

Table B-5.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Decisions in Cases Terminated on the Merits, by Circuit and Nature of Proceeding,
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2025

Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Total Appeals Terminated	Terminated on the Merits									
		By Consolidation	Percent of Total Terminated	Total	Affirmed/ Enforced ¹	Dismissed	Reversed	Remanded	Other	Certificate of Appealability	Percent Reversed ²
Total	40,411	1,651	60.2	24,318	16,900	2,943	1,845	246	158	2,226	7.9
Criminal	9,917	585	70.2	6,962	5,056	1,269	521	104	12	-	7.5
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	2,349	51	61.5	1,444	408	258	57	4	8	709	3.9
Other U.S. Civil	2,509	93	54.3	1,363	1,050	134	155	22	2	-	11.4
Private Prisoner Petitions	6,102	110	53.0	3,237	1,168	370	151	10	21	1,517	4.7
Other Private Civil	10,766	488	52.0	5,602	4,333	543	647	55	24	-	11.5
Bankruptcy	919	63	70.5	648	581	37	28	1	1	-	4.3
Administrative Agency Appeals	4,427	233	55.4	2,454	2,035	127	152	50	90	-	6.2
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	3,422	28	76.2	2,608	2,269	205	134	-	-	-	-
DC	1,162	118	50.3	584	356	23	199	4	1	1	36.1
Criminal	252	24	69.8	176	23	-	153	-	-	-	86.9
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	46	4	41.3	19	14	2	2	-	-	1	10.5
Other U.S. Civil	268	6	60.4	162	139	4	18	-	1	-	11.1
Private Prisoner Petitions	11	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Private Civil	185	11	55.1	102	87	1	12	2	-	-	11.8
Bankruptcy	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Administrative Agency Appeals	309	72	27.8	86	58	13	13	2	-	-	15.1
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	89	1	40.4	36	32	3	1	-	-	-	-

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1st	1,013	45	56.5	572	428	33	76	4	3	28	14.4
Criminal	288	25	53.8	155	108	17	26	2	2	-	16.8
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	61	2	62.3	38	20	-	2	-	-	16	5.3
Other U.S. Civil	84	2	54.8	46	40	1	5	-	-	-	10.9
Private Prisoner Petitions	66	-	57.6	38	24	-	1	-	1	12	2.6
Other Private Civil	333	10	50.5	168	143	5	19	1	-	-	11.3
Bankruptcy	21	-	-	9	7	1	1	-	-	-	11.1
Administrative Agency Appeals	93	6	63.4	59	36	2	20	1	-	-	33.9
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	67	-	88.1	59	50	7	2	-	-	-	-
2nd	3,849	178	62.0	2,386	1,805	325	140	17	-	99	5.7
Criminal	715	53	68.1	487	377	81	21	8	-	-	4.3
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	156	9	66.0	103	16	27	5	-	-	55	4.9
Other U.S. Civil	208	11	50.0	104	61	34	9	-	-	-	8.7
Private Prisoner Petitions	320	7	47.2	151	39	52	16	-	-	44	10.6
Other Private Civil	1,245	65	52.7	656	484	106	59	7	-	-	9.0
Bankruptcy	492	21	84.8	417	412	4	1	-	-	-	.2
Administrative Agency Appeals	517	12	61.5	318	280	20	16	2	-	-	5.0
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	196	-	76.5	150	136	1	13	-	-	-	-

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3rd	2,504	85	61.2	1,532	1,145	46	110	14	2	215	6.6
Criminal	453	21	67.1	304	279	7	16	1	1	-	5.3
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	133	-	66.2	88	41	5	2	-	-	40	2.3
Other U.S. Civil	111	6	55.0	61	52	3	6	-	-	-	9.8
Private Prisoner Petitions	453	1	63.8	289	104	2	8	-	-	175	2.8
Other Private Civil	830	33	54.0	448	396	8	44	-	-	-	9.8
Bankruptcy	76	19	38.2	29	23	3	3	-	-	-	10.3
Administrative Agency Appeals	196	5	62.8	123	94	6	9	13	1	-	7.3
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	252	-	75.4	190	156	12	22	-	-	-	-
4th	3,472	124	69.0	2,396	1,880	100	190	26	1	199	8.2
Criminal	1,142	49	75.7	864	721	68	63	12	-	-	7.3
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	233	6	73.4	171	80	4	10	-	-	77	5.8
Other U.S. Civil	195	4	66.7	130	111	3	15	1	-	-	11.5
Private Prisoner Petitions	581	17	56.1	326	181	7	16	-	-	122	4.9
Other Private Civil	802	35	66.5	533	457	7	63	6	-	-	11.8
Bankruptcy	42	4	71.4	30	24	3	2	1	-	-	6.7
Administrative Agency Appeals	154	7	59.1	91	74	3	7	6	1	-	7.7
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	323	2	77.7	251	232	5	14	-	-	-	-

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5th	5,487	443	56.6	3,103	1,827	784	213	51	12	216	7.2
Criminal	2,144	189	70.2	1,505	782	639	49	35	-	-	3.3
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	287	20	48.1	138	26	15	3	1	4	89	2.2
Other U.S. Civil	302	28	34.4	104	67	11	20	6	-	-	19.2
Private Prisoner Petitions	634	55	42.9	272	77	38	21	2	7	127	7.7
Other Private Civil	1,237	92	48.3	597	443	60	91	3	-	-	15.2
Bankruptcy	63	8	60.3	38	22	7	9	-	-	-	23.7
Administrative Agency Appeals	380	41	44.5	169	142	12	10	4	1	-	5.9
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	440	10	63.6	280	268	2	10	-	-	-	-
6th	3,476	153	63.1	2,192	1,557	140	141	18	87	249	7.2
Criminal	1,057	49	70.1	741	631	64	39	7	-	-	5.3
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	183	1	64.5	118	23	3	5	-	-	87	4.2
Other U.S. Civil	158	1	49.4	78	70	3	5	-	-	-	6.4
Private Prisoner Petitions	534	11	51.3	274	87	3	15	-	7	162	5.5
Other Private Civil	884	59	54.2	479	393	22	58	3	3	-	12.1
Bankruptcy	12	-	-	10	6	1	3	-	-	-	30.0
Administrative Agency Appeals	161	27	68.9	111	8	13	5	8	77	-	4.5
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	487	5	78.2	381	339	31	11	-	-	-	-

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7th	2,282	70	48.5	1,107	842	68	93	17	21	66	8.2
Criminal	449	25	55.7	250	173	52	15	7	3	-	6.0
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	162	-	45.1	73	47	1	7	-	1	17	9.6
Other U.S. Civil	103	2	49.5	51	40	3	7	1	-	-	13.7
Private Prisoner Petitions	549	7	39.5	217	144	2	14	4	4	49	6.5
Other Private Civil	729	33	42.0	306	254	7	30	3	12	-	9.8
Bankruptcy	12	-	-	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Administrative Agency Appeals	96	3	33.3	32	25	-	4	2	1	-	12.5
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	182	-	95.1	173	154	3	16	-	-	-	-
8th	2,506	99	75.2	1,885	1,411	151	97	8	1	217	5.6
Criminal	945	41	79.6	752	622	108	20	1	1	-	2.7
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	185	4	88.1	163	45	2	3	1	-	112	1.8
Other U.S. Civil	138	4	68.1	94	80	2	11	1	-	-	11.7
Private Prisoner Petitions	387	1	70.0	271	140	21	5	-	-	105	1.8
Other Private Civil	543	34	65.4	355	294	12	47	2	-	-	13.2
Bankruptcy	6	-	-	4	3	-	1	-	-	-	25.0
Administrative Agency Appeals	96	12	53.1	51	39	2	7	3	-	-	13.7
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	206	3	94.7	195	188	4	3	-	-	-	-

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9th	8,189	178	63.5	5,200	3,535	667	372	20	3	603	7.2
Criminal	876	33	70.4	617	511	49	48	9	-	-	7.8
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	443	2	80.1	355	52	184	9	-	-	110	2.5
Other U.S. Civil	577	24	61.5	355	270	39	44	2	-	-	12.4
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,380	8	67.0	924	242	150	38	1	-	493	4.1
Other Private Civil	2,063	63	53.0	1,093	776	167	141	7	2	-	12.9
Bankruptcy	119	8	55.5	66	53	9	4	-	-	-	6.1
Administrative Agency Appeals	2,145	39	58.6	1,256	1,157	43	54	1	1	-	4.3
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	586	1	91.1	534	474	26	34	-	-	-	-
10th	1,676	6	62.4	1,046	730	105	56	51	-	104	5.6
Criminal	476	2	76.7	365	258	64	28	15	-	-	7.7
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	111	-	64.0	71	27	4	-	2	-	38	-
Other U.S. Civil	102	-	51.0	52	39	5	1	7	-	-	1.9
Private Prisoner Petitions	237	-	50.6	120	40	11	2	1	-	66	1.7
Other Private Civil	531	3	51.2	272	217	17	19	19	-	-	7.0
Bankruptcy	13	-	-	9	7	1	1	-	-	-	11.1
Administrative Agency Appeals	88	1	67.0	59	49	1	2	7	-	-	3.4
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	118	-	83.1	98	93	2	3	-	-	-	-

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11th	4,795	152	48.3	2,315	1,384	501	158	16	27	229	7.4
Criminal	1,120	74	66.6	746	571	120	43	7	5	-	5.8
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	349	3	30.7	107	17	11	9	-	3	67	8.4
Other U.S. Civil	263	5	47.9	126	81	26	14	4	1	-	11.1
Private Prisoner Petitions	950	3	37.2	353	88	84	15	2	2	162	4.2
Other Private Civil	1,384	50	42.8	593	389	131	64	2	7	-	10.8
Bankruptcy	61	3	49.2	30	18	8	3	-	1	-	10.0
Administrative Agency Appeals	192	8	51.6	99	73	12	5	1	8	-	5.1
Original Proceedings and Miscellaneous Applications	476	6	54.8	261	147	109	5	-	-	-	-

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 Affirmed includes appeals affirmed in part and reversed in part.

² Percent not shown where the total number of appeals terminated on the merits is less than 10. Percent reversed not computed for original proceedings because of their difference from appeals, nor are original proceedings included in the percentage of total appeals reversed.