

**Summary of the Court's Workload, October Term 2009**

**Total cases granted or probable jurisdiction noted: 80;**

Original cases: 2;

Cases dismissed before oral argument: 1 (*Pollitt*);

Cases decided before oral argument: 2 (*McDaniel*, *Kiyemba*)\*.

**Total cases heard for oral argument: 77;**

Cases decided on the merits: 53\*;

Cases dismissed as improvidently granted: 2 (*Robertson*, *Sullivan*);

Cases otherwise dismissed or vacated: 2 (*Pottawattamie*, *Briscoe*);

Cases undecided: 20\*.

**Total cases decided summarily (without argument): 10\*.**

**Total merits opinions to date: 65;**

Signed merits opinions: 53;

Unsigned merits opinions: 12.

**Total expected merits opinions (in all cases marked \*): 85.**

†Notes: We count the unsigned opinions in *McDaniel v. Brown* and *Kiyemba v. Obama* as merits decisions. We do not regard the following opinions, which are published on the Court's website, as decisions on the merits: *Briscoe v. Virginia*, *Robertson v. United States ex rel. Watson*, and *Sullivan v. Florida*.