

appropriate provisions of title 28, as set out in section 1 of this Act, pursuant to his prior appointment: *Provided, however,* That each circuit court of appeals shall, as in said title 28 set out, hereafter be known as a United States court of appeals. No loss of rights, interruption of jurisdiction, or prejudice to matters pending in any of such courts on the effective date of this Act shall result from its enactment.”

CROSS REFERENCES

District of Columbia, organization of courts, see Title 11 of District of Columbia Code.

Territorial courts, see Title 48, Territories and Insular Possessions.

United States Tax Court, see section 7441 et seq. of Title 26, Internal Revenue Code.

TITLE REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This title is referred to in title 5 section 8477; title 9 section 4; title 10 section 1054; title 11 section 105; title 12 section 2244; title 16 sections 18i, 558c, 742i, 823b, 3375; title 22 sections 2702, 4606, 6082; title 29 section 1706; title 38 section 7316; title 42 sections 233, 300g-3, 300i-1, 300j-23, 3789h, 5055, 8433; title 43 section 1737; title 48 sections 1424-4, 1614, 1821, 1824.

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AMENDMENTS

1992—Pub. L. 102-572, title IX, §902(b)(1), Oct. 29, 1992, 106 Stat. 4516, substituted “United States Court of Federal Claims” for “United States Claims Court” in item for chapter 7.

1990—Pub. L. 101-650, title I, §103(d), Dec. 1, 1990, 104 Stat. 5096, added item for chapter 23.

1984—Pub. L. 98-353, title I, §104(b), July 10, 1984, 98 Stat. 342, added item for chapter 6.

1982—Pub. L. 97-164, title I, §§105(b), 106, Apr. 2, 1982, 96 Stat. 28, substituted “United States Claims Court” for “Court of Claims” in item for chapter 7 and struck out item for chapter 9 “Court of Customs and Patent Appeals”.

1980—Pub. L. 96-417, title V, §501(1), Oct. 10, 1980, 94 Stat. 1742, substituted “Court of International Trade” for “Customs Court” in item for chapter 11.

1978—Pub. L. 98-598, title II, §201(b), Nov. 6, 1978, 92 Stat. 2660, directed amendment of analysis of chapters comprising part I by adding item for chapter 6 “Bankruptcy courts”, which amendment did not become effective pursuant to section 402(b) of Pub. L. 95-598, as amended, set out as an Effective Date note preceding section 101 of Title 11, Bankruptcy.

<sup>1</sup>Chapter heading amended by Pub. L. 92-397 without corresponding amendment of analysis.

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 11992

Ex. Ord. No. 11992, May 24, 1977, 42 F.R. 27195, which established Committee on Selection of Federal Judicial Officers and provided for its membership, functions, etc., was revoked, and Committee terminated, by Ex. Ord. No. 12305, May 5, 1981, 46 F.R. 25421, set out as a note under section 14 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees.

**CHAPTER 1—SUPREME COURT**

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RULES OF THE SUPREME COURT

See Appendix to this title.

CROSS REFERENCES

Allotment of Supreme Court Justices to circuits, see section 42 of this title.

Circuit justices competent to sit as judges of the courts of appeals, see section 43 of this title.

Jurisdiction of Supreme Court, see section 1251 et seq. of this title.

**§ 1. Number of justices; quorum**

The Supreme Court of the United States shall consist of a Chief Justice of the United States and eight associate justices, any six of whom shall constitute a quorum.

(June 25, 1948, ch. 646, 62 Stat. 869.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on title 28, U.S.C., 1940 ed., §321 (Mar. 3, 1911, ch. 231, §215, 36 Stat. 1152).

Appointment of “judges of the Supreme Court” by the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate is provided by U.S. Constitution art. 2, §2, cl. 2.

SHORT TITLE OF 1998 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 105-315, §1, Oct. 30, 1998, 112 Stat. 2993, provided that: “This Act [amending sections 651 to 658 of this title, enacting provisions set out as notes under section 651 of this title, and repealing provisions set out as a note under section 652 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Alternative Dispute Resolution Act of 1998.’”

SHORT TITLE OF 1996 AMENDMENT

Pub. L. 104-317, §1(a), Oct. 19, 1996, 110 Stat. 3847, provided that: “This Act [enacting sections 258 and 1932 of this title, amending sections 112, 125, 134, 251, 253, 331, 332, 371, 376, 601, 621, 627, 636, 753, 954, 1332, 1404, 1406, 1442, 1446, 1827, 1914, 1931, and 1963 of this title, sections 3154, 3401, and 3603 of Title 18, Crimes and Criminal Procedure, sections 1983 and 1988 of Title 42, The Public Health and Welfare, and sections 719, 743, 745, 1104, and 1105 of Title 45, Railroads, enacting provisions set out as notes under sections 258, 1332, 1404, 1827, 1914, 1931, and 2412 of this title and section 719 of Title 45, and amending provisions set out as notes under sections 133, 152, 471, and 1913 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Federal Courts Improvement Act of 1996.’”

SHORT TITLE OF 1994 AMENDMENTS

Pub. L. 103-420, §1, Oct. 25, 1994, 108 Stat. 4343, provided that: “This Act [amending section 612 of this title, amending provisions set out as notes under sections 471 and 651 of this title, and repealing provisions set out as a note under section 651 of this title] may be cited as the ‘Judicial Amendments Act of 1994.’”