

Appendix A Chart of Organization of Washington State Courts



A Citizen's Guide to Washington Courts

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Washington Court System

[THE SUPREME COURT](#)

six-year terms, staggered

- Appeals from the Court of Appeals
- Administers state court system

[COURT OF APPEALS](#)

six-year terms, staggered

Division I, Seattle; Division II, Tacoma; Division III, Spokane

- Appeals from the lower courts except those in jurisdiction of the Supreme Court.

[SUPERIOR COURT](#)

Four-year terms

- Civil matters
- Domestic relations
- Felony criminal cases
- Juvenile matters
- Appeals from courts of limited jurisdiction

[COURTS OF LIMITED JURISDICTION](#)

Four-year terms, District and Municipal courts

- Misdemeanor criminal cases
- Traffic, non-traffic, and parking infractions
- Domestic violence protection orders
- Civil actions of \$50,000 or less
- Small claims

Note on Other Appendices

Appendix B, C, and D are not available in electronic format.

Appendix E is the proposed monthly report and is available on the website.