

**Table B-7.**

**U.S. Courts of Appeals—Nature of Suit or Offense in Cases Arising From the U.S. District Courts, by Circuit, During the 12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2011**

Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Ninth	Tenth	Eleventh
<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>43,352</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>1,244</b>	<b>3,865</b>	<b>2,886</b>	<b>3,971</b>	<b>6,377</b>	<b>3,950</b>	<b>2,634</b>	<b>2,491</b>	<b>8,058</b>	<b>1,995</b>	<b>5,332</b>
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CASES</b>	<b>12,453</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>1,526</b>	<b>2,510</b>	<b>1,172</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>1,631</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>1,500</b>
<b>TOTAL CIVIL CASES</b>	<b>30,899</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>764</b>	<b>3,037</b>	<b>2,165</b>	<b>2,445</b>	<b>3,867</b>	<b>2,778</b>	<b>1,991</b>	<b>1,666</b>	<b>6,427</b>	<b>1,471</b>	<b>3,832</b>
<b>U.S. CASES</b>	<b>7,440</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>926</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>1,096</b>	<b>442</b>	<b>1,076</b>
<b>U.S. PLAINTIFF</b>	<b>409</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>63</b>
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
OTHER CONTRACT ACTIONS	28	1	-	6	1	1	2	3	-	-	3	-	11
CONDEMNATION OF LAND	4	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
OTHER REAL PROP. ACTIONS	13	-	-	1	-	-	4	2	-	1	3	2	-
TORT ACTIONS	7	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1
CIVIL RIGHTS													
EMPLOYMENT	28	-	-	3	-	5	3	9	1	1	4	-	2
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	21	1	-	4	-	1	-	2	1	1	3	6	2
FORFEITURE AND PENALTY	51	1	5	3	1	3	6	6	-	-	21	1	4
FAIR LABOR STAND. ACT	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
OTHER LABOR	13	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	1	-	6	-	2
SECUR., COMMOD., & EXCHG.	59	-	1	16	2	-	6	2	2	-	13	3	14
TAX SUITS	58	-	4	-	7	1	9	3	2	1	15	7	9
ALL OTHER	124	4	7	22	6	5	9	13	5	7	26	4	16
<b>U.S. DEFENDANT</b>	<b>7,031</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>444</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>807</b>	<b>887</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>998</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>1,013</b>
CONTRACT ACTIONS	58	17	2	4	-	2	1	3	3	2	9	3	12
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS	35	1	-	1	2	-	3	7	2	1	11	5	2
TORT ACTIONS	198	4	11	16	10	22	37	13	7	5	41	11	21
CIVIL RIGHTS													
EMPLOYMENT	211	26	8	19	11	24	15	18	16	-	32	16	26
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	412	19	11	58	44	40	20	34	19	18	55	14	80
PRISONER PETITIONS													
MOTIONS TO VACATE SEN.	2,853	8	83	157	157	396	427	219	235	254	256	130	531
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	1,042	31	12	21	142	92	201	72	62	53	137	94	125
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-
PRISONER CIVIL RIGHTS	438	33	8	28	62	83	55	27	2	16	55	21	48

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Ninth	Tenth	Eleventh
<b>U.S. DEFENDANT (CONTINUED)</b>													
PRISON CONDITION	170	1	1	4	14	23	6	14	38	16	9	33	11
OTHER PRIS. PETITIONS	230	15	1	24	13	40	24	3	48	5	39	7	11
LABOR SUITS	26	2	-	2	1	4	2	2	1	-	8	-	4
SOCIAL SECURITY LAWS	565	2	29	46	26	36	22	55	37	44	147	50	71
TAX SUITS	110	2	2	8	7	4	31	8	3	5	23	3	14
ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS	135	13	6	2	5	12	1	3	1	3	74	10	5
FREEDOM OF INFOR. ACT	56	17	2	8	2	3	4	-	1	1	11	1	6
ALL OTHER	489	110	14	46	38	26	38	16	21	23	90	21	46
<b>TOTAL PRIVATE CASES</b>	<b>23,459</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>557</b>	<b>2,534</b>	<b>1,612</b>	<b>1,621</b>	<b>2,941</b>	<b>2,242</b>	<b>1,481</b>	<b>1,207</b>	<b>5,331</b>	<b>1,029</b>	<b>2,756</b>
<b>FEDERAL QUESTION</b>													
MARINE CONTRACT	71	-	4	20	-	4	12	2	4	-	7	-	18
OTHER CONTRACT ACTIONS	555	17	9	124	18	25	53	37	48	38	78	30	78
FEDERAL EMPLOYERS LIABILITY ACT	20	-	1	5	-	-	3	4	2	2	1	2	-
MARINE INJURY	78	-	2	3	1	2	56	1	-	-	5	2	6
OTHER TORT ACTIONS	531	8	23	73	29	33	44	40	64	28	110	17	62
ANTITRUST	106	1	3	27	11	5	2	3	3	10	34	2	5
<b>CIVIL RIGHTS</b>													
EMPLOYMENT	1,540	21	33	250	122	122	169	150	132	105	142	80	214
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	3,634	20	127	468	333	244	349	386	305	165	588	228	421
<b>PRISONER PETITIONS</b>													
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	6,126	2	70	453	328	350	891	637	227	226	2,074	206	662
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH	166	-	-	-	3	8	32	32	1	7	22	16	45
PRISONER CIVIL RIGHTS	3,089	4	34	269	209	301	575	266	10	221	859	88	253
PRISON CONDITION	1,474	1	2	55	154	131	75	192	331	130	127	84	192
OTHER PRIS. PETITIONS	67	3	-	8	5	15	10	9	2	2	6	-	7
LABOR MGMT. RELAT. ACT	113	2	1	17	14	1	10	22	11	7	19	2	7
OTHER LABOR	608	5	22	78	27	40	48	88	68	33	127	20	52
CPYRGHT., PATENT, & TRDMRK.	396	1	22	70	14	25	33	20	13	14	135	12	37
SECUR., COMMOD., & EXCHG.	219	1	6	87	5	6	22	7	6	3	27	9	40
CONST. OF STATE STATS.	132	1	9	13	5	14	6	8	10	8	40	8	10
ALL OTHER	1,483	39	46	246	82	80	132	97	88	51	377	53	192
<b>DIVERSITY OF CITIZENSHIP</b>	<b>3,049</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>419</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>553</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>455</b>
INSURANCE	668	1	23	45	61	45	87	60	49	36	119	28	114
OTHER CONTRACT ACTIONS	1,094	4	47	121	76	76	146	86	107	51	134	63	183
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS	222	5	13	3	3	10	41	12	-	11	71	17	36

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	Total	DC	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Ninth	Tenth	Eleventh
<b>DIVERSITY OF CITIZENSHIP (CONTINUED)</b>													
PERSONAL INJURY/PROD. LIABILITY	222	-	9	19	27	4	32	14	-	21	67	5	24
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY	428	10	33	29	42	31	68	37	-	19	64	36	59
PERSONAL PROP. DAMAGE	206	1	8	33	25	19	19	12	-	9	41	6	33
ALL OTHER	209	1	10	18	16	30	26	20	-	10	57	15	6
<b>GENERAL LOCAL JURISDICTION</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
CONTRACT ACTIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TORT ACTIONS	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PRISONER PETITIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ALL OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL CRIMINAL CASES</b>	<b>12,453</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>828</b>	<b>721</b>	<b>1,526</b>	<b>2,510</b>	<b>1,172</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>825</b>	<b>1,631</b>	<b>524</b>	<b>1,500</b>
<b>VIOLENT OFFENSES</b>	<b>681</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>60</b>
HOMICIDE	50	1	-	-	5	4	4	5	-	2	19	10	-
ROBBERY	243	2	11	4	29	32	23	34	23	9	34	13	29
ASSAULT	102	-	-	2	9	7	23	8	1	6	25	15	6
KIDNAPPING	51	9	1	9	-	2	11	7	1	3	4	-	4
RACKETEERING—VIOLENT CRIME	149	4	7	27	24	29	10	19	2	4	5	7	11
CARJACKING	28	1	5	-	-	2	4	7	-	1	-	-	8
TERRORISM	35	1	-	12	1	6	3	1	1	3	1	4	2
OTHER VIOLENT OFFENSES	23	-	1	1	4	2	-	2	2	2	9	-	-
<b>PROPERTY OFFENSES</b>	<b>1,642</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>207</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>260</b>
<b>BURGLARY</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>LARCENY &amp; THEFT, TOTAL</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>
BANK	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1
POSTAL	16	-	-	-	1	1	6	3	-	-	4	-	1
THEFT, U.S. PROPERTY TRANSPORT, ETC. OF	52	3	2	7	3	5	7	1	1	3	11	1	8
STOLEN PROPERTY	20	-	1	3	3	3	2	2	4	1	-	-	1
OTHER LARCENY AND THEFT OFFENSES	10	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	3	2	-	1
<b>EMBEZZLEMENT</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>FRAUD, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,403</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>234</b>
TAX	86	4	4	6	6	5	11	11	11	-	11	9	8
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS	125	2	4	20	17	9	9	13	11	9	12	1	18

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	Total	DC	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth	Seventh	Eighth	Ninth	Tenth	Eleventh
<b>PROPERTY OFFENSES (CONTINUED)</b>													
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE	27	-	-	13	2	-	5	1	-	1	3	1	1
MAIL	139	1	10	7	17	10	19	5	22	4	14	10	20
WIRE, RADIO, OR TELEVISION	144	2	4	22	12	11	10	17	18	5	16	10	17
SOCIAL SECURITY	26	-	3	2	1	3	3	3	-	3	5	-	3
CITIZENSHIP AND													
NATURALIZATION	11	-	-	2	-	-	3	1	-	-	4	-	1
PASSPORT	24	-	2	-	-	1	10	-	-	-	4	-	7
IDENTIFICATION													
DOCUMENTS & INFO.	93	-	8	14	4	11	9	9	8	2	9	1	18
FALSE CLAIMS AND													
SERVICES, GOV'T.	27	-	-	1	5	2	4	3	3	1	3	-	5
FALSE STATEMENTS	61	-	2	9	6	5	9	3	3	3	7	5	9
CONSPIRACY TO													
DEFRAUD THE U.S.	185	3	12	13	19	15	34	12	10	4	21	6	36
UNAUTHORIZED													
ACCESS DEVICES	113	-	5	17	14	2	17	16	2	4	12	1	23
HEALTH CARE	84	-	2	1	4	6	32	6	3	5	14	-	11
OTHER FRAUD OFFENSES	258	1	4	15	14	29	50	31	6	6	35	10	57
<b>FORGERY AND COUNTERFEITING</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>OTHER PROPERTY OFFENSES</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>DRUG OFFENSES</b>	<b>4,491</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>785</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>614</b>
<b>MARIJUANA, TOTAL</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
SELL, DISTRIBUTE,													
OR DISPENSE	288	-	3	6	2	10	138	17	8	17	52	20	15
IMPORT/EXPORT	38	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	16	1	3
MANUFACTURE	24	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	3	5	10	-	4
POSSESSION	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>ALL OTHER DRUGS, TOTAL</b>	<b>4,062</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>588</b>
SELL, DISTRIBUTE,													
OR DISPENSE	3,814	22	208	237	220	549	575	396	282	281	350	143	551
IMPORT/EXPORT	136	2	11	23	6	3	26	1	1	6	32	-	25
MANUFACTURE	99	-	6	2	1	7	20	17	7	18	7	2	12
POSSESSION	13	-	-	-	-	1	3	1	1	2	2	3	-
<b>OTHER DRUG OFFENSES</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>4</b>

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<b>FIREARMS,EXPLOSIVES OFFENSES</b>	<b>1,694</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>109</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>246</b>
<b>FIREARMS, TOTAL</b>	<b>1,666</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>245</b>
POSSESSION BY PROHIBITED PERSONS	1,014	8	47	35	51	133	119	173	65	91	86	69	137
FURTHERANCE OF VIOLENT/ DRUG-TRAFFICKING CRIMES	403	1	26	24	36	79	35	47	22	8	30	13	82
OTHER FIREARMS OFFENSES	249	1	14	25	21	60	25	28	8	6	27	8	26
<b>EXPLOSIVES</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>SEX OFFENSES</b>	<b>700</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>89</b>
SEXUAL ABUSE OF ADULTS	26	-	-	1	1	3	-	3	-	3	11	4	-
SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS	155	1	2	10	6	11	18	11	15	30	19	6	26
SEXUALLY EXPLICIT MATERIAL	357	1	11	23	15	22	67	52	17	45	49	13	42
OTHER SEX OFFENSES	162	8	8	7	7	12	29	20	8	14	24	4	21
<b>JUSTICE SYSTEM OFFENSES</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE	78	2	6	6	10	9	6	10	1	6	11	5	6
ESCAPE FROM CUSTODY	23	-	-	3	2	2	3	2	-	4	6	1	-
FAILURE TO APPEAR	24	-	-	4	1	1	4	1	3	1	5	-	4
OTHER JUSTICE SYSTEM OFFENSES	33	-	1	5	4	3	2	3	2	3	5	3	2
<b>IMMIGRATION OFFENSES</b>	<b>1,767</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>887</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>441</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>123</b>
ALIEN SMUGGLING	132	-	2	3	1	-	69	3	1	-	38	3	12
IMPROPER ENTRY BY ALIEN	10	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	-	5	-	1
IMPROPER REENTRY BY ALIEN	1,577	1	16	43	20	49	793	37	39	19	391	60	109
OTHER IMMIGRATION OFFENSES	48	-	-	3	4	1	24	2	1	4	7	1	1
<b>GENERAL OFFENSES</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>39</b>
MONEY LAUNDERING	190	1	1	18	19	22	35	23	3	6	27	7	28
RICO <sup>1</sup>	67	-	2	26	4	17	7	1	-	2	6	-	2
EXTORTION AND THREATS	41	-	1	3	5	2	4	3	3	4	8	4	4
OTHER GENERAL OFFENSES	67	-	3	4	2	15	12	4	1	5	12	4	5
<b>REGULATORY OFFENSES</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>TRAFFIC OFFENSES</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>UNCLASSIFIED OFFENSES</b>	<b>787</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>41</b>

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. Beginning in 2005, categories for criminal offenses were modified. Therefore, offense data for 2005 and thereafter are not comparable to offense data published in previous years.

<sup>1</sup> RICO = Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act.