

**Table S-23.**  
**Report of Complaints Filed and Action Taken Under Authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 372(c)**  
**for the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 1999**

| Summary of Activity                       | Circuits |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      | National Courts |                  |
|---|----------|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|-----------------|------------------|
|   | Total    | Fed | DC | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th | 6th | 7th | 8th | 9th | 10th | 11th | CC <sup>1</sup> | CIT <sup>2</sup> |
| Complaints Pending on September 30, 1998* | 228      | 0   | 3  | 1   | 23  | 48  | 0   | 3   | 28  | 0   | 19  | 75  | 3    | 25   | 0               | 0                |
| Complaints Filed                          | 781      | 2   | 16 | 17  | 99  | 34  | 55  | 196 | 72  | 31  | 36  | 115 | 58   | 50   | 0               | 0                |
| Complaint Type                            |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| Written by Complaint                      | 781      | 2   | 16 | 17  | 99  | 34  | 55  | 196 | 72  | 31  | 36  | 115 | 58   | 50   | 0               | 0                |
| On Order of Chief Judges                  | 0        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Officials Complained About**              |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| Judges                                    |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| Circuit                                   | 174      | 4   | 16 | 0   | 23  | 3   | 7   | 31  | 16  | 7   | 25  | 31  | 11   | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| District                                  | 598      | 0   | 48 | 17  | 63  | 24  | 55  | 98  | 58  | 27  | 24  | 99  | 47   | 38   | 0               | 0                |
| National Courts                           | 1        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Bankruptcy Judges                         | 30       | 0   | 0  | 1   | 2   | 2   | 0   | 3   | 2   | 1   | 2   | 16  | 0    | 1    | 0               | 0                |
| Magistrate Judges                         | 229      | 0   | 1  | 4   | 11  | 5   | 6   | 64  | 14  | 4   | 10  | 69  | 30   | 11   | 0               | 0                |
| Nature of Allegations**                   |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| Mental Disability                         | 69       | 0   | 0  | 0   | 26  | 4   | 3   | 11  | 3   | 0   | 2   | 5   | 0    | 15   | 0               | 0                |
| Physical Disability                       | 6        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 2   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 1   | 0   | 2   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Demeanor                                  | 34       | 0   | 0  | 0   | 2   | 1   | 4   | 0   | 5   | 3   | 1   | 14  | 1    | 3    | 0               | 0                |
| Abuse of Judicial Power                   | 254      | 0   | 1  | 2   | 7   | 45  | 17  | 4   | 9   | 10  | 16  | 91  | 27   | 25   | 0               | 0                |
| Prejudice/Bias                            | 360      | 2   | 15 | 8   | 34  | 20  | 16  | 28  | 41  | 15  | 23  | 85  | 32   | 41   | 0               | 0                |
| Conflict of Interest                      | 29       | 0   | 0  | 0   | 5   | 1   | 6   | 4   | 0   | 0   | 2   | 6   | 2    | 3    | 0               | 0                |
| Bribery/Corruption                        | 104      | 0   | 0  | 4   | 10  | 26  | 4   | 4   | 3   | 1   | 2   | 44  | 0    | 6    | 0               | 0                |
| Undue Decisional Delay                    | 80       | 0   | 5  | 0   | 0   | 6   | 6   | 2   | 5   | 2   | 2   | 30  | 18   | 4    | 0               | 0                |
| Incompetence/Neglect                      | 108      | 1   | 0  | 0   | 3   | 5   | 3   | 0   | 6   | 0   | 2   | 71  | 2    | 15   | 0               | 0                |
| Other                                     | 288      | 0   | 2  | 0   | 3   | 62  | 0   | 143 | 25  | 7   | 4   | 26  | 8    | 8    | 0               | 0                |
| Complaints Concluded                      | 826      | 2   | 18 | 12  | 57  | 63  | 53  | 184 | 82  | 31  | 45  | 163 | 50   | 66   | 0               | 0                |
| Action by Chief Judges                    |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| Complaint Dismissed                       |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| Not in Conformity With Statute            | 27       | 0   | 4  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 6   | 0   | 8   | 1   | 4   | 4   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Directly Related to Decision              |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| or Procedural Ruling                      | 300      | 2   | 0  | 5   | 19  | 12  | 21  | 31  | 24  | 14  | 11  | 84  | 28   | 49   | 0               | 0                |
| Frivolous                                 | 66       | 0   | 5  | 2   | 19  | 0   | 6   | 6   | 1   | 3   | 3   | 16  | 4    | 1    | 0               | 0                |

**Table S-23. (September 30, 1999—Continued)**

| Summary of Activity                      | Circuits |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      | National Courts |                  |
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|  | Total    | Fed | DC | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th | 5th | 6th | 7th | 8th | 9th | 10th | 11th | CC <sup>1</sup> | CIT <sup>2</sup> |
| Appropriate Action Already Taken         | 1        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Action No Longer Necessary Because of    |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| Intervening Events                       | 10       | 0   | 0  | 0   | 3   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 3   | 2    | 1    | 0               | 0                |
| Complainant Withdrawn                    | 2        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 1    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Subtotal                                 | 406      | 2   | 9  | 7   | 41  | 12  | 34  | 37  | 34  | 19  | 18  | 107 | 35   | 51   | 0               | 0                |
| Action by Judicial Councils              |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| Directed Chief District Judge to         |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| Take Action (Magistrate Judges Only)     | 0        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Certified Disability                     | 0        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Requested Voluntary Retirement           | 0        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Ordered Temporary Suspension             |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| of Case Assignments                      | 0        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Privately Censured                       | 0        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Publicly Censured                        | 0        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Ordered Other Appropriate Action         | 0        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Dismissed the Complaint                  | 416      | 0   | 9  | 5   | 16  | 51  | 19  | 147 | 46  | 12  | 27  | 54  | 15   | 15   | 0               | 0                |
| Withdrawn                                | 4        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 2   | 0   | 0   | 2   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Referred Complaint to Judicial           |          |     |    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |      |      |                 |                  |
| Conference                               | 0        | 0   | 0  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0    | 0    | 0               | 0                |
| Subtotal                                 | 420      | 0   | 9  | 5   | 16  | 51  | 19  | 147 | 48  | 12  | 27  | 56  | 15   | 15   | 0               | 0                |
| Complaints Pending on September 30, 1999 | 183      | 0   | 1  | 6   | 65  | 19  | 2   | 15  | 18  | 0   | 10  | 27  | 11   | 9    | 0               | 0                |

NOTE: EXCLUDES COMPLAINTS NOT ACCEPTED BY THE CIRCUITS BECAUSE THEY DUPLICATED PREVIOUS FILINGS OR WERE OTHERWISE INVALID FILINGS.

<sup>1</sup> CC = U.S. CLAIMS COURT.

<sup>2</sup> CIT = COURT OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE.

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\*\* EACH COMPLAINT MAY INVOLVE MULTIPLE ALLEGATIONS AGAINST NUMEROUS JUDICIAL OFFICERS. NATURE OF ALLEGATIONS IS COUNTED WHEN A COMPLAINT IS CONCLUDED.