

Table B-7.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Civil and Criminal Appeals Commenced, by Cases and Nature of Suit or Offense,
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2019

Nature of Suit or Offense	Total	Circuit											
		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Total	36,937	560	1,109	3,231	2,753	3,704	5,654	3,339	2,216	2,328	6,301	1,477	4,265
Total Criminal Appeals	10,001	70	396	604	461	1,225	2,144	1,015	479	850	1,133	387	1,237
Total Civil Appeals	26,936	490	713	2,627	2,292	2,479	3,510	2,324	1,737	1,478	5,168	1,090	3,028
U.S. Appeals	6,591	332	215	432	374	912	807	562	447	430	1,070	290	720
U.S. Plaintiff	197	2	8	27	5	14	20	16	9	9	40	17	30
Negotiable Instruments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Contract Actions	9	1	2	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	1
Condemnation of Land	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
Other Real Property Actions	4	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-
Tort Actions	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	1
Civil Rights	15	-	1	-	-	2	6	-	2	-	1	-	3
Employment	10	-	-	-	-	1	5	-	-	-	1	-	3
Other Civil Rights	5	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	2	-	-	-	-
Forfeiture And Penalty	23	-	1	4	-	4	1	5	-	-	4	2	2
Fair Labor Standards Act	4	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Other Labor	7	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	1	-	2	-	1
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	32	-	-	11	-	-	2	-	1	-	4	5	9
Tax Suits	23	-	-	1	-	2	3	2	-	1	8	3	3
All Other	73	1	3	8	4	3	7	3	5	7	20	5	7
U.S. Defendant	6,394	330	207	405	369	898	787	546	438	421	1,030	273	690
Contract Actions	49	16	6	2	-	8	5	3	1	-	7	-	1
Real Property Actions	42	1	-	3	2	10	4	4	-	-	10	7	1
Tort Actions	175	5	9	11	6	25	24	4	1	10	46	12	22
Civil Rights	623	77	17	53	44	76	50	41	43	27	128	27	40
Employment	131	28	5	7	8	16	9	8	10	5	22	4	9
Other Civil Rights	492	49	12	46	36	60	41	33	33	22	106	23	31
Prisoner Petitions	4,107	75	141	206	255	668	613	424	292	309	442	167	515
Motions to Vacate Sentence	2,478	9	113	111	112	374	410	293	149	208	243	73	383
Habeas Corpus--General	804	17	8	26	74	150	100	89	87	49	90	57	57
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	-
Prisoner Civil Rights	462	45	7	32	37	79	70	30	3	28	51	31	49
Prison Condition	132	1	1	4	12	16	8	8	42	8	20	4	8
Other Prisoner Petitions	228	3	12	33	20	49	24	4	10	16	37	2	18
Labor Suits	24	3	1	1	3	4	-	2	2	-	5	2	1
Social Security Laws	582	4	7	66	33	48	17	36	67	39	183	16	66
Tax Suits	83	-	2	4	7	5	10	6	7	5	14	15	8
Environmental Matters	94	19	2	-	2	2	6	2	1	-	51	9	-

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		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Freedom of Information Act	65	30	2	7	-	2	4	-	1	2	14	-	3
All Other	550	100	20	52	17	50	54	24	23	29	130	18	33
Total Private Appeals	20,345	158	498	2,195	1,918	1,567	2,703	1,762	1,290	1,048	4,098	800	2,308
Federal Question	17,097	142	341	1,929	1,203	1,381	2,366	1,555	1,199	906	3,452	658	1,965
Marine Contract	45	-	4	8	1	3	11	-	-	-	6	-	12
Other Contract Actions	298	7	11	28	16	16	27	26	16	16	70	25	40
Federal Employers Liability Act	16	-	1	1	1	1	-	1	2	4	1	2	2
Marine Injury	47	-	-	2	-	-	24	2	1	-	7	1	10
Other Tort Actions	461	21	13	38	25	61	41	29	56	22	85	23	47
Antitrust	75	5	3	13	10	2	6	3	6	4	16	-	7
Civil Rights	5,013	47	137	950	368	335	595	468	342	249	788	211	523
Employment	1,388	18	28	507	81	100	154	90	104	35	106	45	120
Other Civil Rights	3,625	29	109	443	287	235	441	378	238	214	682	166	403
Prisoner Petitions	8,258	6	77	522	546	800	1,279	865	580	508	1,809	286	980
Habeas Corpus--General	3,914	3	49	172	315	257	696	486	192	200	890	125	529
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	87	-	-	-	3	6	25	14	-	5	14	3	17
Prisoner Civil Rights	2,824	3	25	297	146	398	501	247	28	167	693	128	191
Prison Condition	1,381	-	2	50	81	121	52	116	359	133	203	30	234
Other Prisoner Petitions	52	-	1	3	1	18	5	2	1	3	9	-	9
Labor Management Relations Act	67	1	3	7	5	3	1	11	6	6	20	2	2
Other Labor	586	9	22	72	32	36	79	46	39	34	121	28	68
Copyright, Patent, & Trademark	332	7	8	54	10	22	33	16	24	12	94	12	40
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	98	-	7	28	6	3	9	1	8	5	22	2	7
Constitutionality of State Statutes	164	2	5	19	16	12	21	6	6	7	52	8	10
All Other	1,637	37	50	187	167	87	240	81	113	39	361	58	217
Diversity of Citizenship	3,247	16	157	266	714	186	337	207	91	142	646	142	343
Insurance	503	1	19	36	44	33	51	36	32	29	101	45	76
Other Contract Actions	849	8	41	117	64	67	96	67	57	42	175	30	85
Real Property Actions	364	-	38	18	11	11	60	13	-	9	175	8	21
Personal Injury/Product Liability	699	-	5	4	536	12	31	25	-	16	31	7	32
Other Personal Injury	370	1	30	32	27	24	49	34	-	17	57	17	82
Personal Property Damage	218	2	8	32	19	13	21	17	-	10	63	13	20
All Other	244	4	16	27	13	26	29	15	2	19	44	22	27
General Location Jurisdiction	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Contract Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Real Property Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tort Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Prisoner Petitions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Criminal Appeals	10,001	70	396	604	461	1,225	2,144	1,015	479	850	1,133	387	1,237
Violent Offenses	540	3	20	21	47	54	80	57	29	48	86	38	57
Homicide	51	1	2	-	2	1	6	-	-	11	18	8	2
Robbery	124	-	2	3	13	12	29	9	17	9	11	3	16
Assault	94	-	-	2	4	5	11	15	3	7	34	10	3
Kidnapping	28	1	-	3	1	1	7	-	3	5	3	1	3
Racketeering--Violent Crime	89	-	1	6	10	21	13	6	3	6	9	4	10
Carjacking	91	-	12	3	11	7	9	15	3	6	3	3	19
Terrorism	29	-	-	3	-	2	3	10	-	1	4	5	1
Other Violent Offenses	34	1	3	1	6	5	2	2	-	3	4	4	3
Property Offenses	1,163	5	41	119	72	99	186	118	65	70	161	26	201
Burglary	3	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Larceny & Theft, Total	99	2	2	9	-	9	17	8	4	5	17	1	25
Bank	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Postal	18	-	-	1	-	-	4	2	1	1	8	-	1
Theft, U.S. Property	66	1	2	6	-	8	10	3	2	3	9	-	22
Transportation of Stolen Property	14	1	-	2	-	1	2	3	1	1	-	1	2
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Embezzlement	18	-	-	-	3	1	3	2	3	-	5	-	1
Fraud, Total	986	2	39	108	65	86	148	101	56	61	127	24	169
Tax	49	-	2	5	2	4	10	5	2	4	6	1	8
Financial Institutions	45	-	1	4	4	3	5	3	11	3	8	2	1
Securities and Exchange	36	-	12	6	11	-	2	-	1	2	-	1	1
Mail	37	-	1	4	3	3	4	2	6	8	6	-	-
Wire, Radio, or Television	53	-	-	6	3	3	8	2	5	2	16	1	7
Social Security	18	-	2	-	-	3	2	1	-	7	1	1	1
Citizenship and Naturalization	6	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	4
Passport	14	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	2	-	1	-	2
Identification Documents and Information	48	-	3	4	4	1	6	9	5	2	7	-	7
False Claims and Services, Government	24	-	-	-	2	2	-	4	3	7	1	1	4
False Statements	41	1	3	5	5	4	6	2	1	2	5	1	6
Conspiracy to Defraud the U.S.	55	-	2	3	6	4	13	14	1	3	1	1	7
Unauthorized Access Devices	100	-	4	1	4	15	10	6	7	2	21	3	27
Health Care	109	-	2	2	2	3	31	20	2	5	17	3	22
Other Fraud Offenses	351	1	7	68	19	40	41	33	10	14	37	9	72
Forgery and Counterfeiting	42	-	-	2	1	3	17	5	-	3	7	1	3

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		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Other Property Offenses	15	1	-	-	1	-	-	2	2	1	5	-	3
Drug Offenses	3,494	22	145	200	162	462	755	409	155	309	286	115	474
Marijuana, Total	231	-	9	3	1	20	113	18	6	11	22	12	16
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	199	-	9	3	1	20	88	14	6	11	19	12	16
Import/Export	26	-	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	-	2	-	-
Manufacture	6	-	-	-	-	-	1	4	-	-	1	-	-
Possession	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other Drugs, Total	3,212	19	131	188	156	435	640	385	149	298	257	99	455
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	3,093	19	126	181	154	435	604	377	149	292	216	98	442
Import/Export	80	-	4	7	-	-	24	-	-	1	34	1	9
Manufacture	38	-	1	-	2	-	12	7	-	5	7	-	4
Possession	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Other Drug Offenses	51	3	5	9	5	7	2	6	-	-	7	4	3
Firearms and Explosives Offenses	2,014	11	96	89	72	282	302	263	121	236	170	109	263
Firearms, Total	1,974	10	94	87	72	272	300	257	119	231	163	108	261
Possession by Prohibited Persons	1,050	7	29	25	28	107	175	145	64	153	98	79	140
Furtherance of Violent/Drug-Trafficking Crimes	688	3	36	34	30	117	83	95	48	65	50	22	105
Other Firearms Offenses	236	-	29	28	14	48	42	17	7	13	15	7	16
Explosives	40	1	2	2	-	10	2	6	2	5	7	1	2
Sex Offenses	778	4	33	56	31	60	103	80	49	118	111	29	104
Sexual Abuse of Adults	33	2	1	-	1	2	2	1	1	7	8	4	4
Sexual Abuse of Minors	291	-	13	19	13	21	35	41	17	46	45	7	34
Sexually Explicit Material	310	-	13	28	14	26	47	29	21	41	46	6	39
Other Sex Offenses	144	2	6	9	3	11	19	9	10	24	12	12	27
Justice System Offenses	150	8	5	12	11	15	15	16	13	13	17	5	20
Obstruction of Justice	91	1	5	8	9	12	6	11	10	5	11	3	10
Escape from Custody	30	6	-	1	1	1	5	4	1	3	4	2	2
Failure to Appear	6	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	3
Other Justice System Offenses	23	1	-	3	1	1	2	1	2	5	2	-	5
Immigration Offenses	916	2	12	9	18	32	559	17	8	12	164	38	45
Alien Smuggling	107	-	-	1	2	-	71	-	2	-	21	6	4
Improper Entry by Alien	15	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	13	-	1
Improper Reentry by Alien	773	2	11	8	12	30	482	17	6	12	127	32	34
Other Immigration Offenses	21	-	1	-	4	2	5	-	-	-	3	-	6
General Offenses	233	5	21	20	13	26	29	20	18	13	36	6	26
Money Laundering	124	2	8	7	8	10	16	12	6	9	22	4	20

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		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations)	43	-	12	3	-	10	6	2	4	-	5	-	1
Extortion and Threats	37	2	1	8	2	2	2	4	4	1	5	2	4
Other General Offenses	29	1	-	2	3	4	5	2	4	3	4	-	1
Regulatory Offenses	113	6	9	11	3	15	13	9	8	6	17	-	16
Traffic Offenses	5	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	-
Unclassified Offenses	595	4	14	67	32	179	101	26	13	24	84	20	31

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