

**BOARD OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT**  
**QUARTERLY REPORT**  
(For the period 7/1/2024 through 9/30/2024)

The number of complaints OPENED<sup>1</sup> this quarter is 166. Year to date the number is 459.

The number of complaints CLOSED this quarter is 161. Year to date the number is 421.

The DISPOSITION of the complaints closed this quarter is:

	QRT	YTD	FY 19-20	FY 20-21	FY 21-22	FY 22-23	FY 23-24
Dismissed, complaint about court ruling----	69	168	204	176	199	141	164
Dismissed, no jurisdiction -----	9	14	23	0	4	43	10
Dismissed, inadequate factual basis -----	54	162	134	119	147	145	186
Dismissal with warning -----	2	7	6	11	12	5	10
Dismissal after full investigation -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deferred discipline agreement -----	0	2	0	3	1	0	2
Private reprimand -----	1	2	6	5	3	2	2
Public reprimand -----	0	8	0	3	4	6	17
Other -----	26	54	15	30	8	36	58
Retired complaint, no longer a judge -----	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Cease and Desist Order-----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suspension -----	0	1	0	0	2	1	2
Recommendation of removal from office --	0	3	0	0	0	0	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>382</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>454</b>

The number of complaints PENDING on the last day of this quarter is 93.

The number of complaints for which PROBABLE CAUSE WAS FOUND<sup>2</sup> this quarter is 2.  
The number year to date is 12.

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.

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>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>	<u>FY 21-22</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>	
Criminal -----	13	36	75	45	67	44	51
Circuit -----	12	73	70	50	51	77	68
Chancery -----	5	23	11	23	18	9	32
General Sessions -----	17	48	57	48	78	61	74
Juvenile -----	10	16	14	7	19	14	15
Magistrate and Referee-----	4	14	5	6	5	24	19
Municipal -----	0	2	3	1	5	10	6
Commissioner -----	1	4	3	2	10	3	5
Probate -----	0	2	5	4	3	5	2
Appellate and Supreme --	0	18	3	3	10	7	18
Senior and Retired -----	2	4	5	7	8	12	5
Other(Non-judge, deceased, etc.)-----	3	3	8	10	2	2	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>259</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>296</b>

<b>B) Bias, prejudice and unfairness:</b>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>	<u>FY 21-22</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>	
Criminal -----	20	29	20	16	14	11	21
Circuit -----	18	29	22	14	19	8	18
Chancery -----	5	10	6	6	4	6	5
General Sessions -----	24	35	17	10	19	8	15
Juvenile -----	5	6	6	0	5	3	4
Magistrate and Referee-----	0	7	0	2	3	5	6
Municipal -----	2	2	0	1	5	3	0
Commissioner -----	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Probate -----	0	0	1	0	0	3	0
Appellate and Supreme --	0	3	0	0	0	0	6
Senior and Retired -----	0	0	1	1	1	0	2
Other -----	0	1	9	2	0	0	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>78</b>

<b>C) Discourtesy:</b>		<u>YTD</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>	<u>FY 21-22</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>
Criminal -----	1	6	1	1	2	6	6
Circuit -----	4	8	2	2	4	7	9
Chancery -----	1	3	0	0	2	2	6
General Sessions -----	2	7	5	12	8	7	11
Juvenile -----	0	6	1	2	2	1	7
Magistrate and Referee-----	0	1	0	2	0	1	2
Municipal -----	1	1	0	0	0	2	1
Commissioner -----	0	0	0	0	2	0	0
Probate -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Appellate and Supreme	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other -----	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>44</b>

<b>D) Abuse of office:</b>		<u>YTD</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>	<u>FY 21-22</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>
Criminal -----	0	1	1	1	2	1	1
Circuit -----	1	1	2	9	3	0	0
Chancery -----	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
General Sessions -----	1	1	2	10	2	0	0
Juvenile -----	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Magistrate and Referee-----	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Probate -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Appellate and Supreme --	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Other -----	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

<b>E) Delay:</b>		<u>YTD</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>	<u>FY 21-22</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>
Criminal -----	0	7	9	11	5	1	13
Circuit -----	0	2	3	2	2	5	8
Chancery -----	1	1	1	1	0	0	1
General Sessions -----	1	1	2	3	0	5	5
Juvenile -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Magistrate and Referee-----	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Probate -----	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Appellate and Supreme --	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other -----	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>27</b>

<b>F) Ex parte communications:</b>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>	<u>FY 21-22</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>	
Criminal -----	0	1	0	4	2	0	2
Circuit -----	1	1	0	0	1	4	4
Chancery -----	2	2	0	2	3	1	0
General Sessions -----	0	0	0	1	1	1	0
Juvenile -----	0	1	1	0	0	0	1
Magistrate and Referee----	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Probate -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Appellate and Supreme --	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>

<b>G) Disability:</b>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>	<u>FY 21-22</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>
Criminal -----	0	0	0	0	0	2
Circuit -----	0	1	0	0	0	1
Chancery -----	0	0	2	2	0	0
General Sessions -----	0	0	1	1	3	0
Juvenile -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Magistrate and Referee----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Probate -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Appellate and Supreme --	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>

<b>H) Political violation:</b>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>	<u>FY 21-22</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>
Criminal -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Circuit -----	0	3	1	0	1	0
Chancery -----	0	0	0	0	0	1
General Sessions -----	0	0	0	1	1	1
Juvenile -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Magistrate and Referee----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Municipal -----	0	2	1	0	1	0
Commissioner -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Probate -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Appellate and Supreme --	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other (Candidate)-----	0	1	1	1	11	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>

<b>I) Recusal:</b>		<u>YTD</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>	<u>FY 21-22</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>
Criminal -----	1	3	3	5	1	5	4
Circuit -----	2	14	3	0	3	2	12
Chancery -----	0	2	0	0	0	3	3
General Sessions -----	1	9	1	2	5	4	9
Juvenile -----	0	2	1	0	0	1	1
Magistrate and Referee-----	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Probate -----	0	2	0	0	0	0	4
Appellate and Supreme --	0	3	1	0	0	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	6	0	0	0	1	4
Other -----	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>37</b>

<b>J) Miscellaneous:</b>		<u>YTD</u>	<u>FY 19-20</u>	<u>FY 20-21</u>	<u>FY 21-22</u>	<u>FY 22-23</u>	<u>FY 23-24</u>
Criminal -----	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Circuit -----	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
Chancery -----	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
General Sessions -----	1	1	0	0	2	0	0
Juvenile -----	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Magistrate and Referee-----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Municipal -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Commissioner -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Probate -----	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Appellate and Supreme --	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Senior and Retired -----	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Other -----	1	1	5	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>

## Member Voting

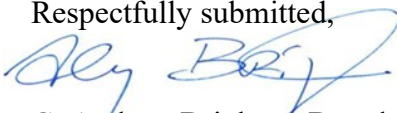
	D	FI	D (YTD)	FI (YTD)
Hon. Jeffrey Atherton	20	1	44	4
Hon. H. Allen Bray	39	0	103	0
Hon. Tony Childress	31	1	67	1
Hon. Valerie Smith	39	0	104	0
Edwena Crowe	32	0	93	0
Rodney Brown	20	0	60	0
William Koch Jr	28	0	105	7
Hon. Camille McMullen	25	1	60	1
Bishop Edward Stephens	20	0	61	0
Benjamin Purser Jr	28	0	105	7
C. Ashley Johnson	19	1	42	9
Dan Springer	29	0	107	1
Terica Smith	25	1	61	1
Hon. John Whitworth	19	0	59	0
Robert Wilkinson	19	1	42	4

Andy Brigham FI (1)

D= Dismissals

FI= Full Investigations

Respectfully submitted,



G. Andrew Brigham, Board Chair  
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