

**Table S-3.**  
**U.S Courts of Appeals—Types of Opinions or Orders Filed in Cases Terminated**  
**on the Merits After Oral Hearings or Submission on Briefs**  
**During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2002**

Circuit	Total	Oral	Written, Signed*		Written, Reasoned, Unsigned*		Written, Unsigned, Without Comment		Percent Unpublished
			Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>27,758</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>4,920</b>	<b>4,234</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>16,917</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>1,181</b>	<b>80.5</b>
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	534	-	219	1	5	309	-	-	58.1
FIRST	645	-	336	4	16	289	-	-	45.4
SECOND	1,951	-	369	1,529	50	2	1	-	78.5
THIRD	1,965	-	300	982	8	619	-	56	84.3
FOURTH	2,628	-	211	260	4	2,153	-	-	91.8
FIFTH	3,941	-	534	126	71	3,170	-	40	84.6
SIXTH	2,605	26	453	394	7	1,638	-	87	82.3
SEVENTH	1,476	-	602	1	11	797	-	65	58.5
EIGHTH	1,875	-	557	3	59	654	1	601	67.1
NINTH	5,190	-	718	5	57	4,331	62	17	83.9
TENTH	1,365	-	313	882	4	165	-	1	76.8
ELEVENTH	3,583	-	308	47	124	2,790	-	314	87.9

NOTE: THIS TABLE DOES NOT INCLUDE DATA FOR THE U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FEDERAL CIRCUIT. BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1998, DATA ARE REPORTED FOR TYPES OF ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS PREVIOUSLY NOT INCLUDED IN THIS TABLE.

\* INCLUDES ONLY THOSE OPINIONS AND ORDERS THAT EXPOUND ON THE LAW AS APPLIED TO THE FACTS OF EACH CASE AND THAT DETAIL THE JUDICIAL REASONS UPON WHICH THE JUDGMENT IS BASED.