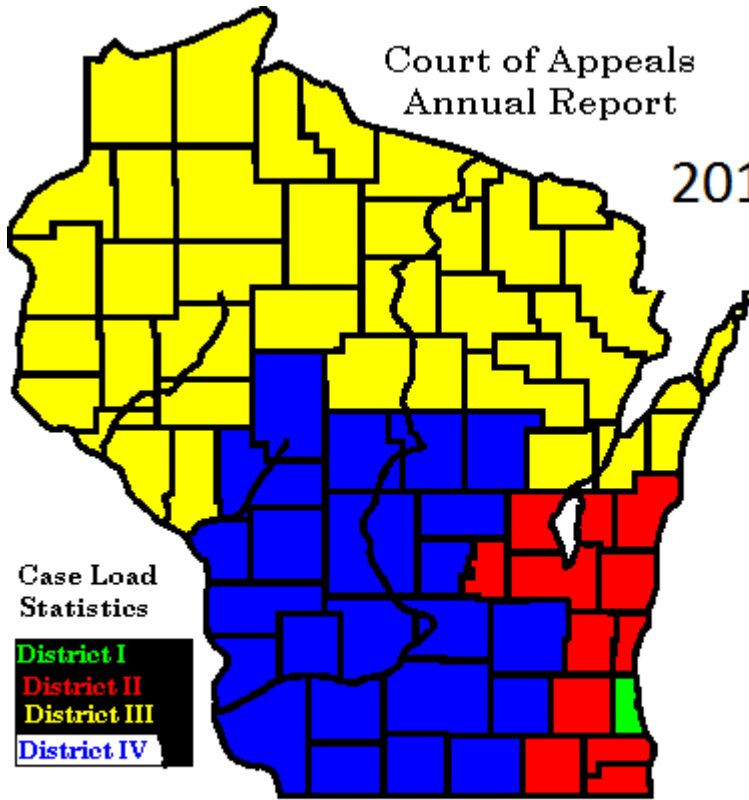


Court of Appeals
Annual Report

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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>
Filings	<u>749</u>	<u>611</u>	<u>504</u>	<u>562</u>	<u>2426</u>
Civil	331	307	254	309	1201
Criminal	418	304	250	253	1225
Average filings per judge	187	153	168	112	152
Three-Judge	627	485	393	425	1930
One-Judge	122	126	111	137	496
No Merit Filings	202	123	130	97	552
Writs Filed	43	37	15	35	130
<i>Granted</i>	0	3	0	0	3
Leaves to Appeal Filed	24	49	21	39	133
<i>Granted</i>	8	14	3	5	30
Matter of Right	480	402	338	391	1611

Adjusted No-Merit Transfer	-53	+15	+6	+32	
Adjusted Caseload	-55	+27	-2	+30	
*Adjusted average/judge	160	163	169	125	152

*Adjusted averages reflect cases gained or lost due to workload, panel disqualification and no-merit transfers. These figures do not reflect consolidation.

<u>Submission</u>	<u>211</u>	<u>255</u>	<u>168</u>	<u>265</u>	<u>899</u>
Cases on Briefs	204	254	165	261	884
Civil	88	134	103	154	479
Criminal	116	120	62	107	405
Percentage on briefs	97%	100%	98%	98%	98%
Cases Orally Argued	7	1	3	4	15
Civil	7	1	1	2	11
Criminal	0	0	2	2	4
Percentage Orally Argued	3%	0%	2%	2%	2%

Total Terminations	545	625	535	716	2421
Average terminations per judge	136	156	178	143	151

Terminations by Opinion:

<u>Opinions</u>	<u>208</u>	<u>184</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>238</u>	<u>833</u>
Civil	111	92	130	145	478
Percentage	53%	50%	64%	61%	57%
Criminal	97	92	73	93	355
Percentage	47%	50%	36%	39%	43%
%s of Disposition:					
Affirmed	91%	84%	80%	85%	85%
Reversed	4.5%	12%	15%	10%	10%
Other	5.5%	4%	5%	5%	5%
Per Curiams	81	82	118	136	471
Signed Opinions	127	101	85	103	416
1-Judge Opinions*	61	48	52	72	233
3-Judge Opinions	66	53	33	31	183

Publication Data:

All Opinions*	185	163	180	219	747
Percentage Published	15%	18%	9%	4%	11%
Considered**	70	48	27	26	171
<u>Published</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>82</u>
Civil	17	13	12	7	49
Criminal	10	17	4	2	33
Percentage	39%	63%	59%	35%	48%

* This figure reflects Dec 2015 and YTD Nov 2016 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>136</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>273</u>	<u>750</u>
Affirmance	30	73	15	143	261
Reversals	2	13	0	8	23
No Merits	101	109	120	115	445
Rejected No Merits	41	24	11	18	94
Dismissals	3	2	3	6	14
Other	0	3	3	1	7
<u>Memo Opinions</u>	<u>167</u>	<u>194</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>652</u>
Jurisdiction	28	17	18	15	78
Dismissals	23	26	42	6	97
Other	51	88	46	71	256
Writs Denied, etc.	41	32	20	29	122
Writs Granted	0	3	0	0	3
Leaves Denied, etc.	24	28	15	29	96
<u>Other</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>192</u>
Voluntary Dismissals	29	22	24	30	105
Dismissals	0	0	5	0	5
Stipulations	1	2	0	1	4
Other	10	23	21	24	78

Motions and Petitions:

Motions Filed	5726	3684	2577	2965	14,952
Writs Terminated	41	35	20	29	125
Writs Granted	0	3	0	0	3
Leaves Terminated	32	42	18	34	126

Pending Cases (current assigned panel):

12-31-16	623	491	423	495	2032
12-31-15	519	439	430	577	1965

SUPREME COURT ACTIVITY

Consolidated Cases Counted as One

Certifications Filed	1	4	1	1	7
Certifications Granted	0	3	0	3	6
Bypasses Granted	0	0	1	1	2

Ct. App. Opinions Released	185	163	180	219	747
Petitions filed on Opns.	116	77	62	86	341
Percentage Filed	63%	47%	34%	39%	46%
<u>Petitions Filed*</u>	<u>192</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>109</u>	<u>203</u>	<u>663</u>
Civil*	100	67	56	96	319
Criminal*	92	92	53	107	344
Petitions Acted Upon*	183	143	87	229	642
<u>Granted*</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>47</u>
Civil*	5	5	3	10	23
Criminal*	3	7	4	10	24
SC Opinions on Petitions	4	8	10	14	36
<u>Affirmed</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>14</u> 39%
Civil	0	1	1	5	7 19%
Criminal	2	2	2	1	7 19%
<u>Reversed</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u> 28%
Civil	0	2	1	2	5 14%
Criminal	1	0	2	2	5 14%
<u>Other**</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>12</u> 33%
Civil	1	3	3	2	9 25%
Criminal	0	0	1	2	3 8%

*Consolidated NOT counted as one.

**Affirmed and remanded; affirmed in part, reversed in part; reversed and remanded; SC divided so no opinion.