

Table C-2
U. S. District Courts—Civil Cases Commenced, by Basis of Jurisdiction
and Nature of Suit, During the 12-Month Period Ending June 30, 2002

Nature of Suit	2001	2002					
		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
TOTAL CASES	253,354	268,071	15,715	39,430	160,474	52,297	155
CONTRACT ACTIONS, TOTAL	45,438	36,845	6,957	340	6,152	23,373	23
INSURANCE	7,602	8,610	23	31	1,142	7,408	6
MARINE	2,477	2,212	18	12	2,053	126	3
MILLER ACT	600	528	161	5	362	-	-
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS	573	616	69	5	77	465	-
RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENTS AND ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS	16,116	6,737	6,420	109	129	79	-
DEFAULTED STUDENT LOANS	15,658	6,287	6,253	34	-	-	-
VETERANS' OVERPAYMENT	94	126	125	1	-	-	-
OTHER	364	324	42	74	129	79	-
OTHER CONTRACT ACTIONS	18,070	18,142	266	178	2,389	15,295	14
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS, TOTAL	7,296	7,731	3,718	284	839	2,823	67
CONDEMNATION OF LAND	1,485	1,140	897	17	204	22	-
FORECLOSURE	4,448	5,311	2,743	125	198	2,178	67
RENT, LEASE, AND EJECTMENT	199	191	21	5	67	98	-
TORTS TO LAND, INCLUDING PRODUCT LIABILITY	406	338	9	24	83	222	-
OTHER REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS	758	751	48	113	287	303	-
TORT ACTIONS, TOTAL	34,071	56,565	92	2,545	28,997	24,873	58
PERSONAL INJURY, TOTAL	30,194	52,654	29	2,352	27,577	22,640	56
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PRODUCT LIABILITY, TOTAL	12,569	35,074	-	110	23,149	11,814	1
AIRPLANE	128	111	-	3	27	81	-
MARINE	39	42	-	-	16	26	-
MOTOR VEHICLE	586	621	-	6	53	562	-
ASBESTOS	5,656	24,844	-	65	22,293	2,486	-
OTHER	6,160	9,456	-	36	760	8,659	1
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY, TOTAL	17,625	17,580	29	2,242	4,428	10,826	55
AIRPLANE	736	787	-	24	366	397	-
MARINE	2,143	1,947	8	48	1,677	212	2
MOTOR VEHICLE	4,560	4,454	-	642	190	3,620	2
ASSAULT, LIBEL, AND SLANDER	659	671	-	58	166	446	1
FEDERAL EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ACT	1,020	987	-	87	900	-	-
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	1,490	1,417	-	658	-	759	-
OTHER	7,017	7,317	21	725	1,129	5,392	50

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		Total	U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
PERSONAL PROPERTY DAMAGE, TOTAL	3,877	3,911	63	193	1,420	2,233	2
FRAUD. INCLUDING TRUTH IN LENDING	2,220	2,316	41	27	1,063	1,184	1
OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY DAMAGE	1,657	1,595	22	166	357	1,049	1
ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES, TOTAL	166,535	166,920	4,948	36,260	124,477	1,228	7
ANTITRUST	770	774	11	2	761	-	-
BANKRUPTCY, TOTAL	3,012	3,792	32	38	3,722	-	-
APPEAL (28 U.S.C. 158)	2,576	2,533	30	32	2,471	-	-
WITHDRAWAL (28 U.S.C. 157)	436	1,259	2	6	1,251	-	-
BANKS AND BANKING	198	246	10	19	217	-	-
CIVIL RIGHTS, TOTAL	40,979	40,172	634	2,381	35,998	1,159	-
VOTING	193	226	7	16	203	-	-
EMPLOYMENT	21,121	20,881	464	1,268	18,241	908	-
HOUSING AND ACCOMMODATIONS	1,320	1,240	41	28	1,163	8	-
WELFARE	68	67	1	9	56	1	-
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	18,277	17,758	121	1,060	16,335	242	-
COMMERCE (ICC RATES, ETC.)	554	578	3	5	570	-	-
ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS	1,794	848	179	268	401	-	-
DEPORTATION	230	276	-	232	44	-	-
PRISONER PETITIONS, TOTAL	59,159	55,596	-	12,591	43,000	1	4
MOTIONS TO VACATE SENTENCE	8,673	6,423	-	6,423	-	-	-
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	24,735	24,246	-	4,654	19,589	-	3
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH PENALTY	219	227	-	10	217	-	-
MANDAMUS AND OTHER	1,152	1,123	-	510	612	-	1
CIVIL RIGHTS	13,537	13,704	-	743	12,961	-	-
PRISON CONDITION	10,843	9,873	-	251	9,621	1	-
FORFEITURE AND PENALTY, TOTAL	2,143	2,062	1,917	145	-	-	-
AGRICULTURAL ACTS	46	45	18	27	-	-	-
FOOD AND DRUG ACT	72	57	53	4	-	-	-
DRUG-RELATED SEIZURE OF PROPERTY	1,037	1,147	1,104	43	-	-	-
AIR TRAFFIC REGULATIONS	5	6	6	-	-	-	-
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT	1	4	1	3	-	-	-
OTHER FORFEITURE AND PENALTY SUITS	982	803	735	68	-	-	-

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LABOR LAWS, TOTAL	14,880	17,706	349	153	17,204	-	-
FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT	2,009	3,529	135	21	3,373	-	-
LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT	1,442	1,511	20	21	1,470	-	-
LABOR MANAGEMENT REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE ACT	140	85	8	1	76	-	-
RAILWAY LABOR ACT	106	118	1	2	115	-	-
ERISA ¹	9,936	11,068	150	32	10,886	-	-
OTHER LABOR LITIGATION	1,247	1,395	35	76	1,284	-	-
PROTECTED PROPERTY RIGHTS, TOTAL	8,143	8,500	32	10	8,458	-	-
COPYRIGHT	2,024	2,447	-	-	2,447	-	-
PATENT	2,615	2,646	16	10	2,620	-	-
TRADEMARK	3,504	3,407	16	-	3,391	-	-
SECURITIES, COMMODITIES, AND EXCHANGES	3,152	3,559	333	14	3,212	-	-
SOCIAL SECURITY LAWS, TOTAL	17,530	17,868	120	17,748	-	-	-
HEALTH INSURANCE	57	87	-	87	-	-	-
BLACK LUNG CASES	18	19	1	18	-	-	-
DISABILITY INSURANCE	8,948	8,623	119	8,504	-	-	-
SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME	7,507	8,037	-	8,037	-	-	-
RETIREMENT AND SURVIVORS BENEFITS	1,000	1,102	-	1,102	-	-	-
OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RICO²	754	721	9	-	657	55	-
STATE REAPPORTIONMENT SUITS	8	28	-	-	28	-	-
TAX SUITS	961	1,147	322	823	-	-	2
CUSTOMER CHALLENGE	15	8	-	8	-	-	-
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT	350	284	-	255	29	-	-
CONSTITUTIONALITY OF STATE STATUTES	252	270	1	17	238	13	1
OTHER STATUTORY ACTIONS	11,651	12,485	996	1,551	9,938	-	-
OTHER ACTIONS, TOTAL	14	10	-	1	9	-	-
DOMESTIC RELATIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
INSANITY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PROBATE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER	14	10	-	1	9	-	-

¹ ERISA = EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT.
² RICO = RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS.