



TTAB Report

Chief Judge Gerard Rogers

TPAC 7-9-13



FRONT END – INCOMING FILINGS

Type of Filing	FY12 cumulative	1st Qtr FY13	2nd Qtr FY13	3rd Qtr FY13 (projected)
Appeals	2,634	690	740	610 (2,720)
Extensions of time to oppose	16,946	4,255	4,122	4,399 (17,035)
Oppositions	5,160	1,371	1,308	1,273 (5,270)
Cancellations	1,463	355	337	395 (1,450)



BACK END - DECISIONS

Final Decisions (all types)	FY12 cumulative	1st Qtr FY 13	2nd Qtr FY 13	3rd Qtr FY 13
Maturing to RFD (Ready for Decision)	613	106	142	166
Cases Decided	534	114	176	204
Avg Time from RFD to issuance	24.0 weeks	24.9 weeks	24.2 weeks	13.9 weeks
Awaiting Decision at end of Period	256	243	188	136



APPEAL PROCESSING

End to End Pendency	FY12	1st Qtr FY 13	2nd Qtr FY 13	3rd Qtr FY 13
Average, Appeals	76.8 weeks	56.1 weeks	59.4 weeks	41.2 weeks
Median, Appeals	53 weeks	53 weeks	53 weeks	39 weeks



CONTESTED MOTION PRACTICE

Contested Motions	FY12 cumulative	1st Qtr FY 13	2nd Qtr FY 13	3rd Qtr FY 13
# Decisions Issued; % Phone	793 24.9%	161 24.8%	173 20.2%	208 9.6%
# Motions Resolved	1,100	237	234	279
Avg Time from RFD	8.7 weeks	10.6 weeks	13.1 weeks	18.7 weeks
Awaiting Decision	199	216	215	200



OVERALL TRIAL PROCESSING

End to End Pendency	FY12	1st Qtr FY 13	2nd Qtr FY 13	3rd Qtr FY 13
Average, Trials	203.3 weeks	162.8 weeks	175.1 weeks	216.8 weeks*
Median, Trials	186 weeks	145 weeks	165 weeks	205 weeks*

*Q3 – These figures elevated because of the disposition of four large record trial cases commenced separately, years apart, and consolidated over time.



ACR TRIAL PROCESSING

End to End Pendency	FY10	FY11	FY 12	FY13
Avg, ACR Trial Cases	95 weeks	109.3 weeks	140.8 weeks	98.7 weeks
Number of ACR decisions	6 cases	6 cases	9 cases	3 cases



TRANSPARENCY & OUTREACH

- Transcripts posted from roundtable on metrics and performance measures and roundtable on ACR; ACRsuggestions@uspto.gov
- TTAB Dashboards posted; TTABdashboard@uspto.gov
- TBMP revision posted June 2013; will shortly make revised Chapter 1200 (ex parte appeals) available for comment via Idea Scale