



## York County court collections pass \$10M for first time

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In 2009, the York County Clerk of Courts Office surpassed the \$10 million mark in annual collections for the first time.

Clerk of Courts Don O'Shell reported that his office, with the help of other departments, collected \$10,963,164 in restitution, state fines and fees, county costs, municipal fines and civil judgments.

That's a \$1.2 million increase over 2008 collections.

O'Shell gave credit to his Costs and Fines staff, the adult probation collections unit, the sheriff's department and Credit Management Co., a third-party collections vendor.

He said the cost-contempt hearings held in June and November before Judge Penny L. Blackwell contributed to the increase .

O'Shell said the commonwealth also gave the office extra leverage by giving it the authority to suspend driver's licenses if costs and fines in driving-related offenses remained unpaid.

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