

Table B-1.

U.S. Courts of Appeals—Cases Commenced, Terminated, and Pending, by Circuit and Nature of Proceeding During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2016

Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Pending Oct. 1, 2015 ¹	Commenced			Terminated									Pending Sept. 30, 2016
					On Procedural Grounds					On the Merits				
		Total	Original	Reopened	Total	Total	By Consolidation	By Judge	By Staff	Total	By Consolidation	After Oral Argument	After Submission on Briefs	
Total	40,662	60,357	58,759	1,598	57,744	18,492	131	4,940	13,421	39,252	2,705	6,392	30,155	43,275
Criminal	9,665	11,536	11,353	183	11,379	2,987	4	706	2,277	8,392	794	1,555	6,043	9,822
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	2,203	4,249	4,104	145	3,791	1,235	1	282	952	2,556	58	117	2,381	2,661
Other U.S. Civil	2,356	2,515	2,430	85	2,604	877	8	202	667	1,727	131	615	981	2,267
Private Prisoner Petitions	5,584	9,302	9,006	296	9,143	3,508	2	1,116	2,390	5,635	123	464	5,048	5,743
Other Private Civil	10,313	11,771	11,405	366	11,554	4,756	100	1,203	3,453	6,798	877	2,873	3,048	10,530
Bankruptcy	715	757	739	18	703	292	3	67	222	411	55	156	200	769
Administrative Agency Appeals	8,629	6,469	6,042	427	7,288	3,664	13	997	2,654	3,624	392	595	2,637	7,810
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	1,197	13,758	13,680	78	11,282	1,173	-	367	806	10,109	275	17	9,817	3,673
DC	1,394	1,197	1,192	5	1,173	387	8	103	276	786	216	262	308	1,418
Criminal	136	59	59	-	93	24	-	3	21	69	28	34	7	102
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	82	94	93	1	90	48	-	21	27	42	6	6	30	86
Other U.S. Civil	218	228	227	1	219	59	2	13	44	160	8	81	71	227
Private Prisoner Petitions	8	14	14	-	12	6	-	1	5	6	-	-	6	10
Other Private Civil	147	151	149	2	161	56	-	17	39	105	14	46	45	137
Bankruptcy	3	3	3	-	4	1	-	-	1	3	2	1	-	2
Administrative Agency Appeals	760	493	493	-	426	149	6	35	108	277	156	92	29	827
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	40	155	154	1	168	44	-	13	31	124	2	2	120	27
1st	1,256	1,704	1,698	6	1,472	474	5	130	339	998	57	260	681	1,488
Criminal	562	574	572	2	485	168	-	41	127	317	22	84	211	651
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	82	75	75	-	83	27	-	3	24	56	3	8	45	74
Other U.S. Civil	51	71	70	1	65	19	2	5	12	46	1	23	22	57
Private Prisoner Petitions	84	93	93	-	89	26	-	9	17	63	2	11	50	88
Other Private Civil	302	395	393	2	372	149	3	30	116	223	24	112	87	325
Bankruptcy	27	28	28	-	31	18	-	5	13	13	-	7	6	24
Administrative Agency Appeals	121	105	104	1	138	52	-	30	22	86	5	12	69	88
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	27	363	363	-	209	15	-	7	8	194	-	3	191	181

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		Total	Original	Reopened	Total	Total	By Consolidation	By Judge	By Staff	Total	By Consolidation	After Oral Argument	After Submission on Briefs	
2nd	3,337	4,640	4,422	218	4,661	1,708	16	494	1,198	2,953	331	820	1,802	3,316
Criminal	819	656	647	9	712	145	-	17	128	567	80	213	274	763
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	103	222	210	12	198	61	-	9	52	137	4	10	123	127
Other U.S. Civil	156	251	232	19	251	108	1	15	92	143	9	64	70	156
Private Prisoner Petitions	220	491	458	33	518	202	1	48	153	316	2	43	271	193
Other Private Civil	1,128	1,459	1,376	83	1,627	674	13	168	493	953	199	446	308	960
Bankruptcy	44	77	75	2	59	19	-	1	18	40	6	12	22	62
Administrative Agency Appeals	817	794	736	58	894	440	1	233	206	454	27	31	396	717
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	50	690	688	2	402	59	-	3	56	343	4	1	338	338
3rd	2,634	3,618	3,565	53	3,344	1,021	5	266	750	2,323	77	208	2,038	2,908
Criminal	395	420	418	2	455	108	1	25	82	347	16	32	299	360
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	208	280	270	10	354	84	1	23	60	270	2	5	263	134
Other U.S. Civil	94	128	122	6	121	40	-	7	33	81	3	14	64	101
Private Prisoner Petitions	411	604	596	8	685	192	-	76	116	493	2	17	474	330
Other Private Civil	1,191	936	915	21	870	371	3	75	293	499	42	110	347	1,257
Bankruptcy	62	63	63	-	61	27	-	4	23	34	1	5	28	64
Administrative Agency Appeals	200	244	239	5	307	123	-	55	68	184	10	24	150	137
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	73	943	942	1	491	76	-	1	75	415	1	1	413	525
4th	2,432	6,411	6,369	42	6,234	1,059	15	281	763	5,175	301	287	4,587	2,609
Criminal	770	1,235	1,223	12	1,125	172	1	32	139	953	55	82	816	880
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	332	654	647	7	632	143	-	35	108	489	7	12	470	354
Other U.S. Civil	117	246	245	1	226	54	-	19	35	172	39	20	113	137
Private Prisoner Petitions	351	820	810	10	804	292	-	94	198	512	15	15	482	367
Other Private Civil	547	898	891	7	864	256	14	63	179	608	111	117	380	581
Bankruptcy	30	65	65	-	50	21	-	3	18	29	5	4	20	45
Administrative Agency Appeals	182	230	228	2	245	72	-	30	42	173	13	34	126	167
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	103	2,263	2,260	3	2,288	49	-	5	44	2,239	56	3	2,180	78

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Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Pending Oct. 1, 2015 ¹	Commenced			Terminated									Pending Sept. 30, 2016
					Total	On Procedural Grounds			On the Merits					
		Total	Original	Reopened		Total	Total	By Consolidation	By Judge	By Staff	Total	By Consolidation	After Oral Argument	
5th	4,828	8,664	8,264	400	7,899	2,871	16	737	2,118	5,028	544	762	3,722	5,593
Criminal	2,114	2,894	2,795	99	2,711	763	-	177	586	1,948	247	214	1,487	2,297
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	364	572	520	52	516	262	-	54	208	254	27	8	219	420
Other U.S. Civil	105	189	174	15	177	77	-	24	53	100	12	43	45	117
Private Prisoner Petitions	890	1,437	1,351	86	1,261	674	1	187	486	587	71	33	483	1,066
Other Private Civil	829	1,417	1,343	74	1,267	535	10	160	365	732	100	388	244	979
Bankruptcy	48	58	57	1	70	23	-	4	19	47	11	24	12	36
Administrative Agency Appeals	318	438	418	20	434	211	5	113	93	223	38	51	134	322
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	160	1,659	1,606	53	1,463	326	-	18	308	1,137	38	1	1,098	356
6th	3,116	5,242	5,196	46	4,857	1,409	8	441	960	3,448	198	488	2,762	3,501
Criminal	855	1,030	1,026	4	1,122	272	-	85	187	850	102	104	644	763
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	185	381	375	6	314	89	-	32	57	225	1	6	218	252
Other U.S. Civil	147	167	164	3	195	59	-	13	46	136	10	27	99	119
Private Prisoner Petitions	639	989	974	15	957	351	-	152	199	606	5	54	547	671
Other Private Civil	746	1,076	1,067	9	1,082	398	8	110	280	684	58	265	361	740
Bankruptcy	28	45	45	-	30	9	-	2	7	21	3	8	10	43
Administrative Agency Appeals	256	261	256	5	304	100	-	33	67	204	12	23	169	213
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	260	1,293	1,289	4	853	131	-	14	117	722	7	1	714	700
7th	1,777	3,382	3,329	53	3,360	1,146	7	220	919	2,214	116	638	1,460	1,799
Criminal	409	561	555	6	572	190	-	53	137	382	40	193	149	398
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	147	309	299	10	263	119	-	13	106	144	4	16	124	193
Other U.S. Civil	122	166	163	3	182	57	-	14	43	125	2	57	66	106
Private Prisoner Petitions	312	636	612	24	573	360	-	42	318	213	2	47	164	375
Other Private Civil	588	712	704	8	719	321	7	55	259	398	46	254	98	581
Bankruptcy	26	50	50	-	31	7	-	2	5	24	-	18	6	45
Administrative Agency Appeals	129	114	113	1	160	61	-	21	40	99	19	53	27	83
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	44	834	833	1	860	31	-	20	11	829	3	-	826	18

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8th	1,511	3,665	3,643	22	3,088	537	2	224	311	2,551	132	411	2,008	2,088
Criminal	485	856	851	5	808	113	-	43	70	695	35	117	543	533
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	82	332	330	2	260	34	-	13	21	226	1	8	217	154
Other U.S. Civil	93	115	115	-	145	33	-	12	21	112	4	39	69	63
Private Prisoner Petitions	213	561	559	2	579	173	-	90	83	406	8	17	381	195
Other Private Civil	399	584	578	6	535	109	2	47	60	426	58	187	181	448
Bankruptcy	19	15	15	-	21	3	-	1	2	18	4	8	6	13
Administrative Agency Appeals	131	168	163	5	156	48	-	8	40	108	21	35	52	143
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	89	1,034	1,032	2	584	24	-	10	14	560	1	-	559	539
9th	13,659	11,473	11,024	449	11,798	4,742	29	935	3,778	7,056	347	1,556	5,153	13,334
Criminal	1,615	1,416	1,396	20	1,439	409	2	63	344	1,030	94	302	634	1,592
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	248	405	396	9	389	114	-	31	83	275	3	22	250	264
Other U.S. Civil	978	542	531	11	632	218	2	45	171	414	28	202	184	888
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,724	2,150	2,100	50	2,266	653	-	266	387	1,613	8	177	1,428	1,608
Other Private Civil	3,070	2,194	2,144	50	2,152	1,004	23	165	816	1,148	106	591	451	3,112
Bankruptcy	343	240	227	13	220	97	2	18	77	123	19	55	49	363
Administrative Agency Appeals	5,433	3,236	2,941	295	3,825	2,211	-	344	1,867	1,614	79	204	1,331	4,844
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	248	1,290	1,289	1	875	36	-	3	33	839	10	3	826	663
10th	1,210	2,338	2,315	23	2,228	624	8	178	438	1,604	33	331	1,240	1,320
Criminal	304	447	443	4	463	135	-	41	94	328	10	98	220	288
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	64	236	235	1	186	52	-	15	37	134	-	5	129	114
Other U.S. Civil	120	150	147	3	134	31	-	12	19	103	2	18	83	136
Private Prisoner Petitions	124	309	306	3	288	104	-	38	66	184	1	11	172	145
Other Private Civil	480	581	573	8	617	228	8	42	178	389	17	177	195	444
Bankruptcy	18	33	33	-	30	13	-	-	13	17	-	4	13	21
Administrative Agency Appeals	82	82	80	2	104	31	-	16	15	73	3	17	53	60
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	18	500	498	2	406	30	-	14	16	376	-	1	375	112

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11th	3,508	8,023	7,742	281	7,630	2,514	12	931	1,571	5,116	353	369	4,394	3,901
Criminal	1,201	1,388	1,368	20	1,394	488	-	126	362	906	65	82	759	1,195
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	306	689	654	35	506	202	-	33	169	304	-	11	293	489
Other U.S. Civil	155	262	240	22	257	122	1	23	98	135	13	27	95	160
Private Prisoner Petitions	608	1,198	1,133	65	1,111	475	-	113	362	636	7	39	590	695
Other Private Civil	886	1,368	1,272	96	1,288	655	9	271	375	633	102	180	351	966
Bankruptcy	67	80	78	2	96	54	1	27	26	42	4	10	28	51
Administrative Agency Appeals	200	304	271	33	295	166	1	79	86	129	9	19	101	209
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	85	2,734	2,726	8	2,683	352	-	259	93	2,331	153	1	2,177	136

NOTE: This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.
¹ Revised.