

Table B-1.

U.S. Courts of Appeals—Appeals Commenced, Terminated, and Pending, by Circuit, During the 12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2011

Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Cases Pending Jan. 1, 2010 ¹	Cases Commenced			Cases Terminated									Cases Pending Dec. 31, 2011
					Total Terminations	Procedural Terminations				Terminations on the Merits				
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ALL CIRCUITS	45,803	55,817	54,429	1,388	57,173	23,939	137	10,554	13,248	33,234	2,023	7,489	23,722	44,447
CRIMINAL	11,978	12,453	12,263	190	13,316	2,995	11	818	2,166	10,321	645	2,170	7,506	11,115
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	2,649	4,683	4,526	157	4,875	3,104	2	2,044	1,058	1,771	80	139	1,552	2,457
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	2,232	2,757	2,674	83	2,785	1,077	20	261	796	1,708	138	590	980	2,204
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	7,693	10,922	10,621	301	11,651	7,468	3	4,816	2,649	4,183	105	602	3,476	6,964
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	9,878	12,537	12,108	429	12,119	5,135	86	1,310	3,739	6,984	727	3,108	3,149	10,296
BANKRUPTCY	609	677	656	21	702	311	4	72	235	391	63	161	167	584
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	9,911	7,786	7,616	170	7,640	3,125	11	1,088	2,026	4,515	252	695	3,568	10,057
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	853	4,002	3,965	37	4,085	724	-	145	579	3,361	13	24	3,324	770
DC CIRCUIT	1,287	1,143	1,127	16	1,083	421	8	85	328	662	148	253	261	1,347
CRIMINAL	184	93	92	1	116	48	-	1	47	68	12	37	19	161
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	126	87	87	-	139	52	1	20	31	87	28	16	43	74
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	200	221	214	7	247	78	2	17	59	169	19	77	73	174
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	4	10	10	-	8	5	-	2	3	3	-	-	3	6
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	143	138	137	1	152	36	-	6	30	116	12	44	60	129
BANKRUPTCY	2	5	5	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	6
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	574	487	485	2	302	137	5	22	110	165	77	74	14	759
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	54	102	97	5	118	64	-	16	48	54	-	5	49	38
1ST CIRCUIT	1,247	1,534	1,525	9	1,494	554	5	160	389	940	70	307	563	1,287
CRIMINAL	496	480	478	2	442	137	-	15	122	305	21	91	193	534
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	53	105	105	-	93	46	-	36	10	47	-	4	43	65
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	64	102	102	-	80	26	-	6	20	54	7	18	29	86
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	74	106	106	-	114	60	-	36	24	54	-	23	31	66
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	390	451	451	-	508	199	5	44	150	309	38	152	119	333
BANKRUPTCY	27	29	25	4	37	21	-	3	18	16	1	9	6	19
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	120	191	188	3	152	63	-	19	44	89	3	9	77	159
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	23	70	70	-	68	2	-	1	1	66	-	1	65	25

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2ND CIRCUIT	4,387	5,661	5,423	238	5,175	2,220	21	678	1,521	2,955	282	780	1,893	4,873
CRIMINAL	898	828	800	28	843	252	3	25	224	591	84	199	308	883
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	120	224	213	11	228	147	-	99	48	81	4	14	63	116
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	157	279	265	14	243	112	2	26	84	131	13	46	72	193
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	416	785	757	28	793	483	-	285	198	310	11	44	255	408
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,236	1,749	1,649	100	1,598	758	14	123	621	840	131	415	294	1,387
BANKRUPTCY	74	80	79	1	103	56	1	2	53	47	20	16	11	51
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	1,442	1,497	1,442	55	1,148	380	1	108	271	768	19	43	706	1,791
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	44	219	218	1	219	32	-	10	22	187	-	3	184	44
3RD CIRCUIT	2,870	3,722	3,654	68	4,158	1,577	7	686	884	2,581	52	333	2,196	2,434
CRIMINAL	719	721	716	5	764	134	-	28	106	630	7	62	561	676
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	195	383	376	7	409	200	-	138	62	209	1	5	203	169
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	117	170	166	4	162	55	1	18	36	107	2	23	82	125
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	410	699	683	16	841	529	-	325	204	312	3	33	276	268
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	835	913	890	23	995	381	3	97	281	614	29	136	449	753
BANKRUPTCY	47	46	46	-	49	17	-	4	13	32	1	10	21	44
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	488	458	451	7	617	191	3	69	119	426	9	61	356	329
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	59	332	326	6	321	70	-	7	63	251	-	3	248	70
4TH CIRCUIT	3,105	4,637	4,582	55	5,165	1,599	8	853	738	3,566	175	406	2,985	2,577
CRIMINAL	1,512	1,526	1,513	13	1,971	244	1	66	177	1,727	106	146	1,475	1,067
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	303	633	624	9	712	421	-	343	78	291	10	7	274	224
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	152	191	188	3	218	70	3	17	50	148	12	38	98	125
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	312	805	795	10	801	483	-	305	178	318	5	18	295	316
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	579	816	802	14	831	232	3	66	163	599	34	159	406	564
BANKRUPTCY	38	47	47	-	44	15	-	5	10	29	2	9	18	41
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	152	277	274	3	236	78	1	35	42	158	3	26	129	193
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	57	342	339	3	352	56	-	16	40	296	3	3	290	47

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5TH CIRCUIT	4,685	7,413	7,007	406	7,634	3,532	11	1,376	2,145	4,102	250	955	2,897	4,464
CRIMINAL	2,037	2,510	2,436	74	2,609	712	1	189	522	1,897	114	304	1,479	1,938
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	336	698	632	66	654	475	-	214	261	179	10	17	152	380
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	159	228	211	17	266	133	3	37	93	133	9	61	63	121
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	874	1,583	1,468	115	1,773	1,273	-	655	618	500	35	76	389	684
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	852	1,358	1,260	98	1,289	520	6	138	376	769	75	419	275	921
BANKRUPTCY	54	96	91	5	77	33	1	10	22	44	2	29	13	73
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	284	430	414	16	458	260	-	129	131	198	5	46	147	256
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	89	510	495	15	508	126	-	4	122	382	-	3	379	91
6TH CIRCUIT	5,316	4,734	4,673	61	5,281	2,203	8	1,110	1,085	3,078	174	687	2,217	4,769
CRIMINAL	1,647	1,172	1,158	14	1,418	311	-	98	213	1,107	79	229	799	1,401
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	349	335	328	7	433	283	-	206	77	150	2	8	140	251
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	202	201	198	3	197	78	-	17	61	119	3	38	78	206
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	1,095	1,136	1,115	21	1,265	824	-	606	218	441	13	88	340	966
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,278	1,106	1,092	14	1,100	498	8	127	363	602	58	269	275	1,284
BANKRUPTCY	50	55	55	-	48	23	-	3	20	25	6	10	9	57
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	446	333	331	2	380	119	-	50	69	261	10	44	207	399
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	249	396	396	-	440	67	-	3	64	373	3	1	369	205
7TH CIRCUIT	1,912	3,005	2,933	72	2,987	1,434	13	499	922	1,553	177	699	677	1,930
CRIMINAL	512	643	640	3	610	153	-	41	112	457	67	223	167	545
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	164	386	364	22	385	279	-	156	123	106	4	19	83	165
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	110	124	122	2	139	54	-	13	41	85	6	49	30	95
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	258	571	545	26	563	437	-	178	259	126	16	26	84	266
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	700	910	894	16	919	417	13	68	336	502	69	309	124	691
BANKRUPTCY	42	41	41	-	54	16	-	4	12	38	9	19	10	29
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	110	146	143	3	146	55	-	26	29	91	6	54	31	110
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	16	184	184	-	171	23	-	13	10	148	-	-	148	29

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8TH CIRCUIT	1,414	2,919	2,896	23	2,934	934	4	504	426	2,000	106	507	1,387	1,399
CRIMINAL	521	825	821	4	835	123	-	41	82	712	35	194	483	511
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	97	345	341	4	345	197	1	173	23	148	3	8	137	97
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	88	114	114	-	138	34	-	2	32	104	3	36	65	64
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	173	586	583	3	583	344	-	226	118	239	6	20	213	176
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	408	621	611	10	608	161	3	53	105	447	50	222	175	421
BANKRUPTCY	18	27	27	-	26	7	-	-	7	19	1	9	9	19
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	73	130	129	1	133	57	-	5	52	76	6	18	52	70
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	36	271	270	1	266	11	-	4	7	255	2	-	253	41
9TH CIRCUIT	14,715	12,306	12,141	165	12,709	5,503	32	2,602	2,869	7,206	397	1,722	5,087	14,312
CRIMINAL	1,817	1,631	1,616	15	1,642	381	3	81	297	1,261	61	402	798	1,806
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	468	480	473	7	512	296	-	206	90	216	10	26	180	436
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	677	616	609	7	595	217	9	41	167	378	55	155	168	698
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	3,438	3,088	3,047	41	3,412	1,992	3	1,517	472	1,420	13	224	1,183	3,114
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	2,150	2,243	2,199	44	2,065	923	15	206	702	1,142	139	600	403	2,328
BANKRUPTCY	168	165	163	2	152	68	1	24	43	84	15	26	43	181
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	5,849	3,290	3,242	48	3,507	1,561	1	517	1,043	1,946	101	286	1,559	5,632
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	148	793	792	1	824	65	-	10	55	759	3	3	753	117
10TH CIRCUIT	1,328	2,294	2,271	23	2,250	977	11	485	481	1,273	47	362	864	1,372
CRIMINAL	403	524	516	8	554	139	-	69	70	415	8	150	257	373
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	110	283	279	4	283	190	-	125	65	93	2	6	85	110
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	116	159	157	2	149	45	-	5	40	104	3	23	78	126
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	148	394	389	5	371	268	-	202	66	103	-	11	92	171
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	436	635	632	3	600	236	11	44	181	364	28	154	182	471
BANKRUPTCY	34	16	16	-	32	15	-	3	12	17	1	7	9	18
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	72	121	120	1	103	36	-	11	25	67	5	10	52	90
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	9	162	162	-	158	48	-	26	22	110	-	1	109	13

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11TH CIRCUIT	3,537	6,449	6,197	252	6,303	2,985	9	1,516	1,460	3,318	145	478	2,695	3,683
CRIMINAL	1,232	1,500	1,477	23	1,512	361	3	164	194	1,151	51	133	967	1,220
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	328	724	704	20	682	518	-	328	190	164	6	9	149	370
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	190	352	328	24	351	175	-	62	113	176	6	26	144	191
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	491	1,159	1,123	36	1,127	770	-	479	291	357	3	39	315	523
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	871	1,597	1,491	106	1,454	774	5	338	431	680	64	229	387	1,014
BANKRUPTCY	55	70	61	9	79	39	1	13	25	40	5	17	18	46
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	301	426	397	29	458	188	-	97	91	270	8	24	238	269
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	69	621	616	5	640	160	-	35	125	480	2	1	477	50

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