

Report card

of the Small Claims Courts System



INDIANA

Overall Grade: D

Dollar Limit	C
Injunctive Relief	F
Help with Collecting A Judgement	F
Small Claims Advisors	F
Extended Courtroom Hours	F
Guides & Simplified Forms	B
Low Filing Fees	B
Encourages Self-Representation	C
Uses Mediation	D
Overall Grade	D

About Indiana's Small Claims Court

- Tied for ninth worst of the 47 jurisdictions with small claims courts. Indiana did not receive an "A" in any category.

- With a dollar limit of \$3,000 in most of the state, only nine states have lower dollar limits. However, the limit in Allen and Marion County is slightly higher at \$6,000. Although there is legislation pending to increase the dollar limit in Indiana, a similar bill has failed in the past.

- Indiana's filing fee is \$39 in most counties.
- Mediation is available in two of the ten counties HALT surveyed, although it is not mandatory.

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