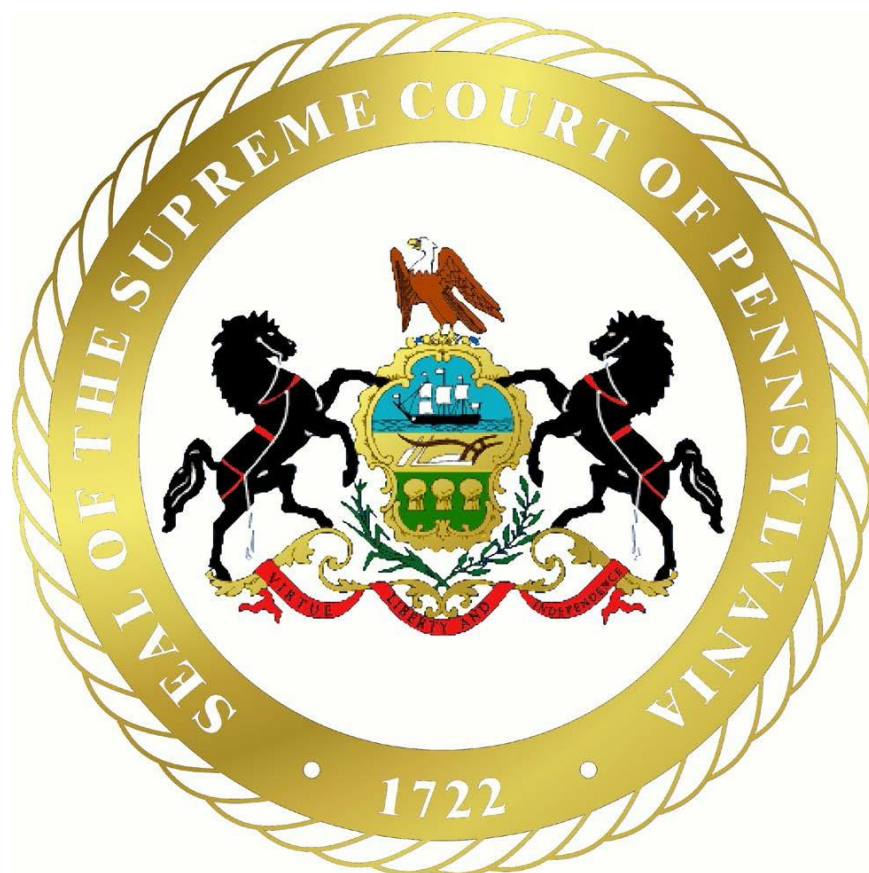




Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

2025

ANNUAL REPORT OF STATISTICS





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Summary

This annual report is an overview of the various dockets and filings of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania in 2025. Highlighted in this report are the following dockets or filings:

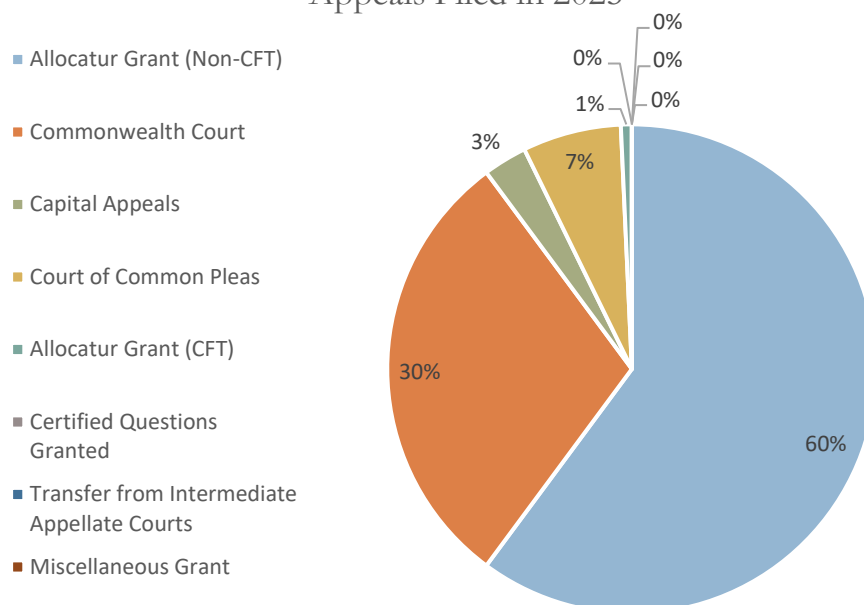
- ❖ **Appeal Docket (Pages 4-7):** This docket includes direct appeals filed to this Court and granted allocaturs. In 2025, 138 appeals were filed and the Court disposed of 172.
- ❖ **Allocatur Docket (Pages 8-11):** This docket concerns petitions seeking discretionary review of the decisions of the intermediate appellate courts. In 2025, 1,529 petitions for allowance of appeal were filed and the Court disposed of 1,473.
- ❖ **Miscellaneous Docket (Pages 12-17):** This docket includes original jurisdiction matters before this Court pursuant to 42 Pa.C.S. § 721, King’s Bench review or applications for extraordinary jurisdiction, and petitions for review. In 2025, 436 miscellaneous docket petitions were filed and the Court disposed of 425.
- ❖ **Ancillary Filings (Pages 18-19):** Ancillary filings are applications filed on an active docket seeking relief separate from the requested relief on the merits (e.g., an extension of time to file a brief). In 2025, 2,407 ancillary applications were filed and the Court disposed of 2,429.
- ❖ **Disciplinary Docket (Page 20):** Includes disciplinary matters adjudicated by this Court.

Please refer to the below key for abbreviations used throughout this report.

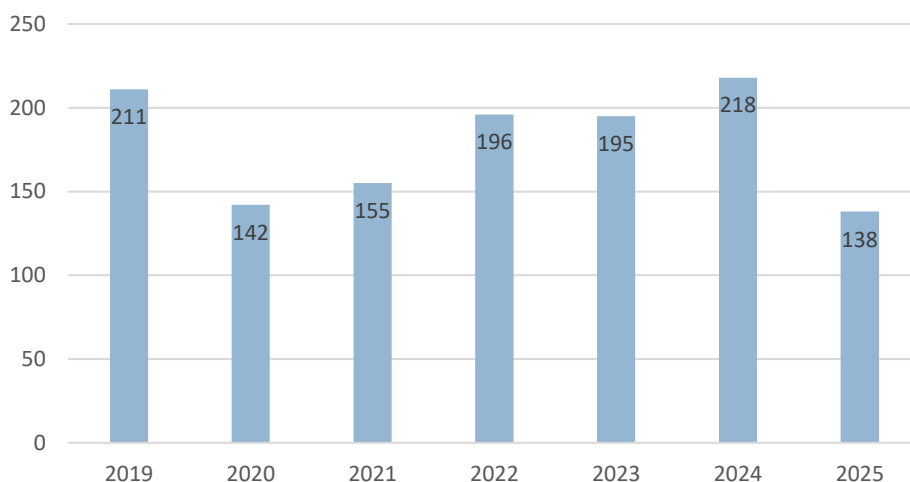
Abbreviation	Explanation
“CFI”	Children’s Fast Track
“Non-CFI”	A standard filing that is not proceeding on the Children’s Fast Track
“PAA”	Petition for Allowance of Appeal
“Misc.”	Refers to a Miscellaneous Docket filing



Appeals Filed in 2025



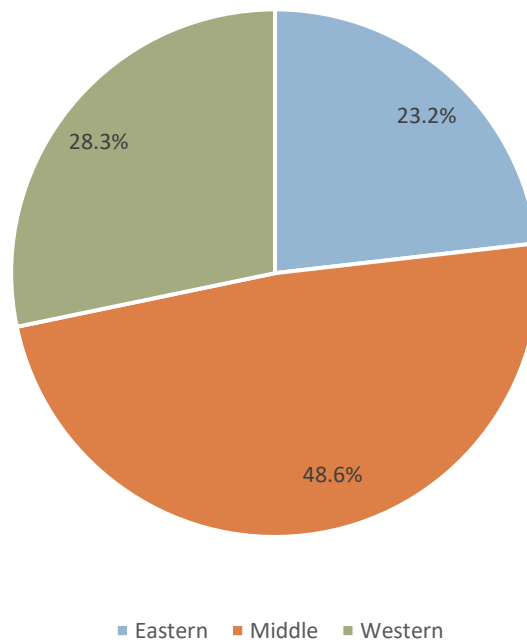
Total Appeals Filed Per Year



Initiation Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Allocatur Grant (Non-CFT)	99	80	88	87	109	125	83
Commonwealth Court	69	52	49	89	67	57	41
Capital Appeals	14	5	2	10	8	6	4
Court of Common Pleas	13	1	0	1	5	5	9
Allocatur Grant (CFT)	11	1	7	4	3	18	1
Certified Questions Granted	1	2	1	1	2	1	0
Transfer from Intermediate Appellate Courts	4	1	8	4	1	3	0
Miscellaneous Grant	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Court of Judicial Discipline	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Total Appeals Filed by Year	211	142	155	196	195	218	138



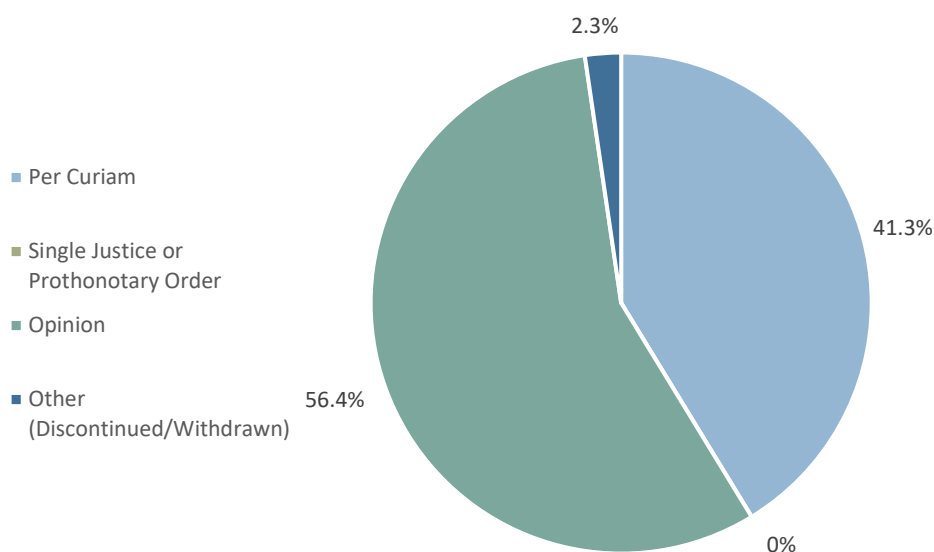
Appeals Filed by District in 2025



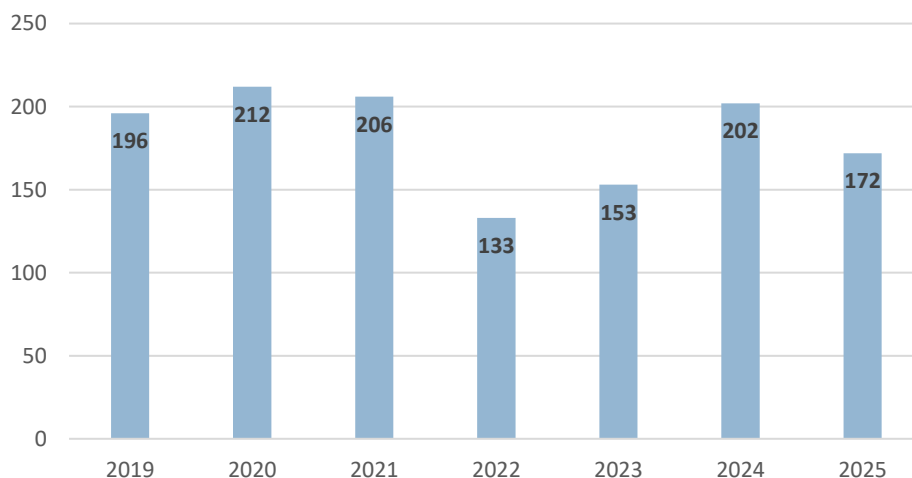
District	Total Appeals Filed
Eastern	32
Middle	67
Western	39
Total in all Districts:	138



Appeals Adjudicated in 2025



Total Appeals Adjudicated Per Year

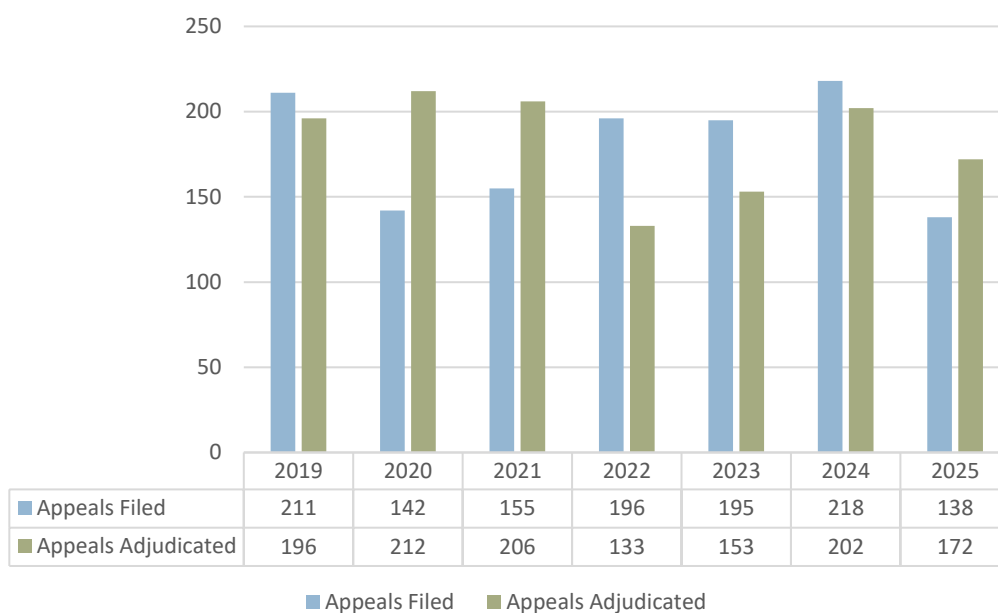


Disposition Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Per Curiam	66	73	61	58	58	83	71
Single Justice or Prothonotary Order	2	4	1	0	3	0	0
Opinion*	120	124	134	64	86	115	97
Other (Discontinued/Withdrawn)	8	11	10	11	6	4	4
Total	196	212	206	133	153	202	172

*This number reflects the total number of cases disposed of by opinion; it is not a reflection of the total number of individual decisions published. The discrepancy exists because some cases are consolidated for the purpose of a decision.

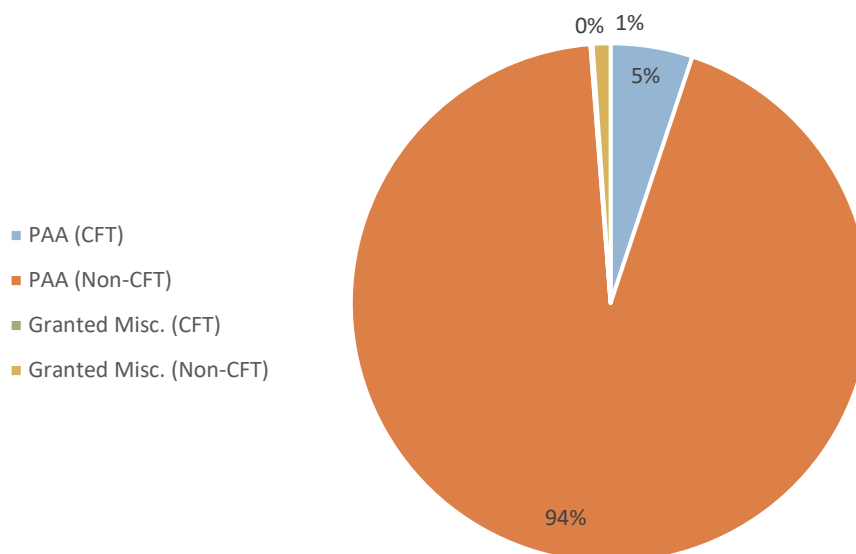


Comparison of Appeals Filed and Appeals Adjudicated
Yearly



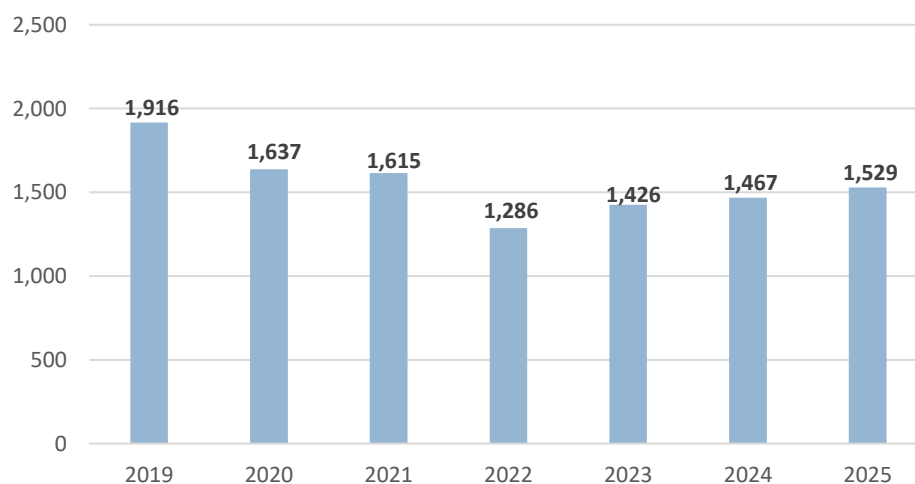


Allocaturs Filed in 2025



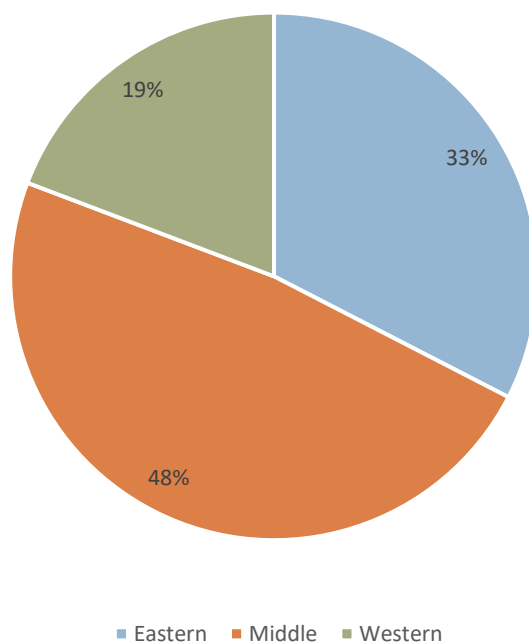
Initiating Type	Total in 2025
PAA (CFT)	78
PAA (Non-CFT)	1,432
Granted Misc. (CFT)	2
Granted Misc. (Non-CFT)	17
Total Allocaturs	1,529

Total Allocaturs Filed by Year





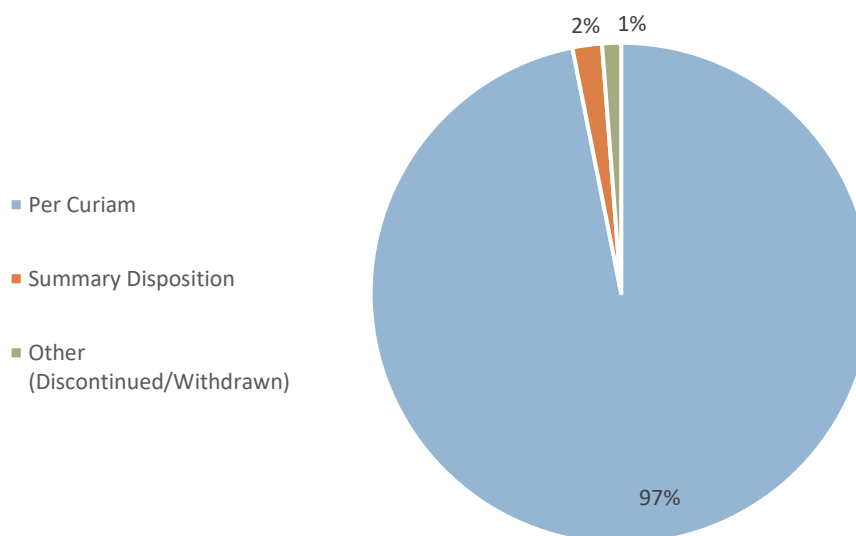
Allocaturs Filed by District in 2025



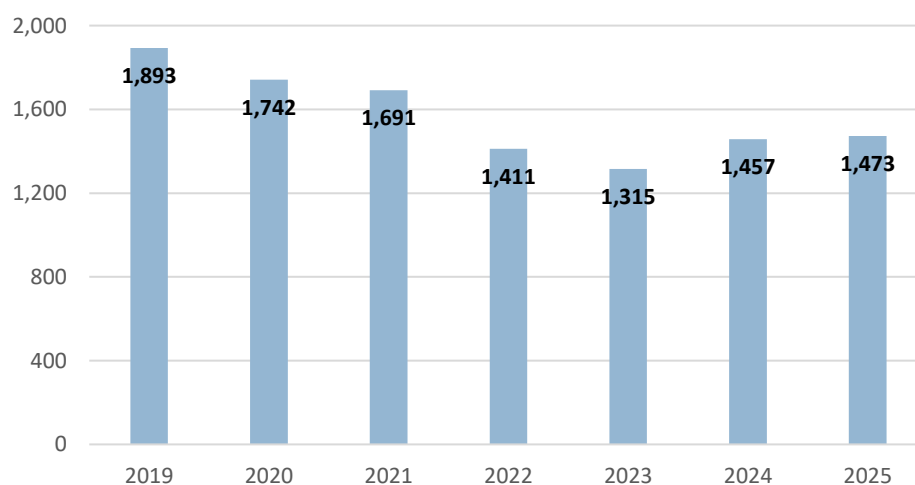
District	Total Allocaturs Filed
Eastern	498
Middle	737
Western	294
Total in all Districts:	1,529



Allocaturs Adjudicated in 2025



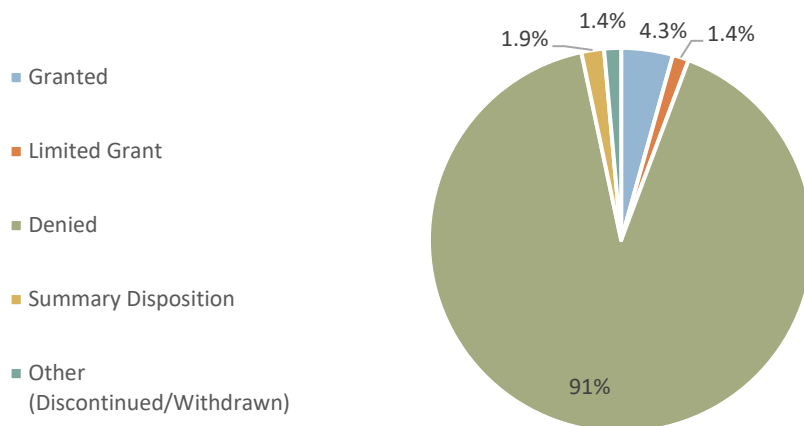
Total Allocaturs Adjudicated Per Year



Disposition Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Per Curiam	1,838	1,704	1,632	1,374	1,267	1,408	1,427
Summary Disposition	36	17	23	16	28	30	28
Other (Discontinued/Withdrawn)	19	21	36	21	20	19	18
Total	1,893	1,742	1,691	1,411	1,315	1,457	1,473

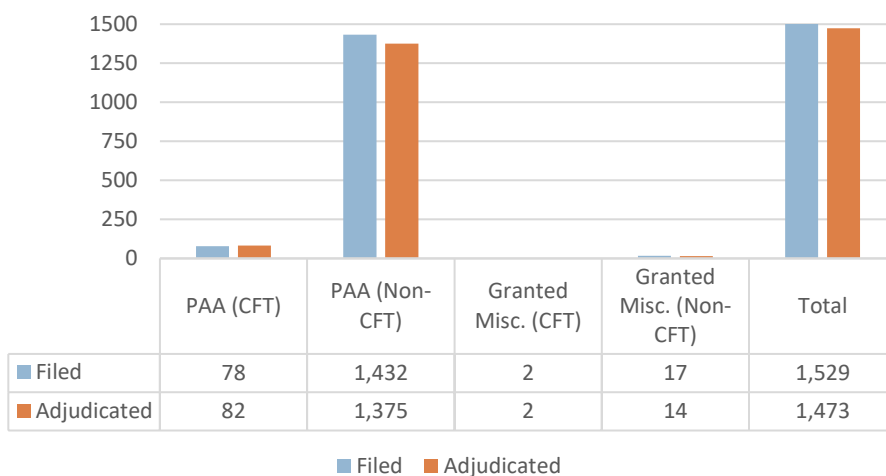


Allocatur Dispositions in 2025



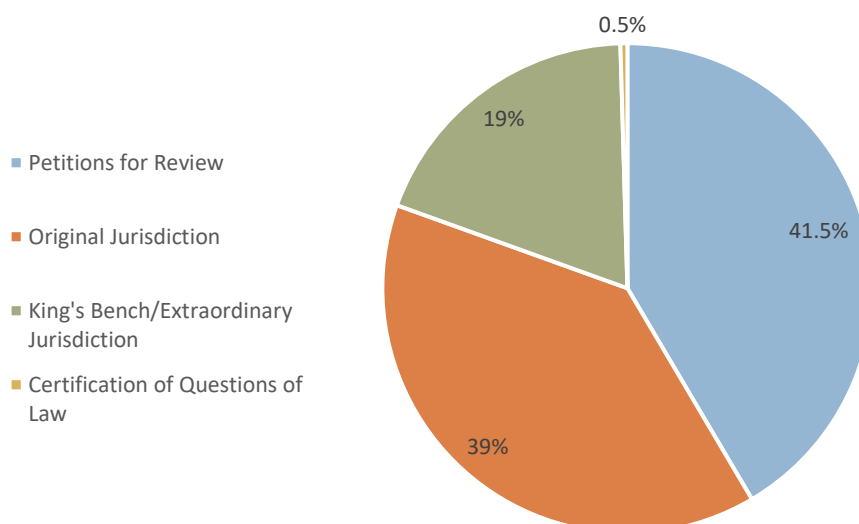
Disposition	Total
Granted	64
Limited Grant	20
Denied	1,340
Summary Disposition	28
Other (Discontinued/Withdrawn)	21
Total Dispositions in 2025	1,473

Comparison of Allocaturs Filed and Adjudicated

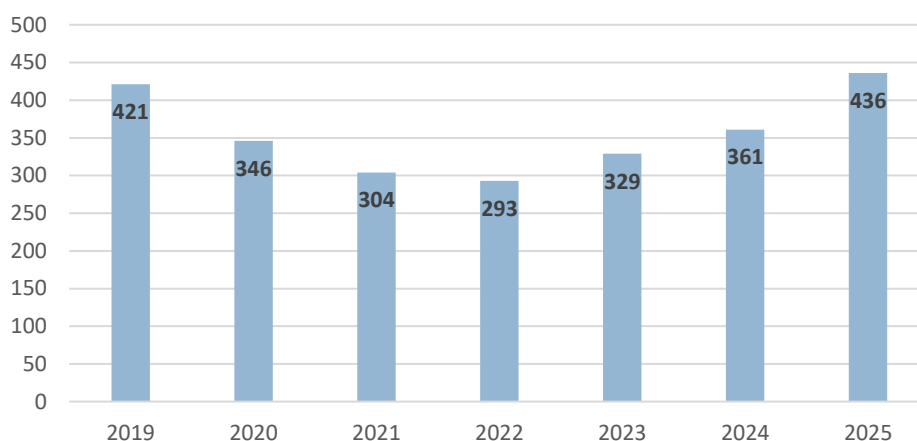




Miscellaneous Docket Petitions Filed in 2025



Total of Miscellaneous Docket Petitions Filed by Year

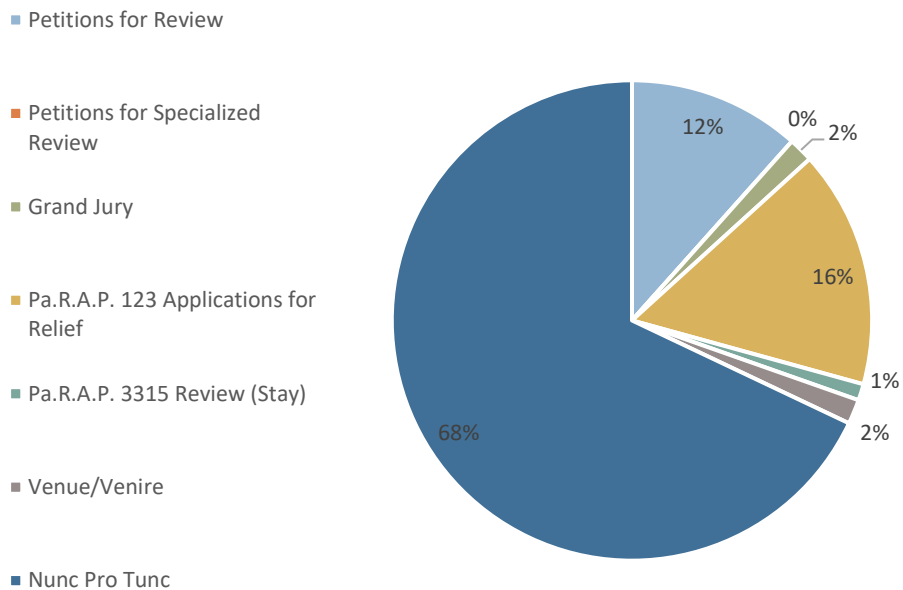


Miscellaneous Docket Petition Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
■ Petitions for Review*	198	168	149	139	152	159	181
■ Original Jurisdiction	151	102	116	107	127	127	170
■ King's Bench/Extraordinary Jurisdiction	71	74	38	46	48	73	83
■ Certification of Questions of Law	1	2	1	1	2	2	2
Total	421	346	304	293	329	361	436

*Petitions for Review are comprised of a variety of filings. The filing types are illustrated on page 13.



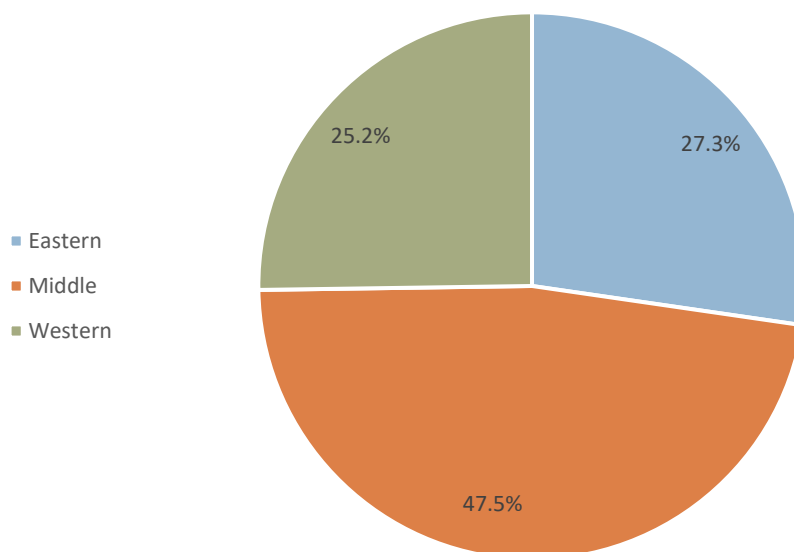
Petitions for Review by Type Filed in 2025



Petition for Review Type	Total Filings
Petitions for Review	21
Petitions for Specialized Review	0
Grand Jury	3
Pa.R.A.P. 123 Applications for Relief	29
Pa.R.A.P. 3315 Review (Stay)	2
Venue/Venire	3
Nunc Pro Tunc	123
Petition for Review Total	181



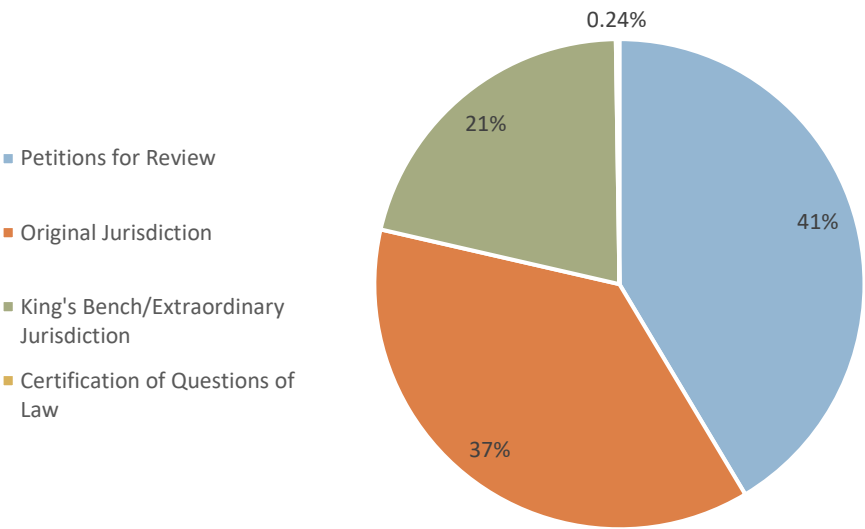
Total Miscellaneous Docket Petitions Filed by District



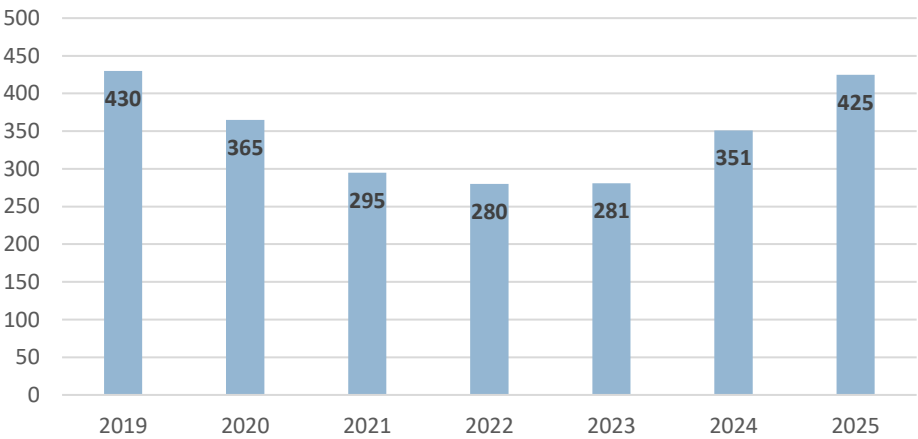
District	Total Misc. Docket Petitions Filed
Eastern	119
Middle	207
Western	110
Total	436



Miscellaneous Docket Petitions Adjudicated in 2025



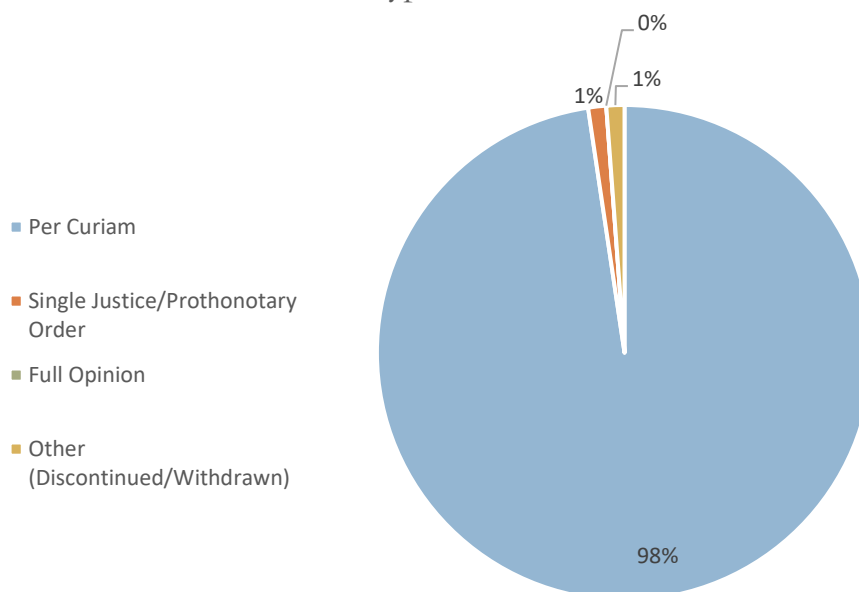
Total Miscellaneous Docket Petitions Adjudications Per Year



Miscellaneous Docket Petition Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Petitions for Review	208	167	143	132	134	159	176
Original Jurisdiction	155	111	119	102	110	117	158
King's Bench/Extraordinary Jurisdiction	66	85	32	45	35	74	90
Certification of Questions of Law	1	2	1	1	2	1	1
Total	430	365	295	280	281	351	425



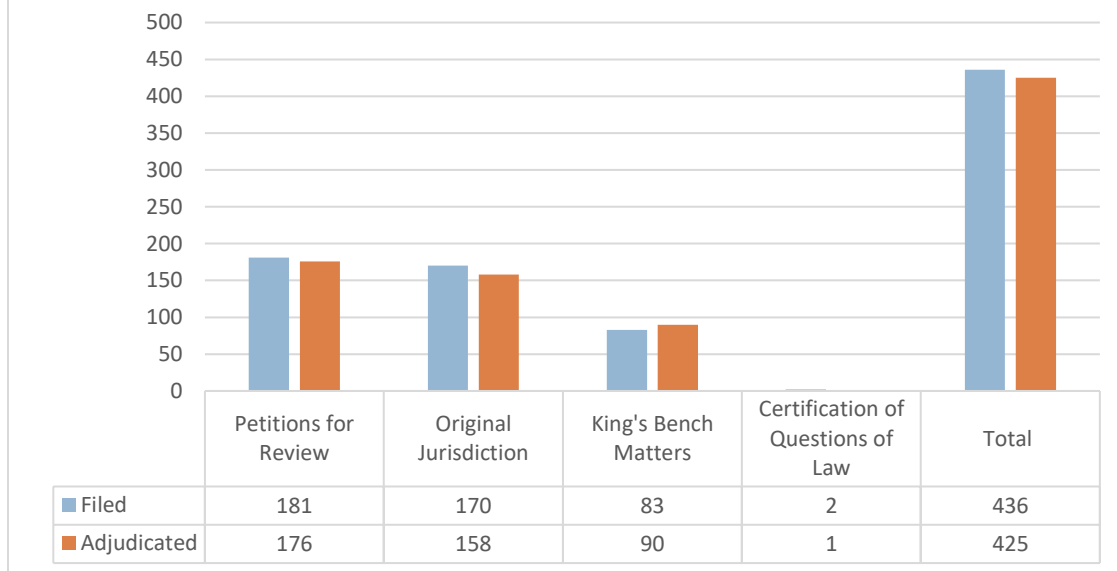
Miscellaneous Docket Adjudications by Disposition Type in 2025



Disposition Type	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Per Curiam	416	341	288	274	272	337	415
Single Justice/Prothonotary Order	6	7	2	1	5	7	5
Full Opinion	3	6	1	1	0	3	0
Other (Discontinued/Withdrawn)	5	11	4	4	4	4	5
Total	430	365	295	280	281	351	425

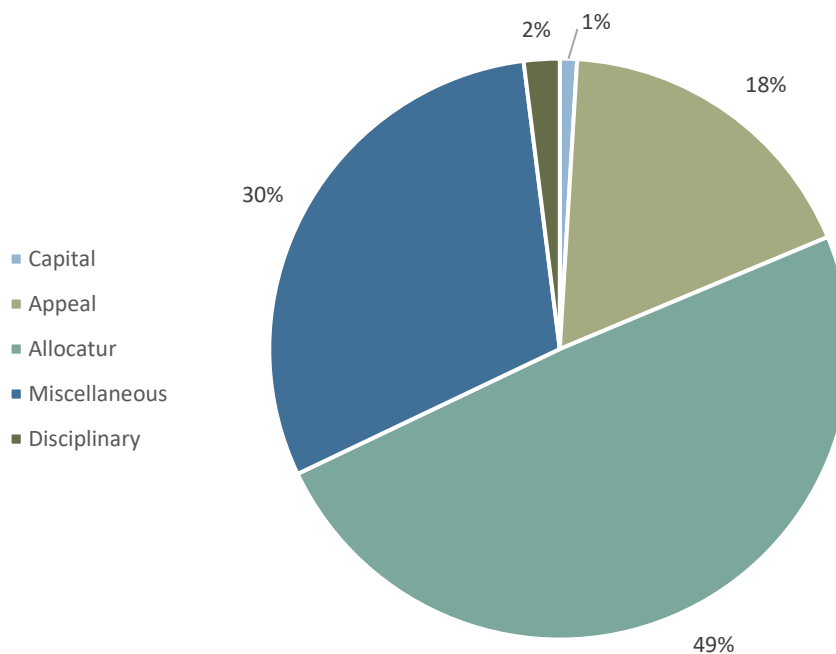


Comparison of Miscellaneous Docket Petitions Filed and
Adjudicated in 2025

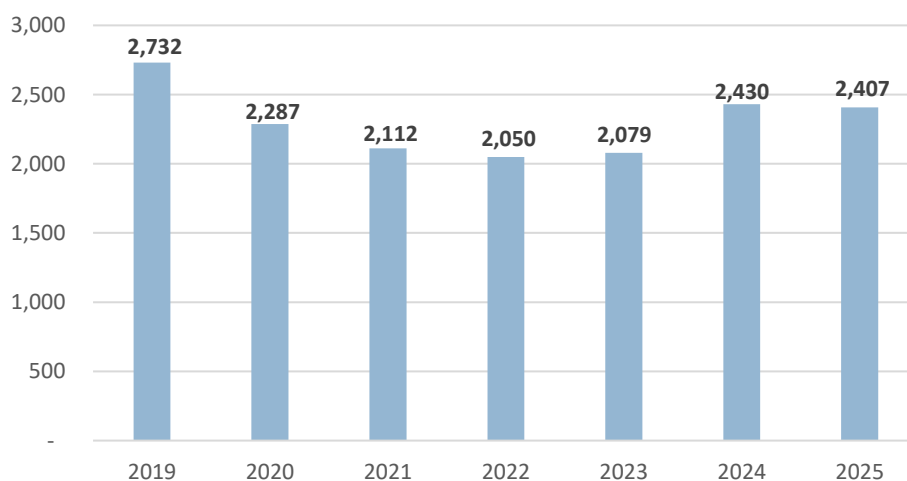




Ancillary Filings by Docket in 2025



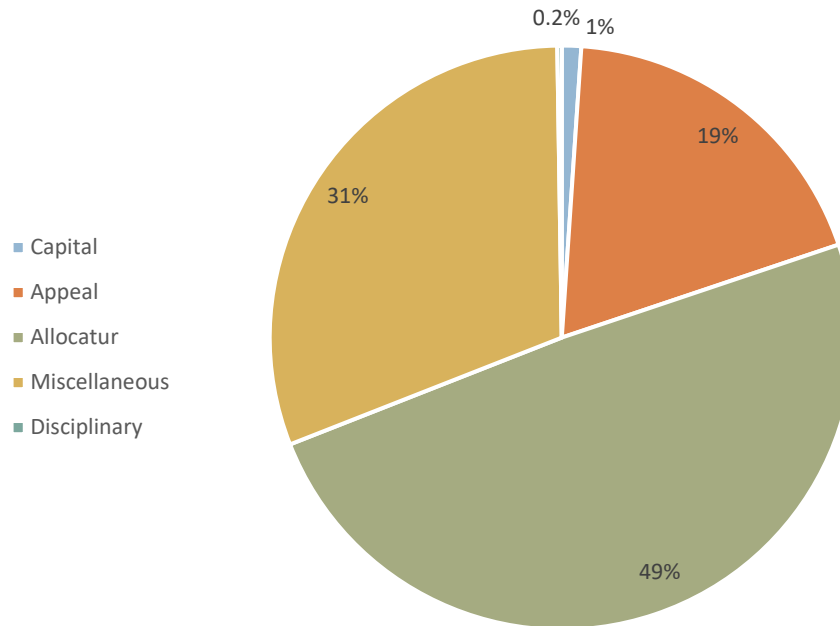
Total Ancillary Filings by Year



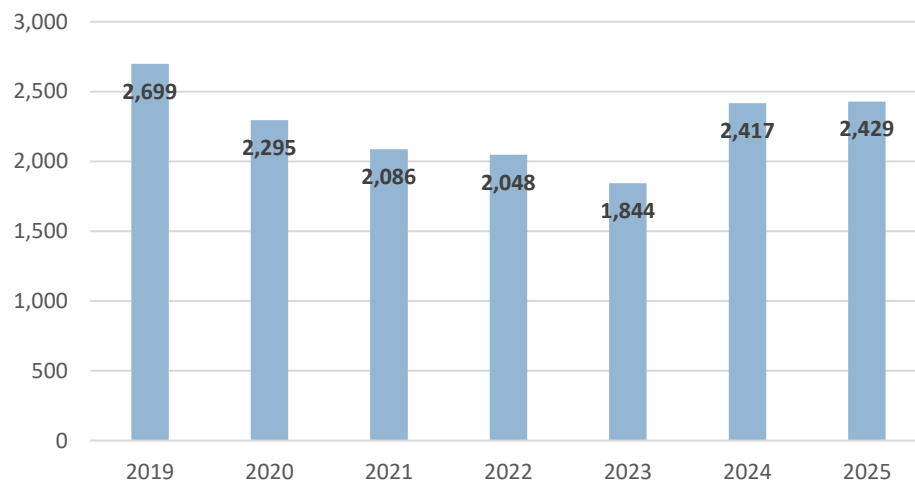
Docket	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Capital	91	66	34	32	56	56	23
Appeal	632	450	395	584	472	738	427
Allocatur	1,372	1,210	1,169	875	1,018	1,038	1,185
Miscellaneous	580	512	468	505	479	542	724
Disciplinary	57	49	46	54	54	56	48
Total Ancillary Filings	2,732	2,287	2,112	2,050	2,079	2,430	2,407



Ancillary Filings Adjudicated in 2025



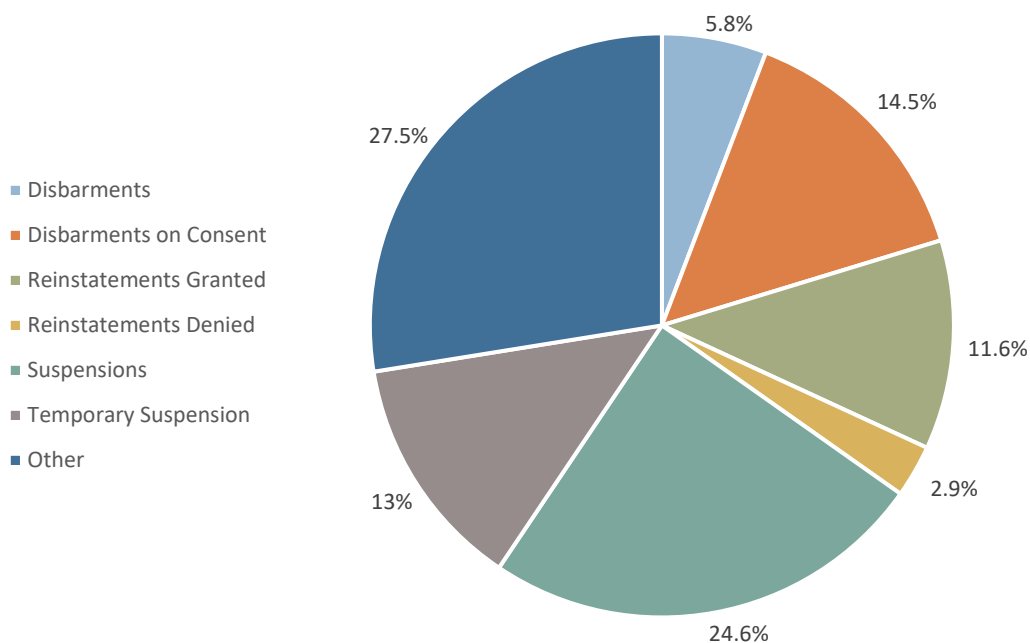
Total Ancillary Adjudications Per Year



Docket	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Capital	92	68	37	29	56	56	26
Appeal	621	456	404	561	406	725	456
Allocatur	1,350	1,193	1,136	920	941	1,034	1,195
Miscellaneous	587	529	462	494	396	546	746
Disciplinary	49	49	47	44	45	56	6
Total Adjudicated	2,699	2,295	2,086	2,048	1,844	2,417	2,429



Disciplinary Docket Matters Adjudicated in 2025



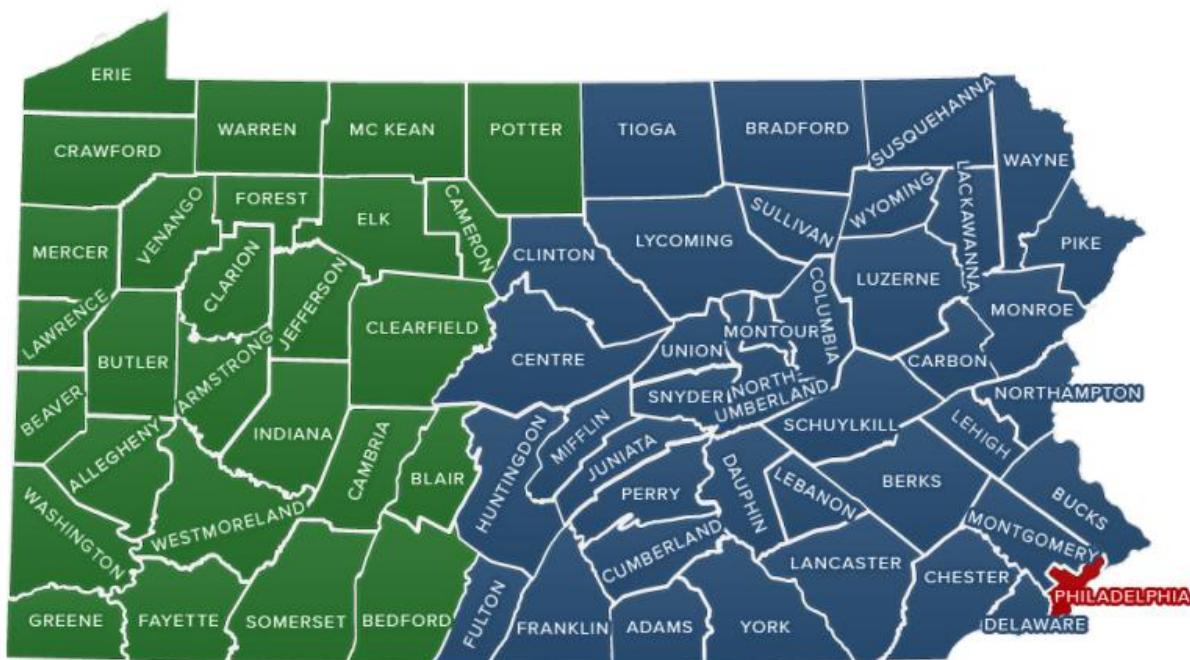
Disciplinary Matter	Total Adjudicated
Disbarments	4
Disbarments on Consent	10
Reinstatements Granted	8
Reinstatements Denied	2
Suspensions	17
Temporary Suspension	9
Other*	19
Total**	69

*Other orders entered included designating attorneys as inactive, discharging disciplinary actions, granting requests under Rule of Disciplinary Enforcement 213, and orders denying joint petitions.

**Sixty-nine disciplinary matters were adjudicated, with sixty-eight being resolved through a *per curiam* order and one through a full opinion.



Composition of Districts



Western District

Pittsburgh Office

Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Bedford, Blair, Butler, Cambria, Cameron, Clarion, Clearfield, Crawford, Elk, Erie, Fayette, Forest, Greene, Indiana, Jefferson, Lawrence, McKean, Mercer, Potter, Somerset, Venango, Warren, Washington, Westmoreland

Middle District

Harrisburg Office

Adams, Berks, Bradford, Bucks, Carbon, Centre, Chester, Clinton, Columbia, Cumberland, Dauphin, Delaware, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata, Lackawanna, Lancaster, Lebanon, Lehigh, Luzerne, Lycoming, Mifflin, Montgomery, Montour, Monroe, Northampton, Northumberland, Perry, Pike, Schuylkill, Snyder, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Tioga, Union, Wayne, Wyoming, York

Eastern District

Philadelphia Office

Philadelphia

****Regardless of county, all capital cases must be filed in the Eastern District.***

*The map featured above is available online at:

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