

Table B-1.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Appeals Commenced, Terminated, and Pending, by Circuit,
During the 12-Month Period Ending March 31, 2012

Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Cases Pending Apr. 1, 2011 ¹	Cases Commenced			Cases Terminated									Cases Pending Mar. 31, 2012
					Total Terminations	Procedural Terminations				Terminations on the Merits				
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ALL CIRCUITS	44,492	56,624	55,203	1,421	57,002	22,540	148	9,092	13,300	34,462	2,225	7,413	24,824	44,114
CRIMINAL	11,763	13,045	12,856	189	13,347	3,005	10	760	2,235	10,342	732	2,143	7,467	11,461
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	2,529	4,695	4,520	175	4,807	2,671	-	1,639	1,032	2,136	86	128	1,922	2,417
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	2,181	2,773	2,689	84	2,835	1,098	22	283	793	1,737	144	611	982	2,119
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	7,423	10,653	10,358	295	11,519	6,335	3	3,745	2,587	5,184	147	591	4,446	6,557
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	9,767	12,646	12,214	432	12,452	5,311	94	1,405	3,812	7,141	790	3,095	3,256	9,961
BANKRUPTCY	607	722	701	21	721	318	3	75	240	403	66	164	173	608
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	9,318	8,188	7,998	190	7,327	3,103	16	1,041	2,046	4,224	241	662	3,321	10,179
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	904	3,902	3,867	35	3,994	699	-	144	555	3,295	19	19	3,257	812
DC CIRCUIT	1,287	1,200	1,185	15	1,118	457	10	100	347	661	157	247	257	1,369
CRIMINAL	186	80	79	1	112	47	-	2	45	65	11	36	18	154
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	100	90	89	1	118	44	-	22	22	74	21	14	39	72
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	186	230	224	6	234	75	2	18	55	159	20	69	70	182
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	5	9	9	-	11	8	-	3	5	3	-	-	3	3
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	118	141	141	-	144	45	-	8	37	99	12	42	45	115
BANKRUPTCY	3	5	5	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	7
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	622	545	543	2	360	166	8	27	131	194	93	82	19	807
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	67	100	95	5	138	71	-	19	52	67	-	4	63	29
1ST CIRCUIT	1,198	1,578	1,569	9	1,528	573	6	156	411	955	80	325	550	1,248
CRIMINAL	513	511	509	2	447	136	-	14	122	311	30	96	185	577
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	37	113	113	-	89	48	-	37	11	41	1	3	37	61
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	65	105	105	-	98	31	1	8	22	67	5	27	35	72
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	76	89	89	-	109	52	-	29	23	57	-	26	31	56
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	354	452	451	1	516	211	5	42	164	305	42	149	114	290
BANKRUPTCY	28	33	29	4	41	22	-	3	19	19	1	12	6	20
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	110	210	209	1	158	70	-	21	49	88	1	11	76	162
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	15	65	64	1	70	3	-	2	1	67	-	1	66	10

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2ND CIRCUIT	4,382	5,710	5,460	250	5,206	2,095	24	605	1,466	3,111	291	794	2,026	4,886
CRIMINAL	869	820	794	26	810	241	4	23	214	569	78	194	297	879
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	110	228	216	12	238	125	-	70	55	113	3	11	99	100
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	169	282	267	15	246	108	2	25	81	138	11	49	78	205
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	397	756	726	30	794	392	1	219	172	402	19	55	328	359
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,262	1,758	1,656	102	1,666	788	14	132	642	878	145	420	313	1,354
BANKRUPTCY	71	92	91	1	99	52	1	1	50	47	19	20	8	64
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	1,467	1,545	1,483	62	1,138	361	2	126	233	777	16	43	718	1,874
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	37	229	227	2	215	28	-	9	19	187	-	2	185	51
3RD CIRCUIT	2,636	3,784	3,717	67	4,115	1,446	12	559	875	2,669	68	332	2,269	2,305
CRIMINAL	690	751	745	6	780	138	1	31	106	642	10	62	570	661
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	182	381	373	8	402	155	-	93	62	247	-	8	239	161
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	103	191	188	3	166	68	1	21	46	98	1	23	74	128
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	342	670	658	12	758	404	-	232	172	354	6	29	319	254
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	769	913	890	23	1,003	386	7	107	272	617	39	146	432	679
BANKRUPTCY	47	48	48	-	55	27	-	7	20	28	-	6	22	40
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	445	486	476	10	609	192	3	62	127	417	12	57	348	322
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	58	344	339	5	342	76	-	6	70	266	-	1	265	60
4TH CIRCUIT	2,912	4,803	4,756	47	5,153	1,489	9	687	793	3,664	185	395	3,084	2,562
CRIMINAL	1,456	1,558	1,546	12	1,918	245	1	60	184	1,673	107	146	1,420	1,096
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	297	603	599	4	676	340	-	261	79	336	11	8	317	224
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	128	194	192	2	208	62	2	16	44	146	11	42	93	114
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	270	839	829	10	835	432	-	223	209	403	7	13	383	274
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	506	894	881	13	846	248	5	65	178	598	36	148	414	554
BANKRUPTCY	38	59	59	-	53	18	-	6	12	35	4	11	20	44
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	134	316	314	2	245	89	1	40	48	156	2	25	129	205
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	83	340	336	4	372	55	-	16	39	317	7	2	308	51

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5TH CIRCUIT	4,568	7,429	7,035	394	7,426	3,172	10	1,096	2,066	4,254	377	924	2,953	4,571
CRIMINAL	2,038	2,593	2,528	65	2,525	716	1	180	535	1,809	149	273	1,387	2,106
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	334	704	626	78	658	403	-	149	254	255	21	17	217	380
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	151	221	204	17	257	125	3	37	85	132	14	57	61	115
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	777	1,527	1,416	111	1,626	1,027	-	458	569	599	63	63	473	678
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	876	1,361	1,269	92	1,368	526	5	152	369	842	116	439	287	869
BANKRUPTCY	58	96	92	4	82	30	1	10	19	52	3	35	14	72
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	260	427	413	14	424	236	-	106	130	188	10	37	141	263
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	74	500	487	13	486	109	-	4	105	377	1	3	373	88
6TH CIRCUIT	5,252	4,710	4,648	62	5,444	2,155	7	1,077	1,071	3,289	184	735	2,370	4,518
CRIMINAL	1,615	1,155	1,142	13	1,510	299	-	91	208	1,211	70	251	890	1,260
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	330	355	348	7	414	265	-	198	67	149	3	8	138	271
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	205	188	187	1	202	84	-	23	61	118	4	37	77	191
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	1,063	1,100	1,080	20	1,274	791	-	578	213	483	15	96	372	889
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,313	1,062	1,043	19	1,155	497	7	128	362	658	71	287	300	1,220
BANKRUPTCY	51	55	55	-	52	24	-	5	19	28	6	10	12	54
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	417	380	378	2	409	117	-	49	68	292	11	45	236	388
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	258	415	415	-	428	78	-	5	73	350	4	1	345	245
7TH CIRCUIT	1,933	3,008	2,945	63	3,015	1,452	14	503	935	1,563	179	684	700	1,926
CRIMINAL	531	708	707	1	634	160	-	37	123	474	65	228	181	605
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	160	364	345	19	384	284	-	170	114	100	5	18	77	140
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	106	128	126	2	141	60	-	12	48	81	5	52	24	93
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	267	569	545	24	566	441	-	164	277	125	13	25	87	270
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	715	862	847	15	911	417	14	84	319	494	68	294	132	666
BANKRUPTCY	36	37	37	-	52	17	-	5	12	35	8	13	14	21
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	105	156	154	2	151	53	-	24	29	98	14	54	30	110
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	13	184	184	-	176	20	-	7	13	156	1	-	155	21

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8TH CIRCUIT	1,389	2,960	2,938	22	2,911	821	7	390	424	2,090	117	487	1,486	1,438
CRIMINAL	523	863	861	2	876	132	-	44	88	744	42	176	526	510
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	88	332	328	4	316	138	-	118	20	178	4	7	167	104
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	73	117	117	-	138	37	1	3	33	101	5	35	61	52
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	177	568	564	4	561	279	-	164	115	282	6	20	256	184
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	404	649	638	11	611	164	6	48	110	447	52	222	173	442
BANKRUPTCY	20	28	28	-	22	8	-	-	8	14	1	6	7	26
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	74	144	144	-	133	52	-	8	44	81	6	21	54	85
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	30	259	258	1	254	11	-	5	6	243	1	-	242	35
9TH CIRCUIT	14,111	12,438	12,240	198	12,449	5,071	25	2,135	2,911	7,378	383	1,658	5,337	14,100
CRIMINAL	1,708	1,725	1,703	22	1,629	357	-	54	303	1,272	89	404	779	1,804
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	471	493	485	8	551	260	-	166	94	291	10	22	259	413
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	671	637	630	7	633	217	7	44	166	416	57	166	193	675
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	3,453	2,923	2,878	45	3,497	1,612	2	1,155	455	1,885	11	210	1,664	2,879
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	2,156	2,304	2,256	48	2,074	938	14	213	711	1,136	130	569	437	2,386
BANKRUPTCY	174	180	178	2	167	73	1	21	51	94	19	34	41	187
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	5,307	3,437	3,371	66	3,155	1,547	1	470	1,076	1,608	64	250	1,294	5,589
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	171	739	739	-	743	67	-	12	55	676	3	3	670	167
10TH CIRCUIT	1,330	2,290	2,264	26	2,219	938	15	449	474	1,281	45	370	866	1,401
CRIMINAL	399	516	506	10	533	120	-	60	60	413	9	155	249	382
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	99	273	267	6	267	177	-	115	62	90	2	5	83	105
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	130	142	142	-	157	46	2	5	39	111	5	26	80	115
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	149	423	419	4	378	261	-	187	74	117	1	13	103	194
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	431	629	625	4	610	248	13	44	191	362	24	151	187	450
BANKRUPTCY	27	20	20	-	23	8	-	3	5	15	-	4	11	24
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	81	136	134	2	99	36	-	11	25	63	4	15	44	118
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	14	151	151	-	152	42	-	24	18	110	-	1	109	13

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11TH CIRCUIT	3,494	6,714	6,446	268	6,418	2,871	9	1,335	1,527	3,547	159	462	2,926	3,790
CRIMINAL	1,235	1,765	1,736	29	1,573	414	3	164	247	1,159	72	122	965	1,427
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	321	759	731	28	694	432	-	240	192	262	5	7	250	386
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	194	338	307	31	355	185	1	71	113	170	6	28	136	177
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	447	1,180	1,145	35	1,110	636	-	333	303	474	6	41	427	517
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	863	1,621	1,517	104	1,548	843	4	382	457	705	55	228	422	936
BANKRUPTCY	54	69	59	10	74	38	-	13	25	36	5	13	18	49
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	296	406	379	27	446	184	1	97	86	262	8	22	232	256
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	84	576	572	4	618	139	-	35	104	479	2	1	476	42

NOTE: This table includes appeals reopened and remanded as well as original appeals. This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.

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² In 2007, the category entitled "reopened," which includes all reopened appeals, replaced the category entitled "reinstated." Therefore, data on reopened cases for 2007 and thereafter are not comparable to data published previously on reinstated cases.