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WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

MAY 2025

This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of May 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, 53 summary dispositions, and 114 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:

MAY 2025	<i>Dist. I</i>	<i>Dist. II</i>	<i>Dist. III</i>	<i>Dist. IV</i>	<i>Total</i>
Cases Terminated	53	44	66	51	214
<i>By Opinion - Civil</i>	5	1	9	9	24
<i>By Opinion - Criminal</i>	11	2	5	5	23
<i>By Summ. Disp. - Civil</i>	7	9	5	4	25
<i>By Summ. Disp. - Criminal</i>	7	9	7	5	28
<i>By Memo Opinion - Civil</i>	9	6	6	14	35
<i>By Memo Opinion - Criminal</i>	2	5	10	13	30
<i>By Other - Civil</i>	4	11	21	1	37
<i>By Other - Criminal</i>	8	1	3	0	12

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 276 opinions, 255 summary dispositions, and 516 other written decisions.

<i>Year to Date</i>	<i>Dist. I</i>	<i>Dist. II</i>	<i>Dist. III</i>	<i>Dist. IV</i>	<i>Total</i>
Cases Terminated	233	284	241	289	1,047
<i>By Opinion - Civil</i>	30	32	36	40	138
<i>By Opinion - Criminal</i>	26	46	34	32	138
<i>By Summ. Disp. - Civil</i>	24	31	16	28	99
<i>By Summ. Disp. – Criminal</i>	35	53	35	33	156
<i>By Memo Opinion - Civil</i>	55	48	38	80	221
<i>By Memo Opinion – Criminal</i>	28	31	34	42	135
<i>By Other – Civil</i>	22	35	38	29	124
<i>By Other - Criminal</i>	13	8	10	5	36

Appeals Filed

An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court. A total of 240 appeals were filed during the month.

<i>MAY 2025</i>	<i>Dist. I</i>	<i>Dist. II</i>	<i>Dist. III</i>	<i>Dist. IV</i>	<i>Total</i>
Cases Filed	58	55	50	77	240
<i>Civil</i>	33	26	26	41	126
<i>Criminal</i>	25	29	24	36	114

So far this year, a total 1,113 appeals have been filed.

<i>Year to Date</i>	<i>Dist. I</i>	<i>Dist. II</i>	<i>Dist. III</i>	<i>Dist. IV</i>	<i>Total</i>
Cases Filed	258	267	262	326	1,113
<i>Civil</i>	138	140	150	201	629
<i>Criminal</i>	120	127	112	125	484

Appeals Pending

At the end of the month, a total of 2,271 cases were pending before the Court of Appeals.

<i>MAY 2025</i>	<i>Dist. I</i>	<i>Dist. II</i>	<i>Dist. III</i>	<i>Dist. IV</i>	<i>Total</i>
Cases Pending	634	544	553	540	2,271
<i>Civil</i>	288	236	283	292	1,099
<i>Criminal</i>	346	308	270	248	1,172

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 23 and disposed of 15 petitions for supervisory writ during the month.

<i>MAY 2025</i>	<i>Dist. I</i>	<i>Dist. II</i>	<i>Dist. III</i>	<i>Dist. IV</i>	<i>Total</i>
Supervisory Writs Filed	5	4	3	11	23
Supervisory Writs Terminated	5	2	3	5	15
<i>Granted</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>2</i>
<i>Denied, Dismissed, Other</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>13</i>
Supervisory Writs Pending	14	15	11	18	58

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 20 and disposed of 16 petitions for leave to appeal during the month.

<i>MAY 2025</i>	<i>Dist. I</i>	<i>Dist. II</i>	<i>Dist. III</i>	<i>Dist. IV</i>	<i>Total</i>
Petitions for Leave to Appeal Filed	2	2	9	7	20
Petitions Terminated	2	5	4	5	16
<i>Granted</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>Denied, Dismissed, Other</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>12</i>
Petitions Pending	2	4	8	4	18

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 46 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.

<i>MAY 2025</i>	<i>Dist. I</i>	<i>Dist. II</i>	<i>Dist. III</i>	<i>Dist. IV</i>	<i>Total</i>
Petitions for Review Filed	11	17	7	11	46
<i>Civil</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>Criminal</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>24</i>
Petitions for Bypass Filed	0	0	0	1	1
<i>Civil</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>1</i>
<i>Criminal</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
Certification Requests Filed	0	0	0	0	0
<i>Civil</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>
<i>Criminal</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>