

# Profile of Appellate and Trial Judges\*

As of September 1, 2014

	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	80	445	13	238	18	254	817	1,288
Number of Judges	9	9	79	443	13	237	18	253	813	1,277
Number of Vacant Positions	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	1	2	11
Number of Municipalities w/ Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	926
Cities with No Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	250
<b>AGE OF JUDGES:</b>										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 78)	(n = 439)	(n = 13)	(n = 224)	(n = 16)	(n = 235)	(n = 777)	(n = 1,179)
Mean	57	61	57	55	57	61	57	62	59	60
Oldest	69	72	75	76	70	84	70	86	89	96
Youngest	44	50	39	34	43	37	43	37	29	24
<b>RANGE OF AGE:</b>										
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
25 through 34	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	21
35 through 44	1	0	6	40	1	22	1	8	58	134
45 through 54	3	1	18	135	4	73	1	32	162	281
55 through 64	3	2	39	173	5	87	7	97	288	367
65 through 74	2	6	14	86	3	35	7	86	213	289
Over 75	0	0	1	4	0	7	0	12	49	86
<b>GENDER OF JUDGES:</b>										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 79)	(n = 443)	(n = 13)	(n = 237)	(n = 18)	(n = 253)	(n = 813)	(n = 1,277)
Males	7	4	45	309	8	163	12	228	515	796
Females	2	5	34	134	5	74	6	25	298	481
<b>ETHNICITY OF JUDGES:</b>										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 78)	(n = 428)	(n = 12)	(n = 227)	(n = 16)	(n = 243)	(n = 749)	(n = 1,127)
African-American	0	0	2	19	2	8	0	1	26	71
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	7
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0	0	4	0	2	0	1	0	9
Hispanic/Latino	1	1	10	70	1	43	2	20	144	199
White (Non-Hispanic)	8	8	66	331	9	173	14	221	575	832
Other	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	1	9
<b>LENGTH OF SERVICE:</b>										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 79)	(n = 443)	(n = 13)	(n = 237)	(n = 18)	(n = 253)	(n = 813)	(n = 1,554)
Average	7 Yr 5 Mo	14 Yr 4 Mo	8 Yr 10 Mo	9 Yr 10 Mo	6 Yr 1 Mo	10 Yr 11 Mo	13 Yr 5 Mo	8 Yr 5 Mo	10 Yr 3 Mo	9 Yr 9 Mo
Longest	25 Yr 8 Mo	21 Yr 8 Mo	20 Yr 6 Mo	33 Yr 8 Mo	19 Yr 6 Mo	38 Yr 5 Mo	33 Yr 0 Mo	35 Yr 8 Mo	51 Yr 5 Mo	49 Yr 10 Mo
<b>RANGE OF SERVICE ON THIS COURT IN YEARS:</b>										
Under 1 Year	1	0	6	14	1	3	0	12	25	71
1 through 4	4	1	22	121	3	70	7	77	200	476
5 through 9	3	0	15	132	7	51	2	69	190	425
10 through 14	0	2	22	70	1	44	1	37	147	252
15 through 19	0	5	13	65	1	44	2	40	150	155
20 through 24	0	1	1	23	0	14	3	10	55	76
25 through 29	1	0	0	15	0	11	2	7	23	51
30 through 34	0	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	14	33
35 through 39	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	6	11
Over 40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	9
<b>FIRST ASSUMED OFFICE BY:</b>										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 78)	(n = 443)	(n = 13)	(n = 238)	(n = 18)	(n = 253)	(n = 813)	(n = 1,275)
Appointment	7 (78%)	2 (22%)	44 (56%)	167 (38%)	2 (15%)	64 (27%)	5 (28%)	52 (21%)	240 (30%)	1,562 (123%)
Election	2 (22%)	7 (78%)	34 (44%)	276 (62%)	11 (85%)	175 (74%)	13 (72%)	201 (79%)	574 (71%)	20 (2%)
<b>EDUCATION:</b>										
<b>HIGH SCHOOL:</b>	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 78)	(n = 441)	(n = 13)	(n = 234)	(n = 19)	(n = 244)	(n = 766)	(n = 1,220)
Attended	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	39 (5%)	22 (2%)
Graduated	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	723 (94%)	1,145 (94%)
<b>COLLEGE:</b>										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (1%)	3 (1%)	0 (0%)	3 (1%)	1 (5%)	42 (17%)	179 (23%)	147 (12%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	74 (95%)	423 (96%)	12 (92%)	217 (93%)	18 (95%)	157 (64%)	256 (33%)	826 (68%)
<b>LAW SCHOOL:</b>										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (0%)	2 (0%)	2 (0%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	78 (100%)	441 (100%)	13 (100%)	233 (100%)	19 (100%)	35 (14%)	68 (9%)	713 (58%)
<b>LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW:</b>										
Number Licensed	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	79 (100%)	443 (100%)	13 (100%)	237 (100%)	18 (100%)	33 (13%)	65 (8%)	721 (56%)
Mean Year Licensed	1984	1977	1984	1985	1985	1986	1982	1983	1984	1986
<b>YEARS LICENSED:</b>										
4 Years or Less	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
5 to 9 Years	0	0	0	5	0	1	0	0	3	46
10 to 14 Years	0	0	3	25	1	15	2	0	3	58
15 to 19 Years	1	0	4	43	2	31	1	5	10	107
20 to 24 Years	2	0	16	81	1	39	1	7	10	131
25 to 29 Years	2	1	15	68	2	56	0	5	5	84
30 or More Years	4	8	41	221	7	95	14	16	34	288
<b>ORIGINALLY CAME TO THIS COURT FROM:</b>										
Attorney Private Practice	1 (11%)	2 (22%)	47 (59%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	6 (67%)	4 (44%)	23 (29%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Legislative Service	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other Governmental Service	2 (22%)	3 (33%)	6 (8%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<b>PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:</b>										
Prosecutor	1 (11%)	5 (56%)	15 (19%)	180 (41%)	5 (38%)	116 (49%)	5 (28%)	9 (4%)	--	--
Attorney Private Practice	9 (100%)	8 (89%)	30 (38%)	355 (80%)	10 (77%)	161 (68%)	16 (89%)	28 (11%)	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	6 (67%)	1 (11%)	21 (27%)	58 (13%)	3 (23%)	32 (14%)	3 (17%)	15 (6%)	--	--
County Commissioner	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	28 (11%)	--	--

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