

**Table B-7.**  
**U.S. Courts of Appeals—Civil and Criminal Cases Commenced, by Circuit and Nature of Suit or Offense**  
**During the 12-Month Period Ending June 30, 2016**

Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
<b>Total</b>	<b>39,506</b>	<b>536</b>	<b>1,228</b>	<b>3,085</b>	<b>2,328</b>	<b>3,875</b>	<b>6,550</b>	<b>3,605</b>	<b>2,409</b>	<b>2,492</b>	<b>6,734</b>	<b>1,741</b>	<b>4,923</b>
<b>Total Criminal Appeals</b>	<b>11,945</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>1,250</b>	<b>3,004</b>	<b>1,040</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>1,455</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>1,464</b>
<b>Total Civil Appeals</b>	<b>27,561</b>	<b>473</b>	<b>610</b>	<b>2,440</b>	<b>1,895</b>	<b>2,625</b>	<b>3,546</b>	<b>2,565</b>	<b>1,828</b>	<b>1,578</b>	<b>5,279</b>	<b>1,263</b>	<b>3,459</b>
<b>U.S. Appeals</b>	<b>6,586</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>149</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>725</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>963</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>872</b>
<b>U.S. Plaintiff</b>	<b>321</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>50</b>
Negotiable Instruments	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2
Other Contract Actions	14	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	1	-	5	1	-
Condemnation of Land	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Real Property Actions	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	1	-
Tort Actions	4	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	1
Civil Rights	26	-	-	1	-	2	6	1	3	1	3	3	6
Employment	12	-	-	-	-	2	3	1	1	-	-	2	3
Other Civil Rights	14	-	-	1	-	-	3	-	2	1	3	1	3
Forfeiture And Penalty	34	-	-	5	2	2	6	8	-	2	7	-	2
Fair Labor Standards Act	3	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Other Labor	12	-	3	3	2	-	1	-	-	-	3	-	-
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	61	1	1	16	4	1	5	-	3	2	7	1	20
Tax Suits	46	-	2	2	4	5	4	5	4	4	8	2	6
All Other	113	3	5	10	4	5	12	6	5	8	41	1	13
<b>U.S. Defendant</b>	<b>6,265</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>138</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>876</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>887</b>	<b>347</b>	<b>822</b>
Contract Actions	54	8	2	4	1	5	1	1	13	1	7	1	10
Real Property Actions	50	-	2	5	1	1	5	3	1	3	9	15	5
Tort Actions	169	4	7	17	5	29	16	8	8	6	40	16	13
<b>Civil Rights</b>	<b>682</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>75</b>
Employment	192	29	7	6	9	32	15	7	18	5	29	13	22
Other Civil Rights	490	48	7	55	29	87	49	30	25	20	62	25	53
<b>Prisoner Petitions</b>	<b>4,034</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>649</b>	<b>547</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>403</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>589</b>
Motions to Vacate Sentence	2,598	12	63	164	123	431	368	253	194	222	228	118	422
Habeas Corpus—General	771	25	5	41	79	104	101	69	57	38	108	46	98
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
Prisoner Civil Rights	404	42	9	14	58	68	59	30	1	20	41	28	34

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
<b>U.S. Defendant (Continued)</b>													
Prison Condition	141	4	1	3	13	13	8	3	46	8	9	7	26
Other Prisoner Petitions	117	5	3	16	11	33	11	2	8	1	17	1	9
Labor Suits	19	-	2	7	-	-	1	2	1	-	4	1	1
Social Security Laws	646	1	10	72	27	35	23	53	65	58	175	40	87
Tax Suits	60	2	6	2	2	3	5	9	4	2	17	3	5
Environmental Matters	75	10	-	-	-	3	1	1	6	3	35	14	2
Freedom of Information Act	62	29	2	8	3	3	1	3	4	1	7	1	-
All Other	414	83	11	42	24	29	22	25	21	6	99	17	35
<b>Total Private Appeals</b>	<b>20,975</b>	<b>167</b>	<b>461</b>	<b>1,947</b>	<b>1,492</b>	<b>1,733</b>	<b>2,821</b>	<b>2,043</b>	<b>1,337</b>	<b>1,165</b>	<b>4,316</b>	<b>906</b>	<b>2,587</b>
<b>Federal Question</b>	<b>18,005</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>1,682</b>	<b>1,266</b>	<b>1,480</b>	<b>2,430</b>	<b>1,786</b>	<b>1,241</b>	<b>991</b>	<b>3,721</b>	<b>749</b>	<b>2,179</b>
Marine Contract	47	-	2	10	4	4	12	-	2	-	6	-	7
Other Contract Actions	409	8	5	135	20	24	33	29	15	18	65	26	31
Federal Employers Liability Act	9	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	2	3	-	-	1
Marine Injury	67	-	3	3	3	3	31	2	-	-	8	-	14
Other Tort Actions	521	11	10	53	22	35	137	38	60	16	76	20	43
Antitrust	110	1	5	13	21	1	4	8	4	7	22	9	15
<b>Civil Rights</b>	<b>4,495</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>456</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>346</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>686</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>527</b>
Employment	1,048	27	30	163	92	97	111	101	96	52	127	39	113
Other Civil Rights	3,447	37	98	433	259	302	345	377	250	176	559	197	414
<b>Prisoner Petitions</b>	<b>9,411</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>608</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>1,465</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>2,170</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>1,234</b>
Habeas Corpus—General	5,092	1	48	235	363	374	810	537	244	281	1,292	148	759
Habeas Corpus—Death Penalty	146	-	-	-	1	5	39	21	5	12	31	4	28
Prisoner Civil Rights	2,669	12	30	216	143	313	536	278	15	128	693	106	199
Prison Condition	1,453	3	4	54	99	108	74	138	370	181	145	40	237
Other Prisoner Petitions	51	-	-	4	2	10	6	4	2	3	9	-	11
Labor Management Relations Act	76	1	4	11	10	8	3	10	7	1	12	6	3
Other Labor	716	8	15	85	38	45	73	91	51	25	169	32	84
Copyright, Patent, & Trademark	335	4	12	41	15	24	35	14	16	5	120	12	37
Securities, Commodities, & Exchanges	101	-	6	28	12	3	7	8	1	4	23	2	7
Constitutionality of State Statutes	118	2	8	9	5	7	9	18	8	4	36	7	5
All Other	1,590	38	47	189	155	117	164	112	93	75	328	101	171

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
<b>Diversity of Citizenship</b>	<b>2,969</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>408</b>
Insurance	520	-	8	35	30	26	67	44	39	30	115	38	88
Other Contract Actions	959	7	40	125	80	76	118	73	56	48	174	48	114
Real Property Actions	350	2	34	12	14	23	83	36	-	14	80	10	42
Personal Injury/Product Liability	206	-	-	3	16	23	27	26	-	20	34	13	44
Other Personal Injury	421	1	27	26	47	44	60	38	-	25	55	27	71
Personal Property Damage	248	-	9	33	23	20	14	17	-	18	67	13	34
All Other	265	4	16	31	15	41	22	23	1	19	70	8	15
<b>General Location Jurisdiction</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
Contract Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Real Property Actions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tort Actions	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prisoner Petitions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total Criminal Appeals</b>	<b>11,945</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>618</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>433</b>	<b>1,250</b>	<b>3,004</b>	<b>1,040</b>	<b>581</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>1,455</b>	<b>478</b>	<b>1,464</b>
<b>Violent Offenses</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>47</b>
Homicide	51	1	1	3	2	2	4	3	2	2	18	12	1
Robbery	131	-	8	6	8	10	19	20	10	20	12	5	13
Assault	66	1	-	1	9	7	8	3	3	4	18	9	3
Kidnapping	42	-	-	3	4	5	10	1	7	-	2	5	5
Racketeering—Violent Crime	90	1	3	17	7	10	9	15	5	4	10	1	8
Carjacking	57	-	7	1	3	7	7	10	5	2	1	1	13
Terrorism	12	1	-	1	-	2	2	1	-	-	3	-	2
Other Violent Offenses	28	-	-	1	4	8	2	2	1	3	4	1	2
<b>Property Offenses</b>	<b>1,403</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>307</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Larceny &amp; Theft, Total</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>30</b>
Bank	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Postal	20	-	-	1	-	-	9	3	-	-	5	-	2
Theft, U.S. Property	84	1	3	6	6	14	12	4	1	4	8	-	25
Transportation of Stolen Property	15	1	-	3	2	2	2	-	2	-	-	-	3

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
<b>Property Offenses (Continued)</b>													
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
<b>Embezzlement</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Fraud, Total</b>	<b>1,161</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>257</b>
Tax	60	2	2	5	3	-	12	10	2	6	10	4	4
Financial Institutions	44	1	6	4	2	5	3	3	4	-	8	1	7
Securities and Exchange	16	-	4	3	1	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	4
Mail	72	1	3	5	8	7	15	6	7	3	13	-	4
Wire, Radio, or Television	92	-	4	12	5	6	12	2	18	3	16	1	13
Social Security	17	-	2	-	1	1	2	-	4	2	1	-	4
Citizenship and Naturalization	6	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	1	-	1
Passport	14	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	7	-	4
Identification Documents and Information	59	-	1	3	4	6	9	2	6	2	11	1	14
False Claims and Services, Government	41	-	1	1	2	4	1	9	6	2	4	-	11
False Statements	53	-	-	3	3	4	8	3	4	4	6	1	17
Conspiracy to Defraud the U.S.	88	4	6	6	6	10	17	3	2	1	7	13	13
Unauthorized Access Devices	104	-	4	8	4	9	10	11	4	9	7	1	37
Health Care	98	2	3	5	4	14	13	9	10	2	13	1	22
Other Fraud Offenses	397	1	10	48	19	49	47	26	9	12	58	16	102
<b>Forgery and Counterfeiting</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Other Property Offenses</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Drug Offenses</b>	<b>4,844</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>157</b>	<b>522</b>	<b>1,227</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>348</b>	<b>495</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>606</b>
Marijuana, Total	397	1	10	9	2	17	204	25	7	9	56	18	39
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	352	1	9	6	2	17	190	20	4	9	44	14	36
Import/Export	20	-	-	3	-	-	12	1	-	-	4	-	-
Manufacture	22	-	1	-	-	-	2	4	3	-	8	1	3
Possession	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
<b>All Other Drugs, Total</b>	<b>4,374</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>210</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>494</b>	<b>1,015</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>563</b>
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	4,076	27	279	193	151	485	934	394	231	316	343	189	534
Import/Export	182	-	8	17	2	1	52	1	1	-	77	-	23
Manufacture	111	-	3	-	-	6	29	27	9	20	10	2	5
Possession	5	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-	1	1
<b>Other Drug Offenses</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Firearms and Explosives Offenses</b>	<b>1,806</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>260</b>
<b>Firearms, Total</b>	<b>1,763</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>258</b>
Possession by Prohibited Persons	893	1	60	31	27	80	112	125	62	115	103	38	139
Furtherance of Violent/Drug-													
Trafficking Crimes	641	1	50	31	21	93	83	87	45	35	66	29	100
Other Firearms Offenses	229	-	34	24	8	48	40	11	4	10	23	8	19
<b>Explosives</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>

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Nature of Suit or Offense	Circuit												
	Total	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
<b>Sex Offenses</b>	<b>736</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>93</b>
Sexual Abuse of Adults	23	1	-	1	-	-	-	3	-	4	11	2	1
Sexual Abuse of Minors	254	-	6	12	7	16	49	37	16	28	41	12	30
Sexually Explicit Material	301	4	11	13	12	18	72	39	7	35	33	11	46
Other Sex Offenses	158	1	9	17	4	14	34	12	8	21	16	6	16
<b>Justice System Offenses</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>16</b>
Obstruction of Justice	68	-	4	3	1	12	12	2	3	2	17	1	11
Escape from Custody	20	-	1	1	1	-	3	3	1	3	4	2	1
Failure to Appear	24	-	-	5	1	-	3	6	3	1	1	1	3
Other Justice System Offenses	17	-	2	1	-	1	-	2	3	2	4	1	1
<b>Immigration Offenses</b>	<b>1,342</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>909</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>47</b>
Alien Smuggling	109	-	6	1	-	-	76	1	-	-	19	-	6
Improper Entry by Alien	12	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	5	-	4
Improper Reentry by Alien	1,206	-	10	13	8	29	825	21	9	10	213	33	35
Other Immigration Offenses	15	-	-	2	-	1	6	3	-	-	-	1	2
<b>General Offenses</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>22</b>
Money Laundering	177	-	15	9	16	11	23	20	11	12	38	6	16
RICO <sup>1</sup>	22	-	1	5	4	1	2	2	-	-	7	-	-
Extortion and Threats	28	-	1	1	2	3	1	-	7	5	3	-	5
Other General Offenses	34	-	1	1	2	3	6	5	2	1	12	-	1
<b>Regulatory Offenses</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Traffic Offenses</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Unclassified Offenses</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>51</b>

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

<sup>1</sup> RICO = Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act.