Table B-4.

U.S. Courts of Appeals—Median Time Intervals in Months for Cases Terminated on the Merits, by Circuit, During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2014

			Terminated on the Merits										
			Median Time Intervals From										
			Filing of Notice of Appeal or Docket Date to Filing of Appellee's Last Brief		Filing of Appellee's Last Brief to Oral Argument or Submission on Briefs		Oral Argument to Last Opinion or Final Order		Submission on Briefs to Last Opinion or Final Order		Filing of Notice of Appeal or Docket Date to Last Opinion or Final Order[1]		Filing in Lower Court to Last Opinion or Final Order in Appeals Court
Circuit	Total	By Consolidation	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval
Total	36,851	2,737	15,235	5.8	15,235	3.8	6,646	2.1	27,468	0.4	34,114	8.5	25,698	28.0
DC	634	153	299	8.1	299	5.1	240	3.0	241	0.8	481	13.4	326	36.9
1st	942	72	548	7.0	548	2.5	248	3.1	622	1.8	870	11.5	675	31.4
2nd	3,111	286	1,545	7.1	1,545	3.8	825	0.9	2,000	0.2	2,825	10.6	1,970	34.9
3rd	2,493	91	1,065	5.4	1,065	1.9	238	3.4	2,164	0.7	2,402	6.4	1,587	31.8
4th	3,787	184	944	5.3	944	2.9	350	2.0	3,253	0.2	3,603	5.2	2,914	25.6
5th	5,203	936	1,892	5.3	1,892	4.1	805	1.4	3,462	0.4	4,267	8.9	3,443	22.1
6th	3,460	222	1,769	5.0	1,769	3.6	478	2.3	2,760	1.1	3,238	9.1	2,463	30.3
7th	1,902	165	919	5.4	919	2.0	681	2.8	1,056	0.3	1,737	7.1	1,425	27.8
8th	2,348	110	921	3.7	921	4.9	407	3.6	1,831	0.3	2,238	6.0	1,789	24.1
9th	7,515	293	2,675	8.4	2,675	12.0	1,530	1.1	5,692	0.2	7,222	12.4	4,936	32.6
10th	1,457	33	869	4.8	869	3.0	397	3.9	1,027	1.2	1,424	8.3	1,191	25.8
11th	3,999	192	1,789	4.5	1,789	2.6	447	1.7	3,360	0.8	3,807	7.1	2,979	24.2

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 applications not included previously. Cases terminated include appeals, original proceedings, and miscellaneous applications.

[1] Docket date is used when computing the median time intervals for original proceedings, miscellaneous applications, and appeals from administrative agencies.