Case Watch

Court Case Management Program

User Manual

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INTRODUCTION

Case Watch is designed to make the process of organizing court case related information easy. This manual is created in a step by step format to walk you through every feature of the program. It is recommended that you read the manual in its entirety. However, you can also skip to any area.



NOTE:

Throughout this manual, you will be told to click and click and hold this means to press the left mouse button once or press down and hold you will not need to use the right mouse button in this program

GETTING STARTED

When you first load **Case Watch** you will get the screen pictured below.



The message indicates that the program is not linked to the data table. Before the program can operate it needs to be linked to the table that contains the data.

Case Watch was written as two separate programs. The first is the user interface. This interface allows you to enter, view and print information. The second is a database that contains all the data. This data is all the information you have entered like names, dates, addresses, court times, etc.

The way the two databases work with each other is through what is called a link. When you first start up **Case Watch** it checks to see if you have a link set up to the data table. If you do not have a link set up you will get a warning label on the **Switchboard** as shown above. Along with the message **Case Watch** disables the navigation buttons so you will not be able to use the program until you link to the data tables.

LINKING TO THE DATATABLES

In order to link to the tables you must click the **Link Tables** button. This button will appear in a drop down box when you click the **Case Watch** button located in the upper right hand corner as show below.



When you click on the Link Tables button the following box appears.

Link		? ×
Look in:	合 My Documents 💽 🖕 🔁 🔯 🛪 🗂 - Tools -	
History My Documents Desktop	My Pictures Contact Management1 Cooking Recipes CookingRecipesTables Inventory Control1	
Favorites		
	File name:	
Web Folders	Files of type: Microsoft Access	el

Clicking the down arrow to the right of the dropdown box located at the top of the form labeled **look in:** you can find the file **CaseWatchTablesTUT**. The default location for this file will be **C:\Program Files\Case Watch**.

NOTE:

If you choose a different installation location for **Case Watch** on install than it will not be in the location described here. If you are setting up a "network installation," the tables will be located elsewhere.

Click on the drop down box and select (C:) as shown below. You select an entry by left clicking on it.



Then select **Program Files**.



Then select Case Watch.



In the Case Watch folder select CaseWatchTablesTUT.

Link	
Look <u>i</u> n:	Case Watch
History	②Case Watch ②CaseWatchTables ② <mark>CaseWatchTablesTUT</mark>

NOTE:

CaseWatchTablesTUT stands for the tutorial database, which contains fictitious data used for demonstration purposes. This data is used throughout this manual to aid in demonstrating the features of **Case Watch**. When you are ready to use **Case Watch** you will relink to **CaseWatchTables**.

When you have **CaseWatchTablesTUT** selected click on the **Link** button.

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The following screen will appear.

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Tables		
Alias	.	ОК
Courts		
DAddress		Cancel
Dispatchers		
DPersonalInfo		
GeneralInfo Judges		
Offenses		Select <u>A</u> ll
Officers		
OfficerWit		D <u>e</u> select All
Password		
Status	-	

This screen shows a list of all the tables associated with the database click the **Select All** button to highlight all the tables.

nk Tables	?
Tables	
GeneralInfo Judges Offenses Officers OfficerWit	OK Cancel
Password Status SubOffenses Subpeonatype	Select <u>A</u> ll
Subpoena WAddress Witness	Deselect All

Now click the **OK** button. You have successfully linked the database.

Case Watch will load the Switchboard Screen, which is the starting point to accessing the various functions of the program.

SWITCHBOARD MENU BAR

In the upper left hand corner you will see two selections on the menu bar. One is title **Case Watch** and the other <u>Tools</u>. You will notice that the <u>Tools</u> option is grayed out and cannot be selected. <u>Tools</u> is a function installed for program upgrades, you will no reason to access the <u>Tools</u> selection.



If you click on the first selection, Case Watch, a drop down menu will appear.



Let's go through each of these options separately.

Backup

The **Backup** option allows you to back up the data to any storage medium you choose (i.e. floppy disk, zip drive, Network mainframe) as long as the storage size is sufficient. How to use this function is described later in this manual.

UnLink Tables

The UnLink Tables option disconnects the data tables from the program.

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The last option is the **Exit** option this allows you to exit out of the program.

The boxes in the upper right hand corner



These are the min/max and close buttons. You have no reason to click on any of these buttons so just ignore them.

SWITCHBOARD

When the program loads the first screen that appears will be the **Switchboard** screen. From this screen you can access the different areas of the program.



There are three selections on the **Switchboard** screen.



Clicking this button will take you to the **Main Area**. This area is where all the data entry, printing of reports, and searching is done.



Clicking this button takes you to the **Administrative Area**. There are many functions that you can do in this area that will be described in the **Administrative Area** section of this manual.



This button allows you to exit the program.

MAIN AREA

This is the area where you will enter all court case data. The following functions are assessable through the **Main Area**.

- Entering defendants and creating new cases
- Entering general court case information
- Adding witnesses
- Changing a witness's name
- Adding officers
- Enter offenses
- Entering court case dates and times
- Accessing current defendants personal information
- Search for a defendants personal information
- Searching for a specific case
- Deleting a case
- Creating Reports
- Printing mailing labels

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► *	Dispatcher 1 Dispatcher 2	Jury Trial Evidentiary	12/23/2000 10/5/2000	2/3/2001 11/23/2000				In Progress Bound Over	Record	ds 1	11	/23/2000
Re	cord: 🚺 🔳	1	k of 2									

ENTERING A DEFENDANT AND CREATING A NEW CASE

Clicking this button in the **Main Area** will open up the **Add Record Page** as shown below. This is where you will start a new case by first entering the defendant information.

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Enter Defendants Personal Info. Personal Identification Number (PID) 2											
rst Name	John		Do	b	3/14/1	945		SID			3
liddle Name	Henry		So	c Sec	123-45-	6789		FBI			
ast Name	Doe		Op	s.	D-123-4	456-789	9-321	Ops St	MI		₽•
Addres	s	Street		Ci	ty	State	Zip	Phone	#	Statu	S:
1234567	So	mewhere	An	place)	MI	12345	(123) 456-7	890	Current	

Fist you must search and see if the defendant is already in the database. This is a very important task. If you duplicate names in the database it will cause problems with record keeping.

In box located in the upper left you will see all the last names of every defendant in the database. Even though you may have multiple listings of the same last name **Case Watch** will only display one. When you click on the last name you are looking for **Case Watch** will display all the first names related to the last name you selected. The first names are displayed like the last names showing only one first name when there maybe many. When you click on the first name you want **Case Watch** will display first name, middle name, last name, DOB, soc sec, and ops (driver license number) of each individual whose first and last name are the same. This should give you enough information to be able to locate the person you are looking for. Click on the person you want and **Case Watch** will add that persons information automatically in the "Enter Defendant Personal Info." area. This type of search is easy and efficient; it allows you to go through numerous records in just a few seconds. For example, in the top left box listing last names click on the name Smith.



In this example, you can see that there are three Smiths in the database Joe, John, and Mark. Click the first name of John.

Doe Jones Smith Stewart		Joe John Mark		You must search for a defendant first before y a new defendant. If you enter the same defen twice it will cause duplicate entries to the data resulting in inaccurate data.					
FirstName	Middle	Name	LastName	Dob	SocSec	Ops			
John	Michea	al	Smith	3/14/1975	123-09-4321	S-345-234-987-453			

Here you see all the records for a John Smith. In this case there is only one but if there were more then one you would be provided with enough information to select the John Smith you wanted. By clicking anywhere on the John Smith display row Case Watch will automatically add his information into the area titled "Enter Defendants Personal Info."

Click this button if the defendant is already in the database and you have loaded them into the "Enter Defendants Personal Info" area. **Case Watch** will automatically take you to the **Main Area** and insert the defendant's to the right of where it says **In the Matter of:** and set up the program so you can start entering a new record.

Click this button if the defendant is not in the database. **Case Watch** will clear the boxes and set up a new PID (Personal Identification Number) assigned to that subject.

Click this button if you want to exit out of the Add Record Page without saving your entry.

ENTERING GENERAL COURT CASE INFORMATION

When you first access the **Main Area** it defaults to the first record in the database. If you had just come form the **Add Record Page** than the defendant you had selected in that page will be displayed.

In the matter of: Mark Jacob Sr	nith	EI (
Date of Offense <mark>9/2/2000</mark>	PD Case # 12378	DLAD Case #
Court District Court	District Court #	Juv. Court #
Judge/Magistrate Judge 1 🛛 🚽	Circuit Court # 12345	Personal Info

The above screen shot shows the area where you enter the court case information for a defendant. In this example **Mark Jacob Smith** is the defendant. The entry boxes and their meanings are listed below.

- Date of Offense This is the date the offense was committed.
- **Court** This is the court that will handle the case (District, Federal, Juvenile, Traffic, etc.).
- **Judge/Magistrate** This is where you would select the Judge or Magistrate proceeding over the case.
- **PD Case #** This is the police department's case number.
- **District Court** # This is the case number for the District Court.
- **Circuit Court #** This is the case number for the Circuit Court.
- **DLAD Case** # This is the number for the DLAD (Drivers License Appeal Division)
- Juv. Court # This is the number for Juvenile cases.

NOTE:

To use the drop down box just click on the down arrow located on the right side of the dropdown box. The entries that appear in the box are pre-entered through the **Administrative Area**.

To move from box to box use the [**Tab**] key for forward and the [**Shift**] + [**Tab**] key to go backward. To move to the tables you press [**Ctrl**] + [**Tab**] for forward and [**Ctrl**] + [**Shift**] + [**Tab**] for backward.

NOTE:

For the tab key movements to happen when the [**Ctrl**] and/or [**Shift**] key are used you must keep them pressed down as you press the [**Tab**] key.

For traffic ticket numbers you enter a "T" in front of the ticket number. Traffic tickets are entered in the **District Court** # box. The reason for this will be explained later in this manual.

As some court cases progress through the justice system different courts and judges maybe assigned to the same case. It is very important to enter the most current information.

ADDING A NEW WITNESS OR WITNESSES

Pictured below is the witness table where you enter any witnesses who are involved in the case.

		Witness First Name	Witness Last Name
►	+	Witness	One
	+	Witness	Two
	+	Witness	Three
*			
Re	cor	d: 🖪 🔳 🚺 🕨	▶ ▶ of 3

Adding new witness can be done one of two ways. Either click toward the left on the first empty space in the table, or click the **best** button located at the bottom of the table. When you see a vertical blinking line appear in the first blank space you can type your entry.

To enter a witness's name click the **button** and type **"Test First Name."**

	Witness First Name	Witness Last Name				
•	Witness	One				
H	Witness	Two				
H	Witness	Three				
J 🗄	Test First Name					
Reco	Record: 14 4 4 + + + + + of 4					

Now press the [Tab] key on your keyboard and type "Test Last Name."

		Witness First Name	Witness Last Name			
	+	Witness	One			
	+	Witness	Two			
	+	Witness	Three			
Ì	÷	Test First Name	Test Last Name			
Re	Record: 14 4 4 + + + + + of 4					

Once you have entered the witness's first and last name click on the "+" sign to the left of the entry.

		W	/itness First I	Vame	Witness Last Na	me	
	+	Wi	tness		Three		
◄	🕨 🖻 Test First Name			Test Last Name			
			WAddress		WStreet		WCit
		►					_ _
Re	Record: I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I						

When you click on the "+" sign a box will drop down where you can enter the witness's address and phone number. You can't see the whole box but as you type in the information it will move forward automatically. You can use the [**Tab**] key to move forward and [**Shift**] + [**Tab**] to move backward. The "W" in front of the words stands for witness (i.e. Waddress, Wstreet, etc.) Go ahead and enter the address and phone number shown below.

123 Test St. Anyplace MI 12345 (123) 456-7890

It should appear as shown below.

		Ν	/itness First	Name	Witness Last Na	me	
►	🕨 🖻 Test First Name			Test Last Name			
			WAddress		WStreet		WCit
		►	123	Test S	it.	Anyp	olace —
		*					
Re	cor	d:	H I	1	▶ ▶ * of 1		

		Ν	/itness Fi	rst Nam	e	Witness La	st Name		
	🕨 📮 Test First Name 👘		Test Last Name						
			WState	WZip		WPhone			
			MI	12345	(1	23) 456-7890			
		*							Ţ
Re	Record: 14 4 1 1 + + + of 1							_	

Notice how the state is automatically capitalized and the phone number is automatically formatted. This is done to allow for faster entry. All you need to do is type the letters or numbers. Click on the minus (-) sign to make the address area disappear.

CHANGING A WITNESS NAME

For this example we will change **"Test First Name"** to **"Test Chg F Name."** First click to the right of the area where **"Test First Name"** is displayed and highlight all the words by holding down you left mouse button and dragging it across the words.

		Witness First Name	Witness Last Name				
	+	Witness	One				
	+	Witness	Two				
	+	Witness	Three				
►	+	Test First Name	Test Last Name	-			
Re	Record: 14 4 4 + + + of 4						

Now type the new entry "Test Chg F Name".

		Witness First Name	Witness Last Name				
	+	Witness	One				
	+	Witness	Two				
	+	Witness	Three				
I	+	Test Chg F Name	Test Last Name	-			
	Record: 14 4 4 + + + + of 4						

To delete an entry just click on the gray box to the left of the entry you want to delete. **Case Watch** will highlight the entry.

		Witness First Name	Witness Last Name	^	
	+	Witness	One		
	+	Witness	Two		
	+	Witness	Three		
►	Ŧ	Test Chg F Name	Test Last Name	-	
Re	Record: 14 4 4 + + + of 4				

Press the [**Delete**] key to delete the entry.

		Witness First Name	Witness Last Name
►	+	Witness	One
	+	Witness	Two
	+	Witness	Three
*			
Re	cor	d: 🖪 🕤 📘 🕨	▶ ▶ • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •

ADDING OFFICERS TO THE CASE

This is where you enter officers, detectives, etc. who are involved in the case. Entering a new officer is done by clicking on the very right edge of the next blank box. Or clicking within the next blank box and pressing [F4]. A drop down box will display all the officers, detectives, etc. names.

NOTE:

Officer's names are entered in the Administrative Area.



As you move the mouse cursor down the selections each one will be highlighted as the cursor passes over it. Once you have highlighted your selection click once and that selection will be entered into the box. You can only select what is in the box you are not allowed to make your own entries. If there are many selections to choose from a scroll bar will appear on the right hand side of the drop down box. Make sure you enter the OIC (Officer in charge) as the first entry.

To delete an entry just follow the same instructions as for the witness table.

ENTERING OFFENSES

Pictured below is the offenses table. Here you select the offense(s) that pertain to the court case. These selections are made through drop down box similar to adding officers involved in the case. The offense entries are added in the **Administrative Area**.

Offenses					
R & O Police Officer					
Retail Fraud					
۰	R & O Police Officer				

ENTERING COURT CASE DATES AND TIMES

Pictured below is the **General Info Table** where you enter all the traffic of that particular case.

	Received By	Case Type	R Date	Ct Date	Ct Time	Case Status
►	Dispatcher 1	Jury Trial	12/23/2000	2/3/2001	8:30	In Progress
	Dispatcher 2	Evidentory Hearing	10/5/2000	11/23/2000	8:30	Bound Over
*						

In this table there are six categories, which are explained below.

- **Received by:** Indicates who initially received the subpoena in this case it was the dispatcher. This is a drop down box.
- **Case Type:** Here you enter what the subpoena was for (i.e. informal hearing, bench trial, evidentiary hearing, etc.) this is a drop down box.
- **R Date:** Here you enter the date the subpoena was initially received. All you have to do is enter the date numbers **Case Watch** automatically puts the numbers into a date format.
- **Ct Date:** Here you enter the court date (when the case is to be heard)
- **Ct Time:** Here you enter the court time (what time the case is to be heard)
- **Case Status**: Here you enter the current status of the case.

To enter a new record to the table you start on the first line. If you want to add a new record you add it to the next available blank line. Once you add the new record **Case Watch** will automatically update the record and put it in its proper sort order. You will see this order the next time you access the record. **Case Watch** sorts the General Info records in descending order by the court date so the most current entry is on the first line.

If the case is active you must select **In Progress** under the **Case Status** heading this is what **Case Watch** checks for when printing subpoenas. If a case is adjourned you must change that selection to **Adjourned** to be able to print adjournment notices.

	Received By	Case Type	R Date	Ct Date	Ct Time	Case Status
►	Dispatcher 1	Jury Trial	12/23/2000	2/3/2001	8:30	In Progress
	Dispatcher 2	Evidentory Hearing	10/5/2000	11/23/2000	8:30	Bound Over
*						

In the above picture, the line that says **Bound Over** represents the current status. When the case was first entered the **In Progress** selection was made. Then when the case was bound over the selection was changed to **Bound Over**. The person who made the change is listed in the **S Received By** (In this case is was the records person) and the date the change was made is listed in the **S Date box** see on the following page.

S Recieved By	S Date	
Records 1	11/23/2000	5
Records 1	11/23/2000	

You can add as many entries as necessary for the case. **Case Watch** keeps track of the past history of a case (how many times it has been adjourned, when it was bound over, etc.). Additionally, you can also enter dispositions in the **Case Status** box this comes in handy when checking the disposition of cases for evidence destruction.

NOTE:

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Do not enter in Progress or Adjourned twice for the same case.

ACCESSING CURRENT DEFENDANT'S PERSONAL INFORMATION



This button allows you to view the **Personal Information Area** of the defendant whose case you are viewing. They are listed below where it says **In the Matter of:** area at the top of the **Main Area** screen.

In the matte	r of:						
Mark Jacob Smith							
Date of Of	iense	PD Case #	DLAD Case #				
9/2/2000		12378					
Court		District Court #	Juv. Court #				
Circuit Cour	t 🗸						
Judge/Magi	strate	Circuit Court #	Personal				
Judge 3	*	12345	Info				

Click the **Personal Info** button.



Below you see a screen shot of the defendants personal info area. Most of the boxes are self-explanatory, but there are some that need more explanation.

- **Dob** This displays the defendant's date of birth
- Soc Sec This displays the defendant's Social Security number
- **Ops** This displays the defendant's drivers license number
- **SID** This displays the defendant's state offender identification number (this is only if they have a prior felony conviction)
- **FBI** This displays the defendant's FBI number (this is only if they have a prior felony conviction)
- **Ops St** This is the two letter abbreviation of the state for which the defendant has a drivers license

Def	Defendents Personal Info										
C	nange/Up	date or	View Defend	lants 1	Pers	onal I	nfo. p	ersona l	dentification Nun	nber (PID) 4	
Fir	First Name Mark		Dob		10/24/1	1975		SID			
Mi	Middle Name Jacob		Soc 5	Sec	123-45	-0987		FBI		P +	
La	Last Name Smith		Ops.		O			Ops St			
A	ddress(es)									٩	-
	Addres	Address Street		City		y	State	Zip	Phone # St		S:
•	234	Orc	hard Lake Rd	Orcha	Orchard Lake		MI	48234		Current	
	610	NF	Pontiac Trial	Walle	Walled Lake		MI	48390		Old	
	453	Ma	ple	Walled Lake		ke	MI	48390	(248) 123-4567	Old	
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A	lias's										
	Alias Firs	t Name	Alias Middle N	lame	A	lias Las	t Name		Alias Dob		
•	Mike		Matthew		Smit	h			6/12/1974		
*	1.1.1										

In the **Address(es)** table you see the column labeled **Status.** Here you have a choice of **Current** or **Old.** If the address listed is current or last known you select current. If the address is an old address you select old. **Case Watch** will automatically update the records to always show **Current** as the first record.

	Address	Street	City	State	Zip	Phone #	Status:
►	234	Orchard Lake Rd	Orchard Lake	MI	48234		Current
	610	N Pontiac Trial	Walled Lake	MI	48390		Old
	453	Maple	Walled Lake	MI	48390	(248) 123-4567	Old
*							
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The Alias Area shows any aliases the subject might have used in the pasts along with any alias dates of birth.

	Alias First Name	Alias Middle Name	Alias Last Name	Alias Dob
۲	Mike	Matthew	Smith	6/12/1974
*				

The number written in Red is the subject's **Personal Identification Number (PID)** this number is assigned automatically by **Case Watch**. Each subject in the database has a unique PID number.

Persona Identification Number (PID) 👍



Clicking this button will display a report showing the subjects complete court case history (known as the case history report). The report will list the subject's personal information, and all the court cases for which they were defendants along with all related information.



Clicking this button will print the subject case history report.



Clicking this button will close the Personal Info area and go back to the Main

Area.

SEARCHING FOR A DEFENDANTS PERSONAL INFORMATION

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Clicking this button allows you to search and access the personal information of any defendant in the database. When the button is clicked the following screen will appear.



The procedure for searching for a defendant's personal information is described as follows. In the top left box listing last names click on the name Smith.



In this example you can see that there are three Smiths in the database Joe, John, and Mark click on John.



The long box on the bottom displays all the records for John Smith. In this case there is only one, but if there were more then one you would be provided with enough

information to select the John Smith you wanted. Go ahead and click anywhere on the John Smith display row. The "Defendants Personal Information" area will appear displaying John Smith's information.

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Clicking this button will close the **Personal Info** area and go back to the **Main Area**.

SEARCHING FOR A SPECIFIC CASE



Clicking on this button will take you to the Case Search Area.

ise Search Ai Case S	ea earch A	rea	<u>ل</u> ه		PD Case #		Dist:	rict Court Case #	
Last Name Doe Jones Smith Stewart		First Nam Joe John Mark	e		DLAD Case Ticket #	•		uit Court Case # • • • • • • • • • •	
irstName ohn	MiddledName	LastN Smith		Dob 3/14	/1975	5ocSec 123-09		Ops 5-345-234-	987-453
ourt istrict Court	Judge Judge 3	PDCtNum 01-0789	DistCtNum 01-4567		CirCtNum	JuvCtCN	Jum	DLADNum	

Here you can search by name or by six different case type numbers. The case numbers are drop down boxes of all the case numbers in the database divided up into six groupings, which are.

- **PD Case #** Police department case number.
- **DLAD Case #** Drivers license appeal division case number.
- **Ticket** # Traffic ticket number.
- **District Court Case #** District court case number.
- **Circuit Court Case** # Circuit court case number.
- Juvenile Court Case # Juvenile court case number.

To select a case by the number just open up the drop down box and select the case number you are looking for. When you click the number, **Case Watch** will take you to the **Main Area** and display the selected case.

To search by name, select the last name of the person you are searching then select the first name from the names that appear in the box titled **First Name** as shown below.

Last Name	First Name
Doe Jones Smith Stewart	Joe Dohn Mark

Once you have selected the first and last name Case Watch will display the following information for every name that has the same first and last name

- Fist name
- Middle name
- Last name
- Dob (Date of birth)
- Social Security Number
- Drivers license number

Case S	earch Ar	ea 🔤	R+		PD Case #	~	District Co	ourt Case #
Last Name Doe Jones Smith Stewart		First Name Joe Dohn Mark	2		DLAD Case # Ticket #	~		ourt Case #
Eire tName John	MiddledName Micheal	LastNa Smith	ame	Dob 3/14	ł/1975	SocSe	c 9-4321	Ops S-345-234-987-453

From the above listed information, you can identify the defendant you are searching for. Once the defendant is selected, **Case Watch** will display all related court cases in the next box

Case S	earch A	rea	₽•	PD Case #	*	District Cou	rt Case #
Last Name		First Nan	ie	DLAD Case	4	Circuit Cou	t Case #
Doe		Joe			#	Circuit cou	t Case #
Jones		John			*		*
Smith Stewart		Mark				_	
Stewart				Ticket #		Juvenile Co	urt Case #
					~		*
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trict Court	Judge 3	01-0789	01-4567				

To select the case just click on the one you want and **Case Watch** will load that case into the **Main Area**.

Clicking this button will close the **Case Search** area and go back to the **Main Area**.

NOTE:

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The Ticket # box displays all the civil infraction ticket numbers. They will have a "T" in front of them to designate that they are tickets and not district court criminal cases.

DELETING A CASE

In some circumstances, you may find it necessary to delete a case. In order to do this locate the case using the methods previously described and have it displayed in the **Main Area.**



Clicking this button, located in the **Main Area**, will delete the case in which is currently being displayed. It will not however delete the defendant or their personal info. A warning message will appear to confirm your deletion.

CREATING REPORTS



Clicking on this button will take you into the report area.

Print or Preview Report(s)	
Check here to print cases without officers	
Check here to print Officers cases by name	
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Beginning Date	
	2
Ending Date	
	8
Select Officer	N +
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The first selection "**Check here to print cases without officers**" prints a report of all the cases with in the date range entered. However, it groups them by court and does not list what officer is assigned to which case. This is used if you need to get a group of cases together for court the next day or something of that nature. To access the report click on the box to place a check mark in it and then enter a date range.

The second selection "Check here to print Officers cases by name" prints a report of all the court cases related to a certain officer within the entered date range. It lists the officer's name and breaks down the cases by each court. This report is very handy for showing the officer all the court dates they have within a given time period. To access this report just check the box, enter a date range, and select an officer from the drop down box, then click either preview or print.





Clicking this button will print the report.



Clicking this button will close the **Creating Reports** area and go back to the **Main Area**.

NOTE:

These reports will only list the In Progress cases so it is very important that In Progress is selected for all the cases that are currently in the court system.

PRINTING LABELS

Clicking here will display the following screen.



This box allows you to select how many mailing labels you need to print. It only prints the witness's names and addresses that are attached to the current case you are viewing. In the first box, enter how many labels of each you want printed. In the second box, enter how many labels you need **Case Watch** to skip.

For example, if you are using a full sheet of 30 labels you would enter 0 because you are not skipping any blank spaces. However, if you have a sheet of 30 labels and 18 are already used up then you would enter 18 in the second box. That would cause **Case Watch** to start printing on the 19th label. Like before you can select to either preview or print the labels. You would only preview if for some reason you had to set the printer defaults. **Case Watch** prints labels to the Avery #5160 mailing label template.

NOTE:

For witness labels to be printed you must have the witnesses complete address entered into the database.

PRINTING (UNOFFICIAL) SUBPOENAS

Clicking this button will open the following box.

Sub



This is where you can print individual subpoenas. These subpoenas are not official court subpoenas and are mostly used in house for notification purposes. Checking the first box will print the officer's subpoenas. **Case Watch** will print one subpoena for each officer listed with the case. Checking the second box will print witness subpoenas, once again printing one for each witness listed. **Case Watch** will only print subpoenas containing the case information for the "**In Progress**" selection. Look at the following example.

Received By	Case Type	R Date	Ct Date	Ct. Time	Case Status
Dispatcher 1	Evidentory Hearing	12/23/2000	2/3/2001	8:30	In Progress
Dispatcher 2	Evidentory Hearing	10/5/2000	11/23/2000	8:30	Bound Over

The top row has **"In Progress"** selected in the **Case Status** area so only the court dates and court times in that row will be printed on the subpoena. It is very important that **"In Progress"** is only selected for the active case. If you do not have **"In Progress"** selected and you attempt to print or preview a subpoena the following error message will appear.

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٩	There are no Subpoenas to print. Check to make Progress and try again	sure the case statu	s is set to In
	(OK)		

PRINTING ADJOURNMENT NOTIFICATIONS

Adj

Clicking on this button will open box shown below. This is designed the same way as printing subpoenas except it creates adjournment notices instead. You must have "Adjourned" selected in the Case Status box to be able to print adjournment notifications.



Clicking on this button in the Main Area will take you to the Switchboard

REPORT MENU OPTIONS

Pictured below is the report menu bar.

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Clicking here will close the report and take you back to the Main Area.

Clicking here will allow you to print the report from preview mode.

Clicking here will open up a print preview area where you can set your print defaults. When **Case Watch** is first loaded, it may use your computer printer defaults. If the printer defaults are not the same as the report defaults, the reports will not print correctly. Every report is designed to fit on one page. If they do not here is where you can set the correct printer settings. All the printer settings for the reports are listed in the back of this manual under **Report Settings**.

Clicking here allows you to see multiple reports in one screen. The first option lets you view one report. The second option lets you view two reports. The third option lets you view up to six reports.

Clicking here allows you to view your report at different zoom levels. You can zoom in or zoom out, just click the down arrow and select what level you want. **Case Watch** defaults all the reports to a 75% view.

ADMINISTRATIVE AREA

Clicking on this button will take you to the **Administrative Area.** It is highly recommended that only one or two people have access to this area. This area allows you to make changes to various table in the program. For this reason, access should be limited. To aid in limiting access this area is password protected.

Enter Passw	ord	
	Enter	OPEN
	Password	EXIT

The default password is the word "Password." Once you enter the Administrative Area, the password can be changed. In the box enter the word **Password** and click the **OPEN** button.

UPDATING TABLES

Here you can add data to all the lists displayed in the various drop down boxes. The headings at the top of the tables tell you what that table is for. You can add, change, and delete entries just the same as described earlier in this manual. You must keep the entry **"In Progress"** and **"Adjourned"** located in the **status table** in tact, or **Case Watch** will not work properly.

A	dministrative Area		Correct Alias		Cha Pass	nge word				
	Officers		Recieved By			Judges/Magistrate	s		Courts	
•	1	Dis	patcher 1			Judge 1			Circuit Court	
_	Detective	Dis	patcher 2			Judge 2		-	District Court	
	Officer 1	Dis	patcher 3			Judge 3			DLAD	
	Officer 2	Re	cords 1			Magistrate 1		1	Juvenile Court	
	Officer 3	*				Magistrate 2		*		
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These buttons located on the menu bar allow you to sort a selected table in either ascending or descending order. To select a table move the mouse cursor over the table heading and click once, when you see that the table is highlighted click on the ascending or descending button.

NOTE:

You will see a "*" wildcard symbol at the top of the officer drop down box. That symbol is there so you can print a report for all the officers listed in the drop down box. Each officer will be on a separate page.

CHANGING THE ADMINISTRATIVE AREA PASSWORD



Clicking this button will open the **Change Password** area as shown below.

Change Password	
Enter	OPEN
Password	EXIT
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Here you are able to change the password, which allows you to get into the **Administrative Area**. To change the password just highlight the old password, in this case it is the word **Password**, and change it to whatever you want. The password can be numbers, letters, or a combination of both. **Case Watch** does not distinguish between upper and lower case. Once you have changed your password click the **EXIT** button.

CORRECTING ALIASES

Correct Alias

Clicking this button allows you to correct any aliases that may have gotten into the database.

For example, say **Joe John Smith** gave the alias of **John Smith**. If you look up the personal information for both you would see that **Joe John Smith** has the PID number of **6**, and **John Smith** has the PID number of **10**. The problem is that they are the same person and you would be sending out subpoenas and scheduling court dates for someone who exists under another name.

Aliases are usually discovered before they get this far but in some cases they are not. In order to correct this situation you must first write down the PID number for the alias and the person who gave the alias. For this example, the PID numbers are listed below. However, you can find the PID numbers by searching for the defendant as described earlier.

NOTE:

If an alias got into the database but the person to gave the alias never did then you would go to the Personal Information Area of the alias and change the name.

Listed below are the PID numbers for the names in question.

Joe John Smith – PID # 6 (he is the person who gave the alias)

John Smith – PID # 10 (this is the alias he gave)

Correct Alias

Clicking this button will cause the following screen will appear.

Enter Alias PID Number Find Alias Name	ا
Court Info	

In the first box enter the Alias PID number **10**. Then click the **Find** button, the following screen will appear.

Enter Alias PI 10 Alias Name	D Number						
PIDN DFName	e DMName	DLName	Dob	SocSe	ec Op	os StOps	
10 John		Smith	3/14/	1975 123-09-432	21 S-345-234-	987-453 MI	_
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The first box called **Alias Name** shows all the information listed on the alias in the **Personal Information Area**. The second box called **Court Info** shows all the court number(s) assigned to the alias. In this example there is only one court case assigned. To make the correction go to the column in the **Court Info** section named **PIDNumber**. Change the number from the alias PID number to the person's PID number who gave the alias.

In the example, change **10** listed in the **PIDNumber** column to **6**. If there were more than one court cases listed, you would change all the PID numbers. What this does is reassign the case to the PID number you entered which is **Joe John Smith's** PID Number. **Case Watch** will automatically reassign the court case to **Joe John Smith**.

Next write down all of the alias's information. Then click the gray box to the far left of the alias's name highlighting the alias information.

	PIDN	DFName	DMName	DLName	Dob	SocSec	Ops	StOps 🔺
	10	John		Smith	3/14/1975	123-09-4321	S-345-234-987-453	MI 🖵
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Press the (Delete) key on the keyboard. You have now deleted the alias from the **Personal Information Area**. Click on the exit button and open up the **Personal Information Area** for **Joe John Smith**. In the alias table add the name **John Smith** and the date of birth.

If you made all the changes suggested then go to the **Case Search Area**. In the **District Court Case** # drop down box select the number **01-4567**. You will see that the case is now in the matter of **Joe John Smith** instead of **John Smith**.

BACKING UP THE DATABASE

Once you start using **Case Watch** and making some entries, you are going to need to back up your data. It is very important that you do this. You can back up data to a floppy disk, zip drive, network, or Rewrite able CD Rom. It is easy to backup your data by using **Case Watch's** back up function. You access the backup function from the **Switchboard** by clicking on **Case Watch** and then **Backup**.



When you click on the **Backup** selection the following screen will appear.

Case Watch Backup						
Select your back up folder location by clicking on Browse, When selected the file path will be displayed in the Destination Folder area. If this is the location you want click Ok.						
Destination Folder	Ok					
	Browse					
	Cancel					

Click on the **Browse** button and the following screen will appear.

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Here you select the location where you want the data to be backed up to. For this example the data will be backed up to the "A:\" drive or otherwise known as backing up to a floppy disk. In the picture below the "A:\" drive has been selected.

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Notice how the "A:\" drive is highlighted in the **Save in**: box. By clicking on the **Save** button the form closes and the **Case Watch** back up box is displayed. The **Destination Folder** box will display the location where the backed up database will be stored.

Case Watch Backup					
Select your back up folder location by clicking on Browse, When selected the file path will be displayed in the Destination Folder area. If this is the location you want click Ok.					
Destination Folder	(OK)				
AA	Browse				
	Cancel				

When you click the **Ok** button **Case Watch** will automatically backup the data tables database to the "A:\" drive and then close the **backup screen**.

Next time you go to do a backup **Case Watch** remembers the last location you backed up your data to and will display the path name when you open the **backup screen**. If you want to backup to the same location then just click the **Ok** button. If you want to backup to a different location click the browse button and select a new location.

NOTE:

It is recommended you back up your data often.

How often you backup your data is up to you, it is recommended that you do it often.

REPORT SETTINGS

These are the default settings for all the reports in **Case Watch**.

GENERAL REPORTS

Default settings for reports that are accessed by clicking this button



WITNESS MAILING LABELS

Mailing labels are accessed by clicking this button

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UNOFFICIAL SUBPOENAS AND ADJOURNMENT NOTICES

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PERSONAL HISTORY

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