

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 March 31, 2015

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 Appealability	Percent Reversed ²
Total	54,756	2,866	60.9	33,335	21,648	2,728	2,370	498	51	6,040	7.5
Criminal	11,055	829	70.5	7,795	5,801	1,354	469	159	12	-	6.0
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	5,197	82	65.8	3,421	906	118	101	19	4	2,273	3.0
Other U.S. Civil	2,520	107	59.5	1,499	1,134	115	216	33	1	-	14.4
Private Prisoner Petitions	9,866	160	63.6	6,277	1,870	336	268	33	3	3,767	4.3
Other Private Civil	12,257	1,079	50.2	6,153	4,889	383	790	80	11	-	12.8
Bankruptcy	848	104	51.2	434	338	30	59	3	4	-	13.6
Administrative Appeals	7,289	264	42.5	3,096	2,425	223	261	171	16	-	8.4
Original Proceedings	5,724	241	81.4	4,660	4,285	169	206	-	-	-	-
DC	1,032	151	44.5	459	321	33	62	32	2	9	13.7
Criminal	76	6	52.6	40	25	2	6	7	-	-	15.0
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	78	3	56.4	44	27	3	4	1	-	9	9.1
Other U.S. Civil	221	20	61.5	136	103	7	23	3	-	-	16.9
Private Prisoner Petitions	5	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Private Civil	162	21	53.1	86	71	4	8	2	1	-	9.3
Bankruptcy	6	1	-	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Administrative Appeals	369	98	25.7	95	47	13	15	19	1	-	15.8
Original Proceedings	115	2	44.3	51	41	4	6	-	-	-	-
1st	1,466	64	63.0	923	723	31	82	9	2	76	9.3
Criminal	478	25	65.7	314	280	11	20	3	-	-	6.4
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	112	2	74.1	83	20	1	2	-	-	60	2.4
Other U.S. Civil	67	-	70.1	47	44	-	3	-	-	-	6.4
Private Prisoner Petitions	86	7	57.0	49	28	1	4	-	-	16	8.2
Other Private Civil	420	25	52.9	222	186	4	29	3	-	-	13.1
Bankruptcy	34	3	47.1	16	13	-	3	-	-	-	18.8
Administrative Appeals	156	1	56.4	88	58	10	15	3	2	-	17.0
Original Proceedings	113	1	92.0	104	94	4	6	-	-	-	-

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2nd	4,989	335	54.4	2,714	1,590	610	179	59	1	275	6.7
Criminal	704	83	66.9	471	298	117	25	31	-	-	5.3
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	379	6	40.9	155	10	31	5	3	-	106	3.2
Other U.S. Civil	238	10	57.6	137	70	52	14	1	-	-	10.2
Private Prisoner Petitions	567	10	60.3	342	55	106	11	1	-	169	3.2
Other Private Civil	1,688	151	47.4	800	513	205	71	10	1	-	8.9
Bankruptcy	126	41	42.9	54	34	13	7	-	-	-	13.0
Administrative Appeals	947	29	50.2	475	353	78	31	13	-	-	6.5
Original Proceedings	340	5	82.4	280	257	8	15	-	-	-	-
3rd	3,175	80	65.3	2,072	1,511	56	135	44	5	321	6.9
Criminal	505	18	75.6	382	342	8	23	9	-	-	6.0
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	308	11	71.8	221	97	7	8	2	-	107	3.6
Other U.S. Civil	119	2	61.3	73	55	1	13	3	1	-	17.8
Private Prisoner Petitions	528	2	66.1	349	117	3	13	1	1	214	3.7
Other Private Civil	910	34	51.0	464	417	8	38	1	-	-	8.2
Bankruptcy	49	1	61.2	30	22	-	8	-	-	-	26.7
Administrative Appeals	264	1	59.1	156	106	6	13	28	3	-	8.3
Original Proceedings	492	11	80.7	397	355	23	19	-	-	-	-
4th	4,768	174	73.6	3,508	2,440	159	129	29	3	748	4.0
Criminal	1,242	66	80.2	996	872	82	39	3	-	-	3.9
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	804	5	82.3	662	196	18	13	4	-	431	2.0
Other U.S. Civil	195	6	73.3	143	124	12	6	1	-	-	4.2
Private Prisoner Petitions	919	11	63.3	582	239	8	18	-	-	317	3.1
Other Private Civil	776	48	62.0	481	413	30	35	2	1	-	7.3
Bankruptcy	54	-	64.8	35	32	-	3	-	-	-	8.6
Administrative Appeals	215	3	59.5	128	96	3	8	19	2	-	6.3
Original Proceedings	563	35	85.4	481	468	6	7	-	-	-	-

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5th	7,766	918	52.9	4,112	2,445	771	255	62	-	579	6.3
Criminal	2,437	234	68.2	1,661	910	655	62	34	-	-	3.7
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	735	21	36.2	266	64	19	4	2	-	177	1.5
Other U.S. Civil	209	12	47.8	100	79	5	15	1	-	-	15.0
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,320	78	48.6	641	145	63	26	5	-	402	4.1
Other Private Civil	1,589	374	42.4	674	550	21	99	4	-	-	14.7
Bankruptcy	88	15	52.3	46	37	1	8	-	-	-	17.4
Administrative Appeals	411	15	35.8	147	118	5	8	16	-	-	5.4
Original Proceedings	977	169	59.1	577	542	2	33	-	-	-	-
6th	5,078	278	68.0	3,454	2,362	156	271	40	-	625	9.1
Criminal	1,024	74	71.7	734	615	60	53	6	-	-	7.2
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	403	5	78.4	316	109	2	16	-	-	189	5.1
Other U.S. Civil	230	13	65.2	150	127	3	17	3	-	-	11.3
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,068	20	68.6	733	248	11	33	5	-	436	4.5
Other Private Civil	1,232	137	54.7	674	535	14	119	6	-	-	17.7
Bankruptcy	65	2	53.8	35	24	2	9	-	-	-	25.7
Administrative Appeals	356	17	61.8	220	178	9	13	20	-	-	5.9
Original Proceedings	700	10	84.6	592	526	55	11	-	-	-	-
7th	2,922	182	56.3	1,646	991	117	221	34	16	267	14.7
Criminal	587	61	61.2	359	195	82	68	10	4	-	18.9
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	364	13	58.2	212	72	3	4	-	1	132	1.9
Other U.S. Civil	172	13	55.2	95	50	7	31	7	-	-	32.6
Private Prisoner Petitions	596	3	44.8	267	102	3	25	2	-	135	9.4
Other Private Civil	759	63	50.2	381	300	8	65	4	4	-	17.1
Bankruptcy	33	4	63.6	21	11	3	3	2	2	-	14.3
Administrative Appeals	160	24	51.3	82	52	3	13	9	5	-	15.9
Original Proceedings	251	1	91.2	229	209	8	12	-	-	-	-

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8th	3,077	129	76.3	2,349	1,646	101	107	35	5	455	5.1
Criminal	724	49	77.8	563	479	56	15	12	1	-	2.7
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	389	4	84.3	328	88	4	8	3	1	224	2.4
Other U.S. Civil	161	3	70.8	114	98	2	12	2	-	-	10.5
Private Prisoner Petitions	653	4	72.1	471	208	7	18	6	1	231	3.8
Other Private Civil	596	54	67.4	402	335	13	43	10	1	-	10.7
Bankruptcy	31	2	83.9	26	18	5	3	-	-	-	11.5
Administrative Appeals	143	6	55.9	80	67	8	2	2	1	-	2.5
Original Proceedings	380	7	96.1	365	353	6	6	-	-	-	-
9th	12,288	303	56.8	6,979	4,362	325	657	60	5	1,570	9.5
Criminal	1,555	114	67.5	1,049	780	142	116	11	-	-	11.1
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	543	3	77.3	420	71	8	15	1	1	324	3.6
Other U.S. Civil	509	16	55.2	281	212	13	53	3	-	-	18.9
Private Prisoner Petitions	2,568	11	73.8	1,896	542	17	84	6	1	1,246	4.4
Other Private Civil	2,153	85	44.7	963	742	41	173	6	1	-	18.0
Bankruptcy	229	16	44.5	102	86	6	10	-	-	-	9.8
Administrative Appeals	3,787	58	36.4	1,380	1,143	72	130	33	2	-	9.4
Original Proceedings	944	-	94.1	888	786	26	76	-	-	-	-
10th	1,980	35	69.2	1,370	922	126	54	74	-	194	3.8
Criminal	408	11	80.6	329	231	61	9	28	-	-	2.7
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	235	-	68.1	160	56	6	1	3	-	94	0.6
Other U.S. Civil	145	3	74.5	108	78	8	15	7	-	-	13.9
Private Prisoner Petitions	327	-	61.2	200	73	15	7	5	-	100	3.5
Other Private Civil	562	14	60.9	342	287	15	13	27	-	-	3.8
Bankruptcy	18	2	72.2	13	11	-	1	1	-	-	7.7
Administrative Appeals	150	5	72.7	109	88	16	2	3	-	-	1.8
Original Proceedings	135	-	80.7	109	98	5	6	-	-	-	-

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11th	6,215	217	60.3	3,749	2,335	243	218	20	12	921	6.6
Criminal	1,315	88	68.2	897	774	78	33	5	7	-	3.7
U.S. Prisoner Petitions	847	9	65.4	554	96	16	21	-	1	420	3.8
Other U.S. Civil	254	9	45.3	115	94	5	14	2	-	-	12.2
Private Prisoner Petitions	1,229	14	60.6	745	111	102	29	2	-	501	3.9
Other Private Civil	1,410	73	47.1	664	540	20	97	5	2	-	14.6
Bankruptcy	115	17	44.3	51	45	-	4	-	2	-	7.8
Administrative Appeals	331	7	41.1	136	119	-	11	6	-	-	8.1
Original Proceedings	714	-	82.2	587	556	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.