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District	Authorized Judgeships 1960	Additional Judgeships Authorized										Authorized Judgeships 2024
		1961	1966	1970	1978	1984	1990	1999	2000	2002	2024	
<b>Total</b>	<b>241, 4T</b>	<b>61, 2T, 4T/P, 1R/P</b>	<b>30, 5T, 1R/P</b>	<b>58, 3T, 4T/P, 1R/P</b>	<b>113, 4T, 1R/P</b>	<b>53, 8T, 2T/P</b>	<b>61, 13T, 8T/P, 4R/P</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8, 7T, 4T/P, 1T/E</b>	<b>10T/P</b>	<b>677</b>
<b><i>DC CIRCUIT</i></b>												
District of Columbia	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
<b><i>FIRST CIRCUIT</i></b>												
Maine	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Massachusetts	5	1	0	0	4	1, 1T	1, 1T/P	0	0	0	0	13
New Hampshire	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Rhode Island	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Puerto Rico	1	1	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
<b><i>SECOND CIRCUIT</i></b>												
Connecticut	2	2	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	8
New York, Northern	2	0	0	0	1	1	1T	0	0	T/P	0	5
New York, Eastern	6	2	0	1	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	15
New York, Southern	18	6	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	28
New York, Western	2	0	1	0	0	1T	1T/P	0	0	0	0	4
Vermont	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2

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<b>THIRD CIRCUIT</b>												
Delaware	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
New Jersey	7	1	0	1, 1T*	2	3	3	0	0	0	0	17
Pennsylvania, Eastern	8	3	3T*	6, 2T/P	0	0	3, 1T*	0	0	0	0	22
Pennsylvania, Middle	2	1	0	1T*	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	6
Pennsylvania, Western	5, 1T	2, 1T/P	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Virgin Islands	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
<b>FOURTH CIRCUIT</b>												
Maryland	2	2	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	10
North Carolina, Eastern	1	1	0	1T*	1	1T	1T/P	0	0	0	0	4
North Carolina, Middle	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
North Carolina, Western	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1, 1T	T/P	5
South Carolina	3	1	0	1	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	10
Virginia, Eastern	3	0	2	1	2	1	1T	0	1	T/P	0	11
Virginia, Western	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
West Virginia, Northern	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3 <sup>(1)</sup>
West Virginia, Southern	1	0	0	1	1, 1T	0	1	0	0	0	0	5 <sup>(1)</sup>
West Virginia, Northern & Southern	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 <sup>(1)</sup>

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<b>FIFTH CIRCUIT</b>												
Louisiana, Eastern	2	2	4	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	12 <sup>(2)</sup>
Louisiana, Middle	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3 <sup>(2)</sup>
Louisiana, Western	2	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	7
Mississippi, Northern	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Mississippi, Southern	1	1	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	6
Texas, Northern	3	2	0	1	3	1	2	0	0	0	0	12
Texas, Eastern	2	0	0	1	1	2	1	0	0	1T	T/P	8
Texas, Southern	4	1	2	1	5	0	5	0	1	0	0	19
Texas, Western	2	1	1	1	1	1	3	0	1	2	0	13
Canal Zone <sup>(3)</sup>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>SIXTH CIRCUIT</b>												
Kentucky, Eastern	1	0	0	1	2, 1T*	0	0	0	1	0	0	5
Kentucky, Western	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
Kentucky, Eastern & Western	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Michigan, Eastern	6	2	0	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	15
Michigan, Western	2	0	0	0	2	0	1T*	0	0	0	0	4
Ohio, Northern	5	1, 1T*	1	1	1, 1T	1T, 1T/P	1T, 1T/P	0	0	1T/E*	0	11
Ohio, Southern	3	1T*	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	8
Tennessee, Eastern	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	5
Tennessee, Middle	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
Tennessee, Western	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	5

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<b><i>SEVENTH CIRCUIT</i></b>												
Illinois, Northern <sup>(4)</sup>	8	2	1	2	3	4, 1T	1, 1T/P	0	0	0	0	22
Illinois, Central <sup>(4)</sup>	2	0	0	0	1	0	1T	0	0	T/P	0	4
Illinois, Southern <sup>(4)</sup>	2	0	0	0	0	1	1T	0	0	T/P	0	4
Indiana, Northern	2	1	0	0	1	1T	1T/P	0	0	0	0	5
Indiana, Southern	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Wisconsin, Eastern	2	0	1T	1T/P	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	5
Wisconsin, Western	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
<b><i>EIGHTH CIRCUIT</i></b>												
Arkansas, Eastern	1	0	0	0	2	0	2R/P	0	0	0	0	5
Arkansas, Western	1	0	0	0	0	1T	1, 1T/P	0	0	0	0	3
Arkansas, Eastern & Western	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Iowa, Northern	1	0	0	0	0	0	1R/P	0	0	0	0	2
Iowa, Southern	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Iowa, Northern & Southern	0	1R	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota	4	0	0	0	1, 1T	1, 1T/P	0	0	0	0	0	7
Missouri, Eastern	2	0	0	1	1	1	1, 1T	0	0	0	T/P	7
Missouri, Western	2	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Missouri, Eastern & Western	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Nebraska	2	0	0	1	0	0	1T*	0	0	0	0	3
North Dakota	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
South Dakota	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

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<b><i>NINTH CIRCUIT</i></b>												
Alaska	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Arizona	2	1	1	1	3	0	0	3	1	1T	T/P	13
California, Northern	7	2	2	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	14 <sup>(5)</sup>
California, Eastern	0	0	0	0	3	0	1T*	0	0	0	0	6 <sup>(5)</sup>
California, Central	0	0	3	3	1	5	5	0	0	1T	T/P	28 <sup>(5)</sup>
California, Southern	11	2	0	3	2	0	1	0	0	5	0	13 <sup>(5)</sup>
Hawaii	2	0	0	0	0	1	1T	0	0	0	T/P	4
Idaho	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Montana	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Nevada	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	7
Oregon	3	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	6
Washington, Eastern	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	4
Washington, Western	2	1R/P	0	0	1, 1R/P	1, 1T	1T/P	0	0	0	0	7
Washington, Eastern & Western	1	1R	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guam	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Northern Mariana Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1 <sup>(6)</sup>

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<b>TENTH CIRCUIT</b>												
Colorado	2	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	7
Kansas	2	1	1T	1T/P	1	0	1T	0	0	0	T/P	6
New Mexico	1, 1T	1T/P	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1T	T/P	7
Oklahoma, Northern	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	3
Oklahoma, Eastern	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Oklahoma, Western	2	0	0	0	1	1	1, 1R/P	0	0	0	0	6
Oklahoma, Northern, Eastern & Western <sup>(7)</sup>	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Utah	1, 1T	1T/P	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	5
Wyoming	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	3
<b>ELEVENTH CIRCUIT</b>												
Alabama, Northern	2	1	0	1	3	0	1T*	0	0	1T	T/P	8
Alabama, Middle	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Alabama, Southern	1	0	0	1R/P	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3
Alabama, Middle & Southern	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Florida, Northern	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4
Florida, Middle	0	0	1, 1R/P	1	3	0	2	4	0	0	0	15 <sup>(8)</sup>
Florida, Southern	4	2	2	2	5	3	1	0	1	1T	T/P	18 <sup>(8)</sup>
Florida, Northern, Middle & Southern	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 <sup>(8)</sup>
Georgia, Northern	2	1	0	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
Georgia, Middle	1, 1T	1T/P	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	4
Georgia, Southern	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3

Abbreviations: P=Permanent; R=Roving; T=Temporary; T/P=Temporary to Permanent; R/P=Roving to Permanent.

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**ENDNOTES**

Pub. L. No. 87-36, May 19, 1961  
Pub. L. No. 89-372, March 18, 1966  
Pub. L. No. 91-272, June 2, 1970  
Pub. L. No. 95-486, October 20, 1978  
Pub. L. No. 98-353, July 10, 1984  
Pub. L. No. 101-650, December 1, 1990  
Pub. L. No. 106-113, November 29, 1999  
Pub. L. No. 106-553, December 21, 2000  
Pub. L. No. 107-273, November 2, 2002  
Pub. L. No. 118-203, December 23, 2024

\* One temporary judgeship was never converted to a permanent position.

<sup>(1)</sup> By Pub. L. No. 97-471, January 14, 1983, the judgeship authorized to serve both districts of West Virginia was made a judgeship for the Southern District only and the temporary judgeship established in 1978 in the Southern District was made a permanent judgeship in the Northern District.

<sup>(2)</sup> The Middle District of Louisiana was created by Pub. L. No. 92-208, December 18, 1971, with one permanent judgeship transferred from the Eastern District. Pub. L. No. 105-53, October 6, 1997, transferred one permanent judgeship from Louisiana Eastern to Louisiana Middle.

<sup>(3)</sup> The District of the Canal Zone was closed March 31, 1982 in accordance with Pub. L. No. 96-70, September 27, 1979.

<sup>(4)</sup> By Pub. L. No. 95-408, October 2, 1978, and Pub. L. No. 95-573, November 2, 1978, Illinois was reorganized into the Northern, Central, and Southern judicial districts with 13 judgeships for the Northern District and two judgeships each for the Central and Southern Districts. Illinois Central was originally

<sup>(5)</sup> By Pub. L. No. 89-372, March 18, 1966, California was reorganized from two districts (Northern and Southern) into four districts (Northern, Eastern, Central, and Southern). The Eastern District was authorized three judgeships by transfer of two from the Northern District and one from the Southern District; the Central District was authorized 13 judgeships by transfer of 10 from the Southern District and creation of three new positions; the Northern District retained seven judgeships and was authorized two new judgeships to replace those transferred to the Eastern District; and the Southern District retained two judgeships.

<sup>(6)</sup> The District for the Northern Mariana Islands was established by Pub. L. No. 95-157, November 8, 1977, with one judgeship, effective January 9, 1978.

<sup>(7)</sup> Prior to 1990, the allocation of the two roving judgeships, each authorized for all three districts in Oklahoma, was changed several times. In 1990, one roving judgeship was made permanent in the Western District of Oklahoma. The 10th Circuit Judicial Council amended the allocation of the remaining roving judgeship to 0.67 in the Northern District of Oklahoma and 0.33 in the Eastern District. On March 11, 1994, the 10th Circuit Judicial Council unanimously approved a recommendation to allocate the roving judgeship equally between the Northern and Eastern Districts of Oklahoma.

<sup>(8)</sup> By Pub. L. No. 87-562, July 30, 1962, the Middle District of Florida was established with three judgeships transferred from the Southern District. By Pub. L. No. 89-372, March 18, 1966, the existing judgeship authorized to serve all districts of Florida was made a judgeship for the Middle District only.