

**IC 33-29**

**ARTICLE 29. SUPERIOR COURTS**

**IC 33-29-1**

Chapter 1. Provisions Concerning Standard Superior Courts

**IC 33-29-1-1**

**Application**

Sec. 1. Except as otherwise provided in IC 33-33, this chapter applies to standard superior courts established in IC 33-33.

*As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.8.*

**IC 33-29-1-1.5**

**Jurisdiction**

Sec. 1.5. All standard superior courts have:

- (1) original and concurrent jurisdiction in all civil cases and in all criminal cases;
- (2) de novo appellate jurisdiction of appeals from city and town courts; and
- (3) in Marion County, de novo appellate jurisdiction of appeals from township small claims courts established under IC 33-34.

*As added by P.L.201-2011, SEC.25.*

**IC 33-29-1-2**

**Seal**

Sec. 2. A standard superior court may have a seal containing the words " \_\_\_\_\_ (insert name of county in which the court is located) Superior Court \_\_\_\_\_ (insert court number for multiple courts), \_\_\_\_\_ (insert name of county) County, Indiana".

*As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.8.*

**IC 33-29-1-3**

**Judge; election; qualifications**

Sec. 3. (a) A standard superior court judge is elected at the general election every six (6) years in the county in which the court is located. The judge's term begins January 1 following the election and ends December 31 following the election of the judge's successor.

(b) To be eligible to hold office as a judge of a standard superior court, a person must be:

- (1) a resident of the county in which the court is located; and
- (2) admitted to practice law in Indiana.

*As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.8. Amended by P.L.161-2011, SEC.1; P.L.201-2011, SEC.18.*

**IC 33-29-1-4**

**Judicial powers**

Sec. 4. The judge of a standard superior court:

- (1) has the same powers relating to the conduct of business of the court as the judge of the circuit court of the county in which the standard superior court is located; and

(2) may administer oaths, solemnize marriages, and take and certify acknowledgments of deeds.

*As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.8.*

### **IC 33-29-1-5**

#### **Bailiff and court reporter**

Sec. 5. (a) The judge of a standard superior court shall appoint a bailiff and an official court reporter for the court.

(b) The salaries of the bailiff and the official court reporter shall be:

(1) fixed in the same manner as the salaries of the bailiff and the official court reporter for the circuit court of the county in which the standard superior court is located; and

(2) paid monthly:

(A) out of the treasury of the county in which the standard superior court is located; and

(B) as provided by law.

*As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.8.*

### **IC 33-29-1-6**

#### **Clerk; books and dockets**

Sec. 6. The clerk of a standard superior court, under the direction of the judge of the court, shall provide:

(1) order books and fee books;

(2) judgment dockets and execution dockets; and

(3) other books for the court;

that must be kept separately from the books and papers of other courts.

*As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.8.*

### **IC 33-29-1-7**

#### **Courtroom; equipment; duty of county executive**

Sec. 7. (a) The county executive for the county in which the standard superior court is located shall provide and maintain:

(1) a suitable courtroom;

(2) furniture and equipment; and

(3) other rooms and facilities;

necessary for the operation of the court.

(b) The county fiscal body shall appropriate sufficient funds for the provision and maintenance of the items described in subdivisions (1) through (3).

*As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.8.*

### **IC 33-29-1-8**

#### **Juries**

Sec. 8. (a) A jury in the standard superior court shall be selected as provided in IC 33-28-5.

(b) A grand jury selected for the circuit court of the county in which the standard superior court is located shall serve as the grand jury for the standard superior court.

*As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.8. Amended by P.L.118-2007, SEC.22.*

**IC 33-29-1-9**

**Transfer of cases**

Sec. 9. (a) The judge of the circuit court of the county in which the standard superior court is located may, with the consent of the judge of the standard superior court, transfer any action or proceeding from the circuit court to the standard superior court.

(b) The judge of a standard superior court may, with the consent of the judge of the circuit court, transfer any action or proceeding from the standard superior court to the circuit court of the county in which the standard superior court is located.

*As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.8.*

**IC 33-29-1-10**

**Transfer of judges**

Sec. 10. (a) The judge of the circuit court of the county in which the standard superior court is located may, with the consent of the judge of the standard superior court, sit as a judge of the standard superior court in any matter as if the circuit court judge were an elected judge of the standard superior court.

(b) The judge of a standard superior court may, with the consent of the judge of the circuit court, sit as the judge of the circuit court of the county in which the standard superior court is located in any matter as if the judge of the standard superior court were the elected judge of the circuit court.

*As added by P.L.98-2004, SEC.8.*