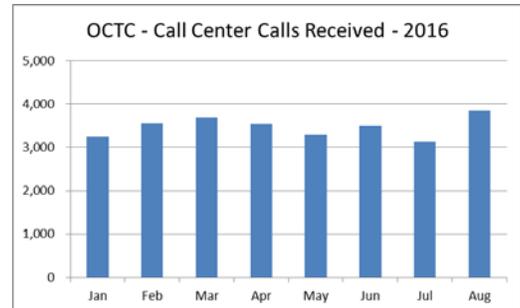




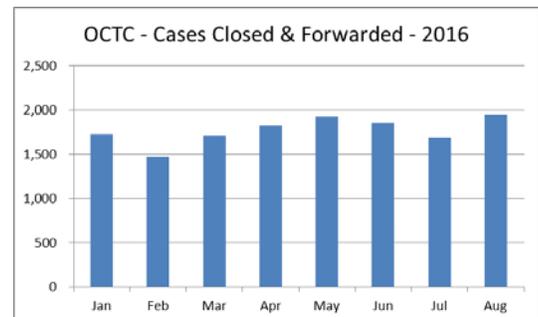
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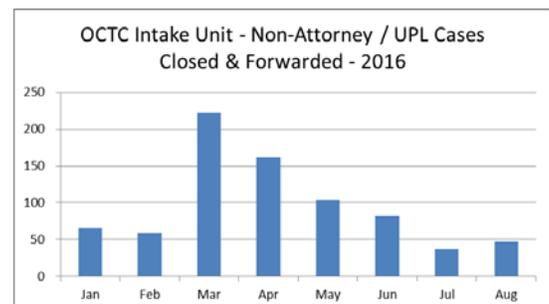
In the Office of Chief Trial Counsel (OCTC), staff handled over 27,000 calls this year, almost 3,500 per month on average.



OCTC staff closed or referred for further prosecution over 14,000 cases so far this year, an average of 1,770 cases per month.<sup>1</sup>

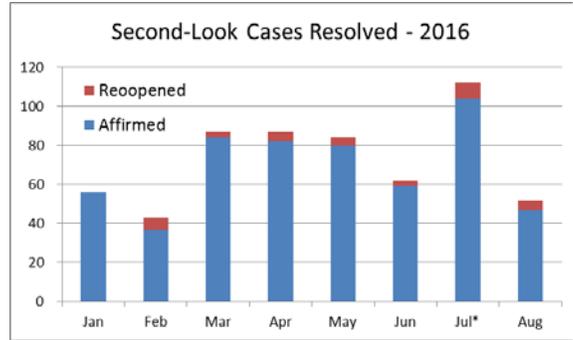


Since the beginning of the year, OCTC staff in the Intake Unit alone have received more than 400 new Unauthorized Practice of Law (UPL) cases while closing or forwarding to law enforcement over 750 of these cases.

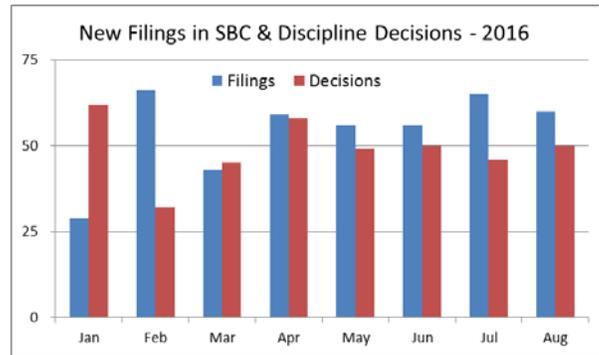


<sup>1</sup> The cases handled by OCTC staff include all cases that were closed or referred for further prosecution at any stage: whether from Intake, Investigation, or Prefiling. The types of cases in this count include complaints by complaining witnesses, reportable actions, State Bar Initiated matters as well as violations of Probation and cases arising from other jurisdictions.

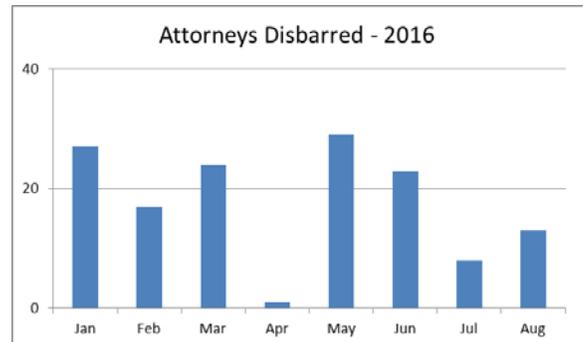
The Bar has instituted a robust process to ensure that Trial Counsel’s decisions are correct. So far this year, over 600 of cases have gone through this “second-look” process. While 95 percent of these cases remain closed, for that small number of cases that are reopened, the second-look process offers an invaluable mechanism for ensuring appropriate consideration of all allegations of attorney misconduct .



During 2016, OCTC attorneys filed over 434 cases in State Bar Court and have secured an order or decision from the State Bar Court in almost as many cases: 392.



One important result of this work: in the first 8 months of 2016, 142 attorneys have been disbarred.



In addition, the Client Security Fund (CSF) has compensated almost 1,000 victims of attorney misconduct, paying an average of over \$5,000 per claim. So far in 2016, the CSF has received over 800 applications, processed 980 applications, and paid over \$5.1 million in compensation due to attorney theft or an act equivalent to theft.

