

Table B-1.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Appeals Commenced, Terminated, and Pending, by Circuit,
During the 12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2003

Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Cases Pending Jan. 1, 2003 ¹	Cases Commenced			Cases Terminated								Cases Pending Dec. 31, 2003
					Total	Cases Disposed of by Consolidation	Procedural Terminations			Terminations on the Merits			
		Original	Reinstated	Total			By Judge	By Staff	Total	After Oral Hearing	After Submission on Briefs		
ALL CIRCUITS	41,762	60,581	59,264	1,317	56,746	2,168	27,287	13,228	14,059	27,291	8,827	18,464	45,597
CRIMINAL	9,989	11,964	11,768	196	11,612	631	2,937	930	2,007	8,044	2,379	5,665	10,341
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	2,985	5,204	5,012	192	5,548	47	3,841	2,703	1,138	1,660	228	1,432	2,641
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	2,636	3,221	3,138	83	3,382	172	1,205	310	895	2,005	808	1,197	2,475
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	6,874	12,218	11,889	329	12,757	75	9,206	6,315	2,891	3,476	688	2,788	6,335
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	11,031	13,308	13,024	284	13,454	941	5,954	1,482	4,472	6,559	3,777	2,782	10,885
BANKRUPTCY	735	882	866	16	863	55	371	90	281	437	253	184	754
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	6,839	10,097	9,929	168	5,542	209	3,074	1,181	1,893	2,259	680	1,579	11,394
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	673	3,687	3,638	49	3,588	38	699	217	482	2,851	14	2,837	772
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	1,069	1,220	1,196	24	1,168	122	552	140	412	494	282	212	1,121
CRIMINAL	103	137	136	1	107	5	47	4	43	55	38	17	133
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	75	125	121	4	114	2	70	32	38	42	11	31	86
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	213	226	222	4	276	42	100	26	74	134	78	56	163
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	14	33	32	1	20	-	12	2	10	8	1	7	27
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	107	162	159	3	152	8	68	17	51	76	38	38	117
BANKRUPTCY	4	3	3	-	4	-	3	1	2	1	-	1	3
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	544	455	444	11	429	65	231	49	182	133	115	18	570
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	9	79	79	-	66	-	21	9	12	45	1	44	22
FIRST CIRCUIT	1,369	1,759	1,754	5	1,610	112	920	397	523	578	349	229	1,518
CRIMINAL	616	608	604	4	536	56	345	138	207	135	97	38	688
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	86	123	123	-	128	1	102	66	36	25	7	18	81
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	75	96	95	1	103	5	47	16	31	51	26	25	68
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	77	133	133	-	112	3	72	55	17	37	15	22	98
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	368	556	556	-	546	45	272	83	189	229	171	58	378
BANKRUPTCY	38	29	29	-	31	1	14	4	10	16	14	2	36
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	80	147	147	-	88	-	59	32	27	29	19	10	139
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	29	67	67	-	66	1	9	3	6	56	-	56	30

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SECOND CIRCUIT	5,277	6,534	6,309	225	4,297	199	2,116	630	1,486	1,982	1,120	862	7,514
CRIMINAL	1,034	841	795	46	782	57	226	44	182	499	278	221	1,093
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	302	316	300	16	257	3	198	126	72	56	27	29	361
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	296	246	243	3	267	20	103	4	99	144	96	48	275
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	832	1,088	1,043	45	779	4	593	401	192	182	100	82	1,141
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,430	1,405	1,337	68	1,423	98	645	39	606	680	540	140	1,412
BANKRUPTCY	85	85	78	7	90	8	44	-	44	38	30	8	80
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	1,151	2,272	2,234	38	431	7	278	16	262	146	43	103	2,992
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	147	281	279	2	268	2	29	-	29	237	6	231	160
THIRD CIRCUIT	3,144	3,955	3,917	38	3,856	69	1,851	928	923	1,936	463	1,473	3,243
CRIMINAL	585	580	579	1	575	8	132	47	85	435	109	326	590
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	347	422	417	5	485	3	284	199	85	198	14	184	284
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	177	268	263	5	234	2	68	24	44	164	39	125	211
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	614	707	702	5	838	2	602	450	152	234	25	209	483
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,014	1,146	1,131	15	1,118	43	536	117	419	539	216	323	1,042
BANKRUPTCY	69	89	89	-	70	1	30	3	27	39	26	13	88
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	280	559	553	6	334	8	170	84	86	156	32	124	505
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	58	184	183	1	202	2	29	4	25	171	2	169	40
FOURTH CIRCUIT	2,359	4,821	4,794	27	4,607	277	1,948	1,037	911	2,382	448	1,934	2,573
CRIMINAL	763	1,005	1,001	4	1,039	124	171	57	114	744	117	627	729
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	316	838	832	6	808	13	540	415	125	255	8	247	346
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	124	199	199	-	193	16	55	11	44	122	35	87	130
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	317	1,097	1,090	7	992	11	678	443	235	303	32	271	422
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	552	840	836	4	839	71	319	57	262	449	205	244	553
BANKRUPTCY	43	70	70	-	61	5	19	1	18	37	20	17	52
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	200	406	400	6	327	11	139	53	86	177	29	148	279
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	44	366	366	-	348	26	27	-	27	295	2	293	62
FIFTH CIRCUIT	4,690	8,547	8,181	366	8,909	208	4,305	1,958	2,347	4,396	853	3,543	4,328
CRIMINAL	1,544	2,456	2,379	77	2,395	45	501	120	381	1,849	203	1,646	1,605
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	358	677	626	51	787	2	557	349	208	228	10	218	248
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	223	319	308	11	361	6	147	32	115	208	56	152	181
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	990	2,304	2,187	117	2,439	1	1,908	1,139	769	530	37	493	855
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,073	1,547	1,493	54	1,610	124	656	146	510	830	453	377	1,010
BANKRUPTCY	101	119	115	4	150	10	46	12	34	94	48	46	70
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	309	469	460	9	497	18	255	159	96	224	46	178	281
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	92	656	613	43	670	2	235	1	234	433	-	433	78

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SIXTH CIRCUIT	4,034	5,044	5,008	36	4,693	175	2,213	1,118	1,095	2,305	932	1,373	4,385
CRIMINAL	948	938	925	13	868	29	249	67	182	590	278	312	1,018
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	232	367	363	4	373	3	251	193	58	119	17	102	226
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	239	323	323	-	267	8	101	38	63	158	65	93	295
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	727	1,138	1,127	11	1,169	13	756	580	176	400	82	318	696
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,401	1,425	1,419	6	1,380	100	630	150	480	650	407	243	1,446
BANKRUPTCY	83	69	69	-	81	3	32	3	29	46	30	16	71
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	315	439	439	-	241	17	98	53	45	126	53	73	513
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	89	345	343	2	314	2	96	34	62	216	-	216	120
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	2,149	3,418	3,382	36	3,275	200	1,694	609	1,085	1,381	765	616	2,292
CRIMINAL	511	583	582	1	573	74	163	39	124	336	239	97	521
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	155	347	333	14	361	6	281	164	117	74	13	61	141
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	123	176	174	2	164	6	48	12	36	110	66	44	135
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	363	746	730	16	723	11	525	222	303	187	40	147	386
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	767	1,028	1,026	2	1,022	75	495	98	397	452	336	116	773
BANKRUPTCY	34	64	64	-	49	4	20	8	12	25	17	8	49
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	181	310	309	1	223	24	130	41	89	69	54	15	268
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	15	164	164	-	160	-	32	25	7	128	-	128	19
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	1,619	3,110	3,094	16	2,919	181	949	554	395	1,789	625	1,164	1,810
CRIMINAL	460	789	786	3	677	61	93	29	64	523	215	308	572
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	90	319	315	4	329	6	182	167	15	141	16	125	80
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	157	232	230	2	237	23	53	17	36	161	72	89	152
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	212	562	558	4	571	8	341	253	88	222	37	185	203
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	509	726	723	3	689	62	196	51	145	431	250	181	546
BANKRUPTCY	30	28	28	-	40	7	7	3	4	26	14	12	18
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	125	240	240	-	165	12	71	30	41	82	21	61	200
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	36	214	214	-	211	2	6	4	2	203	-	203	39

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NINTH CIRCUIT	10,534	12,694	12,517	177	11,641	420	5,775	3,195	2,580	5,446	1,922	3,524	11,587
CRIMINAL	1,814	1,943	1,940	3	1,988	112	519	171	348	1,357	455	902	1,769
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	511	581	563	18	727	4	495	398	97	228	76	152	365
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	611	608	587	21	676	35	251	56	195	390	190	200	543
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	1,858	2,341	2,303	38	2,937	13	2,116	1,770	346	808	240	568	1,262
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	2,153	2,126	2,095	31	2,223	205	946	236	710	1,072	690	382	2,056
BANKRUPTCY	181	208	207	1	171	14	86	19	67	71	38	33	218
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	3,310	4,253	4,188	65	2,315	37	1,335	533	802	943	232	711	5,248
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	96	634	634	-	604	-	27	12	15	577	1	576	126
TENTH CIRCUIT	2,042	2,509	2,498	11	2,595	44	1,104	514	590	1,447	397	1,050	1,956
CRIMINAL	467	474	473	1	477	7	87	36	51	383	145	238	464
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	190	255	254	1	285	1	160	104	56	124	9	115	160
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	209	189	188	1	213	2	49	13	36	162	37	125	185
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	380	587	582	5	645	4	396	251	145	245	34	211	322
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	637	666	663	3	677	27	283	53	230	367	151	216	626
BANKRUPTCY	34	39	39	-	31	-	18	7	11	13	2	11	42
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	107	125	125	-	104	3	61	21	40	40	19	21	128
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	18	174	174	-	163	-	50	29	21	113	-	113	29
ELEVENTH CIRCUIT	3,476	6,970	6,614	356	7,176	161	3,860	2,148	1,712	3,155	671	2,484	3,270
CRIMINAL	1,144	1,610	1,568	42	1,595	53	404	178	226	1,138	205	933	1,159
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	323	834	765	69	894	3	721	490	231	170	20	150	263
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	189	339	306	33	391	7	183	61	122	201	48	153	137
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	490	1,482	1,402	80	1,532	5	1,207	749	458	320	45	275	440
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,020	1,681	1,586	95	1,775	83	908	435	473	784	320	464	926
BANKRUPTCY	33	79	75	4	85	2	52	29	23	31	14	17	27
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	237	422	390	32	388	7	247	110	137	134	17	117	271
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	40	523	522	1	516	1	138	96	42	377	2	375	47

NOTE: THIS TABLE INCLUDES APPEALS REOPENED, REMANDED, AND REINSTATED (AFTER BEING TERMINATED DUE TO PROCEDURAL DEFAULTS) 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 BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1998, DATA ARE REPORTED FOR TYPES OF PROCEEDINGS PREVIOUSLY NOT PRESENTED IN THIS TABLE.