

# Texas Office of Court Administration

## DATA & RESEARCH NEWSLETTER



### Announcements

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Welcome to the OCA Data & Research Newsletter. This newsletter is here to keep you informed on the latest reporting changes and to provide troubleshooting tips, common reporting issues, trainings, webinars, fun facts, and more.

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- **Publication of the Texas Business Court Report & 15<sup>th</sup> COA Report**

### CLERK RESOURCES:

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## FY 2025 Performance Measures Report Summary Statistics



OCA processed 1,278 reports submitted by county and district clerk offices throughout Texas. Overall, 99% of District Courts, 95% of Statutory County Courts, and 96% of Constitutional County Courts submitted performance measures reports. Ninety-two percent (92%) of district and county courts had a clearance rate above 90%.

Court clearance rates and missing reports are posted on the FY 2025 Performance Measures dashboard, which can be accessed at [FY 2025 District & County Court Performance Measures Dashboard.](#)



## Spotlight: New Data Coordinators Team



### Data Quality and Assistance Program

The Data Quality and Assistance Program is officially operational. All 11 Regional Data Coordinators have been hired and are beginning outreach to clerks across their Administrative Judicial Region! Services offered to clerks include:

- **Extensive inventory & review of OCA reports**
- **In-person training and assistance, providing instructions and reporting guidance**
- **Troubleshooting and working with clerks and their vendors with mapping and programming issues**
- **Developing “Best Practices” for future reporting**



Your Regional Data Coordinators are dedicated to your success and are committed to improve data integrity and reporting. Please visit our [website](#) for more information related to our support services or email the division at [data.coordinators@txcourts.gov](mailto:data.coordinators@txcourts.gov).

# The First Annual Texas Business Court Report & 15<sup>th</sup> Court of Appeals Report

## Business Court Report

OCA has published the first annual Texas Business Court report for FY 2025. Texas Business Court became operational on September 1, 2024, and within the fiscal year, a total of 185 cases were filed, averaging around 15 cases per month. Out of the 185 cases filed, 57% were original petitions. Ten (10) Business Court divisions are currently active. See [The Business Court of Texas Annual Report FY 2025.](#)

## 15th Court of Appeals Report

In operation since September 1, 2024, the 15th Court of Appeals (COA) is the newest appellate court in Texas. The 15th COA, unlike the other appellate courts, was authorized to hear cases across the state. The 15th COA also has exclusive appellate jurisdiction to appeals from an order or judgment from the Texas Business Court. See [Fifteenth Court of Appeals Report.](#)



## Texas Fun Facts



Edith Eunice Therrel Wilmans (1882-1966) was the first woman elected to the Texas Legislature in 1922, representing Dallas County, District 50. While serving, she endorsed legislation for child support and childcare and for the establishment of the Dallas County District Court of Domestic Relations. She served only one term in the Legislature and ran unsuccessfully for governor in 1924 and 1926. In 1925, Governor Pat M. Neff appointed her to the all-woman Texas Supreme Court, but she was disqualified from serving because she lacked just a few months of the required seven years' experience in the practice of law. Edith Wilmans died in Dallas on March 21, 1966.

**Source- Handbook of Texas**

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