

# WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS

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### WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

#### **DECEMBER 2019**

This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of December 2019 and to date for the year that began on January 1, 2019.

#### Opinions and Orders Issued by the Court

The Court of Appeals issued 41 opinions, 65 summary dispositions, and 72 other written decisions in December. 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:

December 2019	Ī	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated	<u>37</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>178</u>
Opinion - Civil	1	4	5	9	19
Opinion - Criminal	10	2	6	4	22
Sum. Disp Civil	5	4	2	1	12
Sum. Disp Criminal	17	19	9	8	53
Memo Opinion - Civil	1	8	15	5	29
Memo Opinion - Criminal	1	12	7	1	21
Other - Civil	1	6	2	5	14
Other - Criminal	1	4	1	2	8

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 741 opinions, 716 summary dispositions, and 795 other written decisions.

Year to Date	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated	<u>632</u>	<u>579</u>	<u>441</u>	<u>600</u>	<u>2252</u>
Opinion - Civil	53	69	89	100	311
Opinion - Criminal	164	72	82	112	430
Sum. Disp Civil	42	52	13	47	154
Sum. Disp Criminal	181	185	67	129	562
Memo Opinion - Civil	62	66	79	95	302
Memo Opinion - Criminal	64	70	58	33	225
Other - Civil	46	44	37	67	194
Other - Criminal	20	21	16	17	74

# **Appeals Filed**

A total of 175 appeals were filed during the month. An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court.

December 2019	<u>I</u>	<u>ΙΙ</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed	<u>44</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>175</u>
CivilCriminal	19 25	27 27	19 23	19 16	84 91

So far this year, a total of 2318 appeals have been filed.

Year to Date	Ī	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed	<u>651</u>	<u>591</u>	<u>503</u>	<u>573</u>	<u>2318</u>
Civil	228	247	215	287	977
Criminal	423	344	288	286	1341

# **Appeals Pending**

As of the end of the month, a total of 2150 cases were pending before the Court of Appeals.

	Ī	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Pending	<u>657</u>	<u>509</u>	<u>512</u>	<u>472</u>	<u>2150</u>
Civil		206 303		197 275	822 1328

### Petitions for Supervisory Writ

The Court of Appeals received 6 and disposed of 11 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	1	1	2	2	<u>6</u>
Sup. Writs Terminated	0 0 0	3 0 3	<u>5</u> 0 5	3 0 3	11 0 11
Sup. Writs Pending	38	12	9	6	65

# Petitions for Leave to Appeal

The Court of Appeals received 15 and disposed of 11 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.

	Ī	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Leave to Appeal Petitions Filed	2	7	4	2	<u>15</u>
Leave to Appeal Petitions Terminated Granted Denied, Dismissed, Other	<u>0</u> 0 0	$\frac{2}{0}$	<u>5</u> 0 5	4 1 3	11 1 10
Leave to Appeal Petitions Pending	10	11	8	8	37

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

The Supreme Court received 45 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, 3 petitions to bypass the Court of Appeals, and no 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.

	Ī	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Petitions for Review Filed	<u>15</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>45</u>
Civil	2	5	3	1	11
Criminal	13	5	4	12	34
Petitions for Bypass Filed	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Civil	0	1	0	2	3
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0
Certifications Filed	0	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	0
Civil	0	$\overline{0}$	0	$\overline{0}$	$\overline{0}$
Criminal	0	0	0	0	0