

**EIGHTH CIRCUIT IMMIGRATION OPINIONS FOR THE FOUR YEAR PERIOD
January 1, 2006 - December 31, 2009**

Total immigration opinions by court in period: 328
Number of opinions featuring asylum/withholding/CAT claims: 248
Number of published opinions: 171

Number of opinions decided in favor of alien petitioner: 36
Percentage of total immigration opinions decided in favor of alien: 11%

Number of published BIA / AG decisions during same period: 143

Individual judge statistics for period:

Judge:	APPOINTMENT: Year /President	Total number of immigration cases in which judge voted:	Votes cast in favor of Alien:	% of total votes cast in favor of Alien:
Active Judges				
Loken (Chief)	1990 / Bush I	31	4	13%
Wollman	1985 / Reagan	83	8	10%
Murphy	1994 / Clinton	80	6	8%
Bye	2000 / Clinton	68	7	10%
Riley	2001 / Bush II	77	3	4%
Melloy	2002 / Bush II	77	18	23%
Smith	2002 / Bush II	126	12	10%
Colloton	2003 / Bush II	53	5	9%
Gruender	2004 / Bush II	69	6	9%
Benton	2004 / Bush II	90	10	11%
Shepherd	2006 / Bush II	50	6	12%
Senior Judges				
Bright	1968 / Johnson	14	6	43%
Gibson	1982 / Reagan	12	0	0%
Bowman	1983 / Reagan	34	2	6%
Beam	1987 / Reagan	33	1	3%
Hansen	1991 / Bush I	19	2	11%
Arnold	1992 / Bush I	26	4	15%
Visiting Judges		12	2	17%