

Table X-5.

U.S. District Courts—Class Action Civil Cases Commenced, by Basis of Jurisdiction and Nature of Suit, During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2000

Nature of Suit	1999	Total	2000				
			U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
TOTAL CASES	2,133	2,393	13	31	2,028	321	-
CONTRACT ACTIONS, TOTAL	198	201	4	2	89	106	-
INSURANCE	40	48	-	-	5	43	-
MARINE	1	2	-	-	2	-	-
MILLER ACT	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
RECOVERY OF OVERPAYMENTS							
AND ENFORCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS	5	5	4	1	-	-	-
DEFAULTED STUDENT LOANS	2	4	4	-	-	-	-
VETERANS' OVERPAYMENT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER	3	1	-	1	-	-	-
OTHER CONTRACT ACTIONS	151	145	-	1	82	62	-
REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS, TOTAL	27	29	1	-	7	21	-
CONDEMNATION OF LAND	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FORECLOSURE	2	2	1	-	-	1	-
RENT, LEASE, AND EJECTMENT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TORTS TO LAND, INCLUDING							
PRODUCT LIABILITY	12	16	-	-	1	15	-
OTHER REAL PROPERTY ACTIONS	13	11	-	-	6	5	-
TORT ACTIONS, TOTAL	396	295	1	3	102	189	-
PERSONAL INJURY, TOTAL	254	134	-	2	27	105	-
PERSONAL INJURY/							
PRODUCT LIABILITY, TOTAL	223	92	-	-	11	81	-
AIRPLANE	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
MARINE	2	1	-	-	1	-	-
MOTOR VEHICLE	3	8	-	-	-	8	-
ASBESTOS	178	2	-	-	1	1	-
OTHER	40	80	-	-	9	71	-
OTHER PERSONAL INJURY, TOTAL	31	42	-	2	16	24	-
AIRPLANE	1	2	-	-	1	1	-
MARINE	1	4	-	-	4	-	-
MOTOR VEHICLE	4	1	-	-	-	1	-
ASSAULT, LIBEL, AND SLANDER	2	3	-	1	-	2	-
FEDERAL EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ACT	3	1	-	-	1	-	-
MEDICAL MALPRACTICE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER	20	31	-	1	10	20	-

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Nature of Suit	1999	Total	2000				
			U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
PERSONAL PROPERTY DAMAGE, TOTAL	142	161	1	1	75	84	-
FRAUD INCLUDING TRUTH IN LENDING	103	105	1	-	66	38	-
OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY DAMAGE	39	56	-	1	9	46	-
ACTIONS UNDER STATUTES, TOTAL	1,512	1,868	7	26	1,830	5	-
ANTITRUST	100	213	-	1	212	-	-
BANKRUPTCY, TOTAL	-	4	-	-	4	-	-
APPEAL (28 U.S.C. 158)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WITHDRAWAL (28 U.S.C. 157)	-	4	-	-	4	-	-
BANKS AND BANKING	10	16	-	-	16	-	-
CIVIL RIGHTS, TOTAL	211	273	2	14	255	2	-
VOTING	2	3	-	-	3	-	-
EMPLOYMENT	74	79	2	3	74	-	-
HOUSING AND ACCOMODATIONS	11	16	-	1	15	-	-
WELFARE	4	9	-	-	9	-	-
OTHER CIVIL RIGHTS	120	166	-	10	154	2	-
COMMERCE (ICC RATES, ETC.)	3	7	-	-	7	-	-
DEPORTATION	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
PRISONER PETITIONS, TOTAL	36	39	-	2	37	-	-
MOTIONS TO VACATE SENTENCE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HABEAS CORPUS—GENERAL	1	5	-	2	3	-	-
HABEAS CORPUS—DEATH PENALTY	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
MANDAMUS AND OTHER	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
CIVIL RIGHTS	11	14	-	-	14	-	-
PRISON CONDITION*	23	19	-	-	19	-	-
FORFEITURE AND PENALTY, TOTAL	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
AGRICULTURAL ACTS	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
FOOD AND DRUG ACT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DRUG-RELATED SEIZURE OF PROPERTY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
AIR TRAFFIC REGULATIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ACT	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER FORFEITURE AND PENALTY SUITS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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			U.S. Cases		Private Cases		
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction
LABOR LAWS, TOTAL	142	162	-	1	161	-	-
FAIR LABOR STANDARDS ACT	54	73	-	-	73	-	-
LABOR MANAGEMENT RELATIONS ACT	7	7	-	-	7	-	-
LABOR MANAGEMENT REPORTING AND DISCLOSURE ACT	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
RAILWAY LABOR ACT	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
ERISA**	68	62	-	-	62	-	-
OTHER LABOR LITIGATION	10	20	-	1	19	-	-
PROTECTED PROPERTY RIGHTS, TOTAL	6	16	1	-	15	-	-
COPYRIGHT	3	8	-	-	8	-	-
PATENT	2	7	1	-	6	-	-
TRADEMARK	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
SECURITIES, COMMODITIES, AND EXCHANGES	709	677	2	-	675	-	-
SOCIAL SECURITY LAWS, TOTAL	1	2	-	2	-	-	-
HEALTH INSURANCE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BLACK LUNG CASES	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DISABILITY INSURANCE	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RETIREMENT AND SURVIVORS BENEFITS	-	1	-	1	-	-	-
OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RICO***	35	84	-	-	81	3	-
STATE REAPPORTIONMENT SUITS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TAX SUITS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CUSTOMER CHALLENGE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
CONSTITUTIONALITY OF STATE STATUTES	2	4	-	-	4	-	-
OTHER STATUTORY ACTIONS	252	368	2	6	360	-	-

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			U.S. Cases		Private Cases			
			Plaintiff	Defendant	Federal Question	Diversity of Citizenship	Local Jurisdiction	
OTHER ACTIONS, TOTAL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DOMESTIC RELATIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
INSANITY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PROBATE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OTHER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

* COLLECTION OF DATA FOR THIS CATEGORY BEGAN ON JANUARY 1, 1997.

** ERISA = EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT.

*** RICO = RACKETEER INFLUENCED AND CORRUPT ORGANIZATIONS.