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## WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

### NOVEMBER 2008

This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of November 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 89 opinions, 79 summary dispositions, and 77 other written decisions in November. 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>November 2008</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated .....	<u>56</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>245</u>
Opinion - Civil .....	6	13	5	17	41
Opinion - Criminal .....	15	15	10	8	48
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	2	7	3	1	13
Sum. Disp. - Criminal .....	16	12	11	27	66
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	8	5	11	12	36
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	7	11	5	5	28
Other - Civil .....	2	4	1	5	12
Other - Criminal .....	0	1	0	0	1

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 1014 opinions, 812 summary dispositions, and 986 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>745</u>	<u>686</u>	<u>576</u>	<u>805</u>	<u>2812</u>
Opinion - Civil .....	150	144	112	193	599
Opinion - Criminal .....	142	106	75	92	415
Sum. Disp. – Civil.....	31	56	45	52	183
Sum. Disp. - Criminal .....	195	130	126	178	629
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	125	118	124	170	537
Memo Opinion - Criminal .....	66	83	64	64	277
Other - Civil .....	26	40	25	45	136
Other - Criminal .....	10	10	5	11	36

#### Appeals Filed

A total of 277 appeals were filed during the month. An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court.

<u>November 2008</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed .....	<u>61</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>277</u>
Civil.....	30	33	36	43	142
Criminal .....	31	55	23	26	135

So far this year, a total of 2856 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>774</u>	<u>769</u>	<u>606</u>	<u>707</u>	<u>2856</u>
Civil.....	352	358	321	418	1449
Criminal .....	422	411	285	289	1407

#### Appeals Pending

As of the end of the month, a total of 2024 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>614</u>	<u>573</u>	<u>335</u>	<u>502</u>	<u>2024</u>
Civil.....	256	259	187	278	980
Criminal .....	358	314	148	224	1044

### Petitions for Supervisory Writ

The Court of Appeals received 7 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.....	1	1	3	2	7
Sup. Writs Terminated .....	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>9</u>
Granted.....	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	0	1	4	4	9
Sup. Writs Pending.....	24	5	2	6	37

### Petitions for Leave to Appeal

The Court of Appeals received 15 and disposed of 7 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 .....	0	4	3	8	15
Leave to Appeal Petitions Terminated	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>
Granted.....	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	0	3	2	2	7
Leave to Appeal Petitions Pending.....	21	7	4	9	41

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

The Supreme Court received 50 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, 1 petition 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>17</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>50</u>
Civil.....	8	4	3	14	29
Criminal .....	9	2	5	5	21
Petitions for Bypass Filed.....	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Civil.....	0	1	0	0	1
Criminal .....	0	0	0	0	0
Certifications Filed.....	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Civil.....	0	1	0	0	1
Criminal .....	0	0	0	0	0