

Structure of the Provincial Judiciary

Province of Ontario

Supreme Court of Canada

Court of Appeal for Ontario

Superior Court of Justice

- Serious criminal offences
- Divorces
- Civil cases involving large amounts of money
- Challenges to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

Small Claims Court Family Court

Ontario Court of Justice

- Criminal offences except the most serious offences
- Pre-trial hearings (preliminary hearings) in criminal cases that will go to the Superior Court
- Violations of provincial laws

