

Time Between Oral Argument and Opinion

The following charts address the time it takes for the Court to release opinions following oral argument. The Court has thus far released seventy-three signed opinions after argument during October Term 2012.

Argued	Avg.	Total	Remain
October	129d	10	-
November	112d	12	-
December	102d	9	-
January	103d	12	-
February	89d	10	-
March	79d	10	-
April	57d	12	-
Overall	95d	75	0

Average	95d
Median	89d
St. Dev.	45d

Longest	<i>Fisher</i>	257d
Shortest	<i>Metrish</i>	26d

Averages

OT03	82d
OT04	91d
OT05	79d
OT06	96d
OT07	94d
OT08	94d
OT09	109d
OT10	106d
OT11	97d
OT12	95d

	Rank		Author	Vote	Argued	Decided	
Longest	1	<i>Fisher v. Univ. of Texas</i>	257d	Kennedy	7-1	Oct 10, 2012	Jun 24, 2013
	2	<i>Vance v. Ball State Univ.</i>	210d	Alito	5-4	Nov 26, 2012	Jun 24, 2013
	3	<i>Kiobel v. Royal Dutch</i>	198d	Roberts	9-0	Oct 1, 2012	Apr 17, 2013
	4	<i>Moncrieffe v. Holder</i>	195d	Sotomayor	7-2	Oct 10, 2012	Apr 23, 2013
	5	<i>Descamps v. U.S.</i>	164d	Kagan	8-1	Jan 7, 2013	Jun 20, 2013
	6	<i>Koontz v. St. Johns Water Mgmt.</i>	161d	Alito	5-4	Jan 15, 2013	Jun 25, 2013
	7	<i>Maracich v. Spears</i>	159d	Kennedy	5-4	Jan 9, 2013	Jun 17, 2013
	8	<i>Alleyne v. U.S.</i>	154d	Thomas	5-4	Jan 14, 2013	Jun 17, 2013
	9	<i>Florida v. Jardines</i>	146d	Scalia	5-4	Oct 31, 2012	Mar 26, 2013
	10	<i>Comcast v. Behrend</i>	142d	Scalia	5-4	Nov 5, 2012	Mar 27, 2013

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Shortest	1	<i>Metrish v. Lancaster</i>	26d	Ginsburg	9-0	Apr 24, 2013	May 20, 2013
	2	<i>Gunn v. Minton</i>	35d	Roberts	9-0	Jan 16, 2013	Feb 20, 2013
	2	<i>L.A. County Flood Dist. v. NRDC</i>	35d	Ginsburg	9-0	Dec 4, 2012	Jan 8, 2013
	4	<i>Millbrook v. U.S.</i>	36d	Thomas	9-0	Feb 19, 2013	Mar 27, 2013
	5	<i>Hillman v. Maretta</i>	42d	Sotomayor	9-0	Apr 22, 2013	Jun 3, 2013
	5	<i>U.S. v. Bormes</i>	42d	Scalia	9-0	Oct 2, 2012	Nov 13, 2012
	7	<i>Levin v. U.S.</i>	48d	Ginsburg	9-0	Jan 15, 2013	Mar 4, 2013
	8	<i>Sebelius v. Auburn Regional</i>	49d	Ginsburg	9-0	Dec 4, 2012	Jan 22, 2013
	9	<i>Gabelli v. SEC</i>	50d	Roberts	9-0	Jan 8, 2013	Feb 27, 2013
	10	<i>Tarrant v. Herrmann</i>	51d	Sotomayor	9-0	Apr 23, 2013	Jun 13, 2013

	Less than 30 days	30-59	60-89	90-119	120-149	150-179	180-209	210-239	More than 240
OT10	0	13	18	19	11	12	1	1	0
OT11	2	5	19	24	8	6	1	0	0
OT12	1	15	21	20	8	4	2	1	1

	9-0	8-1	7-2	6-3	5-4
OT12	68d	159d	106d	107d	115d

* These charts consider only signed opinions released following oral arguments.