

**BOARD OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT**  
**QUARTERLY REPORT**  
(For the period 4/1/2024 through 6/30/2024)

The number of complaints OPENED<sup>1</sup> this quarter is 137. Year to date the number is 293.

The number of complaints CLOSED this quarter is 143. Year to date the number is 260.

The DISPOSITION of the complaints closed this quarter is:

	YTD (Year to Date)
Dismissed, complaint about court ruling----	57
Dismissed, no jurisdiction -----	1
Dismissed, inadequate factual basis -----	68
Dismissal with warning -----	4
Dismissal after full investigation -----	0
Deferred discipline agreement -----	0
Private reprimand -----	0
Public reprimand -----	0
Other -----	10
Retired complaint, no longer a judge -----	0
Cease and Desist Order-----	0
Suspension -----	0
Recommendation of removal from office --	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>143</b>
	<b>260</b>

The number of complaints PENDING on the last day of this quarter is 69.

The number of complaints for which PROBABLE CAUSE WAS FOUND<sup>2</sup> this quarter is 0.  
The number year to date is 0.

The number of complaints for which FORMAL CHARGES WERE FILED this quarter is 0.  
The number year to date is 0.

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1. A single complaint naming several judges is counted as a separate complaint against each judge. A complaint whose allegations encompass more than one category is listed under the most serious category alleged. This Board came into existence on July 1, 2019. Therefore, there is no five-year statistical data to compare.

2.“Probable cause was found” means that Disciplinary Counsel and the investigative panel believe that there is evidence supporting the allegations against a judge and the investigative panel has authorized a full investigation pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 17-5-303 (c)(2).

The NATURE of the complaints filed and the TYPE OF JUDGE according to the following categories is:

<b>A) Failure to comply with the law:</b>		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	11	23
Circuit -----	31	61
Chancery -----	9	18
General Sessions -----	18	31
Juvenile -----	3	6
Magistrate and Referee-----	5	10
Municipal -----	1	2
Commissioner -----	2	3
Probate -----	1	2
Appellate Court -----	9	18
Senior and Retired -----	1	2
Other -----	0	0 (Non-judge, deceased judge, judge from another
TOTAL	91	176 state, etc.)

<b>B) Bias, prejudice and unfairness:</b>		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	5	9
Circuit -----	1	11
Chancery -----	0	5
General Sessions -----	7	11
Juvenile -----	1	1
Magistrate and Referee-----	3	7
Municipal -----	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	0
Appellate Court -----	0	3
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	0	1
TOTAL	17	48

<b>C) Discourtesy:</b>		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	3	5
Circuit -----	3	4
Chancery -----	1	2
General Sessions -----	3	5
Juvenile -----	3	6
Magistrate and Referee----	1	1
Municipal -----	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	0
Appellate Court -----	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	14	23

<b>D) Abuse of office:</b>		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	1	1
Circuit -----	0	0
Chancery -----	0	0
General Sessions -----	0	0
Juvenile -----	0	0
Magistrate and Referee----	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	0
Appellate Court -----	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	1	1

<b>E) Delay:</b>		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	2	7
Circuit -----	0	2
Chancery -----	0	0
General Sessions -----	0	0
Juvenile -----	0	0
Magistrate and Referee----	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	0
Appellate Court -----	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
TOTAL	2	9

<b>F) <i>Ex parte</i> communications:</b>		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	0	1
Circuit -----	0	0
Chancery -----	0	0
General Sessions -----	0	0
Juvenile -----	0	1
Magistrate and Referee----	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	0
Appellate Court -----	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	0	0
TOTAL	0	2

<b>G) Disability:</b>		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	0	0
Circuit -----	0	1
Chancery -----	0	0
General Sessions -----	0	0
Juvenile -----	0	0
Magistrate and Referee----	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	0
Appellate Court -----	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	0	0
TOTAL	0	1

<b>H) Political violation:</b>		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	0	0
Circuit -----	3	3
Chancery -----	0	0
General Sessions -----	0	0
Juvenile -----	0	0
Magistrate and Referee----	0	0
Municipal -----	0	2
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	0
Appellate Court -----	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	0	1
TOTAL	3	6

<b>D) Recusal:</b>		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	1	2
Circuit -----	6	12
Chancery -----	0	2
General Sessions -----	4	8
Juvenile -----	1	2
Magistrate and Referee-----	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	2
Appellate Court -----	3	3
Senior and Retired -----	3	6
Other -----	0	0
TOTAL	18	37

<b>J) Miscellaneous:</b>		<u>YTD</u>
Criminal -----	0	0
Circuit -----	0	0
Chancery -----	0	0
General Sessions -----	0	0
Juvenile -----	0	0
Magistrate and Referee-----	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0
Probate -----	0	0
Appellate Court -----	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0
Other -----	0	0
TOTAL	0	0

## Member Voting

	D	FI	D(YTD)	FI(YTD)
Hon. Jeffrey Atherton	16	0	20	1
Hon. H. Allen Bray	41	0	65	1
Hon. Tony Childress	24	0	38	0
Hon. Valerie Smith	41	0	65	0
Edwena Crowe	41	0	65	0
Rodney Brown	28	0	34	0
William Koch Jr	62	0	83	1
Hon. Camille McMullen	24	0	38	0
Bishop Edward Stephens	28	0	36	0
Benjamin Purser Jr	62	0	83	1
C. Ashley Johnson	16	0	20	0
Dan Springer	62	0	83	1
Terica Smith	24	0	38	0
Hon. John Whitworth	28	0	36	0
Robert Wilkinson	16	0	20	1

D= Dismissals

FI= Full Investigations

Respectfully submitted,



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