



Mississippi Court of Appeals

The Court of Appeals hears cases assigned by the Supreme Court. The Court of Appeals is an error correction court. It hears and decides appeals on issues in which the law is already settled, but the facts are in dispute. The Supreme Court may review Court of Appeals decisions. If the Supreme Court declines review, the decision of the Court of Appeals stands. The Legislature created the Court of Appeals to speed appeals and relieve a backlog of cases before the Supreme Court. The Court of Appeals began hearing cases in 1995. Ten Court of Appeals judges are elected from five districts. Non-partisan elections are staggered so that not all positions are up for election at one time. Court of Appeals judges serve eight-year terms. Court of Appeals judges hear cases from all over the state.

Justice	Age	Date of Birth	Tenure	Up for Re-election	Election History	District
Chief Judge Donna M. Barnes <i>*BIPEC Recommended in 2006 & 2016</i>	58	10/30/1960	2004-2027	2026	Appointed by Gov. Haley Barbour in 2004 / won re-election in 2006, 2010, 2018	District 1 Position 2
Presiding Judge Virginia C. Carlton <i>*BIPEC Recommended in 2006 & 2014</i>	54	5/20/1964	2007-2023	2022	Elected in 2006 / won re-election 2014	District 4 Position 1
Presiding Judge Jack L. Wilson <i>*BIPEC recommended 2016</i>	39	5/17/1979	2015-2025	2024	Appointed by Gov. Bryant in 2015 / won re-election in 2016	District 3 Position 1
Judge Jim M. Greenlee <i>*BIPEC recommended 2016</i>	67	1/13/1952	2016-2023	2022	Appointed by Governor Bryant in 2016 / won re-election in 2016	District 1 Position 1
Judge Latrice Westbrooks	47	2/26/1972	2017 - 2025	2024	Elected in 2016	District 2 Position 2
Judge Sean Tindell	45	10/5/1973	2019-2025	2024	Appointed by Gov. Phil Bryant in 2017 / won re-election in 2018	District 5 Position 2
Judge Deborah McDonald	61	6/5/1957	2019-2026	2026	Elected in 2018	District 2 Position 1
Judge Anthony N. Lawrence, III	54	4/3/1965	2019-2027	2026	Elected in 2018	District 5 Position 1
Judge David McCarty	44	2/7/1975	2019-2027	2026	Elected in 2018	District 4 Position 2
Judge Cory T. Wilson	?	?	2019 - 2023	2022	Appointed by Governor Bryant in 2019	District 3 Position 2