

Stat Pack for October Term 2011

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

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Summary of the Term

Total Merits Opinions Released	44
.....Signed opinions after oral argument	37
.....Summary reversals	7
.....Cases argued	63

Total Merits Opinions Expected	74
.....Petitions granted and set for argument	71
.....Summary reversals	7
.....(Dismissed) ¹	(3)
.....(Set for reargument during OT12) ²	(1)

Total Merits Opinions Expected for OT12	12
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Recent Merits Opinions

Name	Decided	Author	Vote
<i>Rehberg v. Paulk</i>	Apr 2, 2012	Alito	9-0
<i>Florence v. Bd. of Chosen Freeholders</i>	Apr 2, 2012	Kennedy	5-4
<i>FAA v. Cooper</i>	Mar 28, 2012	Alito	5-3
<i>Vartelas v. Holder</i>	Mar 28, 2012	Ginsburg	6-3
<i>Setser v. U.S.</i>	Mar 28, 2012	Scalia	6-3
<i>Credit Suisse v. Simmonds</i>	Mar 26, 2012	Scalia	8-0
<i>Zivotofsky v. Clinton</i>	Mar 26, 2012	Roberts	8-1
<i>Lafler v. Cooper</i>	Mar 21, 2012	Kennedy	5-4

* You can find past Stat Packs here: <http://www.scotusblog.com/reference/stat-pack/>

¹ Stok v. Citibank (10-514), Magner v. Gallagher (10-1032), and Vasquez v. United States (11-199)

² Kiobel v. Royal Dutch Petroleum Co. (10-1491)

Opinions by Sitting

Justice	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	Total	Exp.	
Roberts	1	2	1	-	-	-	-	JGR	4	
Scalia	2	1	2	1	-	-	-	AS	6	
Kennedy	2	2	1	1	-	-	-	AMK	6	
Thomas	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	CT	3	
Ginsburg	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	RBG	5	
Breyer	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	SGB	4	
Alito	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	SAA	3	
Sotomayor	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	SMS	2	
Kagan	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	EK	3	
Justice	Decided: 12 Remain: 0	Decided: 12 Remain: 0	Decided: 8 Remain: 4	Decided: 5 Remain: 6	Decided: 0 Remain: 8	Decided: 0 Remain: 6	Decided: 0 Remain: 6	Total	37	
<i>Douglas</i>	<i>SGB</i>	<i>Lafler</i>	<i>AMK</i>	<i>First American</i>	<i>Sackett</i>	<i>AS</i>	<i>Taniguchi</i>	<i>Astrue</i>	<i>Christopher</i>	
<i>Reynolds</i>	<i>SGB</i>	<i>Frye</i>	<i>AMK</i>	<i>Mims</i>	<i>RBG</i>	<i>Hyatt</i>	<i>Freeman</i>	<i>Southern Union</i>	<i>Dorsey</i>	
<i>Howes</i>	<i>SAA</i>	<i>Rehberg</i>	<i>SAA</i>	<i>Hall</i>	<i>Perez</i>	<i>PC</i>	<i>Blueford</i>	<i>Miller</i>	<i>Navajo</i>	
<i>Maples</i>	<i>RBG</i>	<i>Minneci</i>	<i>SGB</i>	<i>Credit Suisse</i>	<i>AS</i>	<i>Knox</i>	<i>Alvarez</i>	<i>Hobbs</i>	<i>RadLAX</i>	
<i>Martinez</i>	<i>AMK</i>	<i>Perry</i>	<i>RBG</i>	<i>Setser</i>	<i>AS</i>	<i>Fox</i>	<i>Wood</i>	<i>Vasquez</i>	<i>--</i>	<i>Patchak</i>
<i>Golan</i>	<i>RBG</i>	<i>Gonzalez</i>	<i>SMS</i>	<i>Cooper</i>	<i>SAA</i>	<i>Coleman</i>	<i>AMK</i>	<i>Elgin</i>	<i>Reichle</i>	<i>Arizona</i>
<i>Hosanna-Tabor</i>	<i>JGR</i>	<i>Zivotofsky</i>	<i>JGR</i>	<i>Messerschmidt</i>	<i>JGR</i>	<i>Sea-Land</i>	<i>SMS</i>	<i>Kiobel</i>	<i>--</i>	<i>Florida v. HHS</i>
<i>Pacific Operators</i>	<i>CT</i>	<i>Kawashima</i>	<i>CT</i>	<i>Caraco</i>	<i>Filarsky</i>	<i>Mohamad</i>				
<i>Greene</i>	<i>AS</i>	<i>Cain</i>	<i>JGR</i>	<i>Martel</i>	<i>EK</i>	<i>Home Concrete</i>	<i>Armour</i>			
<i>CompuCredit</i>	<i>AS</i>	<i>Jones</i>	<i>AS</i>	<i>Williams</i>		<i>Vartelas</i>	<i>RBG</i>			
<i>Florence</i>	<i>AMK</i>	<i>Kurns</i>	<i>CT</i>	<i>Mayo</i>	<i>SGB</i>	<i>Gutierrez</i>				
<i>Judulang</i>	<i>EK</i>	<i>National Meat Ass'n</i>	<i>EK</i>	<i>PPL Montana</i>	<i>AMK</i>					

Circuit Scorecard

OT 2011

	Number	Percent	Decided	Aff'd	Rev'd	Aff'd %	Rev'd %
CA1	2	3%					
CA2	2	3%	1	0	1	0%	100%
CA3	6	8%	5	3	2	60%	40%
CA4	2	3%	1	1	0	100%	0%
CA5	3	4%	2	2	0	100%	0%
CA6	4	5%	4	0	4	0%	100%
CA7	3	4%	1	0	1	0%	100%
CA8	-	-					
CA9	25	34%	16	3	13	19%	81%
CA10	4	5%	1	1	0	100%	0%
CA11	4	5%	3	1	2	33%	67%
CA DC	4	5%	2	1	1	50%	50%
CA Fed	3	4%	1	0	1	0%	100%
State	11	15%	6	1	5	17%	83%
Dist. Court	1	1%	1	0	1	0%	100%
Original	-	-		N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	74	100%	44	13	31	30%	70%

OT 2012

	Number	Percent
CA1	-	-
CA2	1	8%
CA3	-	-
CA4	-	-
CA5	2	17%
CA6	1	8%
CA7	-	-
CA8	1	8%
CA9	2	17%
CA10	-	-
CA11	1	8%
CA DC	-	-
CA Fed	2	17%
State	2	17%
Dist. Court	-	-
Original	-	-
	12	100%

* The number of cases granted from a given circuit does not include cases that were later dismissed.

Cases by Vote Split

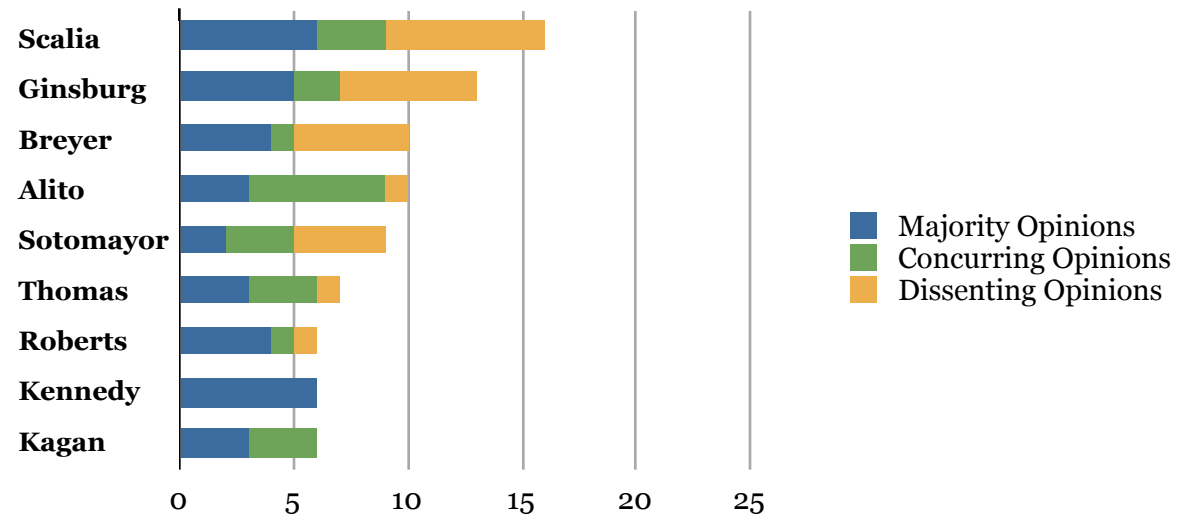
9-0 20 (45%)	8-1 7 (16%)	7-2 5 (11%)	6-3 6 (14%)	5-4 6 (14%)
KPMG v. Cocchi (PC)	Smith v. Cain	Maples v. Thomas	Cavazos v. Smith (PC)	Douglas v. Ind. Living Center
Bobby v. Dixon (PC)	CompuCredit v. Greenwood	Golan v. Holder (6-2)	Kawashima v. Holder	Coleman v. Maryland
Greene v. Fisher	Minneci v. Pollard	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			
Mims v. Arrow Financial				
Perry v. Perez (PC)				
U.S. v. Jones				
Nat. Meat Ass'n v. Harris				
Ryburn v. Huff (PC)				
Howes v. Fields				
Marmet v. Brown (PC)				
PPL Montana v. Montana				
Martel v. Clair				
Mayo v. Prometheus				
Sackett v. EPA				
Credit Suisse v. Simmonds (8-0)				
Rehberg v. Paulk				

Past Terms					
	9-0	8-1	7-2	6-3	5-4
OT06	39%	13%	11%	4%	33%
OT07	30%	9%	29%	14%	17%
OT08	33%	5%	16%	16%	29%
OT09	46%	10%	15%	11%	18%
OT10	48%	13%	15%	5%	20%
Avg.	39%	10%	17%	10%	24%

* This chart includes both signed merits opinions and summary reversals.

Opinions Authored

	Total Opinions	Majority Opinions	Concurring Opinions	Dissenting Opinions
Roberts	6	4	1	1
Scalia	16	6	3	7
Kennedy	6	6	-	-
Thomas	7	3	3	1
Ginsburg	13	5	2	6
Breyer	10	4	1	5
Alito	10	3	6	1
Sotomayor	9	2	3	4
Kagan	6	3	3	-
	83	36	22	25



Justice Agreement - All Cases

	Scalia	Kennedy	Thomas	Ginsburg	Breyer	Alito	Sotomayor	Kagan	Total
Roberts	33 77%	38 88%	32 74%	24 56%	27 63%	33 77%	29 67%	29 71%	43
	36 84%	39 91%	38 88%	25 58%	28 65%	37 86%	30 70%	31 76%	
	38 88%	39 91%	39 91%	27 63%	30 70%	41 95%	33 77%	34 83%	
	5 12%	4 9%	4 9%	16 37%	13 30%	2 5%	10 23%	7 17%	
Scalia		32 73%	35 80%	21 48%	21 48%	31 70%	23 52%	23 55%	44
		33 75%	38 86%	22 50%	23 52%	35 80%	25 57%	26 62%	
		35 80%	41 93%	25 57%	26 59%	39 89%	29 66%	30 71%	
		9 20%	3 7%	19 43%	18 41%	5 11%	15 34%	12 29%	
Kennedy			30 68%	29 66%	32 73%	31 70%	32 73%	32 76%	44
			35 80%	30 68%	33 75%	35 80%	33 75%	34 81%	
			36 82%	32 73%	35 80%	38 86%	36 82%	37 88%	
			8 18%	12 27%	9 20%	6 14%	8 18%	5 12%	
Thomas				18 41%	20 45%	29 66%	23 52%	23 55%	44
				21 48%	24 55%	35 80%	26 59%	27 64%	
				24 55%	27 61%	40 91%	30 68%	31 74%	
				20 45%	17 39%	4 9%	14 32%	11 26%	
Ginsburg					36 82%	20 45%	32 73%	30 71%	44
					37 84%	23 52%	34 77%	33 79%	
					37 84%	26 59%	36 82%	34 81%	
					7 16%	18 41%	8 18%	8 19%	
Breyer						26 59%	33 75%	34 81%	44
						29 66%	35 80%	36 86%	
						31 70%	37 84%	38 90%	
						13 30%	7 16%	4 10%	
Alito							24 55%	27 64%	44
							27 61%	30 71%	
							32 73%	34 81%	
							12 27%	8 19%	
Sotomayor								32 76%	44
								33 79%	
								36 86%	
								6 14%	
Kagan									42

Key
Fully Agree
Agree in Full or Part
Agree in Full, Part, or Judgment Only
Disagree in Judgment

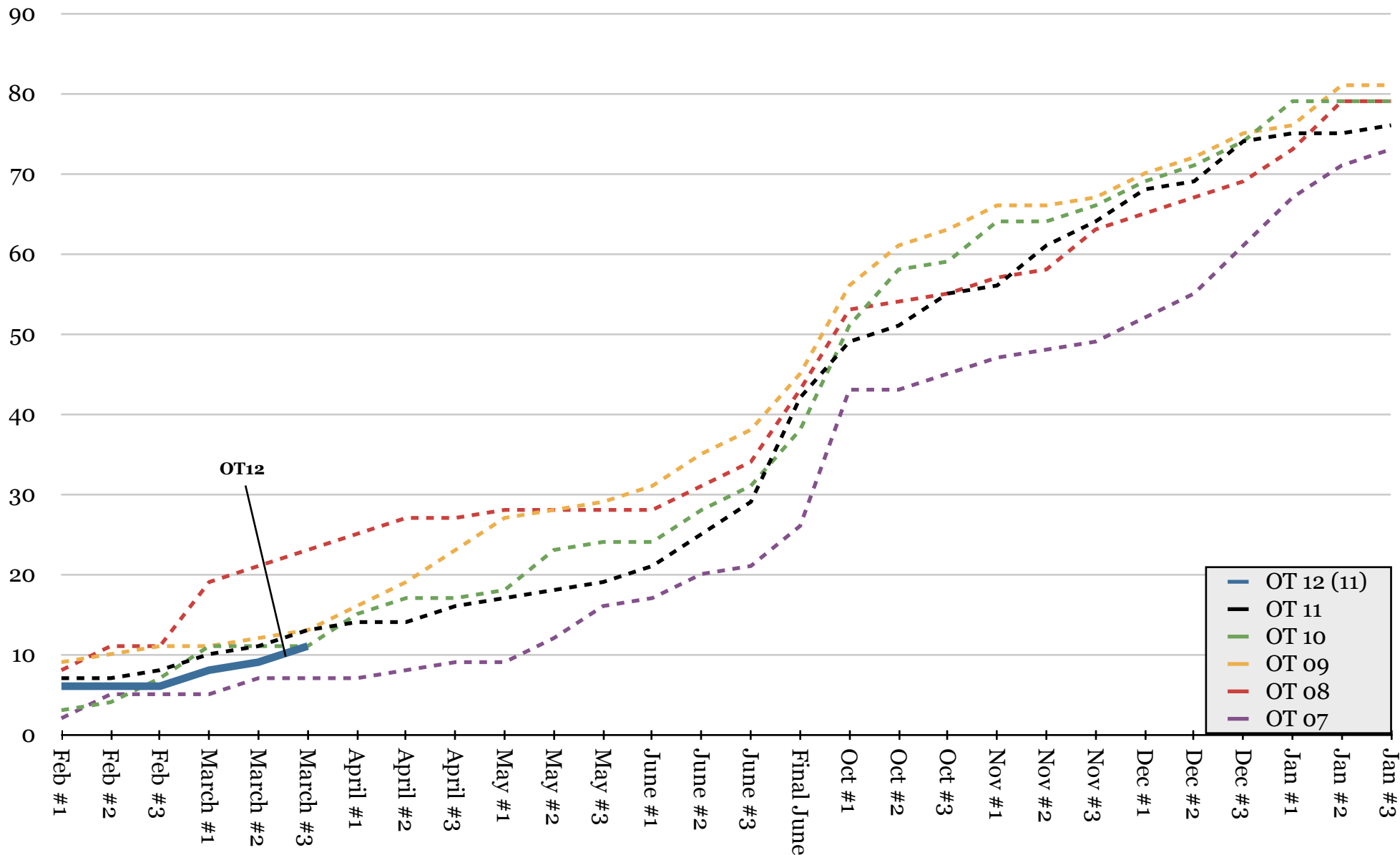
Justice Agreement - Non-Unanimous Cases

	Scalia	Kennedy	Thomas	Ginsburg	Breyer	Alito	Sotomayor	Kagan	Total
Roberts	15 63%	19 79%	15 63%	8 33%	10 42%	18 75%	12 50%	12 55%	24
	18 75%	20 83%	20 83%	8 33%	11 46%	20 83%	12 50%	13 59%	
	19 79%	20 83%	20 83%	8 33%	11 46%	22 92%	14 58%	15 68%	
	5 21%	4 17%	4 17%	16 67%	13 54%	2 8%	10 42%	7 32%	
Scalia	13 54%	18 75%	5 21%	4 17%	14 58%	6 25%	6 27%	24	
	14 58%	20 83%	5 21%	6 25%	16 67%	7 29%	8 36%		
	15 63%	21 88%	5 21%	6 25%	19 79%	9 38%	10 45%		
	9 38%	3 13%	19 79%	18 75%	5 21%	15 63%	12 55%		
Kennedy	12 50%	12 50%	14 58%	15 63%	15 63%	14 58%	14 64%	24	
	16 67%	12 50%	15 63%	17 71%	14 58%	15 68%			
	16 67%	12 50%	15 63%	18 75%	16 67%	17 77%			
	8 33%	12 50%	9 38%	6 25%	8 33%	5 23%			
Thomas	3 13%	4 17%	14 58%	7 29%	6 27%	24			
	4 17%	7 29%	18 75%	8 33%	9 41%				
	4 17%	7 29%	20 83%	10 42%	11 50%				
	20 83%	17 71%	4 17%	14 58%	11 50%				
Ginsburg	17 71%	4 17%	14 58%	13 59%	24				
	17 71%	5 21%	15 63%	14 64%					
	17 71%	6 25%	16 67%	14 64%					
	7 29%	18 75%	8 33%	8 36%					
Breyer	9 38%	15 63%	15 68%	24					
	11 46%	17 71%	16 73%						
	11 46%	17 71%	18 82%						
	13 54%	7 29%	4 18%						
Alito	9 38%	9 41%	24						
	10 42%	11 50%							
	12 50%	14 64%							
	12 50%	8 36%							
Sotomayor	15 68%	24							
	15 68%								
	16 73%								
	6 27%								
Kagan		22							

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Fully Agree
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Disagree in Judgment

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.

