

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, 2021

Nature of Suit or Offense	Total	Circuit											
		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Total	33,881	492	888	3,059	2,009	3,422	5,058	3,063	2,168	2,571	5,825	1,353	3,973
Total Criminal Appeals	10,625	81	348	641	480	1,484	2,091	1,177	690	1,109	994	343	1,187
Total Civil Appeals	23,256	411	540	2,418	1,529	1,938	2,967	1,886	1,478	1,462	4,831	1,010	2,786
U.S. Appeals	5,453	292	147	405	316	622	674	407	341	360	1,022	262	605
U.S. Plaintiff	195	-	9	27	11	8	21	10	10	10	57	4	28
Negotiable Instruments	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Contract Actions	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1
Condemnation of Land	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Other Real Property Actions	8	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Tort Actions	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	1	1	-	-
Civil Rights	10	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	2	3	1	-	1
Employment	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other Civil Rights	8	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2	3	1	-	-
Forfeiture And Penalty	15	-	1	1	-	2	3	1	-	-	3	-	4
Fair Labor Standards Act	5	-	1	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-
Other Labor	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	6	-	-
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	49	-	3	12	3	1	8	-	3	-	12	-	7
Tax Suits	30	-	1	1	1	-	2	2	1	-	13	3	6
All Other	59	-	2	6	6	5	6	-	3	5	17	1	8
U.S. Defendant	5,258	292	138	378	305	614	653	397	331	350	965	258	577
Contract Actions	50	8	1	1	1	11	5	-	2	2	14	2	3
Real Property Actions	22	-	-	-	2	2	2	1	-	5	6	4	-
Tort Actions	185	10	8	12	17	11	22	10	7	11	45	12	20
Civil Rights	538	66	21	40	29	43	40	43	40	17	135	22	42
Employment	133	17	7	6	3	21	11	6	17	8	24	2	11
Other Civil Rights	405	49	14	34	26	22	29	37	23	9	111	20	31
Prisoner Petitions	3,242	69	76	219	221	466	485	269	211	244	419	160	403
Motions to Vacate Sentence	1,822	8	63	136	103	242	288	173	82	161	206	69	291
Habeas Corpus--General	568	8	4	18	50	106	51	60	59	40	82	43	47
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	10	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	6	-	-	-	-
Prisoner Civil Rights	381	45	7	16	37	59	49	24	-	19	54	36	35
Prison Condition	182	4	2	2	9	26	4	11	52	12	36	10	14
Other Prisoner Petitions	279	2	-	47	22	31	93	1	12	12	41	2	16
Labor Suits	14	2	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	1	4	1	3
Social Security Laws	511	2	9	52	16	29	27	32	47	34	183	16	64
Tax Suits	49	2	1	2	1	5	10	5	3	1	11	4	4
Environmental Matters	77	10	-	2	1	6	1	4	-	-	42	10	1

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Total	Circuit											
		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Freedom of Information Act	53	19	2	12	2	1	1	1	1	2	9	2	1
All Other	517	104	20	38	14	40	59	31	20	33	97	25	36
Total Private Appeals	17,803	119	393	2,013	1,213	1,316	2,293	1,479	1,137	1,102	3,809	748	2,181
Federal Question	15,088	97	297	1,755	1,018	1,143	1,877	1,302	1,066	955	3,145	657	1,776
Marine Contract	31	-	3	4	3	1	12	1	-	-	3	-	4
Other Contract Actions	300	6	16	22	18	25	45	12	22	14	57	23	40
Federal Employers Liability Act	8	-	1	2	1	-	1	1	2	-	-	-	-
Marine Injury	31	-	1	-	2	-	17	-	-	-	4	1	6
Other Tort Actions	488	12	14	44	26	43	65	13	65	68	91	16	31
Antitrust	85	3	4	13	4	12	3	6	5	-	28	3	4
Civil Rights	4,459	32	122	963	310	298	397	419	277	215	714	231	481
Employment	1,296	10	20	570	66	80	101	86	87	27	85	59	105
Other Civil Rights	3,163	22	102	393	244	218	296	333	190	188	629	172	376
Prisoner Petitions	7,252	9	61	375	446	633	1,107	684	541	559	1,625	275	937
Habeas Corpus--General	3,335	1	29	165	262	222	558	356	192	178	755	108	509
Habeas Corpus--Death Penalty	72	-	-	-	3	3	17	12	-	3	18	1	15
Prisoner Civil Rights	2,461	7	28	157	127	275	457	168	23	252	617	118	232
Prison Condition	1,331	1	1	49	51	125	72	145	323	120	227	46	171
Other Prisoner Petitions	53	-	3	4	3	8	3	3	3	6	8	2	10
Labor Management Relations Act	40	-	3	6	5	3	2	6	4	1	5	3	2
Other Labor	549	6	18	80	37	36	68	46	33	29	119	25	52
Intellectual Property Rights	293	1	8	42	14	15	26	17	24	12	94	7	33
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	111	-	5	40	15	3	8	3	3	3	22	5	4
Constitutionality of State Statutes	180	1	6	20	11	10	15	13	5	16	61	13	9
All Other	1,261	27	35	144	126	64	111	81	85	38	322	55	173
Diversity of Citizenship	2,715	22	96	258	195	173	416	177	71	147	664	91	405
Insurance	659	2	12	47	71	49	64	43	47	43	168	18	95
Other Contract Actions	709	7	26	105	57	49	114	57	23	41	112	25	93
Real Property Actions	285	1	16	14	4	11	57	9	-	13	149	3	8
Personal Injury/Product Liability	212	-	5	6	11	10	49	11	-	8	24	4	84
Other Personal Injury	389	6	17	31	18	24	87	41	1	18	60	12	74
Personal Property Damage	217	2	6	28	18	9	17	5	-	10	88	11	23
All Other	244	4	14	27	16	21	28	11	-	14	63	18	28
General Location Jurisdiction	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Criminal Appeals	10,625	81	348	641	480	1,484	2,091	1,177	690	1,109	994	343	1,187
Violent Offenses	658	4	33	45	52	88	76	68	48	61	77	25	81
Homicide	67	1	-	5	5	6	8	7	2	10	17	5	1
Robbery	149	-	3	3	9	22	17	18	23	14	10	6	24
Assault	83	2	1	2	7	6	13	5	3	15	19	5	5
Kidnapping	48	-	-	9	-	5	6	6	4	1	6	2	9
Racketeering--Violent Crime	141	-	9	22	11	28	9	16	6	10	13	2	15
Carjacking	106	-	14	-	7	15	16	13	4	5	3	4	25
Terrorism	21	1	1	3	1	4	3	1	3	-	4	-	-
Other Violent Offenses	43	-	5	1	12	2	4	2	3	6	5	1	2
Property Offenses	881	4	31	95	73	93	119	84	46	56	112	21	147
Burglary	4	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	2
Larceny & Theft, Total	61	2	-	5	6	5	13	7	2	7	7	1	6
Postal	15	-	-	-	-	1	8	1	1	-	3	-	1
Theft, U.S. Property	28	-	-	2	3	4	3	3	1	4	3	-	5
Transportation of Stolen Property	16	2	-	3	3	-	2	2	-	3	-	1	-
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
Embezzlement	25	-	1	-	4	2	5	4	5	2	2	-	-
Fraud, Total	758	2	30	89	62	82	96	70	36	43	99	19	130
Tax	39	-	3	7	1	4	7	1	4	5	3	-	4
Financial Institutions	31	-	-	1	4	5	3	4	2	-	7	1	4
Securities and Exchange	27	-	5	8	8	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	2
Mail	26	-	1	-	5	1	3	3	3	2	8	-	-
Wire, Radio, or Television	56	-	4	3	4	4	10	2	4	4	8	3	10
Social Security	12	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	3	1	-
Citizenship and Naturalization	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Passport	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Identification Documents and Information	50	-	1	1	3	8	5	8	1	4	7	-	12
False Claims and Services, Government	26	-	-	2	2	2	4	3	2	2	4	-	5
False Statements	18	-	3	2	2	1	1	3	1	2	2	-	1
Conspiracy to Defraud the U.S.	40	-	-	8	4	1	6	4	2	3	6	-	6
Unauthorized Access Devices	66	-	4	2	5	3	5	4	5	3	14	3	18
Health Care	80	1	3	3	2	5	16	8	3	1	11	5	22
Other Fraud Offenses	284	1	4	52	22	47	32	30	7	12	25	6	46
Forgery and Counterfeiting	21	-	-	1	-	3	3	1	3	3	3	1	3
Other Property Offenses	12	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	6

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Total	Circuit											
		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Drug Offenses	4,154	25	147	244	184	621	743	510	272	472	337	119	480
Marijuana, Total	237	-	7	6	3	39	74	26	12	13	35	7	15
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	221	-	6	6	3	39	67	23	12	13	30	7	15
Import/Export	10	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	3	-	-
Manufacture	6	-	1	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	2	-	-
All Other Drugs, Total	3,854	24	137	225	181	571	666	473	254	455	299	110	459
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	3,719	24	130	215	181	566	630	455	250	454	262	109	443
Import/Export	89	-	7	10	-	2	26	-	-	-	34	-	10
Manufacture	46	-	-	-	-	3	10	18	4	1	3	1	6
Other Drug Offenses	63	1	3	13	-	11	3	11	6	4	3	2	6
Firearms and Explosives Offenses	2,325	18	71	124	74	354	347	328	207	292	151	104	255
Firearms, Total	2,269	16	68	115	74	352	343	319	200	284	147	100	251
Possession by Prohibited Persons	1,073	8	18	31	22	94	192	166	110	180	67	61	124
Furtherance of Violent/Drug-Trafficking Crimes	916	7	30	48	41	183	94	133	86	88	63	30	113
Other Firearms Offenses	280	1	20	36	11	75	57	20	4	16	17	9	14
Explosives	56	2	3	9	-	2	4	9	7	8	4	4	4
Sex Offenses	871	1	31	39	40	75	125	101	74	136	93	30	126
Sexual Abuse of Adults	33	-	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	10	12	6	-
Sexual Abuse of Minors	365	-	13	18	24	32	43	41	44	48	38	12	52
Sexually Explicit Material	335	-	13	17	11	30	59	41	19	46	34	9	56
Other Sex Offenses	138	1	4	4	5	12	22	18	10	32	9	3	18
Justice System Offenses	123	9	2	11	2	16	17	9	8	12	21	5	11
Obstruction of Justice	78	9	1	8	2	13	9	4	3	5	14	4	6
Escape from Custody	27	-	1	-	-	2	5	3	5	3	4	1	3
Failure to Appear	9	-	-	3	-	-	2	2	-	1	-	-	1
Other Justice System Offenses	9	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	3	3	-	1
Immigration Offenses	630	-	10	4	7	12	483	8	5	3	69	17	12
Alien Smuggling	83	-	-	-	-	1	70	-	-	-	11	1	-
Improper Entry by Alien	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	4	-	1
Improper Reentry by Alien	530	-	8	4	6	11	407	7	5	3	53	16	10
Other Immigration Offenses	11	-	2	-	1	-	6	-	-	-	1	-	1
General Offenses	254	4	8	26	21	21	29	28	15	21	39	6	36
Money Laundering	149	3	4	8	16	11	21	19	6	10	28	1	22
RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations)	40	-	2	14	1	5	2	3	5	1	3	-	4
Extortion and Threats	39	1	1	4	3	4	1	3	2	4	3	4	9
Other General Offenses	26	-	1	-	1	1	5	3	2	6	5	1	1

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Total	Circuit											
		DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Regulatory Offenses	111	8	1	5	2	13	27	20	5	3	20	1	6
Traffic Offenses	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unclassified Offenses	616	8	14	48	25	190	124	21	10	53	75	15	33

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