

	DIRECT REVIEW				COLLATERAL REVIEW			
State	Nature of Direct Appeal		Right to Appointed Counsel		Where Filed in First Instance		Nature of State Supreme Ct. Review	
AR	Automatic to state supreme court	Ark. Rules App. Proc., Criminal Rule 10	Yes	Ark. Rules Crim. Proc., Rule 37.5(b)	Trial court where conviction was obtained.	Ark. Rules Crim. Proc., Rule 37.5(e) (Westlaw: AR R RCRP Rule 37.5)	Automatic.	Ark. Sup. Ct. Rule 1-2 (Westlaw: Ark. Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Rule 1-2)
AL	Automatic to court of criminal appeal; discretionary review by supreme court	Ala. Code § 13A-5-53(b)(3)	No.		Trial court where conviction was obtained.		Discretionary, on review.	
AZ	Automatic to state supreme court	Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 13-703.04(A), 13-703.05(A), 12-120.21(A)(1), 13-4031 (2006); 17 A.R.S. Rules Crim.Proc., Rule 26.15	Yes	Ariz. R. Crim. P. 32.5	Trial court where conviction was obtained.	Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 13-4234(A)	Discretionary	Ariz. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§ 13-703.05(A), 12-120.21(A)(1), 13-4031 (2006); Ariz. R. Crim. P. 26.15.
CO	Automatic to state supreme court	Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-12-207; Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 18-1.3-406	Yes	Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-12-205(1)	Trial court where conviction obtained (but if direct appeal is taken to supreme court, must be consolidated)	Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-12-207	Discretionary.	Colo. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 16-12-206
CT	Automatic to state supreme court	Conn. Gen. Stat. § 53a-46b.	Yes	Conn. Gen. Stat. § 51-296	Superior court	Conn. Const. art. one, § 12; Conn. Gen. Stat. § 52-466.	Discretionary	
DE	Automatic to state supreme court	Del. Code Ann. tit. 11, § 4209(g)	Yes	Del. R. Crim P. Ct. R. 61(e)(1)	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Del. Code Ann. tit. 10, § 6901	Discretionary.	Del. Const. Art. 4, § 11
FL	Automatic to state supreme court	Fla. Const. Art. 5, § 3(b)(1); Fla. Stat. § 921.141(4) (2006); Fla.R.App.P. § 9.030(a)(1); Fla. Const. art. 5, § 4(2)	Yes	Fla. Stat. Ann. § 27.7001 <i>et seq.</i>	Circuit court of judicial district where conviction was obtained.	Fla. R. Crim. P. 3.851	Discretionary	Fla. R. Crim. P. 3.851
GA	Automatic to state supreme court	GA. Unified Appeal R. IV(A)(3)(a)(1); Ga. Code Ann. § 17-10-35 (2004); Ga. Const. art. IV, sec. VI, para. III	Yes	Ga. Unified Appeal R. IV(A)(2)(d)	Trial court in county where party is incarcerated.	Ga. Code Ann. § 9-14-43 (2004)	Discretionary.	Ga. Code Ann. § 9-14-52(b), (c) (2004)
ID	Automatic to state supreme court	Idaho Code Ann. § 19-2827(a)	Yes	Idaho Code Ann. § 19-870(1)	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Idaho Code Ann. § 19-2719(7)	Automatic.	Idaho Code Ann. § 19-2719(6)
IL	Automatic to state supreme court	720 Ill. Comp. Stat. Ann. 5/9-1(i); Ill. Const. art. I, § 11	Yes	725 Ill. Comp. Stat. Ann. § 5/122-2.1	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Ill. Comp. Stat. Ann. 5 / 122-1	Discretionary.	Ill. Comp. Stat. Ann. 5 / 122-7
IN	Automatic to state supreme court	Ind. Code § 35-50-2-9(j) (2006); Ind. R. App. P. 4(A)(1)(a).	Yes	Ind. R. Crim. P. 24(I)	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Ind. R. of P. for Post-Conviction Remedies 1, § 2.	Automatic.	Ind. R. of P. for Post-Conviction Remedies 1, § 6, 7
KS	Automatic to state supreme court	Kan. Stat. Ann § 21-4627; Kan. Stat. Ann. § 21-3439.	Yes	Kan. Stat. Ann § 22-4503	District court where imprisoned, court of appeals, or supreme court.	Kan. Stat. Ann § 60-1501	Discretionary.	Kan. Stat. Ann § 60-1507
KY	Automatic to state supreme court	Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 532.075(1)(c), (2)(b)	Yes	Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 31.110(2)(c)	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. R. Cr. § 11.42	Discretionary.	Ky. Rev. Stat. Ann. R. Cr. § 11.42
LA	Automatic to state supreme court	La. Code Crim. Proc. Ann. art. 905.9; La. Sup. Ct. R. 28	Yes	La. Rev. Stat. § 15:149-1	Trial court where conviction obtained.	La. Code Crim. Proc. Ann. art. 926	May invoke supervisory jurisdiction only.	La. Code Crim. Proc. Ann. art. 930.6; 369
MD	Automatic to Court of Appeals (Maryland's highest court)	Md. Code Ann. Crim. Law § 2-401; Md. Crim. Pro. Code Ann. §6-202	Yes	Md. Code Ann. Crim. Proc. § 7-108	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Md. Code Ann. Crim. Proc. § 7-203	Discretionary.	Md. Code Ann. Crim. Proc. § 7-108
MO	Automatic to state supreme court	Mo. Ann. Stat. § 565.035	Yes	Mo. Ann. Stat. §§ 547.360	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Mo. Ann. Stat. § 547.360	Discretionary.	Mo. Ann. Stat. § 547.360
MS	Automatic to state supreme court	Miss. Code Ann. §§ 99-19-101(4); 99-19-105(1)(c).	Yes	Miss. Code Ann. § 99-39-107	Trial court where conviction obtained (must obtain leave to file from supreme court)	Miss. Code Ann. §§ 99-39-27; 99-39-7	Discretionary.	Miss. Code Ann. § 99-39-25
MT	Automatic to state supreme court	Mont. Code Ann. § 46-18-307	Yes	Mont. Code Ann. § 46-21-201(3)(b)(i)	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Mont. Code Ann. § 46-21-201	Discretionary.	Mont. Code Ann. § 46-21-203
NC	Automatic to state supreme court	N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 15A-2000(d)(i)	Yes	N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 7A-451(a)(2); N.C. Gen. Stat 4A-751(c)	Trial court where conviction obtained.	N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 15A-1413	Discretionary	N.C. Gen. Stat. Ann. § 15A-1422
NE	Automatic to state supreme court	Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-2525	Yes	Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-3004	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-3001	Discretionary.	Neb. Rev. Stat. § 29-3002
NH	Automatic to state supreme court	N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 630:5(X)	No.	N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 604-A:3	Superior court in county where imprisoned.	N.H. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 534:3	Discretionary.	N.H. Sup. Ct. Rules, Rule 7 (1)(b)

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NM	Automatic to state supreme court	N.M. Stat. Ann. § 31-20A-4	Yes. N.M. Stat. Ann. § 31-16-3; N.M. Stat. Ann. §31-11-6	District court in county where imprisoned.	N.M.R.A. Rule 5-802	Discretionary.	N.M.R.A. Rule 5-802
NV	Automatic to state supreme court	Nev. Rev. Stat. § 177.055	Yes. Nev. Rev. Stat. §§ 7.125; 34.820	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Nev. Rev. Stat. § 34.730	Discretionary.	Nev. Rev. Stat. § 34.575
NY	To state supreme court	N.Y. Crim. Proc. Law § 450.70, 470.30	Yes. N.Y. Jud. Ct. Acts. § 35-b	Supreme Court.	N.Y. Crim. Proc. Law § 450.70	Automatic.	N.Y. Crim. Proc. Law § 450.70
OH	To state supreme court	Ohio Const. Art. IV, §§ 2(B)(2)(c), 3(B)(2); §2953.21	Yes. Ohio Rev. Code Ann. § 2953.21(I)(1)	Supreme Court	Ohio Const. Art. IV, §§ 2(B)(1)(c)	Discretionary	
OK	Automatic to Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals (effectively the supreme court for criminal appeals)	Okla. Stat. tit. 21 § 701.13	Yes. Okla. Stat. tit. 22 § 1089; Okla. Stat. tit. 22 § 1355.6	Court of Criminal Appeals	Okla. Stat. tit. 22 § 1089	Automatic	Okla. Stat. tit. 22 § 1089
OR	Automatic to state supreme court	Or. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 138.012	Yes. Or. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 34.355; Or. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 138.590	Circuit court of judicial district where party is imprisoned.	Or. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 138.686	Discretionary.	Or. Rev. Stat. Ann. § 34.710
PA	Automatic to state supreme court	Pa.Const. Stat. Ann. tit. 42, § 722(4); Pa.Const. Stat. Ann. tit. 42, § 9711(h)(1).	Yes. Pa. R. Crim. P. 1500		42 Pa. Const. Stat. § 9545(b)(1); Pa. R. Crim. P. 901(A)		Penn. Sup. Ct. Order, Aug. 11, 1997.
SC	Automatic to state supreme court	S.C. Code Ann. § 16-3-25(A)(3)	No. S.C. Code Ann. § 17-3-10	Trial court where conviction obtained.	S.C. Code Ann. § 17-17-108	Discretionary.	S.C. Code Ann. § 17-17-140
SD	Automatic to state supreme court	S.D. Codified Laws § 23A-27A-9, -12(c).	Yes. S.D. Codified Laws § 21-27-4	Trial court where conviction obtained.	S.D. Codified Laws § 23A-27A-14.1	Discretionary.	S.D. Codified Laws § 21-27-18.1
TN	Automatic to Court of Criminal Appeals; if affirmed, automatic review by supreme court	Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-13-206(a), -206(c)(1)(D).	Yes. Tenn. Code. Ann. §40-30-306				
TX	Automatic to court of criminal appeals (effectively the supreme court for criminal appeals)	Tex. Code Crim. Proc. Ann. art. 37.0711, Sec. 2(h)	Yes. Tex. Crim. Proc. Code Ann. § 11.071(2)	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Tex. Code Crim. Proc. Ann. art. 37.071 Sec. 4(a)	Automatic	Tex. Code Crim. Proc. Ann. Art. 37.071 Sec. 11
UT	Automatic to state supreme court.	Utah Code Ann. § 76-3-206, -207	Yes. Utah Code Ann. § 78-35a-202(2)(a)	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Utah Code Ann. § 78-35a-104(1)	Discretionary.	Utah Code Ann. § 78-35a-110
VA	To state supreme court	Va. Code Ann. § 17.1-313(c)(2)	Yes. Va. Code Ann. § 19.2-163.7	Supreme Court			
WA	Automatic to state supreme court.	Wash. Rev. Code §§ 10.95.100; 10.95.130(2)(b)	Yes. Wash. Rev. Code § 10.73.150	Supreme Court.	Wash. Rev. Code § 2.04.010	Automatic.	Wash. Rev. Code § 2.04.010
WY	Automatic to state supreme court	Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 6-2-103	No. Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 7-6-104	Trial court where conviction obtained.	Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 7-14-101(b)	Discretionary.	Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 7-14-107