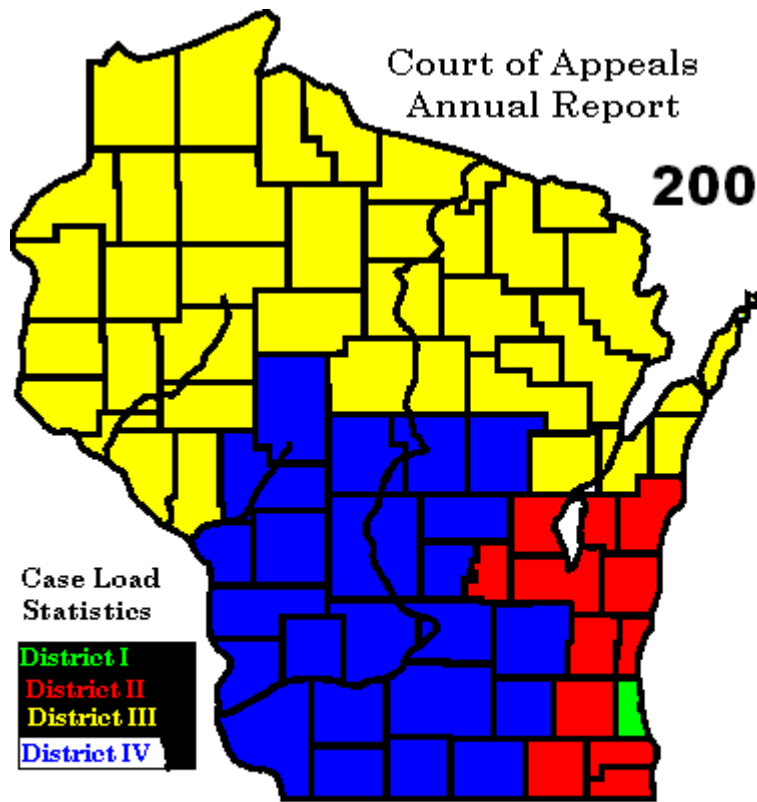


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COURT OF APPEALS - CASE LOAD STATISTICS

District	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Filings</u>	<u>1002</u>	<u>932</u>	<u>683</u>	<u>836</u>	<u>3453</u>
Civil	455	553	383	511	1902
Criminal	547	379	300	325	1551
Adjusted Caseload*	-90	-8	+35	+63	
Three-Judge	822	746	519	680	2767
One-Judge	180	186	164	156	686
Average filings per judge	251	233	228	167	216
*Adjusted average/judge	228	231	239	180	216
No Merits	258	146	128	114	646
<u>Writs</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>109</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>240</u>
Granted	1	0	2	5	8
<u>Leaves to Appeal</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>197</u>
Granted	7	17	8	13	45
Matter of Right	657	620	478	615	2370

* Numbers reflect cases exchanged due to workload and no merit transfer and panel disqualification. These figures do not reflect consolidation.

<u>Submission</u>	<u>342</u>	<u>312</u>	<u>243</u>	<u>380</u>	<u>1277</u>
Civil	177	187	156	237	757
Criminal	165	125	87	143	520
Cases on Briefs	322	302	237	368	1229
Civil	160	181	151	225	717
Criminal	162	121	86	143	512
Percentage on briefs	94%	97%	98%	97%	96%
Oral Arguments	20	10	6	12	48
Civil	17	6	5	12	40
Criminal	3	4	1	0	8
Percentage Orally Argued	6%	3%	2%	3%	4%

Total Terminations	921	856	711	964	3452
Average terminations per judge	230	214	237	193	216

Terminations by Opinion:

<u>Opinions</u>	<u>254</u>	<u>290</u>	<u>282</u>	<u>387</u>	<u>1213</u>
Civil	176	182	177	225	760
Percentage	69%	63%	63%	58%	63%
Criminal	78	108	105	162	453
Percentage	31%	37%	37%	42%	37%
%s of Disposition:					
Affirmed	74%	80%	77%	76%	77%
Reversed	12%	12%	16%	12%	13%
Other	14%	8%	7%	11%	10%
Per Curiams	90	89	109	159	447
Signed Opinions	164	201	173	228	766
1-Judge Opinions*	103	106	89	102	400
3-Judge Opinions	61	95	84	126	366

Publication Data:

All Opinions*	210	273	252	332	1067
Percentage Published	22%	29%	18%	23%	23%
Considered**	49	95	79	117	340
Published	47	79	46	75	247
Percentage	96%	83%	58%	64%	73%

* This figure reflects Dec '02 and YTD Nov '03 three-judge, one-judge and per curiam opinions.

** Three-judge opinions only; deferrals are counted only when decided.

Termination by Other Means (Orders):

<u>Summary Dispositions</u>	<u>394</u>	<u>230</u>	<u>211</u>	<u>239</u>	<u>1074</u>
Affirmance	211	105	51	103	470
Reversals	14	3	12	1	30
No Merits	166	116	148	133	563
Other	3	6	0	2	11
<u>Memo Opinions</u>	<u>207</u>	<u>263</u>	<u>188</u>	<u>277</u>	<u>935</u>
Jurisdiction	22	27	27	37	113
Other	102	74	87	102	365
Writs Denied, etc.	45	100	23	77	245
Writs Granted	1	0	2	5	8
Leaves Denied, etc.	37	62	49	56	204
<u>Other</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>230</u>
Voluntary Dismissals	37	48	26	50	161
Stipulations	3	7	0	0	10
Other	26	18	4	11	59

Motions (not including Leaves to Appeal and Writs Terminated):

Motions	3231	2735	1712	2433	10111
Writs Terminated	46	100	25	82	253
Writs Granted	1	0	2	5	8
Leaves Terminated	37	62	49	56	204

Pending Cases:

12-31-2003	632	506	339	522	1999
12-31-2002	654	442	320	519	1935

