

FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OVERVIEW

January 1, 2026

The Fifteenth Judicial District is comprised of the counties of Baca, Cheyenne, Kiowa and Prowers with an estimated combined population of 18,428 (U.S. Census estimates (V2024)). The economy in this area is deeply rooted in agriculture, as well as natural resources such as oil and wind.

The district is served by two district judges who have their primary office in Prowers County. Both district judges have a regular travel schedule to the other counties in the district. In addition to the regular travel schedule, the judges travel to the outlying counties on an “as needed” basis. Each county has a part-time county judge who handles the county court caseload for that respective county. The judicial officers are supported by 14 trial court employees consisting of administrative staff, clerks of court, judicial clerks, family court facilitator, protective proceedings monitor, competency court coordinator and self-represented litigant coordinator. The district employs an additional 12 employees in the probation department.

The case filings for the Fifteenth Judicial Districts courts for fiscal year 2025 are as follows:

	County Court	District Court
Baca County	297	109
Cheyenne County	267	75
Kiowa County	294	44
Prowers County	1985	485
Total Filings	2843	713

These filings represent a 6.35% decrease in county court cases from the 2024 statistics compared to a state-wide increase of 6.90% and a 6.18% decrease in district court filings compared to the state-wide decrease of 8.72%.

FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
JUDICIAL OFFICERS

<u>DISTRICT COURT JUDGES</u>	<u>FIRST SWORN IN</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
Michael J. Davidson	10/3/2015	1/14/2031
Tarryn L. Johnson, Chief Judge	12/12/2022	1/12/2027

COUNTY COURT JUDGES

Tyler Gibson Baca County, 25% FTE	8/1/2025	1/9/2029
Deni Eiring, Cheyenne County, 20% FTE	3/2/2022	1/9/2029
Sabrina Dawn James, Kiowa County, 20% FTE	12/4/2025	1/9/2029
Curtis Lane Porter, Prowers County, 80% FTE	7/1/2016	1/12/2027

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