

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY APPELLATE PANEL *for the Eighth Circuit*

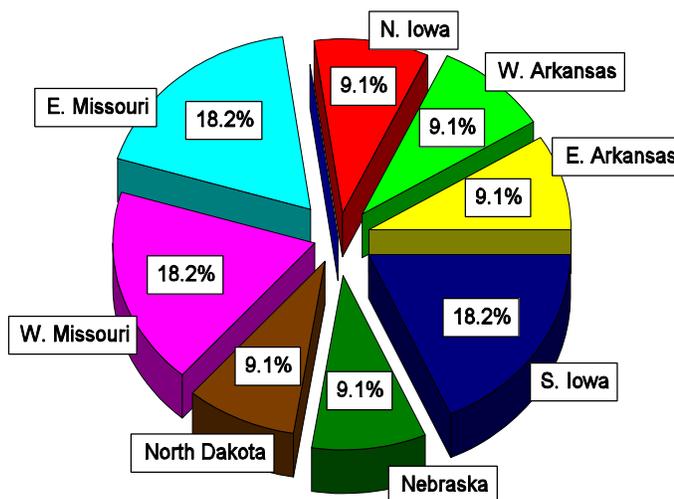
STATISTICAL REPORT -- FIRST QUARTER 2005

New Case Filings

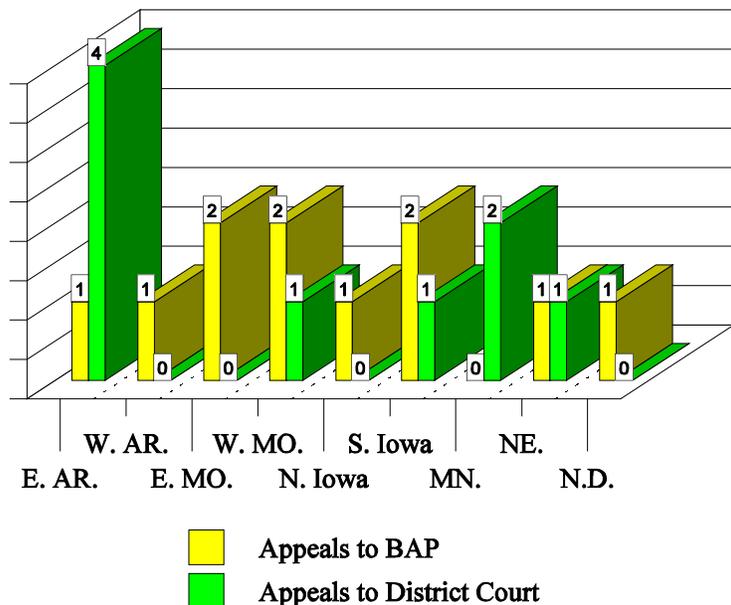
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New Cases

Eastern Arkansas	1
Western Arkansas	1
Northern Iowa	1
Southern Iowa	2
Minnesota	0
Eastern Missouri	2
Western Missouri	2
Nebraska	1
North Dakota	1
TOTAL	11



District Court Elections



The chart to the left compares the number of appeals taken to the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel with those taken to the District Courts. In the first quarter of 2005, twenty appeals were taken from the Bankruptcy Courts. Eleven of those cases (55%) were appealed to and remained with the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel; nine of the cases (45%) were appealed directly to or were transferred to the District Courts.

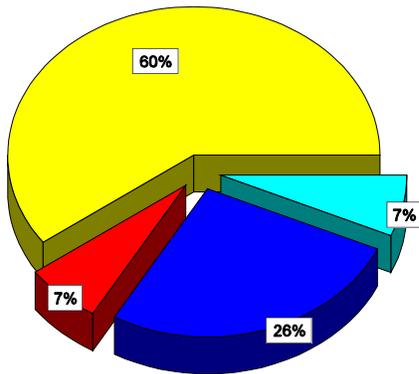
Case Processing Time

Listed in the table below are average processing times calculated for cases submitted on the merits which were subsequently closed between January 1, 2005 and March 31, 2005.

Interval:	1	2	3	Total Processing Time
From:	Docketing	Aplee's Brief	Submission	
To:	Aplee's Brief	Submission	Disposition	
Cases Submitted w/Arg.	76 days 2.5 months	77 days 2.5 months	39 days 1.3 months	192 days 6.3 months
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All Cases	81 days 2.6 months	55 days 1.8 months	32 days 1 months	168 days 5.4 months

Panel Referrals

In the first quarter of 2005, seven referrals were made to Administrative Panels; one of those cases was subsequently referred back to the panel, resulting in a total of eight Administrative Panel referrals. Three cases were submitted on the merits without oral argument and eight cases were submitted on the merits after oral argument. Hearings were held in St. Louis, Des Moines and Fargo.



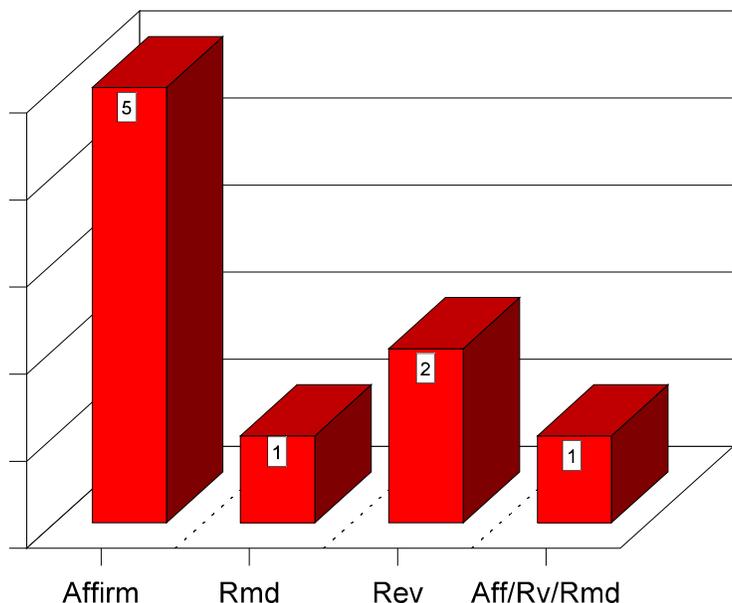
- Opinion - 9 Cases
- Voluntary Dismissal - 1 Case
- Panel Disp. Order - 4 Cases
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Case Dispositions

Fifteen cases were closed in the first three months of 2005. The Panel wrote a total of nine opinions which disposed of nine cases. To the left is a breakdown of the method by which each case was closed.

Opinion Breakdown

The chart to the right breaks down each opinion by its outcome. Of the nine opinions filed in the first quarter of 2005, five (55%) affirmed the Bankruptcy Court decision.



Appeals to the U.S. Court of Appeals

Three notices of appeal were taken to the Court of Appeals from the Bankruptcy Appellate Panel in the first quarter of 2005. In addition, eleven cases were pending before the Court of Appeals at the beginning of the year. Five cases were closed by the Court of Appeals during the last three months, leaving a total of nine pending cases. Following is a breakdown of the method by which BAP cases appealed to the Court of Appeals were closed:

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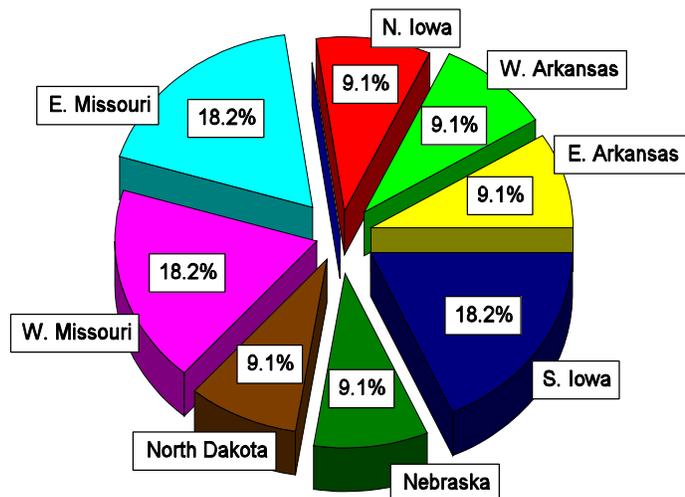
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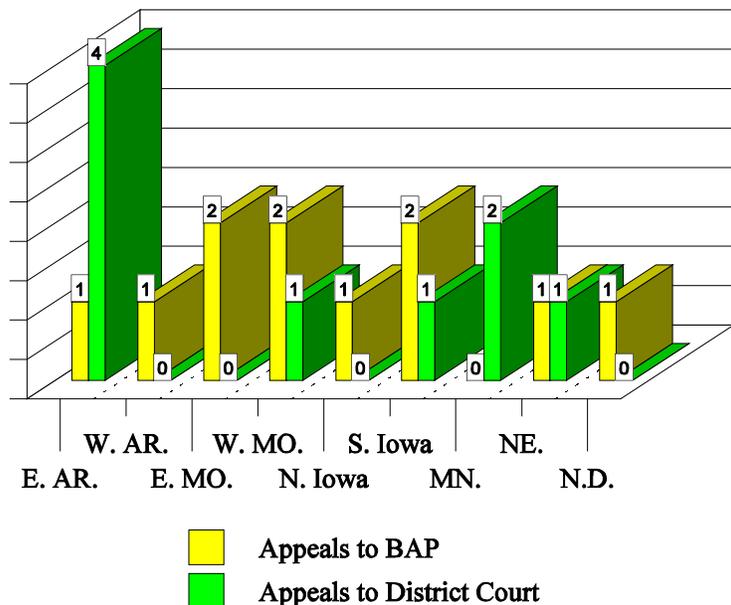
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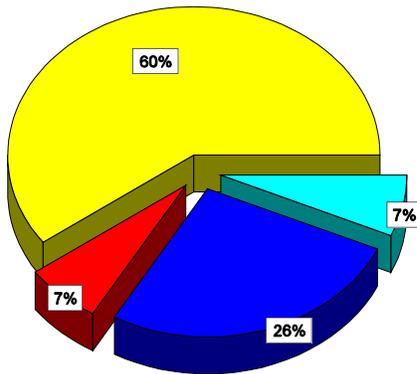
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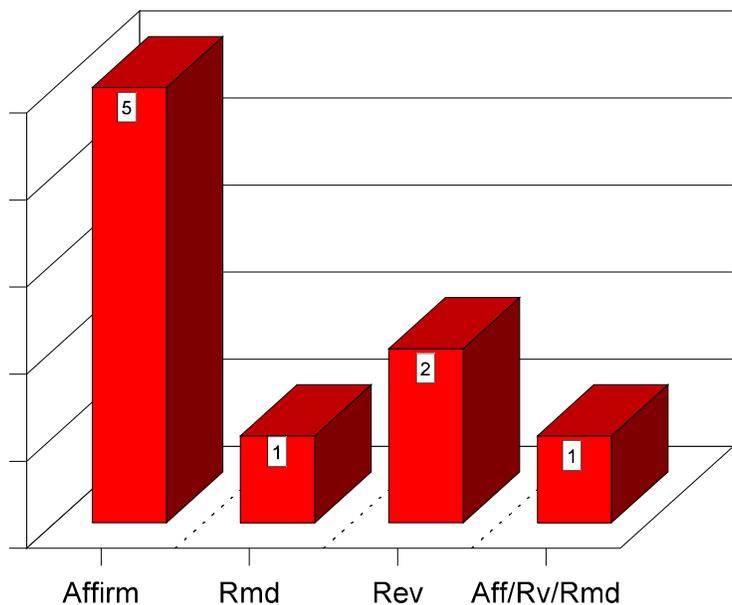
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