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WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

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This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of October 2008 and to date for the year that began on January 1, 2008.

Opinions and Orders Issued by the Court

The Court of Appeals issued 85 opinions, 69 summary dispositions, and 114 other written decisions in October. 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>October 2008</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated	<u>70</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>268</u>
Opinion - Civil	10	13	9	17	49
Opinion - Criminal	13	10	5	8	36
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	2	6	1	7	16
Sum. Disp. - Criminal	23	12	9	9	53
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	10	17	11	34	72
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	9	9	1	7	26
Other - Civil	2	4	2	3	11
Other - Criminal	1	2	0	2	5

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 925 opinions, 733 summary dispositions, and 909 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>689</u>	<u>618</u>	<u>530</u>	<u>730</u>	<u>2567</u>
Opinion - Civil	144	131	107	176	558
Opinion - Criminal	127	91	65	84	367
Sum. Disp. – Civil.....	29	48	42	51	170
Sum. Disp. - Criminal	179	118	115	151	563
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	117	113	113	158	501
Memo Opinion - Criminal	59	72	59	59	249
Other - Civil	24	36	24	40	124
Other - Criminal	10	9	5	11	35

Appeals Filed

A total of 279 appeals were filed during the month. An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court.

<u>October 2008</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed	<u>59</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>279</u>
Civil.....	31	40	33	43	147
Criminal	28	36	29	39	132

So far this year, a total of 2579 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>713</u>	<u>681</u>	<u>547</u>	<u>638</u>	<u>2579</u>
Civil.....	322	325	285	375	1307
Criminal	391	356	262	263	1272

Appeals Pending

As of the end of the month, a total of 1986 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>617</u>	<u>548</u>	<u>324</u>	<u>497</u>	<u>1986</u>
Civil.....	243	253	171	269	936
Criminal	374	295	153	228	1050

Petitions for Supervisory Writ

The Court of Appeals received 19 and disposed of 33 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.....	5	3	4	7	19
Sup. Writs Terminated	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>33</u>
Granted.....	0	1	0	0	1
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	7	7	3	15	32
Sup. Writs Pending.....	22	5	4	8	39

Petitions for Leave to Appeal

The Court of Appeals received 11 and disposed of 9 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	2	4	3	2	11
Leave to Appeal Petitions Terminated	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>
Granted.....	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	1	2	1	5	9
Leave to Appeal Petitions Pending.....	21	6	3	3	33

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

The Supreme Court received 51 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, 0 petitions to bypass the Court of Appeals, and 0 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>18</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>51</u>
Civil.....	4	9	5	4	22
Criminal	14	4	3	8	29
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>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Civil.....	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0