

## Months to Final Decision Third Circuit – FY 2017

	Number of cases	Months between docketing and disposition <sup>1</sup>		
		First quartile	Median	Third quartile
<b>All Cases/Appeals in sample<sup>2</sup></b>	1850	8.33	14.20	34.06
<b>Original Proceedings</b>	82	1.45	2.02	3.02
<b>Appeals from Administrative Agencies</b>	106	7.72	9.73	13.29
<b>Appeals from District Courts:</b>				
Criminal Cases	244	8.34	12.29	16.95
Prisoner Petitions (PP)	209	4.14	7.49	17.03
PP-Habeas	94	4.19	10.44	21.79
PP-Other	115	4.03	6.74	10.60
Bankruptcy Appeals	46	9.11	12.48	17.05
Other Civil Actions <sup>3</sup>	1163	10.80	21.63	34.13
Civil Rights-Employment	89	8.48	10.36	13.25
Civil Rights-Other	205	7.10	10.09	13.25
Labor	31	8.37	12.16	16.24
Social Security	18	8.10	8.76	11.65
Other Statutory Actions	156	10.77	17.19	21.63
Contract- Insurance	21	10.16	11.54	16.96
Contract- Other	53	9.50	11.77	16.31
Torts <sup>4</sup>	583	34.06	34.13	34.19

<sup>1</sup> First quartile figures are the number of months by which 25% of cases were decided; the median shows the number of months by which 50% of cases were decided; third quartile figures are the number of months by which 75% of cases were decided.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected from 1,170 opinions and judgment orders issued between October 1, 2016 and September 30, 2017 and available through the Third Circuit's website. Where opinions disposed of several appeals (as shown by unique docket numbers), each appeal was treated as a separate case. The data do not include all cases terminated in FY 2017.

<sup>3</sup> The breakdown that follows excludes 7 Real Property cases.

<sup>4</sup> This category contains 516 cases that were resolved in a single published opinion (*In re Fosamax*, 852 F.3d 268 (3d Cir. 2017)). When these 516 cases are removed, table entries for the remaining 67 cases are 8.12 (first quartile), 11.34 (median) and 14.79 (third quartile).