In the Indiana Supreme Court

In the Matter of the Appointment of Senior Judges and Allocating Service Days for 2024

Supreme Court Case No. 23S-MS-387



Order Appointing Senior Judges and Allocating Senior Judge Service Days

Administrative Rule 5(B)(1) provides that the Indiana Supreme Court may appoint all senior judges certified by the Judicial Nominating Commission to serve in the Court of Appeals, the Tax Court, a circuit court, a superior court, or a probate court.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that all senior judges certified by the Judicial Nominating Commission for service in 2023 are appointed to serve in the Court of Appeals, the Tax Court, or any circuit, superior, or probate court during 2024.

Additionally, Administrative Rule 5(B)(2) provides that the Court shall annually fix the number of senior judge days each court may use, based on the recommendation of the Court's Chief Administrative Officer, using the weighted caseload measurement system, the annual statistical reports, and other relevant criteria such as committee and Judicial Conference assignments, prior usage, and medical needs.

Senior judges are an important resource available to trial court judges to manage their caseloads. Because the Court wishes to continue encouraging the use of senior judges as a resource where backlogs persist, **the baseline for 2024 is increased to twenty days**. Any court needing additional days to implement plans to utilize senior judges for case backlogs should contact the Office of Judicial Administration as explained below.

Requests for Additional Days. The burden is on the trial court judge to ensure that their use of senior judge days does not exceed their annual allotment as specified in the attached spreadsheet. Senior judges are required to provide trial courts a statement of service to assist courts in tracking senior judge usage. Additionally, the Senior Judge Portal provides up to date data on senior judge day usage for each court. The Court encourages judges to make use of these resources to track their usage of senior judges.

The practice of exceeding a court's senior judge allotment without first seeking additional days should be avoided whenever possible. Unless exceptional circumstances prevent doing so, requests for additional days must be submitted prior to the court exceeding its annual allotment. Requests for additional senior judge service days made after the court's allotment has already been exceeded may be denied. Judges wishing to request additional allotments must contact Heather Falks, in writing, providing detailed information on new or changed

circumstances necessitating additional senior judge service days. Additional allotments will not be made prior to March 1, 2024, unless there is an urgent need demonstrated.

Coverage of Suspensions. Senior judges may be used to cover suspensions that occur because of a disciplinary action. It is the suspended judge's responsibility to coordinate coverage of their suspension with the eligible pool of senior judges. It is also the senior judge's responsibility to ensure that their court has the requisite number of senior judge days to cover the suspension and to request additional days if necessary to cover the entirety of their suspension. A suspended judge will be required to use any remaining senior judge days from their 2024 allocation prior to being granted additional days to cover a suspension; then upon request additional days will be granted to cover the remainder of the suspension. The Court will not automatically grant requests for additional senior judge days for vacation or other personal matters following a suspension.

Judicial Conference Annual Meeting. Pursuant to Indiana Code section 33-38-9-3, senior judges are members of the Judicial Conference of Indiana. During the Annual Meeting of the Judicial Conference, senior judges are asked to prioritize assisting active Judicial Conference members by covering their courtrooms to allow those judicial officers to attend the Annual Meeting. If, however, a senior judge is not covering court for another Judicial Conference member, their attendance at the Annual Meeting is expected. Senior judges who attend the Annual Meeting will receive mileage reimbursement and senior judge credit for their attendance.

Senior Judge Portal. The Senior Judge Portal is available via the INcite application. The Portal can be accessed by logging in to INcite. Once logged-in, the Portal should appear on the right-hand side of your dashboard. The Portal contains a profile providing the contact information, experience, and preferences for each senior judge. If the Portal does not appear on your INcite account, please contact Heather Falks.

IT IS, THEREFORE, FURTHER ORDERED that each court may use the number of senior judge days specified in the attached spreadsheet without any additional request to this Court. In those counties with unified courts and authority vested in the chief judge to allocate senior judge service days, the total number of senior judge service days allocated to the unified courts may be assigned by the chief judge to the various courts without reference to the limitations imposed upon individual courts by this Order. All such reassignments of senior judge service days shall be reported to the Chief Administrative Officer by emailing Heather Falks.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Court of Appeals and the Tax Court may utilize such senior judge service days as is reasonably necessary to conduct the business of those courts. Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on $\frac{12/27/2023}{}$.

Louis A. Rouch

Loretta H. Rush Chief Justice of Indiana

Allocation of Senior Judge Days

ADAMS	01C01	Circuit Court	25
ADAMS	01D01	Superior Court	20
ALLEN	02C01	Circuit Court	60
ALLEN	02D01	Superior Court 1	45
ALLEN	02D02	Superior Court 2	45
ALLEN	02D03	Superior Court 3	45
ALLEN	02D04	Superior Court 4	45
ALLEN	02D05	Superior Court 5	45
ALLEN	02D06	Superior Court 6	45
ALLEN	02D07	Superior Court 7	50
ALLEN	02D08	Superior Court 8	50
ALLEN	02D09	Superior Court 9	45
BARTHOLOMEW	03C01	Circuit Court	45
BARTHOLOMEW	03D01	Superior Court 1	25
BARTHOLOMEW	03D02	Superior Court 2	45
BENTON	04C01	Circuit Court	20
BLACKFORD	05C01	Circuit Court	20
BLACKFORD	05D01	Superior Court	20
BOONE	06C01	Circuit Court	45
BOONE	06D01	Superior Court 1	25
BOONE	06D02	Superior Court 2	35
BROWN	07C01	Circuit Court	45
CARROLL	08C01	Circuit Court	20
CARROLL	08D01	Superior Court	20
CASS	09C01	Circuit Court	20
CASS	09D01	Superior Court 1	45
CASS	09D02	Superior Court 2	20
CLARK	10C01	Circuit Court 1	35
CLARK	10C02	Circuit Court 2	45
CLARK	10C03	Circuit Court 3	45
CLARK	10C04	Circuit Court 4	60
CLARK	10D05	Superior Court 5	45
CLARK	10D06	Superior Court 6	45
CLAY	11C01	Circuit Court	25
CLAY	11D01	Superior Court	20
CLINTON	12C01	Circuit Court	25
CLINTON	12D01	Superior Court	25
CRAWFORD	13C01	Circuit Court	20
DAVIESS	14C01	Circuit Court	45
DAVIESS	14D01	Superior Court	35
DEARBORN	15C01	Circuit Court	45
DEARBORN	15D01	Superior Court 1	20
DEARBORN	15D02	Superior Court 2	20

DECATUR	16001	Circuit Court	45
DECATUR DECATUR	16C01 16D01	Circuit Court Superior Court	45 45
DEKALB	17C01	Circuit Court	25
DEKALB	17C01 17D01	Superior Court 1	25
DEKALB	17D01 17D02	•	20
		Superior Court 2	20
DELAWARE	18C01	Circuit Court 2	
DELAWARE DELAWARE	18C02	Circuit Court 2	45 40
	18C03	Circuit Court 4	
DELAWARE	18C04	Circuit Court 4	25
DELAWARE	18C05	Circuit Court 5	35
DUBOIS	19C01	Circuit Court	45
DUBOIS	19D01	Superior Court	20
ELKHART	20C01	Circuit Court	45
ELKHART	20D01	Superior Court 1	45
ELKHART	20D02	Superior Court 2	35
ELKHART	20D03	Superior Court 3	25
ELKHART	20D04	Superior Court 4	25
ELKHART	20D05	Superior Court 5	45
ELKHART	20D06	Superior Court 6	45
FAYETTE	21C01	Circuit Court	20
FAYETTE	21D01	Superior Court	25
FLOYD	22C01	Circuit Court	45
FLOYD	22D01	Superior Court 1	35
FLOYD	22D02	Superior Court 2	45
FLOYD	22D03	Superior Court 3	40
FOUNTAIN	23C01	Circuit Court	25
FRANKLIN	24C01	Circuit Court 1	20
FRANKLIN	24C02	Circuit Court 2	20
FULTON	25C01	Circuit Court	20
FULTON	25D01	Superior Court	20
GIBSON	26C01	Circuit Court	45
GIBSON	26D01	Superior Court	45
GRANT	27C01	Circuit Court	30
GRANT	27D01	Superior Court 1	25
GRANT	27D02	Superior Court 2	60
GRANT	27D03	Superior Court 3	20
GREENE	28C01	Circuit Court	45
GREENE	28D01	Superior Court	50
HAMILTON	29C01	Circuit Court	60
HAMILTON	29D01	Superior Court 1	45
HAMILTON	29D02	Superior Court 2	45
HAMILTON	29D03	Superior Court 3	45
HAMILTON	29D04	Superior Court 4	45
HAMILTON	29D05	Superior Court 5	45
HAMILTON	29D06	Superior Court 6	35
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HAMILTON	29D06	Superior Court 7	25
HANCOCK	30C01	Circuit Court	35
HANCOCK	30D01	Superior Court 1	45
HANCOCK	30D02	Superior Court 2	45
HARRISON	31C01	Circuit Court	45
HARRISON	31D01	Superior Court	35
HENDRICKS	32C01	Circuit Court	25
HENDRICKS	32D01	Superior Court 1	45
HENDRICKS	32D02	Superior Court 2	45
HENDRICKS	32D03	Superior Court 3	45
HENDRICKS	32D04	Superior Court 4	50
HENDRICKS	32D05	Superior Court 5	50
HENRY	33C01	Circuit Court 1	45
HENRY	33C02	Circuit Court 2	45
HENRY	33C03	Circuit Court 3	25
HOWARD	34C01	Circuit Court	45
HOWARD	34D01	Superior Court 1	25
HOWARD	34D02	Superior Court 2	50
HOWARD	34D03	Superior Court 3	35
HOWARD	34D04	Superior Court 4	25
HUNTINGTON	35C01	Circuit Court	45
HUNTINGTON	35D01	Superior Court	45
JACKSON	36C01	Circuit Court	25
JACKSON	36D01	Superior Court 1	30
JACKSON	36D02	Superior Court 2	45
JASPER	37C01	Circuit Court	20
JASPER	37D01	Superior Court	25
JAY	38C01	Circuit Court	20
JAY	38D01	Superior Court	20
JEFFERSON	39C01	Circuit Court	45
JEFFERSON	39D01	Superior Court	45
JENNINGS	40C01	Circuit Court	45
JENNINGS	40D01	Superior Court	40
JOHNSON	41C01	Circuit Court	45
JOHNSON	41D01	Superior Court 1	35
JOHNSON	41D02	Superior Court 2	35
JOHNSON	41D03	Superior Court 3	45
JOHNSON	41D04	Superior Court 4	30
KNOX	42C01	Circuit Court	45
KNOX	42D01	Superior Court 1	45
KNOX	42D02	Superior Court 2	45
KOSCIUSKO	43C01	Circuit Court	20
KOSCIUSKO	43D01	Superior Court 1	25
KOSCIUSKO	43D02	Superior Court 2	20
KOSCIUSKO	43D03	Superior Court 3	20

KOSCIUSKO	43D04	Superior Court 4	20
LAGRANGE	44C01	Circuit Court	20
LAGRANGE	44D01	Superior Court	20
LAKE	45C01	Circuit Court	45
LAKE	45D01	Superior Court, Civil 1	20
LAKE	45D02	Superior Court, Civil 2	20
LAKE	45D03	Superior Court, Civil 3	50
LAKE	45D04	Superior Court, Civil 4	20
LAKE	45D05	Superior Court, Civil 5	25
		Superior Court, Juvenile	
LAKE	45D06	Division	45
LAKE	45D07	Superior Court, County 1	45
LAKE	45D08	Superior Court, County 2	45
LAKE	45D09	Superior Court, County 3	45
LAKE	45D10	Superior Court, Civil 6	25
LAKE	45D11	Superior Court, Civil 7	45
LAKE	45D12	Superior Court, County 4	45
LAKE	45G01	Superior Court, Criminal 1	45
LAKE	45G02	Superior Court, Criminal 2	45
LAKE	45G03	Superior Court, Criminal 3	45
LAKE	45G04	Superior Court, Criminal 4	45
LAPORTE	46C01	Circuit Court	45
LAPORTE	46D01	Superior Court 1	20
LAPORTE	46D02	Superior Court 2	30
LAPORTE	46D03	Superior Court 3	20
LAPORTE	46D04	Superior Court 4	45
LAWRENCE	47C01	Circuit Court	45
LAWRENCE	47D01	Superior Court 1	20
LAWRENCE	47D02	Superior Court 2	20
MADISON	48C01	Circuit Court 1	45
MADISON	48C02	Circuit Court 2	45
MADISON	48C03	Circuit Court 3	45
MADISON	48C04	Circuit Court 4	50
MADISON	48C05	Circuit Court 5	45
MADISON	48C06	Circuit Court 6	45
MARION	49C01	Circuit Court	45
MARION	49D01	Superior 1	45
MARION	49D02	Superior 2	45
MARION	49D03	Superior 3	45
MARION	49D04	Superior 4	45
MARION	49D05	Superior 5	45
MARION	49D06	Superior 6	45
MARION	49D07	Superior 7	45
MARION	49D08	Superior 8, Probate	45
MARION	49D09	Superior 9, Juvenile Division	45

MARION	49D10	Superior 10	45
MARION	49D11	Superior11	45
MARION	49D12	Superior 12	45
MARION	49D13	Superior 13	45
MARION	49D14	Superior 14	65
MARION	49D15	Superior 15 Juvenile Division	45
MARION	49D16	Superior 16	45
MARION	49D17	Superior 17	45
MARION	49D18	Superior 18	45
MARION	49D19	Superior 19	45
MARION	49D20	Superior 20	45
MARION	49D21	Superior 21	45
MARION	49D22	Superior 22, Traffic Court	45
MARION	49D23	Superior 23	50
MARION	49D24	Superior 24	50
MARION	49D25	Superior 25	45
MARION	49D26	Superior 26	45
MARION	49D27	Superior 27	45
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MARION	49D33	Superior 33	45
MARION	49D34	Superior 34	45
MARION	49D35	Superior 35	45
MARION	49D36	Superior 36	45
MARSHALL	50C01	Circuit Court	35
MARSHALL	50D01	Superior Court 1	25
MARSHALL	50D02	Superior Court 2	25
MARSHALL	50D03	Superior Court 3	20
MARTIN	51C01	Circuit Court	25
MIAMI	52C01	Circuit Court	20
MIAMI	52D01	Superior Court 1	20
MIAMI	52D02	Superior Court 2	20
MONROE	53C01	Circuit Court 1	25
MONROE	53C02	Circuit Court 2	35
MONROE	53C03	Circuit Court 3	25
MONROE	53C04	Circuit Court 4	20
MONROE	53C05	Circuit Court 5	25
MONROE	53C06	Circuit Court 6	25
MONROE	53C07	Circuit Court 7	45
MONROE	53C08	Circuit Court 8	20
MONROE	53C09	Circuit Court 9	20
MONTGOMERY	54C01	Circuit Court	25
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MONTGOMERY	54D01	Superior Court 1	30
MONTGOMERY	54D01	Superior Court 1 Superior Court 2	20
MORGAN	55C01	Circuit Court	45
MORGAN	55D01	Superior Court 1	45
MORGAN	55D01	Superior Court 2	35
MORGAN	55D02	Superior Court 3	25
NEWTON	56C01	Circuit Court	20
NEWTON	56D01	Superior Court	20
NOBLE	57C01	Circuit Court	20
NOBLE	57D01		
		Superior Court 1	20
NOBLE	57D02	Superior Court 2	25
OHIO	58C01	Circuit Court	20
ORANGE	59C01	Circuit Court	20
ORANGE	59D01	Superior Court	25
OWEN	60C01	Circuit Court 1	35
OWEN	60C02	Circuit Court 2	20
PARKE	61C01	Circuit Court	20
PERRY	62C01	Circuit Court	45
PIKE	63C01	Circuit Court	25
PORTER	64C01	Circuit Court	45
PORTER	64D01	Superior Court 1	45
PORTER	64D02	Superior Court 2	50
PORTER	64D03	Superior Court 3	25
PORTER	64D04	Superior Court 4	30
PORTER	64D06	Superior Court 6	30
POSEY	65C01	Circuit Court	20
POSEY	65D01	Superior Court	20
PULASKI	66C01	Circuit Court	25
PULASKI	66D01	Superior Court	25
PUTNAM	67C01	Circuit Court	45
PUTNAM	67D01	Superior Court	45
RANDOLPH	68C01	Circuit Court	20
RANDOLPH	68D01	Superior Court	35
RIPLEY	69C01	Circuit Court	20
RIPLEY	69D01	Superior Court	20
RUSH	70C01	Circuit Court	20
RUSH	70D01	Superior Court	20
ST. JOSEPH	71C01	Circuit Court	45
ST. JOSEPH	71D01	Superior Court 1	45
ST. JOSEPH	71D02	Superior Court 2	60
ST. JOSEPH	71D03	Superior Court 3	45
ST. JOSEPH	71D04	Superior Court 4	45
ST. JOSEPH	71D05	Superior Court 5	45
ST. JOSEPH	71D06	Superior Court 6	45
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	76C01	Circuit Court	45
	76D01	Superior Court	45
	77C01	Circuit Court	20
	77D01	Superior Court	20
	78C01	Circuit Court	20
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TIPPECANOE 7	79D01	Superior Court 1	35
TIPPECANOE 7	79D02	Superior Court 2	35
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TIPPECANOE 7	79D05	Superior Court 5	25
TIPPECANOE 7	79D06	Superior Court 6	25
TIPPECANOE 7	79D07	Superior Court 7	25
TIPTON 8	30C01	Circuit Court	25
UNION 8	31C01	Circuit Court	20
VANDERBURGH 8	32C01	Circuit Court	45
VANDERBURGH 8	32D01	Superior Court 1	60
VANDERBURGH 8	32D02	Superior Court 2	45
VANDERBURGH 8	32D03	Superior Court 3	45
VANDERBURGH 8	32D04	Superior Court 4	45
VANDERBURGH 8	32D05	Superior Court 5	45
VANDERBURGH 8	32D06	Superior Court 6	45
VANDERBURGH 8	32D07	Superior Court 7	45
VERMILLION 8	33C01	Circuit Court	40
VIGO 8	34C01/D03	Circuit/Superior Court 3	45
VIGO 8	34D01	Superior Court 1	20
VIGO 8	34D02	Superior Court 2	20
VIGO 8	34D04	Superior Court 4	25
VIGO 8	34D05	Superior Court 5	20
VIGO 8	34D06	Superior Court 6	20
WABASH 8	35C01	Circuit Court	20
	35D01	Superior Court	20
	36C01	Circuit Court	25
	37C01	Circuit Court	35
	37D01	Superior Court 1	45
	37D02	Superior Court 2	60

WASHINGTON	88C01	Circuit Court	20
WASHINGTON	88D01	Superior Court	20
WAYNE	89C01	Circuit Court	25
WAYNE	89D01	Superior Court 1	25
WAYNE	89D02	Superior Court 2	25
WAYNE	89D03	Superior Court 3	60
WELLS	90C01	Circuit Court	25
WELLS	90D01	Superior Court	20
WHITE	91C01	Circuit Court	35
WHITE	91D01	Superior Court	30
WHITLEY	92C01	Circuit Court	25
WHITLEY	92D01	Superior Court	20