

# Profile of Appellate and Trial Judges\*

As of September 1, 2011

	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	443	13	234	18	254	817	1,539
Number of Judges	9	9	80	442	13	234	18	254	817	1,532
Number of Vacant Positions	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	7
Number of Municipalities w/ Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	924
Cities with No Courts	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	255
<b>AGE OF JUDGES:</b>										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 77)	(n = 436)	(n = 12)	(n = 183)	(n = 15)	(n = 186)	(n = 584)	(n = 1,239)
Mean	56	58	57	55	54	62	54	59	58	62
Oldest	67	69	74	75	67	87	67	83	88	93
Youngest	45	47	39	35	40	36	40	34	28	30
<b>RANGE OF AGE:</b>										
Under 25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
25 through 34	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	17
35 through 44	0	0	5	54	1	24	2	13	34	134
45 through 54	6	1	14	131	3	75	0	33	125	292
55 through 64	2	4	46	199	7	59	11	81	251	428
65 through 74	1	4	12	51	1	21	2	51	133	267
Over 75	0	0	0	1	0	4	0	7	35	101
<b>GENDER OF JUDGES:</b>										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 442)	(n = 13)	(n = 234)	(n = 18)	(n = 254)	(n = 815)	(n = 1,529)
Males	7	4	46	317	10	163	12	227	527	993
Females	2	5	34	125	3	71	6	27	288	536
<b>ETHNICITY OF JUDGES:</b>										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 75)	(n = 377)	(n = 11)	(n = 182)	(n = 14)	(n = 196)	(n = 550)	(n = 1,135)
African-American	2	0	1	18	3	7	0	2	19	61
American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	12
Asian or Pacific Islander	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	9
Hispanic/Latino	2	1	7	60	0	41	2	13	107	173
White (Non-Hispanic)	5	8	66	293	8	133	12	181	424	871
Other	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	9
<b>LENGTH OF SERVICE:</b>										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 442)	(n = 13)	(n = 234)	(n = 18)	(n = 253)	(n = 815)	(n = 1,493)
Average	7 Yr 11 Mo	11 Yr 5 Mo	7 Yr 2 Mo	8 Yr 0 Mo	7 Yr 11 Mo	8 Yr 11 Mo	10 Yr 6 Mo	6 Yr 3 Mo	9 Yr 8 Mo	8 Yr 2 Mo
Longest	22 Yr 9 Mo	18 Yr 9 Mo	19 Yr 9 Mo	30 Yr 9 Mo	21 Yr 5 Mo	35 Yr 6 Mo	30 Yr 1 Mo	32 Yr 9 Mo	48 Yr 6 Mo	46 Yr 11 Mo
<b>RANGE OF SERVICE ON THIS COURT IN YEARS:</b>										
Under 1 Year	0	1	9	54	1	50	7	68	130	92
1 through 4	2	0	21	131	7	50	2	74	194	475
5 through 9	5	0	20	83	2	48	1	46	163	397
10 through 14	1	6	18	78	0	39	1	25	140	233
15 through 19	0	2	12	55	1	21	3	22	96	146
20 through 24	1	0	0	27	2	20	2	15	56	63
25 through 29	0	0	0	11	0	4	1	1	22	47
30 through 34	0	0	0	3	0	1	1	1	9	23
35 through 39	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4	11
Over 40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
<b>FIRST ASSUMED OFFICE BY:</b>										
	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 442)	(n = 13)	(n = 234)	(n = 18)	(n = 249)	(n = 815)	(n = 1,523)
Appointment	6 (67%)	2 (22%)	44 (55%)	167 (38%)	4 (31%)	55 (24%)	5 (28%)	35 (14%)	202 (25%)	1,508 (99%)
Election	3 (33%)	7 (78%)	36 (45%)	275 (62%)	9 (69%)	179 (76%)	13 (72%)	214 (86%)	613 (75%)	15 (1%)
<b>EDUCATION:</b>										
<b>HIGH SCHOOL:</b>	(n = 9)	(n = 9)	(n = 80)	(n = 437)	(n = 13)	(n = 206)	(n = 17)	(n = 196)	(n = 588)	(n = 1,367)
Attended	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	6	30 (5%)	19 (1%)
Graduated	7 (78%)	9 (100%)	66 (83%)	369 (84%)	11 (85%)	158 (77%)	14 (82%)	184 (94%)	545 (93%)	1,216 (89%)
<b>COLLEGE:</b>										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (1%)	5 (1%)	0 (0%)	4 (2%)	1 (6%)	33 (17%)	139 (24%)	146 (11%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	70 (88%)	367 (84%)	11 (85%)	164 (80%)	15 (88%)	127 (65%)	190 (32%)	857 (63%)
<b>LAW SCHOOL:</b>										
Attended	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (0%)	0 (0%)	1 (1%)	2 (0%)	0 (0%)
Graduated	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	80 (100%)	437 (100%)	13 (100%)	205 (100%)	17 (100%)	28 (14%)	60 (10%)	802 (59%)
<b>LICENSED TO PRACTICE LAW:</b>										
Number Licensed	9 (100%)	9 (100%)	80 (100%)	442 (100%)	13 (100%)	234 (100%)	18 (100%)	27 (11%)	59 (7%)	816 (53%)
Mean Year Licensed	1984	1977	1981	1983	1981	1985	1982	1983	1984	1984
<b>YEARS LICENSED:</b>										
4 Years or Less	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4
5 to 9 Years	0	0	0	4	0	6	1	0	3	44
10 to 14 Years	0	0	2	30	0	25	2	4	5	76
15 to 19 Years	1	0	6	57	1	27	1	5	10	143
20 to 24 Years	4	1	13	75	2	54	0	2	7	117
25 to 29 Years	1	2	16	83	3	56	4	5	8	115
30 or More Years	3	6	43	193	7	66	10	33	42	366
<b>ORIGINALLY CAME TO THIS COURT FROM:</b>										
Attorney Private Practice	1 (11%)	2 (22%)	21 (26%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	6 (67%)	3 (33%)	15 (19%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Legislative Service	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Other Governmental Service	2 (22%)	3 (33%)	3 (4%)	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
<b>PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE:</b>										
Prosecutor	1 (11%)	5 (56%)	13 (16%)	153 (35%)	4 (31%)	88 (38%)	4 (22%)	7 (3%)	--	--
Attorney Private Practice	9 (100%)	8 (89%)	46 (58%)	271 (61%)	11 (85%)	119 (51%)	15 (83%)	23 (9%)	--	--
Judge of Lower Court	7 (78%)	1 (11%)	18 (23%)	51 (12%)	2 (15%)	27 (12%)	3 (17%)	10 (4%)	--	--
County Commissioner	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	13 (5%)	--	--

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