

Sourcebook of criminal justice statistics Online

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Table 5.70.2009

Petitions for review on writ of certiorari to the U.S. Supreme Court filed, terminated, and pending

By circuit and nature of proceeding, fiscal year 2009

Circuit and nature of proceeding	Pending		Terminated			Pending Sept. 30, 2009	Circuit and nature of proceeding	Pending		Terminated			Pending Sept. 30, 2009
	Oct. 1, 2008	Filed	Granted	Denied	Dis-missed			Oct. 1, 2008	Filed	Granted	Denied	Dis-missed	
Total	3,393	5,860	169	5,479	101	3,504	Sixth Circuit	206	547	15	519	19	200
Criminal	1,142	2,432	67	2,334	15	1,158	Criminal	65	170	7	155	11	62
U.S. civil	524	856	27	822	33	498	U.S. civil	23	79	2	78	2	20
Private civil	1,601	2,407	66	2,207	52	1,683	Private civil	116	286	6	278	6	112
Administrative appeals	126	165	9	116	1	165	Administrative appeals	2	12	0	8	0	6
District of Columbia	36	89	7	71	13	34	Seventh Circuit	82	264	13	262	4	67
Criminal	6	16	2	15	0	5	Criminal	64	133	6	134	0	57
U.S. civil	14	38	2	30	5	15	U.S. civil	7	54	0	60	1	0
Private civil	11	19	2	15	8	5	Private civil	7	64	6	62	3	0
Administrative appeals	5	16	1	11	0	9	Administrative appeals	4	13	1	6	0	10
First Circuit	84	208	4	200	4	84	Eighth Circuit	119	386	18	321	2	164
Criminal	43	126	2	121	0	46	Criminal	64	240	13	188	1	102
U.S. civil	5	24	2	18	1	8	U.S. civil	11	23	2	26	0	6
Private civil	32	52	0	54	3	27	Private civil	44	120	3	106	1	54
Administrative appeals	4	6	0	7	0	3	Administrative appeals	0	3	0	1	0	2
Second Circuit	482	458	13	420	7	500	Ninth Circuit	987	1,009	37	935	0	1,024
Criminal	120	178	1	183	0	114	Criminal	228	315	6	312	0	225
U.S. civil	68	36	2	51	0	51	U.S. civil	150	86	9	108	0	119
Private civil	282	228	10	165	7	328	Private civil	531	573	22	491	0	591
Administrative appeals	12	16	0	21	0	7	Administrative appeals	78	35	0	24	0	89
Third Circuit	174	390	11	368	11	174	Tenth Circuit	382	313	6	298	8	383
Criminal	54	155	4	139	0	66	Criminal	177	155	2	134	1	195
U.S. civil	36	58	0	66	1	27	U.S. civil	70	53	0	51	5	67
Private civil	74	161	3	148	9	75	Private civil	130	102	4	110	2	116
Administrative appeals	10	16	4	15	1	6	Administrative appeals	5	3	0	3	0	5
Fourth Circuit	171	668	17	572	13	237	Eleventh Circuit	251	781	13	672	15	332
Criminal	28	230	8	234	0	16	Criminal	88	346	9	282	0	143
U.S. civil	62	215	7	149	9	112	U.S. civil	51	123	1	116	8	49
Private civil	81	198	0	179	4	96	Private civil	108	302	3	268	7	132
Administrative appeals	0	25	2	10	0	13	Administrative appeals	4	10	0	6	0	8
Fifth Circuit	419	747	15	841	5	305							
Criminal	205	368	7	437	2	127							
U.S. civil	27	67	0	69	1	24							
Private civil	185	302	7	331	2	147							
Administrative appeals	2	10	1	4	0	7							

Note: "Writ of certiorari" is an order by the appellate court that is used when the court has discretion on whether to hear an appeal. If the appellate court grants the writ, it has the effect of ordering the lower court to certify the record and send it up to the higher court, which will then hear the appeal. "U.S. civil" filings involve suits against the Federal Government brought in U.S. District Courts. "Private civil" filings involve suits wherein litigation is between States and/or private citizens. "Administrative appeals" include applications for enforcement or petitions for review of orders of an administrative board or agency. Data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal circuit are not included in the above table. For a list of U.S. District Courts in each circuit, see table 5.11.2009.

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