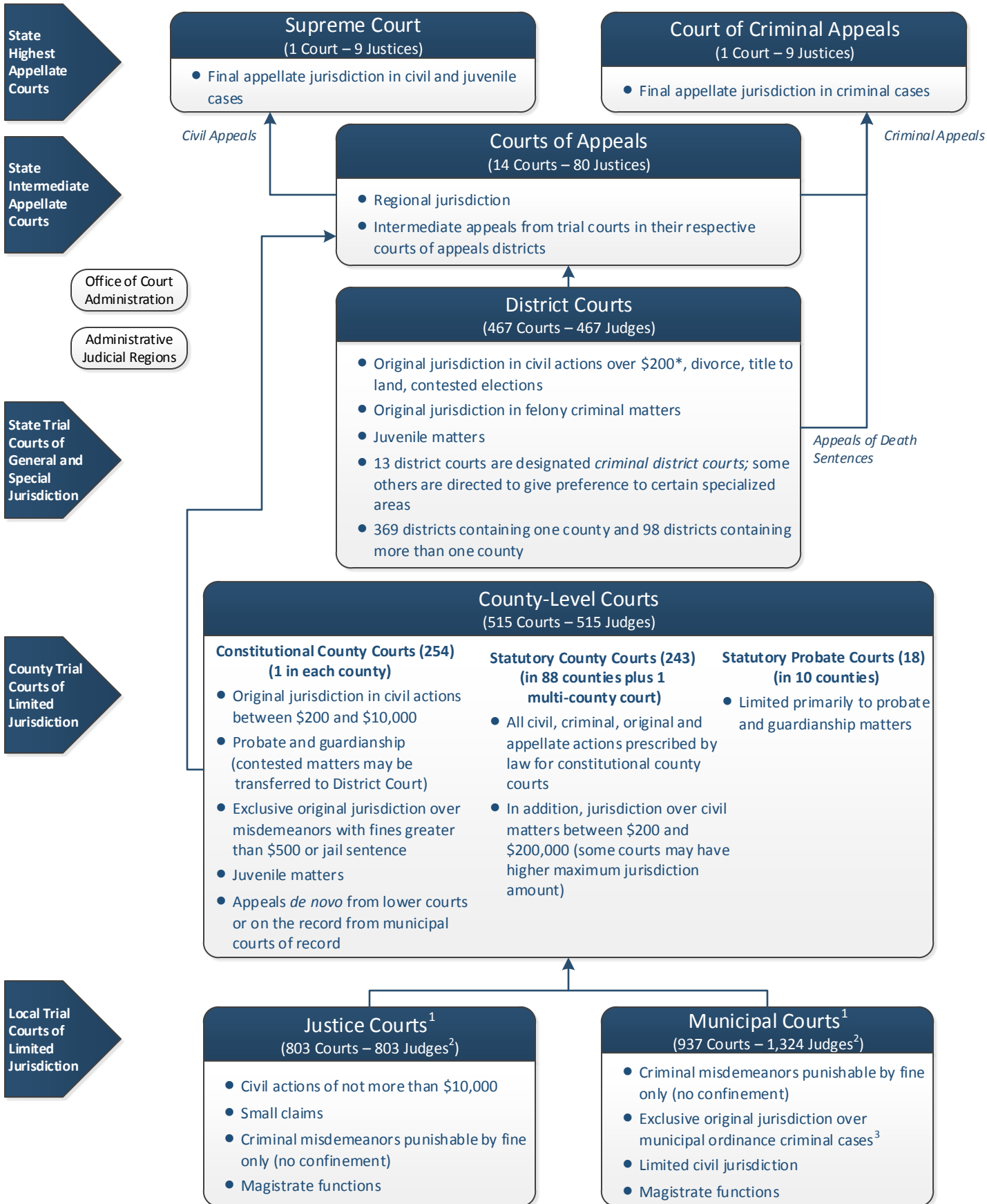


Court Structure of Texas

March 1, 2017



Office of Court Administration
Administrative Judicial Regions

1. All justice courts and most municipal courts are not courts of record. Appeals from these courts are by trial *de novo* in the county-level courts, and in some instances in the district courts.
 2. Some municipal courts are courts of record—appeals from the courts are taken on the record to the county-level courts. As of February 2017, 169 courts indicated that they were a court of record; a list is posted at <http://www.txcourts.gov/about-texas-courts.aspx>.
 3. An offense that arises under a municipal ordinance is punishable by a fine not to exceed: (1) \$2,000 for ordinances that govern fire safety, zoning, and public health or (2) \$500 for all others.