

Profile of Appellate and Trial Judges*

as of September 1, 2006

	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	420	12	218	17	254	825	1,396
Number of Judges	9	9	79	417	12	218	17	254	822	1,380
Number of Vacant Positions	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	3	16
Number of Municipalities w/ Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	914
Cities with No Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	244
AGE OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 79)	(n = 416)	(n = 12)	(n = 200)	(n = 17)	(n = 226)	(n = 751)	(n = 1,206)
Mean	51	63	55	56	52	58	65	57	58	58
Oldest	61	73	74	75	62	82	75	80	87	90
Youngest	40	53	36	36	41	34	54	34	28	26
RANGE OF AGE:										
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25 through 34	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	10	28
35 through 44	2	0	8	53	3	32	0	10	61	178
45 through 54	5	2	31	157	4	86	1	52	192	356
55 through 64	2	6	33	176	5	60	12	102	297	382
65 through 74	0	1	7	29	0	15	3	51	151	189
Over 75	0	0	0	1	0	6	1	10	40	73
GENDER OF JUDGES:										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 79)	(n = 417)	(n = 12)	(n = 218)	(n = 17)	(n = 254)	(n = 818)	(n = 1,366)
Males	8	5	47	303	8	150	14	227	539	912
Females	1	4	32	114	4	68	3	27	279	454
ETHNICITY OF JUDGES:										
	(n=9)	(n=9)	(n=78)	(n=413)	(n=12)	(n=206)	(n=11)	(n=237)	(n=696)	(n=1,077)
African-American	2	0	2	11	2	7	0	2	21	47
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	2	8
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	6
Hispanic/Latino	1	0	11	53	1	38	1	20	133	153
White (Non-Hispanic)	6	9	63	342	8	159	10	212	540	855
Other	0	0	0	4	0	2	0	3	0	8
LENGTH OF SERVICE:										
	(n=9)	(n=9)	(n=79)	(n=417)	(n=12)	(n=217)	(n=17)	(n=253)	(n=798)	(n=1,277)
Average	4 Yr 9 Mo	7 Yr 5 Mo	6 Yr 2 Mo	9 Yr 0 Mo	8 Yr 4 Mo	9 Yr 9 Mo	14 Yr 0 Mo	8 Yr 2 Mo	9 Yr 4 Mo	8 Yr 6 Mo
Longest	17 Yr 8 Mo	13 Yr 8 Mo	19 Yr 8 Mo	30 Yr 10 Mo	16 Yr 4 Mo	30 Yr 5 Mo	25 Yr 0 Mo	35 Yr 8 Mo	43 Yr 5 Mo	42 Yr 1 Mo
RANGE OF SERVICE ON THIS COURT IN YEARS:										
Under 1 Year	0	0	2	16	2	5	0	3	17	90
1 through 4	6	1	30	96	3	63	1	87	210	445
5 through 9	2	6	22	118	1	61	2	65	222	320
10 through 14	0	2	22	84	4	34	7	47	145	201
15 through 19	1	0	3	71	2	39	2	41	119	90
20 through 24	0	0	0	23	0	11	4	3	54	68
25 through 29	0	0	0	9	0	3	1	5	22	33
30 through 34	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	7	14
35 through 39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	9
Over 40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
FIRST ASSUMED OFFICE BY:										
	(n=9)	(n=9)	(n=79)	(n=417)	(n=12)	(n=217)	(n=17)	(n=253)	(n=791)	(n=1,321)
Appointment	5 (56%)	1 (11%)	42 (53%)	179 (43%)	6 (50%)	80 (37%)	9 (53%)	47 (19%)	213 (27%)	1303 (99%)
Election	4 (44%)	8 (89%)	37 (47%)	238 (57%)	6 (50%)	137 (63%)	8 (47%)	206 (81%)	578 (73%)	18 (1%)
EDUCATION:										
HIGH SCHOOL:	(n=9)	(n=9)	(n=79)	(n=416)	(n=12)	(n=215)	(n=17)	(n=245)	(n=760)	(n=1,210)
Attended	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	56 (7%)	26 (2%)
Graduated	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	700 (92%)	1,160 (96%)
COLLEGE:										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	6 (1%)	0 (0%)	5 (2%)	0 (0%)	44 (18%)	170 (22%)	143 (12%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	79 (100%)	403 (97%)	11 (92%)	202 (94%)	16 (94%)	151 (62%)	241 (32%)	787 (65%)
LAW SCHOOL:										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	4 (1%)	0 (0%)	2 (1%)	0 (0%)	1 (0%)	3 (0%)	4 (0%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	79 (100%)	412 (99%)	12 (100%)	213 (99%)	17 (100%)	35 (14%)	57 (7%)	623 (51%)
LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW:										
Number Licensed	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	79 (100%)	417 (100%)	12 (100%)	218 (100%)	17 (100%)	35 (14%)	55 (7%)	632 (46%)
Mean Year Licensed	1983	1974	1979	1979	1981	1981	1972	1977	1980	1982
RANGE OF YEAR LICENSED:										
Before 1955	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	4
1955 through 1959	0	1	2	3	0	3	0	1	1	9
1960 through 1964	0	0	2	10	0	3	2	2	0	21
1965 through 1969	0	1	4	33	1	12	1	6	7	56
1970 through 1974	1	2	12	66	2	22	5	7	10	72
1975 through 1979	2	3	17	104	1	38	6	3	7	104
1980 through 1984	2	2	24	91	3	46	2	6	11	96
1985 through 1989	1	0	11	56	2	59	0	4	5	79
1990 through 1994	3	0	7	44	3	29	0	4	9	103
1995 through 1999	0	0	0	11	0	4	0	2	5	72
Since 2000	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	16
ORIGINALLY CAME TO THIS COURT FROM:										
Attorney Private Practice	1 (11%)	2 (22%)	21 (26%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	6 (67%)	4 (44%)	14 (18%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Legislative Service	1 (11%)	3 (33%)	3 (4%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other Governmental Service	1 (11%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:										
Prosecutor	0 (0%)	5 (56%)	17 (22%)	194 (47%)	8 (67%)	103 (47%)	5 (29%)	12 (5%)	--	--
Attorney Private Practice	6 (67%)	9 (100%)	44 (56%)	334 (80%)	10 (83%)	159 (73%)	16 (94%)	29 (11%)	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	4 (44%)	2 (22%)	15 (19%)	82 (20%)	1 (8%)	37 (17%)	5 (29%)	21 (8%)	--	--
County Commissioner	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	23 (9%)	--	--
MAYOR SERVING AS JUDGE:										
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* Data may be incomplete, as this chart includes only information reported to OCA.