

**UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL WORKERS
AND CONTRIBUTING EMPLOYERS
LEGAL BENEFITS FUND
ANNUAL REPORT
JANUARY 1, 2023 - DECEMBER 31, 2023**

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INTRODUCTION

Enclosed herewith is the 2023 Annual Report submitted by Akman & Associates, LLC for the United Food and Commercial Workers and Contributing Employers Legal Benefits Fund. The enclosed statistical data encompasses the reporting period of January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023. Membership numbers remained fairly stable from 2022 through 202 and Legal Fund participants have continued to engage Akman & Associates, LLC to assist them with all of their legal needs. As always, our firm provided all legal services to the membership to ensure their satisfaction throughout the entire year, and we plan to do so far into the future for as long as possible.

CHART I
CASES OPENED
JANUARY 1, 2023 - DECEMBER 31, 2023

	JAN. FEB. MAR.	APR., MAY, JUNE	JULY, AUG., SEPT.	OCT., NOV., DEC.	TOTAL	2022 TOTAL
1 FAMILY	9	12	10	7	38	32
2 PROBATE	4	6	4	3	17	11
3 ESTATE PLANNING	7	9	12	8	36	30
4 NEGLIGENCE	6	8	5	6	25	16
5 REAL ESTATE	4	2	4	2	12	17
6 CONSUMER	10	15	16	12	53	47
7 CRIMINAL	4	4	4	3	15	11
8 TRAFFIC	5	3	5	7	20	18
9 LANDLORD/TENANT	4	3	4	2	13	16
10 ADMINISTRATIVE	3	2	3	3	11	12
11 JUVENILE	1	2	3	5	11	8
TOTAL	57	66	70	58	251	218

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CHART II
PERCENTAGES BY CASES OPENED
JANUARY 1, 2023 - DECEMBER 31, 2023

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		TOTAL NUMBER OF CASES	PERCENTAGE	2022 PERCENTAGE
1	FAMILY	38	15%	15%
2	PROBATE	17	7%	5%
3	ESTATE PLANNING	36	14%	14%
4	NEGLIGENCE	25	10%	7%
5	REAL ESTATE	12	5%	8%
6	CONSUMER	53	21%	22%
7	CRIMINAL	15	6%	5%
8	TRAFFIC	20	8%	8%
9	LANDLORD/TENANT	13	5%	7%
10	ADMINISTRATIVE	11	4%	6%
11	JUVENILE	11	4%	4%
TOTAL		251	100%	100%

CHART III
ATTORNEY HOURS
JANUARY 1, 2023 - DECEMBER 31, 2023

	JAN. FEB. MAR.	APR., MAY, JUNE	JULY, AUG., SEPT.	OCT., NOV., DEC.	TOTAL	2022 TOTAL
1 FAMILY	44.30	53.75	34.60	35.35	168.00	190.85
2 PROBATE	13.20	22.40	13.95	12.95	62.50	33.30
3 ESTATE PLANNING	25.95	29.40	37.90	24.70	117.95	95.10
4 NEGLIGENCE	19.50	25.85	15.65	18.25	79.25	57.90
5 REAL ESTATE	13.45	5.90	11.60	8.20	39.15	55.15
6 CONSUMER	53.75	61.20	61.95	46.85	223.75	273.05
7 CRIMINAL	29.50	29.30	26.95	22.10	107.85	84.75
8 TRAFFIC	29.05	21.90	31.00	38.50	120.45	122.90
9 LANDLORD/TENANT	18.00	12.25	16.35	12.15	58.75	65.29
10 ADMINISTRATIVE	12.30	8.35	11.25	10.50	42.40	65.20
11 JUVENILE	7.15	12.20	16.10	24.25	59.70	51.05
TOTAL	266.15	282.50	277.30	253.80	1079.75	1094.54

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CHART IV
PARALEGAL HOURS
JANUARY 1, 2023 - DECEMBER 31, 2023

	JAN. FEB. MAR.	APR., MAY, JUNE	JULY, AUG., SEPT.	OCT., NOV., DEC.	TOTAL	2022 TOTAL
1 FAMILY	31.85	36.55	24.45	25.05	117.90	172.55
2 PROBATE	19.85	30.15	20.75	19.25	90.00	44.70
3 ESTATE PLANNING	21.45	23.65	31.75	21.65	98.50	113.65
4 NEGLIGENCE	26.85	27.90	21.20	31.10	107.05	89.20
5 REAL ESTATE	8.15	3.85	6.60	4.65	23.25	62.30
6 CONSUMER	43.55	51.40	45.20	37.40	177.55	270.35
7 CRIMINAL	6.60	4.95	6.50	4.35	22.40	25.10
8 TRAFFIC	7.65	5.10	7.10	9.85	29.70	32.30
9 LANDLORD/TENANT	10.60	8.75	8.90	8.60	36.85	51.15
10 ADMINISTRATIVE	5.95	4.70	6.10	5.75	22.50	39.70
11 JUVENILE	1.40	2.90	5.15	8.30	17.75	13.10
TOTAL	183.90	199.90	183.70	175.95	743.45	914.10

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CHART V
PERCENTAGE OF ATTORNEY HOURS
JANUARY 1, 2023 - DECEMBER 31, 2023

	TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS	PERCENTAGE	2022 PERCENTAGE
1 FAMILY	168.00	15.56%	17.45%
2 PROBATE	62.50	5.79%	2.11%
3 ESTATE PLANNING	117.95	10.92%	9.83%
4 NEGLIGENCE	79.25	7.34%	4.15%
5 REAL ESTATE	39.15	3.63%	7.46%
6 CONSUMER	223.75	20.72%	21.65%
7 CRIMINAL	107.85	9.99%	9.21%
8 TRAFFIC	120.45	11.16%	11.18%
9 LANDLORD/TENANT	58.75	5.44%	6.75%
10 ADMIN	42.40	3.93%	6.09%
11 JUVENILE	59.70	5.53%	4.12%
TOTAL	1079.75	100.00%	100.00%

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CHART VI
PERCENTAGE OF PARALEGAL HOURS
JANUARY 1, 2023 - DECEMBER 31, 2023

	TOTAL NUMBER OF HOURS	PERCENTAGE	2022 PERCENTAGE
1 FAMILY	117.90	15.86%	18.88%
2 PROBATE	90.00	12.11%	4.89%
3 ESTATE PLANNING	98.50	13.25%	12.43%
4 NEGLIGENCE	107.05	14.40%	9.76%
5 REAL ESTATE	23.25	3.13%	6.82%
6 CONSUMER	177.55	23.88%	29.58%
7 CRIMINAL	22.40	3.01%	2.75%
8 TRAFFIC	29.70	3.99%	3.53%
9 LANDLORD/TENANT	36.85	4.96%	5.60%
10 ADMIN	22.50	3.03%	4.34%
11 JUVENILE	17.75	2.39%	1.43%
TOTAL	743.45	100.00%	100.00%

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CHART VII
UTILIZATION
JANUARY 1, 2023 - DECEMBER 31, 2023

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2023				2022		
	PARTICIPANTS	AVERAGE NO. OF PARTICIPANTS	UTILIZATION	PARTICIPANTS	AVERAGE NO. OF PARTICIPANTS	UTILIZATION
January	631			642		
February	628	628.33	19.00%	635	637.67	20.50%
March	626			636		
April	627			623		
May	628	626.33	20.40%	622	622.00	20.50%
June	624			621		
July	621			610		
August	619	620.00	19.80%	601	604.00	19.70%
September	620			601		
October	629			651		
November	630	627.33	18.20%	643	645.67	17.40%
December	623			643		
	7506	625.50	19.35%	7528	627.33	19.53%