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WISCONSIN SUPREME COURT MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORT

JANUARY 2019

This statistical report presents information about the case filings and dispositions of the Wisconsin Supreme Court during the month of January 2019 and to date for the term that began on September 1, 2018.

Opinions Issued by the Court

The Supreme Court issued opinions resolving 12 cases in January. Information about these opinions, including the Court's dispositions and the names of the authoring justices, can be found on the attached table.

	<u>Jan 2019</u>	Term to Date
Total number of cases resolved by opinion	<u>8</u>	<u>27</u>
Attorney disciplinary cases	1	13
Judicial disciplinary cases		0
Bar Admissions		0
Civil cases	6	22
Criminal cases	1	4

Petitions for Review

A total of 40 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 January, the Supreme Court disposed of 49 petitions for review, of which 3 petitions were granted. The Supreme Court currently has 171 petitions for review pending.

<u>J:</u>	an 2019	Term to Date
Petitions for Review filed	40	262
Civil cases	13	82
Criminal cases	33	180

Petition for Review dispositions	49	341
Civil cases (petitions granted)	24 (1)	120 (13)
Criminal cases (petitions granted)	25 (2)	221 (10)

Petitions for Bypass

In January, the Supreme Court received no petitions 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 2 petitions for bypass pending.

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Petitions for Bypass filed	0	5
Civil cases	0	3
Criminal cases	0	2
Petition for Bypass dispositions	1	6
Civil cases (petitions granted)	0 (0)	2 (0)
Criminal cases (petitions granted)	1 (0)	4 (1)

Requests for Certification

During January 2019, the Supreme Court received 3 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 5 requests for certification pending.

	<u>Jan 2019</u>	Term to Date
Requests for Certification filed		<u>5</u>
Civil cases	_	2
Request for Certification dispositions	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
Civil cases (requests granted)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Criminal cases (requests granted)	0 (0)	1 (1)

Regulatory Matters, Supervisory Writs, and Original Actions

During the month, a total of 4 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 18 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. One original actions was 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 115 regulatory matters and 14 petitions for supervisory writ pending.

	Jan 2019	Term to Date
Filings		
Attorney discipline (including reopened cases)	2	16
Judicial discipline		3
Bar admission.		1
Petitions for Supervisory Writ		18
Other (including Original Actions)		1
Dispositions by Order		
Attorney discipline	2	9
Judicial discipline	0	0
Bar admission	0	1
Petitions for Supervisory Writ		16
Other (including Original Actions)	0	3

DECISIONS BY THE WISCONSIN SUPREME COURT OPINIONS ISSUED DURING DECEMBER 2019

Docket No.	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
#2016AP1541-CR	State of Wisconsin v. Shawn T. Wiskerchen Decision of the Court of Appeals is Affirmed Majority Opinion: Roggensack, C.J. Concurrence: Bradley, A.W., J. and Abrahamson, J. Concurrence: Bradley, R.G., J.	01/4/2019
#2016AP801	Michael Engelhardt vs. City of New Berlin Decision of the Court of Appeals is reversed and the Cause Remanded Majority Opinion: Abrahamson, J. Concurrence: Dallet, J., Bradley, R.G., J., and Kelly, J.	01/04/2019
#2017AP140	The Yacht Club at Sister Bay Condominium Association, Inc. v. Village of Sister Bay The Decision of the Court of Appeals is Affirmed in Part, and Reversed in Part and the Cause Remanded to the Circuit Court. Majority Opinion: Bradley, A.W., J	01/18/2018
#2016AP1517	Phillip Myers v. Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Decision of the Court of Appeals is Reversed. <u>Majority Opinion</u> : Dallet, J. <u>Dissent:</u> Bradley, A.W., J	01/18/2019

License is suspended for six months effective the date of this order Comply with SCR 22.26 & SCR 22.28(3) & SCR 22.18(1) Administrative suspension remains in effect due to failure to pay bar dues and CLE requirements Per Curiam #2016AP1631 Steadfast Insurance Company v. Greenwich 01/25/2019 Insurance Company Decision of the Court of Appeals is Affirmed in Part and Reversed in Part Majority Opinion: Roggensack, C.J. Concur and Dissent: Bradley, A.W., J., Dallet, J. Concur and Dissent: Bradley, R.G., J. #2016AP636 Koss Corporation v. Park Bank 01/25/2019 Decision of the Court of Appeals is Affirmed Majority Opinion: Roggensack, C.J. Concurrence: Bradley, A.W., J., Abrahamson, J., Dallet, J. Dissent: Kelly, J., and Bradley, R.G., J. #2016AP2259 Dr. Stuart White v. City of Watertown 01/31/2019 The Decision of the Court of Appeals is Affirmed Majority Opinion: Kelly, J.

OLR v. Joseph R. Laumann

01/18/2019

#2018AP1478-D