

**OFFICE OF THE APPELLATE DEFENDER
REPORT TO THE MONTANA PUBLIC DEFENDER COMMISSION
MAY 2007**

We have taken in 14 new appeals within the office this month with 6 of those staying within the regional offices. Three of these appeals are dependent/neglect appeals.

There were 3 other appeals opened this month with contract attorneys.

18 Briefs filed in April (7 were opening briefs – 8 reply briefs – 3 Anders briefs) (5 of these briefs were dependent/neglect briefs)

15 Briefs filed in May (8 were opening briefs – 7 reply briefs – 1 Anders brief (1 brief was a dependent/neglect)

(These numbers are accurate)

Briefs filed within ADO Office
(This number is accurate)

08/2006	5
09/2006	5
10/2006	12
11/2006	15
12/2006	10
01/2007	14
02/2007	12
03/2007	14
04/2007	18
05/2007	15

Estimate of **19** briefs to be filed in the month of June (9 filed as of 6/14/07), within the Appellate Defender Office, this does not include contract and conflict appeals nor appeals which Regions keep.

117+ Active Cases within the ADO office, this does not include Contract/Conflict Cases and cases handled within the Regions.