## **Stat Pack for October Term 2011**

Unless otherwise noted, the following charts cover October Term 2011, which began on Monday, October 4, 2011 and ends on Sunday, October 3, 2012.

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#### \* You can find past Stat Packs here: <a href="http://www.scotusblog.com/reference/stat-pack/">http://www.scotusblog.com/reference/stat-pack/</a>

## **Summary of the Term**

<b>Total Merits Opinions Released</b>	62
Signed opinions after oral argument	53
Summary reversals	9

<b>76</b>
71
9
(3)
(1)

## **Recent Merits Opinions**

Name	Decided	Author	Vote
Parker v. Williams	June 11, 2012	Per Curiam	9-0
Elgin v. Dept. of Treasury	June 11, 2012	Thomas	6-3
Armour v. Indianapolis	June 4, 2012	Breyer	6-3
Reichle v. Howards	June 4, 2012	Thomas	8-0
Coleman v. Johnson	May 29, 2012	Per Curiam	9-0
RadLAX v. Amalgamated Bank	May 29, 2012	Scalia	8-0
Freeman v. Quicken Loans	May 24, 2012	Scalia	9-0
Blueford v. Arkansas	May 24, 2012	Roberts	6-3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Stok v. Citibank (10-514), Magner v. Gallagher (10-1032), and Vasquez v. United States (11-199)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Kiobel v. Royal Dutch Petroleum Co. (10-1491)

## **Opinions by Sitting**

Roberts	1		2		1		1		1		-		-		JGR	6
Scalia	2		1		2		1		1		-		1		AS	8
Kennedy	2		2		1		1		-		-		-		AMK	6
Thomas	1		2		-		1		1		1		-		CT	6
Ginsburg	2		1		1		1		1		1		-		RBG	- '
Breyer	2		1		1		1		1		-		-		SGB	
Alito	1		1		1		-		1		-		-		SAA	
Sotomayor	-		1		1		1		1		-		-		SMS	4
Kagan	1		1		2			-		-		-		EK	5	
Justice	October	•	Novembe		Decembe		January		Februa		March		April		Total	_
	Decided: 12   Rem	nain: o	Decided: 12   Rem	ain: o	Decided: 10   Rei	main: 2	Decided: 9   Ren	nain: 2	Decided: 8   Re	main: 1	Decided: 3   Ren	nain: 4	Decided: 1   Rem	ain: 5	Exp.	67
	Douglas	SGB	Lafler	AMK	First American		Sackett	AS	Taniguchi	SAA	Astrue	RBG	Christopher			
	Reynolds	SGB	Frye	AMK	Mims	RBG	Hyatt	CT	Freeman	AS	Southern Union		Dorsey			
	Howes	SAA	Rehberg	SAA	Hall	SMS	Perez	PC	Blueford	JGR	Miller		Navajo			
	Maples	RBG	Minneci	SGB	Credit Suisse	AS	Knox		Alvarez		Hobbs		RadLAX	AS		
	Martinez	AMK	Perry	RBG	Setser	AS	Fox		Wood	RBG	<del>Vasquez</del>		Patchak			
	Golan	RBG	Gonzalez	SMS	Cooper	SAA	Coleman	AMK	Elgin	CT	Reichle	CT	Arizona			
	Hosanna-Tabor	JGR	Zivotofsky	JGR	Messerschmidt	JGR	Sea-Land	SMS	<del>Kiobel</del>		Florida v. HHS					
	Pacific Operators	CT	Kawashima	CT	Caraco	EK	Filarsky	JGR	Mohamad	SMS						
	Greene	AS	Cain	JGR	Martel	EK	Home Concrete	SGB	Armour	SGB						
	CompuCredit	AS	Jones	AS	Williams		Vartelas	RBG								
	Florence	AMK	Kurns	CT	Мауо	SGB	Gutierrez	EK								
	Judulang	EK	Nat'l Meat Ass'n	EK	PPL Montana	AMK										

## **Circuit Scorecard**

## OT 2011

	Number	Percent	Decided	Aff'd	Rev'd	Aff'd %	Rev'd %
CA1	2	3%	1	1	0	100%	0%
CA2	2	3%	1	0	1	0%	100%
CA3	7	9%	7	3	4	43%	57%
CA4	2	3%	2	2	0	100%	ο%
CA <sub>5</sub>	3	4%	3	3	0	100%	ο%
CA6	5	7%	5	0	5	0%	100%
CA7	3	4%	2	1	1	50%	50%
CA8	-	-					
CA9	25	33%	20	4	16	20%	80%
CA10	4	5%	3	1	2	33%	67%
CA11	4	5%	3	1	2	33%	67%
CA DC	4	5%	3	2	1	67%	33%
CA Fed	3	4%	3	1	2	33%	67%
State	11	14%	8	3	5	38%	63%
Dist. Court	1	1%	1	0	1	ο%	100%
Original	-	-		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	76	100%	62	22	40	35%	65%

## OT 2012

	Number	Percent
CA1	-	-
CA2	4	21%
CA <sub>3</sub>	-	-
CA4	-	-
CA5	2	11%
CA6	2	11%
CA7	1	5%
CA8	1	5%
CA9	2	11%
CA10	1	5%
CA11	1	5%
CA DC	-	-
CA Fed	2	11%
State	3	16%
Dist. Court	-	-
Original	-	-
	19	100%

<sup>\*</sup> The number of cases granted from a given circuit does not include cases that were later dismissed.

## **Circuit Scorecard**

This chart features affirm and reverse rates for each circuit and each Justice. The first number is the number of times a particular Justice voted to affirm a decision of the court below and the second number is the number of times that Justice voted to reverse the decision below.

	Overall	Roberts	Scalia	Kennedy	Thomas	Ginsburg	Breyer	Alito	Sotomayor	Kagan
CA1	1-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	1 - 0	0 - 1	1 - 0	0 - 1	1 - 0	0 - 1
CA2	0 - 1	0 - 1	1 - 0	0 - 1	1 - 0	0 - 1	0 - 1	1-0	0 - 1	0 - 1
CA3	3 - 4	3 - 4	4 - 3	3 - 4	3 - 4	3 - 4	2 - 5	3 - 4	1 - 6	3 - 4
CA4	2 - 0	2 - 0	2 - 0	1 - 1	2 - 0	0 - 2	1 - 1	2 - 0	0 - 2	0 - 2
CA5	3 - 0	3 - 0	2 - 1	2 - 1	3 - 0	2 - 1	2 - 1	3 - 0	3 <b>-</b> 0	3 - 0
CA6	0 - 5	1 - 4	1 - 4	0 - 5	1 - 4	0 - 5	0 - 5	1 - 4	o - 5	0 - 5
CA7	1 - 1	1 - 1	1 - 1	0 - 1	1 - 1	1 - 1	1 - 1	1 - 1	1 - 1	1 - 1
CA8	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	O - O	0 - 0
CA9	4 - 16	5 - 14	6 - 14	3 - 17	6 - 14	7 - 13	5 - 15	5 - 15	8 - 12	2 - 17
CA10	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	0 - 3	0 - 3	1 - 2	0 - 1
CA11	1 - 2	1 - 2	2 - 1	1 - 2	2 - 1	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2
CA DC	2 - 1	2 - 1	2 - 1	2 - 1	2 - 1	2 - 1	3 - 0	2 - 1	2 - 1	2 - 1
CA Fed	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2	1 - 2
State	3 - 5	3 - 5	3 - 5	3 - 5	5 - 3	2 - 6	3 - 5	3 - 5	1 - 7	2 - 6
Dist. Court	0 - 1	0 - 1	0 - 1	0 - 1	0 - 1	0 - 1	0 - 1	0 - 1	O - 1	0 - 1
Original	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0	0 - 0
	22 - 40	24 - 37	27 - 35	18 - 43	29 - 33	20 - 42	20 - 42	23 - 39	20 - 42	15 - 44

## **Cases by Vote Split**

9-0 32 (52%)	8-1 7 (11%)	7-2 5 (8%)	6-3 10 (16%)	5-4 8 (13%)
KPMG v. Cocchi (PC)	Smith v. Cain	Maples v. Thomas	Cavazos v. Smith (PC)	Douglas v. Ind. Living Center
Bobby v. Dixon (PC)	CompuCredit v. Greenwood	Golan v. Holder (6-2)	Kawashima v. Holder	Coleman v. Maryland
Greene v. Fisher	Minneci v. Pollard	Reynolds v. U.S.	Wetzel v. Lambert (PC)	Missouri v. Frye
Judulang v. Holder	Gonzalez v. Thaler	Messerschmidt v. Millender	Kurns v. Railroad Friction	Lafler v. Cooper
Hardy v. Cross (PC)	Perry v. New Hampshire	Martinez v. Ryan	Setser v. U.S.	FAA v. Cooper (5-3)
Hosanna-Tabor v. EEOC	Roberts v. Sea-Land		Vartelas v. Holder	Florence v. Bd. of Chosen Freeholders
Pacific Op. v. Valladolid	Zivotofsky v. Clinton		Taniguchi v. Kan Pacific	U.S. v. Home Concrete
Mims v. Arrow Financial			Blueford v. Arkansas	Hall v. U.S.
Perry v. Perez (PC)			Armour v. Indianapolis	
U.S. v. Jones			Elgin v. Dept. of Treasury	
Nat'l Meat Ass'n v. Harris				
Ryburn v. Huff (PC)				
Howes v. Fields				

Past Terms									
	9-0	8-1	7-2	6-3	5-4				
ОТо6	39%	13%	11%	4%	33%				
ОТ07	30%	9%	29%	14%	17%				
ОТо8	33%	5%	16%	16%	29%				
ОТо9	46%	10%	15%	11%	18%				
OT10	48%	13%	15%	5%	20%				
Avg.	39%	10%	17%	10%	24%				

Marmet v. Brown (PC)
PPL Montana v. Montana

Credit Suisse v. Simmonds (8-0)

Mohamad v. Palestinian Authority

RadLAX v. Amalgamated Bank (8-0)

Coleman v. Johnson (PC) Reichle v. Howards (8-o) Parker v. Williams (PC)

Martel v. Clair Mayo v. Prometheus Sackett v. EPA

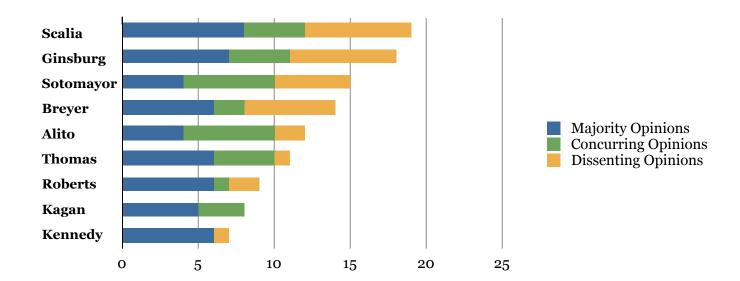
Rehberg v. Paulk Filarsky v. Delia Caraco v. Novo Nordisk Kappos v. Hyatt

Wood v. Milyard Astrue v. Capato Holder v. Gutierrez Freeman v. Quicken Loans

<sup>\*</sup> This chart includes both signed merits opinions and summary reversals.

## **Opinions Authored**

	Total Opinions	Majority Opinions	Concurring Opinions	Dissenting Opinions
Roberts	9	6	1	2
Scalia	19	8	4	7
Kennedy	7	6	-	1
Thomas	11	6	4	1
Ginsburg	18	7	4	7
Breyer	14	6	2	6
Alito	12	4	6	2
Sotomayor	15	4	6	5
Kagan	8	5	3	-
	113	52	30	31



## **Majority Opinion Authorship**

## **Majority Opinions Authored**

	Total	9-0	8-1	7-2	6-3	5-4	Average Strength of the Majority*
Roberts	6	2	2	1	1	-	7.8
Scalia	8	6	1	-	1	-	8.5
Kennedy	6	1	-	1	-	4	6.0
Thomas	6	3	-	-	3	-	7.5
Ginsburg	7	3	1	2	1	-	7.9
Breyer	6	1	1	1	1	2	6.7
Alito	4	2	-	-	1	1	7.5
Sotomayor	4	1	2	-	-	1	7.5
Kagan	5	5	-	-	-	-	9.0
Total	52	24	7	5	8	8	7.7

Unanimous Judgment	Divided Judgment
33%	67%
75%	25%
17%	83%
50%	50%
43%	57%
17%	83%
50%	50%
25%	75%
100%	0%
46%	54%

## **Authorship as a Percentage of Similar Opinions**

	9-0	8-1	7-2	6-3	5-4
Roberts	8%	29%	20%	13%	-
Scalia	25%	14%	-	13%	-
Kennedy	4%	-	20%	-	50%
Thomas	13%	-	-	38%	-
Ginsburg	13%	14%	40%	13%	_
Breyer	4%	14%	20%	13%	25%
Alito	8%	-	-	13%	13%
Sotomayor	4%	29%	-	-	13%
Kagan	21%	-	-	-	-
	100% (24)	100% (7)	100% (5)	100% (8)	100% (8)

### **Days Between Argument and Opinion**

Majority Opinion Author	Days
Ginsburg	75d
Scalia	79d
Sotomayor	89d
Roberts	94d
Kagan	97d
Thomas	98d
Breyer	104d
Alito	126d
Kennedy	129d
Overall	106d

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;Average Strength of the Majority" is simply the average number of Justices in the majority. The average assumes that nine Justices vote in each case.

## Frequency in the Majority

The following charts measure how frequently each Justice has voted with the majority during OT 2011. The charts include summary reversals but do not include cases that were dismissed.

## **All Cases**

Justice	Votes	Frequency in Majority	OT10	OT09	OTo8	OTo <sub>7</sub>
Kennedy	61	95%	94%	91%	92%	86%
Roberts	61	93%	91%	91%	81%	90%
Thomas	62	89%	88%	83%	81%	75%
Alito	62	89%	86%	87%	81%	82%
Kagan	59	86%	81%	-	-	-
Scalia	62	85%	86%	87%	84%	81%
Sotomayor	62	84%	81%	84%	-	-
Breyer	62	81%	79%	78%	75%	79%
Ginsburg	62	71%	74%	80%	70%	75%

### **Divided Cases**

Justice	Votes	Frequency in Majority	OT10	ОТо9	ОТо8	ОТ07
Kennedy	30	90%	88%	83%	89%	79%
Roberts	30	87%	83%	83%	72%	73%
Thomas	30	77%	76%	67%	72%	85%
Alito	30	77%	74%	76%	72%	75%
Kagan	28	71%	67%	_	_	-
Scalia	30	70%	74%	76%	76%	65%
Sotomayor	30	67%	64%	69%	-	-
Breyer	30	60%	60%	58%	62%	68%
Ginsburg	30	40%	50%	63%	55%	65%

## **Five-to-Four Cases**

## Alignment of the Majority

Majority*	Total (8)	Cases
Roberts, Scalia, Kennedy, Thomas, Alito	3	Coleman, Federal Aviation Administration, Florence
Kennedy, Ginsburg, Breyer, Sotomayor, Kagan	3	Douglas, Frye, Lafler
Roberts, Scalia, Thomas, Breyer, Alito	1	Home Concrete & Supply
Roberts, Scalia, Thomas, Alito, Sotomayor	1	Hall

Term	Number of 5-4 Opinions**	Percentage of Total Opinions	Percentage of 5-4 Split Ideological	Conservative Victory (Percentage of Ideological)	Conservative Victory (Percentage of All 5-4)	Number of Different Alignments	Alignments Divided by 5-4 Opinions
2000	26	31%	85%	64%	54%	7	0.27
2001	21	26%	57%	67%	38%	8	0.38
2002	15	16%	67%	60%	40%	7	0.47
2003	21	24%	76%	63%	48%	8	0.38
2004	24	20%	50%	42%	21%	14	0.58
2005	11	12%	73%	63%	45%	7	0.64
2006	24	33%	79%	68%	54%	6	0.25
2007	12	17%	67%	50%	33%	6	0.50
2008	23	29%	70%	69%	48%	7	0.30
2009	16	19%	69%	73%	50%	7	0.44
2010	16	20%	75%	50%	38%	4	0.25
2011	8	13%	75%	50%	38%	4	0.50
Average	18	22%	70%	60%	42%	7	0.41

<sup>\*</sup> Justice Kagan has recused this Term in one 5-3 case, *Federal Aviation Administration v. Cooper*.

\*\* For the purposes of this chart, the total number of 5-4 opinions is the number of cases that split 5-4 on a major issue. It may differ from the number of cases that split 5-4 elsewhere in this Stat Pack.

\*\*\* For the purposes of this chart, a "Conservative Win" occurs whenever the majority consists of Chief Justices Rehnquist or Roberts and Justices Scalia, Kennedy, Thomas, and O'Connor or Alito.

## **Five-to-Four Cases**

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### Membership in a Five-to-Four Majority

Justice	Frequency in Majority			OT09	OTo8	OTo7	OTo6
Kennedy	6	<b>75</b> %	88%	69%	78%	67%	100%
Roberts	5	63%	63%	56%	48%	58%	67%
Scalia	5	63%	69%	69%	70%	58%	58%
Thomas	5	63%	75%	69%	65%	67%	61%
Alito	5	63%	63%	63%	52%	50%	71%
Breyer	4	50%	31%	38%	39%	45%	46%
Sotomayor	4	50%	38%	43%	-	_	_
Ginsburg	3	38%	38%	25%	52%	50%	33%
Kagan	3	38%	38%	-	-	_	_

### **Five-to-Four Majority Opinion Authorship**

These percentages consider how often a Justice authors the majority opinion when that Justice is in the majority.\*

Justice	Cases Decided	Frequency in the Majority	Opinions Authored	Frequency as Author	OT10	ОТо9	ОТо8	ОТ07	ОТ06
Kennedy	8	6	4	67%	30%	22%	18%	14%	19%
Breyer	8	4	2	50%	9%	18%	33%	29%	ο%
Sotomayor	8	4	1	25%	21%	22%	28%	50%	25%
Alito	8	5	1	20%	33%	9%	13%	13%	29%
Roberts	8	5	0	ο%	33%	50%	27%	ο%	13%
Scalia	8	5	0	ο%	20%	25%	ο%	40%	18%
Thomas	8	5	0	ο%	0%	40%	8%	17%	24%
Ginsburg	8	3	0	ο%	17%	ο%	-	-	-
Kagan	7	3	0	ο%	0%	-	-	-	-

<sup>\*</sup> Percentages represent the number of majority opinions authored divided by the number of times a Justice was in the majority for a *signed* opinion. As such, 5-4 *per curiam* opinions are omitted entirely.

## **Oral Argument**

The number of "questions" per argument is simply the number of times a given Justice's name appears in the argument transcript in capital letters. In order to account for the Chief Justice's administrative comments, his tally for each case has been uniformly reduced by three questions in each case.

### **Average Number of Questions**

	Average
Scalia	23.4
Sotomayor	20.9
Breyer	20.0
Roberts	19.9
Ginsburg	12.4
Kagan	12.0
Kennedy	10.9
Alito	10.8
Thomas	0.0

### **Average Number of Questions**

Arranged by Vote Split

	9-0	8-1	7-2	6-3	5-4
Roberts	15	20	21	31	17
Scalia	24	26	25	32	30
Kennedy	9	12	12	13	15
Thomas	0	0	0	0	0
Ginsburg	14	15	14	11	14
Breyer	17	21	20	28	24
Alito	11	12	11	12	17
Sotomayor	19	17	21	20	22
Kagan	11	9	10	15	10
Overall	114	129	130	160	148

### Frequency as a Top or Top 3 Questioner

	Freq. Top 1	Freq. Top 3
Roberts	24%	65%
Scalia	33%	64%
Sotomayor	22%	62%
Breyer	16%	55%
Ginsburg	4%	20%
Kennedy	1%	18%
Alito	4%	17%
Kagan	2%	17%
Thomas	ο%	0%

### Frequency as the First Questioner

		Freq	uency
Sotomayor	18	/68	26%
Ginsburg	15	/69	22%
Roberts	10	/68	15%
Scalia	10	/69	14%
Kagan	7	/65	11%
Kennedy	5	/68	7%
Alito	3	/69	4%
Breyer	1	/69	1%
Thomas	0	/69	0%

## **Oral Argument - Advocates**

#### **Overview**

	OT11	OT10
Number of total appearances	182	196
Number of advocates	118	143
Appearances by the Office of the Solicitor General	58 (32%)	57 (29%)
Appearances by advocates who argued more than once	98 (54%)	81 (41%)
Appearances by advocates from Washington, DC	122 (67%)	106 (54%)

## **Most Popular Advocate Origins**

State*	Total
Washington, DC**	122
California	12
Illinois	7
Michigan	5
Alabama	4
Colorado	4
Pennsylvania	4
Texas	4
Arizona	3
Virginia	3
Arkansas	2
Massachusetts	2

### **Advocates Who Appeared More than Once During OT11**

Rank	Name	Appearances	Position
1	Paul D. Clement	9	Bancroft PLLC
	Donald B. Verrilli, Jr.	9	Solicitor General
3	Carter G. Phillips	5	Sidley Austin LLP
4	Michael R. Dreeben	4	Deputy Solicitor General
	Gregory G. Garre	4	Latham & Watkins LLP
	Edwin S. Kneedler	4	Deputy Solicitor General
7	Curtis E. Gannon	3	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Eric D. Miller	3	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Patricia A. Millett	3	Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld LLP
	Nicole A. Saharsky	3	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Sri Srinivasan	3	Principal Deputy Solicitor General
	Malcolm L. Stewart	3	Deputy Solicitor General
	Anthony A. Yang	3	Assistant to the Solicitor General
14	Ginger D. Anders	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	John J. Bursch	2	Solicitor General of Michigan
	Eric J. Feigin	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Jeffrey L. Fisher	2	Stanford Supreme Court Clinic
	David C. Frederick	2	Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd, Evans & Figel PLLC
	Thomas C. Goldstein	2	Goldstein & Russell PC
	Sarah E. Harrington	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Benjamin J. Horwich	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	William M. Jay	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Leondra R. Kruger	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	John C. Neiman, Jr.	2	Solicitor General of Alabama
	Scott L. Nelson	2	Public Citizen Litigation Group
	Ann O'Connell	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Joseph R. Palmore	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Aaron M. Panner	2	Kellogg, Huber, Hansen, Todd, Evans & Figel PLLC
	Charles A. Rothfeld	2	Mayer Brown LLP
	Pratik A. Shah	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Melissa Arbus Sherry	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Bryan A. Stevenson	2	Equal Justice Initiative
	Jeffrey B. Wall	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General
	Seth P. Waxman	2	Wilmer, Cutler, Pickering, Hale, and Dorr LLP
34		98	

 $<sup>^{\</sup>ast}$  An advocate's "origin" is simply the state of origin listed for an advocate on the Court's hearing list.

<sup>\*\*</sup> If attorneys from the Office of the Solicitor General are omitted, Washington, DC-based lawyers argued 64 times during OT11.

## **Justice Agreement - All Cases**

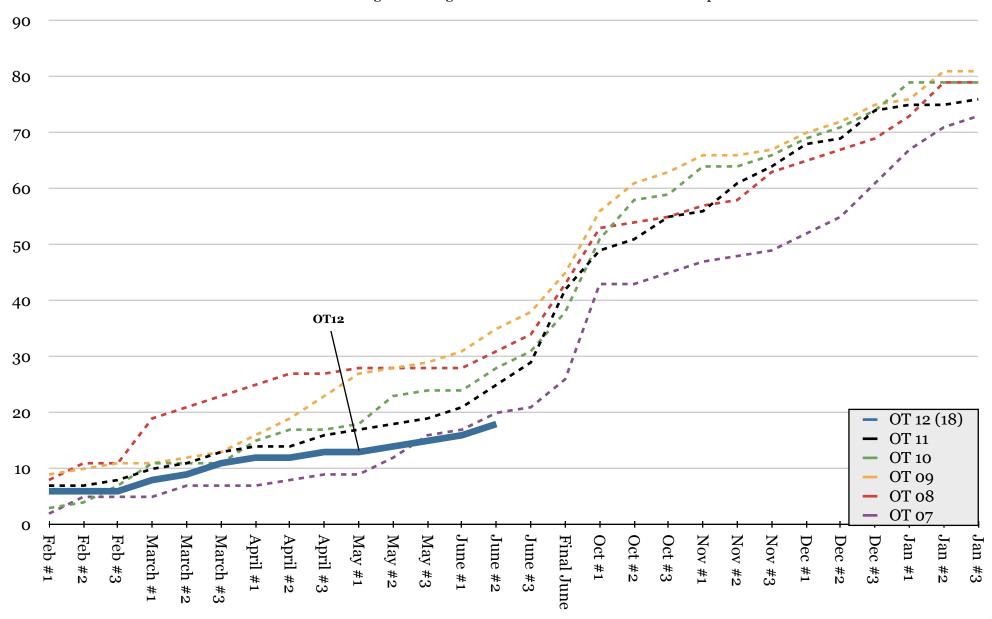
	Sca	alia	Ken	nedy	Tho	mas	Gins	sburg	Bre	eyer	Al	lito	Soto	mayor	Ka	gan	Total
	48	79%	52	87%	48	79%	34	56%	39	64%	50	82%	40	66%	41	71%	
Roberts	53	87%	53	88%	54	89%	36	59%	42	69%	54	89%	44	<b>72%</b>	43	74%	61
	56	92%	53	88%	56	92%	39	64%	45	74%	58	95%	47	77%	46	79%	"
	5	8%	7	12%	5	8%	22	36%	16	26%	3	5%	14	23%	12	21%	
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## **Justice Agreement - Non-Unanimous Cases**

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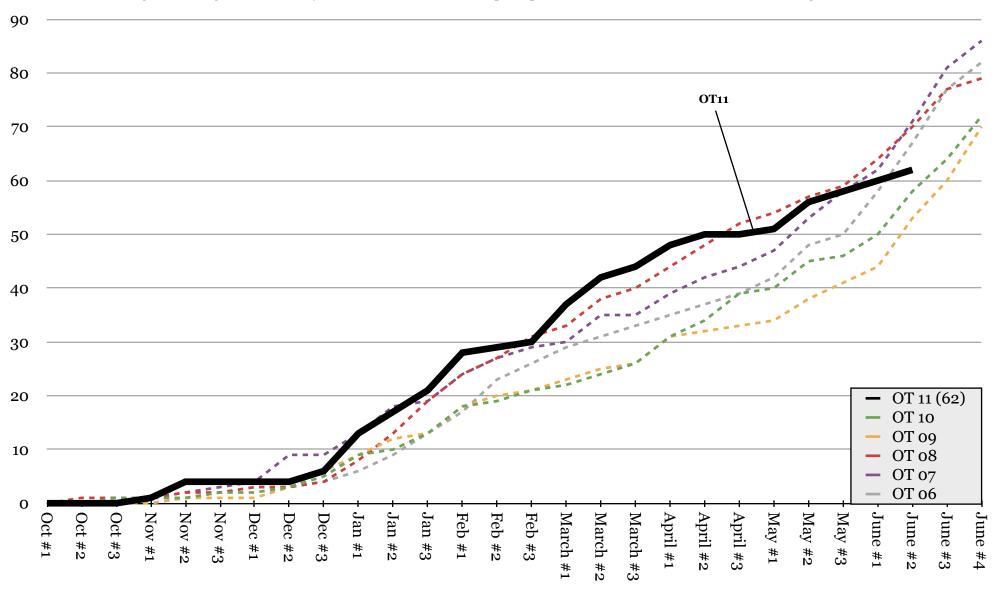
#### **Pace of Grants**

The following chart plots the pace at which the Court fills its merits docket for a given Term. Each date marker represents the conference within a given sitting. For instance, Feb #3 is the third February conference, which actually took place on March 4, 2011. Categorizing grants by their conference within a given sitting ensures more accurate cross-term comparisons.



## **Pace of Opinions**

The following chart plots the pace at which the Court releases merits opinions throughout the Term, beginning in October and ending in June. This chart includes both opinions released after full briefing and summary reversals. Here, as in the Pace of Grants chart, cases are categorized by their release within a given sitting, rather than by calendar month. For example, opinions for Feb. #3 could be released during the first week of March.



# **Voting Alignment - All Cases**

Cases are sorted by date of decision. Dissenting Justices are shaded in gray and the author of the majority opinion is highlighted in red.

Case Name	Decided	Vote	Author	Ginsburg	Sotomayor	Kagan	Breyer	Kennedy	Roberts	Alito	Thomas	Scalia
Cavazos v. Smith	October 31, 2011	6-3	Per Curiam									25
KPMG v. Cocchi	November 7, 2011	9-0	Per Curiam									25
Bobby v. Dixon	November 7, 2011	9-0	Per Curiam						6			25
Greene v. Fisher	November 8, 2011	9-0	Scalia						6			25
Judulang v. Holder	December 12, 2011	9-0	Kagan			1						25
Hardy v. Cross	December 12, 2011	9-0	Per Curiam									25
Smith v. Cain	January 10, 2012	8-1	Roberts						6			25
CompuCredit Corp. v. Greenwood	January 10, 2012	8-1	Scalia									27
Minneci v. Pollard	January 10, 2012	8-1	Breyer				(3)					25

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Gonzalez v. Thaler	January 10, 2012	8-1	Sotomayor									20
Hosanna-Tabor Evangelical Lutheran Church v. EEOC	January 11, 2012	9-0	Roberts									25
Pacific Operators Offshore v. Valladolid	January 11, 2012	9-0	Thomas				8					2
Perry v. New Hampshire	January 11, 2012	8-1	Ginsburg				8		6			25
Maples v. Thomas	January 18, 2012	7-2	Ginsburg			28						2
Golan v. Holder	January 18, 2012	6-2	Ginsburg			Recused			6			25
Mims v. Arrow Financial Services	January 18, 2012	9-0	Ginsburg				8		6			25
Perry v. Perez	January 20, 2012	9-0	Per Curiam				8					2-
United States v. Jones	January 23, 2012	9-0	Scalia			1						2

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Reynolds v. United States	January 23, 2012	7-2	Breyer								2
National Meat Association v. Harris	January 23, 2012	9-0	Kagan								25
Ryburn v. Huff	January 23, 2012	9-0	Per Curiam		25						75
Kawashima v. Holder	February 21, 2012	6-3	Thomas		13						25
Howes v. Fields	February 21, 2012	9-0	Alito		1						25
Wetzel v. Lambert	February 21, 2012	6-3	Per Curiam		13						75
Marmet Health Care Center v. Brown	February 21, 2012	9-0	Per Curiam		13						25
Messerschmidt v. Millender	February 22, 2012	7-2	Roberts		13						25
PPL Montana v. Montana	February 22, 2012	9-0	Kennedy		130						25

Case Name	Decided	Vote	Author	Ginsburg Sotomayor	Kagan	Breyer	Kennedy	Roberts	Alito	Thomas	Scalia
Douglas v. Independent Living Center	February 22, 2012	5-4	Breyer								20
Kurns v. Railroad Friction Products Corp.	February 29, 2012	6-3	Thomas								25
Martel v. Clair	March 5, 2012	9-0	Kagan		1						25
Martinez v. Ryan	March 20, 2012	7-2	Kennedy								25
Coleman v. Court of Appeals of Maryland	March 20, 2012	5-4	Kennedy								25
Mayo Collaborative Services v. Prometheus Labs	March 20, 2012	9-0	Breyer					6			25
Roberts v. Sea-Land Services	March 20, 2012	8-1	Sotomayor					6			25
Sackett v. Environmental Protection Agency	March 21, 2012	9-0	Scalia		1			6			25
Missouri v. Frye	March 21, 2012	5-4	Kennedy		1						75

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Lafler v. Cooper	March 21, 2012	5-4	Kennedy								2
Zivotofsky v. Clinton	March 26, 2012	8-1	Roberts								25
Credit Suisse Securities v. Simmonds	March 26, 2012	8-0	Scalia					Recused			25
Setser v. United States	March 28, 2012	6-3	Scalia		13						
Vartelas v. Holder	March 28, 2012	6-3	Ginsburg					6	0		75
Federal Aviation Administration v. Cooper	March 28, 2012	5-3	Alito		Recused			6			25
Florence v. Board of Chosen Freeholders	April 2, 2012	5-4	Kennedy								25
Rehberg v. Paulk	April 2, 2012	9-0	Alito								25
Filarsky v. Delia	April 17, 2012	9-0	Roberts								25

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Caraco Pharmaceutical Laboratories v. Novo Nordisk A/S	April 17, 2012	9-0	Kagan								25
Kappos v. Hyatt	April 18, 2012	9-0	Thomas								25
Mohamad v. Palestinian Authority	April 18, 2012	9-0	Sotomayor								25
Wood v. Milyard	April 24, 2012	9-0	Ginsburg		1						25
United States v. Home Concrete & Supply	April 25, 2012	5-4	Breyer								25
Hall v. United States	May 14, 2012	5-4	Sotomayor								25
Astrue v. Capato	May 21, 2012	9-0	Ginsburg								25
Taniguchi v. Kan Pacific Saipan	May 21, 2012	6-3	Alito								25
Holder v. Gutierrez	May 21, 2012	9-0	Kagan		1						25

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Blueford v. Arkansas	May 24, 2012	6-3	Roberts				8				25
Freeman v. Quicken Loans, Inc.	May 24, 2012	9-0	Scalia								27
RadLAX Gateway Hotel v. Amalgamated Bank	May 29, 2012	8-o	Scalia				Recused				25
Coleman v. Johnson	May 29, 2012	9-0	Per Curiam								25
Reichle v. Howards	June 4, 2012	8-0	Thomas		Recused						25
Armour v. Indianapolis	June 4, 2012	6-3	Breyer								25
Elgin v. Department of Treasury	June 11, 2012	6-3	Thomas								25
Parker v. Williams	June 11, 2012	9-0	Per Curiam								25