

In the  
**Indiana Supreme Court**

In the Matter of the Approval of Local  
Rules for Gibson County

Supreme Court Case No.  
24S-MS-354



**Order Approving Amended Local Rules**

The Judges of the Gibson Circuit and Superior Courts request revalidation of their current caseload allocation plan in accordance with Indiana Administrative Rule 1(E) and to amend their criminal case assignment rule in accordance with Administrative Rule 1(E)(6). Attached to this Order is the proposed amended local rule.

Upon examination of the request to revalidate the current caseload allocation plan and the proposed rule amendments by the Gibson Circuit and Superior Courts, this Court finds that the caseload allocation plan complies with Administrative Rule 1(E), and the proposed rule amendments to LR26-AR 1(E)(6) comply with Administrative Rule 1(E)(6), and, accordingly, should be approved.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that the caseload allocation plan is revalidated and amended Local Rule, LR26-AR 1(E)(6), is approved, effective the date of this Order.

Done at Indianapolis, Indiana, on 10/9/2024.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Loretta H. Rush".

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Loretta H. Rush  
Chief Justice of Indiana

**LR26-AR 1(E)(6) Assignment and Reassignment of Judges in Criminal Cases**

1. All misdemeanor and felony cases shall be filed in the courts of record in Gibson County on a random basis pursuant to the procedure and subject to the exceptions as set forth in this rule.

Upon the prosecutor specifically identifying the name of the Defendant against whom charges are being filed, the Clerk shall use a computerized random draw so long as the computerized process complies fully with the provisions of this rule.

2. Notwithstanding the requirement of random draw as set forth in paragraph 1, cases in which the most serious count alleges the commission of a misdemeanor or a felony set forth in Title 9 of the Indiana Code, shall be filed and docketed in the Superior Court.
3. In the event the prosecutor files any additional charges against a Defendant against whom charges are pending, these subsequent charges shall be filed and docketed in the court as the original charges.
4. In the event the prosecutor files charges against a Defendant who is on probation at the time the additional charges are filed, these charges shall be docketed in the same court through which the Defendant is serving probation.
5. Pursuant to I.C. §33-29-6-1 and I.C. §33-29-6-2 the judges of the courts reserve the right to transfer cases as they deem appropriate.