

Profile of Appellate and Trial Judges*

As of September 1, 2021

	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	80	470	13	256	18	254	800	1,285
Number of Judges	8	9	80	467	13	256	18	254	799	1,263
Number of Vacant Positions	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	22
Number of Municipalities w/ Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	950
Cities with No Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	239
AGE OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 78)	(n = 417)	(n = 12)	(n = 228)	(n = 17)	(n = 241)	(n = 743)	(n = 1,146)
Mean	57	57	53	54	62	58	54	57	43	46
Oldest	72	68	70	75	77	81	72	84	85	91
Youngest	41	46	36	32	46	34	36	30	0	0
RANGE OF AGE:										
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
25 through 34	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	11	17
35 through 44	1	0	10	49	0	29	3	13	43	103
45 through 54	2	3	18	128	6	65	3	33	155	227
55 through 64	4	2	29	154	1	84	4	96	251	327
65 through 74	1	4	21	83	4	43	7	76	224	334
Over 75	0	0	0	2	1	6	0	22	57	136
GENDER OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 467)	(n = 13)	(n = 256)	(n = 18)	(n = 254)	(n = 799)	(n = 1,263)
Males	5	5	40	271	5	165	9	227	492	776
Females	3	4	40	196	8	91	9	27	307	487
ETHNICITY OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 439)	(n = 12)	(n = 248)	(n = 18)	(n = 240)	(n = 738)	(n = 1,128)
African-American	0	1	1	50	2	26	3	0	33	70
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	6
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0	1	8	1	4	0	2	2	14
Hispanic/Latino	1	1	20	84	1	50	4	24	152	213
White (Non-Hispanic)	7	7	56	297	7	168	11	213	547	815
Other	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	2	10
LENGTH OF SERVICE:										
	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 467)	(n = 13)	(n = 256)	(n = 18)	(n = 254)	(n = 799)	(n = 1,617)
Average	8 Yr 9 Mo	8 Yr 10 Mo	4 Yr 4 Mo	7 Yr 2 Mo	9 Yr 5 Mo	8 Yr 4 Mo	8 Yr 2 Mo	7 Yr 4 Mo	10 Yr 8 Mo	10 Yr 10 Mo
Longest	32 Yr 8 Mo	26 Yr 8 Mo	26 Yr 8 Mo	38 Yr 8 Mo	26 Yr 6 Mo	34 Yr 8 Mo	36 Yr 3 Mo	34 Yr 8 Mo	58 Yr 5 Mo	52 Yr 11 Mo
RANGE OF SERVICE ON THIS COURT IN YEARS:										
Under 1 Year	1	1	19	64	1	18	0	8	31	70
1 through 4	3	3	38	154	3	81	9	89	210	422
5 through 9	2	3	10	91	3	53	2	71	200	413
10 through 14	1	0	4	83	4	50	5	49	172	282
15 through 19	0	0	6	34	1	29	0	20	71	199
20 through 24	0	1	2	24	0	20	0	7	59	119
25 through 29	0	1	1	11	1	5	0	6	30	63
30 through 34	1	0	0	5	0	2	1	4	15	26
35 through 39	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	6	23
Over 40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	10
FIRST ASSUMED OFFICE BY:										
	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 467)	(n = 13)	(n = 256)	(n = 18)	(n = 254)	(n = 798)	(n = 1,644)
Appointment	7 (88%)	1 (11%)	25 (31%)	122 (26%)	2 (15%)	59 (23%)	2 (11%)	52 (20%)	226 (28%)	1,628 (99%)
Election	1 (13%)	8 (89%)	55 (69%)	345 (74%)	11 (85%)	199 (78%)	16 (89%)	202 (80%)	572 (72%)	16 (1%)
EDUCATION:										
HIGH SCHOOL:	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 467)	(n = 13)	(n = 257)	(n = 19)	(n = 237)	(n = 726)	(n = 1,188)
Attended	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	23 (3%)	24 (2%)
Graduated	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	697 (96%)	1,107 (93%)
COLLEGE:										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (1%)	0 (0%)	3 (1%)	1 (5%)	38 (16%)	163 (22%)	134 (11%)
Graduated	8 (100%)	9 (100%)	76 (95%)	412 (88%)	10 (77%)	216 (84%)	18 (95%)	142 (60%)	264 (36%)	819 (69%)
LAW SCHOOL:										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (1%)	2 (0%)	2 (0%)
Graduated	8 (100%)	9 (100%)	80 (100%)	467 (100%)	13 (100%)	257 (100%)	19 (100%)	36 (15%)	68 (9%)	716 (60%)
LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW:										
Number Licensed	8 (100%)	9 (100%)	80 (100%)	467 (100%)	13 (100%)	256 (100%)	18 (100%)	35 (14%)	63 (8%)	729 (58%)
Mean Year Licensed	1991	1991	1990	1993	1990	1993	1992	1990	1993	1990
YEARS LICENSED:										
4 Years or Less	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
5 to 9 Years	0	0	0	2	0	5	0	0	2	21
10 to 14 Years	0	0	5	47	0	20	2	2	9	58
15 to 19 Years	1	1	9	55	2	44	3	7	8	86
20 to 24 Years	2	3	7	82	3	34	2	3	5	94
25 to 29 Years	0	0	13	93	2	41	4	3	17	117
30 or More Years	5	5	46	187	6	112	7	20	22	349
ORIGINALLY CAME TO THIS COURT FROM:										
Attorney Private Practice	2 (25%)	1 (11%)	44 (55%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	4 (50%)	1 (11%)	10 (13%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Legislative Service	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other Governmental Service	2 (25%)	4 (44%)	7 (9%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:										
Prosecutor	1 (13%)	5 (56%)	11 (14%)	168 (36%)	6 (46%)	109 (43%)	3 (17%)	9 (4%)	--	--
Attorney Private Practice	7 (88%)	5 (56%)	30 (38%)	342 (73%)	8 (62%)	158 (62%)	17 (94%)	27 (11%)	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	4 (50%)	1 (11%)	11 (14%)	37 (8%)	2 (15%)	23 (9%)	2 (11%)	9 (4%)	--	--
County Commissioner	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (0%)	0 (0%)	31 (12%)	--	--

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