

Table B-1.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Appeals Commenced, Terminated, and Pending, by Circuit,
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2003

Circuit and Nature of Proceeding	Cases Pending Oct. 1, 2002 ¹	Cases Commenced			Cases Terminated							Cases Pending Sept. 30, 2003	
		Total	Original	Reinstated	Total	Cases Disposed of by Consolidation	Procedural Terminations			Terminations on the Merits			
							Total	By Judge	By Staff	Total	After Oral Hearing		After Submission on Briefs
ALL CIRCUITS	40,149	60,847	59,538	1,309	56,396	2,108	27,279	13,344	13,935	27,009	8,791	18,218	44,600
CRIMINAL	9,925	11,968	11,782	186	11,678	651	2,949	995	1,954	8,078	2,435	5,643	10,215
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	3,173	5,350	5,156	194	5,753	50	3,932	2,784	1,148	1,771	231	1,540	2,770
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	2,579	3,239	3,162	77	3,394	165	1,219	336	883	2,010	808	1,202	2,424
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	6,762	12,341	11,996	345	12,768	70	9,210	6,236	2,974	3,488	675	2,813	6,335
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	10,980	13,460	13,156	304	13,607	904	6,113	1,514	4,599	6,590	3,770	2,820	10,833
BANKRUPTCY	711	902	892	10	870	55	375	84	291	440	238	202	743
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	5,271	9,988	9,848	140	4,822	185	2,772	1,157	1,615	1,865	617	1,248	10,437
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	748	3,599	3,546	53	3,504	28	709	238	471	2,767	17	2,750	843
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	1,092	1,121	1,105	16	1,182	119	549	146	403	514	276	238	1,031
CRIMINAL	91	121	120	1	97	5	40	4	36	52	36	16	115
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	81	122	119	3	116	3	68	34	34	45	8	37	87
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	211	224	222	2	278	33	96	24	72	149	80	69	157
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	12	34	33	1	24	-	14	2	12	10	1	9	22
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	107	146	144	2	155	14	66	17	49	75	35	40	98
BANKRUPTCY	4	3	3	-	6	-	4	1	3	2	-	2	1
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	573	391	384	7	436	64	236	54	182	136	114	22	528
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	13	80	80	-	70	-	25	10	15	45	2	43	23
FIRST CIRCUIT	1,251	1,844	1,841	3	1,573	85	912	388	524	576	355	221	1,522
CRIMINAL	525	672	670	2	518	38	358	145	213	122	87	35	679
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	87	125	124	1	127	1	91	55	36	35	13	22	85
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	79	98	98	-	113	5	49	18	31	59	28	31	64
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	74	116	116	-	99	1	65	53	12	33	17	16	91
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	360	578	578	-	530	37	271	83	188	222	172	50	408
BANKRUPTCY	31	36	36	-	26	1	8	2	6	17	15	2	41
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	67	153	153	-	93	1	61	29	32	31	22	9	127
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	28	66	66	-	67	1	9	3	6	57	1	56	27

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SECOND CIRCUIT	4,670	6,359	6,132	227	4,262	203	2,125	643	1,482	1,934	1,114	820	6,767
CRIMINAL	974	837	800	37	723	58	201	44	157	464	272	192	1,088
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	287	320	300	20	269	3	204	125	79	62	28	34	338
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	279	259	256	3	259	19	103	3	100	137	89	48	279
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	818	987	930	57	840	2	641	425	216	197	106	91	965
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,382	1,444	1,365	79	1,483	103	687	36	651	693	549	144	1,343
BANKRUPTCY	81	85	82	3	80	9	36	-	36	35	27	8	86
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	696	2,166	2,141	25	369	6	227	10	217	136	39	97	2,493
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	153	261	258	3	239	3	26	-	26	210	4	206	175
THIRD CIRCUIT	3,089	3,957	3,908	49	3,801	83	1,803	926	877	1,915	461	1,454	3,245
CRIMINAL	618	548	547	1	591	10	127	44	83	454	112	342	575
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	359	403	397	6	460	5	270	194	76	185	15	170	302
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	165	274	269	5	215	6	69	27	42	140	33	107	224
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	628	728	719	9	826	1	598	445	153	227	24	203	530
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	986	1,168	1,147	21	1,125	50	522	121	401	553	220	333	1,029
BANKRUPTCY	64	87	87	-	80	1	33	5	28	46	26	20	71
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	204	552	546	6	290	8	156	85	71	126	27	99	466
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	65	197	196	1	214	2	28	5	23	184	4	180	48
FOURTH CIRCUIT	2,300	4,887	4,860	27	4,668	272	1,977	1,073	904	2,419	452	1,967	2,519
CRIMINAL	768	1,033	1,029	4	1,057	133	166	50	116	758	120	638	744
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	264	911	905	6	845	12	557	434	123	276	8	268	330
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	134	203	203	-	208	17	49	9	40	142	45	97	129
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	297	1,069	1,062	7	1,013	9	700	470	230	304	28	276	353
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	586	874	869	5	888	71	336	58	278	481	203	278	572
BANKRUPTCY	44	65	65	-	65	7	19	3	16	39	18	21	44
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	162	379	374	5	273	9	125	49	76	139	28	111	268
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	45	353	353	-	319	14	25	-	25	280	2	278	79
FIFTH CIRCUIT	4,966	8,613	8,231	382	9,135	200	4,519	2,080	2,439	4,416	875	3,541	4,444
CRIMINAL	1,687	2,371	2,284	87	2,429	44	522	141	381	1,863	228	1,635	1,629
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	489	741	686	55	950	4	656	419	237	290	13	277	280
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	222	324	310	14	369	4	148	34	114	217	61	156	177
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	999	2,398	2,287	111	2,482	5	1,952	1,161	791	525	44	481	915
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,112	1,540	1,483	57	1,638	114	671	145	526	853	448	405	1,014
BANKRUPTCY	114	109	107	2	154	8	61	11	50	85	39	46	69
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	257	485	476	9	478	20	281	168	113	177	42	135	264
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	86	645	598	47	635	1	228	1	227	406	-	406	96

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SIXTH CIRCUIT	3,943	4,964	4,928	36	4,557	157	2,149	1,098	1,051	2,251	912	1,339	4,350
CRIMINAL	951	938	925	13	894	25	252	74	178	617	284	333	995
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	251	333	329	4	353	3	227	179	48	123	14	109	231
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	214	293	293	-	247	7	94	36	58	146	62	84	260
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	729	1,178	1,170	8	1,124	14	733	555	178	377	81	296	783
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,361	1,392	1,382	10	1,357	86	630	157	473	641	400	241	1,396
BANKRUPTCY	69	73	73	-	73	4	31	3	28	38	23	15	69
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	253	423	423	-	214	16	85	50	35	113	48	65	462
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	115	334	333	1	295	2	97	44	53	196	-	196	154
SEVENTH CIRCUIT	2,164	3,517	3,466	51	3,390	220	1,766	642	1,124	1,404	761	643	2,291
CRIMINAL	503	603	601	2	588	93	156	41	115	339	243	96	518
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	167	361	345	16	378	6	288	172	116	84	14	70	150
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	127	170	169	1	177	8	56	15	41	113	67	46	120
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	395	761	735	26	772	8	571	236	335	193	43	150	384
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	775	1,091	1,086	5	1,090	80	552	113	439	458	331	127	776
BANKRUPTCY	35	66	66	-	50	5	22	7	15	23	16	7	51
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	144	293	292	1	165	20	89	31	58	56	47	9	272
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	18	172	172	-	170	-	32	27	5	138	-	138	20
EIGHTH CIRCUIT	1,518	3,190	3,174	16	2,896	170	951	543	408	1,775	641	1,134	1,812
CRIMINAL	443	782	779	3	685	67	94	31	63	524	222	302	540
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	97	331	328	3	307	6	168	153	15	133	18	115	121
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	139	241	240	1	227	22	55	17	38	150	62	88	153
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	225	572	568	4	596	6	360	255	105	230	47	183	201
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	469	752	747	5	678	58	188	44	144	432	258	174	543
BANKRUPTCY	23	36	36	-	33	4	5	3	2	24	13	11	26
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	80	262	262	-	153	3	70	35	35	80	21	59	189
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	42	214	214	-	217	4	11	5	6	202	-	202	39

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NINTH CIRCUIT	9,625	12,872	12,709	163	11,220	398	5,527	3,092	2,435	5,295	1,886	3,409	11,277
CRIMINAL	1,806	1,936	1,934	2	2,053	113	534	189	345	1,406	478	928	1,689
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	553	587	572	15	750	4	514	419	95	232	72	160	390
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	596	615	594	21	699	34	265	70	195	400	197	203	512
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	1,692	2,447	2,409	38	2,833	16	2,002	1,653	349	815	209	606	1,306
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	2,174	2,106	2,072	34	2,217	191	947	213	734	1,079	689	390	2,063
BANKRUPTCY	176	221	220	1	188	13	91	20	71	84	44	40	209
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	2,512	4,361	4,309	52	1,880	27	1,142	512	630	711	195	516	4,993
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	116	599	599	-	600	-	32	16	16	568	2	566	115
TENTH CIRCUIT	2,042	2,540	2,530	10	2,627	39	1,118	527	591	1,470	405	1,065	1,955
CRIMINAL	435	480	479	1	473	6	89	37	52	378	147	231	442
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	208	261	259	2	300	-	164	106	58	136	8	128	169
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	206	200	200	-	210	4	49	12	37	157	41	116	196
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	393	585	579	6	651	4	388	255	133	259	34	225	327
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	638	672	671	1	690	20	314	67	247	356	157	199	620
BANKRUPTCY	38	44	44	-	36	1	18	5	13	17	3	14	46
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	105	128	128	-	104	4	46	18	28	54	15	39	129
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	19	170	170	-	163	-	50	27	23	113	-	113	26
ELEVENTH CIRCUIT	3,489	6,983	6,654	329	7,085	162	3,883	2,186	1,697	3,040	653	2,387	3,387
CRIMINAL	1,124	1,647	1,614	33	1,570	59	410	195	215	1,101	206	895	1,201
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	330	855	792	63	898	3	725	494	231	170	20	150	287
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	207	338	308	30	392	6	186	71	115	200	43	157	153
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	500	1,466	1,388	78	1,508	4	1,186	726	460	318	41	277	458
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	1,030	1,697	1,612	85	1,756	80	929	460	469	747	308	439	971
BANKRUPTCY	32	77	73	4	79	2	47	24	23	30	14	16	30
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	218	395	360	35	367	7	254	116	138	106	19	87	246
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS ²	48	508	507	1	515	1	146	100	46	368	2	366	41

NOTE: THIS TABLE INCLUDES APPEALS REOPENED, REMANDED, AND REINSTATED (AFTER BEING TERMINATED DUE TO PROCEDURAL DEFAULTS) AS WELL AS ORIGINAL APPEALS. THIS TABLE DOES NOT INCLUDE DATA FOR THE U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT.

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² BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1998, DATA ARE REPORTED FOR TYPES OF PROCEEDINGS PREVIOUSLY NOT PRESENTED IN THIS TABLE.