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		Total	Original	Reopened	Total	Total	By Consolidation	By Judge	By Staff	Total	By Consolidation	After Oral Argument	After Submission on Briefs	
Total	43,241	50,506	48,987	1,519	54,347	17,355	125	4,512	12,718	36,992	2,431	6,913	27,648	39,400
Criminal	9,792	9,917	9,754	163	10,921	2,506	4	548	1,954	8,415	763	1,544	6,108	8,788
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	2,678	5,355	5,208	147	4,748	1,539	1	375	1,163	3,209	88	137	2,984	3,285
Other U.S. Civil	2,265	2,484	2,406	78	2,670	918	18	237	663	1,752	129	575	1,048	2,079
Private Prisoner Petitions	5,732	8,962	8,722	240	9,548	3,434	6	1,165	2,263	6,114	179	417	5,518	5,146
Other Private Civil	10,527	11,420	11,008	412	12,690	4,814	77	1,169	3,568	7,876	731	3,512	3,633	9,257
Bankruptcy	780	729	707	22	843	312	4	78	230	531	68	184	279	666
Administrative Agency Appeals	7,807	6,153	5,761	392	5,850	2,873	15	759	2,099	2,977	316	523	2,138	8,110
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	3,660	5,486	5,421	65	7,077	959	-	181	778	6,118	157	21	5,940	2,069
DC	1,418	951	918	33	1,050	388	13	96	279	662	181	248	233	1,319
Criminal	102	57	57	-	71	29	-	1	28	42	10	28	4	88
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	88	81	80	1	90	57	1	22	34	33	1	11	21	79
Other U.S. Civil	225	221	217	4	255	81	1	23	57	174	30	60	84	191
Private Prisoner Petitions	10	12	12	-	16	4	-	1	3	12	2	1	9	6
Other Private Civil	137	146	145	1	147	43	-	12	31	104	16	50	38	136
Bankruptcy	2	2	2	-	4	1	-	-	1	3	-	-	3	-
Administrative Agency Appeals	827	343	319	24	380	136	11	26	99	244	122	96	26	790
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	27	89	86	3	87	37	-	11	26	50	-	2	48	29
1st	1,490	1,296	1,290	6	1,472	507	5	144	358	965	61	246	658	1,314
Criminal	650	409	406	3	556	178	2	36	140	378	23	92	263	503
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	75	128	128	-	79	27	-	11	16	52	2	2	48	124
Other U.S. Civil	57	79	79	-	79	27	1	8	18	52	5	19	28	57
Private Prisoner Petitions	89	86	85	1	80	35	-	9	26	45	3	6	36	95
Other Private Civil	325	340	339	1	363	159	2	42	115	204	20	101	83	302
Bankruptcy	24	33	32	1	30	10	-	2	8	20	2	9	9	27
Administrative Agency Appeals	89	88	88	-	103	55	-	29	26	48	6	15	27	74
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	181	133	133	-	182	16	-	7	9	166	-	2	164	132

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2nd	3,325	4,337	4,115	222	4,125	1,477	15	310	1,152	2,648	293	763	1,592	3,537
Criminal	761	652	640	12	642	113	1	17	95	529	70	188	271	771
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	129	189	182	7	155	51	-	9	42	104	4	13	87	163
Other U.S. Civil	159	251	234	17	258	95	-	20	75	163	20	62	81	152
Private Prisoner Petitions	193	512	490	22	449	186	-	32	154	263	3	23	237	256
Other Private Civil	961	1,434	1,322	112	1,429	652	14	84	554	777	75	412	290	966
Bankruptcy	62	158	154	4	82	24	-	5	19	58	9	24	25	138
Administrative Agency Appeals	718	754	710	44	662	298	-	140	158	364	16	38	310	810
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	342	387	383	4	448	58	-	3	55	390	96	3	291	281
3rd	2,909	2,941	2,882	59	3,729	989	5	268	716	2,740	78	814	1,848	2,121
Criminal	360	422	415	7	422	106	-	34	72	316	19	36	261	360
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	134	324	317	7	292	90	-	19	71	202	2	7	193	166
Other U.S. Civil	101	131	125	6	145	63	1	20	42	82	4	9	69	87
Private Prisoner Petitions	330	540	532	8	591	162	-	53	109	429	5	25	399	279
Other Private Civil	1,257	776	758	18	1,430	344	4	81	259	1,086	39	685	362	603
Bankruptcy	74	43	42	1	82	35	-	10	25	47	5	21	21	35
Administrative Agency Appeals	137	336	330	6	258	130	-	46	84	128	3	27	98	215
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	516	369	363	6	509	59	-	5	54	450	1	4	445	376
4th	2,607	4,497	4,471	26	4,626	1,082	7	344	731	3,544	147	358	3,039	2,478
Criminal	875	1,069	1,064	5	1,154	206	-	53	153	948	59	92	797	790
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	358	759	756	3	702	152	-	28	124	550	12	11	527	415
Other U.S. Civil	140	194	191	3	232	59	2	26	31	173	9	34	130	102
Private Prisoner Petitions	368	809	808	1	828	247	-	86	161	581	8	24	549	349
Other Private Civil	579	841	831	10	876	268	4	109	155	608	47	155	406	544
Bankruptcy	45	46	46	-	62	26	1	7	18	36	3	11	22	29
Administrative Agency Appeals	166	246	242	4	243	76	-	32	44	167	7	28	132	169
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	76	533	533	-	529	48	-	3	45	481	2	3	476	80

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5th	5,593	7,099	6,764	335	7,942	2,583	11	695	1,877	5,359	751	756	3,852	4,750
Criminal	2,295	2,218	2,147	71	2,727	512	-	140	372	2,215	275	258	1,682	1,786
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	421	674	624	50	642	295	-	62	233	347	47	9	291	453
Other U.S. Civil	119	199	193	6	178	84	-	24	60	94	15	44	35	140
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,067	1,394	1,322	72	1,515	667	-	204	463	848	131	36	681	946
Other Private Civil	977	1,306	1,227	79	1,379	567	10	141	416	812	230	349	233	904
Bankruptcy	36	69	65	4	61	19	-	6	13	42	7	21	14	44
Administrative Agency Appeals	322	411	397	14	407	188	1	97	90	219	25	38	156	326
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	356	828	789	39	1,033	251	-	21	230	782	21	1	760	151
6th	3,458	4,591	4,542	49	5,105	1,363	19	400	944	3,742	126	433	3,183	2,944
Criminal	748	887	882	5	960	212	-	43	169	748	46	78	624	675
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	255	581	573	8	487	131	-	62	69	356	2	8	346	349
Other U.S. Civil	115	203	200	3	173	67	4	18	45	106	7	28	71	145
Private Prisoner Petitions	660	992	975	17	1,065	364	2	154	208	701	5	57	639	587
Other Private Civil	734	983	971	12	1,014	364	11	82	271	650	39	235	376	703
Bankruptcy	42	24	24	-	47	9	-	1	8	38	5	10	23	19
Administrative Agency Appeals	210	247	246	1	256	70	2	17	51	186	10	17	159	201
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	694	674	671	3	1,103	146	-	23	123	957	12	-	945	265
7th	1,797	2,787	2,750	37	2,947	1,123	11	246	866	1,824	125	637	1,062	1,637
Criminal	393	426	422	4	497	166	1	34	131	331	31	202	98	322
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	197	325	314	11	355	113	-	15	98	242	7	27	208	167
Other U.S. Civil	106	162	161	1	147	55	-	15	40	92	9	45	38	121
Private Prisoner Petitions	376	664	645	19	693	360	-	55	305	333	8	52	273	347
Other Private Civil	579	766	764	2	791	365	7	105	253	426	43	260	123	554
Bankruptcy	45	33	33	-	49	17	2	3	12	32	18	8	6	29
Administrative Agency Appeals	83	107	107	-	113	33	1	12	20	80	9	43	28	77
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	18	304	304	-	302	14	-	7	7	288	-	-	288	20

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8th	2,088	2,957	2,933	24	3,170	574	3	205	366	2,596	124	382	2,090	1,875
Criminal	531	841	832	9	750	119	-	23	96	631	42	97	492	622
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	156	390	388	2	370	69	-	27	42	301	5	10	286	176
Other U.S. Civil	63	131	131	-	100	28	-	13	15	72	-	21	51	94
Private Prisoner Petitions	195	546	542	4	527	157	-	85	72	370	3	15	352	214
Other Private Civil	448	523	516	7	548	138	3	43	92	410	43	208	159	423
Bankruptcy	13	20	20	-	15	3	-	2	1	12	2	7	3	18
Administrative Agency Appeals	143	155	153	2	152	41	-	8	33	111	20	23	68	146
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	539	351	351	-	708	19	-	4	15	689	9	1	679	182
9th	13,330	11,096	10,659	437	11,867	4,054	24	956	3,074	7,813	357	1,537	5,919	12,559
Criminal	1,592	1,314	1,291	23	1,381	343	-	50	293	1,038	100	282	656	1,525
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	262	676	670	6	454	116	-	32	84	338	3	19	316	484
Other U.S. Civil	887	571	555	16	696	200	8	42	150	496	22	182	292	762
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,605	1,956	1,924	32	2,257	579	3	294	282	1,678	5	137	1,536	1,304
Other Private Civil	3,113	2,412	2,335	77	2,706	977	12	238	727	1,729	113	683	933	2,819
Bankruptcy	365	217	208	9	316	118	1	20	97	198	14	61	123	266
Administrative Agency Appeals	4,843	3,117	2,848	269	2,919	1,663	-	275	1,388	1,256	90	168	998	5,041
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	663	833	828	5	1,138	58	-	5	53	1,080	10	5	1,065	358
10th	1,320	1,856	1,835	21	1,959	639	10	173	456	1,320	23	362	935	1,217
Criminal	288	360	356	4	377	102	-	26	76	275	1	104	170	271
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	113	302	297	5	261	104	-	25	79	157	1	9	147	154
Other U.S. Civil	130	109	106	3	162	47	1	13	33	115	2	53	60	77
Private Prisoner Petitions	146	299	296	3	295	113	1	42	70	182	5	11	166	150
Other Private Civil	450	517	511	6	596	208	8	32	168	388	12	168	208	371
Bankruptcy	21	15	15	-	23	8	-	2	6	15	2	2	11	13
Administrative Agency Appeals	60	67	67	-	61	22	-	12	10	39	-	15	24	66
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	112	187	187	-	184	35	-	21	14	149	-	-	149	115

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11th	3,906	6,098	5,828	270	6,355	2,576	2	675	1,899	3,779	165	377	3,237	3,649
Criminal	1,197	1,262	1,242	20	1,384	420	-	91	329	964	87	87	790	1,075
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	490	926	879	47	861	334	-	63	271	527	2	11	514	555
Other U.S. Civil	163	233	214	19	245	112	-	15	97	133	6	18	109	151
Private Prisoner Petitions	693	1,152	1,091	61	1,232	560	-	150	410	672	1	30	641	613
Other Private Civil	967	1,376	1,289	87	1,411	729	2	200	527	682	54	206	422	932
Bankruptcy	51	69	66	3	72	42	-	20	22	30	1	10	19	48
Administrative Agency Appeals	209	282	254	28	296	161	-	65	96	135	8	15	112	195
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	136	798	793	5	854	218	-	71	147	636	6	-	630	80

NOTE: This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.

¹ Revised.