In the Indiana Supreme Court

In the Matter of the Approval of Local Rules for Franklin County

Supreme Court Case No. 25S-MS-234



Order Approving Amended Local Rule

The Judges of the Franklin Circuit Courts request the approval of an amended local rule for caseload allocation in accordance with Administrative Rule 1(E). Attached to this Order is the proposed amended local rule.

Upon examination of the proposed rule amendments requested by the Franklin Circuit Courts, this Court finds that the proposed amendments to L.R.24-A.R.1(E)-5 comply with the requirements of Administrative Rule 1(E), and, accordingly, should be approved.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that amended Local Rule, L.R.24-A.R.1(E)-5, for the Franklin Circuit Courts, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective upon the date of this Order.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 9/5/2025

Loretta H. Rush

Chief Justice of Indiana

L.R.24-A.R.1 (E)-5 CASE ALLOCATIONS

- (A) Cases filed on or before July 1, 2007, or not already transferred under L.R.24-A.R.1 (E)-5, shall remain in the court of origin, unless otherwise Ordered.
- (B) Effective January 1, 2025, the limitation of filings will be in place without exception. The allocation of cases will be as follows:

CIRCUIT COURT 2

CRIMINAL: Felonies which include MR (murder), FA (class A felony), FB (class B felony), FC (Class C felony), Level 1 felony, Level 2 felony, Level 3 felony, Level 4 felony, MC (Miscellaneous Criminal), and misdemeanors in conjunction with Murder, or A, B, or C felonies, or Levels 1, 2, 3, or 4 felonies. All RF (Red Flag) case types.

CIVIL: PL (Civil Plenary), CC (Civil Collection), CT (Civil Tort), DR (Domestic Relations), RS (Reciprocal Support), MH (Mental Health), PO (Protective Orders), MF (Mortgage Foreclosure), AD (Adoption), MI (Miscellaneous), ES, EU, GU, TR (Probate), all RF (Red Flag) case types, EV-Eviction - Civil.

JUVENILE: JP (Juvenile Paternity), JD (Juvenile Delinquency), EM, GM, JS (Juvenile Status), JM (Juvenile Miscellaneous), JC (Juvenile CHINS), JT (Juvenile Termination), all RF (Red Flag) case types, JQ (Child Protection Order)
ALL CASES IN CONFLICT WITH *Circuit Court*

CIRCUIT COURT

CRIMINAL: Felonies which include FD (class D Felony), Level 6 felony, misdemeanors in conjunction with D felonies, misdemeanors in conjunction with Level 6 felonies, Level 5 felonies, CM (class A misdemeanors, class B misdemeanors, class C misdemeanors), IF (Infractions) OV (Ordinance Violations, and OE (Exempted Ordinance Violation.)

CIVIL: SC (Small Claims), CC (Civil Collection), CT (Civil Tort), DR (Domestic Relations), RS (Reciprocal Support), PO (Protective Orders), MF (Mortgage Foreclosure), MI (Miscellaneous), and EV (Eviction – Small Claims and Civil.) ALL CASES IN CONFLICT WITH *Circuit Court* 2

- (C) Assignment of cases, effective January 1, 2025, the Clerk of the Franklin Circuit Court shall perfect the following limitation of filings:
 - 1. (CC) Civil Collections, (MF) Mortgage Foreclosures, (CT) Civil Tort, (DR) Domestic Relations, (RS) Reciprocal Support, (MI) Miscellaneous, (EV) Civil Evictions, CE (Commercial Court Eligible), GV (Grandparent Visitation), and RA (Review of Administrative Decisions) shall be assigned on an alternating basis between the two divisions of the circuit for each category above listed.
 - 2. (PO) Protective Orders shall be assigned on an alternating basis between the two divisions of the circuit except that multiple cause numbers arising out of same or similar facts shall be assigned as a group before rotation to the next court.