

# Medina County Common Pleas Court

## PROBATE AND JUVENILE DIVISIONS

93 PUBLIC SQUARE, ROOM 104, MEDINA, OHIO 44256

Kevin W. Dunn  
Judge

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## Medina County Juvenile Court Implements New Intake Department

*This area of Juvenile Court will help Judge Dunn and the magistrates better choose appropriate programs based on information gathered prior to adjudication.*

MEDINA – Medina County Juvenile Court implemented a new intake department this month, hiring David Jenks as Intake Officer.

The Intake Department Officer will be responsible for providing pre-adjudicatory information, such as mental health history, drug and alcohol history, school attendance, grades and social history to the Court through interviews with juvenile offenders and their parents prior to their first appearance hearing. This information will help the Court decide how to proceed with each individual case.

“The Intake Department will help us expedite the process of identifying appropriate programs and services to meet the needs of at-risk youth sooner,” Judge Dunn said.

In addition to preparing background information on youths and recommending appropriate programs, Jenks will also monitor juvenile offenders placed on compliance orders.

Jenks, a Medina County native and Wittenberg University graduate with a degree in psychology, previously worked as a social work case manager in Nashville, TN for over a year before moving back to Medina County.

“I’m excited to have a hand in helping the kids who come through this court and their families,” Jenks said. “In social work, you kind of walk alongside the youths and meet them where they are, but here, I will be the first person they see and be able to recommend appropriate programs to get them on the right track.”

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