

Where Indiana evidence rulings are appealed, and where they turn

Every mark is one of 176 opinions in which an evidence question was raised on appeal, run on full-text opinions from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026.

				OPINIONS	REVERSED
<i>Arts. I, X</i>	103 • 106 • 1002	Preservation & foundation	● ● ○ ○ ■	5	
<i>Art. II</i>	201	Judicial notice	◆	1	1
<i>Art. IV</i>	401–403	Relevance & balancing	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ○ ○ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■	24	
	404	Character & other acts	● ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ◆	36	1
	408	Compromise offers	● ◆	2	1
	412	Rape shield	● ● ● ● ◆	5	1
<i>Art. VI</i>	601–613	Witnesses & impeachment	● ● ● ● ○	5	
<i>Art. VII</i>	701–705	Lay & expert opinion	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ○ ■ ■ ■	13	
	704(b)	Vouching	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ■ ◆	11	1
<i>Art. VIII</i>	801–805	Hearsay	● ○ ○ ○ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ ■	31	
	806	Impeaching a hearsay declarant	◆	1	1
<i>Art. IX</i>	901–902	Authentication	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ■	17	
<i>Constitution</i>	Confrontation	Confrontation Clause	● ● ■ ■ ■ ◆	6	1
<i>Statute</i>	PPS	Protected Person Statute	● ○	2	
<i>Constitution</i>	Suppression	Suppression & exclusionary rule	● ● ● ● ● ● ● ● ■	9	
<i>Mixed</i>	Other	Other doctrines	● ● ● ● ● ■ ■ ◆	8	1
● Affirmed, no error ○ Raised, not reached ■ Error, harmless ◆ Error, reversible					

61%

of opinions (108 of 176) sit in the four busiest families (404, hearsay, relevance, authentication) and they hold one reversal.

29% vs 26%

Error found or assumed (harmless or reversible) at similar rates in those four families and in the rest (31 of 108 vs 18 of 68). What differs is how often error ends in reversal: 0.9% vs 10.3%.

4.5%

of opinions reversed (8 of 176; 95% Wilson score interval 2.3% to 8.7%). A share of these 176 opinions, not the chance that a trial ruling is reversed.

Run on full-text opinions from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. 176 Indiana appellate opinions (Court of Appeals and Supreme Court) found by ranked searches: a screening sample, not a complete census. “Reversed” means an evidence ruling contributed to reversal, in whole or in part. Rule-family placement is a display rollup: an opinion that cites several rules is filed under the first matching family. Families with fewer than ten opinions show counts, not rates. Reporter citations in the underlying data are unverified.