WISCONSIN COURT STRUCTURE, 2004

SUPREME COURT

7 justices sit en banc

CSP case types:
- No mandatory jurisdiction.
- Discretionary jurisdiction in civil, criminal, administrative agency, disciplinary, certified questions from federal courts, original proceeding, juvenile cases.

Court of last resort

COURT OF APPEALS (4 districts)

16 judges (two 4-judge districts, one 3-judge district, one 5-judge district)

CSP case types:
- Mandatory jurisdiction in civil, criminal, administrative agency, juvenile cases.
- Discretionary jurisdiction in interlocutory decision cases.

Intermediate appellate court

CIRCUIT COURT (69 circuits/72 counties) **A**

241 judges

CSP case types:
- Exclusive civil jurisdiction (including civil appeals). Small claims jurisdiction ($5,000).
- Exclusive domestic relations jurisdiction.
- DWI/DUI. Exclusive felony, misdemeanor jurisdiction.
- Contested moving traffic, parking, miscellaneous traffic. Ordinance violations if no municipal court.
- Exclusive juvenile jurisdiction.

Jury trials in most cases.

Court of general jurisdiction

MUNICIPAL COURT (224 courts)

226 judges

CSP case types:
- DWI/DUI (first offense).
- Traffic/other violation.

No jury trials.

Courts of limited jurisdiction