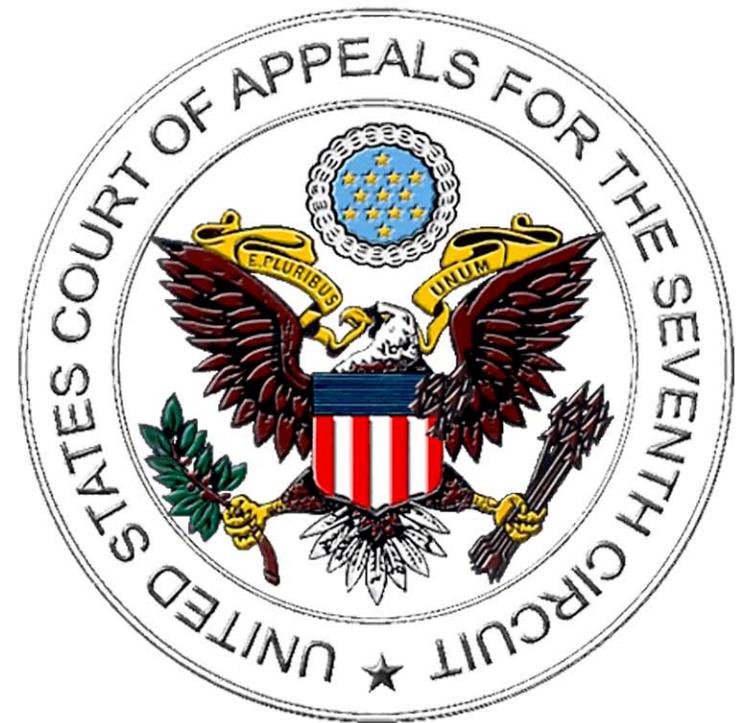


# Judicial Business of the United States Courts of the Seventh Circuit



2015

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# Report on the Business of the Federal Courts of the Seventh Circuit

## For the Twelve Month Period From January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2015

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The following annual report is submitted to the 65<sup>nd</sup> annual joint meeting of the Judicial Conference of the Seventh Circuit and the Seventh Circuit Bar Association held on May 01 through May 03, 2016 at the Radisson Blu Aqua Hotel in Chicago, Illinois. This report is a collection of statistical data from every court of the circuit and national comparison data for the Circuit Courts of Appeal.

There are a number of people responsible for the collection and assembly of the data contained in these pages. Members of the Statistics Division of the Administrative Office were helpful. We thank them for their hard work, professional service and good advice. Also, thanks to Ms. Asia Brown and Ms. Jane Oberheide of the Court of Appeals. This data is available on the Court of Appeals web page at: [www.ca7.uscourts.gov](http://www.ca7.uscourts.gov).

This report shows that the federal courts of the Seventh Circuit continue to be busy and productive.

Respectfully submitted,

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COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE  
SEVENTH CIRCUIT TABLES

Table 1

Appeals Commenced and Terminated During the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2000 Through 2015

YEAR	FILED	PERCENT OF CHANGE	TERMINATED	PERCENT OF CHANGE
2000	3,419	-0.4	3,804	19.4
2001	3,447	0.8	3,523	-7.4
2002	3,466	0.6	3,333	-5.4
2003	3,418	-1.4	3,275	-1.7
2004	3,399	-0.6	3,349	2.3
2005	3,926	15.5	3,750	12.0
2006	3,518	-10.4	3,839	2.4
2007	3,151	-10.4	3,078	-19.8
2008	3,409	8.2	3,301	7.2
2009	3,245	-4.8	3,468	5.1
2010	3,098	-4.5	3,336	-3.8
2011	3,005	-3.0	2,987	-10.5
2012	3,031	0.9	3,010	0.8
2013	2,992	-1.3	3,034	0.8
2014	2,917	-2.5	3,023	-0.4
2015	2,977	2.1	2,906	-3.9

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

Table 2

## Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

CASE TYPE	CASES <sup>1</sup> PENDING 01/01/15	CASES COMMENCED			CASES TERMINATED										
		TOTAL	ORIGINAL	RE- OPENED <sup>2</sup>	TOTAL	PROCEDURAL TERMINATION					TERMINATIONS ON THE MERITS				
						TOTAL	CASES DISPOSED OF BY		BY JUDGE	BY STAFF	TOTAL	CONSOLIDATION	AFTER ORAL HEARING	AFTER SUBMISSION ON BRIEFS	CASES PENDING 12/31/14
							CONSOLIDATION	BY							
CRIMINAL	411	559	557	2	526	156	0	32	124	370	33	194	143	444	
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	125	296	283	13	250	109	0	16	93	141	6	12	123	171	
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	113	195	194	1	164	67	2	21	44	97	7	50	40	144	
PRIVATE PRISONER PETITIONS	320	619	596	23	602	349	0	32	317	253	5	45	203	337	
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	669	757	748	9	823	387	11	56	320	436	57	238	141	603	
BANKRUPTCY	36	46	46	0	52	16	0	4	12	36	4	22	10	30	
ADMINISTRATIVE CASES	112	162	161	0	153	60	0	27	33	93	14	44	35	121	
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS *	25	343	343	0	336	23	0	19	9	235	2	1	232	32	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,811</b>	<b>2,977</b>	<b>2,928</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>2,906</b>	<b>1,167</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>1,739</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>1,005</b>	<b>1,882</b>	

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.

<sup>1</sup> Revised.

Table 3

Source of Appeals and Original Proceedings Commenced  
for the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2010 Through 2015

Source	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
<b>Illinois</b>						
Northern	1,000	1,034	978	1,004	998	902
Central	321	313	301	316	303	329
Southern	261	230	240	250	259	244
<b>Indiana</b>						
Northern	218	301	203	236	174	192
Southern	334	293	330	322	317	368
<b>Wisconsin</b>						
Eastern	346	285	303	282	270	249
Western	203	178	185	169	158	136
<b>Bankruptcy</b>						
	49	41	51	38	38	46
<b>Admin. Agency, Total</b>						
	169	146	178	156	143	162
<b>I.R.S</b>						
	6	8	25	11	12	10
<b>N.L.R.B.</b>						
	35	11	22	15	11	17
<b>B.I.A.</b>						
	114	98	107	112	100	116
<b>All Other Agencies</b>						
	14	29	24	18	20	19
<b>Original Proceedings</b>						
	197	184	262	219	257	343
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,098</b>	<b>3,005</b>	<b>3,031</b>	<b>2,992</b>	<b>2,917</b>	<b>2,977</b>

NOTE: This table does not include data for the U. S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Administrative Agency cases previously reported as Immigration Service (INS) are shown under Board of Immigration Appeals (BIA) and US Tax Court is shown under IRS. Appeals of decisions by the U.S. Tax Court are shown as Internal Revenue Service (IRS) appeals. Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.

Table 4

Source of Appeals in Civil and Criminal Cases from U.S. District Courts  
During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

District Courts	Appeals Filed			Appeals Terminated		
	Total	Civil	Criminal	Total	Civil	Criminal
Illinois Northern	908	730	178	922	727	195
Illinois Central	329	255	74	306	248	58
Illinois Southern	244	161	83	235	169	66
Indiana Northern	192	136	56	169	118	51
Indiana Southern	368	308	60	336	289	47
Wisconsin Eastern	249	202	47	262	196	66
Wisconsin Western	136	75	61	135	92	43
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,426</b>	<b>1,867</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>2,365</b>	<b>1,839</b>	<b>526</b>

NOTE: Totals include appeals reopened and remanded as well as original appeals.

**Table 5**

**Appeals Filed, Terminated and Pending from U.S. District Courts During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015**

Nature of Proceedings	Filings		Terminations		Pending	
	Number	Percent Of Total	Number	Percent Of Total	Number	Percent Of Total
<b>Criminal</b>	559	18.8	526	18.1	444	23.6
<b>U.S. Prisoner Petitions</b>	296	9.9	250	8.6	171	9.1
<b>Other U.S. Civil</b>	195	6.6	164	5.6	144	7.7
<b>Priv. Prisoner Petitions</b>	619	20.8	602	20.7	337	17.9
<b>Other Private Civil</b>	757	25.4	823	28.3	603	32.0
<b>Bankruptcy</b>	46	1.5	52	1.8	30	1.6
<b>Administrative Cases</b>	162	5.4	153	5.3	121	6.4
<b>Original Proceedings</b>	343	11.5	336	11.6	32	1.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,977</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>2,906</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>1,882</b>	<b>100.0</b>

NOTE: Totals include appeals reopened and remanded as well as original appeals.  
Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.

Table 6

## Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending by Nature of Suit or Offense During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

Nature Of Suit Or Offense	Filed	Terminated	Pending
<b>Total Cases</b>	<b>2,426</b>	<b>2,365</b>	<b>1,699</b>
<b>Total Criminal Cases</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>444</b>
<b>Total Civil Cases</b>	<b>1,867</b>	<b>1,839</b>	<b>1,255</b>
<b>U.S. Cases</b>	<b>491</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>315</b>
<b>U.S. Plaintiff</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>16</b>
Negotiable Instruments	1	0	1
Other Contract Actions	18	1	2
Condemnation Of Land	0	0	0
Other Real Property Actions	3	1	2
Tort Actions	1	0	2
Civil Rights:			3
Employment	3	2	2
Other Civil Rights	1	0	1
Forfeiture And Penalty	0	1	0
Fair Labor Standards Act	0	0	0
Other Labor	0	3	0
Secur., Commod., & Exchg.	2	3	1
Tax Suits	3	2	2
All Other	4	9	3
<b>U.S. Defendant</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>392</b>	<b>220</b>
			299
Contract Actions	14	6	11
Real Property Actions	2	0	5
Tort Actions	9	6	8
Civil Rights:	51	46	29
Employment	17	15	9
Other Civil Rights	34	31	20
Prisoner Petitions:	296	250	171
Motions to Vacate Sentence	184	140	118
Habeas Corpus	54	53	27
Habeas Corpus - Death	0	1	0
Prisoner Civil Rights	1	2	0
Prison Condition	45	44	20
Other Prisoner Petitions	12	10	6
Labor Suits	1	1	3
Social Security Laws	65	57	42
Tax Suits	3	1	4
Environmental Matters	5	7	1
Freedom of Information Act	3	3	1
All Other	23	15	24
<b>Private Cases</b>	<b>1,376</b>	<b>1,425</b>	<b>940</b>

Table 6

## Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending by Nature of Suit or Offense During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

[continued]

Nature Of Suit Or Offense	Filed	Terminated	Pending
Federal Question	1,296	1,324	838
Marine Contract	0	2	0
Other Contract Actions	26	34	16
Employers Liability Act	1	2	0
Marine Injury	1	1	0
Other Tort Actions	68	78	43
Antitrust	5	3	4
Civil Rights:	360	409	254
Employment	94	118	95
Other Civil Rights	266	291	159
Prisoner Petitions:	619	602	337
Habeas Corpus	228	207	150
Habeas Corpus - Death	3	4	4
Prisoner Civil Rights	18	10	17
Prison Condition	366	377	166
Other Prisoner Petitions	4	4	0
Labor Mgmt. Relations Act	8	2	10
Other Labor	52	43	55
Copyright, Patent & Trademark	20	15	18
Secur., Commod., & Exchg.	4	11	1
Const. of State Stats.	10	12	9
All Other	122	110	91
Diversity of Citizenship	80	101	102
Insurance	31	26	28
Other Contract Actions	48	74	74
Real Property Actions	0	0	0
Personal Injury - Prod.	0	0	0
Other Personal Injury	1	1	0
Personal Property Damage	0	0	0
All Other	0	0	0
General Local Jurisdiction	0	0	0
Contract Actions	0	0	0
Real Property Actions	0	0	0
Tort Actions	0	0	0
Prisoner Petitions	0	0	0
All Other	0	0	0
Total Criminal Cases	559	526	444
Violent Offenses	26	28	28
Homicide	2	0	3
Robbery	6	17	6
Assault	2	1	2
Kidnapping	4	3	4
Racketeering - Violent Crime	8	5	11
Carjacking	4	2	2
Terrorism	0	0	0
Other Violent Offenses	0	0	0

Table 6

## Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending by Nature of Suit or Offense During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

[continued]

Nature Of Suit Or Offense	Filed	Terminated	Pending
<b>Property Offenses</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>61</b>
Burglary	0	0	0
Larceny & Theft, Total	3	7	2
Bank	0	0	0
Postal	0	0	0
Theft, U.S. Property	2	5	1
Transport, Etc. of Stolen Property	1	2	1
Other Larceny and Theft Offenses	0	0	0
Embezzlement	0	2	0
<b>Fraud, Total</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>52</b>
Tax	2	5	2
Financial Institutions	3	6	4
Securities and Exchange	2	0	2
Mail	11	8	10
Wire, Radio or Television	10	18	4
Social Security	4	4	3
Citizenship and Naturalization	0	0	0
Passport	0	0	0
Identification Documents & Information	7	4	4
False claims and Services, Gov't.	8	5	6
False Statements	1	2	0
Conspiracy To Defraud the U.S.	2	5	
Unauthorized Access Devices	5	3	5
Health Care	14	9	10
Other Fraud Offenses	4	11	2
Forgery and Counterfeiting	6	4	6
Other Property Offenses	1	1	1
<b>Drug Offenses</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>191</b>
Marijuana, Total	4	8	2
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	2	4	1
Import / Export	0	0	0
Manufacture	2	4	1
Possession	0	0	0
All Other Drugs, Total	235	191	186
Sell, Distribute, or Dispense	222	185	179
Import / Export	0	0	0
Manufacture	13	6	7
Possession	0	0	0
Other Drug Offenses	3	2	3

Table 6

## Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending by Nature of Suit or Offense During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

[continued]

Nature Of Suit Or Offense	Filed	Terminated	Pending
Firearms, Explosives Offenses	107	94	80
Firearms, Total	105	92	79
Possession By Prohibited Persons	58	53	42
Furtherance of Violent / Drug Trafficking Crimes	43	33	33
Other Firearms Offenses	4	6	4
Explosives	2	2	1
Sex Offenses	43	44	34
Sexual Abuse of Adults	0	1	1
Sexual Abuse of Minors	23	23	15
Sexually Explicit Material	11	14	11
Other Sex Offenses	9	6	7
Justice System Offenses	11	11	6
Obstruction of Justice	6	6	2
Escape from Custody	1	2	0
Failure to Appear	4	1	3
Other Justice System Offenses	0	2	1
Immigration Offenses	12	13	7
Alien Smuggling	0	0	0
Improper Entry by Alien	0	0	0
Improper Reentry by Alien	12	13	7
Other Immigration Offenses	0	0	0
General Offenses	19	11	23
Money Laundering	7	4	11
RICO <sup>1</sup>	1	4	3
Extortion and Threats	8	2	7
Other General Offenses	3	1	2
Regulatory Offenses	4	6	8
Traffic Offenses	0	0	0
Unclassified Offenses	12	24	6

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

<sup>1</sup> RICO = Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations.

Table 7

## Appeals Terminated on the Merits, by Circuit, During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

NATURE OF PROCEEDING	TOTAL APPEALS TERMINATED <sup>1</sup>	PERCENT OF TOTAL TERMINATIONS	TOTAL	DISPOSED OF BY CONSOLIDATION	TERMINATIONS ON THE MERITS						PERCENT REVERSED <sup>3</sup>
					AFFIRMED / ENFORCED <sup>2</sup>	DISMISSED	REVERSED	REMANDED	OTHER	CERTIFICATE OF APPEALABILITY	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2,906</b>	<b>55.4</b>	<b>1,610</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>18.3</b>
<b>CRIMINAL</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>64.1</b>	<b>337</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>26.4</b>
<b>U. S. PRISONER PETITIONS</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>54.0</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>7.4</b>
<b>OTHER U. S. CIVIL</b>	<b>164</b>	<b>54.9</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>24.4</b>
<b>PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>41.2</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>13.3</b>
<b>OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL</b>	<b>823</b>	<b>46.1</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17.7</b>
<b>BANKRUPTCY</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>61.5</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>21.9</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>51.6</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12.7</b>
<b>ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS</b>	<b>336</b>	<b>92.3</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>219</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

NOTE: Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously

Affirmed includes merit terminations, affirmed in part and reversed in part.

Percent not shown where the total number of cases terminated on the merits is less than 10. No percentages of cases reversed have been computed for original proceedings because of their difference from appeals, nor have they been included in the percentage of total appeals reversed.

Table 8

## Appeals Terminated by Procedural Judgments During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

NATURE OF PROCEEDING	APPEALS TERMINATED	PROCEDURAL TERMINATIONS											
		TOTAL	BY JUDGES							BY STAFF			
			CASES DISPOSED OF BY CONSOLIDATION	TOTAL	JURIS. DEFECTS	FRAP 42*	DEFAULT	CERT. APPEAL- ABILITY	OTHER	TOTAL	FRAP 42*	DEFAULT	OTHER
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2,906</b>	<b>1,167</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>950</b>	<b>452</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>21</b>
CRIMINAL	526	156	0	32	22	3	1	0	6	124	111	10	3
U.S. PRISONER PETITIONS	250	109	0	16	12	0	1	0	3	93	14	77	2
OTHER U.S. CIVIL	164	67	2	21	13	0	0	0	8	44	24	20	0
PRIV. PRISONER PETITIONS	602	349	0	32	22	0	0	0	10	317	44	265	8
OTHER PRIVATE CIVIL	823	387	11	56	40	4	2	0	10	320	229	90	1
BANKRUPTCY	52	16	0	4	2	0	1	0	1	12	11	1	0
ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS	153	60	0	27	9	2	0	0	16	33	19	14	0
ORIGINAL PROCEEDINGS	336	23	0	16	0	0	0	0	16	7	0	0	7

NOTE: Totals include appeals reopened and remanded as well as original appeals.  
 Juris defects=jurisdictional defects; cert.appealability=certificate of appealability.  
 Beginning in March 2014, data include miscellaneous cases not included previously.  
 \* Voluntary dismissal under Rule 42(b), Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure.

Table 9

Median Time Intervals\* in Cases Terminated after Hearing or Submission by Circuit During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

	All Appeals		Prisoner Petitions		Other Civil		Criminal		Admin. Agency		Bankruptcy	
	Total Cases											
	34,035	1,739	8,951	387	8,394	533	8,694	370	2,564	62	522	36
Cases Disposed of by Consolidation	2,554	129	241	11	815	64	871	33	97	2	71	4
Average	Nat.	7th Cir.	Nat.	7th Cir.	Nat.	7th Cir.	Nat.	7th Cir.	Nat.	7th Cir.	Nat.	7th Cir.
From Filing of Notice of Appeal or Docket Date <sup>1</sup> to Filing Last Brief	5.8	5.6	7.0	7.3	4.8	5.0	6.4	6.3	8.1	4.9	4.9	3.8
From Filing Last Brief to Hearing or Submission	3.7	2.0	3.8	2.4	3.9	2.3	3.1	2.2	8.3	2.6	4.0	2.6
From Hearing to Final Disposition	2.1	2.9	2.2	3.9	2.3	3.3	1.9	2.5	1.3	1.7	2.4	3.0
From Submission to Final Disposition	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.1	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.5	0.1
From Filing of Notice of Appeal or Docket Date <sup>1</sup> to Final Disposition	8.6	7.1	6.7	6.2	10.8	9.6	10.4	9.8	15.8	8.1	10.4	10.7
From Filing in Lower Court to Final Disposition in Appellate Court	28.4	28.4	25.6	22.2	31.1	30.5	29.3	36.3	0.0	0.0	21.0	21.0

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

<sup>1</sup> Docket date is used when computing the median time interval for original proceedings and appeals from administrative agencies

\* All time intervals are reported in months.

Table 10

Certiorari Data During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

	U.S. Civil	Private Civil	Criminal	Prisoner	Administrative Appeals	Total
<b>Petitions Pending</b>						
<b>01/01/15</b>	2	9	17	28	1	57
<b>Petitions Filed</b>						
<b>01/01/15 to 12/31/15</b>	15	74	54	86	4	233
<b>Petitions Granted</b>						
<b>01/01/15 to 12/31/15</b>	1	0	1	2	0	4
<b>Petitions Denied</b>						
<b>01/01/15 to 12/31/15</b>	11	61	63	93	5	233
<b>Petitions Dismissed</b>						
<b>01/01/15 to 12/31/15</b>	1	5	0	2	0	8
<b>Petitions Pending</b>						
<b>12/31/15</b>	4	17	7	17	0	45

U.S. COURT OF APPEALS  
COMPARISON TABLES

**U.S.C.A. Table 1**

**Type of Opinion or Order Filed in Cases Terminated on the Merits after Oral Hearing or Submission on Briefs, by Circuit  
During the 12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2015**

Circuit	Total	Cases Disposed of by Consolidation	Oral	Written & Signed		Written, Reasoned & Unsigned *		Written, Unsigned Without Comment		Percent Unpublished
				Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	Published	Unpublished	
D.C.	864	321	0	240	0	13	290	0	0	53.4
First	981	82	0	340	31	5	512	0	11	61.6
Second	2,749	226	0	236	2,250	37	0	0	0	89.2
Third	2,276	67	0	149	1,386	4	551	0	119	93.1
Fourth	3,441	227	0	192	319	2	2,701	0	0	94.0
Fifth	4,731	639	0	301	88	32	3,660	0	11	91.9
Sixth	3,140	157	0	297	664	9	2,010	1	2	89.7
Seventh	1,739	129	0	560	0	23	1,024	0	3	63.8
Eighth	2,271	108	0	494	2	47	444	1	1,176	75.0
Ninth	6,845	354	0	491	4	41	3,647	20	2,288	91.5
Tenth	1,289	35	0	241	859	2	152	0	0	80.6
Eleventh	3,708	209	0	199	34	50	3,106	0	110	92.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,035</b>	<b>2,554</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,740</b>	<b>5,637</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>18,097</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>3,720</b>	<b>87.2</b>

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

\* 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.

U.S.C.A. Table 2

Appeals Terminated on the Merits after Oral Hearing or Submission on Briefs During the Twelve Month Period  
 Ended December 31, 2015

Circuit	Total	Cases Disposed of by Consolidation	After Oral Hearing			After Submission on Briefs				
			Total	Percent Of Total	En Banc	Panel	Total	Percent of Total	En Banc	Panel
D.C.	864	321	297	54.7	1	296	246	45.3	1	245
First	981	82	273	30.4	2	271	626	69.6	0	626
Second	2,749	226	765	30.3	0	765	1,758	69.7	0	1,758
Third	2,276	67	216	9.8	1	215	1,993	90.2	0	1,993
Fourth	3,441	227	287	8.9	1	286	2,927	91.1	0	2,927
Fifth	4,731	639	750	18.3	5	745	3,342	81.7	0	3,342
Sixth	3,140	157	499	16.7	3	496	2,484	83.3	0	2,484
Seventh	1,739	129	605	37.6	2	603	1,005	62.4	0	1,005
Eighth	2,272	108	417	19.3	2	415	1,747	80.7	0	1,747
Ninth	6,845	354	1,495	23.0	19	1,476	4,996	77.0	1	4,995
Tenth	1,289	35	338	27.0	1	337	916	73.0	0	916
Eleventh	3,708	209	390	11.1	1	389	3,109	88.9	0	3,109
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,035</b>	<b>2,554</b>	<b>6,332</b>	<b>20.1</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>6,294</b>	<b>25,149</b>	<b>79.9</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>25,147</b>

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

U.S.C.A. Table 3

Appeals Commenced, Terminated and Pending by Circuit for the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2014 and 2015

Circuit	Filed			Terminated			Pending		
	2014	2015	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	2014	2015	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	2014 <sup>2</sup>	2015	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>
D.C.	1,092	1,154	5.7	1,034	1,197	15.8	1,503	1,460	-2.9
First	1,413	1,605	13.6	1,297	1,595	23.0	1,345	1,355	0.7
Second	4,988	4,398	-11.8	5,181	4,539	-12.4	3,520	3,379	-4.0
Third	3,962	3,216	-18.8	3,262	3,380	3.6	2,809	2,645	-5.8
Fourth	4,727	4,831	2.2	4,843	4,541	-6.2	2,224	2,514	13
Fifth	7,765	7,636	-1.7	7,996	7,398	-7.5	4,638	4,876	5.1
Sixth	4,605	4,594	-0.2	5,141	4,497	-12.5	3,249	3,346	3
Seventh	2,917	2,977	2.1	3,023	2,906	-3.9	1,811	1,882	3.9
Eighth	2,968	3,048	2.7	3,000	2,845	-5.2	1,500	1,703	13.5
Ninth	11,311	11,705	3.5	11,378	12,029	5.7	13,975	13,651	-2.3
Tenth	1,964	1,975	0.6	2,058	1,888	-8.3	1,172	1,259	7.4
Eleventh	6,087	6,127	0.7	6,239	6,066	-2.8	3,487	3,548	1.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>53,799</b>	<b>53,266</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>54,452</b>	<b>52,881</b>	<b>-2.9</b>	<b>41,233</b>	<b>41,618</b>	<b>0.9</b>

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.

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than ten cases reported for the previous period.

<sup>2</sup> Revised.

U.S.C.A. Table 4

Length of Time Appeals Pending, in Months, by Circuit, During the 12-Month Period Ending December 31, 2015

Circuit	Total Pending	0 - 3 Months	4 - 6 Months	7 - 9 Months	10 - 12 Months	Over 12 Months
D.C.	1,460	312	226	198	127	597
First	1,355	406	268	219	165	297
Second	3,379	1,013	556	561	394	855
Third	2,645	692	485	399	193	876
Fourth	2,514	1,141	678	339	141	215
Fifth	4,876	1,675	1,248	967	486	500
Sixth	3,346	1,086	833	641	279	507
Seventh	1,882	572	432	297	172	409
Eighth	1,703	635	376	312	179	201
Ninth	13,651	2,532	2,048	1,719	1,318	6,034
Tenth	1,259	437	340	184	113	185
Eleventh	3,548	1,240	922	617	288	481
Total	41,618	11,741	8,412	6,453	3,855	11,157

**U.S.C.A. Table 5**

**Appeals Disposed of after Oral Hearing During the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2011 Through 2015**

						<b>Percent Change <sup>1</sup></b>
<b>Circuit</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2015 / 2014</b>
D.C.	253	199	237	236	297	25.8
First	307	262	258	245	273	11.4
Second	780	880	933	855	765	-10.5
Third	333	280	232	239	216	-9.6
Fourth	406	434	423	328	287	-12.5
Fifth	955	834	785	828	750	-9.4
Sixth	687	800	629	576	499	-13.4
Seventh	699	614	673	650	605	-6.9
Eighth	507	411	374	425	417	-1.9
Ninth	1,722	1,495	1,532	1,450	1,495	3.1
Tenth	362	326	351	412	338	-18.0
Eleventh	478	457	440	464	390	-15.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,489</b>	<b>6,992</b>	<b>6,867</b>	<b>6,708</b>	<b>6,332</b>	<b>-5.6</b>

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

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than 10 cases reported for the previous period.

U.S.C.A. Table 6

Total Case Participation in Cases Terminated on the Merits after Oral Hearing or Submission During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

Circuit	Total	Cases Disposed of by		Case Participation by						
		Consolidation		Resident Active Circuit Judges		Resident Senior Circuit Judges		Visiting Judges		Senior and Visiting Judges
		Number	Percent*	Number	Percent*	Number	Percent*	Number	Percent*	Percent*
D.C.	2,612	963	36.9	1,282	77.7	367	22.3	0	0.0	22.3
First	2,952	246	8.3	2,013	74.4	265	9.8	428	15.8	25.6
Second	8,171	676	8.3	5,421	72.3	1,761	23.5	313	4.2	27.7
Third	6,818	201	2.9	4,948	74.8	1,655	25.0	14	0.2	25.2
Fourth	10,333	681	6.6	8,487	87.9	1,145	11.9	20	0.2	12.1
Fifth	13,109	1,822	13.9	9,254	82.0	1,963	17.4	70	0.6	18.0
Sixth	8,347	463	5.5	5,422	68.8	1,671	21.2	791	10.0	31.2
Seventh	4,983	382	7.7	3,431	74.6	1,097	23.8	73	1.6	25.4
Eighth	6,829	324	4.7	5,272	81.0	1,178	18.1	55	0.8	19.0
Ninth	19,850	1,146	5.8	13,408	71.7	4,221	22.6	1,075	5.7	28.3
Tenth	3,877	105	2.7	3,075	81.5	695	18.4	2	0.1	18.5
Eleventh	9,536	620	6.5	7,612	85.4	946	10.6	358	4.0	14.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>97,417</b>	<b>7,629</b>	<b>7.8</b>	<b>69,625</b>	<b>77.5</b>	<b>16,964</b>	<b>18.9</b>	<b>3,199</b>	<b>3.6</b>	<b>22.5</b>

\* NOTE: Due to rounding, percents may not add up to 100.

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

**U.S.C.A. Table 7**

Administrative Agency, Bankruptcy and Original Proceedings Commenced for the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

**CIRCUIT**

SOURCE	TOTAL	1ST	2ND	3RD	4TH	5TH	6TH	7TH	8TH	9TH	10TH	11TH	D.C.
<b>Total Administrative</b>	<b>7,023</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>808</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>487</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>3,525</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>519</b>
AGRI	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
BCA	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	1
BIA	5,768	123	750	210	182	375	224	116	108	3,367	73	239	1
BPA	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0
BRB	40	2	0	1	13	6	5	1	0	8	0	4	0
CFTR	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0
CMCR	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
DEA	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1
DHS	34	1	1	10	5	5	0	5	2	2	1	1	1
DOD	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
DOE	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
DOJ	5	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
EDUC	8	0	0	1	2	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
EPA	246	1	6	0	0	14	24	4	3	16	4	2	172
FAA	19	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	4	11
FCC	76	1	0	6	3	2	3	1	0	0	0	0	60
FERC	70	0	0	2	1	2	0	1	0	13	1	1	49
FLRA	14	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	12
FMC	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
FMCS	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
FRA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
FTC	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
HHS	4	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
HUD	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
IRS	159	4	13	9	20	10	9	10	10	46	8	12	8
LABR	17	0	4	0	1	3	1	0	2	1	1	4	0
LOC	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
MSHA	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
MSHR	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1
MSPB	6	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
NLRB	375	130	14	29	28	13	39	29	17	16	41	1	18
NRC	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
NTSB	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
OSHA	14	4	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	1	3
OSHC	19	0	0	0	0	0	7	2	2	1	0	0	7
OWCP	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
PRC	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
RRRB	3	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
SEC	19	6	2	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	1	3
SSA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
STB	20	7	1	1	3	0	1	2	0	0	5	0	0
TRAN	22	15	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	0	0
TREA	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TSA	13	8	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2

NOTE: This table does not include data for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Appeals previously reported under Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) are now

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CIVIL TABLES

Civil Table 1

Civil Cases Commenced, Terminated and Pending, in the District Courts, During the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2014 and 2015

	Filed			Terminated			Pending		
	Period Ended Dec. 31, 2014	Period Ended Dec. 31, 2015	Percent Change	Period Ended Dec. 31, 2014	Period Ended Dec. 31, 2015	Percent Change	Period Ended Dec. 31, 2014	Period Ended Dec. 31, 2015	Percent Change
<b>Total</b>	23,481	22,351	-4.8	25,993	24,673	-5.1	29,287	26,965	-7.9
<b>Illinois Northern</b>	10,983	12,381	12.7	9,601	10,113	5.3	11,686	13,954	19.4
<b>Illinois Central</b>	1,377	1,454	5.6	1,296	1,385	6.9	1,623	1,692	4.3
<b>Illinois Southern</b>	2,458	1,472	-40.1	7,805	5,496	-29.6	7,723	3,699	-52.1
<b>Indiana Northern</b>	3,114	1,651	-47.0	2,086	2,356	12.9	3,677	2,972	-19.2
<b>Indiana Southern</b>	2,909	2,908	0.0	2,739	2,964	8.2	2,507	2,451	-2.2
<b>Wisconsin Eastern</b>	1,693	1,614	-4.7	1,531	1,543	0.8	1,307	1,378	5.4
<b>Wisconsin Western</b>	947	871	-8.0	935	816	-12.7	764	819	7.2

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than 10 cases reported for the previous period.

<sup>2</sup> Revised

Civil Table 2

## Civil Cases Commenced by Nature of Suit and District During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

	Illinois			Indiana		Wisconsin		Total
	ND	CD	SD	ND	SD	ED	WD	
<b>Total Civil Cases</b>	<b>12,381</b>	<b>1,454</b>	<b>1,472</b>	<b>1,651</b>	<b>2,908</b>	<b>1,614</b>	<b>871</b>	<b>22,351</b>
<b>United States Cases</b>								
<b>Total U.S. Civil Cases</b>	<b>1,025</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>233</b>	<b>2,908</b>
Contract	145	6	2	5	7	1	1	167
Real Property	11	22	4	11	14	7	12	81
Tort Actions	51	1	18	7	11	7	5	100
Civil Rights	73	4	3	9	18	5	6	118
Forfeitures and Penalties	33	13	9	8	9	11	7	90
Labor Suits	16	3	0	3	2	4	1	29
Social Security	285	116	87	193	316	181	147	1,325
All Others	254	7	10	10	27	29	18	355
<b>Prisoner Petitions</b>								
Motion to Vacate Sentence	111	62	66	46	84	49	23	441
Habeas Corpus	21	2	43	0	14	2	11	93
Death Penalty	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Prison Cond.	4	3	9	0	14	0	0	33
Mandamus & Other	3	0	0	0	17	0	0	319
<b>Private Cases</b>								
<b>Total Private Cases</b>	<b>11,356</b>	<b>1,214</b>	<b>1,199</b>	<b>1,356</b>	<b>2,375</b>	<b>1,305</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>19,443</b>
Contract	874	82	87	153	228	96	57	1,577
Real Property	11	32	16	6	18	15	4	202
FELA	6	3	7	5	2	6	2	31
Marine Personal Injury	8	0	7	0	0	0	0	15
Motor Vehicle Personal Injury	78	14	38	30	49	6	3	218
Other Personal Injury	3,514	41	231	217	294	57	31	4,385
Other Tort Action	210	26	33	13	30	12	12	336
Civil Rights	1,339	207	91	369	494	194	88	2,782
Intellectual Property	795	16	5	25	38	39	43	961
Labor Suits	1,249	73	62	88	198	142	88	1,900
All Other	1,622	67	146	126	358	308	99	2,726
<b>Prisoner Petitions</b>								
Habeas Corpus	174	50	45	158	348	137	39	951
Death Penalty	0	0	1	1	3	0	1	6
Civil Rights & Prison Cond.	1,375	603	427	163	315	291	170	3,344
Mandamus & Other	1	0	3	2	0	2	1	9

1 FELA = Federal Employers Liability Act

**Civil Table 3**

**Civil Cases Terminated, by District and Action Taken, During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015**

District	Total	No Court Action	Total	Court Action					
				Without Trial		During or After Trial			
				Before Pretrial	During or After Pretrial	Total	Non Jury	Jury	Percent Reaching Trial
Illinois Northern	10,110	2,255	7,855	7,277	485	93	20	73	0.9
Illinois Central	1,385	528	857	806	15	36	3	33	2.6
Illinois Southern	5,496	2,194	3,302	3,250	15	37	2	35	0.7
Indiana Northern	2,356	179	2,177	1,684	474	19	6	13	0.8
Indiana Southern	2,964	356	2,608	1,821	767	20	6	14	0.7
Wisconsin Eastern	1,542	216	1,326	1,282	24	20	6	14	1.3
Wisconsin Western	816	203	613	315	278	20	4	16	2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,669</b>	<b>5,931</b>	<b>18,738</b>	<b>16,435</b>	<b>2,058</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>1.0</b>

Note: 174 Land Condemnation Cases Omitted

**Civil Table 4**

**Median Time Intervals from Filing to Disposition of Civil Cases Terminated, by District and Method of Disposition,  
During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015**

District	Total Cases		No Court		Court Action					
	Number of Cases	Median*	Action		Before Pretrial		During or After Pretrial		Trial	
			Number of Cases	Median*	Number of Cases	Median*	Number of Cases	Median*	Number of Cases	Median*
Illinois Northern	8,158	7.2	1,943	4.8	5,705	7.9	426	10.5	84	32.6
Illinois Central	759	10.5	320	7.1	416	12.4	13	18.2	10	30.1
Illinois Southern	5,045	22.2	2,158	18.7	2,870	31.3	8	0	9	0
Indiana Northern	2,002	16.7	153	3.0	1,376	17.7	454	16.8	19	36.1
Indiana Southern	2,102	9.0	298	3.8	1,044	8.0	743	11.4	17	26.9
Wisconsin Eastern	1,099	6.7	184	2.8	873	7.1	24	14.7	18	22.1
Wisconsin Western	638	7.8	155	3.6	238	7.6	231	10.8	14	18.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>19,803</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>5,211</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>12,522</b>	<b>12.6</b>	<b>1,899</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>28.5</b>

\* Median time intervals computed only if ten or more cases.

Excludes: land condemnation cases, prisoner petitions, deportation reviews, recovery of over payments and enforcement of judgments.

Civil Table 5

Civil Cases Pending, by District and Length of Time Pending, as of December 31, 2015

District	Total Cases Pending	Less Than 1 Year	1 to 2 years	2 to 3 Years	Three Years & Over	
					Number	Percent
Illinois Northern	13,954	8,507	2,981	993	1,473	10.6
Illinois Central	1,692	964	440	198	90	5.3
Illinois Southern	3,699	1,017	670	527	1,485	40.1
Indiana Northern	2,972	1,180	1,227	411	154	5.2
Indiana Southern	2,451	1,812	482	118	39	1.6
Wisconsin Eastern	1,378	939	278	109	52	3.8
Wisconsin Western	819	581	186	37	15	1.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>26,965</b>	<b>15,000</b>	<b>6,264</b>	<b>2,393</b>	<b>3,308</b>	<b>12.3</b>

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**Criminal Table 1**

**Criminal Cases Commenced, Terminated and Pending (Including Transfers) During the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2014 and 2015**

District	Filed			Terminated			Pending <sup>2</sup>		
	2014	2015	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	2014	2015	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	2014	2015	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>
Illinois Northern	442	456	3.2	567	497	-12.3	1,159	1,119	-3.5
Illinois Central	280	252	-10.0	333	271	-18.6	284	268	-5.6
Illinois Southern	286	250	-12.6	281	309	10.0	281	226	-19.6
Indiana Northern	239	275	15.1	312	225	-27.9	302	352	16.6
Indiana Southern	288	245	-14.9	247	278	12.6	297	261	-12.1
Wisconsin Eastern	227	230	1.3	229	187	-18.3	248	284	14.5
Wisconsin Western	117	153	11.1	145	117	-19.3	173	192	11.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,879</b>	<b>1,838</b>	<b>-2.2</b>	<b>2,114</b>	<b>1,884</b>	<b>-10.9</b>	<b>2,744</b>	<b>2,702</b>	<b>-1.5</b>

NOTE: This table includes defendants in all cases filed as felonies or Class A misdemeanors, but includes only those defendants in cases filed as petty offenses that were assigned to district judges rather than magistrate judges.

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than 10 defendants reported for the previous period.

<sup>2</sup> Pending totals exclude defendants who had been fugitives more than 12 months before the end of the period indicated.

**Criminal Table 2**

**Criminal Cases Commenced, Terminated and Pending (Including Transfers) During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015**

District	Not Terminated as of December 31, 2014 <sup>1</sup>				Commenced						
	Total	Felony	Class A Misdemeanor	Petty Offense	Total Com-menced	Total	Felony	Class A Misdemeanor	Petty Offense	Re-Open <sup>2</sup>	Trans-fers
Illinois Northern	1,780	1,757	23	0	712	706	693	13	0	1	5
Illinois Central	390	367	23	0	282	279	241	38	0	2	1
Illinois Southern	386	381	3	2	350	344	340	4	0	4	2
Indiana Northern	427	423	4	0	354	353	347	5	1	1	0
Indiana Southern	463	461	0	2	463	460	459	1	0	2	1
Wisconsin Eastern	435	427	8	0	376	361	357	4	0	15	0
Wisconsin Western	199	195	4	0	153	147	141	6	0	6	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>4,080</b>	<b>4,011</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2,690</b>	<b>2,650</b>	<b>2,578</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>9</b>

District	Terminated						Not Terminated as of December 31, 2015 <sup>1</sup>				
	Total Termi-nated	Total	Felony	Class A Misdemeanor	Petty Offense	Re-Open <sup>2</sup>	Trans-fers	Total	Felony	Class A Misdemeanor	Petty Offense
Illinois Northern	714	712	691	21	0	1	1	1,783	1,762	21	0
Illinois Central	354	352	316	36	0	0	2	321	296	25	0
Illinois Southern	405	402	399	3	0	3	0	334	326	6	2
Indiana Northern	285	283	279	3	1	0	2	495	489	6	0
Indiana Southern	414	407	404	2	1	3	4	506	506	0	0
Wisconsin Eastern	287	275	267	8	0	8	4	511	505	6	0
Wisconsin Western	130	129	122	7	0	1	0	228	224	4	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,589</b>	<b>2,560</b>	<b>2,478</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4,178</b>	<b>4,108</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>2</b>

NOTE: This table includes defendants in all cases filed as felonies or Class A misdemeanors, but includes only those defendants in cases filed as petty offenses that were assigned to district judges rather than magistrate judges.

<sup>1</sup> Excludes defendants who had been fugitives more than 12 months before the end of the period indicated.

<sup>2</sup> Includes appeals from magistrate judges, reopens, remands, and retrials after mistrial.

**Criminal Table 3**

U.S. District Courts-- Criminal Defendants Commenced, by Major Offense and District (Excludes Transfers), During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015

District	Total	Violent Offenses				Property Offenses				
		Homicide	Robbery	Assault	Other	Burglary Larceny, and Theft	Embezzlement	Fraud	Forgery & Counterfeiting	Other
<b>Total</b>	2,681	2	76	26	65	94	29	513	11	4
<b>Illinois Northern</b>	707	1	46	8	9	39	12	237	6	1
<b>Illinois Central</b>	281	0	3	3	4	10	2	43	0	0
<b>Illinois Southern</b>	348	0	9	3	4	5	2	50	1	0
<b>Indiana Northern</b>	354	1	6	1	16	13	3	38	1	0
<b>Indiana Southern</b>	462	0	5	1	11	16	4	82	2	2
<b>Wisconsin Eastern</b>	376	0	6	10	19	7	2	46	1	1
<b>Wisconsin Western</b>	153	0	1	0	2	4	4	17	0	0

District	Drug Offenses		Firearms & Explosives Offenses	Sex Offenses	Justice System Offenses	Immigration Offenses		General Offenses	Regulatory Offenses	Traffic Offenses
	Marijuana	All Other Other Drugs				Improper Reentry by Alien	Other			
<b>Total</b>	41	831	535	175	31	95	1	76	41	35
<b>Illinois Northern</b>	0	174	60	16	8	38	0	37	15	0
<b>Illinois Central</b>	8	70	55	25	0	16	0	6	1	35
<b>Illinois Southern</b>	5	147	62	23	7	14	0	5	11	0
<b>Indiana Northern</b>	1	92	139	21	8	5	1	5	3	0
<b>Indiana Southern</b>	17	172	82	39	5	10	0	11	3	0
<b>Wisconsin Eastern</b>	3	131	96	35	0	7	0	7	5	0
<b>Wisconsin Western</b>	7	45	41	16	3	5	0	5	3	0

NOTE: This table includes all felony and class A misdemeanor cases, but includes only those petty offense cases that have been assigned to district judges rather than magistrate judges.

**Criminal Table 4**

**Median Time Intervals from Commencement to Termination for Criminal Defendants Disposed of, by District, During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015**

District	Total		Dismissed		Plea of Guilty		Bench Trial		Jury Trial	
	Number	Median * Months	Number	Median * Months	Number	Median * Months	Number	Median * Months	Number	Median * Months
Illinois Northern	713	19.1	38	42.2	604	17.5	7	0.0	64	24.1
Illinois Central	352	11.6	19	4.9	323	11.4	3	0.0	7	0.0
Illinois Southern	405	10.0	20	8.4	377	10.0	1	0.0	7	0.0
Indiana Northern	283	10.6	26	17.4	249	10.4	0	0.0	8	0.0
Indiana Southern	410	12.7	22	20.2	376	12.3	3	0.0	9	0.0
Wisconsin Eastern	283	8.3	15	6.0	262	8.3	0	0.0	6	0.0
Wisconsin Western	130	6.4	12	11.9	112	6.0	0	0.0	6	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,576</b>	<b>12.0</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>15.3</b>	<b>2,303</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>21.3</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>23.1</b>

NOTE: This table includes defendants in all cases filed as felonies or Class A misdemeanors, but includes only those defendants in cases filed as petty offenses that were assigned to district judges rather than magistrate judges. Median computed only for 10 or more defendants. Beginning in March 2012, the median time interval is computed from the proceeding date for a defendant (e.g., the date an indictment or information was filed) to the date on which the defendant was found not guilty or was sentenced. Previously, the median time interval was computed beginning with the defendant's filing date. Therefore, data for March 2012 and thereafter are not comparable to data for previous periods.

SEVENTH CIRCUIT  
DISTRICT COURTS COMBINED  
CIVIL & CRIMINAL TABLES

**Civil / Criminal Table 1**

**Weighted and Unweighted Filings per Authorized Judgeship During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015**

District	Judgeships	Weighted Filings Per Judgeship				Unweighted Filings Per Judgeship			
		Civil	Criminal	Supervised Release Hearings	Total	Civil	Criminal	Supervised Release Hearings	Total
Illinois Northern	22	394	32	9.3	436	479	30	1.3	510
Illinois Central	4	353	70	36.0	459	325	62	5.4	392
Illinois Southern	4	354	87	41.3	482	301	86	5.9	392
Indiana Northern	5	313	71	17.4	401	338	74	2.8	415
Indiana Southern	5	564	92	7.4	664	571	92	1.2	665
Wisconsin Eastern	5	313	72	39.2	424	310	76	5.6	391
Wisconsin Western	2	417	74	32.0	522	434	73	4.7	511
<b>Total</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>2,708</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>182.6</b>	<b>3,388</b>	<b>2,758</b>	<b>493</b>	<b>26.9</b>	<b>3,276</b>

**Note:** Case weights are based on the 2003-2004 district court case weighting study conducted by the Federal Judicial Center. Data for the territorial courts are not included. This table excludes civil cases arising by reopening, remand, or transfer to the district by the order of the Judicial Panel on Multidistrict Litigation. This table includes defendants in all criminal cases filed as felonies or Class A misdemeanors, but includes only those defendants in criminal cases filed as petty offenses that were assigned to district judges rather than magistrate judges. Remands and reopens for criminal defendants are excluded. This table includes trials conducted by district and appellate judges only; all trials conducted by magistrate judges are excluded. Sentencing hearings are excluded. Due to rounding, subtotals may not equal totals.

**Civil / Criminal Table 2**

**Civil and Criminal Trials Completed, by District, During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015**

District	Total All Trials	Civil			Criminal		
		Total	Non Jury	Jury	Total	Non Jury	Jury
Illinois Northern	237	135	59	76	102	56	46
Illinois Central	139	55	25	30	84	76	8
Illinois Southern	74	28	11	17	46	39	7
Indiana Northern	79	22	11	11	57	45	12
Indiana Southern	102	55	47	8	47	38	9
Wisconsin Eastern	47	29	14	15	18	16	2
Wisconsin Western	53	38	24	14	15	9	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>731</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>369</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>90</b>

NOTE: Includes trials conducted by district and appellate judges only. All trials conducted by magistrates are excluded. Includes land condemnation trials, hearings on temporary restraining orders and preliminary injunctions, hearings on contested motions and other contested proceedings in which evidence is introduced.

**SEVENTH CIRCUIT  
BANKRUPTCY COURTS TABLES**

### Bankruptcy Table 1

#### Bankruptcy Petitions Commenced, Terminated and Pending During the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2014 and 2015

District	Filed			Terminated			Pending		
	2014	2015	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	2014	2015	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>	2014 <sup>2</sup>	2015	Percent Change <sup>1</sup>
Illinois Northern	51,274	48,161	-6.1	51,243	48,658	-5.0	57,639	57,142	-0.9
Illinois Central	6,018	5,227	-13.1	7,024	6,027	-14.2	6,769	5,969	-11.8
Illinois Southern	4,215	3,937	-6.6	5,257	4,378	-16.7	6,489	6,048	-6.8
Indiana Northern	11,649	10,827	-7.1	13,533	11,730	-13.3	14,803	13,900	-6.1
Indiana Southern	17,586	15,773	-10.3	21,845	19,281	-11.7	28,656	25,147	-12.2
Wisconsin Eastern	15,597	14,092	-9.6	16,632	15,175	-8.8	17,273	16,190	-6.3
Wisconsin Western	5,479	4,701	-14.2	5,910	5,329	-9.8	5,020	4,392	-12.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>111,818</b>	<b>102,718</b>	<b>-8.1</b>	<b>121,444</b>	<b>110,578</b>	<b>-8.9</b>	<b>136,649</b>	<b>128,788</b>	<b>-5.8</b>

Note: Due to differences among districts in reporting intra-district transfers, the total provided above for cases pending on December 31, 2015 may not equal the number obtained by adding totals for cases pending at the end of the prior period plus cases filed during the current period, then subtracting cases terminated during the current period.

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than 10 cases reported for the previous period.

<sup>2</sup> Revised.

## Bankruptcy Table 2

**Adversary Proceedings Commenced, Terminated and Pending During the Twelve Month Period  
Ended December 31, 2015**

District	Pending 1/1/2015 <sup>1</sup>	Filed 2015	Terminated 2015	Pending 12/31/15
Illinois Northern	786	1,009	1,038	757
Illinois Central	149	184	191	142
Illinois Southern	61	173	190	44
Indiana Northern	336	390	431	295
Indiana Southern	444	479	456	467
Wisconsin Eastern	417	608	691	334
Wisconsin Western	84	179	136	127
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,277</b>	<b>3,022</b>	<b>3,133</b>	<b>2,166</b>

<sup>1</sup> Percent change not computed when fewer than 10 cases reported for the previous period.

<sup>2</sup> Revised

**Bankruptcy Table 3**

**Business and Nonbusiness Bankruptcy Cases Commenced, by Chapter of the Bankruptcy Code, During the Twelve Month Periods Ended December 31, 2014 and 2015**

District	2014 Total Filings	2015 Total Filings	Percent Of Change	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
				Chap 7	Chap 7	Chap 11	Chap 11	Chap 12	Chap 12	Chap 13	Chap 13
Illinois Northern	51,274	48,161	-6.1	31,670	27,537	217	330	1	3	19,386	20,290
Illinois Central	6,018	5,227	-13.1	4,880	4,208	26	9	1	2	1,111	1,008
Illinois Southern	4,215	3,937	-6.6	2,672	2,527	17	10	0	6	1,526	1,394
Indiana Northern	11,649	10,827	-7.1	8,837	7,938	23	31	2	8	2,787	2,850
Indiana Southern	17,586	15,773	-10.3	12,129	10,769	75	36	5	5	5,377	4,963
Wisconsin Eastern	15,597	14,092	-9.6	11,264	9,823	26	24	8	6	4,299	4,239
Wisconsin Western	5,479	4,701	-14.2	4,614	3,906	27	18	14	16	824	761
<b>Total</b>	<b>111,818</b>	<b>102,718</b>	<b>-8.1</b>	<b>76,066</b>	<b>66,708</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>35,310</b>	<b>35,505</b>

District	Total Business Filings	Chap	Chap	Chap	Chap
		7	11	12	13
Illinois Northern	1,058	673	309	3	72
Illinois Central	107	80	9	2	16
Illinois Southern	77	52	10	6	9
Indiana Northern	138	94	25	8	11
Indiana Southern	260	204	36	5	15
Wisconsin Eastern	211	160	21	6	24
Wisconsin Western	164	107	15	16	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,015</b>	<b>1,370</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>173</b>

Note: These figures include the following cases are not reflected elsewhere:

Chapter 9		Chapter 15	
KY, W	1	ME	1
CA, E	1	NY, S	46
OK, N	1	DE	22
OK, E	1	SC	1
		TX, S	5
		TX, W	6
		MI, E	1
		IL, N	1
		CA, C	1
		WA, W	1
		CO	2
		WY	2
		FL, M	1
		FL, S	1

District	Total Non-Business Filings	CHAP	CHAP	CHAP
		7	11	13
Illinois Northern	47,103	26,864	21	20,218
Illinois Central	5,120	4,128	0	992
Illinois Southern	3,860	2,475	0	1,385
Indiana Northern	10,689	7,844	6	2,839
Indiana Southern	15,513	10,565	0	4,948
Wisconsin Eastern	13,881	9,663	3	4,215
Wisconsin Western	4,537	3,799	3	735
<b>Total</b>	<b>100,703</b>	<b>65,338</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>35,332</b>

SEVENTH CIRCUIT  
PROBATION OFFICE TABLES

**Probation Table 1**

**People Received for Supervision During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015**

District	Persons Under Supervision 01/01/15	Total Received	Total Less Transfers	Probation <sup>1</sup>	Term Of Supervised Release	Parole <sup>2</sup>	BOP Custody <sup>3</sup>	Received By Transfer
Illinois Northern	2,517	1,071	1,029	116	908	5	0	42
Illinois Central	776	449	424	19	405	1	0	25
Illinois Southern	822	484	463	36	422	2	3	21
Indiana Northern	798	397	373	53	317	2	1	24
Indiana Southern	701	384	374	46	324	4	0	10
Wisconsin Eastern	1,173	547	512	61	447	4	0	35
Wisconsin Western	372	176	167	13	150	4	0	9
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,159</b>	<b>3,508</b>	<b>3,342</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>2,973</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>166</b>

**People Removed from Supervision During the Twelve Month Period Ended December 31, 2015**

District	Total Removed	Less Transfers	Probation <sup>1</sup>	Term Of Supervised Release	Parole <sup>2</sup>	BOP Custody <sup>3</sup>	Removed By Transfer	Persons Under Supervision 12/31/15
Illinois Northern	956	908	134	770	4	2	55	2,634
Illinois Central	311	288	12	274	2	0	17	914
Illinois Southern	356	335	38	297	0	0	25	949
Indiana Northern	461	443	69	366	6	2	12	733
Indiana Southern	315	297	59	235	3	0	18	771
Wisconsin Eastern	549	518	79	432	7	0	31	1,163
Wisconsin Western	165	158	23	134	1	0	13	382
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,113</b>	<b>2,887</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>2,508</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>171</b>	<b>7,546</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes judge and magistrate probation.

<sup>2</sup> Includes parole, special parole, mandatory release, and military parole

<sup>3</sup> BOP = Bureau of Prisons