

Table B-12.
U.S. Courts of Appeals—Type of Opinion or Order Filed in Cases Terminated on the Merits, by Circuit,
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2018

Circuit	Terminated On the Merits											
	Total	By Consolidation	Last Opinion or Final Order									Percent Unpublished
			Total	Oral	Written Opinion or Order							
					Signed ¹		Reasoned, Unsigned ¹		Unsigned, Without Comment			
					Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished		
Total	33,672	2,264	31,408	-	3,443	5,035	243	21,314	11	1,362	88.2	
DC	742	189	553	-	207	-	9	337	-	-	60.9	
1st	812	52	760	-	273	7	4	467	-	9	63.6	
2nd	2,452	186	2,266	-	200	2,049	15	1	-	1	90.5	
3rd	1,839	61	1,778	-	162	1,152	1	378	-	85	90.8	
4th	3,252	203	3,049	-	183	396	3	2,467	-	-	93.9	
5th	4,727	575	4,152	-	348	43	36	3,717	1	7	90.7	
6th	3,256	135	3,121	-	253	571	11	2,281	5	-	91.4	
7th	1,513	101	1,412	-	469	10	40	887	4	2	63.7	
8th	2,363	120	2,243	-	423	1	45	582	1	1,191	79.1	
9th	7,846	460	7,386	-	470	1	43	6,872	-	-	93.1	
10th	1,233	21	1,212	-	238	773	4	197	-	-	80.0	
11th	3,637	161	3,476	-	217	32	32	3,128	-	67	92.8	

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

¹ Includes only opinions and orders which expound the law as applied to the facts of the case and detail the judicial reasons upon which the judgment is based.