

Order

Michigan Supreme Court
Lansing, Michigan

November 14, 2025

Megan K. Cavanagh,
Chief Justice

ADM File No. 2025-31

Brian K. Zahra
Richard H. Bernstein
Elizabeth M. Welch
Kyra H. Bolden
Kimberly A. Thomas
Noah P. Hood,
Justices

APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF JUDGES OF MICHIGAN COURTS

Pursuant to MCR 7.201, IT IS ORDERED that the Honorable Michael F. Gadola is appointed as chief judge of the Court of Appeals for the two-year period commencing January 1, 2026.

Pursuant to MCR 8.110, IT IS ORDERED that the following judges are appointed as chief judges of the courts indicated for the two-year period commencing January 1, 2026, except as otherwise indicated.

Alcona, Arenac, Iosco, and Oscoda Counties Honorable Richard E. Vollbach, Jr.
23rd Circuit Court
Alcona County Probate Court
Arenac County Probate Court
Iosco County Probate Court
Oscoda County Probate Court
81st District Court

Alger, Luce, Mackinac, and Schoolcraft Counties Honorable Beth A. Gibson
11th Circuit Court
Alger/Schoolcraft Probate District 5
Luce/Mackinac Probate District 6
92nd District Court
93rd District Court

Allegan County
48th Circuit Court Honorable Matthew W. Antkowiak
Allegan County Probate Court Honorable Jolene A. Clearwater
57th District Court Honorable Joseph S. Skocelas

Alpena and Montmorency Counties Honorable Keith E. Black
26th Circuit Court
Alpena County Probate Court
Montmorency County Probate Court
88th District Court

Antrim, Grand Traverse, and Leelanau Counties
 13th Circuit Court, Antrim County Probate Court,
 Leelanau County Probate Court Honorable Kevin A. Elsenheimer
 Grand Traverse County Probate Court Honorable Jennifer L. Whitten
 86th District Court Honorable Robert A. Cooney

Baraga, Houghton, Keweenaw Counties Honorable Fraser T. Strome
 12th Circuit Court
 Baraga County Probate Court
 Houghton County Probate Court
 Keweenaw County Probate Court
 97th District Court

Barry County Honorable William M. Doherty
 Barry County Trial Court

Bay County Honorable Mark E. Janer
 18th Circuit Court
 Bay County Probate Court
 74th District Court

Benzie and Manistee Counties Honorable David A. Thompson
 19th Circuit Court
 Benzie County Probate Court
 Manistee County Probate Court
 85th District Court

Berrien County Honorable Mabel Johnson Mayfield
 Berrien County Trial Court

Branch County
 15th Circuit Court, Branch County Probate Court Honorable Kirk A. Kashian
 3A District Court Honorable Brent R. Weigle

Calhoun County
 37th Circuit Court Honorable Sarah Soules Lincoln
 Calhoun County Probate Court Honorable Michael L. Jaconette
 10th District Court Honorable Jason C. Bomia

Cass County Honorable Carol M. Bealor
 43rd Circuit Court
 Cass County Probate Court
 4th District Court

Charlevoix and Emmet Counties

33rd Circuit Court.....Honorable Roy C. Hayes, III
 57th Circuit Court.....Honorable Jennifer E. Deegan
 Charlevoix/Emmet Probate District 7Honorable Valerie K. Snyder
 90th District Court.....Honorable Angela Lasher

Cheboygan and Presque Isle Counties

53rd Circuit Court.....Honorable Aaron J. Gauthier
 Cheboygan County Probate Court.....Honorable Daryl P. Vizina
 Presque Isle County Probate Court.....Honorable Kimberly S. Gildner
 89th District CourtHonorable Michael J. Ekdahl

Chippewa CountyHonorable James P. Lambros
 50th Circuit Court
 Chippewa County Probate Court
 91st District Court

Clare and Gladwin Counties

55th Circuit Court, 80th District Court.....Honorable Joshua M. Farrell
 Clare/Gladwin Probate District 17Honorable Marcy A. Klaus

Clinton and Gratiot CountiesHonorable Lisa Sullivan
 29th Circuit Court
 Clinton County Probate Court
 Gratiot County Probate Court
 65A District Court
 65B District Court

Crawford, Kalkaska, and Otsego Counties

46th Circuit Court.....Honorable Colin G. Hunter
 Crawford County Probate Court, 87C District Court.....Honorable Monte J. Burmeister
 Kalkaska County Probate Court, 87B District CourtHonorable Lynne M. Buday
 Otsego County Probate Court, 87A District Court.....Honorable Kevin L. Hesselink

Delta County.....Honorable John B. Economopoulos
 47th Circuit Court
 Delta County Probate Court
 94th District Court

Dickinson, Iron, and Menominee Counties Honorable Mary Brouillette Barglund
 41st Circuit Court
 Iron County Trial Court
 Dickinson County Probate Court
 Menominee County Probate Court
 95A District Court
 95B District Court

Eaton County Honorable Janice K. Cunningham
 56th Circuit Court
 Eaton County Probate Court
 56A District Court

Genesee County
 7th Circuit Court, Genesee County Probate Court Honorable David J. Newblatt
 67th District Court Honorable William H. Crawford, II

Gogebic and Ontonagon Counties Honorable Michael K. Pope
 32nd Circuit Court
 Gogebic County Probate Court
 Ontonagon County Probate Court
 98th District Court

Hillsdale County Honorable Sara S. Lisznyai
 1st Circuit Court
 Hillsdale County Probate Court
 2B District Court

Huron County Honorable Amy Grace Gierhart
 52nd Circuit Court
 Huron County Probate Court
 73B District Court

Ingham County
 30th Circuit Court Honorable Lisa K. McCormick
 Ingham County Probate Court Honorable Shauna L. Dunning
 55th District Court Honorable Donald L. Allen, Jr.

Ingham County, *Third Class District Courts*
 54A District Court Honorable Stacia J. Buchanan
 54B District Court Honorable Molly E. Hennessey Greenwalt

Ionia and Montcalm Counties	Honorable Ronald J. Schafer
8th Circuit Court	
Ionia County Probate Court	
Montcalm County Probate Court	
64A District Court	
64B District Court	
Isabella County	Honorable Eric R. Janes
Isabella County Trial Court	
Jackson County	
4th Circuit Court, Jackson County Probate Court	Honorable Susan Beebe Jordan
12th District Court	Honorable Daniel A. Goostrey
Kalamazoo County	
9th Circuit Court, Kalamazoo County Probate Court	Honorable Gary C. Giguere Jr.
8th District Court	Honorable Kathleen P. Hemingway
Kent County	
17th Circuit Court	Honorable Deborah L. McNabb
Kent County Probate Court	Honorable Avery D. Rose
63rd District Court	Honorable Jeffrey J. O'Hara
Kent County, <i>Third Class District Courts</i>	
59th District Court	Honorable Nicholas J. Christensen
61st District Court	Honorable Angela T. Ross
62A District Court	Honorable Pablo Cortes
62B District Court	Honorable Amanda H. Sterkenburg
Lake and Newaygo Counties	
Lake County Trial Court	Honorable David M. Glancy
27th Circuit Court, Newaygo County Probate Court,	
78th District Court	Honorable Robert D. Springstead
Lapeer County	Honorable Laura Cheger Barnard
for the one-year period commencing January 1, 2026	
Lapeer County	Honorable Michael D. Hodges
for the one-year period commencing January 1, 2027	
40th Circuit Court	
Lapeer County Probate Court	
71A District Court	

Lenawee County

39th Circuit Court, Lenawee County Probate Court Honorable Michael R. Olsaver
 2A District Court Honorable Todd M. Morgan

Livingston County

44th Circuit Court, 53rd District Court Honorable Matthew J. McGivney
 Livingston County Probate Court..... Honorable Miriam A. Cavanaugh

Macomb County Honorable James M. Biernat, Jr.

16th Circuit Court

Macomb County Probate Court

42nd District Court

Macomb County, *Third Class District Courts*

37th District Court Honorable John M. Chmura

38th District Court Honorable James M. Biernat, Jr.

39th District Court Honorable Alyia Marie Hakim

40th District Court Honorable Mark A. Fratacangeli

41A District Court Honorable Stephen S. Sierawski

41B District Court Honorable Jacob M. Femminineo, Jr.

Marquette County

25th Circuit Court, Marquette County Probate Court Honorable Cheryl L. Hill

96th District Court Honorable Karl A. Weber

Mason and Oceana Counties Honorable Jeffrey C. Nellis

51st Circuit Court

Mason County Probate Court

Oceana County Probate Court

79th District Court

Mecosta and Osceola Counties Honorable Amy C. Clapp

49th Circuit Court

Mecosta/Osceola Probate District 18

77th District Court

Midland County Honorable Stephen P. Carras

42nd Circuit Court

Midland County Probate Court

75th District Court

Missaukee and Wexford Counties

28th Circuit Court Honorable Jason J. Elmore
 Missaukee County Probate Court, Wexford County Probate Court,
 84th District Court Honorable Melissa J. Ransom

Monroe County

38th Circuit Court Honorable Mark S. Braunlich
 Monroe County Probate Court Honorable Cheryl E. Lohmeyer
 1st District Court Honorable Michael C. Brown

Muskegon County

14th Circuit Court, Muskegon County Probate Court..... Honorable Kenneth S. Hoopes
 60th District Court..... Honorable Geoffrey T. Nolan

Oakland County

6th Circuit Court Honorable Jeffery S. Matis
 Oakland County Probate Court Honorable Jennifer S. Callaghan
 52nd District Court Honorable Travis Reeds

Oakland County, *Third Class District Courts*

43rd District Court..... Honorable Joseph Longo
 44th District Court Honorable Derek W. Meinecke
 45th District Court..... Honorable Jaimie Powell Horowitz
 46th District Court..... Honorable Shelia R. Johnson
 47th District Court..... Honorable Marla E. Parker
 48th District Court..... Honorable Diane D'Agostini
 50th District Court..... Honorable Jeremy Darnell Bowie
 51st District Court Honorable Todd A. Fox

Ogemaw and Roscommon Counties Honorable Robert W. Bennett

34th Circuit Court
 Ogemaw County Probate Court
 Roscommon County Probate Court
 82nd District Court

Ottawa County

20th Circuit Court..... Honorable Jon A. Van Allsburg
 Ottawa County Probate Court Honorable Derek W. Dalman
 58th District Court..... Honorable Craig E. Bunce

Saginaw County

10th Circuit Court, 70th District Court Honorable Julie A. Gafkay
 Saginaw County Probate Court Honorable Patrick J. McGraw

Sanilac County.....Honorable Timothy C. Wrathell
 24th Circuit Court
 Sanilac County Probate Court
 73A District Court

Shiawassee County Honorable Matthew J. Stewart
 35th Circuit Court
 Shiawassee County Probate Court
 66th District Court

St. Clair County Honorable Michael L. West
 31st Circuit Court
 St. Clair County Probate Court
 72nd District Court

St. Joseph County Honorable Robert K. Pattison
 45th Circuit Court
 St. Joseph County Probate Court
 3B District Court

Tuscola County Honorable Amy Grace Gierhart
 54th Circuit Court
 Tuscola County Probate Court
 71B District Court

Van Buren County Honorable Kathleen M. Brickley
 36th Circuit Court
 Van Buren County Probate Court
 7th District Court

Washtenaw County
 22nd Circuit Court, Washtenaw County Probate Court Honorable Patrick J. Conlin, Jr.
 14A District Court Honorable Anna M. Frushour

Washtenaw County, *Third Class District Courts*
 14B District CourtHonorable Erane C. Washington
 15th District Court.....Honorable Miriam A. Perry

Wayne County
 3rd Circuit Court.....Honorable Edward Ewell, Jr.
 3rd Circuit Court.....Honorable Helal A. Farhat (Chief Judge Pro Tem)
 Wayne County Probate Court.....Honorable David Braxton
 for the one-year period commencing January 1, 2026

Wayne County, *Third Class District and Municipal Courts*

16th District Court Honorable Sean P. Kavanagh
 17th District Court Honorable Krista Licata Haroutunian
 18th District Court Honorable Mark A. McConnell
 19th District Court Honorable Sam A. Salamey
 20th District Court Honorable David D. Turfe
 21st District Court Honorable Richard L. Hammer, Jr.
 22nd District Court Honorable Sabrina L. Johnson
 23rd District Court Honorable Victoria I. Shackelford
 24th District Court Honorable Richard A. Page
 25th District Court Honorable Gregory A. Clifton
 for the one-year period commencing January 1, 2026
 27th District Court Honorable Elizabeth L. DiSanto
 28th District Court Honorable Elisabeth M. Mullins
 29th District Court Honorable Breedan K. O'Leary
 30th District Court Honorable Brigitte Officer Holley
 31st District Court Honorable Alexis G. Krot
 32A District Court Honorable Rebekah R. Coleman
 33rd District Court Honorable Michael K. McNally
 34th District Court Honorable Brian A. Oakley
 35th District Court Honorable James A. Plakas
 36th District Court Honorable William C. McConico
 Grosse Pointe Municipal Court Honorable David R. Draper
 Grosse Pointe Farms Municipal Court Honorable Charles T. Berschback
 Grosse Pointe Park Municipal Court Judge-Elect John R. Parnell, Jr.
 Grosse Pointe Woods Municipal Court Honorable Theodore A. Metry



I, Elizabeth Kingston-Miller, Clerk of the Michigan Supreme Court, certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the order entered at the direction of the Court.

November 14, 2025

Elizabeth Kingston-Miller
 Clerk