

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

CATAWBA COUNTY

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IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE
SUPERIOR COURT DIVISION

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IN RE:

CATAWBA CO., C.S.C.

CAPACITY LIMITS ON COURT SESSIONS

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

In an effort to ensure a successful implementation of Enterprise Justice / Odyssey, the following capacity limits on parties / defendants shall be placed on Superior court sessions beginning October 13, 2025 through January 2, 2026.

1. Based upon the current process used for scheduling Superior Court Civil Motions and Trials, and the availability and responsibilities of the Superior Court Judicial Manager in Catawba County to schedule Superior Court Civil Motions and Trials, there is no need to limit the number of civil motions or civil trials by the entry of an administrative order. Thus, this order limiting the number of cases will only apply to Superior Court Criminal sessions.
1. For the week of October 13 – 17, 2025, a criminal administrative session, there shall be a maximum of 20 cases scheduled per day.
2. The week of October 20 – 24, 2025 is Superior Court Judges conference and there is no court scheduled.
3. For the week of October 27 – 31, a criminal trial session, there shall be a maximum of 20 cases scheduled.
4. For the week of November 3 – 7, 2025, a criminal administrative session, there shall be a maximum of 30 cases scheduled per day.
5. For the week of November 10 – 14, a criminal trial session, there shall be a maximum of 20 cases scheduled.
6. For the week of November 17 – 21, a criminal administrative session, there shall be a maximum of 30 cases scheduled per day.
7. The week of November 24 – 28 is Thanksgiving week and there is no Superior Court scheduled.
8. For the week of December 1 – 5, a criminal trial session, there shall be a maximum of 30 cases scheduled.

9. For the week of December 8 – 12, a criminal administrative session, there shall be a maximum of 40 cases scheduled per day.

10. For the week of December 15 – 19, a criminal administrative session, there shall be a maximum of 40 cases scheduled per day.

11. For the weeks of December 22 – 26 and December 29, 2025 – January 2, 2026, there is no Superior Court scheduled.

12. Beginning with the week of January 5, 2026 and thereafter, there shall be no maximum number of cases scheduled.

This order does not limit the ability of the presiding judge, in the appropriate scenario and in the judge's discretion, to add cases on to the above sessions of Superior Court.

It is further ordered that to effectuate the purpose and intent of this Order, the Clerk of Superior Court of Catawba County and her designees are authorized and empowered to maintain the integrity of the above capacity limits by working with law enforcement, attorneys, the District Attorney's Office and all respective government agencies to remove the last cases added to a calendar over the capacity limit and re-calendar each case removed to the next appropriate court date.

Entered this the 15th day of July, 2025.



Nathaniel J. Poovey
Senior Resident Superior Court Judge
Catawba County, District 19