

Table B-5.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Decisions in Cases Terminated on the Merits, by Circuit and Nature of Proceeding,
During the 12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2014

Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Total Cases Terminated	Terminated on the Merits									
		By Consolidation	Percent of Total Terminated	Total	Affirmed/Enforced ¹	Dismissed	Reversed	Remanded	Other	Certificate of Appeal-ability	Percent Reversed ²
Total	54,452	2,899	61.0	33,196	21,595	2,703	2,312	522	52	6,012	7.3
Criminal	11,131	811	70.4	7,838	5,824	1,372	481	145	16	-	6.1
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	5,205	91	64.9	3,377	861	106	102	24	5	2,279	3.0
Other U.S. Civil	2,416	121	58.6	1,416	1,093	94	190	38	1	-	13.4
Private Prisoner Petitions	9,647	165	63.4	6,112	1,754	343	239	40	3	3,733	3.9
Other Private Civil	12,279	1,089	50.4	6,186	4,960	371	759	86	10	-	12.3
Bankruptcy	834	99	51.3	428	333	32	58	4	1	-	13.6
Administrative Appeals	7,243	283	44.6	3,230	2,538	223	268	185	16	-	8.3
Original Proceedings	5,697	240	80.9	4,609	4,232	162	215	-	-	-	-
DC	1,034	152	44.9	464	332	27	64	30	3	8	14.1
Criminal	78	10	60.3	47	34	-	8	5	-	-	17.0
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	81	7	50.6	41	25	1	6	1	-	8	14.6
Other U.S. Civil	213	15	62.9	134	107	5	20	2	-	-	14.9
Private Prisoner Petitions	4	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Private Civil	158	19	53.8	85	70	4	8	2	1	-	9.4
Bankruptcy	4	1	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Administrative Appeals	372	98	27.4	102	50	14	16	20	2	-	15.7
Original Proceedings	124	2	41.9	52	43	3	6	-	-	-	-
1st	1,297	63	63.5	824	642	30	75	5	-	72	9.4
Criminal	431	24	65.7	283	254	9	20	-	-	-	7.1
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	100	2	73.0	73	14	1	1	-	-	57	1.4
Other U.S. Civil	60	1	65.0	39	36	-	3	-	-	-	7.7
Private Prisoner Petitions	90	8	55.6	50	31	1	3	-	-	15	6.0
Other Private Civil	354	23	55.9	198	163	4	28	3	-	-	14.1
Bankruptcy	29	3	41.4	12	9	-	3	-	-	-	25.0
Administrative Appeals	139	1	59.0	82	59	10	11	2	-	-	13.4
Original Proceedings	94	1	92.6	87	76	5	6	-	-	-	-

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2nd	5,181	353	56.0	2,900	1,762	595	186	69	1	287	6.4
Criminal	760	88	69.6	529	339	129	30	31	-	-	5.7
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	396	7	42.2	167	14	30	2	6	-	115	1.2
Other U.S. Civil	224	9	57.6	129	67	43	16	3	-	-	12.4
Private Prisoner Petitions	552	12	60.0	331	47	100	9	3	-	172	2.7
Other Private Civil	1,763	160	47.4	836	562	184	76	13	1	-	9.1
Bankruptcy	118	40	42.4	50	31	15	4	-	-	-	8.0
Administrative Appeals	1,023	33	55.4	567	437	87	30	13	-	-	5.3
Original Proceedings	345	4	84.3	291	265	7	19	-	-	-	-
3rd	3,262	95	65.4	2,132	1,552	59	176	46	3	296	6.4
Criminal	518	19	76.3	395	353	11	22	9	-	-	5.6
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	301	11	67.1	202	98	5	6	1	-	92	3.0
Other U.S. Civil	120	4	60.0	72	60	1	7	3	1	-	9.7
Private Prisoner Petitions	513	2	64.3	330	108	3	12	2	1	204	3.6
Other Private Civil	922	38	52.5	484	433	10	38	3	-	-	7.9
Bankruptcy	47	1	53.2	25	18	-	7	-	-	-	28.0
Administrative Appeals	294	7	58.8	173	121	8	15	28	1	-	8.7
Original Proceedings	547	13	82.4	451	361	21	69	-	-	-	-
4th	4,843	167	73.7	3,567	2,473	156	125	33	3	777	3.8
Criminal	1,304	61	78.2	1,020	898	80	37	5	-	-	3.6
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	808	6	83.4	674	176	15	16	7	-	460	2.4
Other U.S. Civil	189	5	70.4	133	119	10	3	1	-	-	2.3
Private Prisoner Petitions	860	11	65.9	567	228	8	14	-	-	317	2.5
Other Private Civil	803	40	61.3	492	419	32	38	2	1	-	7.7
Bankruptcy	59	1	66.1	39	35	1	3	-	-	-	7.7
Administrative Appeals	247	8	59.5	147	117	3	7	18	2	-	4.8
Original Proceedings	573	35	86.4	495	481	7	7	-	-	-	-

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5th	7,996	989	52.3	4,182	2,487	763	260	69	-	603	6.5
Criminal	2,389	246	66.6	1,591	856	637	68	30	-	-	4.3
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	776	28	37.8	293	71	17	6	1	-	198	2.0
Other U.S. Civil	219	28	48.4	106	82	6	16	2	-	-	15.1
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,374	78	47.8	657	141	74	24	13	-	405	3.7
Other Private Civil	1,618	394	42.6	690	567	18	100	5	-	-	14.5
Bankruptcy	124	16	42.7	53	44	1	8	-	-	-	15.1
Administrative Appeals	472	27	38.8	183	151	4	10	18	-	-	5.5
Original Proceedings	1,024	172	59.5	609	575	6	28	-	-	-	-
6th	5,141	252	67.9	3,493	2,428	158	253	44	-	610	8.1
Criminal	1,037	72	73.1	758	636	66	49	7	-	-	6.5
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	378	4	75.1	284	100	2	12	2	-	168	4.2
Other U.S. Civil	225	11	63.1	142	128	2	11	1	-	-	7.7
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,094	20	67.8	742	254	12	30	4	-	442	4.0
Other Private Civil	1,280	123	54.3	695	554	21	114	6	-	-	16.4
Bankruptcy	61	2	54.1	33	23	2	8	-	-	-	24.2
Administrative Appeals	365	16	65.5	239	197	7	11	24	-	-	4.6
Original Proceedings	701	4	85.6	600	536	46	18	-	-	-	-
7th	3,023	184	56.5	1,709	1,046	121	200	36	13	293	12.9
Criminal	629	66	59.8	376	222	85	53	11	5	-	14.1
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	412	12	60.7	250	80	4	5	-	1	160	2.0
Other U.S. Civil	158	13	54.4	86	44	6	26	10	-	-	30.2
Private Prisoner Petitions	617	7	43.9	271	110	4	23	1	-	133	8.5
Other Private Civil	765	64	51.2	392	313	8	64	4	3	-	16.3
Bankruptcy	28	2	75.0	21	14	1	5	1	-	-	23.8
Administrative Appeals	151	18	53.0	80	47	5	15	9	4	-	18.8
Original Proceedings	263	2	88.6	233	216	8	9	-	-	-	-

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8th	3,000	117	76.9	2,308	1,610	104	108	33	7	446	5.2
Criminal	716	38	77.7	556	465	60	18	12	1	-	3.2
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	379	5	86.5	328	83	4	7	3	2	229	2.1
Other U.S. Civil	151	3	70.2	106	88	2	14	2	-	-	13.2
Private Prisoner Petitions	586	5	72.7	426	179	10	14	5	1	217	3.3
Other Private Civil	600	51	68.8	413	353	11	40	8	1	-	9.7
Bankruptcy	31	2	87.1	27	18	4	5	-	-	-	18.5
Administrative Appeals	148	7	56.8	84	70	7	2	3	2	-	2.4
Original Proceedings	389	6	94.6	368	354	6	8	-	-	-	-
9th	11,378	287	56.3	6,406	3,925	310	596	60	9	1,506	9.9
Criminal	1,489	93	68.2	1,016	735	141	132	8	-	-	13.0
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	507	1	74.8	379	60	6	18	1	2	292	4.7
Other U.S. Civil	463	20	52.9	245	190	8	44	3	-	-	18.0
Private Prisoner Petitions	2,395	7	74.2	1,778	463	16	80	4	1	1,214	4.5
Other Private Civil	2,054	98	43.5	893	696	44	143	9	1	-	16.0
Bankruptcy	196	15	46.9	92	77	4	11	-	-	-	12.0
Administrative Appeals	3,540	53	37.1	1,312	1,071	65	136	35	5	-	10.4
Original Proceedings	734	-	94.1	691	633	26	32	-	-	-	-
10th	2,058	35	68.8	1,415	948	139	57	72	-	199	4.0
Criminal	442	11	79.9	353	246	71	13	23	-	-	3.7
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	244	1	64.8	158	55	7	1	2	-	93	0.6
Other U.S. Civil	146	3	74.7	109	77	10	15	7	-	-	13.8
Private Prisoner Petitions	339	-	61.1	207	73	15	7	6	-	106	3.4
Other Private Civil	584	14	59.9	350	291	15	16	28	-	-	4.6
Bankruptcy	31	2	80.6	25	18	3	1	3	-	-	4.0
Administrative Appeals	137	4	78.1	107	91	13	-	3	-	-	-
Original Proceedings	135	-	78.5	106	97	5	4	-	-	-	-

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11th	6,239	205	60.8	3,796	2,390	241	212	25	13	915	6.4
Criminal	1,338	83	68.3	914	786	83	31	4	10	-	3.4
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	823	7	64.2	528	85	14	22	-	-	407	4.2
Other U.S. Civil	248	9	46.4	115	95	1	15	4	-	-	13.0
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,223	15	61.5	752	119	100	23	2	-	508	3.1
Other Private Civil	1,378	65	47.8	658	539	20	94	3	2	-	14.3
Bankruptcy	106	14	46.2	49	44	1	3	-	1	-	6.1
Administrative Appeals	355	11	43.4	154	127	-	15	12	-	-	9.7
Original Proceedings	768	1	81.5	626	595	22	9	-	-	-	-

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 cases not included previously.

¹ Affirmed includes appeals affirmed in part and reversed in part.

² Percent not shown where the total number of appeals terminated on the merits is less than 10. Percent reversed not computed for original proceedings and miscellaneous applications because of their difference from appeals, nor are original proceedings and miscellaneous applications included in the percentage of total appeals reversed.