

**Table B-4A.**

**U.S. Courts of Appeals—Median Time Intervals in Months for Merit Terminations of Appeals Arising From the U.S. District Courts, by Circuit, During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2009**

Circuit	Total Cases	From Filing of Notice of Appeal to Filing of Last Brief		From Filing of Last Brief to Hearing or Submission		From Hearing to Final Disposition		From Submission to Final Disposition		From Filing of Notice of Appeal to Final Disposition		From Filing in Lower Court to Final Disposition in Appellate Court	
		Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval

**APPEALS ARISING FROM THE U.S. DISTRICT COURTS**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22,026</b>	<b>13,845</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>13,845</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>7,427</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>14,599</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>22,026</b>	<b>12.1</b>	<b>22,026</b>	<b>32.4</b>
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	372	168	8.8	168	2.7	145	3.0	227	0.9	372	11.7	372	25.5
FIRST	831	542	7.2	542	2.1	311	2.8	520	1.8	831	12.3	831	34.9
SECOND	1,584	996	5.7	996	10.0	1,077	0.7	507	0.4	1,584	17.0	1,584	44.5
THIRD	1,780	1,297	7.0	1,297	3.3	329	3.0	1,451	2.7	1,780	13.1	1,780	34.7
FOURTH	2,411	837	5.7	837	4.6	322	2.3	2,089	0.4	2,411	8.2	2,411	28.2
FIFTH	2,983	2,057	5.5	2,057	4.1	890	1.6	2,093	0.7	2,983	11.0	2,983	24.3
SIXTH	1,788	1,432	8.0	1,432	4.6	785	2.0	1,003	1.2	1,788	14.7	1,788	34.7
SEVENTH	1,345	151	7.7	151	3.6	680	3.2	665	0.2	1,345	10.5	1,345	31.1
EIGHTH	1,691	1,003	3.6	1,003	4.4	506	4.0	1,185	0.3	1,691	10.9	1,691	29.0
NINTH	3,269	2,400	6.5	2,400	9.1	1,461	1.3	1,808	0.4	3,269	17.9	3,269	37.6
TENTH	1,243	853	5.3	853	2.7	464	4.1	779	1.4	1,243	10.3	1,243	28.0
ELEVENTH	2,729	2,109	4.6	2,109	2.6	457	2.3	2,272	1.0	2,729	8.9	2,729	29.9

**PRISONER PETITIONS**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,362</b>	<b>1,783</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>1,783</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>771</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>3,591</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>4,362</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>4,362</b>	<b>34.1</b>
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	66	10	22.6	10	1.5	9	3.1	57	0.8	66	7.8	66	12.8
FIRST	111	62	7.5	62	1.6	28	1.9	83	2.3	111	9.7	111	26.7
SECOND	157	146	10.3	146	11.0	98	0.6	59	0.4	157	22.7	157	59.8
THIRD	317	132	11.4	132	3.8	47	2.6	270	0.8	317	10.1	317	27.9
FOURTH	986	57	5.4	57	3.4	32	2.6	954	0.3	986	5.6	986	50.5
FIFTH	429	194	5.7	194	7.6	66	0.8	363	0.8	429	12.4	429	25.8
SIXTH	381	213	10.1	213	5.1	102	2.6	279	1.1	381	13.6	381	31.7
SEVENTH	363	24	11.2	24	3.2	67	4.0	296	0.3	363	7.7	363	41.1
EIGHTH	289	118	4.6	118	8.8	41	4.1	248	0.2	289	12.0	289	22.0
NINTH	701	528	7.3	528	9.9	200	1.0	501	0.4	701	20.2	701	47.3
TENTH	222	100	4.9	100	1.9	28	4.1	194	1.5	222	7.2	222	20.3
ELEVENTH	340	199	5.9	199	3.0	53	2.4	287	0.8	340	9.5	340	27.0

**Table B-4A. (September 30, 2009—Continued)**

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		Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval
<b>OTHER CIVIL APPEALS</b>													
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,920</b>	<b>6,131</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>6,131</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>4,293</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>3,627</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>7,920</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>7,920</b>	<b>33.2</b>
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	259	118	7.4	118	2.5	102	3.0	157	0.9	259	11.7	259	25.5
FIRST	278	208	5.3	208	2.3	160	2.9	118	2.3	278	11.0	278	31.1
SECOND	863	826	5.2	826	9.9	705	0.7	158	0.4	863	17.6	863	45.4
THIRD	713	574	6.3	574	3.5	198	3.2	515	2.7	713	13.1	713	34.8
FOURTH	544	274	4.6	274	7.2	192	2.3	352	0.4	544	9.6	544	25.3
FIFTH	919	843	4.6	843	4.7	557	2.1	362	1.6	919	11.0	919	30.1
SIXTH	687	646	6.4	646	4.3	429	2.0	258	1.4	687	13.6	687	33.0
SEVENTH	520	72	6.9	72	3.9	341	3.5	179	0.3	520	10.8	520	31.1
EIGHTH	487	392	3.5	392	5.0	243	4.4	244	0.3	487	12.9	487	28.4
NINTH	1,458	1,188	6.0	1,188	10.6	868	1.4	590	0.4	1,458	18.9	1,458	37.6
TENTH	477	348	4.6	348	4.1	243	5.4	234	2.0	477	13.9	477	34.7
ELEVENTH	715	642	3.8	642	2.8	255	2.5	460	1.2	715	8.8	715	27.2
<b>CRIMINAL APPEALS</b>													
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9,744</b>	<b>5,931</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>5,931</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>2,363</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>7,381</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>9,744</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>9,744</b>	<b>30.8</b>
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	47	40	15.7	40	3.3	34	2.8	13	0.5	47	23.6	47	40.9
FIRST	442	272	9.4	272	2.0	123	2.9	319	1.5	442	13.6	442	40.5
SECOND	564	24	10.9	24	5.2	274	0.7	290	0.4	564	14.0	564	40.5
THIRD	750	591	7.3	591	3.2	84	2.8	666	3.0	750	14.0	750	36.8
FOURTH	881	506	6.5	506	3.9	98	2.1	783	0.7	881	11.3	881	25.2
FIFTH	1,635	1,020	6.0	1,020	3.4	267	1.4	1,368	0.6	1,635	10.6	1,635	21.3
SIXTH	720	573	9.9	573	5.0	254	1.6	466	1.3	720	16.5	720	37.2
SEVENTH	462	55	8.2	55	3.5	272	2.7	190	0.1	462	12.0	462	28.7
EIGHTH	915	493	3.5	493	3.6	222	3.5	693	0.3	915	9.4	915	33.0
NINTH	1,110	684	6.9	684	6.0	393	1.3	717	0.4	1,110	14.2	1,110	31.6
TENTH	544	405	5.8	405	2.2	193	3.0	351	1.1	544	9.9	544	28.0
ELEVENTH	1,674	1,268	4.8	1,268	2.5	149	1.6	1,525	1.0	1,674	8.8	1,674	33.4

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