

Profile of Appellate and Trial Judges*

(as of December 30, 2003)

	Supreme Court	Court of Criminal Appeals	Court of Appeals	District Courts	Criminal District Courts	County Courts at Law	Probate Courts	County Courts	JP Courts	Municipal Courts
NUMBER OF JUDGES:										
Number of Judge Positions	9	9	80	410	10	209	17	254	832	1321
Number of Judges	9	9	79	408	10	209	17	254	832	1321
Number of Vacant Positions	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of Municipalities w/ Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	885
Cities with No Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	269
AGE OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 75)	(n = 402)	(n = 10)	(n = 183)	(n = 15)	(n = 209)	(n = 643)	(n = 849)
Mean	50	60	57	52	49	57	62	54	58	55
Oldest	60	70	74	73	60	79	72	77	91	87
Youngest	40	50	39	34	38	35	52	31	25	22
RANGE OF AGE:										
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
25 through 34	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	3	8	22
35 through 44	3	0	6	61	3	50	0	10	59	117
45 through 54	5	2	34	185	4	76	4	62	195	264
55 through 64	1	6	31	132	3	45	8	98	241	245
65 through 74	0	1	4	20	0	9	3	31	110	152
75 through 84	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	5	28	46
Over 85	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
GENDER OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 79)	(n = 408)	(n = 10)	(n = 209)	(n = 17)	(n = 254)	(n = 605)	(n = 789)
Males	7	5	47	302	7	147	14	231	420	548
Females	2	4	32	106	3	62	3	23	185	238
ETHNICITY OF JUDGES:										
	(n=9)	(n=9)	(n=79)	(n=400)	(n=9)	(n=180)	(n=15)	(n=223)	(n=571)	(n=672)
African-American	2	0	2	11	2	5	0	1	19	15
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	4
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Hispanic/Latino	0	0	12	48	1	32	1	17	88	80
White (Non-Hispanic)	7	9	63	334	6	141	9	202	462	569
Other	0	0	0	4	0	2	0	3	1	2
LENGTH OF SERVICE:										
	(n=9)	(n=9)	(n=79)	(n=405)	(n=10)	(n=206)	(n=15)	(n=248)	(n=755)	(n=987)
Average	5 Yr 7 Mo	4 Yr 8 Mo	5 Yr 11 Mo	8 Yr 10 Mo	6 Yr 6 Mo	7 Yr 0 Mo	12 Yr 8 Mo	6 Yr 9 Mo	7 Yr 9 Mo	9 Yr 11 Mo
Longest	15 Yr 11 Mo	10 Yr 11 Mo	19 Yr 1 Mo	34 Yr 1 Mo	13 Yr 7 Mo	27 Yr 8 Mo	22 Yr 3 Mo	32 Yr 11 Mo	40 Yr 4 Mo	43 Yr 8 Mo
RANGE OF SERVICE ON THIS COURT IN YEARS:										
Under 1 Year	3	0	10	47	2	38	0	74	146	96
1 through 4	1	5	27	108	1	65	2	68	196	314
5 through 9	2	3	29	99	4	42	4	52	159	270
10 through 14	2	1	10	97	3	26	4	31	131	126
15 through 19	1	0	3	37	0	28	3	15	61	93
20 through 24	0	0	0	23	0	6	2	6	50	52
25 through 29	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	1	9	19
30 through 34	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	12
35 through 39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
40 through 44	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Over 45	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FIRST ASSUMED OFFICE BY:										
	(n=9)	(n=9)	(n=79)	(n=408)	(n=10)	(n=191)	(n=15)	(n=240)	(n=706)	(n=855)
Appointment	4 (44%)	1 (11%)	37 (47%)	167 (41%)	4 (40%)	59 (31%)	8 (53%)	40 (17%)	115 (16%)	837 (98%)
Election	5 (56%)	8 (89%)	42 (53%)	241 (59%)	6 (60%)	132 (69%)	7 (47%)	200 (83%)	591 (84%)	18 (2%)
EDUCATION:										
HIGH SCHOOL:	(n=9)	(n=9)	(n=76)	(n=404)	(n=10)	(n=187)	(n=15)	(n=225)	(n=644)	(n=774)
Attended	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	34 (5%)	23 (3%)
Graduated	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	604 (94%)	732 (95%)
COLLEGE:										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	7 (2%)	0 (0%)	5 (3%)	0 (0%)	39 (17%)	152 (24%)	95 (12%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	75 (99%)	390 (97%)	10 (100%)	180 (96%)	14 (93%)	139 (62%)	199 (31%)	468 (60%)
LAW SCHOOL:										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (1%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	5 (1%)	6 (1%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	76 (100%)	400 (99%)	10 (100%)	185 (99%)	15 (100%)	32 (14%)	47 (7%)	360 (47%)
LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW:										
Number Licensed	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	79 (100%)	406(100%)	10 (100%)	208(100%)	17 (100%)	31 (12%)	47 (6%)	400 (30%)
Mean Year Licensed	1980	1974	1977	1978	1981	1980	1972	1978	1980	1978
RANGE OF YEAR LICENSED:										
Before 1950	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	53	33	69
1950 through 1954	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	3
1955 through 1959	0	1	3	4	0	3	0	1	1	6
1960 through 1964	0	0	3	13	0	4	2	2	1	22
1965 through 1969	0	1	4	35	1	12	1	6	6	41
1970 through 1974	3	2	13	75	1	24	5	5	8	51
1975 through 1979	1	3	21	101	1	37	6	2	6	89
1980 through 1984	2	2	23	87	3	48	2	5	10	76
1985 through 1989	2	0	8	54	2	53	0	4	4	46
1990 through 1994	1	0	4	32	2	25	0	4	8	43
1995 through 1999	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	2	3	22
Since 2000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ORIGINALLY CAME TO THIS COURT FROM:										
Attorney Private Practice	2 (22%)	0 (0%)	18 (23%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	3 (33%)	2 (22%)	11 (14%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Legislative Service	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	3 (4%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other Governmental Service	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:										
Prosecutor	1 (11%)	6 (67%)	19 (24%)	188 (46%)	8 (80%)	95 (45%)	4 (24%)	10 (4%)	--	--
Attorney Private Practice	5 (56%)	9 (100%)	48 (61%)	352 (86%)	9 (90%)	159 (76%)	15 (88%)	27 (11%)	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	5 (56%)	2 (22%)	15 (19%)	86 (21%)	0 (0%)	41 (20%)	5 (29%)	21 (8%)	--	--
County Commissioner	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	20 (8%)	--	--
MAYOR SERVING AS JUDGE:										
	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	22 (2%)

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