

Table B-7.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Civil and Criminal Appeals Commenced, by Cases and Nature of Suit or Offense,
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2023

Nature of Suit or Offense	Total	Circuit											
		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Total	31,405	642	906	2,572	2,019	3,029	4,681	2,707	2,253	2,440	5,083	1,523	3,550
Total Criminal Appeals	9,649	191	310	667	466	1,148	1,991	945	558	936	932	463	1,042
Total Civil Appeals	21,756	451	596	1,905	1,553	1,881	2,690	1,762	1,695	1,504	4,151	1,060	2,508
U.S. Appeals	4,717	290	131	351	268	568	508	355	341	336	824	208	537
U.S. Plaintiff	229	4	12	23	10	13	41	15	11	13	47	9	31
Negotiable Instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Contract Actions	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
Condemnation of Land	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Real Property Actions	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Tort Actions	8	-	-	-	-	-	4	2	1	-	-	1	-
Civil Rights	25	-	-	-	2	2	9	-	3	-	2	-	7
Employment	3	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Civil Rights	22	-	-	-	-	1	9	-	3	-	2	-	7
Forfeiture And Penalty	23	-	-	1	-	2	4	7	-	-	4	1	4
Fair Labor Standards Act	4	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Other Labor	6	-	-	2	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	60	-	6	12	1	2	14	-	4	-	10	-	11
Tax Suits	16	-	-	2	1	2	1	-	2	1	5	-	2
All Other	83	4	5	5	4	5	9	4	-	9	25	6	7
U.S. Defendant	4,488	286	119	328	258	555	467	340	330	323	777	199	506
Contract Actions	41	8	-	3	4	5	3	4	-	1	12	-	1
Real Property Actions	23	1	1	2	-	-	1	-	1	5	11	-	1
Tort Actions	182	10	6	17	9	24	7	16	6	4	54	3	26
Civil Rights	634	83	23	60	52	87	52	34	32	22	110	23	56
Employment	160	29	1	6	11	20	13	6	12	3	29	7	23
Other Civil Rights	474	54	22	54	41	67	39	28	20	19	81	16	33
Prisoner Petitions	2,478	53	49	180	160	362	286	224	203	244	275	120	322
Motions to Vacate Sentence	1,398	9	31	98	70	165	199	133	104	198	107	56	228
Habeas Corpus--General	493	4	14	25	49	77	38	46	49	27	85	35	44
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	5	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prisoner Civil Rights	333	37	4	40	28	51	39	23	1	9	51	20	30
Prison Condition	146	-	-	4	7	26	5	18	46	8	17	7	8
Other Prisoner Petitions	103	3	-	13	6	38	5	4	3	2	15	2	12
Labor Suits	12	-	1	-	1	-	3	1	2	-	2	1	1
Social Security Laws	459	4	17	41	14	31	26	29	53	28	133	23	60
Tax Suits	44	3	-	-	2	-	4	6	3	2	6	11	7
Environmental Matters	66	5	3	-	-	7	3	-	-	-	46	2	-

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Total	Circuit											
		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Freedom of Information Act	49	27	3	4	1	4	-	-	3	1	4	-	2
All Other	500	92	16	21	15	35	82	26	27	16	124	16	30
Total Private Appeals	17,039	161	465	1,554	1,285	1,313	2,182	1,407	1,354	1,168	3,327	852	1,971
Federal Question	14,360	140	344	1,249	1,048	1,136	1,761	1,200	1,287	1,042	2,821	728	1,604
Marine Contract	17	-	1	3	1	1	1	-	-	-	5	-	5
Other Contract Actions	274	5	18	27	9	20	31	13	26	18	63	19	25
Federal Employers Liability Act	10	-	-	4	1	-	-	1	2	1	1	-	-
Marine Injury	70	-	1	1	-	-	52	4	1	-	6	-	5
Other Tort Actions	454	14	11	58	26	39	50	34	61	23	94	16	28
Antitrust	61	1	4	14	8	2	3	4	1	2	21	1	-
Civil Rights	4,432	37	134	536	368	304	502	447	392	246	718	242	506
Employment	857	10	21	113	93	76	106	85	69	46	84	49	105
Other Civil Rights	3,575	27	113	423	275	228	396	362	323	200	634	193	401
Prisoner Petitions	6,611	19	89	330	474	631	892	561	686	444	1,311	373	801
Habeas Corpus--General	2,656	6	42	120	249	196	387	245	171	129	557	119	435
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	75	-	-	-	4	1	15	11	1	6	13	6	18
Prisoner Civil Rights	2,399	13	41	159	146	303	417	180	26	179	571	175	189
Prison Condition	1,381	-	2	49	74	120	68	124	487	125	150	38	144
Other Prisoner Petitions	100	-	4	2	1	11	5	1	1	5	20	35	15
Labor Management Relations Act	42	4	1	5	-	1	-	8	2	-	16	4	1
Other Labor	434	9	18	55	36	19	50	32	31	18	101	15	50
Intellectual Property Rights	305	5	8	43	17	16	41	11	10	11	107	9	27
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	82	-	4	34	2	1	5	5	3	2	22	1	3
Constitutionality of State Statutes	128	1	5	17	7	6	17	10	8	12	36	3	6
All Other	1,440	45	50	122	99	96	117	70	64	265	320	45	147
Diversity of Citizenship	2,679	21	121	305	237	177	421	207	67	126	506	124	367
Insurance	559	3	15	48	65	25	79	36	29	33	107	28	91
Other Contract Actions	735	8	24	112	83	54	99	58	38	36	118	44	61
Real Property Actions	153	1	23	14	13	10	25	7	-	9	28	5	18
Personal Injury/Product Liability	191	-	5	21	6	13	20	6	-	4	30	1	85
Other Personal Injury	513	4	32	38	31	37	166	44	-	17	51	28	65
Personal Property Damage	215	-	5	35	21	11	16	17	-	11	65	7	27
All Other	313	5	17	37	18	27	16	39	-	16	107	11	20
General Location Jurisdiction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contract Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Real Property Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tort Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Total	Circuit											
		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Prisoner Petitions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Criminal Appeals	9,649	191	310	667	466	1,148	1,991	945	558	936	932	463	1,042
Violent Offenses	684	16	44	35	34	70	91	61	42	56	98	73	64
Homicide	83	4	1	4	1	7	4	7	1	10	14	24	6
Robbery	116	-	4	2	8	11	22	16	13	8	15	9	8
Assault	84	7	1	4	4	7	11	4	4	7	17	16	2
Kidnapping	69	3	3	3	6	6	10	8	5	4	7	4	10
Racketeering--Violent Crime	137	-	13	15	10	20	14	8	9	11	19	8	10
Carjacking	111	-	17	2	2	14	16	10	7	9	6	6	22
Terrorism	22	1	1	2	-	3	1	5	1	1	4	2	1
Other Violent Offenses	62	1	4	3	3	2	13	3	2	6	16	4	5
Property Offenses	992	12	34	133	79	83	124	104	46	56	143	38	140
Burglary	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Larceny & Theft, Total	81	3	4	9	14	9	7	6	1	3	4	5	16
Bank	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Postal	14	-	-	2	2	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	3
Theft, U.S. Property	47	1	1	4	6	9	-	4	1	3	3	5	10
Transportation of Stolen Property	12	-	1	3	6	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	2
Embezzlement	27	-	3	3	4	-	2	-	6	2	3	2	2
Fraud, Total	864	9	26	121	61	73	111	96	39	48	135	27	118
Tax	44	-	-	1	6	4	6	8	2	2	7	4	4
Financial Institutions	33	-	5	1	2	3	3	3	3	4	4	2	3
Securities and Exchange	30	-	-	10	2	-	-	5	2	2	6	-	3
Mail	22	1	-	1	-	-	3	5	3	3	1	5	-
Wire, Radio, or Television	53	-	-	2	3	6	8	4	7	3	10	1	9
Social Security	4	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Citizenship and Naturalization	6	-	-	-	1	4	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Passport	6	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	2
Identification Documents and Information	54	-	1	5	2	2	6	2	2	4	16	3	11
False Claims and Services, Government	16	-	2	1	1	2	-	1	3	1	1	1	3
False Statements	24	1	-	1	3	1	4	2	2	2	4	2	2
Conspiracy to Defraud the U.S.	56	2	-	6	5	6	16	4	2	2	7	1	5
Unauthorized Access Devices	38	-	-	-	2	1	5	3	1	2	8	1	15
Health Care	87	1	-	12	5	3	19	17	-	4	11	1	14
Other Fraud Offenses	391	4	16	81	29	40	38	42	12	19	58	6	46
Forgery and Counterfeiting	13	-	1	-	-	1	3	1	-	2	-	2	3

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Total	Circuit											
		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Other Property Offenses	5	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	1
Drug Offenses	3,090	22	107	167	142	417	713	322	180	324	245	76	375
Marijuana, Total	171	2	2	2	7	28	70	7	6	8	13	8	18
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	155	1	1	2	7	27	61	6	6	8	10	8	18
Import/Export	10	-	-	-	-	1	9	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manufacture	6	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	-
All Other Drugs, Total	2,860	17	101	156	134	379	638	309	170	305	229	67	355
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	2,757	14	86	151	133	377	611	303	168	301	198	66	349
Import/Export	72	3	15	5	-	1	16	1	1	-	26	1	3
Manufacture	31	-	-	-	1	1	11	5	1	4	5	-	3
Other Drug Offenses	59	3	4	9	1	10	5	6	4	11	3	1	2
Firearms and Explosives Offenses	2,256	12	75	143	93	288	377	299	156	285	139	134	255
Firearms, Total	2,206	12	75	140	88	286	368	296	151	275	132	134	249
Possession by Prohibited Persons	1,073	7	20	52	31	72	204	163	81	172	67	90	114
Furtherance of Violent/Drug-Trafficking Crimes	806	4	33	44	35	142	121	107	51	92	41	28	108
Other Firearms Offenses	327	1	22	44	22	72	43	26	19	11	24	16	27
Explosives	50	-	-	3	5	2	9	3	5	10	7	-	6
Sex Offenses	868	5	16	51	47	70	140	79	74	126	96	56	108
Sexual Abuse of Adults	39	-	-	3	1	2	-	-	-	10	6	16	1
Sexual Abuse of Minors	392	1	9	21	18	30	60	54	29	52	43	23	52
Sexually Explicit Material	313	4	6	17	17	29	65	22	18	42	40	11	42
Other Sex Offenses	124	-	1	10	11	9	15	3	27	22	7	6	13
Justice System Offenses	203	56	6	13	11	15	20	13	4	20	21	8	16
Obstruction of Justice	149	55	5	11	11	13	15	8	2	5	14	1	9
Escape from Custody	26	-	-	2	-	1	4	2	1	7	1	5	3
Failure to Appear	7	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	-	-	1	-	1
Other Justice System Offenses	21	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	8	5	2	3
Immigration Offenses	533	-	3	7	2	11	350	9	8	5	71	48	19
Alien Smuggling	91	-	-	-	-	-	69	-	-	-	15	7	-
Improper Entry by Alien	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Improper Reentry by Alien	432	-	2	7	2	11	280	9	8	5	55	40	13
Other Immigration Offenses	10	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	6
General Offenses	287	7	14	31	17	19	52	27	24	12	56	8	20
Money Laundering	176	1	8	13	10	12	31	18	8	10	44	5	16
RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations)	46	-	3	10	3	2	9	5	12	-	1	-	1
Extortion and Threats	33	2	1	3	3	2	7	4	2	-	5	1	3

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		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Other General Offenses	32	4	2	5	1	3	5	-	2	2	6	2	-
Regulatory Offenses	164	45	3	8	5	14	14	13	9	11	21	3	18
Traffic Offenses	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unclassified Offenses	571	16	8	79	36	160	110	18	15	41	42	19	27

NOTE: This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.