

Table S-3.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Types of Opinions or Orders Filed in Cases Terminated
on the Merits After Oral Hearings or Submission on Briefs
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2009

Circuit	Total	Oral	Written, Signed ¹		Written, Reasoned, Unsigned ¹		Written, Unsigned, Without Comment		Percent Unpublished
			Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	
TOTAL	30,160	-	4,598	6,210	442	17,726	15	1,169	83.2
DC	561	-	221	1	12	327	-	-	58.5
FIRST	1,049	-	380	28	19	619	1	2	61.9
SECOND	3,230	-	264	2,877	84	5	-	-	89.2
THIRD	2,333	-	245	1,221	3	748	2	114	89.3
FOURTH	2,926	-	175	301	9	2,441	-	-	93.7
FIFTH	3,589	-	430	58	42	3,037	1	21	86.8
SIXTH	2,368	-	408	770	10	1,177	1	2	82.3
SEVENTH	1,641	-	636	2	30	934	5	34	59.1
EIGHTH	2,054	-	635	7	42	589	1	780	67.0
NINTH	5,509	-	591	5	70	4,825	4	14	87.9
TENTH	1,431	-	411	902	12	106	-	-	70.4
ELEVENTH	3,469	-	202	38	109	2,918	-	202	91.0

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

¹ Includes only those opinions and orders that expound on the law as applied to the facts of each case and that detail the judicial reasons upon which the judgment is based.