

Motions for Summary Judgment Reporting for Business, District, and Statutory County Courts

[SB 293](#), 89th Legislature, R.S.; [HB 16](#), 89th Legislature, 2nd Spec. Session; Supreme Court [Misc. Docket 26-9012](#)

Reporting Requirements

Effective September 1, 2025, SB 293 (89th Texas Legislature, Regular Session) added [Section 23.303](#) of the Texas Government Code (**Procedures Related to Motions for Summary Judgment; Annual Report**) requiring the clerk of a business, district, or statutory county court to report each court's compliance with the times prescribed for motions for summary judgment (MSJ) to the Office of Court Administration (OCA) not less than once per quarter.

Sec. 23.303. PROCEDURES RELATED TO MOTIONS FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT; ANNUAL REPORT. (a) The business court, a district court, or a statutory county court shall, with respect to a motion for summary judgment:

(1) set the motion for a hearing by oral argument or by submission on a date not later than:

(A) the 60th day after the date the motion was filed; or

(B) the 90th day after the date the motion was filed:

(i) if the court's docket requires a hearing on a date later than the 60th day after the date the motion was filed;

(ii) on a showing of good cause; or

(iii) if the movant consents; and

(2) file with the clerk of the court and provide to the parties a written ruling on the motion not later than the 90th day after the date the motion was heard or considered.

(b) The court shall record in the docket the date the motion was heard or considered.

(b-1) Subsections (a) and (b) do not apply to a motion for summary judgment that is withdrawn.

The report to the OCA must include the following:

1. The number of MSJs with both requirements **met (Compliant)**:
 - a. Hearing/submission date falls within 60 or 90 days of the motion's filing (Sec. 23.303 (a) (1) (A)(B)); and
 - b. Judgment/ruling filing (Sec. 23.303 (a) (2)) date falls within 90 days of the hearing/consideration docket entry date; **AND**
2. The number of MSJs with one or both requirements **not met (Non-Compliant)**.
3. Zero Reports
 - a. If a court has no MSJ activity, a zero report must still be submitted. This includes criminal courts that do not hear motions for summary judgment.

Example:

Court Name	County Clerk Office		
	Total Motions for Summary Judgment		
	Compliant	Non-Compliant	Non-Reporting Reason
Court at Law	5	1	☐ Data unavailable

Report Effective and Due Date

The reporting requirements are effective **March 1, 2026**, as prescribed under Supreme Court Misc. Docket 26-9012. The report must be submitted to OCA on the 20th of the month following the end of a quarter.

The first report, covering FY 2026 Q3 (March – May 2026), will be **due September 20, 2026**, along with FY 2026 Q4 (June – August). All future reports are due after each quarter.

Date Range	Quarter	Report Due Date
Sep 1 - Nov 30	1	Dec 20
Dec 1 - Feb 28/29	2	Mar 20
Mar 1 - May 31	3	Jun 20
Jun 1 - Aug 31	4	Sep 20