

Table S-22
Report of Complaints Commenced and Action Taken Under Authority of 28 U.S.C. § 351-364
During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2012

Summary of Activity	Circuits														National Courts ¹	
	Total	Federal	DC	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	CC	CIT
Complaints Pending on September 30, 2011 ²	724	0	7	27	52	85	21	45	354	9	14	77	8	25	0	0
Complaints Filed	1,364	2	43	38	76	95	181	185	130	93	102	150	33	236	0	0
Sources of Complaints																
Filed by Complainant	1,362	2	43	38	75	95	181	185	130	93	102	149	33	236	0	0
Identified by Circuit Chief Judges	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Complainants ³																
Prison Inmates	648	1	1	7	20	29	85	103	70	31	78	51	13	159	0	0
Litigants	644	1	42	28	53	58	73	66	56	55	37	80	25	70	0	0
Attorneys	29	0	0	1	0	10	0	2	6	4	1	5	0	0	0	0
Public Officials	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	76	0	0	2	3	0	28	17	1	3	1	14	0	7	0	0
Judges Complained About																
Circuit Judges	285	2	10	6	13	20	24	35	33	30	33	32	3	44	0	0
District Judges	803	0	29	22	54	56	124	99	71	53	55	94	22	124	0	0
Court of International Trade Judges	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Court of Federal Claims Judges	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bankruptcy Judges	40	0	0	0	2	3	2	5	7	2	2	4	2	11	0	0
Magistrate Judges	235	0	4	10	7	16	31	45	19	8	12	20	6	57	0	0
Nature of Allegations ³																
Erroneous Decision	833	2	15	31	27	0	85	163	113	7	53	125	30	182	0	0
Delayed Decision	117	0	4	5	6	7	15	19	24	5	5	10	4	13	0	0
Failure to Give Reasons for Decision	17	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	0	7	1	0	5	0	0
Improper Discussions with Party or Counsel	84	0	1	2	5	7	6	13	9	2	10	15	6	8	0	0
Hostility Toward Litigant or Attorney	105	0	2	6	8	7	15	17	7	3	10	14	3	13	0	0
Racial, Religious, or Ethnic Bias	144	1	1	1	2	6	47	21	7	1	14	33	0	10	0	0
Personal Bias Against Litigant or Attorney	258	0	3	8	11	17	16	80	23	7	15	37	7	34	0	0
Conflict of Interest (Including Refusal to Recuse)	127	0	0	4	4	11	7	33	15	0	10	12	1	30	0	0
Failure to Meet Financial Disclosure Requirements	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0

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Nature of Allegations (Continued)																
Improper Outside Income	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0
Partisan Political Activity or Statement	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0
Acceptance of Bribe	15	0	2	0	0	0	4	5	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0
Effort to Obtain Favor for Friend or Relative	9	0	0	0	1	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Solicitation of Funds for Organization	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Violation of Other Standards	287	0	0	7	3	0	14	1	1	4	31	14	1	211	0	0
Other Misconduct	382	0	24	11	21	91	67	18	27	72	4	33	14	0	0	0
Disability	55	0	1	0	1	0	18	4	12	1	1	5	0	12	0	0
Actions Regarding Complaints																
Terminated by Complainant or Subject Judge	7	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Complaint Withdrawn with Consent																
of Circuit Chief Judge	7	0	0	0	1	0	1	4	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Withdrawal of Petition for Review	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Actions by Circuit Chief Judge																
Matters Returned from Judicial Council or Judicial Conference Committee	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Complaint Dismissed in Whole or in Part ³	1,265	2	40	45	77	120	179	218	17	87	91	131	33	225	0	0
Not Misconduct or Disability	77	0	0	16	6	3	7	15	1	9	0	11	5	4	0	0
Merits Related	1,075	2	25	40	48	113	168	195	13	66	89	89	30	197	0	0
Frivolous	316	0	0	37	1	111	7	59	4	1	67	28	0	1	0	0
Allegations Lack Sufficient Evidence	812	0	30	6	41	119	149	91	9	10	75	73	18	191	0	0
Allegations Incapable of Being Established	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0
Filed in Wrong Circuit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Otherwise Not Appropriate	56	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	11	41	0	0	0	0
Complaint Concluded in Whole or in Part	8	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0
Informal Resolution Before Complaint Filed	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Voluntary Corrective Action Taken	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Intervening Events	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0
Complaint Referred to Special Committee	4	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0

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Actions by Special Committees																
Matter Returned From Judicial Council	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Matter Referred to Circuit Chief Judge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Judicial Council Proceedings																
Matter returned from Judicial Conference	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Complaint Transferred to/from Another Circuit	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Special Committee Reports Submitted to																
Judicial Council	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Received Petition for Review	556	0	18	29	35	86	113	90	8	42	24	24	18	69	0	0
Action on Petition for Review																
Petition Denied	518	0	17	35	35	84	103	84	5	43	23	23	17	49	0	0
Matter Returned to Circuit Chief Judge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Matter Returned to Circuit Chief Judge for																
Appointment of Special Committee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Received Special Committee Report	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Action on Special Committee Report																
Complaint Dismissed																
Not Misconduct or Disability	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Merits Related	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Allegations Lack Sufficient Evidence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
Otherwise Not Appropriate	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Corrective Action Taken or Intervening Events																
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Referred Complaint to Judicial Conference																
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Remedial Action Taken																
Censure or Reprimand	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suspension of Assignments	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Action Against Magistrate Judge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Removal of Bankruptcy Judge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Requesting of Voluntary Retirement	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Certifying Disability of Circuit or District Judge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Additional Investigation Warranted																
Returned to Special Committee	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Retained by Judicial Council	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Actions by Chief Justice																
Transferred to Judicial Council	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Received From Judicial Council	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Complaints Terminated by Final Action																
During 12-Month Period Ending																
September 30, 2011	1,352	2	48	59	78	155	200	221	16	102	88	138	33	212	0	0
Complaints Pending on September 30, 2012																
	736	0	2	6	50	25	2	9	468	0	28	89	8	49	0	0

¹ CC = U.S. Court of Federal Claims. CIT = U.S. Court of International Trade.

² Revised.

³ Number of complainants may not equal total number of filings because each complaint may have multiple complainants. Each complaint may involve multiple allegations. Each complaint may have multiple reasons for dismissal.