

## Oral Argument - Advocates

### Overview

	OT10	OT11	OT12	OT13	OT14
Number of different advocates	143	118	120	121	112
Number of total appearances	196	182	193	185	178

Appearances by Advocates Who...	OT10	OT11	OT12	OT13	OT14
...Are from the Office of the Solicitor General	57 (29%)	58 (32%)	64 (33%)	61 (33%)	56 (31%)
...Have experience in the Office of the Solicitor General	<i>Not Available</i>	<i>Not Available</i>	<i>Not Available</i>	85 (47%)	78 (46%)
...Have argued at least twice during the Term	81 (41%)	98 (54%)	104 (54%)	96 (52%)	104 (58%)
...Are “expert” Supreme Court litigators*	<i>Not Available</i>	<i>Not Available</i>	137 (71%)	131 (71%)	116 (66%)
...Are based in Washington, D.C.**	106 (54%)	122 (67%)	125 (65%)	119 (64%)	101 (57%)
...Are female	33 (17%)	27 (15%)	33 (17%)	28 (15%)	34 (19%)
...Are female and not from the Office of the Solicitor General***	19 (14%)	14 (11%)	17 (13%)	11 (9%)	17 (14%)

### Most Popular Advocate Origins

State	Total
Washington, D.C.	101
Texas	12
California	10
Maryland	6
New York	5

### Most Popular Supreme Court Clerkships

Clerkship	Appearances	Advocates
Antonin Scalia	18	8
William Brennan	15	6
Stephen Breyer	9	5
Ruth Bader Ginsburg	7	5
John Paul Stevens	7	2

### Most Popular Law Schools

Law School	Appearances	Advocates
Harvard	36	21
Yale	27	15
Texas	10	8
Chicago	11	7
NYU	8	6

\* 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).

\*\* An advocate’s “origin” is simply the state of origin listed for an advocate on the Court’s monthly hearing lists. If attorneys from the Office of the Solicitor General are omitted, lawyers based in Washington, D.C., have appeared forty-five times during OT14.

\*\*\* The percentage figures for this category omit all advocates from the Office of the Solicitor General. As such, they demonstrate the percentage of female advocates from positions other than those within the Office of the Solicitor General as a percentage of all men or women arguing from positions other than those within the Office of the Solicitor General.