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## WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

### MARCH 2021

This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of March 2021 and to date for the year that began on January 1, 2021.

#### Opinions and Orders Issued by the Court

The Court of Appeals issued 83 opinions, 63 summary dispositions, and 66 other written decisions in March. 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, which are issued in the form of a court order prior to 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:

<u>March 2021</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated .....	<u>60</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>212</u>
Opinion - Civil .....	15	10	8	15	48
Opinion - Criminal .....	11	9	9	6	35
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	8	3	2	8	21
Sum. Disp. - Criminal .....	17	16	3	6	42
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	4	13	7	12	36
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	2	5	4	2	13
Other - Civil .....	0	4	3	3	10
Other - Criminal .....	3	2	2	0	7

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 167 opinions, 158 summary dispositions, and 207 other written decisions.

<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated .....	<u>157</u>	<u>139</u>	<u>104</u>	<u>132</u>	<u>532</u>
Opinion - Civil .....	24	14	19	24	81
Opinion - Criminal .....	23	17	24	22	86
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	15	11	4	12	42
Sum. Disp. - Criminal .....	53	36	6	21	116
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	19	28	25	30	102
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	5	9	11	7	32
Other - Civil .....	11	19	9	12	51
Other - Criminal .....	7	5	6	4	22

### Appeals Filed

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

<u>March 2020</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed .....	<u>42</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>189</u>
Civil.....	17	25	19	17	78
Criminal .....	25	31	31	24	111

So far this year, a total of 531 appeals have been filed.

<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed .....	<u>140</u>	<u>158</u>	<u>116</u>	<u>117</u>	<u>531</u>
Civil.....	47	83	51	62	243
Criminal .....	93	75	65	55	288

### Appeals Pending

As of the end of the month, a total of 2155 cases were pending before the Court of Appeals.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Pending .....	<u>632</u>	<u>578</u>	<u>571</u>	<u>374</u>	<u>2155</u>
Civil.....	204	232	209	165	810
Criminal .....	428	346	362	209	1345

### Petitions for Supervisory Writ

The Court of Appeals received 6 and disposed of 14 petitions for supervisory writ during the month. A petition for supervisory writ asks the Court of Appeals to order the circuit court to take a certain action in a case.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Sup. Writs Filed.....	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>
Sup. Writs Terminated .....	0	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	6	<u>14</u>
Granted.....	0	0	0	0	0
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	0	3	5	6	14
Sup. Writs Pending.....	35	16	18	12	81

### Petitions for Leave to Appeal

The Court of Appeals received 20 and disposed of 16 petitions for leave to appeal during the month. 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.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Leave to Appeal Petitions Filed .....	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>20</u>
Leave to Appeal Petitions Terminated	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>16</u>
Granted.....	1	2	1	0	4
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	3	1	4	4	12
Leave to Appeal Petitions Pending.....	5	5	5	3	18

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

The Supreme Court received 47 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, one petition to bypass the Court of Appeals, and 2 requests for certification. 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.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Petitions for Review Filed .....	<u>15</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>47</u>
Civil.....	4	2	3	6	15
Criminal .....	11	12	3	6	32
Petitions for Bypass Filed.....	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Civil.....	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal .....	0	1	0	0	1
Certifications Filed.....	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
Civil.....	0	1	1	0	2
Criminal .....	0	0	0	0	0