

Milestones and Time Reference Point Standards for Arizona Court of Appeals (COA)

The purpose of the reference points is to measure the court's performance against the same fixed point in successive years. For this reason, the reference points do not correspond to any suggested time frames for accumulating records or deciding cases. Although the courts could have selected any periods of time to serve as reference points, they selected periods of time in which approximately 75% of its cases in the various case types are decided.

Milestone	Initiating Event	Concluding Event	Reference Point
Criminal			
Filed in Predecessor Court to Appellate Filing	Date of filing appellate case initiation document (e.g. Notice of Appeal) in the predecessor court (e.g. Superior Court).	Date of case filing in COA	8 days
Oral Argument to Disposition	Date Oral Argument is Held	End Point Achievement	90 days
Under Advisement to Disposition	Date case is set to an Under Advisement status	End Point Achievement	90 days
At Issue to Disposition	The date the case goes 'At Issue'	End Point Achievement	150 days
Filing to Disposition (total appeal time-start to finish)	Date of case filing in COA	CourTools End Point Achievement	375 days
Civil			
Filed in Predecessor Court to Appellate Filing	Date of filing appellate case initiation document (e.g. Notice of Appeal) in the predecessor court (e.g. Superior Court).	Date of case filing in COA	40 days
Oral Argument to Disposition	Date Oral Argument is Held	End Point Achievement	120 days
Under Advisement to Disposition	Date case is set to an Under Advisement status	End Point Achievement	120 days
At Issue to Disposition	The date the case goes 'At Issue'	End Point Achievement	225 days
Filing to Disposition (total appeal time-start to finish)	Date of case filing in COA	End Point Achievement	400 days
Juvenile			
Filed in Predecessor Court to Appellate Filing	Date of filing appellate case initiation document (e.g. Notice of Appeal) in the predecessor court (e.g. Superior Court).	Date of case filing in COA	5 days
Oral Argument to Disposition	Date Oral Argument is Held	End Point Achievement	40 days

Under Advisement to Disposition	Date case is set to an Under Advisement status	End Point Achievement	40 days
At Issue to Disposition	The date the case goes 'At Issue'	End Point Achievement	100 days
Filing to Disposition (total appeal time-start to finish)	Date of case filing in COA	End Point Achievement	275 days

Industrial Commission (Worker's Compensation)			
Oral Argument to Disposition	Date Oral Argument is Held	End Point Achievement	100 days
Under Advisement to Disposition	Date case is set to an Under Advisement status	End Point Achievement	100 days
At Issue to Disposition	The date the case goes 'At Issue'	End Point Achievement	150 days
Filing to Disposition (total appeal time-start to finish)	Date of case filing in COA	End Point Achievement	300 days
Special Action			
Filing to Disposition (total appeal time-start to finish)	Date of case filing in COA	End Point Achievement	25 days

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Milestone	Initiating Event	Concluding Event	Reference Point
Criminal			
Filed in Predecessor Court to Appellate Filing	Date of filing appellate case initiation document (e.g. Petition for Review) in the predecessor court (e.g. COA).	Date of case filing in ASC	5 days
Filing to Discretionary Review Decision	Date of case filing in the Supreme Court	Discretionary Review decision	150 days
Civil			
Filed in Predecessor Court to Appellate Filing	Date of filing appellate case initiation document (e.g. Petition for Review) in the predecessor court (e.g. COA).	Date of case filing in ASC	5 days
Filing to Discretionary Review Decision	Date of case filing in the Supreme Court	Discretionary Review decision	150 days
Juvenile			
Filed in Predecessor Court to Appellate Filing	Date of filing appellate case initiation document (e.g. Petition for Review)	Date of case filing in ASC	5 days

	in the predecessor court (e.g. COA).		
Filing to Discretionary Review Decision	Date of case filing in the Supreme Court	Discretionary Review decision	150 days

Industrial Commission (Worker's Compensation)			
Filed in Predecessor Court to Appellate Filing	Date of filing appellate case initiation document (e.g. Petition for Review) in the predecessor court (e.g. Industrial Commission).	Date of case filing in ASC	5 days
Filing to Discretionary Review Decision	Date of case filing in the Supreme Court	Discretionary Review decision	150 days
Civil Special Action			
Filing to Discretionary Review Decision	Date of case filing in the Supreme Court	Discretionary Review decision	150 days
Death Penalty			
Filed in Predecessor Court to Appellate Filing	Date of filing of the appellate case initiation document (e.g. Notice of Appeal) in the predecessor court (e.g. Superior Court).	Date of case filing in ASC	10 days
Oral Argument to Disposition	Date Oral Argument is Held	End Point Achievement	100 days
At Issue to Disposition	The date the case goes 'At Issue'	End Point Achievement	300 days
Filing to Disposition (total appeal time-start to finish)	Date of case filing in the Supreme Court	End Point Achievement	1000 days
Attorney Discipline			
Filing to Disposition (total appeal time-start to finish)	Date of case filing in the Supreme Court	End Point Achievement	60 days
Aggregated – includes Criminal, Civil, Juvenile and Worker' Compensation.			
Oral Argument to Disposition	Date Oral Argument is Held	End Point Achievement	85 days
At Issue to Disposition	The date the case goes 'At Issue'	End Point Achievement	150 days

*End Point is defined as the first of following to occur:

- Filing of Opinion or Memorandum Decision
- Filing of Dispositional Order (which has not been voided)
- Most recent case termination date