



OUR COURTS

ARIZONA



Legislative



Three Branches

Executive



Judicial



Court Systems

Municipal Courts

Justice Courts

State Courts

(Superior Courts, Court of Appeals,
Arizona Supreme Court)

Federal Courts

Our State Courts are Busy

Cases Filed—FY 2013

1,152,168 -Municipal Courts

760,243 -Justice Courts

201,382 -Superior Courts

3,651 -Court of Appeals

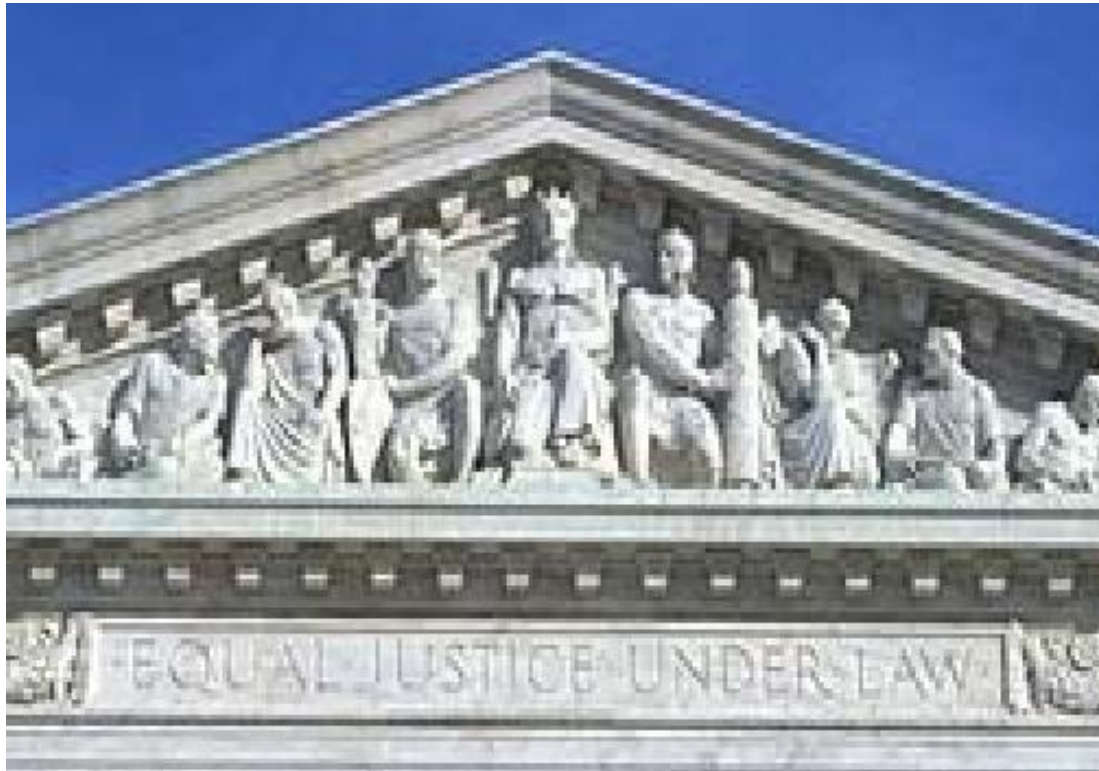
1,054 -Supreme Court

2,118,498 Total State Cases

An Unexpected Event



Walker slips on ice, falls, and breaks a hip.



EQUAL JUSTICE UNDER LAW

Entrance to the U.S. Supreme Court

**What should we expect
from our Courts?**

Judges Must

Not participate when they have a personal relationship with either party

Not participate in any case in which they have a personal interest in the outcome of the case

The Oath

Each judge swears an oath
to support the Constitution of the United
States and the Constitution and laws of
the State of Arizona, and to
faithfully and impartially perform the
duties of Judge.

**Our Courts Must Apply the
Law**

Our Courts Must Apply

U.S. & Arizona Constitutions

U.S. & Arizona Statutes

U.S. & Arizona Agency Regulations

Arizona Rules of Procedure

Arizona Rules of Evidence

Decisions of Higher Courts

U.S. Supreme Court

Arizona Supreme Court

Arizona Court of Appeals

**Our Trial Courts
Do Not Have the Last Word**

Appeals



Applying
the Rule of Law

Equally to All

**Equal
Justice**

Fair & Impartial Courts