

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS
ANNUAL REPORTS**

| Fiscal year ending Sept. 30 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| New cases filed | 2397 | 2442 | 2296 | 2150 | 2532 | 2234 | 3466 | 3729 | 4644 | 4128 |
| % unrepresented at filing | 65% | 70% | 55.36% | 58% | 59% | 58% | 58% | 63% | 53% | 64% |
| Cases decided (Total) | 2848 | 2164 | 3336 | 1451 | 2638 | 1780 | 1905 | 2842 | 4877 | 4446 |
| % unrepresented at closure | 42% | 35% | 29% | 29% | 21% | 22% | 29% | 24% | 19% | 24% |
| Procedural decisions (Total) | 592 | 545 | 483 | 479 | 486 | 443 | 624 | 707 | 1666 | 904 |
| Dismissed, lack of jurisdiction | 266 | 247 | 281 | 229 | 215 | 204 | 248 | 320 | 317 | 369 |
| Dismissed for default | 165 | 113 | 102 | 51 | 70 | 60 | 160 | 160 | 176 | 265 |
| Dismissed voluntarily | 138 | 163 | 78 | 106 | 132 | 123 | 144 | 198 | 1149 | 254 |
| Extraordinary relief dismissed | 23 | 22 | 22 | 93 | 69 | 56 | 72 | 29 | 24 | 16 |
| Merits decisions (Total) | 2256 | 1619 | 2853 | 972 | 2152 | 1337 | 1281 | 2135 | 3211 | 3542 |
| Affirmed | 666 | 526 | 27 | 109 | 129 | 155 | 271 | 448 | 1098 | 693 |
| Affirmed or dismissed in part, reversed/vacated & remanded in part | 363 | 325 | 65 | 24 | 22 | 35 | 40 | 266 | 442 | 603 |
| Reversed/vacated & remanded | 1017 | 705 | 962 | 209 | 412 | 313 | 257 | 518 | 524 | 559 |
| Extraordinary relief granted | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Extraordinary relief denied | 210 | 63 | 75 | 154 | 62 | 59 | 71 | 56 | 66 | 60 |
| Remanded | 0 | 0 | 1724** | 476 | 1527 | 774 | 641 | 847 | 1079 | 1625 |
| Time from filing to disposition | 364 | 386 | 340 | 326 | 357 | 392 | 379 | 351*** | 416 | 446 |
| Nondispositive actions: | | | | | | | | | | |
| EAJA applications granted | 640 | 634 | 617 | 466 | 1419 | 921 | 831 | 1105 | 1526 | 2433 |
| EAJA applications denied | 85 | 32 | 19 | 554 | 40 | 30 | 10 | 22 | 22 | 16 |
| EAJA applications dismissed | 101 | 110 | 165 | 84 | 100 | 97 | 36 | 25 | 27 | 12 |
| Oral Arguments | 14 | 12 | 10 | 16 | 7 | 7 | 24 | 22 | 24 | 17 |
| Appeals to USCA Federal Circuit | 197 | 189 | 110 | 410 | 228 | 182 | 186 | 382 | 314 | 158 |

* FY Processing time not available; reported time is for cases terminated in September

** Due to enactment of the VCAA in November 2000, these cases were remanded to the VA for additional review pursuant to the VCAA.

***In order to provide a statistical comparison to other Federal Courts of Appeal this figure was changed to median number of days for FY 2006.