

Oral Argument - Advocates

Overview⁴

	OT12	OT11	OT10
Number of different advocates	77	118	143
Number of total appearances	107	182	196
Appearances by the Office of the Solicitor General	36 (34%)	58 (32%)	57 (29%)
Appearances by advocates who argued more than once	49 (46%)	98 (54%)	81 (41%)
Appearances by advocates from Washington, D.C.	67 (63%)	122 (67%)	106 (54%)
Appearances by expert advocates ⁵	78 (73%)	<i>Not Available</i>	<i>Not Available</i>

Advocates Who Have Appeared More than Once During OT12

Rank	Name	Appearances	Position	All-Time
1	Gregory G. Garre	4	Latham & Watkins LLP	39
	Donald B. Verrilli, Jr.	4	Solicitor General	25
3	Jeffrey L. Fisher	3	Stanford Supreme Court Clinic	20
	David C. Frederick	3	Kellogg Huber PLLC	40
	Thomas C. Goldstein	3	Goldstein & Russell PC	28
	Edwin S. Kneedler	3	Deputy Solicitor General	119
	Nicole A. Saharsky	3	Assistant to the Solicitor General	17
	Pratik A. Shah	3	Assistant to the Solicitor General	13
10	Jeffrey B. Wall	3	Assistant to the Solicitor General	10
	Ginger D. Anders	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General	8
	Michael R. Dreeben	2	Deputy Solicitor General	85
	Curtis E. Gannon	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General	13
	Sarah E. Harrington	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General	7
	Benjamin J. Horwich	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General	7
	Neal K. Katyal	2	Hogan Lovells LLP	17
	Joseph R. Palmore	2	Assistant to the Solicitor General	6
	Sri Srinivasan	2	Principal Deputy Solicitor General	22
	Malcolm L. Stewart	2	Deputy Solicitor General	56
Seth P. Waxman	2	WilmerHale LLP	63	
	Total: 19	49		

Most Popular Advocate Origins⁶

State	Total
Washington, D.C. ⁷	67
California	9
New York	7
Louisiana	3
Texas	3
Arizona	2
Illinois	2
Michigan	2
North Carolina	2
Virginia	2
Washington	2

⁴ These tables feature information for advocates who have appeared for oral argument on or prior to January 16, 2013.

⁵ We adopt Richard Lazarus's definition of an "expert" Supreme Court litigator: one who has argued five or more times before the Supreme Court or works in an office where lawyers have collectively argued more than ten times. See Richard J. Lazarus, *Advocacy Matters Before and Within the Supreme Court: Transforming the Court by Transforming the Bar*, 97 GEO. L.J. 1487, 1490 n.17 (2008). Forty-eight elite advocates have appeared for oral argument before the Supreme Court during OT12, representing sixty-two percent of all advocates who have appeared at the Court.

⁶ An advocate's "origin" is simply the state of origin listed for an advocate on the Court's monthly hearing lists.

⁷ If attorneys from the Office of the Solicitor General are omitted, lawyers based in Washington, D.C. have appeared thirty-one times during OT12.