# 5th Congress State of the Judiciary Message

#### I. Introduction

Some might recall how difficult it was getting everything propped up for this new community upon its soft launch back in April. For those people the gradual, and soon-to-be exponential, growth in activity and its related timeline of events are able to be traced like a nostalgic time capsule. As swaths joined the newly-born nation, curious and eager to see its new developments, there were many competing ideas and visions for what this new infant community could look like. As far as the government was concerned, the initial officeholders held the burden of setting the precedent on how this nation was going to operate.

Chief Justice RaymondTAnheuser was the Nation's first Chief Justice. He sat with fellow Associate Justice AudaciousMaverick, both of whom just so happen to be a part of Group Management. Their tenures cut short when on August 3rd, 2024 Chief Justice RaymondTAnheuser announced his resignation with Associate Justice AudaciousMavericks', amongst other community changes, amidst growing government dysfunction. He cited their desire to put the community's interest first and focus solely on management. Both could have well remained on the bench. But their innate selflessness compelled them otherwise and instead put their Nation and their community above

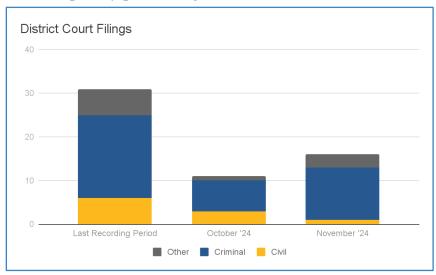
themselves. Their resignation exemplifies a standard of superlative character we might sometimes take for granted amongst the vast sea of Ro-Nations.

## II. Supreme Court's Caseload

This figure analyzes all initiated appeals starting October 1, 2024 until November 31, 2024. The total number of appeals filed in the Supreme Court in October and November was zero which is a 0% change from the last message reporting period.

#### III. District Court's Caseload

This figure analyzes all initiated cases starting October 1, 2024 until November 31, 2024. A total of 11 cases have been filed or initiated in the District Court during October. Of those cases, 3 were civil actions, 7 were criminal actions, and 1 was a criminal contempt case or disciplinary proceeding. A total of 16 cases have been filed or initiated in the District Court during November which is a 45% increase from October. Of those cases, 1 was a civil action, 12 were criminal actions, and 3 were criminal contempt cases or disciplinary proceedings.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Analyzing the data from the last judiciary message reporting period and October 2024 is misrepresented since the last reporting period accounts for data over a 3-month time period.

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### IV. The Appellate Reform Act

Last congressional term I briefly summarized a bill that would effectively allow the Supreme Court to hear appeals absent active Justices by authorizing District Court Judges to sit by designation. This bill is now known in the law as the Appellate Reform Act. The Appellate Reform Act saves litigants from their appeals rights from being deprived for the sole reason of an absent quorum. This bill, however, should not serve as a permanent solution. Judicial posts in whichever court should not be entirely ignored. In the Supreme Court specifically, an absent quorum still prevents the promulgation of rules and the management of its bar.

I thank those who were involved in its passage.

#### V. Conclusion

I thank the President and Congress for their keen interest and hard work on improving the federal judiciary and our legal community.

My best wishes.

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