

file a statement of approval of compensation with OCA. In 1997, OCA received a total of 6,883 statements of approval of compensation.

#### Adoption Affidavits

In accordance with the rules of the respective Appellate Divisions, 22 NYCRR Parts 603.23 (1st

Dept.), 691.23 (2nd Dept.) 806.14 (3rd Dept.) and 1022.33 (4th Dept.), all attorneys in adoption proceedings must file an affidavit with OCA concerning the adoption prior to the entry of the adoption decree. The objective of this filing is to maintain a record of attorneys and agencies involved in adoptions and to record the fees, if any, charged for their services. During 1997, 7,982 adoption affidavits were filed with OCA.

**Table 14**  
**ATTORNEY REGISTRATION BY LOCATION**  
**County of Business**  
**1997**

<i>Location</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Total</i>
Albany	3,479	Otsego	85
Allegany	49	Putnam	224
Bronx	1,935	Queens	4,058
Broome	574	Rensselaer	355
Cattaraugus	96	Richmond	913
Cayuga	104	Rockland	1,114
Chautauqua	216	St. Lawrence	120
Chemung	168	Saratoga	350
Chenango	68	Schenectady	390
Clinton	113	Schoharie	41
Columbia	148	Schuyler	23
Cortland	61	Seneca	34
Delaware	86	Steuben	131
Dutchess	694	Suffolk	4,480
Erie	3,939	Sullivan	194
Essex	90	Tioga	52
Franklin	70	Tompkins	292
Fulton	71	Ulster	375
Genesee	77	Warren	190
Greene	80	Washington	63
Hamilton	7	Wayne	84
Herkimer	81	Westchester	6,463
Jefferson	162	Wyoming	35
Kings	5,408	Yates	21
Lewis	19	Outside N.Y.	
Livingston	69	State	40,301
Madison	98	Missing County	16,885
Monroe	2,756		
Montgomery	85	First Department	61,413
Nassau	10,214	Second Department	34,329
New York	61,413	Third Department	7,728
Niagara	348	Fourth Department	11,109
Oneida	527		
Onondaga	2,087		
Ontario	144		
Orange	761	Total	173,700
Orleans	26		
Oswego	104		