Table B-4.

U.S. Courts of Appeals—Median Time Intervals in Months for Merit Terminations of Appeals, by Circuit, During the 12-Month Period Ending September 30, 2011

Circuit	Total Cases	From Filing of Notice of Appeal to Filing of Last Brief [1]		From Filing of Last Brief to Hearing or Submission [2]		From Hearing to Final Disposition		From Submission to Final Disposition		From Filing of Notice of Appeal to Final Disposition [1]		From Filing in Lower Court to Final Disposition in Appellate Court [1]	
		Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval	Cases	Interval
TOTAL	30,290	19,070	6.2	19,070	4.4	7,601	2.2	22,689	0.6	30,290	11.0	22,288	29.3
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	546	293	7.7	293	2.6	237	2.8	309	0.8	546	10.3	400	28.8
FIRST	819	566	6.8	566	2.7	279	3.5	540	1.4	819	11.5	659	34.7
SECOND	2,634	1,487	8.1	1,487	3.0	787	0.5	1,847	0.3	2,634	12.1	1,641	35.0
THIRD	2,484	1,568	6.1	1,568	2.7	320	2.9	2,164	1.1	2,484	9.7	1,796	30.9
FOURTH	3,177	1,257	5.3	1,257	4.6	374	2.5	2,803	0.4	3,177	8.2	2,735	25.7
FIFTH	3,881	2,362	5.5	2,362	4.1	1,013	1.2	2,868	0.7	3,881	10.2	3,270	24.1
SIXTH	2,775	1,832	6.0	1,832	9.0	744	2.1	2,031	0.9	2,775	15.3	2,178	35.8
SEVENTH	1,396	978	5.5	978	2.0	712	3.4	684	0.2	1,396	9.6	1,169	30.2
EIGHTH	1,848	989	3.6	989	3.7	505	3.6	1,343	0.2	1,848	6.9	1,513	23.7
NINTH	6,517	4,860	8.7	4,860	8.2	1,800	1.5	4,717	0.3	6,517	17.4	3,607	36.0
TENTH	1,207	863	4.9	863	2.3	354	3.2	853	1.5	1,207	9.0	1,032	26.9
ELEVENTH	3,006	2,015	4.6	2,015	2.7	476	2.2	2,530	1.0	3,006	8.6	2,288	25.2

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

[1] Beginning in 2011, this category includes appeals of administrative agency decisions and original proceedings, for which the median time interval commences with the docket date. Previously, this category excluded administrative agency appeals and original proceedings, so data for years prior to 2011 are not comparable to data for 2011 and thereafter

[2] Original proceedings are not included in this interval.