# MANDATORY ARBITRATION



## **Mandatory Arbitration Program Statistics**

In Illinois, court-annexed arbitration is a mandatory, non-binding, noncourt procedure designed to resolve civil disputes by utilizing a neutral third party, called an arbitration panel. Mandatory arbitration applies rules of evidence and procedure which are less formal than those followed in trial courts and usually leads to more timely and less expensive resolution of disputes. An arbitration panel can recommend, but not impose, a decision. In the exercise of its general administrative and supervisory authority over Illinois courts, Supreme Court rules prescribe actions which are subject to mandatory arbitration. The rules address a range of operational procedures including: appointment, qualifications, and compensation of arbitrators; scheduling of hearings; discovery process; conduct of hearings; absence of a party; award and judgment on an award; rejection of an award; and form of oath, award and notice of award. In the sixteen jurisdictions approved by the Supreme Court to operate such programs, all civil cases filed in which the amount of monetary damages being sought falls within the program's jurisdictional limit, are subject to the arbitration process. These modest sized claims are amenable to closer management and quicker resolution by using a less formal alternative process than a typical trial court proceeding.

#### Explanations for Data Listed In the Below Charts:

•Cases Pending/Referred to Arbitration - number of cases filed and pending in arbitration program as of a certain date. •Pre-Hearing Dispositions - number of cases disposed prior to an arbitration hearing.

•Arbitration Hearings - number of cases that had an arbitration hearing.

Post-Hearing Dispositions - number of cases disposed after an arbitration hearing.Awards Rejected - number of arbitration awards rejected

- by a party.
- Post-Rejection Dispositions number of cases disposed after an award was rejected by a party.

•Awards Accepted - number of arbitration awards that were accepted by a party. • Arbitration Cases that went to trial after

• Arbitration Cases Proceeding to Trial - number of cases that went to trial after an award was rejected.

CY2018 Statewide Caseload					
27,162	Post-Hearing Dispositions	668			
8,194	Awards Rejected	2,852			
5,103	Post-Rejection Dispositions	2,875			
1,091	Arbitration Cases Proceeding to Trial	296			
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# CY2018 Circuit Caseload







0

CY14 CY15 CY16 CY17 CY18

0%

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Fourteenth Judicial Circuit - Whiteside County					
Cases Pending/Referred to Arbitration	141	Post-Hearing Dispositions	2		
Pre-Hearing Dispositions	91	Awards Rejected	0		
Arbitration Hearings	3	Post-Rejection Dispositions	0		
Awards Accepted	0	Arbitration Cases Proceeding to Trial	0		





### Nineteenth Judicial Circuit - Lake County



#### Twentieth Judicial Circuit - St. Clair County

Pre-Hearing Dispositions     102       Arbitration Hearings     75       Awards Accepted     36       000	5 Post-Rejection Dispositions 21
Awards Accepted 36	
	6 Arbitration Cases Proceeding to Trial 9
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500   ••••••   Cases Pending/     Cases Pending/   Referred     ••••••   •••••	3%     2%     1%   Percent of to Trial

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#### **Twenty-Second Judicial Circuit - McHenry County**

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Cases Pending/Referred to Arbitration	569	Post-Hearing Dispositions	13
Pre-Hearing Dispositions	410	Awards Rejected	45
Arbitration Hearings	75	Post-Rejection Dispositions	31
Awards Accepted	22	Arbitration Cases Proceeding to Trial	7



#### **Circuit Court of Cook County**

Cases Pending/Referred to Arbitration	12394	Post-Hearing Dispositions	419
Pre-Hearing Dispositions	1770	Awards Rejected	2284
Arbitration Hearings	4034	Post-Rejection Dispositions	2478
Awards Accepted	918	Arbitration Cases Proceeding to Trial	207



Arbitration Program		Automobile/ Subrogation	Collections	Contracts	Liability/Tort	Property Damage	Personal Injury	Other
Boone	Average Award	\$5,546.39	\$16,577.24	\$10,500.00			\$22,103.23	
	Average Number of Days	83	444	182			470	
Cook	Average Award	\$8,034.96		8262.99*	\$6,236.77	\$4,771.60	\$4,631.14	\$1,995.69
	Average Number of Days	198.8		184.9*	194.53	161.3	239.3	156.5
DuPage	Average Award	\$8,489.56		\$12,181.13	\$8,612.85			\$8,789.84
	Average Number of Days	269.1		402	294.72			277.2
Ford	Average Award							
	Average Number of Days							
Henry	Average Award							
	Average Number of Days							
Kane	Average Award	\$6,096.55		\$11,798.67	\$150,000.00	\$30,164.00	\$11,424.93	\$6,220.25
Kalle	Average Number of Days	187.7		15	532	451	242.9	173.5
Lake	Average Award	\$6,773.74	\$13,736.86	\$13,277.68		\$7,301.86	\$15,827.61	\$0.00
Lake	Average Number of Days	155.4	246.3	286.1		143.5	305.2	41
Madison	Average Award	\$22,839.77	\$17,996.54	\$13,421.99	\$4,597.29	\$9,706.22	\$16,136.67	\$214.62
Wiadisoli	Average Number of Days	211.6	295	215.9	355	189.5	168.41	218.5
McHenry	Average Award	\$10,829.42	\$15,717.76	\$16,933.44		\$1,175.00	\$11,250.00	
Wieffeliny	Average Number of Days	224.3	249.6	245.55		324	200.5	
McLean	Average Award	\$0.00	\$8,054.84	\$12,796.16	\$7,239.13	\$6,317.50	\$8,333.33	\$8,647.44
McLean	Average Number of Days	289	215.4	461.5	251	413	329.7	138.6
Mercer	Average Award							
WIEICEI	Average Number of Days							
Rock Island	Average Award	\$30,000.00		\$15,216.15	\$17,500.00			\$16,519.16
ROCK Island	Average Number of Days	365		396.75	469			419.1
St. Clair	Average Award	\$12,816.00	\$9,039.00	\$8,484.92	\$15,666.27	\$7,660.00	\$15,666.27	
St. Clair	Average Number of Days	195.2	254	331.4	289.4	340.3	289.43	
Whiteside	Average Award		\$13,516.44					\$0.00
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Will	Average Award	\$15,324.96	\$11,787.92	\$14,472.53			\$9,950.89	\$13,677.46
VV 111	Average Number of Days	259.7	363.5	321.5			290	396.3
Winnebago	Average Award	\$5,886.33	\$30,802.00	\$11,488.29		\$1,933.66	\$21,737.08	\$1,866.90
w ninebago	Average Number of Days	215.4	155	297.8		164.7	326.8	302

\*This figure includes Collections and Contracts.