

Profile of Appellate and Trial Judges*

As of September 1, 2015

	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	451	13	241	18	254	807	1,272
Number of Judges	9	9	80	449	13	238	18	254	804	1,255
Number of Vacant Positions	0	0	0	2	0	3	0		2	17
Number of Municipalities w/ Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	928
Cities with No Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	248
AGE OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 427)	(n = 13)	(n = 214)	(n = 17)	(n = 238)	(n = 765)	(n = 1,158)
Mean	58	59	58	55	58	54	58	54	58	49
Oldest	70	73	75	74	71	75	71	78	89	97
Youngest	45	44	40	36	44	32	44	29	26	0
RANGE OF AGE:										
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
25 through 34	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	7	13	23
35 through 44	0	1	6	43	1	21	2	13	64	118
45 through 54	4	2	20	131	5	69	1	44	175	268
55 through 64	3	3	41	172	4	89	7	93	286	356
65 through 74	2	3	11	81	3	32	7	72	192	298
Over 75	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	9	35	93
GENDER OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 449)	(n = 13)	(n = 238)	(n = 18)	(n = 254)	(n = 804)	(n = 1,255)
Males	7	5	45	306	7	167	10	228	511	781
Females	2	4	35	143	6	71	8	26	293	474
ETHNICITY OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 423)	(n = 13)	(n = 217)	(n = 16)	(n = 242)	(n = 750)	(n = 1,110)
African-American	0	0	3	23	4	7	2	0	26	67
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	8
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0	0	4	0	3	0	1	0	10
Hispanic/Latino	1	1	10	70	1	36	2	20	143	197
White (Non-Hispanic)	8	8	67	324	8	170	12	221	577	815
Other	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	13
LENGTH OF SERVICE:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 449)	(n = 13)	(n = 238)	(n = 18)	(n = 254)	(n = 805)	(n = 1,553)
Average	8 Yr 5 Mo	10 Yr 10 Mo	8 Yr 6 Mo	8 Yr 0 Mo	6 Yr 6 Mo	8 Yr 0 Mo	11 Yr 5 Mo	6 Yr 2 Mo	8 Yr 4 Mo	9 Yr 11 Mo
Longest	26 Yr 8 Mo	22 Yr 8 Mo	21 Yr 9 Mo	34 Yr 8 Mo	20 Yr 6 Mo	28 Yr 8 Mo	34 Yr 0 Mo	28 Yr 8 Mo	52 Yr 5 Mo	50 Yr 10 Mo
RANGE OF SERVICE ON THIS COURT IN YEARS:										
Under 1 Year	0	3	9	63	1	47	3	72	155	99
1 through 4	3	1	25	112	4	55	6	73	188	453
5 through 9	2	0	13	113	5	42	1	40	154	398
10 through 14	3	1	20	71	2	42	1	32	121	264
15 through 19	0	2	6	44	0	32	2	16	84	160
20 through 24	0	2	7	31	1	17	2	17	74	82
25 through 29	1	0	0	9	0	5	1	4	14	47
30 through 34	0	0	0	6	0	0	2	0	9	31
35 through 39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	15
Over 40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	10
FIRST ASSUMED OFFICE BY:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 449)	(n = 13)	(n = 238)	(n = 18)	(n = 254)	(n = 804)	(n = 1,577)
Appointment	7 (78%)	1 (11%)	46 (58%)	162 (36%)	2 (15%)	50 (21%)	4 (22%)	44 (17%)	204 (25%)	1,560 (99%)
Election	2 (22%)	8 (89%)	34 (43%)	287 (64%)	11 (85%)	188 (79%)	14 (78%)	210 (83%)	600 (75%)	17 (1%)
EDUCATION:										
HIGH SCHOOL:	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 446)	(n = 13)	(n = 235)	(n = 19)	(n = 245)	(n = 755)	(n = 1,199)
Attended	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	34 (5%)	24 (2%)
Graduated	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	715 (95%)	1,123 (94%)
COLLEGE:										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (1%)	4 (1%)	1 (8%)	2 (1%)	2 (11%)	42 (17%)	176 (23%)	143 (12%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	76 (95%)	416 (93%)	11 (85%)	207 (88%)	17 (89%)	158 (64%)	258 (34%)	809 (67%)
LAW SCHOOL:										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (1%)	1 (0%)	2 (0%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	80 (100%)	446 (100%)	13 (100%)	234 (100%)	19 (100%)	42 (17%)	66 (9%)	697 (58%)
LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW:										
Number Licensed	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	80 (100%)	449 (100%)	13 (100%)	238 (100%)	18 (100%)	40 (16%)	64 (8%)	705 (56%)
Mean Year Licensed	1984	1982	1985	1986	1985	1988	1983	1988	1988	1987
YEARS LICENSED:										
4 Years or Less	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	6
5 to 9 Years	0	0	0	10	0	5	0	1	6	45
10 to 14 Years	0	0	1	18	1	22	1	0	5	56
15 to 19 Years	0	1	5	56	2	28	3	7	8	92
20 to 24 Years	3	1	14	86	1	39	2	10	12	117
25 to 29 Years	2	2	19	71	3	53	0	5	5	99
30 or More Years	4	5	41	208	6	91	12	15	28	290
ORIGINALLY CAME TO THIS COURT FROM:										
Attorney Private Practice	1 (11%)	1 (11%)	50 (63%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	6 (67%)	4 (44%)	22 (28%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Legislative Service	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other Governmental Service	2 (22%)	3 (33%)	6 (8%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:										
Prosecutor	1 (11%)	6 (67%)	16 (20%)	175 (39%)	5 (38%)	108 (45%)	5 (28%)	13 (5%)	--	--
Attorney Private Practice	9 (100%)	6 (67%)	27 (34%)	347 (77%)	9 (69%)	154 (65%)	16 (89%)	30 (12%)	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	6 (67%)	1 (11%)	19 (24%)	54 (12%)	3 (23%)	28 (12%)	3 (17%)	14 (6%)	--	--
County Commissioner	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	27 (11%)	--	--

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