences, pretrial conference, jury selection/trial, or short calendar matters. Short calendar events include the calendar number and the position number, for example: Short Calendar SC-01 #001.
Status	Provides information on whether the event is proceeding or has been marked off. If the scheduled event is a short calendar matter, the status is not displayed because status is determined by markings made by the parties as required by the calendar notices and the civil or family standing orders.
Time	The scheduled time of the event. For short calendar matters, the time is not displayed. That information is available on the short calendar notice.