Correction Made in February 2024: Updates to the underlying data resulted in revised totals for complaints against judges.

## Table S-22

Judicial Complaints —Complaints Commenced, Terminated, and Pending with Allegations and Actions Taken Under Authority of 28 U.S.C. 351-364 During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2021

							(	Circuit							National (	tional Court[1]	
Summary of Activity	Total	Fed	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	сс	СІТ	
Complaints Pending on 10/1/2020[2]	661	0	22	29	96	29	57	20	123	17	19	98	51	84	16	0	
Complaints Commenced	1,283	24	68	20	51	104	180	162	94	102	100	140	37	161	40	0	
Source of Complaints																	
Filed by Complainant	1,282	24	68	20	51	104	179	162	94	102	100	140	37	161	40	0	
Identified by Circuit Chief Judge	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Complainants[3]	1,305	24	68	20	52	104	180	165	94	103	102	147	39	167	40	0	
Prison Inmates	451	0	22	0	21	24	62	65	54	45	45	56	8	45	4	0	
Lawyers	12	0	0	0	4	2	0	2	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	
Litigants	777	24	35	19	24	78	114	92	40	56	24	89	26	120	36	0	
Public Official	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Judicial Employees	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	2	2	0	0	
Other	54	0	11	1	3	0	4	6	0	1	25	0	3	0	0	0	
Judges Complained About[4]																	
Circuit Judges	319	18	39	6	5	21	36	49	21	25	18	47	8	26	0	0	
District Judges	755	3	27	13	38	73	115	81	60	70	72	56	17	101	29	0	
Bankruptcy Judges	24	0	0	0	3	1	5	3	2	0	0	3	0	6	1	0	
Magistrate Judges	178	1	2	1	5	9	24	29	11	7	10	34	12	28	5	0	
Court of Federal Claims Judges	7	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	
Court of International Trade Judges	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Nature of Allegations[5]																	
Special Treatment for Friend or Relative	33	0	1	0	4	0	3	5	0	12	3	0	1	4	0	0	
Acceptance of Bribe, Gift, or Favor	13	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	2	3	2	0	0	

Improper Ex Parte Communication with Party or Counsel	54	0	0	0	4	0	14	10	0	1	2	5	2	14	2	0
Partisan Political Activity or Statement	7	1	2	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Soliciting Funds for Organization	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Improper Outside Income	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Financial Disclosure Violation Unwanted, Abusive, or Offensive Sexual Conduct	2 0	0 -	0	0	0 -	0 -	0 -	0 -	0	0 -	0	0	2 -	0 -	0 -	0 -
Hostility Toward Litigant, Attorney, Judicial Employee, or Other	69	0	4	1	4	1	9	6	1	0	7	5	6	10	15	0
Hostile Work Environment Discrimination on the Basis of Race, Color, Sex, or Other	9 108	0 0	0 0	0 1	0 10	0 1	1 14	0 22	0 9	0 0	7 5	0 17	1 7	0 9	0 13	0 0
Retaliation for Participating in Complaint Process	30	1	0	0	1	0	2	2	6	0	6	3	3	4	2	0
Refusal to Cooperate in Complaint Proceeding Failure to Report or Disclose Misconduct or Disability	9 6	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	0 0	7 3	0 0	0 0	2 3	0 0	0 0
Conduct Outside of Official Duties	9	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	6	1	0	0	0	0
Related to Merits of Decision or Ruling	989	22	44	17	42	41	140	129	78	97	66	132	32	113	36	0
Delayed Decision	91	0	1	1	10	4	20	18	9	1	2	7	5	9	4	0
Other Misconduct	400	17	48	3	12	63	68	41	6	6	25	14	10	132	17	0
	462	17	40	0		00										
Disability	462 24	0	0	0	1	0	4	8	0	0	0	4	1	5	1	0
								8	0	0	0	4	1	5	1	0
Disability								8	0	0	0	4 0	1 2	5 0	1 0	0 0
Disability Actions Regarding Complaints	24	0	0	0	1			8		_	0					
Disability Actions Regarding Complaints Complaint Withdrawn by Complainant	24	0	0	0	1			8 1 -		_	0 0 -					
Disability Actions Regarding Complaints Complaint Withdrawn by Complainant Actions by Chief Circuit Judge	24	0	0	0	1			8 1 -		_	0 0 - 86					

Merits-Related	1,046	18	45	21	98	98	177	127	105	83	37	79	24	132	2	0
Frivolous	338	0	0	5	0	99	2	72	116	19	25	0	0	0	0	0
Allegations Lack Sufficient Evidence	951	15	55	19	85	106	198	92	23	32	56	74	21	173	2	0
Allegations Incapable of Being Established	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Filed in Wrong Circuit	32	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	26	0
Otherwise Not Appropriate	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	1	0	0
Complaints Concluded in Whole or in Part[6]	18	0	3	0	3	0	1	0	2	0	2	0	0	7	0	0
Informal Resolution Before Complaint Filed	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Voluntary Corrective Action Taken	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Intervening Events	16	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	7	0	0
		•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•		•	•	•
Complaint Referred to Special Committee	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Actions by Special Committees																
Matter Returned From Judicial Council	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
New Matter Referred to Chief Judge	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Judicial Council Proceedings																
Matter returned from Judicial Conference	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Complaint Transferred From Another Circuit	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Complaint Transferred to Another Circuit Special Committee Reports Submitted to Judicial	0 2	- 0	- 0	- 0	- 0	- 2	- 0									
Council	-	Ū	Ū	0	Ū	-	Ū	Ū	Ũ	Ũ	Ū	0	Ū	Ŭ	Ŭ	Ŭ
Received Petition for Review	477	15	10	12	54	30	67	63	63	28	39	20	10	65	1	0
Action on Petition for Review																
Petition for Review Withdrawn	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chief Judge's Disposition Affirmed and Petition Denied	478	15	10	16	58	34	66	63	65	24	17	39	7	62	2	0
Matter Returned to Chief Judge	0	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_
Matter Returned to Chief Judge for Appointment of	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Special Committee																

Other	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Received Special Committee Report	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Action on Special Committee Report	•	•	•	•	•	2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	0	•
	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Complaints Dismissed [6]	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Not Misconduct or Disability	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Merits Related	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Allegations Lack Sufficient Evidence	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otherwise Not Appropriate	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Complaints with Corrective Action Taken or Intervening Events	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Complaints Referred to Judicial Conference	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Complaints with Remedial Action Taken [7]																
Censure or Reprimand	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Suspension of Assignments	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Action Against Magistrate Judge	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Removal of Bankruptcy Judge	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Requesting of Voluntary Retirement	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Certifying Disability of Circuit or District Judge	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Additional Investigation Warranted																
Returned to Special Committee	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Retained by Judicial Council	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Complaints Terminated as Final Between 10/1/2020 and 9/30/2021	1,442	23	71	28	110	112	212	159	185	96	64	136	27	189	30	0
Complaints Pending on 9/30/2021	560	1	19	25	43	21	25	23	95	23	54	102	47	56	26	0

[1] CC = U.S. Court of Federal Claims; CIT = U.S. Court of International Trade.

[2] Revised

[3] Number of complainants may not total the number of filings because each complaint may have multiple complainants.

[4] This does not represent a count of individual judges since a judge can be the subject of multiple complaints.

[5] Each Complaint may involve multiple allegations. Changes to the items appearing under "Nature of Allegations" reflect recent amendments to the Rules for Judicial-Conduct and Judicial-Disability

Proceedings and track the Rules language and provisions directly.

[6] Each complaint may have multiple reasons for dismissal.

[7] Each complaint may have multiple remedial actions.