



State of Michigan
Court of Claims

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Local Administrative Order 2015-2

Assignment of Court of Claims Cases

Introduction: The purpose of this order is to more specifically describe the court's practice and procedures in compliance with MCR 8.111.

Random Assignment: Except as otherwise provided by Court of Claims Local Administrative Orders 2014-1 and 2015-1, each judge is assigned cases through the Court of Claims' case management system by random draw unless the case is affected by an exception listed below. Judicial assignment occurs at the time the case is entered on the case management system.

Exceptions: Exceptions to random draw assignments are:

1. If one of two or more actions arising out of the same transaction or occurrence are reassigned to a judge, the other actions will be assigned to that judge when the case is entered in the case management system.
2. If an action arises out of the same transaction or occurrence as an action previously dismissed or transferred, the action will be assigned to the judge to whom the earlier action was assigned.
3. The frequency of random-draw assignments to the Chief Judge may be modified as necessary pursuant to MCR 8.111(B).
4. The Chief Judge has discretion to address assignment of cases involving special issues or circumstances to promote efficiency in case management. This includes, but is not limited to, directing the clerk to assign multiple cases involving the same or similar parties, or the same or similar claims, to one or more judges.

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