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WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

MARCH 2025

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

Opinions and Orders Issued by the Court

The Court of Appeals issued 50 opinions, 57 summary dispositions, and 99 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:

MARCH 2025	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Cases Terminated	38	63	40	65	206
By Opinion -Civil	6	6	5	7	24
By Opinion -Criminal	2	9	8	7	26
By Summ. Disp Civil	6	8	2	4	20
By Summ. Disp Criminal	4	10	8	15	37
By Memo Opinion - Civil	14	18	6	18	56
By Memo Opinion – Criminal	3	8	4	9	24
By Other – Civil	3	2	6	3	14
By Other - Criminal	0	2	1	2	5

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 169 opinions, 166 summary dispositions, and 293 other written decisions.

Year to Date	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Cases Terminated	129	186	132	181	628
By Opinion -Civil	17	26	16	22	81
By Opinion -Criminal	11	33	24	20	88
By Summ. Disp Civil	10	19	9	20	58
By Summ. Disp. – Criminal	25	36	23	24	108
By Memo Opinion - Civil	33	34	19	48	134
By Memo Opinion – Criminal	13	19	19	23	74
By Other – Civil	16	13	15	19	63
By Other - Criminal	4	6	7	5	22

Appeals Filed

An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court. A total of 251 appeals were filed during the month.

MARCH 2025		Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Cases Filed		55	55	65	76	251
	Civil	25	31	39	46	141
	Criminal	30	24	26	30	110

So far this year, a total 613 appeals have been filed.

Year to Date		Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Cases Filed		133	138	157	185	613
	Civil	70	72	92	117	351
	Criminal	63	66	65	68	262

Appeals Pending

At the end of the month, a total of 2,189 cases were pending before the Court of Appeals.

MARCH 2025		Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Cases Pending		610	510	556	513	2,189
	Civil	273	219	293	281	1,066
	Criminal	337	291	263	232	1,123

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 24 and disposed of 24 petitions for supervisory writ during the month.

MARCH 2025	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Supervisory Writs Filed	5	3	4	12	24
Supervisory Writs Terminated	7	5	1	11	24
Granted	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other	7	5	1	11	24
Supervisory Writs Pending	14	11	5	10	40

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 29 and disposed of 27 petitions for leave to appeal during the month.

MARCH 2025	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Petitions for Leave to Appeal Filed	5	14	8	2	29
Petitions Terminated	3	15	8	1	27
Granted	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other	3	15	8	1	27
Petitions Pending	6	7	7	2	22

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 40 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, no petitions to bypass the Court of Appeals, and no requests for certification this month.

MARCH 2025	Dist. I	Dist. II	Dist. III	Dist. IV	Total
Petitions for Review Filed	12	14	7	7	40
Civil	9	8	1	5	23
Criminal	2	18	7	7	34
Petitions for Bypass Filed	0	0	0	0	0
Civil	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal	0	0	0	0	O
Certification Requests Filed	0	0	0	0	0
Civil	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal	0	0	0	0	O