Spokane Municipal Court
To Implement a
Local Court Management System
OPTIONS

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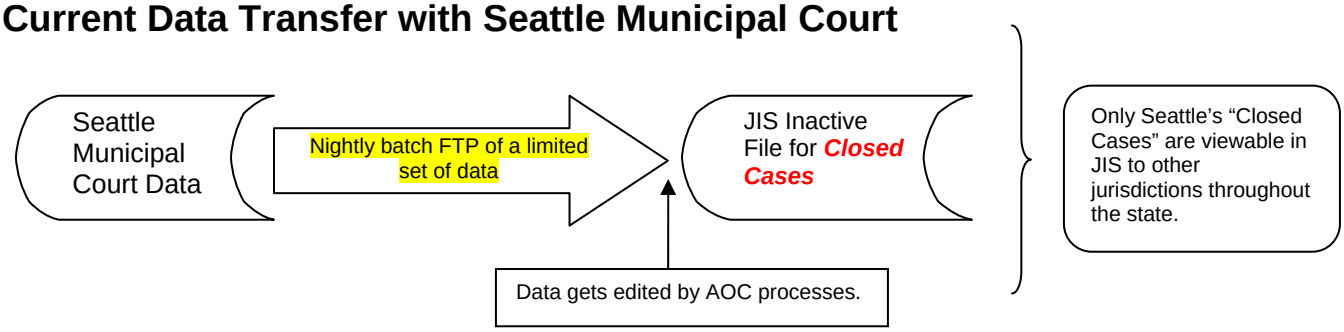
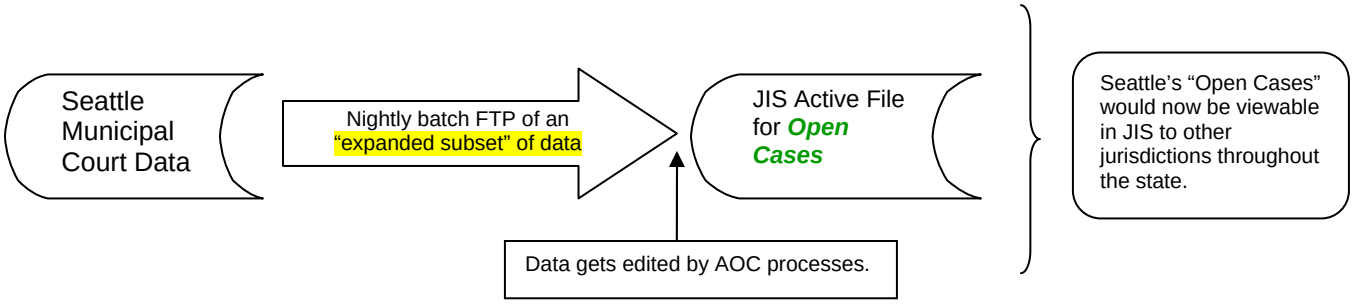
Current Data Transfer with Seattle Municipal Court



Proposed Expanded Data Transfer with Seattle Municipal Court (ITG Request #27)

The request has two distinct parts:

1. Expanded data transfer
2. Enhanced integration with MCIS and JABS



The intention is for the Spokane Municipal Court to use the same data transfer that gets developed for the Seattle Municipal ITG Request #27. It would become a generic data transfer that any local court could use.

Current Estimate and Status:

Hours:	1,400
Time:	6-12 months
Cost:	$100,000
Resources:	ISD internal programming staff
Schedule:	TBD. Not yet scheduled due to resource availability conflicts.
JISC Priority:	5

Options for Spokane Municipal Court

Option 1: Use the Existing Seattle Municipal Court File Transfer Process

- Proceed with implementing *JustWare*.
- Use the current nightly FTP data transfer (as is) with only a limited subset of data that goes into the Inactive File for closed cases.

Pros	Cons
Spokane County Municipal Court can proceed with implementing their CMS as planned.	Exacerbates a known problem that currently exists and replicates an undesirable practice.
Spokane County Municipal Court would not have to do duplicate data entry to use the existing FTP data transfer.	AOC resources would need to be reprioritized to accommodate this request.
	Would require work for ISD to modify the existing process to accept data from Spokane. This would require special processing and coding to establish a secondary court ID for Spokane in JIS to distinguish between the filings that reside in JIS and those that reside in *JustWare*.
	ITG Request #27 would have to be deferred as Spokane's request would take priority and requires the same resources.
	Only Spokane's closed/inactive cases would be accessible to other courts throughout the state. This could pose a risk to public safety.
	Real time data would not be available.
	Further restricts the availability of statewide data for research and reporting.

Option 2: Enter Data into both JIS and JustWare

- Proceed with implementing *JustWare*.
- Commit to continuing to enter the full set of required data separately into JIS (which may grow and change over time) until the generic expanded data transfer (ITG #27) is available for use.

Pros	Cons
Spokane County Municipal Court can proceed with implementing their CMS as planned.	Requires duplicate data entry for Spokane.
No additional impact or work for AOC staff.	It may be as long as two years before the expanded data transfer (ITG #27) is available for use.
Spokane's open/active cases would still be accessible to other courts throughout the state.	

Option 3: Defer Implementation of JustWare

- Defer the implementation of *JustWare* until <u>after</u> the completion of ITG Request #27.

Pros	Cons
No additional impact or work for AOC staff.	Requires Spokane to wait until other JISC priorities are completed.
ITG Request #27 can be scheduled and proceed as planned.	It may be as long as two years before the expanded data transfer (ITG #27) is available for use.

AOC Recommendation:

- Either Options 2 or 3, not Option 1. Choosing Option 1 would delay ITG Request #27 and is a bad practice relative to the reporting of statewide data.