

Profile of Appellate and Trial Judges*

As of September 1, 2024

	Supreme Court	Court of Criminal Appeals	Court of Appeals	District Courts	Criminal District Courts	County Courts at Law	Probate Courts	County Courts	Justice Courts	Municipal Courts
NUMBER OF JUDGES:										
Number of Judge Positions	9	9	83	487	13	260	24	254	797	1,261
Number of Judges	9	9	83	486	13	260	24	254	796	1,238
Number of Vacant Positions	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	--	23
Number of Municipalities w/ Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	954
Cities with No Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	230
AGE OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 81)	(n = 443)	(n = 12)	(n = 229)	(n = 22)	(n = 211)	(n = 726)	(n = 1,122)
Mean	60	61	55	55	61	56	58	58	56	61
Oldest	75	71	72	78	78	84	77	84	86	92
Youngest	44	50	38	32	44	28	38	31	26	30
RANGE OF AGE:										
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25 through 34	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	3	10	17
35 through 44	1	0	3	42	1	22	2	10	56	104
45 through 54	3	3	23	138	4	67	8	42	142	187
55 through 64	2	2	27	170	3	82	6	73	253	321
65 through 74	2	4	28	83	3	50	2	65	198	320
Over 75	1	0	0	8	1	7	4	18	67	173
GENDER OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 83)	(n = 486)	(n = 13)	(n = 260)	(n = 24)	(n = 254)	(n = 794)	(n = 1,234)
Males	6	5	44	261	6	159	10	223	467	752
Females	3	4	39	225	7	101	14	31	327	482
ETHNICITY OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 82)	(n = 451)	(n = 12)	(n = 241)	(n = 23)	(n = 213)	(n = 723)	(n = 1,112)
African-American	0	1	1	58	3	27	2	0	34	70
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	2
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0	1	6	1	6	1	2	1	14
Hispanic/Latino	1	1	20	94	1	49	6	21	144	227
White (Non-Hispanic)	8	7	58	293	6	159	14	187	540	789
Other	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	1	10
LENGTH OF SERVICE:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 83)	(n = 486)	(n = 13)	(n = 259)	(n = 24)	(n = 254)	(n = 796)	(n = 1,626)
Average	10 Yr 10 Mo	11 Yr 11 Mo	5 Yr 1 Mo	8 Yr 0 Mo	8 Yr 4 Mo	8 Yr 2 Mo	7 Yr 8 Mo	6 Yr 1 Mo	9 Yr 1 Mo	11 Yr 4 Mo
Longest	35 Yr 9 Mo	29 Yr 9 Mo	29 Yr 9 Mo	41 Yr 9 Mo	29 Yr 7 Mo	30 Yr 2 Mo	39 Yr 4 Mo	37 Yr 9 Mo	61 Yr 6 Mo	55 Yr 0 Mo
RANGE OF SERVICE ON THIS COURT IN YEARS:										
Under 1 Year	0	0	7	10	0	4	1	1	13	62
1 through 4	2	1	30	148	5	75	7	102	227	396
5 through 9	3	6	35	173	2	97	11	104	270	445
10 through 14	3	0	5	57	3	35	3	22	102	251
15 through 19	0	0	2	58	2	20	1	12	79	208
20 through 24	0	1	1	19	0	19	0	6	45	130
25 through 29	0	1	3	17	1	10	0	5	42	73
30 through 34	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	8	30
35 through 39	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	5	24
Over 40	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	5	16
FIRST ASSUMED OFFICE BY:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 83)	(n = 486)	(n = 13)	(n = 260)	(n = 24)	(n = 254)	(n = 795)	(n = 1,634)
Appointment	8 (89%)	1 (11%)	28 (34%)	131 (27%)	4 (31%)	58 (22%)	7 (29%)	40 (16%)	198 (25%)	1,619 (99%)
Election	1 (11%)	8 (89%)	55 (66%)	356 (73%)	9 (69%)	206 (79%)	17 (71%)	214 (84%)	597 (75%)	15 (1%)
EDUCATION:										
HIGH SCHOOL:	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 83)	(n = 485)	(n = 13)	(n = 261)	(n = 26)	(n = 210)	(n = 710)	(n = 1,143)
Attended	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	21 (3%)	19 (2%)
Graduated	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	680 (96%)	1,087 (95%)
COLLEGE:										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (1%)	1 (4%)	27 (13%)	148 (21%)	116 (10%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	77 (93%)	440 (91%)	10 (77%)	222 (85%)	22 (85%)	129 (61%)	278 (39%)	810 (71%)
LAW SCHOOL:										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (1%)	0 (0%)	1 (0%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	83 (100%)	485 (100%)	13 (100%)	261 (100%)	26 (100%)	32 (15%)	66 (9%)	678 (59%)
LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW:										
Number Licensed	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	83 (100%)	486 (100%)	13 (100%)	260 (100%)	24 (100%)	32 (13%)	62 (8%)	689 (56%)
Mean Year Licensed	1992	1991	1992	1995	1993	1995	1997	1993	1997	1992
YEARS LICENSED:										
4 Years or Less	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
5 to 9 Years	0	0	0	4	0	3	0	0	3	22
10 to 14 Years	0	0	1	21	0	13	1	2	6	46
15 to 19 Years	2	0	8	78	2	35	6	5	10	76
20 to 24 Years	1	1	13	75	1	49	7	5	8	74
25 to 29 Years	1	3	7	100	6	40	3	3	11	110
30 or More Years	5	5	54	208	4	120	7	17	24	359
ORIGINALLY CAME TO THIS COURT FROM:										
Attorney Private Practice	2 (22%)	1 (11%)	42 (51%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	4 (44%)	1 (11%)	10 (12%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Legislative Service	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other Governmental Service	2 (22%)	4 (44%)	8 (10%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:										
Prosecutor	1 (11%)	5 (56%)	11 (13%)	187 (38%)	7 (54%)	109 (42%)	7 (29%)	5 (2%)	--	--
Attorney Private Practice	8 (89%)	5 (56%)	36 (43%)	372 (77%)	9 (69%)	165 (63%)	20 (83%)	25 (10%)	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	4 (44%)	1 (11%)	11 (13%)	38 (8%)	3 (23%)	25 (10%)	4 (17%)	3 (1%)	--	--
County Commissioner	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	23 (9%)	--	--

* Data may be incomplete, as this chart includes only information reported to OCA.