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## WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

**March 2017**

This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of March 2017 and to date for the year that began on January 1, 2017.

### Opinions and Orders Issued by the Court

The Court of Appeals issued 79 opinions, 63 summary dispositions, and 79 other written decisions in March. 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>March 2017</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated .....	<u>51</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>221</u>
Opinion - Civil .....	7	12	13	10	42
Opinion - Criminal .....	11	8	5	13	37
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	10	9	0	4	23
Sum. Disp. - Criminal .....	8	9	3	20	40
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	7	10	10	5	32
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	2	9	14	1	26
Other - Civil .....	2	2	9	3	16
Other - Criminal .....	4	0	0	1	5

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 223 opinions, 172 summary dispositions, and 211 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>125</u>	<u>166</u>	<u>158</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>606</u>
Opinion - Civil .....	17	39	35	31	122
Opinion - Criminal .....	27	20	27	27	101
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	16	19	7	20	62
Sum. Disp. - Criminal .....	20	34	22	34	110
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	23	25	24	22	94
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	9	17	29	8	63
Other - Civil .....	6	11	14	13	44
Other – Criminal.....	7	1	0	2	10

#### Appeals Filed

A total of 224 appeals were filed during the month. An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court.

<u>March 2017</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed .....	<u>63</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>224</u>
Civil.....	33	30	27	27	117
Criminal .....	30	35	27	15	107

So far this year, a total of 575 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>163</u>	<u>157</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>123</u>	<u>575</u>
Civil.....	77	68	68	74	287
Criminal .....	86	89	64	49	288

#### Appeals Pending

As of the end of the month, a total of 2018 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>716</u>	<u>464</u>	<u>397</u>	<u>441</u>	<u>2018</u>
Civil.....	265	190	176	213	844
Criminal .....	451	274	221	228	1174

### Petitions for Supervisory Writ

The Court of Appeals received 16 and disposed of 12 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	5	3	5	16
Sup. Writs Terminated .....	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>12</u>
Granted.....	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	5	4	1	2	12
Sup. Writs Pending.....	23	12	4	13	52

### Petitions for Leave to Appeal

The Court of Appeals received 17 and disposed of 14 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 .....	4	5	6	2	17
Leave to Appeal Petitions Terminated	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>14</u>
Granted.....	0	0	1	0	1
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	0	3	9	1	13
Leave to Appeal Petitions Pending.....	7	8	2	5	22

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

The Supreme Court received 80 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, 1 petition to bypass the Court of Appeals, and no requests 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>16</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>80</u>
Civil.....	8	17	13	6	44
Criminal .....	8	9	7	12	36
Petitions for Bypass Filed.....	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Civil.....	0	0	0	1	0
Criminal .....	1	0	0	0	1
Certifications 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