

# Profile of Appellate and Trial Judges\*

As of September 1, 2025

	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
<b>NUMBER OF JUDGES:</b>										
Number of Judge Positions	9	9	83	491	13	260	24	254	797	1,243
Number of Judges	8	9	83	490	13	260	24	254	797	1,221
Number of Vacant Positions	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	33
Number of Municipalities w/ Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	954
Cities with No Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	230
<b>AGE OF JUDGES:</b>										
	(n = 8)	(n = 7)	(n = 76)	(n = 427)	(n = 12)	(n = 229)	(n = 22)	(n = 208)	(n = 723)	(n=1,065)
Mean	56	62	56	55	62	57	58	59	57	61
Oldest	68	72	73	77	78	85	76	85	87	93
Youngest	44	52	39	33	45	29	39	32	27	29
<b>RANGE OF AGE:</b>										
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25 through 34	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	3	9	14
35 through 44	1	0	7	40	0	21	2	10	54	100
45 through 54	4	2	18	132	2	58	8	40	140	168
55 through 64	1	3	28	171	6	87	7	67	252	307
65 through 74	2	2	23	76	3	54	2	63	199	309
Over 75	0	0	0	7	1	8	3	25	69	167
<b>GENDER OF JUDGES:</b>										
	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 83)	(n = 490)	(n = 13)	(n = 260)	(n = 24)	(n = 254)	(n = 797)	(n = 1,211)
Males	5	7	44	257	5	159	9	223	462	732
Females	3	2	39	233	8	101	15	31	335	479
<b>ETHNICITY OF JUDGES:</b>										
	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 81)	(n = 436)	(n = 12)	(n = 239)	(n = 23)	(n = 210)	(n = 718)	(n = 1,540)
African-American	0	1	0	55	4	26	3	0	35	63
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	2
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0	1	8	0	6	1	2	1	12
Hispanic/Latino	1	0	19	91	1	48	6	21	139	222
White (Non-Hispanic)	7	8	59	282	6	159	13	184	539	748
Other	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	1	7
<b>LENGTH OF SERVICE:</b>										
	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 83)	(n = 490)	(n = 13)	(n = 260)	(n = 24)	(n = 254)	(n = 797)	(n = 1,613)
Average	6 Yr 2 Mo	5 Yr 2 Mo	3 Yr 3 Mo	7 Yr 4 Mo	9 Yr 8 Mo	9 Yr 9 Mo	7 Yr 4 Mo	6 Yr 6 Mo	9 Yr 1 Mo	10 Yr 1 Mo
Longest	15 Yr 3 Mo	10 Yr 8 Mo	30 Yr 8 Mo	39 Yr 9 Mo	30 Yr 6 Mo	31 Yr 1 Mo	40 Yr 3 Mo	38 Yr 8 Mo	46 Yr 8 Mo	56 Yr 11 Mo
<b>RANGE OF SERVICE ON THIS COURT IN YEARS:</b>										
Under 1 Year	1	3	29	65	2	5	2	10	36	122
1 through 4	2	1	34	137	4	81	7	99	228	373
5 through 9	3	2	12	131	1	65	8	67	189	408
10 through 14	1	3	5	80	3	61	5	56	179	257
15 through 19	1	0	1	38	2	22	1	10	72	185
20 through 24	0	0	0	22	0	20	0	6	43	130
25 through 29	0	0	1	10	0	8	0	4	26	62
30 through 34	0	0	1	6	1	2	0	1	15	44
35 through 39	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	5	20
Over 40	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	14
<b>FIRST ASSUMED OFFICE BY:</b>										
	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 83)	(n = 490)	(n = 13)	(n = 260)	(n = 24)	(n = 254)	(n = 797)	(n = 1,643)
Appointment	7 (88%)	1 (11%)	26 (31%)	132 (27%)	4 (31%)	61 (23%)	7 (29%)	49 (19%)	213 (27%)	1,625 (99%)
Election	1 (13%)	8 (89%)	57 (69%)	359 (73%)	9 (69%)	203 (78%)	17 (71%)	205 (81%)	584 (73%)	18 (1%)
<b>EDUCATION:</b>										
	(n = 8)	(n = 9)	(n = 83)	(n = 488)	(n = 13)	(n = 261)	(n = 27)	(n = 208)	(n = 704)	(n = 1,120)
<b>HIGH SCHOOL:</b>										
Attended	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	18 (3%)	18 (2%)
Graduated	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	678 (96%)	1,038 (93%)
<b>COLLEGE:</b>										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (0%)	1 (8%)	2 (1%)	1 (4%)	27 (13%)	146 (21%)	110 (10%)
Graduated	8 (100%)	7 (78%)	73 (88%)	426 (87%)	9 (69%)	223 (85%)	22 (81%)	130 (63%)	277 (39%)	770 (69%)
<b>LAW SCHOOL:</b>										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	2 (1%)	1 (0%)	1 (0%)
Graduated	8 (100%)	9 (100%)	83 (100%)	488 (100%)	13 (100%)	261 (100%)	27 (100%)	33 (16%)	68 (10%)	673 (60%)
<b>LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW:</b>										
Number Licensed	8 (100%)	9 (100%)	83 (100%)	490 (100%)	13 (100%)	260 (100%)	24 (100%)	33 (13%)	64 (8%)	687 (56%)
Mean Year Licensed	1997	1993	1994	1996	1992	1995	1998	1993	1997	1993
<b>YEARS LICENSED:</b>										
4 Years or Less	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4
5 to 9 Years	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	0	1	18
10 to 14 Years	0	0	2	19	0	12	1	2	7	50
15 to 19 Years	2	0	12	80	1	28	5	4	10	81
20 to 24 Years	2	1	11	69	1	52	7	6	9	78
25 to 29 Years	1	3	8	109	4	41	5	3	10	94
30 or More Years	3	5	50	209	7	126	6	18	26	362
<b>ORIGINALLY CAME TO THIS COURT FROM:</b>										
Attorney Private Practice	2 (25%)	2 (22%)	28 (34%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	3 (38%)	1 (11%)	15 (18%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Legislative Service	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other Governmental Service	2 (25%)	2 (22%)	6 (7%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<b>PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:</b>										
Prosecutor	1 (13%)	5 (56%)	20 (24%)	182 (37%)	5 (38%)	109 (42%)	7 (29%)	5 (2%)	--	--
Attorney Private Practice	7 (88%)	3 (33%)	40 (48%)	351 (72%)	7 (54%)	165 (63%)	21 (88%)	26 (10%)	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	3 (38%)	2 (22%)	15 (18%)	42 (9%)	2 (15%)	24 (9%)	6 (25%)	3 (1%)	--	--
County Commissioner	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	21 (8%)	--	--

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