

Supreme Court Activity: FY 2010 - 2014

	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Causes/Cases Added					
Regular Causes ¹	128	106	114	94	93
Other Than Regular Causes	1,202	1,125	1,100	1,118	1,118
<i>Disciplinary Appeals</i>	7	4	10	14	7
Motions	1,894	1,984	2,063	1,748	2,189
Dispositions					
Regular Causes	110	137	112	100	96
Other Than Regular Causes	1,223	1,102	1,089	1,155	1,121
<i>Disciplinary Appeals</i>	6	8	8	9	13
Motions	1,892	1,965	1,996	1,884	2,173
Pending at the End of the Fiscal Year					
Regular Causes	83	52	54	48	45
Other Than Regular Causes	403	424	441	400	400
<i>Disciplinary Appeals</i>	6	2	4	9	4

NOTE: Data for prior fiscal years are from the respective *Annual Reports of the Texas Judicial System*.

¹ "Regular causes" involve cases in which four or more of the Supreme Court justices have decided in conference that a petition for review, petition for writ of mandamus or habeas corpus, or parental notification appeal should be reviewed. Regular causes also include direct appeals the Court has agreed to review and questions of law certified to it by a federal appellate court that the Court has agreed to answer.

Supreme Court Activity Detail: FY 2014

	<i>Pending: 9/1/2013²</i>	<i>Causes Added</i>	<i>Total on Docket</i>	<i>Dispositions</i>	<i>Pending: 8/31/2014</i>	
REGULAR CAUSES						
Granted Petitions for Review	39	74	113	78	35	
Petitions for Writs of Mandamus	5	12	17	10	7	
Granted Rehearings of Causes	0	0	0	0	0	
Granted Petitions for Writs of Habeas Corpus	0	0	0	0	0	
U.S. Certified Question	4	3	7	4	3	
Parental Notification Appeals	0	0	0	0	0	
Direct Appeals	0	0	0	0	0	
Disciplinary Appeals	0	0	0	0	0	
Reinstated Cause	0	4	4	4	0	
Total for Regular Causes	48	93	141	96	45	
	<i>Pending: 9/1/2013³</i>	<i>Filed</i>	<i>Total on Docket</i>	<i>Dispositions</i>	<i>Pending: 8/31/2014</i>	
OTHER THAN REGULAR CAUSES						
Petitions for Review	323	792	1,115	786	329	
Petitions for Writs of Mandamus	59	207	266	206	60	
Petitions for Writs of Habeas Corpus	0	6	6	6	0	
Writs of Prohibition & Injunction	0	3	3	3	0	
Direct Appeals	2	5	7	6	1	
Certified Questions	1	2	3	3	0	
U.S. Certified Questions	0	0	0	0	0	
Petitions for Certiorari	0	0	0	0	0	
Petitions to Publish Under Rule 90c/47.3	0	0	0	0	0	
Petitions for Temporary Injunctions	0	0	0	0	0	
Petition for Writ of Quo Warranto	0	0	0	0	0	
Parental Notification Waiver	0	0	0	0	0	
Emergency Stays	16	94	110	102	8	
Multidistrict Litigation	2	9	11	9	2	
Total for Other than Regular Causes	403	1,118	1,521	1,121	400	
MOTIONS						
Rehearing of	Causes	3	42	45	34	11
	Petitions for Review	16	168	1847	160	24
	Mandamus: Civil	4	39	43	38	5
	Habeas Corpus	0	0	0	0	0
	Writs of Prohibition & Injunction	0	1	1	1	0
	Disciplinary Appeal	0	2	2	2	0
	Direct Appeal	0	6	6	6	0
	Certified Questions	0	0	0	0	0
	Multidistrict Litigation	0	1	1	1	0
	Motions for Extension of Time to File	0	2	2	2	0
Motions for Extension of Time to File	5	653	658	645	13	
Miscellaneous Motions	---	1,275	1,275	1,284	---	
Total for Motions	28	2,189	2,217	2,173	53	
OTHER ACTIONS						
Disciplinary Actions	10	7	17	13	4	
TOTAL FOR ALL	489	3,407	3,896	3,403	502	

² Cases pending at the beginning of the fiscal year (September 1) may not equal cases pending at the end of the previous fiscal year (August 31) due to docket adjustments.

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Final Disposition of Regular Causes: FY 2014

Granted Petitions for Review		Petitions for Writs of Mandamus	
Affirmed	13	Abated	1
Affirmed in part, reversed in part & rendered	1	Conditionally granted	8
Affirmed in part, reversed in part & remanded	2	Denied	1
Affirmed in part, reversed in part & remanded to trial court	5	TOTAL: Writs of Mandamus	10
Dismissed	1		
Reversed in part, rendered in part & remanded to trial court	1	U.S. Certified Question	
Reversed & dismissed	3	Answered	4
Reversed & remanded	11	TOTAL: Direct Appeal	4
Reversed & remanded to trial court	15		
Reversed & rendered	13	Reinstated Cause	
Reversed & trial court judgment affirmed	1	Court of appeals judgment affirmed	1
Reversed & trial court judgment reinstated	3	Denied	1
Disposed along with other petition(s) by one opinion	9	Dismissed	1
TOTAL: Granted Petitions for Review	78	Dismissed as moot	1
		TOTAL: Reinstated Cause	4
		TOTAL DISPOSITIONS:	96

Disposition of Other than Regular Causes: FY 2014

	Initial Review Granted / Accepted	Set to Argue	Review Refused/ Denied	Dismissed	Abated	Consoli -dated	Struck	Trans- ferred	With- drawn	Total
Petitions for Review	81	0	656	36	4	1	8	0	0	786
Petitions for Writs of Mandamus	4 ⁴	8	176	12	2	0	4	0	0	206
Petitions for Writs of Habeas Corpus	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	0	0	6
Petitions for Writs of Prohibition & Injunction	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Direct Appeals	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	0	0	6
Certified Questions	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
U.S. Certified Questions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Petitions for Certiorari	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Petitions for Temporary Injunctions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Petitions to Publish Under Rule 90c/47.3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parental Notification Appeals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Petitions for Writ of Quo Warranto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Emergency Stays	16	0	77	9	0	0	0	0	0	102
Multidistrict Litigation	6	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Appeals from Board of Disciplinary Appeals	6	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	13
TOTAL FOR ALL	116	8	921	69	7	1	12	0	0	1,134

⁴ Conditionally granted.

Disposition of Motions: FY 2014

	<i>Granted</i>	<i>Denied</i>	<i>Dismissed</i>	<i>Abated</i>	<i>Consoli- dated</i>	<i>Struck</i>	<i>Trans- ferred</i>	<i>With- drawn</i>	<i>Total</i>
Rehearing of Causes	0	0	33	1	0	0	0	0	34
Petitions for Review	5	0	152	2	1	0	0	0	160
Mandamus: Civil	0	0	36	1	1	0	0	0	38
Direct Appeal	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	6
Disciplinary Appeal	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Prohibition & Injunction	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Multidistrict Litigation	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Motions for Extension of Time to File	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
Motions for Extension of Time to File	618	0	15	7	5	0	0	0	645
Miscellaneous Motions	1,170	72	42	0	0	0	0	0	1,284
TOTAL	1,794	72	289	11	7	0	0	0	2,173

Opinions Delivered by the Supreme Court: FY 2014

Majority Opinions	60
Per Curiam Opinions	23
Concurring	8
Dissenting	21
Concurring and Dissenting	0
Petitions or Appeals Denied With Per Curiam	0
On Motion for Rehearing	1
Other Opinions	2
TOTAL OPINIONS DELIVERED	115

Opinions of the Supreme Court: FY 2014

<i>Justices</i>	<i>Majority Opinions</i>	<i>Per Curiam Opinions</i>	<i>Concurring Opinions</i>	<i>Dissenting Opinions</i>	<i>Concurring and Dissenting</i>	<i>Petitions or Appeals Denied With Per Curiam</i>	<i>On Motion for Rehearing</i>	<i>Other Opinions</i>	<i>Total</i>
Chief Justice Nathan L. Hecht	10	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	12
Justice Paul W. Green	6	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	11
Justice Phil Johnson	5	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	10
Justice Don R. Willett	6	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	10
Justice Eva M. Guzman	8	4	4	3	0	0	0	0	19
Justice Debra H. Lehrmann	9	3	1	5	0	0	0	0	18
Justice Jeffrey S. Boyd	7	4	2	4	0	0	0	1	18
Justice John P. Devine	5	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	10
Justice Jeff V. Brown	4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
TOTAL	60	23	8	21	0	0	1	2	115

**Action by the Supreme Court
in Granted Petitions For Review & Rehearing of Causes
By Court of Appeals: FY 2014**

	1 ST	2 ND	3 RD	4 TH	5 TH	6 TH	7 TH	8 TH	9 TH	10 TH	11 TH	12 TH	13 TH	14 TH	Total
OPINIONS ISSUED															
Court of Appeals ruling is:															
Affirmed	3	1	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	13
Affirmed in part, reversed in part, & rendered	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Affirmed in part, reversed in part & remanded	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Affirmed in part, reversed in part & remanded to trial court	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	5
Dismissed	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Reversed & trial court judgment affirmed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Reversed & dismissed	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Reversed & remanded	2	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	3	11
Reversed & remanded to trial court	0	0	2	1	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	3	2	15
Reversed & rendered	4	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	2	13
Reversed & trial court judgment reinstated	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Reversed in part, rendered in part & remanded to trial court	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Disposed along with other petition(s) by one opinion	1	1	4	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	9
TOTAL	14	3	11	4	14	0	1	5	2	0	2	4	8	10	78

Petitions for Review Filed by County: FY 2014

<i>County</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>County</i>	<i>Number</i>
Anderson	1	Fannin	2	La Salle	1	Starr	1
Andrews	1	Fayette	2	Lamar	3	Tarrant	58
Aransas	1	Fort Bend	9	Lamb	1	Taylor	1
Archer	1	Galveston	7	Lee	1	Titus	1
Atascosa	2	Gregg	2	Lubbock	2	Travis	72
Bandera	1	Grimes	1	Marion	1	Upton	2
Bastrop	1	Guadalupe	1	Maverick	2	Uvalde	1
Bee	1	Hamilton	1	McLennan	4	Van Zandt	4
Bell	5	Hardin	2	Medina	3	Victoria	1
Bexar	51	Harris	140	Midland	5	Walker	3
Bowie	3	Hartley	1	Milam	9	Waller	1
Brazoria	9	Hays	2	Mills	1	Washington	1
Brazos	5	Hemphill	1	Montgomery	30	Webb	12
Burleson	1	Henderson	3	Nacogdoches	2	Wharton	2
Burnet	2	Hidalgo	22	Navarro	3	Wichita	3
Calhoun	2	Hopkins	1	Nueces	14	Williamson	6
Cameron	7	Houston	6	Orange	3	Wood	1
Chambers	1	Howard	1	Palo Pinto	1	Yoakum	1
Cherokee	2	Hutchinson	3	Parker	5	Zapata	2
Collin	25	Jackson	2	Polk	5		
Comal	3	Jasper	1	Potter	4		
Coryell	1	Jefferson	6	Runnels	1		
Dallas	102	Jim Wells	1	Sabine	1		
Denton	19	Johnson	6	San Jacinto	1		
Donley	1	Jones	1	San Patricio	1		
Eastland	1	Karnes	2	Shackelford	1		
Ector	4	Kaufman	2	Shelby	3		
El Paso	20	Kendall	2	Smith	4		
Erath	1	Kerr	1	Somervell	1		

TOTAL = 791

Petitions for Review Filed and Disposed by Court of Appeals: FY 2014

Court of Appeals	Total Filed in FY 2014	Total Disposed in FY 2014				Total Disposed	Percentage of Petitions Granted
		<i>Granted</i>	<i>Denied</i>	<i>Dismissed</i>	<i>Other Disposition</i>		
1 st Houston	79	13	71	3	1	88	14.8%
2 nd Fort Worth	60	8	51	4	1	64	12.5%
3 rd Austin	80	7	63	5	1	76	9.2%
4 th San Antonio	101	7	89	2	1	99	7.1%
5 th Dallas	126	7	96	4	1	108	6.5%
6 th Texarkana	22	1	18	1	1	21	4.8%
7 th Amarillo	31	3	22	0	1	26	11.5%
8 th El Paso	37	4	29	2	2	37	10.8%
9 th Beaumont	45	2	40	3	1	46	4.3%
10 th Waco	19	0	15	1	0	16	0.0%
11 th Eastland	20	2	22	0	1	25	8.0%
12 th Tyler	23	2	16	2	0	20	10.0%
13 th Corpus Christi	58	14	52	5	0	71	19.7%
14 th Houston	91	11	72	4	2	89	12.4%
Totals	792	81	656	36	13	786	10.3%