

## Welcome to Circuit Court

### 34<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit Court

The 34<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court is comprised of Ogemaw and Roscommon Counties. The jurisdiction of the Circuit Court is as follows: Trials/pleas of adult crimes punishable by more than one year in prison; civil suits involving more than \$25,000; certain appeals from District and Probate Courts, and Administrative Agency Tribunals and Family Law Cases.

The state is divided into judicial circuits along county lines. If there is more than one county in a circuit, judges travel from one county seat to another to hold court sessions, as is the case with the 34<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit.

Circuit judges are elected to six –year terms on non-partisan ballots. A candidate must be a resident of the circuit in which the candidate is running, a qualified elector, licensed to practice law in Michigan, completed five years of legal practice by the date of election, and at the time of election less than 70 years of age.