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## WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

**September 2015**

This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of September 2015 and to date for the year that began on January 1, 2015.

### Opinions and Orders Issued by the Court

The Court of Appeals issued 60 opinions, 56 summary dispositions, and 82 other written decisions in September. Opinions include three-judge and one-judge authored opinions and per curiam opinions. Summary dispositions include opinions issued in the form of a court order after the court has reviewed the briefs and the record and, generally, following a screening and decision conference. Other written decisions include memorandum opinions, which are issued in the form of a court order prior to a screening and decision conference, and miscellaneous orders terminating cases (e.g., voluntary dismissals and stipulations to dismiss). The breakdown by district and type of disposition is as follows:

<u>September 2015</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated .....	<u>51</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>198</u>
Opinion - Civil .....	8	7	10	8	33
Opinion - Criminal .....	12	7	5	3	27
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	2	5	1	12	20
Sum. Disp. - Criminal .....	12	10	0	14	36
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	3	6	12	13	34
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	6	4	5	13	28
Other - Civil .....	3	2	5	3	13
Other - Criminal .....	5	2	0	0	7

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 733 opinions, 585 summary dispositions, and 792 other written decisions.

<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated .....	<u>479</u>	<u>509</u>	<u>409</u>	<u>713</u>	<u>2110</u>
Opinion - Civil .....	97	105	109	132	443
Opinion - Criminal .....	93	68	69	60	290
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	33	62	19	85	199
Sum. Disp. - Criminal .....	100	119	62	105	386
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	70	70	88	124	352
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	35	53	37	50	175
Other - Civil .....	31	24	22	154	231
Other - Criminal .....	20	8	3	3	34

#### Appeals Filed

A total of 188 appeals were filed during the month. An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court.

<u>September 2015</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed .....	<u>45</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>188</u>
Civil.....	24	19	18	25	86
Criminal .....	21	28	30	23	102

So far this year, a total of 1906 appeals have been filed.

<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed .....	<u>529</u>	<u>472</u>	<u>432</u>	<u>473</u>	<u>1906</u>
Civil.....	265	214	235	275	989
Criminal .....	264	258	197	198	917

#### Appeals Pending

As of the end of the month, a total of 1953 cases were pending before the Court of Appeals.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Pending .....	<u>556</u>	<u>414</u>	<u>451</u>	<u>532</u>	<u>1953</u>
Civil.....	237	170	201	263	871
Criminal .....	319	244	250	269	1082

### Petitions for Supervisory Writ

The Court of Appeals received 6 and disposed of 9 petitions for supervisory writ during the month. A petition for supervisory writ asks the Court of Appeals to order the circuit court to take a certain action in a case.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Sup. Writs Filed.....	3	0	2	1	6
Sup. Writs Terminated .....	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>9</u>
Granted.....	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	1	3	4	1	9
Sup. Writs Pending.....	28	5	3	11	47

### Petitions for Leave to Appeal

The Court of Appeals received 11 and disposed of 11 petitions for leave to appeal during the month. A petition for leave to appeal asks the Court of Appeals to invoke its discretionary jurisdiction and accept the appeal of a case in which a final order has not been issued.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Leave to Appeal Petitions Filed .....	1	5	3	2	11
Leave to Appeal Petitions Terminated	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>11</u>
Granted.....	0	2	1	0	3
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	1	4	1	2	8
Leave to Appeal Petitions Pending.....	4	5	5	3	17

### Petitions for Review, Petitions for Bypass, and Certifications to the Supreme Court

The Supreme Court received 43 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, no petitions to bypass the Court of Appeals, and 1 request for certification. In a petition for bypass, a party requests that the Supreme Court take jurisdiction of an appeal or other proceeding pending in the Court of Appeals. In a request for certification, the Court of Appeals asks the Supreme Court to exercise its appellate jurisdiction before the Court of Appeals hears the matter.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Petitions for Review Filed .....	<u>13</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>43</u>
Civil.....	3	4	5	7	19
Criminal .....	10	2	4	8	24
Petitions for Bypass Filed.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Civil.....	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal .....	0	0	0	0	0
Certifications Filed.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Civil.....	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal .....	0	0	0	1	1