

# Repeat Offenders Court (R.O.C. Court)

The first Repeat Offender Courts in Florida were formed in 1989. There are several provisions in statute authorizing, and in some cases, requiring enhanced penalties for habitual or career criminals, both violent and nonviolent. The Legislature has stated, "priority should be given to the investigation, apprehension, and prosecution of career criminals in the use of law enforcement resources and to the incarceration of career criminals."

**To qualify as a habitual felony offender, a defendant must have:**

- \* Been convicted of any combination of two or more felonies.

- \* The current felony must have been committed within five years

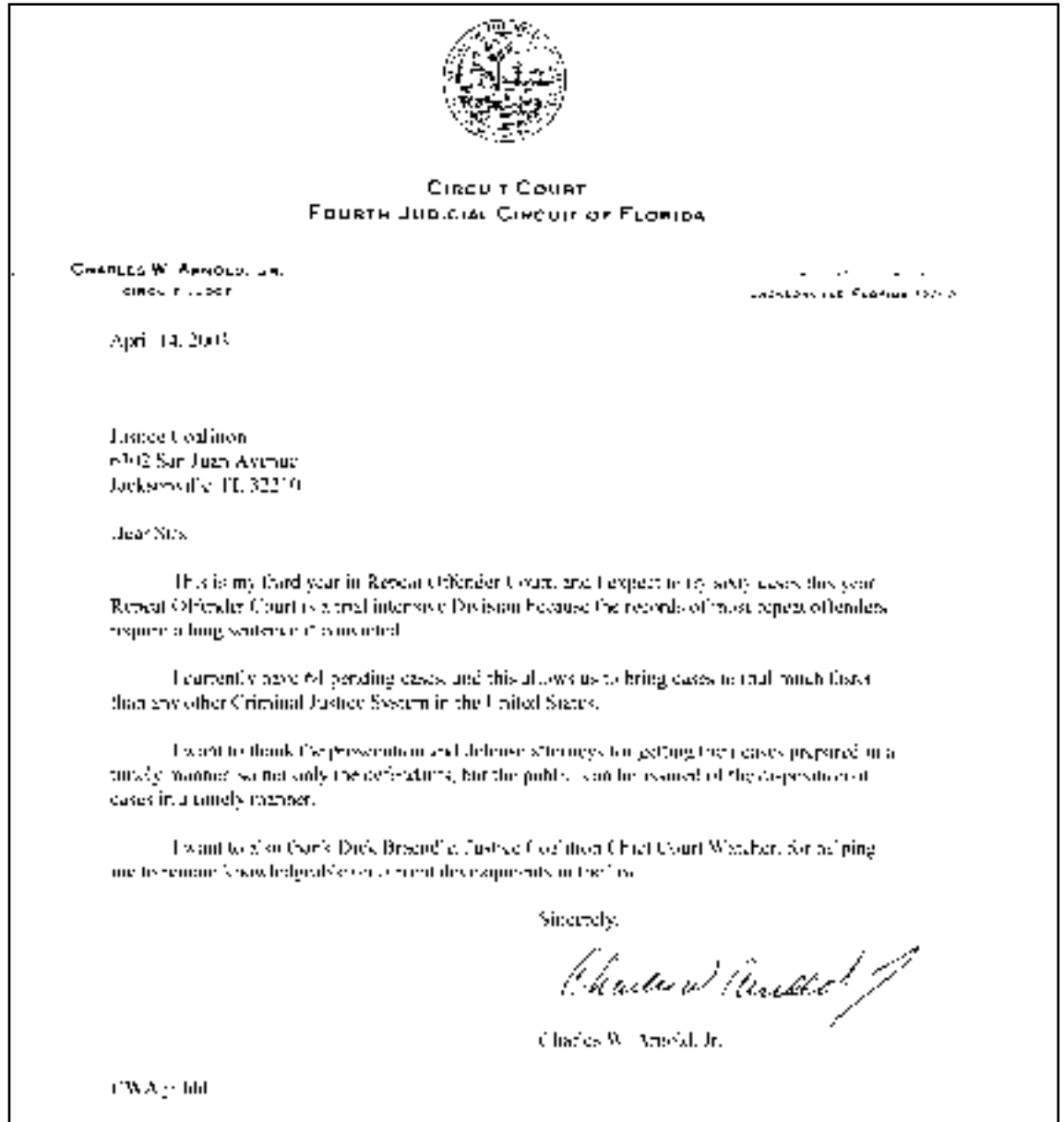
of the last felony.

- \* Neither the current felony nor a prior felony may be for a drug purchase or possession offense.

The increased focus and resources placed on habitual offenders translates into a greater number of offenders being sentenced as repeat offenders and given enhanced penalties. For example, Duval County which has had a Repeat

Offender Court in place since 1989, has ranked at or near the top in sentencing defendants to habitual offender enhanced prison terms.

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## Judge C. Arnold's 2002 R.O.C. Trial Statistics

DATE	DEFENDANT	CHARGE	VERDICT	SENTENCE
1/14/02	Albert Mincey	Sex. Batt.	Guilty	15 years
1/23/02	Reginald Cobbs	Unarmed Robbery	Guilty	30 years
1/25/02	Andre Stephens	Armed Robbery	Guilty	Life
2/1/02	Catherine Lafleur	Murder	Guilty	Life
2/8/02	Tony Gary	"Home inv,robb-grand theft auto"	Guilty	Life
2/13/02	Michael Johnson	Cocaine	Not Guilty	
3/6/02	Otis Stringfield	Deal.stolen property	Not Guilty	
3/20/02	Jerry Harvey	Unarmed Robbery	Guilty	15 years
3/27/02	Darryl Walker	Burglary	Guilty	5 years
4/2/02	Leonard Bethel	Burglary	Not Guilty	
4/16/02	Leron Nelson	Unarmed Robbery	Guilty	5 years
4/17/02	Daniel Wheaton	Unarmed Robbery	Guilty	15 years
4/18/02	Mark Marino	Escaped felon	Mistrial	
5/8/02	Mark Marino	Escaped felon	Not Guilty	
4/23/02	Shana Barnes	2nd Degree Murder	Guilty	27 years
5/7/02	Leonard Green	Lewd-Luciv-battery	Guilty	15 years
5/14/02	Joi Shelton	2nd Degree Murder	Guilty reduced to Manslaughter	10 years
5/21/02	Ronald Bost	Armed Robbery	Guilty	Life
5/29/02	Kenneth Toliver	Burglary	Guilty	1 year
6/4/02	Hiawatha Quaintance	Cocaine	Guilty	5 years
6/10/02	Malachi Smith	Armed Robbery	Mistrial	
6/10/02	Cirilo Allen	Armed Robbery	Guilty	Life
7/1/02	Malachi Smith	Armed Robbery	Guilty	Life
6/18/02	Jeremiah Stubbs	Unarmed Robbery	Guilty	20 years
6/19/02	Jeffrey Grissinger	Armed robb-poss firearm-conv fel	Guilty	1)10 yrs.2)5 yrs.
7/8/02	James Charles	Burglary	Guilty	5yrs. And probation
7/15/02	Paul Gribben	Armed Robbery	Guilty	50 years
7/29/02	Shaw Coleman	Armed Robbery	Guilty	Life
8/13/02	Michael Drew	Grand theft auto-Burg-Stol.Prop	Guilty	10yrs-10yrs-30yrs
8/20/02	Mark Bennett	Grand theft auto	Guilty	10 years-20 years
9/4/02	Christopher Hutchinson	Aggr. Assault	Not Guilty	
9/11/02	Eric Frauhiger	Armed Robbery	Guilty	40 years
9/16/02	Jason Tolbert	Attempted Murder	Guilty	40 years
9/18/02	Bruce Jackson	Cocaine	Not Guilty	
9/18/02	Melvin Pack	Burglary	Guilty	8 years
9/24/02	James McAlister	Burglary	Guilty	20 years
9/26/02	Jaymin Winn	Cocaine	Guilty	20 years
10/14/02	Tyrone Hartsfield	Poss. Of Firearm-Convicted Felon	Guilty	3 years
10/21/02	Orlando Peters	2nd Degree Murder	Guilty	Life
11/4/02	Vincent Jacobs	Burglary - Stolen Property	Guilty	10years-10years
11/9/02	Anthony Wilson	Attempted Armed Robbery	Guilty	30 years
11/20/02	Curtis Norris	Sale/Possession Cocaine	Guilty	15 years
11/21/02	Joseph Sessions	Arm. Robbery	Guilty	Life
12/1/02	Andrew Boaz	Murder - Robbery	Guilty	Life
12/16/02	Robert Smith	Burglary	Guilty	10 years
12/18/02	Bruce Jackson	Sale/Possession Cocaine	Guilty	15 years-15 years