

2021 COURT OF APPEALS - CASE LOAD STATISTICS

District	<u>I</u>	<u>II</u>	<u>III</u>	<u>IV</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Filings</u>	<u>573</u>	<u>580</u>	<u>490</u>	<u>513</u>	<u>2156</u>
Civil	243	273	232	294	1042
Criminal	330	307	258	219	1114
Average filings per judge†	143	145	163	103	135
Three-Judge	490	453	378	413	1734
One-Judge	83	127	112	100	422
No Merit Filings	140	114	75	73	402
Writs Filed	28	35	8	35	106
Granted	3	1	2	1	7
Leaves to Appeal Filed	28	39	34	31	132
Granted	5	4	7	8	24
Matter of Right	377	392	373	374	1516

[†] These figures do not reflect that a District IV Judge was assigned to cases in another district.

Submission*	<u>244</u>	<u>204</u>	<u>187</u>	<u>180</u>	<u>815</u>
Cases on Briefs	244	203	187	174	808
Civil	88	97	96	101	382
Criminal	156	106	91	73	426
Percentage on briefs	100%	100%	100%	97%	99%
Cases Orally Argued	0	1	0	6	7
Civil	0	1	0	5	6
Criminal	0	0	0	1	1
Percentage Orally Argued	0%	0.5%	0%	3.3%	0.9%

^{*} These figures reflect consolidated cases as one.

Total Terminations	590	606	491	519	2206
Average terminations per judge†	148	152	164	104	138

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Percentages of Total Terminations:

Opinion	32%	25%	38%	34%	32%
Summary Disposition	40%	36%	19%	24%	31%
Memo Opinion	17%	25%	29%	29%	25%
Other	10%	14%	13%	11%	12%

Percentages of Civil/Criminal Affirmances:

Civil: % Affirmed	82%	91%	87%	88%	87%
Criminal: % Affirmed	87%	88%	75%	76%	83%

Please note that the remaining percentage of dispositions include reversals and dispositions categorized as other (affirmed in part, reversed in part, affirmed and remanded, dismissed, modified and as modified affirmed, etc.)

Average* Days to Decision:

Notice of Appeal to Decision	420	352	390	314	369
Three-Judge Opinions	557	536	484	382	490
One-Judge Opinions	227	193	428	234	271
Per Curiam Opinions	571	617	491	457	534
Summary Dispositions					
without No Merits	518	497	457	484	489
No Merit SMDs	433	442	819	525	555
Memo Opinions	232	124	150	106	153
Orders**	78	67	73	111	82
Fast Tracks	N/A	217	228	143	196

^{*} For all categories: from Notice of Appeal to Decision

^{**}Does not include voluntary dismissals.

Terminations by Opinion:

Opinions	<u>188</u>	<u>151</u>	<u>189</u>	<u>179</u>	<u>707</u>
Civil	89	87	113	109	398
Percentage	47%	58%	60%	61%	56%
Criminal	99	64	76	70	309
Percentage	53%	42%	40%	39%	44%
%s of Disposition: Affirmed Reversed Other	77% 13% 11%	79% 16% 5%	75% 18% 7%	76% 13% 11%	77% 15% 8%
Per Curiams	111	74	113	88	386
Signed Opinions	77	77	76	91	321
1-Judge Opinions	44	37	36	44	161
3-Judge Opinions	33	40	40	47	160

Publication Data:

All Opinions*†	162	120	171	157	610
Percentage Published	6%	23%	11%	14%	13%
Considered**	31	34	34	46	145
Published Civil Criminal	10 9 1	27 17 10	18 10 8	22 13 9	77 49 28
Percentage	32%	79%	53%	48%	53%

st This figure reflects Dec 2020 and YTD Nov 2021 three-judge, one-judge and per curiam opinions.

 $[\]boldsymbol{**}$ Three-judge opinions only; deferrals are counted only when decided.

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Termination by Other Means (Orders):

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Summary Dispositions	<u>238</u>	<u>219</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>125</u>	<u>675</u>
Affirmance	115	137	37	63	352
Reversals	3	8	0	3	14
No Merits	118	74	55	59	306
Rejected No Merits	12	1	9	6	28
Dismissals	0	0	1	0	1
Other	2	0	0	0	2
Memo Opinions	<u>98</u>	<u>150</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>153</u>	<u>542</u>
Jurisdiction	11	32	24	16	83
Dismissals	4	18	29	71	122
Other	16	28	34	2	80
Writs Denied, etc.	28	31	19	32	110
Writs Granted	3	1	2	1	7
Leaves Denied, etc.	36	40	33	31	140
<u>Other</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>266</u>
Voluntary Dismissals	42	52	40	47	181
Dismissals	9	2	1	5	17
Stipulations	0	0	0	0	0
Other	10	28	24	6	68

Motions and Petitions:

Motions Filed	4335	3735	2969	2772	13811
Writs Terminated	31	32	21	33	117
Writs Granted	3	1	2	1	7
Leaves Terminated	41	44	40	39	164

Pending Cases (current assigned panel):

12-31-2021	646	546	572	395	2159
12-31-2020	643	546	557	397	2143

SUPREME COURT ACTIVITY

Consolidated Cases Counted as One

Certifications Filed	0	3	5	0	8
Certifications Granted	0	2	1	0	3
Bypasses Granted	2	0	2	2	6

Ct. App. Opinions Released	163	126	186	165	640
Petitions filed on Opns.	79	50	56	46	231
Percentage Filed	48%	40%	30%	28%	36%
Petitions Filed*	<u>219</u>	<u>161</u>	<u>111</u>	<u>128</u>	<u>619</u>
Civil*	75	54	48	63	240
Criminal*	144	107	63	65	379
Petitions Acted Upon*	217	175	118	131	641
<u>Granted*</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>62</u>
Civil*	10	10	6	9	35
Criminal*	9	6	4	8	27
SC Opinions on Petitions	11	12	7	14	44
Affirmed	3	6	5	8	22 50%
Civil	2	4	5	4	15 34%
Criminal	1	2	0	4	7 16%
Reversed	7	2	2	4	15 34%
Civil	4	2 2	2	2	10 23%
Criminal	3	0	0	2	5 11%
Other**	1	4	0	2	7 16%
Civil	1	2	0	2	5 11%
Criminal	0	2	0	0	2 5%

^{*}Consolidated NOT counted as one in Petitions Filed, Petitions Acted Upon and Petitions Granted.

^{**}Affirmed in part, reversed in part.