

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, 2017

Nature of Suit or Offense	Total	Circuit											
		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Total	38,138	517	1,042	3,038	2,193	3,672	5,791	3,646	2,343	2,431	6,929	1,587	4,949
Total Criminal Appeals	9,917	57	409	652	422	1,069	2,218	887	426	841	1,314	360	1,262
Total Civil Appeals	28,221	460	633	2,386	1,771	2,603	3,573	2,759	1,917	1,590	5,615	1,227	3,687
U.S. Appeals	7,839	302	207	440	455	953	873	784	487	521	1,247	411	1,159
U.S. Plaintiff	310	6	7	38	16	17	42	37	18	22	64	10	33
Negotiable Instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Contract Actions	12	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	1	1	2	-	4
Condemnation of Land	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Real Property Actions	7	-	1	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	1	1	-
Tort Actions	7	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	1
Civil Rights	25	1	-	-	-	4	6	1	3	1	6	2	1
Employment	10	-	-	-	-	3	1	1	2	1	1	1	-
Other Civil Rights	15	1	-	-	-	1	5	-	1	-	5	1	1
Forfeiture And Penalty	25	-	-	3	-	3	3	5	-	5	3	-	3
Fair Labor Standards Act	6	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	1	-	-	1	-
Other Labor	17	-	2	-	3	2	2	1	1	-	5	-	1
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	54	2	1	17	-	1	12	1	5	-	7	2	6
Tax Suits	48	-	-	-	5	2	6	9	2	4	10	4	6
All Other	109	3	2	17	8	3	11	12	5	10	27	-	11
U.S. Defendant	7,529	296	200	402	439	936	831	747	469	499	1,183	401	1,126
Contract Actions	36	11	3	-	2	5	1	4	2	1	4	1	2
Real Property Actions	46	1	2	6	4	3	4	2	1	-	18	3	2
Tort Actions	194	3	11	14	11	29	28	11	8	3	40	7	29
Civil Rights	593	66	20	75	42	67	56	42	26	32	91	24	52
Employment	143	32	6	13	7	20	10	14	8	6	16	3	8
Other Civil Rights	450	34	14	62	35	47	46	28	18	26	75	21	44
Prisoner Petitions	5,355	81	128	189	324	759	674	581	325	390	676	302	926
Motions to Vacate Sentence	3,883	13	106	136	148	528	525	448	219	314	511	201	734
Habeas Corpus--General	715	12	3	15	81	87	89	87	51	28	80	59	123
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	-
Prisoner Civil Rights	429	40	17	20	50	77	43	33	1	25	53	28	42
Prison Condition	139	6	-	2	10	7	9	12	44	12	11	7	19
Other Prisoner Petitions	186	10	2	16	35	60	8	1	10	9	21	6	8
Labor Suits	36	3	-	2	-	3	2	7	9	-	5	4	1
Social Security Laws	567	2	15	56	21	33	15	55	66	47	163	22	72
Tax Suits	64	-	-	8	3	3	3	13	4	3	9	6	12
Environmental Matters	82	11	2	-	1	5	1	3	2	1	50	5	1

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		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Freedom of Information Act	76	32	2	7	3	2	-	1	3	1	20	3	2
All Other	480	86	17	45	28	27	47	28	23	21	107	24	27
Total Private Appeals	20,382	158	426	1,946	1,316	1,650	2,700	1,975	1,430	1,069	4,368	816	2,528
Federal Question	17,520	145	307	1,695	1,120	1,413	2,264	1,746	1,319	920	3,732	669	2,190
Marine Contract	49	-	1	22	1	3	9	1	-	-	5	-	7
Other Contract Actions	293	8	4	57	10	20	29	17	16	12	69	19	32
Federal Employers Liability Act	7	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	2	1
Marine Injury	31	-	1	1	1	4	14	-	-	-	3	-	7
Other Tort Actions	519	18	14	47	16	39	39	30	75	15	150	24	52
Antitrust	136	3	3	29	6	5	8	13	10	5	44	1	9
Civil Rights	4,616	59	113	638	373	342	467	467	357	238	729	227	606
Employment	1,071	20	23	171	91	127	109	87	91	47	118	41	146
Other Civil Rights	3,545	39	90	467	282	215	358	380	266	191	611	186	460
Prisoner Petitions	8,962	12	86	512	540	809	1,394	992	664	546	1,956	299	1,152
Habeas Corpus--General	4,694	4	41	203	340	359	808	591	248	215	1,116	136	633
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	134	-	-	-	5	6	28	25	-	14	28	11	17
Prisoner Civil Rights	2,667	8	45	252	106	351	487	246	20	158	634	109	251
Prison Condition	1,409	-	-	55	87	64	67	128	395	156	172	41	244
Other Prisoner Petitions	58	-	-	2	2	29	4	2	1	3	6	2	7
Labor Management Relations Act	88	2	1	26	6	6	4	9	9	5	14	3	3
Other Labor	658	9	23	94	48	36	60	71	42	27	155	21	72
Copyright, Patent, & Trademark	307	5	7	52	4	17	17	20	18	16	113	13	25
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	113	1	2	31	9	1	18	5	4	1	30	5	6
Constitutionality of State Statutes	122	-	15	12	1	9	10	8	17	5	34	4	7
All Other	1,619	28	37	174	104	122	195	112	105	50	430	51	211
Diversity of Citizenship	2,862	13	119	251	196	237	436	229	111	149	636	147	338
Insurance	502	1	5	35	36	40	63	33	32	31	111	34	81
Other Contract Actions	945	4	29	112	64	68	127	95	78	55	154	45	114
Real Property Actions	351	1	34	12	6	21	67	26	-	10	140	7	27
Personal Injury/Product Liability	189	-	3	24	17	19	43	12	-	9	29	12	21
Other Personal Injury	383	3	25	31	31	47	69	35	-	17	47	25	53
Personal Property Damage	233	3	7	16	19	19	28	6	1	9	87	7	31
All Other	259	1	16	21	23	23	39	22	-	18	68	17	11
General Location Jurisdiction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contract Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Real Property Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tort Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Prisoner Petitions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Criminal Appeals	9,917	57	409	652	422	1,069	2,218	887	426	841	1,314	360	1,262
Violent Offenses	566	2	20	37	37	90	71	66	37	48	76	31	51
Homicide	45	-	-	2	1	4	2	2	-	11	17	3	3
Robbery	154	1	6	5	14	15	21	23	15	10	21	11	12
Assault	91	-	-	8	5	3	6	8	-	16	25	10	10
Kidnapping	49	-	3	1	1	12	11	4	8	1	-	1	7
Racketeering--Violent Crime	99	1	3	14	6	27	9	13	8	1	7	1	9
Carjacking	59	-	6	2	3	8	9	11	5	5	1	1	8
Terrorism	28	-	-	3	2	7	4	3	1	1	2	4	1
Other Violent Offenses	41	-	2	2	5	14	9	2	-	3	3	-	1
Property Offenses	1,234	7	42	143	78	109	185	125	72	48	167	31	227
Burglary	6	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	-
Larceny & Theft, Total	103	1	6	7	3	11	15	6	6	2	17	5	24
Bank	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Postal	9	-	-	1	-	-	4	-	-	1	1	2	-
Theft, U.S. Property	75	1	6	4	1	9	11	4	3	1	15	-	20
Transportation of Stolen Property	14	-	-	1	2	2	-	1	2	-	1	2	3
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
Embezzlement	25	-	2	3	4	2	2	3	4	2	1	1	1
Fraud, Total	1,047	6	32	128	67	95	158	111	62	36	135	23	194
Tax	59	1	-	10	5	4	14	4	3	2	11	3	2
Financial Institutions	43	-	3	4	2	5	4	3	5	1	6	1	9
Securities and Exchange	22	1	2	10	4	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	1
Mail	67	-	-	3	7	3	18	2	10	5	16	2	1
Wire, Radio, or Television	88	-	6	9	7	-	10	6	16	4	15	3	12
Social Security	20	-	4	1	1	1	5	1	-	6	-	-	1
Citizenship and Naturalization	10	-	-	1	-	2	2	1	-	-	1	-	3
Passport	9	-	-	1	1	-	2	1	-	-	-	-	4
Identification Documents and Information	55	-	1	5	6	5	4	3	3	3	13	1	11
False Claims and Services, Government	41	1	2	1	3	3	3	7	7	1	8	-	5
False Statements	44	1	-	7	5	4	8	2	1	2	8	1	5
Conspiracy to Defraud the U.S.	44	-	-	3	2	7	5	3	-	2	6	-	16
Unauthorized Access Devices	90	-	3	9	1	5	11	4	3	4	13	2	35
Health Care	116	-	2	11	7	6	32	17	8	1	10	1	21
Other Fraud Offenses	339	2	9	53	16	49	39	57	6	5	27	8	68
Forgery and Counterfeiting	47	-	1	5	3	1	9	5	-	4	9	2	8

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		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Other Property Offenses	6	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	-
Drug Offenses	3,396	24	142	207	130	376	807	319	140	268	395	113	475
Marijuana, Total	243	4	11	9	-	5	119	14	4	7	37	15	18
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	223	4	10	8	-	5	108	11	4	7	33	15	18
Import/Export	12	-	-	-	-	-	11	-	-	-	1	-	-
Manufacture	8	-	1	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	-	-
All Other Drugs, Total	3,105	20	131	183	130	364	681	299	134	259	354	93	457
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	2,909	19	125	171	125	360	647	290	130	251	281	91	419
Import/Export	149	1	5	12	5	2	27	-	1	-	64	-	32
Manufacture	44	-	1	-	-	2	6	9	3	8	8	1	6
Possession	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-
Other Drug Offenses	48	-	-	15	-	7	7	6	2	2	4	5	-
Firearms and Explosives Offenses	1,897	4	134	95	67	232	246	230	101	199	231	103	255
Firearms, Total	1,864	4	131	91	66	226	245	225	99	196	225	101	255
Possession by Prohibited Persons	1,063	2	57	44	33	99	115	152	56	158	135	59	153
Furtherance of Violent/Drug-Trafficking Crimes	543	2	43	30	19	79	71	57	37	29	61	30	85
Other Firearms Offenses	258	-	31	17	14	48	59	16	6	9	29	12	17
Explosives	33	-	3	4	1	6	1	5	2	3	6	2	-
Sex Offenses	737	9	29	46	33	59	104	78	41	94	114	31	99
Sexual Abuse of Adults	25	1	-	1	-	3	1	5	-	3	7	2	2
Sexual Abuse of Minors	273	-	13	18	15	19	36	40	17	25	43	16	31
Sexually Explicit Material	299	5	9	19	10	23	40	23	17	48	48	10	47
Other Sex Offenses	140	3	7	8	8	14	27	10	7	18	16	3	19
Justice System Offenses	151	2	6	12	8	20	24	10	3	17	30	1	18
Obstruction of Justice	76	1	3	7	7	19	8	5	-	7	11	-	8
Escape from Custody	33	-	-	3	-	-	9	1	-	7	10	-	3
Failure to Appear	16	-	2	1	-	-	3	3	1	1	1	-	4
Other Justice System Offenses	26	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	2	2	8	1	3
Immigration Offenses	919	-	16	11	9	16	599	9	8	10	174	24	43
Alien Smuggling	118	-	2	-	-	1	86	-	-	-	16	2	11
Improper Entry by Alien	16	-	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	12	-	-
Improper Reentry by Alien	761	-	13	10	8	15	499	9	6	8	144	21	28
Other Immigration Offenses	24	-	-	1	1	-	11	-	2	2	2	1	4
General Offenses	238	4	11	18	23	21	40	16	12	14	43	9	27
Money Laundering	150	3	8	10	18	10	29	12	6	6	22	8	18
RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations)	28	-	3	6	2	3	4	-	5	2	2	-	1

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		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Extortion and Threats	29	1	-	1	2	5	1	2	1	3	5	1	7
Other General Offenses	31	-	-	1	1	3	6	2	-	3	14	-	1
Regulatory Offenses	137	1	4	12	8	9	26	11	4	8	26	4	24
Traffic Offenses	8	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Unclassified Offenses	634	4	5	71	29	131	116	23	8	135	56	13	43

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