

Caseloads of the Courts of Washington

History of Activity, All Reviews, Division II (10) - 2020 to 2024

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	2020	2021	% Chg (9)	2022	% Chg (9)	2023	% Chg (9)	2024	% Chg (9)
FILINGS									
Total Filings	1,054	1,050	-0.4 %	1,171	11.5 %	1,394	19 %	1,191	-14.6 %
RESOLUTIONS (1) (11)									
Opinions Published	70	77	10 %	57	-26 %	63	10.5 %	59	-6.3 %
Opinions Unpublished	432	404	-6.5 %	376	-6.9 %	305	-18.9 %	338	10.8 %
Opinions	502	481	-4.2 %	433	-10 %	368	-15 %	397	7.9 %
Dismissed	199	153	-23.1 %	239	56.2 %	232	-2.9 %	218	-6 %
Transferred/Certified (2)	115	126	9.6 %	58	-54 %	109	87.9 %	167	53.2 %
Review Not Accepted	3	9	. %	1	. %	7	. %	5	. %
Other Terminations	38	31	-18.4 %	10	. %	36	. %	24	. %
Orders	355	319	-10.1 %	308	-3.4 %	384	24.7 %	414	7.8 %
Decided on Merits	43	42	-2.3 %	50	19 %	29	. %	52	. %
Dismissed	210	222	5.7 %	236	6.3 %	275	16.5 %	252	-8.4 %
Transferred/Certified (2)	0	7	. %	0	. %	3	. %	1	. %
Review Not Accepted	65	61	-6.2 %	71	16.4 %	82	15.5 %	81	-1.2 %
Other Terminations	18	22	. %	11	. %	35	. %	47	34.3 %
Rulings	336	354	5.4 %	368	4 %	424	15.2 %	433	2.1 %
Other Decisions Term. Review (3)	0	0	. %	0	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other (4)	691	673	-2.6 %	676	0.4 %	808	19.5 %	847	4.8 %
Total Resolved	1,193	1,154	-3.3 %	1,109	-3.9 %	1,176	6 %	1,244	5.8 %

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PENDING AT YEAR END (5)									
Cases Stayed	142	72	-49.3 %	43	-40.3 %	26	. %	20	. %
Brief Not Filed	507	503	-0.8 %	550	9.3 %	745	35.5 %	627	-15.8 %
Appellant Brief Filed	5	4	. %	4	. %	3	. %	2	. %
Respondent Brief Filed	306	184	-39.9 %	158	-14.1 %	207	31 %	241	16.4 %
Remanded to Trial Court	1	0	. %	0	. %	0	. %	0	. %
Set for Commissioners' Calendar	20	41	. %	37	-9.8 %	25	. %	32	. %
Set for Oral Argument (7)	109	66	-39.4 %	71	7.6 %	55	-22.5 %	120	118.2 %
Total Awaiting Hearing	1,090	870	-20.2 %	863	-0.8 %	1,061	22.9 %	1,042	-1.8 %
Opinion/Order in Process	84	93	10.7 %	50	-46.2 %	58	16 %	46	-20.7 %
Total Pending Decision	1,174	963	-18 %	913	-5.2 %	1,119	22.6 %	1,088	-2.8 %
MANDATED (1)									
Opinion Terminating Review	501	539	7.6 %	491	-8.9 %	428	-12.8 %	401	-6.3 %
Order Terminating Review	313	413	31.9 %	292	-29.3 %	409	40.1 %	455	11.2 %
Ruling Terminating Review	342	391	14.3 %	422	7.9 %	434	2.8 %	440	1.4 %
Other Decision Terminating Review (8)	7	5	. %	4	. %	11	. %	4	. %
Total Orders/Rulings/Other (4)	662	809	22.2 %	718	-11.2 %	854	18.9 %	899	5.3 %
Total Mandated	1,163	1,348	15.9 %	1,209	-10.3 %	1,282	6 %	1,300	1.4 %

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