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WISCONSIN COURT OF APPEALS MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

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This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Court of Appeals during the month of August 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 46 opinions, 31 summary dispositions, and 77 other written decisions in August. 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>August 2021</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Terminated	<u>39</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>154</u>
Opinion - Civil	7	3	6	10	26
Opinion - Criminal	10	2	3	5	20
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	3	3	0	0	6
Sum. Disp. - Criminal	8	3	13	1	25
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	6	5	3	16	30
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	3	9	7	3	22
Other - Civil	1	6	8	2	17
Other - Criminal	1	0	3	4	8

So far this year, the Court of Appeals has issued 490 opinions, 390 summary dispositions, and 550 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>369</u>	<u>388</u>	<u>338</u>	<u>335</u>	<u>1430</u>
Opinion - Civil	53	60	68	64	245
Opinion - Criminal	77	50	70	48	245
Sum. Disp. - Civil.....	35	43	11	26	115
Sum. Disp. - Criminal	100	85	32	58	275
Memo Opinion - Civil.....	45	59	63	72	239
Memo Opinion - Criminal.....	18	35	39	22	114
Other - Civil	23	41	34	25	123
Other - Criminal	18	15	21	20	74

Appeals Filed

A total of 179 appeals were filed during the month. An appeal asks the Court of Appeals to review the decision of the circuit court.

<u>August 2021</u>	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cases Filed	<u>62</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>179</u>
Civil.....	23	22	10	28	83
Criminal	39	24	17	16	96

So far this year, a total of 1459 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>384</u>	<u>409</u>	<u>320</u>	<u>346</u>	<u>1459</u>
Civil.....	170	192	148	198	708
Criminal	214	217	172	148	751

Appeals Pending

As of the end of the month, a total of 2216 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>675</u>	<u>582</u>	<u>548</u>	<u>411</u>	<u>2216</u>
Civil.....	239	209	190	201	839
Criminal	436	373	358	210	1377

Petitions for Supervisory Writ

The Court of Appeals received 5 and disposed of 6 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>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>
Sup. Writs Terminated	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>
Granted.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>
Sup. Writs Pending.....	<u>36</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>76</u>

Petitions for Leave to Appeal

The Court of Appeals received 11 and disposed of 18 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>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>
Leave to Appeal Petitions Terminated	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>18</u>
Granted.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
Denied, Dismissed, Other.....	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>16</u>
Leave to Appeal Petitions Pending.....	<u>2</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>16</u>

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

The Supreme Court received 70 petitions for review of decisions of the Court of Appeals, 1 petition 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.

	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
Petitions for Review Filed	<u>13</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>70</u>
Civil.....	<u>5</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>27</u>
Criminal	<u>8</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>43</u>
Petitions for Bypass Filed.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Civil.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Criminal	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Certifications Filed.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Civil.....	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Criminal	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>