

Table B-7.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Civil and Criminal Cases Commenced, by Circuit and Nature of Suit or Offense,
During the 12-Month Period Ending March 31, 2017

Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Total Cases	38,426	566	1,100	2,920	2,260	3,716	6,122	3,613	2,393	2,384	6,756	1,668	4,928
Total Criminal Appeals	10,355	56	458	620	391	1,133	2,456	936	477	815	1,350	397	1,266
Total Civil Appeals	28,071	510	642	2,300	1,869	2,583	3,666	2,677	1,916	1,569	5,406	1,271	3,662
U.S. Appeals	7,223	352	190	428	418	931	780	649	472	482	1,036	405	1,080
U.S. Plaintiff	290	10	8	28	19	23	42	33	15	15	49	9	39
Negotiable Instruments	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other Contract Actions	13	-	-	-	-	2	2	1	1	1	3	-	3
Condemnation of Land	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Real Property Actions	6	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	1	1	-
Tort Actions	6	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	-	-
Civil Rights	32	-	-	2	2	4	8	2	1	2	5	4	2
Employment	14	-	-	1	2	3	1	2	-	-	1	2	2
Other Civil Rights	18	-	-	1	-	1	7	-	1	2	4	2	-
Forfeiture And Penalty	19	2	-	2	1	3	4	5	-	1	1	-	-
Fair Labor Standards Act	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Labor	15	-	-	1	3	2	2	-	-	-	5	-	2
Securities, Commodities, and Exchanges	40	2	-	10	1	2	8	1	4	-	4	1	7
Tax Suits	41	-	3	-	2	3	3	5	2	4	10	-	9
All Other	115	6	4	12	9	6	13	18	7	6	16	3	15
U.S. Defendant	6,933	342	182	400	399	908	738	616	457	467	987	396	1,041
Contract Actions	44	13	1	3	1	5	3	7	2	-	4	2	3
Real Property Actions	37	1	1	5	1	4	5	3	-	2	11	2	2
Tort Actions	167	1	9	11	6	27	19	7	9	5	39	10	24
Civil Rights	623	72	22	75	43	75	49	40	39	24	76	30	78
Employment	169	38	5	10	9	30	12	9	12	5	18	7	14
Other Civil Rights	454	34	17	65	34	45	37	31	27	19	58	23	64

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
U.S. Defendant (Continued)													
Prisoner Petitions	4,809	95	116	187	290	723	583	483	324	362	522	283	841
Motions to Vacate Sentence	3,452	14	90	137	125	515	461	357	217	301	369	188	678
Habeas Corpus—General	653	19	6	19	81	84	69	78	50	21	71	57	98
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Prisoner Civil Rights	390	42	16	19	54	60	37	36	1	17	50	26	32
Prison Condition	157	10	1	3	7	12	7	11	47	15	14	9	21
Other Prisoner Petitions	155	10	2	9	23	52	9	1	9	7	18	3	12
Labor Suits	33	2	2	4	-	4	3	5	4	-	5	4	-
Social Security Laws	526	1	15	56	24	32	20	39	49	51	162	20	57
Tax Suits	62	-	-	5	3	3	2	6	5	2	23	7	6
Environmental Matters	73	14	1	1	-	4	1	2	4	2	37	6	1
Freedom of Information Act	80	40	1	11	3	1	4	-	5	1	11	3	-
All Other	479	103	14	42	28	30	49	24	16	18	97	29	29
Total Private Appeals	20,848	158	452	1,872	1,451	1,652	2,886	2,028	1,444	1,087	4,370	866	2,582
Federal Question	18,034	147	319	1,627	1,224	1,425	2,444	1,803	1,327	943	3,816	750	2,209
Marine Contract	48	-	1	21	2	1	15	-	-	-	4	-	4
Other Contract Actions	345	8	3	61	8	29	34	23	17	22	84	28	28
Federal Employers Liability Act	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	1	-
Marine Injury	40	-	3	2	2	3	19	-	-	-	2	-	9
Other Tort Actions	563	15	8	45	23	37	126	32	68	15	120	26	48
Antitrust	117	2	4	19	4	5	10	7	3	3	41	4	15
Civil Rights	4,682	58	116	604	385	361	452	477	389	261	736	270	573
Employment	1,103	10	27	167	90	113	116	103	101	48	149	49	130
Other Civil Rights	3,579	48	89	437	295	248	336	374	288	213	587	221	443
Prisoner Petitions	9,216	10	88	488	612	781	1,462	1,026	667	542	2,064	303	1,173
Habeas Corpus—General	4,920	3	40	210	377	368	854	610	244	239	1,190	136	649
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	117	-	-	-	4	7	26	24	-	4	17	13	22
Prisoner Civil Rights	2,716	7	45	229	132	321	515	267	17	145	683	114	241
Prison Condition	1,405	-	3	43	94	72	63	122	405	151	163	38	251
Other Prisoner Petitions	58	-	-	6	5	13	4	3	1	3	11	2	10
Labor Management Relations Act	78	3	2	18	5	6	-	13	6	6	16	2	1
Other Labor	698	8	27	80	52	43	83	85	49	27	152	18	74

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	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Federal Question (Continued)													
Copyright, Patent, and Trademark	329	6	11	63	7	21	21	16	17	11	120	6	30
Securities, Commodities, and Exchanges	108	-	4	31	7	3	16	7	3	3	26	4	4
Constitutionality of State Statutes	141	1	17	12	3	8	11	12	12	6	41	10	8
All Other	1,665	36	35	183	114	127	195	105	95	45	410	78	242
Diversity of Citizenship	2,814	11	133	245	227	227	442	225	117	144	554	116	373
Insurance	529	1	10	48	39	39	69	32	44	28	106	35	78
Other Contract Actions	921	4	32	90	83	66	118	76	72	57	148	31	144
Real Property Actions	334	1	30	14	6	17	90	32	-	10	101	4	29
Personal Injury/Product Liability	177	-	5	5	13	16	56	14	-	13	19	8	28
Other Personal Injury	380	4	31	30	40	53	57	28	-	9	50	20	58
Personal Property Damage	220	1	4	22	27	14	18	13	-	12	75	7	27
All Other	253	-	21	36	19	22	34	30	1	15	55	11	9
General Location Jurisdiction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contract Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Real Property Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tort Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prisoner Petitions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Criminal Appeals	10,355	56	458	620	391	1,133	2,456	936	477	815	1,350	397	1,266
Violent Offenses	544	1	29	39	35	87	69	52	38	39	80	23	52
Homicide	42	-	-	3	1	4	7	2	-	7	10	6	2
Robbery	137	-	12	7	13	7	15	20	13	11	20	10	9
Assault	97	-	2	7	7	3	13	8	5	12	25	6	9
Kidnapping	36	-	-	1	1	10	7	4	7	-	2	-	4
Racketeering—Violent Crime	118	1	6	16	7	41	9	7	6	2	13	-	10
Carjacking	55	-	5	2	2	4	10	5	6	4	1	1	15
Terrorism	19	-	-	2	-	6	4	2	1	-	3	-	1
Other Violent Offenses	40	-	4	1	4	12	4	4	-	3	6	-	2

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Property Offenses	1,249	7	38	130	77	127	189	114	71	55	173	40	228
Burglary	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	-
Larceny and Theft, Total	96	1	3	11	5	12	20	6	6	1	15	2	14
Bank	3	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Postal	14	-	-	2	-	1	4	1	-	-	6	-	-
Theft, U.S. Property	60	-	3	6	3	10	14	2	1	1	8	1	11
Transportation of Stolen Property	15	-	-	2	2	1	2	-	5	-	1	-	2
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	1
Embezzlement	32	-	2	2	3	5	5	2	2	3	3	3	2
Fraud, Total	1,059	6	32	111	63	108	148	103	58	46	144	34	206
Tax	57	2	1	4	4	2	7	3	6	7	14	4	3
Financial Institutions	34	-	3	2	1	3	3	4	2	3	8	-	5
Securities and Exchange	23	1	4	6	3	2	2	-	-	-	2	1	2
Mail	70	-	1	4	8	3	22	6	8	3	11	1	3
Wire, Radio, or Television	87	1	4	9	4	3	11	4	13	4	13	2	19
Social Security	18	-	2	1	1	1	4	1	-	4	1	-	3
Citizenship and Naturalization	9	-	-	-	-	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	3
Passport	11	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	-	1	-	-	6
Identification Documents and Information	59	-	1	4	3	6	5	3	2	5	15	2	13
False Claims and Services, Government	39	-	2	2	5	3	2	11	4	2	3	1	4
False Statements	54	-	-	5	7	3	8	2	5	1	12	2	9
Conspiracy to Defraud the U.S.	41	-	2	4	2	6	6	4	-	2	5	4	6
Unauthorized Access Devices	93	-	3	7	3	7	10	2	5	4	11	3	38
Health Care	104	2	2	11	6	11	23	10	6	2	13	2	16
Other Fraud Offenses	360	-	7	52	15	55	40	52	7	8	36	12	76
Forgery and Counterfeiting	49	-	1	6	3	1	15	3	5	1	7	1	6
Other Property Offenses	8	-	-	-	3	1	1	-	-	-	3	-	-
Drug Offenses	3,722	29	189	192	130	412	929	347	178	253	453	148	462
Marijuana, Total	286	3	10	5	1	11	126	17	8	10	56	9	30
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	259	3	9	5	1	11	113	14	8	10	47	9	29
Import/Export	19	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	-	-	6	-	-
Manufacture	8	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	-	1
Possession	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
All Other Drugs, Total	3,381	26	177	169	127	397	795	322	169	242	390	137	430
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	3,166	24	171	161	124	388	748	315	166	236	304	132	397
Import/Export	156	2	4	8	3	3	33	1	2	-	75	-	25
Manufacture	54	-	2	-	-	5	14	6	1	6	9	3	8
Possession	5	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	-
Other Drug Offenses	55	-	2	18	2	4	8	8	1	1	7	2	2
Firearms and Explosives Offenses	1,849	4	131	84	59	220	245	234	99	194	200	101	278
Firearms, Total	1,812	4	129	80	58	215	243	231	94	189	193	100	276
Possession by Prohibited Persons	1,018	1	60	37	29	94	119	142	51	156	118	62	149
Furtherance of Violent/Drug-Trafficking Crimes	554	2	39	26	17	81	77	70	39	23	44	29	107
Other Firearms Offenses	240	1	30	17	12	40	47	19	4	10	31	9	20
Explosives	37	-	2	4	1	5	2	3	5	5	7	1	2
Sex Offenses	756	7	19	45	22	56	138	111	47	86	119	25	81
Sexual Abuse of Adults	32	2	-	1	-	3	1	6	-	5	10	1	3
Sexual Abuse of Minors	290	-	6	23	9	14	49	54	27	24	52	9	23
Sexually Explicit Material	304	4	5	15	11	26	56	43	10	38	42	11	43
Other Sex Offenses	130	1	8	6	2	13	32	8	10	19	15	4	12
Justice System Offenses	141	-	7	14	8	15	18	6	7	11	29	2	24
Obstruction of Justice	80	-	5	9	7	13	6	3	4	3	16	-	14
Escape from Custody	16	-	1	2	-	-	3	-	-	6	3	-	1
Failure to Appear	18	-	1	3	-	-	3	2	1	-	2	1	5
Other Justice System Offenses	27	-	-	-	1	2	6	1	2	2	8	1	4
Immigration Offenses	1,026	-	16	13	12	17	695	11	10	10	175	22	45
Alien Smuggling	110	-	1	1	-	-	83	-	-	-	17	-	8
Improper Entry by Alien	9	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	4
Improper Reentry by Alien	889	-	15	10	10	17	603	10	9	9	155	19	32
Other Immigration Offenses	18	-	-	1	2	-	9	-	1	1	-	3	1

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	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
General Offenses	249	4	14	23	20	24	32	20	10	13	45	10	34
Money Laundering	163	3	9	11	15	12	26	14	8	7	23	10	25
RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations)	24	-	3	9	3	3	-	1	-	-	4	-	1
Extortion and Threats	25	1	2	-	1	4	-	1	2	2	6	-	6
Other General Offenses	37	-	-	3	1	5	6	4	-	4	12	-	2
Regulatory Offenses	128	1	5	10	5	12	19	14	7	7	24	5	19
Traffic Offenses	7	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Unclassified Offenses	684	3	10	70	23	158	122	27	10	147	50	21	43

NOTE: This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit.