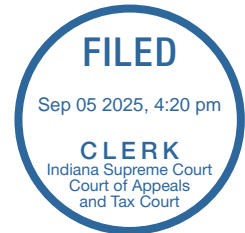


In the
Indiana Supreme Court

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

Supreme Court Case No.
25S-MS-235



Order Approving Amended Local Rule

The Judges of the Hancock Circuit and Superior 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 Hancock Circuit and Superior Courts, this Court finds that the proposed amendments to LR30-AR00-2 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, LR30-AR00-2, for the Hancock Circuit and Superior Courts, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective January 1, 2026.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Loretta H. Rush", is written over a horizontal line.

Loretta H. Rush
Chief Justice of Indiana

Plan Concepts

The Local Plan shall be premised upon a review and evaluation of:

1. Weighted Caseload Measures (WCLM) information for the courts;
2. Resources and needs of individual courts within the Circuit as well as available judicial resources,
3. Measures which would facilitate as well as impede implementation of the Plan; and,
4. Mechanics for the implementation of the Plan.

Judicial Circuit Plan

Case types shall be docketed in the courts of the Circuit only as indicated:

a. Circuit Court and Superior Court No. 1

MR, F1, F2, F3, F4, F5, MC, JD, JS, PL, CC, MF, CT, CE, DN, DC, RS, MH, AD, AH, EM, ES, EU, EV, GU, GM, GV, TR, MI, PO, RF, RA, and XP.

b. Superior Court No. 2

All F6, CM, JC, JM, JT, MC, IF, OV, SC

All cases filed in the civil docket of the Hancock Circuit and Superior Court No. 1 shall be filed on a random basis by the Clerk pursuant to a method approved by the courts, with the exception that a manual assignment will occur if there is a related case in another court.

The Judges of the Circuit and Superior Courts retain authority to reassign all types of cases between the courts whenever the workload of each court or convenience in the handling of cases makes case reassignment judicially prudent.