



Ohio Board of Professional Conduct

Disciplinary Case Statistics 2020-2022

Supreme Court Decisions

(excluding defaults and reinstatements)

2020	2021	2022
55	47	31

Sanction Imposed

(excluding defaults)

Public reprimand
 Term suspension
 Indefinite suspension
 Disbarment
 Dismissal

2020	2021	2022
10	10	2
34	29	21
9	5	6
1	3	0
1	0	2

Court Action on Board-Recommended Sanction

Imposed recommended sanction

Modified recommended sanction

- Increased
- Decreased

2020	2021	2022
46 (84%)	46 (98%)	26 (84%)
9 (16%)	1 (2%)	5 (16%)
4	1	2
5	0	3

Court Action on Consent to Discipline Cases

(cases in which the Board recommended acceptance)

Accept with public reprimand
 Accept with term suspension
 Rejected and remanded

2020	2021	2022
2	7	0
5	6	4
0	0	0

Default Cases

Total defaults certified to SCO
 Interim suspension imposed
 Indefinite suspension imposed

2020	2021	2022
9	3	9
11	2	9
13	7	6



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Respondent with Prior Discipline

(includes discipline for misconduct and suspensions for non-compliance with CLE or attorney registration requirements.)

2020	2021	2022
16 (29%)	13 (28%)	6 (19%)

License Reinstatements

Upon application

Upon petition:

- Granted
- Denied
- Withdrawn

2020	2021	2022
11	14	13
1	4	1
0	0	2
1	1	1

Judicial Misconduct Cases (Board Dispositions)

(includes all cases involving violations of the Code of Judicial Conduct when the respondent was a judicial officer or candidate at the time the misconduct occurred.)

Total

Rule V cases

Judicial campaign misconduct (expedited)

Dismissals

2020	2021	2022*
6	4	4
6	3	3
0	1	0
1	0	1

* Four judicial misconduct cases were pending as of 12/31/2022.

Miscellaneous Disciplinary Dispositions

Resignations with discipline pending accepted

Resignations with discipline pending denied

Interim remedial suspension imposed

Child support default suspension imposed

Interim felony suspension imposed

Impairment suspension imposed

Reciprocal discipline imposed

2020	2021	2022
13	12	9
1	0	0
5	3	3
0	1	0
8	3	8
1	0	0
4	4	2



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Top Five Disciplinary Offenses of 2022

(based on total number of grievances opened for investigation and primary misconduct alleged)

1. Neglect/failure to protect client's interest
2. Judicial misconduct
3. Excessive fee
4. Misrepresentation/False Statement
5. Trial misconduct

2022
30%
12%
9%
8%
8%

Active Registered Attorneys

Awards to Victims of Lawyers by Lawyers' Fund for Client Protection

2020	2021	2022
44,387	43,626	44,399
\$387,416	\$545,891	\$998,363

Total Grievances Filed

Disciplinary Counsel (ODC)

Certified Grievance Committees (CGC)

Total Dismissals on Intake*

Dismissed after initial review by ODC

Dismissed after initial review by CGC

Total Grievances Investigated*

Opened for Investigation by ODC

Opened for Investigation by CGC

Complaints filed with the Board

2020	2021	2022**
2,994	3,454	3,697
2,067 (69%)	2,654 (77%)	2,719 (74%)
927 (31%)	801 (23%)	978 (26%)
661	801	668
228 (8%)	447 (13%)	285 (8%)
433 (14%)	354 (10%)	383 (10%)
2,333	2,653	3,029
1,839 (61%)	2,084 (60%)	2,434 (66%)
494 (16%)	570 (16%)	595 (16%)
72	39	45

* Percentages based on total grievances

** 2022 totals do not reflect missing quarterly reports from Miami and Portage grievance committees.