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WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

SEPTEMBER 2025

This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of September and to-date for the year that began on January 1, 2025.

Opinions and Orders Issued by the Court

The Court of Appeals issued 47 opinions, 55 summary dispositions, and 108 other written decisions this month. 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, issued before 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:

SEPTEMBER 2025	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Cases Terminated	60	46	24	80	210
By Opinion -Civil	11	7	4	4	26
By Opinion -Criminal	2	8	2	9	21
By Summ. Disp Civil	9	4	3	6	22
By Summ. Disp Criminal	16	8	2	7	33
By Memo Opinion - Civil	18	10	3	30	61
By Memo Opinion – Criminal	2	2	4	3	11
By Other – Civil	2	6	5	14	27
By Other - Criminal	0	1	1	7	9

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 511 opinions, 463 summary dispositions, and 974 other written decisions.

Year to Date	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Cases Terminated	446	528	434	540	1,948
By Opinion -Civil	57	67	71	71	266
By Opinion -Criminal	44	84	57	60	245
By Summ. Disp Civil	49	51	35	44	179
By Summ. Disp. – Criminal	<i>79</i>	105	48	52	284
By Memo Opinion - Civil	113	87	89	154	443
By Memo Opinion – Criminal	41	57	56	76	230
By Other – Civil	45	59	60	68	232
By Other - Criminal	18	18	18	15	69

Appeals Filed

An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court. A total of 189 appeals were filed during the month.

SEPTEMBER 2025	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Cases Filed	50	52	40	47	189
Civil	30	27	20	30	107
Criminal	20	25	20	17	82

So far this year, a total 2,055 appeals have been filed.

Year to Date	Dis	t. I Dist. 1	II Dist. II	I Dist. IV	V Total
Cases Filed	47	8 490	471	616	2,055
	Civil 26	0 265	269	382	1,176
Crin	ninal 21	8 225	202	234	879

Appeals Pending

At the end of the month, a total of 2,345 cases were pending before the Court of Appeals.

SEPTEMBER 2025	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Cases Pending	657	530	580	578	2,345
Civil	289	252	284	311	1,136
Criminal	368	278	296	267	1,209

Petitions for Supervisory Writ

A petition for supervisory writ asks the Court of Appeals to order the circuit court to take a certain action in a case. The Court of Appeals received 16 and disposed of 26 petitions for supervisory writ during the month.

SEPTEMBER 2025	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Supervisory Writs Filed	3	2	6	5	16
Supervisory Writs Terminated	3	2	1	20	26
Granted	0	0	0	3	3
Denied, Dismissed, Other	3	2	1	17	23
Supervisory Writs Pending	12	14	10	18	54

Petitions for Leave to Appeal

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. The Court of Appeals received 12 and disposed of 10 petitions for leave to appeal during the month.

SEPTEMBER 2025	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Petitions for Leave to Appeal Filed	3	5	2	2	12
Petitions Terminated	3	2	2	3	10
Granted	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other	3	2	2	3	10
Petitions Pending	5	6	3	3	17

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

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. The Supreme Court received 58 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, one petition to bypass the Court of Appeals, and no requests for certification this month.

SEPTEMBER 2025	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Petitions for Review Filed	15	22	11	10	58
Civil	11	10	4	4	29
Criminal	4	12	7	6	29
Petitions for Bypass Filed	0	1	0	0	1
Civil	0	1	0	0	1
Criminal	0	O	0	O	0
Certification Requests Filed	0	0	0	0	0
Civil	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0