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WISCONSIN SUPREME COURT MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

AUGUST 2023

This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Supreme Court during the month of August and to date for the term that began on September 1, 2022.

Opinions Issued by the Court

The Supreme Court issued opinions resolving 1 cases in August. Information about these opinions, including the Court's dispositions and the names of the authoring justices, can be found on the attached table.

	August 2023	Term to Date
Total number of cases resolved by opinion	1	64
Attorney disciplinary cases	1	15
Judicial disciplinary cases	0	0
Civil Cases	0	29
Criminal Cases	0	20

Petitions for Review

A total of 60 petitions for review were filed during the month. A petition for review asks the Supreme Court to review the decision of the Court of Appeals. The Supreme Court's jurisdiction is discretionary, meaning that review is granted in selected cases only. In August, the Supreme Court disposed of 97 petitions for review, of which 2 petitions were granted. The Supreme Court currently has 204 petitions for review pending.

	August 2023	Term to Date
Petitions for Review filed	60	633
Civil Cases	19	249
Criminal Cases	41	384
Petitions for Review dispositions	97	596
Civil Cases (petitions granted)	32 (2)	253 (14)
Criminal Cases (petitions granted)	65 (0)	343 (7)

Petitions for Bypass

In August, the Supreme Court received 1 petition for bypass and disposed of 1 petition for bypass. 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. A matter appropriate for bypass is usually one which meets one or more of the criteria for review by the Supreme Court and one the Supreme Court concludes it will ultimately choose to consider regardless of how the Court of Appeals might decide the issues. A petition for bypass may also be granted where there is a clear need to hasten the ultimate appellate decision. The Supreme Court currently has 4 petitions for bypass pending.

	August 2023	Term to Date
Petitions for Bypass filed	1	22
Civil Cases	1	18
Criminal Cases	0	4
Petitions for Bypass dispositions	1	20
Civil Cases (petitions granted)	1 (0)	16 (2)
Criminal Cases (petitions granted)	0 (0)	4 (0)

Requests for Certification

During August, the Supreme Court received no requests for certification and disposed of no requests for certification. 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. A request for certification is decided on the basis of the same criteria as a petition to bypass. The Supreme Court currently has no requests for certification pending.

	August 2023	Term to Date
Requests for Certification filed	0	1
Civil Cases	0	0
Criminal Cases	0	1
Requests for Certification dispositions	0	2
Civil Cases (petitions granted)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Criminal Cases (petitions granted)	0 (0)	2 (2)

Regulatory Matters, Supervisory Writs, and Original Actions

During the month, a total of 3 matters within the regulatory jurisdiction of the Court (bar admission, lawyer discipline, and judicial discipline) were filed and no such cases were reopened. The Supreme Court also received 4 petitions for supervisory writ, which ask the Supreme Court to order the Court of Appeals or a circuit court to take a certain action in a case. 2 original actions were filed. An original action is a petition asking the Supreme Court to take jurisdiction over a particular matter. When an opinion is issued in these cases, the disposition is included in "Opinions Issued by the Court" above; otherwise, the case is disposed of by order and is included in the totals below. The Supreme Court currently has 16 regulatory matters and 10 petitions for supervisory writ pending.

	August 2023	Term to Date
Total number of Filings	0	Q 1
(including reopened cases)	9	01
Attorney disciplinary cases	3	22
Judicial disciplinary cases	0	0
Bar Admission	0	2
Petitions for Supervisory Writ	4	54
Other (including Original Actions)	2	3

	August 2023	Term to Date	
Total number of Dispositions by Order	8	76	
(including reopened cases)	0	70	
Attorney disciplinary cases	2	6	
Judicial disciplinary cases	0	0	
Bar Admission	0	0	
Petitions for Supervisory Writ	6	64	
Other (Including Original Actions)	0	6	

DECISIONS BY THE WISCONSIN SUPREME COURT OPINIONS ISSUED DURING JUNE 2023

<u>Docket No.</u>	Title	Date
2023AP869-D	Office of Lawyer Regulation v. David V. Penn PER CURIAM. Attorney disciplinary proceedings. Attorney's license suspended.	08-25-2023