

Judges' Affirmance Rates Over Four Periods

Judge	Pos. ¹	FY 2010, 2011, 2012			FY 2011, 2012, 2013			FY 2012, 2013, 2014			FY 2013, 2014, 2015		
		No. ²	Percent ³	Dev. ⁴	No.	Percent	Dev.	No.	Percent	Dev.	No.	Percent	Dev.
District of Delaware													
Stark, Leonard P.	DJ	24	100.00	13.95	42	97.62	11.70	57	96.49	9.76	57	87.72	2.01
Robinson, Sue L.	DJ	86	88.37	2.32	64	85.94	0.02	54	81.48	-5.25	56	82.14	-3.57
Sleet, Gregory M.	DJ	58	86.21	0.16	55	83.64	-2.28	33	84.85	-1.88	37	83.78	-1.93
Andrews, Richard G.	DJ	3	---	---	10	90.00	4.08	27	92.59	5.86	65	91.89	6.18
Farnan, Jr., Joseph J.	FDJ	52	82.69	-3.36	18	66.67	-19.25	6	---	---	2	---	---
District of New Jersey													
Simandle, Jerome B.	DJ	80	92.50	6.45	67	91.04	5.12	51	88.23	1.50	51	88.23	2.52
Linares, Jose L.	DJ	78	93.59	7.54	79	89.87	3.95	61	85.24	-1.49	54	85.18	-0.53
Kugler, Robert B.	DJ	90	92.22	6.17	79	92.41	6.49	59	93.22	6.49	41	95.12	9.41
Wolfson, Freda L.	DJ	55	95.54	9.49	57	92.98	7.06	49	91.84	5.11	40	85.00	-0.71
Bumb, Renee Marie	DJ	53	92.45	6.40	49	93.88	7.96	43	86.05	-0.68	58	84.48	-1.23
Hillman, Noel L.	DJ	59	79.66	-6.39	66	83.33	-2.59	52	94.23	7.50	52	90.38	4.67
Sheridan, Peter G.	DJ	60	86.67	0.62	60	86.67	0.75	53	90.57	3.84	39	87.18	1.47
Wigenton, Susan D.	DJ	58	96.55	10.50	56	91.07	5.15	62	85.48	-1.25	62	77.42	-8.29

¹ Position, as of December 31, 2015. DJ=District Judge; SDJ=Senior District Judge; FDJ=Former District or Senior District Judge; MJ=Magistrate Judge. MJ/DJ denotes judges who were elevated to district judge between 2010 and 2015. Appeals include cases decided as a Magistrate Judge.

² The number of appeals from the judge's orders or judgments across the three-year period. Appeals are defined on the basis of a unique Court of Appeals docket number. A single Court of Appeals opinion can dispose of multiple appeals (e.g., cross appeals, consolidated appeals, amended appeals).

³ The percent of appeals in which the judgment or order was affirmed or in which the appeal was dismissed.

⁴ Deviation from the mean percent affirmed across all judges and all appeals in the three-year period. The mean percent was subtracted from the judge's percent (prior column) so that positive numbers show a judge's percent was larger than the mean for that period. Percentages that were consistently above the mean across all four periods are shown in red; those consistently below the mean are shown in blue.

⁵ Information on percent is omitted if the data from available Court of Appeals opinions and orders showed fewer than 10 appeals over the three-year period. Several judges are not listed in this table because they had fewer than 10 appeals in each of the four periods.

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District of New Jersey													
Cecchi, Claire C.	MJ/DJ	1	---	---	3	---	---	6	---	---	11	100.00	14.29
Salas, Esther	DJ	3	---	---	9	---	---	16	93.75	7.02	20	95.00	9.29
McNulty, Kevin	DJ	0	---	---	3	---	---	10	90.00	3.27	20	95.00	9.29
Shipp, Michael A.	MJ/DJ	1	---	---	6	---	---	12	83.33	-3.40	21	85.71	0.00
Thompson, Anne E.	SDJ	79	89.87	3.82	66	80.30	-5.62	49	81.63	-5.10	51	80.39	-5.32
Rodriguez, Joseph H.	SDJ	27	70.37	-15.68	33	81.82	-4.10	29	86.21	-0.52	19	89.47	3.76
Cooper, Mary L.	SDJ	42	95.24	9.19	35	94.29	8.37	29	96.55	9.82	24	95.83	10.12
Walls, William H.	SDJ	30	93.30	7.25	26	88.46	2.54	19	94.74	8.01	15	86.67	0.96
Hayden, Katharine S.	SDJ	50	72.00	-14.05	47	76.60	-9.32	34	76.47	-10.26	25	88.00	2.29
Martini, William J.	SDJ	57	77.19	-8.86	50	82.00	-3.92	49	81.63	-5.10	37	86.49	0.78
Chesler, Stanley R.	SDJ	72	91.67	5.62	72	86.11	0.19	65	86.15	-0.58	50	82.00	-3.71
Debevoise, Dickinson R.	FDJ	37	94.59	8.54	31	93.55	7.63	26	84.61	-2.12	25	80.00	-5.71
Brown, Jr., Garrett E.	FDJ	78	73.08	-12.97	64	68.75	-17.17	37	59.46	-27.27	9	---	---
Irenas, Joseph E.	FDJ	43	86.05	0.00	48	85.42	-0.50	44	86.36	-0.37	32	90.62	4.91
Greenaway, Joseph A.	FDJ	30	93.33	7.28	7	---	---	1	---	---	0	---	---
Hochberg, Faith S.	FDJ	42	90.48	4.43	32	84.37	-1.55	39	82.05	-4.68	34	82.35	-3.36
Pisano, Joel A.	FDJ	60	80.00	-6.05	66	74.24	-11.68	56	71.43	-15.30	47	68.08	-17.63
Cavanaugh, Dennis M.	FDJ	71	78.87	-7.18	71	77.46	-8.46	60	73.33	-13.40	41	70.73	-14.98
Eastern District of PA													
Tucker, Petrese B.	DJ	55	80.00	-6.05	61	83.61	-2.31	51	80.39	-6.34	41	82.93	-2.78
Davis, Legrome D.	DJ	48	87.50	1.45	54	90.74	4.82	53	94.34	7.61	60	86.67	0.96

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Eastern District of PA													
Rufe, Cynthia M.	DJ	36	86.11	0.06	46	91.30	5.38	47	89.36	2.63	46	91.30	5.59
Savage, Timothy J.	DJ	50	76.00	-10.05	45	77.78	-8.14	37	89.19	2.46	21	90.48	4.77
Gardner, James Knoll	DJ	44	86.36	0.31	45	86.67	0.75	41	85.36	-1.37	36	80.55	-5.16
Pratter, Gene E.K.	DJ	53	86.79	0.74	47	82.98	-2.94	49	87.75	1.02	42	85.71	0.00
Stengel, Lawrence F.	DJ	64	84.38	-1.67	65	87.69	1.77	66	86.36	-0.37	63	88.89	3.18
Diamond, Paul S.	DJ	52	92.31	6.26	59	93.22	7.30	51	94.12	7.39	46	93.48	7.77
Sánchez, Juan R.	DJ	76	75.00	-11.05	102	73.53	-12.39	101	73.27	-13.46	87	78.16	-7.55
Slomsky, Joel H.	DJ	22	86.36	0.31	29	89.66	3.74	38	86.84	0.11	37	81.08	-4.63
Jones, II, C. Darnell	DJ	22	72.73	-13.32	29	89.66	3.74	32	87.50	0.77	41	87.80	2.09
Goldberg, Mitchell S.	DJ	20	95.00	8.95	36	88.89	2.97	40	85.00	-1.73	41	87.80	2.09
Quiñones Alejandro, Nitza I.	DJ	0	---	---	0	---	---	1	---	---	10	90.00	4.29
Ditter, Jr., J. William	SDJ	16	100.00	13.95	11	90.91	4.99	14	85.71	-1.02	11	81.82	-3.89
Shapiro, Norma L.	SDJ	18	77.78	-8.27	13	84.62	-1.30	10	100.00	13.27	13	100.00	14.29
O'Neill, Jr., Thomas N.	SDJ	21	90.48	4.43	16	93.75	7.83	20	95.00	8.27	24	91.67	5.96
Ludwig, Edmund V.	SDJ	17	94.12	8.07	18	88.89	2.97	18	72.22	-14.51	15	66.67	-19.04
Kelly, Robert F.	SDJ	30	90.00	3.95	26	88.46	2.54	19	84.21	-2.52	17	94.12	8.41
DuBois, Jan E.	SDJ	47	87.23	1.18	39	79.49	-6.43	27	74.07	-12.66	27	77.78	-7.93
Buckwalter, Ronald L.	SDJ	26	80.77	-5.28	27	77.78	-8.14	23	86.96	0.23	24	91.67	5.96
Bartle, III, Harvey	SDJ	51	94.12	8.07	55	89.09	3.17	68	94.12	7.39	73	94.52	8.81
Dalzell, Stewart	SDJ	73	95.89	9.84	61	98.36	12.44	54	92.59	5.86	48	79.17	-6.54
Yohn, Jr., William H.	SDJ	26	96.15	10.10	23	95.65	9.73	19	94.74	8.01	21	85.71	0.00

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Padova, John R.	SDJ	35	91.43	5.38	32	93.75	7.83	29	89.65	2.92	18	88.89	3.18
Joyner, J. Curtis	SDJ	66	89.39	3.34	59	81.36	-4.56	50	82.00	-4.73	40	70.00	-15.71
Robreno, Eduardo C.	SDJ	81	87.65	1.60	89	87.64	1.72	86	88.37	1.64	80	86.25	0.54
Brody, Anita B.	SDJ	36	69.44	-16.61	34	61.76	-24.16	35	65.71	-21.02	25	68.00	-17.71
McLaughlin, Mary A.	SDJ	59	93.22	7.17	73	94.52	8.60	66	93.94	7.21	50	94.00	8.29
Schiller, Berle M.	SDJ	48	95.83	9.78	45	88.89	2.97	41	85.36	-1.37	34	73.53	-12.18
Surrick, R. Barclay	SDJ	51	80.39	-5.66	50	78.00	-7.92	47	76.59	-10.14	37	83.78	-1.93
Baylson, Michael M.	SDJ	58	84.48	-1.57	63	84.13	-1.79	58	87.93	1.20	54	87.04	1.33
Fullam, John P.	FDJ	50	72.00	-14.05	23	56.52	-29.40	11	63.64	-23.09	2	---	---
Pollak, Louis H.	FDJ	16	81.25	-4.80	12	75.00	-10.92	5	---	---	0	---	---
Giles, James Tyrone	FDJ	22	86.36	0.31	5	---	---	1	---	---	0	---	---
Golden, Thomas M.	FDJ	16	75.00	-11.05	4	---	---	0	---	---	0	---	---
Middle District of PA													
Conner, Christopher C.	DJ	103	95.15	9.10	108	93.52	7.60	92	92.39	5.66	86	89.53	3.82
Kane, Yvette	DJ	88	92.04	5.99	90	91.11	5.19	75	90.67	3.94	67	91.04	5.33
Jones, III, John E.	DJ	116	75.00	-11.05	115	77.39	-8.53	82	86.58	-0.15	71	85.91	0.20
Mariani, Robert D.	DJ	3	---	---	20	80.00	-5.92	36	83.33	-3.40	47	85.11	-0.60
Mannion, Malachy E.	MJ/DJ	3	---	---	5	---	---	14	100.00	13.27	32	90.62	4.91
Brann, Matthew W.	DJ	0	---	---	1	---	---	16	68.75	-17.98	33	78.79	-6.92
Nealon, Jr., William J.	SDJ	32	96.88	10.83	31	87.10	1.18	26	84.61	-2.12	27	85.18	-0.53
Conaboy, Richard P.	SDJ	46	86.96	0.91	53	86.79	0.87	38	89.47	2.74	34	88.23	2.52

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Rambo, Sylvia H.	SDJ	121	90.08	4.03	100	92.00	6.08	85	83.53	-3.20	86	83.72	-1.99
Caldwell, William W.	SDJ	93	88.17	2.12	86	95.35	9.43	85	95.29	8.56	71	97.18	11.47
Kosik, Edwin M.	SDJ	43	93.02	6.97	39	92.31	6.39	33	90.91	4.18	34	91.18	5.47
Caputo, A. Richard	SDJ	96	81.25	-4.80	116	82.76	-3.16	103	88.35	1.62	82	78.05	-7.66
Munley, James M.	SDJ	62	85.48	-0.57	66	84.85	-1.07	55	83.64	-3.09	45	84.44	-1.27
Muir, Malcolm	FDJ	33	84.85	-1.20	20	85.00	-0.92	9	---	---	1	---	---
McClure, Jr., James F.	FDJ	33	90.91	4.86	16	93.75	7.83	0	---	---	0	---	---
Vanaskie, Thomas I.	FDJ	47	93.62	7.57	36	88.89	2.97	11	81.82	-4.91	7	---	---
Western District of PA													
Conti, Joy Flowers	DJ	65	86.15	0.10	50	82.00	-3.92	47	85.11	-1.62	54	85.18	-0.53
Cercone, David Stewart	DJ	54	75.93	-10.12	45	84.44	-1.48	37	75.67	-11.06	34	82.35	-3.36
Schwab, Arthur J.	DJ	64	71.88	-14.17	57	70.18	-15.74	63	73.01	-13.72	62	75.81	-9.90
Gibson, Kim R.	DJ	122	81.15	-4.90	116	83.62	-2.30	90	86.67	-0.06	91	85.71	0.00
Fischer, Nora Barry	DJ	53	92.45	6.40	42	92.86	6.94	32	93.75	7.02	34	88.23	2.52
Bissoon, Cathy	MJ/DJ	8	---	---	17	94.12	8.20	28	96.43	9.70	39	92.31	6.60
Hornak, Mark R.	DJ	0	---	---	4	---	---	15	100.00	13.27	22	95.45	9.74
Cohill, Jr., Maurice B.	SDJ	41	90.24	4.19	28	82.14	-3.78	26	76.92	-9.81	32	81.25	-4.46
Diamond, Gustave	SDJ	34	94.12	8.07	28	96.43	10.51	21	100.00	13.27	12	100.00	14.29
Bloch, Alan N.	SDJ	38	84.20	-1.85	36	86.11	0.19	28	85.71	-1.02	28	89.28	3.57
Ambrose, Donetta W.	SDJ	52	88.46	2.41	49	95.92	10.00	34	94.12	7.39	27	92.59	6.88
McVerry, Terrence F.	SDJ	57	75.44	-10.61	56	87.50	1.58	58	89.65	2.92	51	92.16	6.45

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Western District of PA													
Standish, William L.	FDJ	12	91.67	5.62	10	90.00	4.08	6	---	---	1	---	---
Lancaster, Gary L.	FDJ	62	82.26	-3.79	52	82.69	-3.23	34	73.53	-13.20	14	78.57	-7.14
McLaughlin, Sean J.	FDJ	61	91.80	5.75	55	92.73	6.81	49	89.79	3.06	35	88.57	2.86
Kelly, Maureen	MJ	7	---	---	12	100.00	14.08	16	100.00	13.27	10	100.00	14.29
Baxter, Susan Paradise	MJ	18	88.89	2.84	20	90.00	4.08	14	92.86	6.13	7	---	---
Eddy, Cynthia R.	MJ	0	---	---	6	---	---	9	---	---	13	84.61	-1.10
Lenihan, Lisa P.	MJ	11	63.64	-22.41	11	81.82	-4.10	12	100.00	13.27	16	87.50	1.79
Mitchell, Robert C.	MJ	13	84.62	-1.43	14	85.71	-0.21	10	70.00	-16.73	9	---	---
District of the Virgin Islands													
Lewis, Wilma A.	DJ	1	---	---	2	---	---	8	---	---	10	80.00	-5.71
Gomez, Curtis V.	DJ	65	76.92	-9.13	52	73.08	-12.84	56	73.21	-13.52	56	75.00	-10.71
Finch, Raymond L.	SDJ	24	87.50	1.45	20	95.00	9.08	17	100.00	13.27	10	100.00	14.29