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Lithuania

This section provides you with an overview of the courts in Lithuania.

#### **Organisation of justice. Judicial system**

In Lithuania there are 22 **ordinary** courts and 3 **specialised** (administrative) courts.

#### **Administration of the courts**

The **General Meeting of Judges** (*Visuotinis teisėjų susirinkimas*) is the highest body of judicial autonomy, involving all judges in Lithuania.

The Lithuanian **Council of Courts** (*Teisėjų taryba*) is an executive body of judicial autonomy, composed of 23 members, which ensures the independence of the courts and judges.

The **Judicial Court of Honour** (*Teisėjų garbės teismas*) is an institution of judicial autonomy, which hears disciplinary cases against judges and judges' petitions against defamation.

The **National Courts Administration** (*Nacionalinės teismų administracija*) seeks to ensure that the institutions of the judiciary operate effectively and helps to guarantee the independence of the courts and judges and the organisational autonomy of the courts.

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