

Table B-12.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Type of Opinion or Order Filed in Cases Terminated on the Merits, by Circuit,
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2019

Circuit	Terminated On the Merits											
	Total	By Consolidation	Last Opinion or Final Order									Percent Unpublished
			Total	Oral	Written Opinion or Order							
					Signed ¹		Reasoned, Unsigned ¹		Unsigned, Without Comment			
					Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished		
Total	32,086	2,348	29,738	-	3,583	5,173	260	19,469	27	1,226	87.0	
DC	667	199	468	-	153	-	14	301	-	-	64.3	
1st	986	56	930	-	271	10	3	626	12	8	69.2	
2nd	2,467	290	2,177	-	207	1,940	30	-	-	-	89.1	
3rd	2,187	123	2,064	-	197	1,362	-	392	-	113	90.5	
4th	3,101	204	2,897	-	232	409	6	2,250	-	-	91.8	
5th	4,435	563	3,872	-	421	51	55	3,333	-	12	87.7	
6th	2,843	183	2,660	-	299	582	9	1,759	10	1	88.0	
7th	1,632	115	1,517	-	506	14	27	965	2	3	64.7	
8th	2,236	103	2,133	-	501	6	43	567	-	1,016	74.5	
9th	6,968	364	6,604	-	399	3	45	6,155	2	-	93.2	
10th	1,159	19	1,140	-	213	736	1	190	-	-	81.2	
11th	3,405	129	3,276	-	184	60	27	2,931	1	73	93.5	

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

¹ Includes only opinions and orders which expound the law as applied to the facts of the case and detail the judicial reasons upon which the judgment is based.