

**GUYANA LEGAL AID CLINIC**  
**SUMMARY OF MATTERS DEALT WITH**  
**1994-2025**

CLIENTELE:

FEMALE: 46,737  
MALE: 24,754  
TOTAL 71,491

| CIVIL MATTERS                   | INTERVIEWED   | ADVICE & REPRESENTATION | ADVICE ONLY   | INELIGIBLE FOR LEGAL AID |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|
| ADOPTION                        | 536           | 229                     | 300           | 7                        |
| BIGAMY                          | 25            | 11                      | 11            | 3                        |
| CONTRACT                        | 711           | 389                     | 305           | 17                       |
| CUSTODY & ACCESS                | 4,806         | 2,215                   | 2,462         | 129                      |
| DAMAGE TO PROPERTY              | 733           | 232                     | 492           | 9                        |
| DEED POLLS & AFFIDAVITS         | 2,704         | 2,589                   | 110           | 5                        |
| DIVISION OF PROPERTY            | 3,166         | 1,471                   | 1,641         | 54                       |
| DIVORCE                         | 26,966        | 17,769                  | 8,886         | 311                      |
| DOMESTIC VIOLENCE               | 5,199         | 2,569                   | 2,571         | 59                       |
| EMPLOYMENT                      | 636           | 287                     | 346           | 3                        |
| ESTATES                         | 4,223         | 2,408                   | 1,747         | 68                       |
| INJUNCTIONS                     | 229           | 102                     | 114           | 13                       |
| LANDLORD & TENANT               | 1,825         | 760                     | 1,030         | 35                       |
| LATE REGISTRATION BIRTHS/DEATHS | 641           | 524                     | 116           | 1                        |
| MAINTENANCE                     | 3,283         | 1,714                   | 1,526         | 43                       |
| MISCELLANEOUS                   | 4,929         | 1,873                   | 2,960         | 96                       |
| NUISANCE                        | 184           | 65                      | 117           | 2                        |
| PERSONAL INJURY/DEATH CLAIMS    | 689           | 510                     | 164           | 15                       |
| POWER OF ATTORNEY               | 252           | 211                     | 41            | 0                        |
| PREScriptive TITLE              | 182           | 36                      | 138           | 8                        |
| PROPERTY DISPUTES               | 3,647         | 1,258                   | 2,314         | 75                       |
| TRESPASS                        | 287           | 203                     | 74            | 10                       |
| <b>TOTALS</b>                   | <b>65,853</b> | <b>37,425</b>           | <b>27,465</b> | <b>963</b>               |

| CRIMINAL MATTERS      | INTERVIEWED  | ADVICE & REPRESENTATION | ADVICE ONLY  | INELIGIBLE FOR LEGAL AID |
|-----------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| ASSAULT               | 1,846        | 1,293                   | 525          | 28                       |
| DISORDERLY BEHAVIOUR  | 305          | 126                     | 174          | 5                        |
| FIREARMS              | 32           | 23                      | 9            | 0                        |
| MISCELLANEOUS         | 724          | 587                     | 128          | 9                        |
| MURDER/MANSLAUGHTER   | 651          | 361                     | 283          | 7                        |
| NARCOTICS             | 269          | 204                     | 65           | 0                        |
| RAPE/CARNAL KNOWLEDGE | 382          | 174                     | 187          | 21                       |
| ROBBERY & THEFT       | 894          | 610                     | 279          | 5                        |
| THREATENING LANGUAGE  | 535          | 410                     | 118          | 7                        |
| <b>TOTALS</b>         | <b>5,638</b> | <b>3,788</b>            | <b>1,768</b> | <b>82</b>                |

**NOTES**

- INTERVIEWEES ASSESSED AS BEING INELIGIBLE FOR LEGAL AID ARE REFERRED TO MEMBERS OF THE PRIVATE BAR
- ON OCCASION THAT THE CLINIC HANDLES MORE THAN ONE MATTER FOR A CLIENT: THE MATTER FOR WHICH HELP WAS ORIGINALLY REQUESTED IS RECORDED IN OUR STATISTICS
- MUTUAL REFERRAL OF CLIENTS BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN SERVICES & SOCIAL SECURITY AND NGOS, PARTICULARLY HELP & SHELTER, IS COMMON