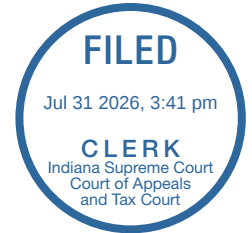


In the
Indiana Supreme Court

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

Supreme Court Case No.
26S-MS-255



Order Approving Amended Local Rule

The Judges of the Gibson 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 Gibson Circuit and Superior Courts, this Court finds that the proposed amendments to LR26-AR1-04 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, LR26-AR1-04, for the Gibson Circuit and Superior Courts, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective January 1, 2027.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 7/31/2026.

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

Loretta H. Rush

Chief Justice of Indiana

LR26-AR1-04 Case Allocation Plan

(See Indiana Administrative Rule 8 and Indiana Rule of Criminal Procedure 2.2)
Unless otherwise required by statute, the Clerk of Courts and the Prosecuting Attorney of Gibson County, to the extent applicable, shall file the following cases in the following Court:

Gibson Circuit Court 1.) One half of all Level 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 felonies, CM's, Murder (MR/DP/LWOP) and PC's, except in all cases alleging a violation of the Ind. Title 9 Traffic Code if the most serious charge is a violation of the Indiana Title 9 Traffic Code. 2.) Mental Health (MH) 3.) All Adoption or Adoption History Petitions (AD) 4.) All Estates and Trust (EU, ES, EM and TR) 5.) All Guardianships (GU and GM) 6.) One half of all family law matters (new filings and previously filed cases- DC, DN, DR, GV and RS) 7.) All juvenile matters (new filings and previously filed- JC, JT, JD, JM, JS, JQ and JP) 8.) All Protection Orders. 9.) One half of all RF causes.

Gibson Superior Court 1.) One half of all Level 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 felonies, CM's, Murder (MR/DP/LWOP) and PC's. 2.) All cases alleging a violation of the Ind. Title 9 Traffic Code if the most serious charge is a violation of the Title 9 Traffic Code. 3.) All Infractions (IF) 4.) All Local Ordinance and Exempted Ordinance Violations (OV and OE) 5.) All Small Claims (SC) 6.) All civil actions (CE, CP, CT, PL, CC, EV, MF, MI, RA, TP and TS) 7.) All Problem-Solving Referrals 8.) One half of all family law matters (new filings and previously filed cases- DC, DN, DR, GV and RS) 9.) One half of all RF causes.

Other Filings: 1) Expungement petitions (XP) filed under IND. CODE §35-38-9 shall be filed in the court where the conviction occurred or was filed if no conviction occurred. If the Petition for Expungement involves convictions in both Circuit and Superior Courts, the petition shall be filed in the court with the highest-level case. If a petition is filed under IND. CODE §35-38-9-1(a) (arrest with no charges ever having been filed), the Petition shall be filed in the Court which would have handled the most serious charge not filed. 2) All MI and MC causes may be filed in the court of choice.