

Here is a running list of some important and colorful cases that I presided over as a District Judge from 1995-2016 that I kept:

“TODD J. CAMPBELL
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
Selected Cases 1995-2016

The following is a list of selected cases of Judge Todd J. Campbell from 1995 to 2016 in the United States District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee. The cases were selected because they are significant or colorful. Approximately 10,000 cases were filed and 200 trials were held during the twenty-one year period.

1. American Civil Liberties Union, et al. v. Bredesen, 3:03-1046; First Amendment (License Plates)
2. Abdur’Rahman v. Bell, 3:96-0380; Capital Habeas Corpus
3. Belcher, et al. v. Shoney’s, 3:95-1151; FLSA (19,000 Plaintiffs)
4. Belcher v. Robertson County, Tennessee, 3:13-0161; Title IX Peer-on-Peer Sexual Abuse
5. Black v. Colson (Bell), 3:00-0764, Capital Habeas Corpus
6. Bowen v. United States, 3:10-0048; Section 2255
7. Brentwood Academy v. TSSAA, 3:97-1249; State Action/First Amendment (High School Athletics)
8. Brian A., et al. v. Sundquist, et al., 3:00-0445; Foster Children Class Action
9. Bricklayers and Trowel Trades Int. Fund v. Allied Craftworkers, 3:15-0977; Bankruptcy to Discharge Pension
10. Bridgeport Music, Inc., et al v. 11C Music, et al., 3:01-0412; Copyright (477 cases)
11. Bridgeport Music, Inc., et al. v. Combs Pub., et al., 3:05-0155; Copyright
12. Bridgeport Music, Inc., et al. v. Universal et al., 3:01-0780; Copyright
13. Caremark, Inc. v. Goetz, 3:04-1112; Medicaid
14. Cason, et al. v. Nissan Motor Acceptance, et al., 3:98-0223; Equal Credit (Car Lending/Race)
15. Catholic Diocese of Nashville, et al. v. Sebelius, et al., 1st Amend. (Patient Protection & Affordable Care Act) 3:12-934 & 3:12-1303

16. Cedarapids v. Johnson Crushers, et al., 3:02-1243; Patent Infringement
17. Champion, et al. v. Outlook Nashville, et al., 3:00-0568; Section 1983/Excessive Force (Death)
18. Contributor v. City of Brentwood, 3:11-0624; First Amendment (Newspaper Sales)
19. Crawford v. Metro, 3:03-0996; Title VII, Retaliation
20. Doe v. Bredesen, et al., 3:04-0670; Ex Post Facto (Sex Offenders)
21. Escobar v. Gaines, 3:11-0994; Bivens, § 1983 (4th, 5th & 14th Amd.), Fair Housing claims by Hispanic Immigrants
22. Flood Cases – (Federal Tort Claims Act)
A.O. Smith Corp. v. U.S.A., 3:12-0429
Phillip North v. U.S.A., 3:12-1057
23. Givens v. Tennessee Football, Inc., 3:09-0888; NFL Collective Bargaining Agreement
24. Harris v. Ford Motor Company, 3:04-0144; Motor Vehicle Product Liability
25. Hlad, et al. v. TSSAA, et al., 3:03-1043; State Action/Due Process (High School Athletics)
26. Hoffa - Petition of William Tabac, 3:09-0375; Unsealed Grand Jury Testimony
27. Huffnagle v. Loiacono, 3:11-1009; Tea Party Fraud
28. In Re Aredia, 3:06-1760; MDL
29. Irick v Ray, 3:10-1004; Section 1983 Death Penalty
30. Lane, et al. v. State of Tennessee, et al., 3:98-0731; ADA (Courthouses)
31. Lewis, et al. v. Morris, 3:99-0099; Robinson-Patman Act (Antitrust)
32. LULAC v. Bredesen, et al., 3:04-0613; Aliens (Driver's License)
33. National Resources Defense Council, Inc. v. Dickson County, et al., 3:08-0229; Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
34. O'Kroley v. Fastcare, Inc., Google, et al., 3:13-0780; Google
35. Petty v. Metropolitan Govt. of Nashville/Davidson County, 3:05-0680; USSERA

36. Prime Media, Inc. v. City of Brentwood, 3:02-1034; First Amendment (Billboards)
37. Reid, Paul Dennis – Death Penalty Cases
Kirkpatrick v. Ricky Bell, 3:03-0365; Capital Habeas Corpus/Competency
Martiniano v. Ricky Bell, 3:06-0632; Capital Habeas Corpus/Competency
38. SW Williamson County v. Slater, et al., 3:97-0734; NEPA (I-840)
39. Smith County Education Assoc. v. Jane Doe No. 1, et al., 2:08-0076; Fourth Amendment (Teacher Drug Testing)
40. Tennessee Walking Horse v. National Walking Horse, 1:05-0088; Copyright/Trademark
41. Thompson, et al. v. Williamson County, TN, et al., 3:96-0263; Section 1983/Excessive Force (Death)
42. USA v. Abernathy, 3:14-00012; Sentencing Re: Uncharged Murder
43. USA v. Adams, 3:09-00073; Bank Robbery
44. USA v. Battle, et al., 3:09-00244; Vice Lords Gang Cases
Battle v. USA, 3:14-1805; § 2255
Lobbins v. USA, 3:15-0618; § 2255
45. USA v. Blackwell, et al., 3:97-00019; Bank Theft (ATM's)
46. USA v. Burnette, 3:00-00168; Kidnaping/Child Rape (Occult)
47. USA v. Calloway, 3:15-00064; Witness Tampering
48. USA v. Carr, 2:09-00010; Sex Offender Registration Statute
49. USA v. Clay, 3:06-00081; Delivering Firearm to a Convicted Felon (Inmate)
50. USA v. Collazo, 3:13-00209; Traffic Stop Search
51. USA v. Cooper, 3:14-00090; Heroin Distribution
52. USA v. Daniels, et al., 3:98-00160; Money Laundering (Prostitution)
53. USA v. Duncan; 3:14-00076; Hobbs Act Robbery “Burning Victim Alive”
54. USA v. Dunn; 2:06-00019; Murder for Hire

55. USA v. Eden; 3:04-00126; Fourth Amendment Search (Car)
56. USA v. Ediger, 3:04-00038; Wire and Mail Fraud (State Contract)
57. USA v. Ervin/Baugh, 3:09-00130; Fourth Amendment Search (House)
58. USA v. Evans, 2:09-00006; Speedy Trial
59. USA v. Farah, 3:12-00085; Criminal Contempt
60. USA v. Ford, 3:06-00235; Wire Fraud/Willful Concealment of Material Fact
61. USA v. Fuqua, 3:10-00065; Police Shooting, CSI Evidence
62. USA v. Garcia, 3:11-00080; Illegal Re-Entry
63. USA v. Green, 3:10-00098; Child Pornography
64. USA v. Hall, 3:09-00210; Bankruptcy Fraud (Policeman)
65. USA v. Hamblen, 3:05-00226; Illegal Possession of Machine Guns (Second Amendment)
Hamblen v. USA, 3:08-1034; § 2255
66. USA v. Hedge/Lee, 3:12-00055; Deprivation of Civil Rights under Color of Law
67. USA v. Hunter, 2:03-00007; Moonshine
68. USA v. James; 2:06-00021; Wire Fraud
69. USA v. Jones, 3:96-00017; Drugs/Firearms/Selective Prosecution (Race)
70. USA v. Jones, Teresa, 3:06-00004; Bribery Regarding Drivers' Licenses
71. USA v. Krug, 3:98-00138; Firearm/Silencer/Transport to Murder Judge
72. USA v. Lewis, Jimmy, Trial in Abstentia
73. USA v. Linn, 3:10-00075; Theft of Government Salary
74. USA v. Lyles, 3:10-00171; Aggravated Identity Theft
75. USA v. Mader, 3:99-00019; Firearms/Dealer
76. USA v. Marcano, 3:10-00224; Illegal Re-Entry by a Previously Deported Aggravated Felon (Battered Wife)

77. USA v. March, 3:06-000015; Conspiracy to Commit Murder
78. USA v. Marlowe, 3:04-00129; Conspiracy/Deprivation of Civil Rights (Prison Guard)
79. USA v. Martin, 2:05-00016; Police Officer Drug Courier
80. USA v. McGray, 2:10-00001; Sawed-Off Shotgun
81. USA v. Meade, 3:10-00222; Hobbs Act “Staged Robbery”
82. USA v. Medlock, et al., 3:10-00004; Health Care Fraud (ambulances)
83. USA v. Mize, 3:09-00084; Conspiracy to Distribute Methamphetamine (Prison)
84. USA v. Moon, 2:04-00014 and 2:05-00003; Health Care Fraud (Cancer)
85. USA v. Mooney, 3:02-00074; Molotov Cocktails
86. USA v. Morales, 3:09-00226; False Statement during Purchase of Firearms (Policeman)
87. USA v. Murphy, 2:03-00001; Sawed-Off Shotgun
88. USA v. Parks, 3:13-00019; Child Pornography
89. USA v. Olivas, 3:09-00201; Child Pornography
90. USA v. Parker, 3:02-00053; Drugs/Solicitation to Murder/Witness Tampering
91. USA v. Pressley/Stallone, 3:96-00099; Wire and Mail Fraud/Money Laundering
92. USA v. Ragsdale, 3:04-00212; Witness Tampering
93. USA v. Readus, 3:09-00240; Nolo Contendere Plea
94. USA v. Rivers, 3:11-00194; Pro Se
95. USA v. Rutherford County, TN, 3:12-0737; Mosque
96. USA v. Serrano, 3:07-00005; RICO (MS-13 Gang)
97. USA v. Shirk, 3:06-00109; Amish Money Structuring
98. USA v. Silas, 3:09-00261; Baby Kidnapping
99. USA v. Smith, Arthur, 3:10-00123, Hobbs Act Robbery in Disguise

100. USA v. Smith, Monique, 3:11-00194; Vice Lords Gang
101. USA v. Treadwell, 3:98-00136; False Tax Returns (Prisoners)
102. USA v. Urrieta; 3:06-00154; Fourth Amendment Search (Car)
103. USA v. Vichitvongsa, et al., 3:12-00013; Hobbs Act, Discharging Firearm in Crime of Violence, Drugs
104. USA v. West, 3:09-00242; Sex Trafficking of a Minor
105. USA v. \$275,000 Currency, 1:07-0058; Forfeiture
106. USA v. Whitfield, 3:12-00044; Wire Fraud, Theft from ERISA, Money Laundering
107. USA v. Williams, 3:09-00090; Conditions of Confinement
108. West v. Ray, et al., 3:10-0778; Section 1983 Death Penalty
109. Westfield v. Federal Republic of Germany, 3:09-0204; Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act
110. Wilson v. Gordon, et al., 3:14-1492; TennCare Delayed Adjudication Class Action
111. Workman, Philip R. – Death Penalty Cases
Workman v. Summers, et al., 3:01-0290; Capital Clemency
Workman v. Levy; 3:07-0490 and 3:01-0296; Capital Execution
112. Zomba v. Panorama Records, 3:03-0042; Copyright’

Here are some of the criminal law issues I dealt with as a District Judge:

“OFFENSE CONDUCT:
 TWENTY-FIVE FEDERAL CRIMES
 AND SENTENCES

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 U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Tennessee
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*False Statement During Purchase of Firearm
 Convicted Felon in Possession of Firearm
 Shipping Firearm with Intent to Commit Murder
 Conspiracy to Distribute Drugs
 Attempt to Possess Drugs*

Money Laundering
Mail and Wire Fraud
Bribery of Public Officials
Health Care Fraud
Deprivation of Civil Rights Under Color of Law
Bank Larceny
Bank Robbery
Solicitation to Commit a Crime of Violence
Interstate Kidnapping
Aggravated Identity Theft
Conspiracy to Structure Transactions to Evade Reporting Requirements
Violent Crimes in Aid of Racketeering
Illegal Re-Entry Subsequent to an Aggravated Felony Conviction
Conspiracy to Commit Hobbs Act Robbery
Possession of Firearm During and in Relation to a Crime of Violence
Bankruptcy Fraud
Possession of Unregistered Firearms
Sex Trafficking of a Minor
Possession of Child Pornography
False Tax Returns”

“SENTENCES IMPOSED”¹

I. False Statement During Purchase of Firearm, 18 U.S.C. § 922

USA v. Celina May Clay; 3:06-00081

- 41 months imprisonment
- 33-41 month Guideline Range

II. Convicted Felon in Possession of Firearm, 18 U.S.C. § 922

USA v. Kenneth Ray Murphy; 2:03-00001

- 235 months imprisonment
- Variance from 262-327 months Guideline Range

III. Shipping Firearm with Intent to Commit Murder, 18 U.S.C. § 924

¹The sentencing Guidelines were mandatory, subject to limited Guideline based “departures,” until *U.S. v. Booker*, 543 U.S. 220 (2005) was decided. Thereafter, the Guidelines became advisory and were also subject to a “variance” based on the factors in 18 U.S.C. § 3553.

USA v. Gregory Charles Krug; 3:98-00138

- 120 months imprisonment
- 108-135 months Guideline Range, with statutory maximum sentences of 10 years on Count One and Three and 5 years on Count Two

IV. Conspiracy to Distribute Drugs, 21 U.S.C. § 846

USA v. Kenneth B. Kimball; 3:02-00053

- Life, plus 5 years consecutive, plus life consecutive, plus 10 years consecutive imprisonment
- Life Guideline Range, plus statutory mandatory consecutive sentences of 5 years, life and 10 years.

V. Attempt to Possess Drugs, 21 U.S.C. § 846

USA v. Reno Martin; 2:05-00016

- 36 months imprisonment
- Downward Departure pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3553(e) from 108-135 months Guideline Range

VI. Money Laundering, 18 U.S.C. § 1956

USA v. Tera M. Daniels; 3:98-00160

- 210 months imprisonment
- 168-210 months Guideline Range

VII. Mail and Wire Fraud, 18 U.S.C. § 1341 and § 1343

USA v. Joanna L. Ediger; 3:04-00038

- 36 months imprisonment
- Variance from 63-78 months Guideline Range

VIII. Bribery of Public Officials, 18 U.S.C. § 666

USA v. Teresa Jones; 3:06-00004

- 60 months imprisonment

- 51-63 month Guidelines Range

IX. Health Care Fraud, 18 U.S.C. § 1347

USA v. Young Moon; 2:05-00003

- 188 months imprisonment
- 188-235 month Guidelines Range

X. Deprivation of Civil Rights Under Color of Law, 18 U.S.C. § 242

USA v. Patrick Marlowe; 3:04-00129

- Life imprisonment
- Life Guideline Range

XI. Bank Larceny, 18 U.S.C. § 2113

USA v. Larry Wayne Humphries; 3:97-00019

- 29 months imprisonment, concurrent with the sentences imposed in two related cases (3:97-00129 and 3:97-00131)
- 24-30 months Guideline Range

XII. Bank Robbery, 18 U.S.C. § 2113

USA v. Romonte Phillips; 3:07-00208

- 63 months imprisonment
- 63-78 months Guideline Range

XIII. Solicitation to Commit a Crime of Violence, 18 U.S.C. § 373

USA v. Arthur March; 3:06-00015

- 60 months imprisonment
- Downward Departure pursuant to U.S.S.G. § 5K1.1 from 151-188 months Guideline Range

XIV. Interstate Kidnapping, 18 U.S.C. § 1201

USA v. Tammy Renee Silas; 3:09-00261

- 240 months imprisonment

- 240 month statutory mandatory minimum

XV. Aggravated Identity Theft, 18 U.S.C. § 1028A

USA v. David Clay Lyles, 3:10-00171

- 164 months imprisonment
- 140-175 months Guideline Range, plus statutory mandatory consecutive sentence of 24 months

XVI. Conspiracy to Structure Transactions to Evade Reporting Requirements, 18 U.S.C. § 371

USA v. Clarence W. Shirk; 3:06-00109

- 3 years probation, with the first 6 months on home detention
- Downward Departure pursuant to U.S.S.G. § 5K1.1 from 30-37 months Guideline Range

XVII. Violent Crime in Aid of Racketeering, 18 U.S.C § 1959

USA v. Roger Wayne Battle; 3:09-00244

- Life, plus life, plus life, plus 4,020 months imprisonment
- Life plus 4,020 months pursuant to Guideline Range and statutory mandatory minimum and consecutive sentences

XVIII. Illegal Re-Entry Subsequent to an Aggravated Felony Conviction, 8 U.S.C. § 1326

USA v. Luis Carlos Garcia; 3:11-00080

- 46 months imprisonment
- Variance from 57-71 months Guideline Range

XIX. Conspiracy to Commit Hobbs Act Robbery, 18 U.S.C. § 1951

USA v. Beth Keonoi, 3:12-00013

- 60 months imprisonment
- Downward Departure pursuant to U.S.S.G. § 5K1.1 from 151-188 months Guideline Range

XX. Possession of Firearm During and in Relation to a Crime of Violence, 18 U.S.C. § 924

USA v. James Joseph Meade, III, 3:10-00222

- 84 months imprisonment
- 84 months mandatory pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(c)

XXI. Bankruptcy Fraud, 18 U.S.C. § 152

USA v. Martin Edward Hall, Jr., 3:09-00210

- 21 months imprisonment
- 15-21 months Guideline Range

XXII. Possession of Unregistered Firearms, 26 U.S.C. § 5841 and § 5861

USA v. Richard Hamblen, 3:05-00226

- 15 months imprisonment
- Variance from 33-41 months Guideline Range

XXIII. Sex Trafficking of a Minor, 18 U.S.C. § 1591

USA v. Teresa A. West, 3:09-00242

- 188 months imprisonment
- Variance from 360 months to life Guideline Range

XXIV. Possession of Child Pornography, 18 U.S.C. § 2252A

USA v. Gary Olivas, 3:09-00201

- 121 months imprisonment
- 97-121 months, with 5 year mandatory minimum on Count Two and 10 year maximum on Count Three

XXV. False Tax Returns, 18 U.S.C. § 287

USA v. Walter Allen Johnson, 3:10-00177

- 92 months imprisonment

- 92 to 115 months Guideline Range”

“Court History

Here are some thoughts on Court History:

Technological revolution at the court: arrived to computers on DOS and a chalk board in my courtroom and went to electronic filing of cases and evidence presenters.

Sentencing revolution at the court: arrived to "mandatory" sentencing Guidelines and went to "advisory" sentencing Guidelines.

Most important civil case decided: BA v TSSAA - expanded State Action and U.S. Supreme Court used my language of "entwinement" to create a new test for finding state action.

Most memorable civil trial held: Bridgeport v Universal - held that "bow wow yippee yo yippee ya" was subject to copyright.

Most important criminal trial: U.S. v Vice Lords gang members - one defendant was sentenced to three life sentences followed by over four thousand months imprisonment.

Most memorable criminal trial: U.S. v Krug - pro se defendant charged with interstate transportation of a firearm to kill a judge.

Hardest task: (1) sentencing of another human being and taking their liberty and family away; and (2) pro se defendants in criminal trials.

Proudest accomplishment: (1) kept same staff 21 years; (2) trials are not "dead" in the United States District Court for the Middle District of TN.

Most Fun: Naturalizations.”

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