### Four-to-Three Decisions<sup>1</sup>

4-3 Alignments

Justices	Total Case Names		
Fairchild, Rosenberry, Fowler, Nelson	4	In re Christoph; In re Breckenridge; In re Coogan; In re Lunde	

#### 4-3 Membership in the Majority

Justice	Votes
Wickhem	0
Fairchild	4
Fritz	0
Rosenberry	4
Fowler	4
Nelson	4
Owen	0

### 4-3 Majority Opinions Authored

	Opinions
Wickhem	0
Fairchild	0
Fritz	0
Rosenberry	0
Fowler	0
Nelson	4
Owen	0
Total	4

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In re Breckenridge (237 N.W. 139), In re Coogan (237 N.W. 139), and In re Lunde (237 N.W. 138) each generated one-sentence per curiam decisions indicating that they were ruled by the decision in In re Christoph (237 N.W. 134). As explained in the introductory note for this 1930-31 set of tables, the three cases were in effect consolidated with In re Christoph. Consequently, the three cases (all decided by the same 4-3 vote and majority opinion as In re Christoph) are included in these tables pertaining to 4-3 decisions), but only In re Christoph figures in this post's other tables. Following the procedure explained in the introductory note, the four cases are counted as only one in the total of 361 decisions filed in 1930-31.

## Decisions by Vote Split<sup>2</sup>

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349/361 (97%)	10/361 (3%)	1/361 (0.3%)	1/361 (0.3%)
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Backhausen v. Mayer	Johnson v. S. W. Straus & Co.		
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CO.			
City of Sheboygan v. Indus. Comm'n of			
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City of W. Bend v. Indus. Comm'n of Wis.			
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As the result of rounding, the percentages do not add up to one hundred. Occasionally, a justice will author a separate opinion that concurs in part and dissents in part. For SCOWstats tables, each such vote is categorized as either a dissent or a concurrence according to the following guidelines. If a justice's opinion dissented from the result on one or more issues, it is classified as a dissent. If the opinion concurred with the result on all issues but disputed the majority's reasoning on one or more issues, it is classified as a concurrence.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In re Breckenridge (237 N.W. 139), In re Coogan (237 N.W. 139), and In re Lunde (237 N.W. 138) each generated one-sentence per curiam decisions indicating that they were ruled by the decision in In re Christoph (237 N.W. 134). As explained in the introductory note for this 1930-31 set of tables, the three cases were in effect consolidated with In re Christoph. Consequently, the three cases (all decided by the same 4-3 vote and majority opinion as In re Christoph) are included in the tables pertaining to 4-3 decisions, but only In re Christoph figures in this post's other tables. Following the procedure explained in the introductory note, the four cases are counted as only one in the total of 361 decisions filed in 1930-31.

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# Frequency in the Majority

These tables display how frequently each justice voted in the majority. The first table includes all cases in which a justice voted, while the second table includes only cases decided by split votes.

All Cases

Justice	Majority Votes Cast	Total Votes Cast	Percent in Majority
Wickhem	357	360	99%
Fairchild	349	349	100%
Fritz	356	361	99%
Rosenberry	359	361	99%
Fowler	359	359	100%
Nelson	356	356	100%
Owen	356	361	99%

### Non-Unanimous Decisions

Justice	Majority Votes Cast	Total Votes Cast	Percent in Majority
Wickhem	9	12	75%
Fairchild	12	12	100%
Fritz	7	12	58%
Rosenberry	10	12	83%
Fowler	12	12	100%
Nelson	12	12	100%
Owen	7	12	58%

# Opinions Authored<sup>3</sup>

The first table indicates how many majority opinions a justice authored in cases decided by each of the four possible majority vote totals. The second table shows how many concurrences and dissents each justice wrote. If a justice dissented without authoring an opinion, he is not credited.

<b>Opinion Author</b>	7-0 (or 6-0, 5-0)	6-1	5-2	4-3
Wickhem	40	2	0	0
Fairchild	44	1	0	0
Fritz	41	1	0	0
Rosenberry	48	1	0	0
Fowler	41	2	1	0
Nelson	38	2	0	1
Owen	45	1	0	0

Opinion Author	Concurring Opinions	Dissenting Opinions
Wickhem	0	2
Fairchild	0	0
Fritz	1	1
Rosenberry	0	2
Fowler	1	0
Nelson	0	0
Owen	1	3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Per curiam* decisions are omitted.

## Agreement Among Pairs of Justices

The following tables show the percentage of decisions in which every possible pair of justices found themselves on the same side—either both in the majority or both dissenting. The first table covers all decisions; the second table narrows its focus to decisions that were not unanimous. When reading the *second* table, for instance, one finds that Justices Fritz and Owen voted together in 33% of the decisions, while the figure for Justices Wickhem and Fowler was 75%.

## Agreement Between Pairs of Justices—All Decisions

	Fairchild	Fritz	Rosenberry	Fowler	Nelson	Owen
Wickhem	345/348= <b>99%</b>	354/360= <b>98%</b>	355/360= <b>99%</b>	355/358= <b>99%</b>	353/356= <b>99%</b>	356/360= <b>99%</b>
	Fairchild	344/349= <b>99%</b>	347/349= <b>99%</b>	347/347= <b>100%</b>	344/344= <b>100%</b>	344/349= <b>99%</b>
		Fritz	354/361= <b>98%</b>	354/359= <b>99%</b>	351/356= <b>99%</b>	353/361= <b>98%</b>
			Rosenberry	357/359= <b>99%</b>	354/356= <b>99%</b>	354/361= <b>98%</b>
				Fowler	354/354= <b>100%</b>	354/359= <b>99%</b>
					Nelson	351/356= <b>99%</b>
						Owen

## Agreement Between Pairs of Justices—Non-Unanimous Decisions

	Fairchild	Fritz	Rosenberry	Fowler	Nelson	Owen
Wickhem	9/12= <b>75%</b>	6/12= <b>50%</b>	7/12= <b>58%</b>	9/12= <b>75%</b>	9/12= <b>75%</b>	8/12= <b>67%</b>
	Fairchild	7/12= <b>58%</b>	10/12=83%	12/12= <b>100%</b>	12/12= <b>100%</b>	7/12= <b>58%</b>
		Fritz	5/12= <b>42%</b>	7/12= <b>58%</b>	7/12= <b>58%</b>	4/12= <b>33%</b>
			Rosenberry	10/12= <b>83%</b>	10/12= <b>83%</b>	5/12= <b>42%</b>
				Fowler	12/12= <b>100%</b>	7/12= <b>58%</b>
					Nelson	7/12= <b>58%</b>
						Owen