

In the Indiana Supreme Court

In the Matter of the Appointment of Senior
Judges and Allocating Service Days for
2020

Supreme Court Case No.
19S-MS-669



Order Appointing Senior Judges and Allocating Senior Judge Service Days

Administrative Rule 5(B)(1) provides that the 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, a superior, or a probate court.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that all senior judges certified by the Judicial Nominating Commission for service in 2020 are appointed to serve in the Court of Appeals, the Tax Court, or any circuit, superior, or probate court during 2020.

Administrative Rule 5(B)(2) provides that each year the Supreme Court shall fix the number of senior judge days each court may use, based on the recommendation of the Chief Administrative Officer of the Indiana Office of Judicial Administration, using the weighted caseload (WCL) measurement system, the annual statistical reports, and other relevant criteria. In addition to weighted caseload numbers, the allocation of senior judge service days will now also consider committee and judicial conference assignments, prior usage, medical needs, and other factors. The rule also provides that each court may use at least ten senior judge days.

Senior Judges are an important resource available to trial court judges to manage their caseloads. The Court wishes to encourage the use of senior judges, not just to cover vacations and illness, but to assist judges when they are present in court by taking on tasks that enable the court to provide litigants timely justice. The minimum number of days that will be allotted to each court is fifteen (15) days.

Requests for Additional Days. The burden is on the judges to ensure that their use of senior judge days does not exceed their annual allotment as specified in the attached spreadsheet. Some courts have exceeded their senior judge allotment without first seeking additional days and this practice should be minimized. **As a result, requests for additional days will need to be formally requested prior to the court exceeding its annual allotment.** Senior judges are required to provide trial courts a statement of service to assist courts in tracking senior judge usage. Additionally, the senior judge webpage provides a spreadsheet noting senior judge days that have been reported for each court. We encourage judges to make use of these resources to track their usage of senior judges. Written requests for additional days shall be made via the General Counsel's office by e-mailing heather.falks@courts.in.gov, providing detailed information on new or changed circumstances necessitating additional senior judge

service days. Requests for additional senior judge service days made after the court's allotment has already been exceeded will be frowned upon and may be denied.

Coverage of Suspensions. Senior judges may be used to cover suspensions that occur as a result of a disciplinary action. It is the suspended judge's responsibility to coordinate coverage of a suspension with the eligible pool of senior judges. It is also the responsibility of the suspended judge to ensure that his or her 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 2020 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. This Court will not automatically grant requests for additional senior judge days for vacation or other personal matters following a suspension.

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. It shall be incumbent upon the presiding judge of each court to ensure that his/her court complies with the senior judge day limits set out above. 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 the General Counsel's office at heather.falks@courts.in.gov.

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 the Courts.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 12/19/2019.



Loretta H. Rush
Chief Justice of Indiana

2020 Allocation of Senior Judge Days

Court Code	County	Court	Days
01C01	ADAMS	Circuit Court	25
01D01	ADAMS	Superior Court	15
02C01	ALLEN	Circuit Court	15
02D01	ALLEN	Superior Court 1	15
02D02	ALLEN	Superior Court 2	15
02D03	ALLEN	Superior Court 3	25
02D04	ALLEN	Superior Court 4	45
02D05	ALLEN	Superior Court 5	45
02D06	ALLEN	Superior Court 6	45
02D07	ALLEN	Superior Court 7	35
02D08	ALLEN	Superior Court 8	45
02D09	ALLEN	Superior Court 9	25
03C01	BARTHOLOMEW	Circuit Court	15
03D01	BARTHOLOMEW	Superior Court 1	35
03D02	BARTHOLOMEW	Superior Court 2	25
04C01	BENTON	Circuit Court	15
05C01	BLACKFORD	Circuit Court	30
05D01	BLACKFORD	Superior Court	15
06C01	BOONE	Circuit Court	15
06D01	BOONE	Superior Court 1	40
06D02	BOONE	Superior Court 2	15
07C01	BROWN	Circuit Court	30
08C01	CARROLL	Circuit Court	15
08D01	CARROLL	Superior Court	15
09C01	CASS	Circuit Court	30
09D01	CASS	Superior Court 1	15
09D02	CASS	Superior Court 2	50
10C01	CLARK	Circuit Court 1	45
10C02	CLARK	Circuit Court 2	25
10C03	CLARK	Circuit Court 3	45
10C04	CLARK	Circuit Court 4	40
11C01	CLAY	Circuit Court	45
11D01	CLAY	Superior Court	30
12C01	CLINTON	Circuit Court	45
12D01	CLINTON	Superior Court	25
13C01	CRAWFORD	Circuit Court	15
14C01	DAVIESS	Circuit Court	15
14D01	DAVIESS	Superior Court	45
15C01	DEARBORN	Circuit Court	20
15D01	DEARBORN	Superior Court 1	30
15D02	DEARBORN	Superior Court 2	20
16C01	DECATUR	Circuit Court	45
16D01	DECATUR	Superior Court	45
17C01	DEKALB	Circuit Court	15

17D01	DEKALB	Superior Court 1	45
17D02	DEKALB	Superior Court 2	15
18C01	DELAWARE	Circuit Court 1	25
18C02	DELAWARE	Circuit Court 2	15
18C03	DELAWARE	Circuit Court 3	25
18C04	DELAWARE	Circuit Court 4	45
18C05	DELAWARE	Circuit Court 5	15
19C01	DUBOIS	Circuit Court	45
19D01	DUBOIS	Superior Court	25
20C01	ELKHART	Circuit Court	50
20D01	ELKHART	Superior Court 1	15
20D02	ELKHART	Superior Court 2	25
20D03	ELKHART	Superior Court 3	35
20D04	ELKHART	Superior Court 4	45
20D05	ELKHART	Superior Court 5	45
20D06	ELKHART	Superior Court 6	45
21C01	FAYETTE	Circuit Court	25
21D01	FAYETTE	Superior Court	25
22C01	FLOYD	Circuit Court	30
22D01	FLOYD	Superior Court 1	45
22D02	FLOYD	Superior Court 2	25
22D03	FLOYD	Superior Court 3	15
23C01	FOUNTAIN	Circuit Court	15
24C01	FRANKLIN	Circuit Court 1	15
24C02	FRANKLIN	Circuit Court 2	15
25C01	FULTON	Circuit Court	15
25D01	FULTON	Superior Court	30
26C01	GIBSON	Circuit Court	50
26D01	GIBSON	Superior Court	35
27C01	GRANT	Circuit Court	35
27D01	GRANT	Superior Court 1	15
27D02	GRANT	Superior Court 2	30
27D03	GRANT	Superior Court 3	25
28C01	GREENE	Circuit Court	15
28D01	GREENE	Superior Court	20
29C01	HAMILTON	Circuit Court	25
29D01	HAMILTON	Superior Court 1	60
29D02	HAMILTON	Superior Court 2	15
29D03	HAMILTON	Superior Court 3	45
29D04	HAMILTON	Superior Court 4	35
29D05	HAMILTON	Superior Court 5	45
29D06	HAMILTON	Superior Court 6	15
30C01	HANCOCK	Circuit Court	15
30D01	HANCOCK	Superior Court 1	15
30D02	HANCOCK	Superior Court 2	45
31C01	HARRISON	Circuit Court	15
31D01	HARRISON	Superior Court	35

32C01	HENDRICKS	Circuit Court	25
32D01	HENDRICKS	Superior Court 1	15
32D02	HENDRICKS	Superior Court 2	15
32D03	HENDRICKS	Superior Court 3	15
32D04	HENDRICKS	Superior Court 4	15
32D05	HENDRICKS	Superior Court 5	25
33C01	HENRY	Circuit Court 1	25
33C02	HENRY	Circuit Court 2	25
33C03	HENRY	Circuit Court 3	15
34C01	HOWARD	Circuit Court	45
34D01	HOWARD	Superior Court 1	45
34D02	HOWARD	Superior Court 2	45
34D03	HOWARD	Superior Court 3	35
34D04	HOWARD	Superior Court 4	50
35C01	HUNTINGTON	Circuit Court	40
35D01	HUNTINGTON	Superior Court	15
36C01	JACKSON	Circuit Court	45
36D01	JACKSON	Superior Court 1	15
36D02	JACKSON	Superior Court 2	15
37C01	JASPER	Circuit Court	35
37D01	JASPER	Superior Court	15
38C01	JAY	Circuit Court	15
38D01	JAY	Superior Court	15
39C01	JEFFERSON	Circuit Court	45
39D01	JEFFERSON	Superior Court	45
40C01	JENNINGS	Circuit Court	45
40D01	JENNINGS	Superior Court	45
41C01	JOHNSON	Circuit Court	30
41D01	JOHNSON	Superior Court 1	15
41D02	JOHNSON	Superior Court 2	25
41D03	JOHNSON	Superior Court 3	15
41D04	JOHNSON	Superior Court 4	25
42C01	KNOX	Circuit Court	45
42D01	KNOX	Superior Court 1	45
42D02	KNOX	Superior Court 2	25
43C01	KOSCIUSKO	Circuit Court	45
43D01	KOSCIUSKO	Superior Court 1	45
43D02	KOSCIUSKO	Superior Court 2	35
43D03	KOSCIUSKO	Superior Court 3	45
44C01	LAGRANGE	Circuit Court	15
44D01	LAGRANGE	Superior Court	35
45C01	LAKE	Circuit Court	15
45D01	LAKE	Superior Court, Civil 1	15
45D02	LAKE	Superior Court, Civil 2	15
45D03	LAKE	Superior Court, Civil 3	15
45D04	LAKE	Superior Court, Civil 4	15
45D05	LAKE	Superior Court, Civil 5	15

45D06	LAKE	Superior Court, Juvenile Division	15
45D07	LAKE	Superior Court, County 1	15
45D08	LAKE	Superior Court, County 2	25
45D09	LAKE	Superior Court, County 3	25
45D10	LAKE	Superior Court, Civil 6	30
45D11	LAKE	Superior Court, Civil 7	15
45D12	LAKE	Superior Court, County 4	30
45G01	LAKE	Superior Court, Criminal 1	25
45G02	LAKE	Superior Court, Criminal 2	15
45G03	LAKE	Superior Court, Criminal 3	15
45G04	LAKE	Superior Court, Criminal 4	15
46C01	LAPORTE	Circuit Court	15
46D01	LAPORTE	Superior Court 1	35
46D02	LAPORTE	Superior Court 2	40
46D03	LAPORTE	Superior Court 3	15
46D04	LAPORTE	Superior Court 4	15
47C01	LAWRENCE	Circuit Court	15
47D01	LAWRENCE	Superior Court 1	15
47D02	LAWRENCE	Superior Court 2	35
48C01	MADISON	Circuit Court 1	25
48C02	MADISON	Circuit Court 2	45
48C03	MADISON	Circuit Court 3	15
48C04	MADISON	Circuit Court 4	25
48C05	MADISON	Circuit Court 5	45
48C06	MADISON	Circuit Court 6	20
49C01	MARION	Circuit Court	15
49D01	MARION	Superior, Civil 1	20
49D02	MARION	Superior, Civil 2	15
49D03	MARION	Superior, Civil 3	15
49D04	MARION	Superior, Civil 4	15
49D05	MARION	Superior, Civil 5	15
49D06	MARION	Superior, Civil 6	15
49D07	MARION	Superior, Civil 7	15
49D08	MARION	Superior, Probate	15
49D09	MARION	Superior, Juvenile Division	25
49D10	MARION	Superior, Civil 10	15
49D11	MARION	Superior, Civil 11	15
49D12	MARION	Superior, Civil 12	15
49D13	MARION	Superior, Civil 13	15
49D14	MARION	Superior, Civil 14	15
49G01	MARION	Superior, Criminal 1	15
49G02	MARION	Superior, Criminal 2	15
49G03	MARION	Superior, Criminal 3	15
49G04	MARION	Superior, Criminal 4	15
49G05	MARION	Superior, Criminal 5	15
49G06	MARION	Superior, Criminal 6	15

49G07	MARION	Superior, Criminal 7	15
49G08	MARION	Superior, Criminal 8	15
49G09	MARION	Superior, Criminal 9	30
49G10	MARION	Superior, Criminal 10	15
49G12	MARION	Superior, Criminal 12	15
49G13	MARION	Superior, Criminal 13, Traffic	45
49G14	MARION	Superior, Criminal 14	35
49G15	MARION	Superior, Criminal 15	15
49G16	MARION	Superior, Criminal 16	25
49G17	MARION	Superior, Criminal 17	25
49G18	MARION	Superior, Criminal 18	25
49G20	MARION	Superior, Criminal 20	30
49G21	MARION	Superior, Criminal 21	15
49G24	MARION	Superior, Criminal 24	15
49G25	MARION	Superior, Criminal 25	25
50C01	MARSHALL	Circuit Court	25
50D01	MARSHALL	Superior Court 1	35
50D02	MARSHALL	Superior Court 2	35
51C01	MARTIN	Circuit Court	15
52C01	MIAMI	Circuit Court	15
52D01	MIAMI	Superior Court 1	35
52D02	MIAMI	Superior Court 2	25
53C01	MONROE	Circuit Court 1	15
53C02	MONROE	Circuit Court 2	25
53C03	MONROE	Circuit Court 3	30
53C04	MONROE	Circuit Court 4	30
53C05	MONROE	Circuit Court 5	15
53C06	MONROE	Circuit Court 6	15
53C07	MONROE	Circuit Court 7	15
53C08	MONROE	Circuit Court 8	15
53C09	MONROE	Circuit Court 9	30
54C01	MONTGOMERY	Circuit Court	25
54D01	MONTGOMERY	Superior Court 1	25
54D02	MONTGOMERY	Superior Court 2	15
55C01	MORGAN	Circuit Court	15
55D01	MORGAN	Superior Court 1	15
55D02	MORGAN	Superior Court 2	15
55D03	MORGAN	Superior Court 3	15
56C01	NEWTON	Circuit Court	15
56D01	NEWTON	Superior Court	15
57C01	NOBLE	Circuit Court	15
57D01	NOBLE	Superior Court 1	35
57D02	NOBLE	Superior Court 2	15
58C01	OHIO	Circuit Court	15
59C01	ORANGE	Circuit Court	15
59D01	ORANGE	Superior Court	15
60C01	OWEN	Circuit Court 1	20

60C02	OWEN	Circuit Court 2	15
61C01	PARKE	Circuit Court	45
62C01	PERRY	Circuit Court	15
63C01	PIKE	Circuit Court	15
64C01	PORTER	Circuit Court	50
64D01	PORTER	Superior Court 1	15
64D02	PORTER	Superior Court 2	15
64D03	PORTER	Superior Court 3	35
64D04	PORTER	Superior Court 4	45
64D06	PORTER	Superior Court 6	15
65C01	POSEY	Circuit Court	30
65D01	POSEY	Superior Court	15
66C01	PULASKI	Circuit Court	30
66D01	PULASKI	Superior Court	15
67C01	PUTNAM	Circuit Court	25
67D01	PUTNAM	Superior Court	45
68C01	RANDOLPH	Circuit Court	15
68D01	RANDOLPH	Superior Court	15
69C01	RIPLEY	Circuit Court	15
69D01	RIPLEY	Superior Court	15
70C01	RUSH	Circuit Court	15
70D01	RUSH	Superior Court	15
71C01	ST. JOSEPH	Circuit Court	15
71D01	ST. JOSEPH	Superior Court 1	15
71D02	ST. JOSEPH	Superior Court 2	15
71D03	ST. JOSEPH	Superior Court 3	15
71D04	ST. JOSEPH	Superior Court 4	15
71D05	ST. JOSEPH	Superior Court 5	25
71D06	ST. JOSEPH	Superior Court 6	15
71D07	ST. JOSEPH	Superior Court 7	15
71D08	ST. JOSEPH	Superior Court 8	15
71J01	ST. JOSEPH	Probate Court	30
72C01	SCOTT	Circuit Court	45
72D01	SCOTT	Superior Court	20
73C01	SHELBY	Circuit Court	15
73D01	SHELBY	Superior Court 1	15
73D02	SHELBY	Superior Court 2	15
74C01	SPENCER	Circuit Court	45
75C01	STARKE	Circuit Court	15
76C01	STEUBEN	Circuit Court	15
76D01	STEUBEN	Superior Court	15
77C01	SULLIVAN	Circuit Court	15
77D01	SULLIVAN	Superior Court	15
78C01	SWITZERLAND	Circuit Court	15
79C01	TIPPECANOE	Circuit Court	30
79D01	TIPPECANOE	Superior Court 1	35
79D02	TIPPECANOE	Superior Court 2	35

79D03	TIPPECANOE	Superior Court 3	30
79D04	TIPPECANOE	Superior Court 4	45
79D05	TIPPECANOE	Superior Court 5	45
79D06	TIPPECANOE	Superior Court 6	45
80C01	TIPTON	Circuit Court	15
81C01	UNION	Circuit Court	15
82C01	VANDEBURGH	Circuit Court	45
82D01	VANDEBURGH	Superior Court 1	35
82D02	VANDEBURGH	Superior Court 2	45
82D03	VANDEBURGH	Superior Court 3	35
82D04	VANDEBURGH	Superior Court 4	45
82D05	VANDEBURGH	Superior Court 5	35
82D06	VANDEBURGH	Superior Court 6	35
82D07	VANDEBURGH	Superior Court 7	35
83C01	VERMILLION	Circuit Court	40
84C01/D03	VIGO	Circuit/Superior Court 3	45
84D01	VIGO	Superior Court 1	25
84D02	VIGO	Superior Court 2	30
84D04	VIGO	Superior Court 4	45
84D05	VIGO	Superior Court 5	25
84D06	VIGO	Superior Court 6	35
85C01	WABASH	Circuit Court	35
85D01	WABASH	Superior Court	50
86C01	WARREN	Circuit Court	15
87C01	WARRICK	Circuit Court	25
87D01	WARRICK	Superior Court 1	25
87D02	WARRICK	Superior Court 2	15
88C01	WASHINGTON	Circuit Court	15
88D01	WASHINGTON	Superior Court	25
89C01	WAYNE	Circuit Court	15
89D01	WAYNE	Superior Court 1	15
89D02	WAYNE	Superior Court 2	15
89D03	WAYNE	Superior Court 3	20
90C01	WELLS	Circuit Court	15
90D01	WELLS	Superior Court	15
91C01	WHITE	Circuit Court	30
91D01	WHITE	Superior Court	15
92C01	WHITLEY	Circuit Court	25
92D01	WHITLEY	Superior Court	15