## **Appendix A: Nature of Suit Codes, Valid Jurisdiction Codes, and Case Weight Factors**

| Code | Description                              | Valid<br>Jurisdiction<br>Codes | 2004<br>Case<br>Weight<br>Factor |
|------|--|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 110  | Insurance                                | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 1.41                             |
| 120  | Marine Contract Actions                  | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 0.88                             |
| 130  | Miller Act                               | 1,2,3                          | 1.22                             |
| 140  | Negotiable Instruments                   | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 1.17                             |
| 150  | Overpayments & Enforcement of Judgments  | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 0.10                             |
| 151  | Overpayments under the Medicare Act      | 1,2,3                          | 0.10                             |
| 152  | Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans      | 1,2                            | 0.10                             |
| 153  | Recovery of Overpayments of Vet Benefits | 1,2                            | 0.10                             |
| 160  | Stockholder's Suits                      | 3,4,5                          | 1.93                             |
| 190  | Other Contract Actions                   | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 1.22                             |
| 195  | Contract Product Liability               | 1,2,4,5                        | 0.61                             |
| 196  | Franchise                                | 1,2,3,4                        | 1.22                             |
| 210  | Land Condemnation                        | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 0.76                             |
| 220  | Foreclosure                              | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 0.32                             |
| 230  | Rent, Lease, Ejectment                   | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 1.17                             |
| 240  | Torts to Land                            | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 1.17                             |
| 245  | Real Property Product Liability          | 1,2,3,4                        | 0.61                             |
| 290  | Other Real Property Actions              | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 1.17                             |
| 310  | Airplane Personal Injury                 | 2,3,4,5                        | 0.90                             |
| 315  | Airplane Product Liability               | 2,3,4                          | 0.61                             |
| 320  | Assault, Libel, and Slander              | 2,3,4,5                        | 1.47                             |
| 330  | Federal Employers' Liability             | 2,3                            | 0.76                             |
| 340  | Marine Personal Injury                   | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 0.88                             |
| 345  | Marine - Product Liability               | 2,3,4                          | 0.88                             |
| 350  | Motor Vehicle Personal Injury            | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 0.90                             |
| 355  | Motor Vehicle Product Liability          | 2,3,4,5                        | 0.61                             |
| 360  | Other Personal Injury                    | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 0.90                             |
| 362  | Medical Malpractice                      | 2,4,5                          | 1.40                             |
| 365  | Personal Injury -Product Liability       | 2,3,4,5                        | 0.61                             |
| 368  | Asbestos Personal Injury - Prod.liab.    | 2,3,4,5                        | 0.12                             |
| 370  | Other Fraud                              | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 1.70                             |
| 371  | Truth in Lending                         | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 1.17                             |
| 380  | Other Personal Property Damage           | 1,2,3,4,5                      | 1.17                             |
| 385  | Property Damage -Product Liabilty        | 1,2,3,4                        | 0.61                             |

| 400 | State Re-Apportionment                             | 3       | 0.99  |
|-----|--|---------|-------|
| 410 | Antitrust  | 1,2,3   | 3.45  |
| 422 | Bankruptcy Appeals Rule 28 USC 158                 | 1,2,3   | 0.57  |
| 423 | Bankruptcy Withdrawal 28 USC 157                   | 1,2,3   | 0.74  |
| 430 | Banks and Banking                                  | 1,2,3   | 1.17  |
| 440 | Other Civil Rights                                 | 1,2,3,4 | 1.92  |
| 441 | Civil Rights Voting                                | 1,2,3,4 | 3.86  |
| 442 | Civil Rights Employment                            | 1,2,3,4 | 1.67  |
| 443 | Civil Rights Accommodations                        | 1,2,3,4 | 1.92  |
| 444 | Civil Rights Welfare                               | 1,2,3,4 | 1.92  |
| 445 | Americans with Disabilities Act- Employment        | 1,2,3,4 | 1.67  |
| 446 | Americans with Disabilities Act- Other             | 1,2,3,4 | 1.92  |
| 450 | Interstate Commerce                                | 1,2,3   | 0.84  |
| 460 | Deportation  | 2,3     | 0.44  |
| 462 | Naturalization, Petition For Hearing of Denial     | 2       | 0.99  |
| 463 | Habeas Corpus - Alien Detainee                     | 2       | 0.54  |
| 465 | Other Immigration Actions                          | 2       | 0.99  |
| 470 | Civil (Rico)                                       | 1,3,4,5 | 4.78  |
| 480 | Consumer Credit                                    | 1,2,3,4 | 0.99  |
| 490 | Cable/ Satellite TV                                | 1,2,3,4 | 0.99  |
| 510 | Prisoner Petitions -Vacate Sentence                | 2       | 0.32  |
| 530 | Prisoner Petitions -Habeas Corpus                  | 2,3,5   | 0.54  |
| 535 | Habeas Corpus: Death Penalty                       | 2,3,5   | 12.89 |
| 540 | Prisoner Petitions -Mandamus and Other             | 2,3,5   | 0.49  |
| 550 | Prisoner -Civil Rights (U.S. not a defendant)      | 3       | 0.67  |
| 550 | Prisoner -Civil Rights (U.S. defendant)            | 2       | 0.75  |
| 555 | Prisoner - Prison Condition (U.S. not a defendant) | 3,5     | 0.67  |
| 555 | Prisoner - Prison Condition (U.S. defendant)       | 2       | 0.75  |
| 610 | Forfeiture and Penalty: Agricultural Acts          | 1,2     | 0.42  |
| 620 | Forfeiture and Penalty: Food and Drug Acts         | 1,2     | 0.42  |
| 625 | Drug Related Seizure of Property                   | 1,2     | 0.42  |
| 630 | Liquor Laws  | 1,2     | 0.42  |
| 640 | Forfeiture and Penalty: Railroad and Trucks        | 1,2     | 0.42  |
| 650 | Airline Regulations                                | 1,2     | 0.42  |
| 660 | Occupational Safety/health                         | 1,2     | 0.42  |
| 690 | Other Forfeiture and Penalty Suits                 | 1,2     | 0.42  |
| 710 | Fair Labor Standards Act                           | 1,2,3   | 1.02  |
| 720 | Labor/management Relations Act                     | 1,2,3   | 1.02  |
| 730 | Labor/management Report & Disclosure               | 1,2,3   | 1.02  |
| 740 | Railway Labor Act                                  | 1,2,3   | 1.02  |
| 790 | Other Labor Litigation                             | 1,2,3   | 1.02  |

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| 791 | Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA)       | 1,2,3     | 0.84 |
|-----|---|-----------|------|
| 810 | Selective Service                                     | 2,3       | 0.99 |
| 820 | Copyright   | 3         | 2.12 |
| 830 | Patent  | 1,2,3     | 4.72 |
| 840 | Trademark   | 1,3       | 2.12 |
| 850 | Securities, Commodities, Exchange (Jurisdiction = 1)  | 1         | 2.08 |
| 850 | Securities, Commodities, Exchange (Jurisdiction <>1)  | 2,3       | 1.93 |
| 861 | Social Security: HIA (1395 ff)                        | 2         | 0.63 |
| 862 | Social Security: Black Lung (923)                     | 1,2       | 0.63 |
| 863 | Social Security: DIWC/DIWW (405(g))                   | 1,2       | 0.63 |
| 864 | Social Security: SSID Title XVI                       | 2         | 0.63 |
| 865 | Social Security: RSI (405(g))                         | 2         | 0.63 |
| 870 | Tax Suits   | 1,2,5     | 1.29 |
| 871 | IRS 3rd Party Suits 26 USC 7609 (U.S. plaintiff)      | 1,2       | 1.29 |
| 875 | Customer Challenge 12 USC 3410                        | 2         | 0.99 |
| 890 | Other Statutory Actions                               | 1,2,3     | 0.99 |
| 891 | Agricultural Acts                                     | 1,2,3     | 4.79 |
| 892 | Economic Stabilization Act                            | 1,2,3     | 0.99 |
| 893 | Environmental Matters                                 | 1,2,3     | 4.79 |
| 894 | Energy Allocation Act                                 | 1,2,3     | 4.79 |
| 895 | Freedom of Information Act of 1974                    | 2,3       | 3.06 |
| 900 | Appeal of Fee Determination - Equal Access to Justice | 2         | 0.99 |
| 950 | Constitutionality of State Statutes                   | 1,2,3,4,5 | 0.99 |

The following nature of suit codes are no longer used and are listed for informational purposes only.

|      |                      |            | Old Case |
|------|----------------------|------------|----------|
|      |                      | Expiration | Weight   |
| Code | Old Description      | Date       | Factor   |
| 860  | Social Security      | May 1987   | 0.63     |
| 910  | Domestic Relations   | Dec. 1996  | 0.99     |
| 920  | Insanity             | Dec. 1996  | 0.99     |
| 930  | Probate              | Dec. 1996  | 0.99     |
| 940  | Substitute Trustee   | Dec. 1996  | 0.99     |
| 990  | Other                | Dec. 2009  | 0.99     |
| 992  | Local Jurisdictional | Dec. 1996  | 0.99     |
| 999  | Appeal Miscellaneous | Dec. 2009  | 0.99     |

The above Nature of Suit codes were updated September 8, 2011.

## The following codes will be eliminated:

- 444 Civil Rights Welfare
- 610 Forfeiture/Penalty Agriculture
- 620 Forfeiture/Penalty Other Food & Drug
- 630 Forfeiture/Penalty Liquor Laws
- 640 Forfeiture/Penalty RR & Truck
- 650 Forfeiture/Penalty Airline Regulations
- 660 Forfeiture/Penalty Occupational Safety/Health
- 730 Labor Labor/Mgmt Reporting and Disclosure Act
- 810 Other Statutes Selective Service
- 875 Other Statutes Customer Challenge 12 USC 3410
- 892 Economic Stabilization Act
- 894 Other Statutes Energy Allocation Act
- 900 Other Statutes Appeal of Fee Determination Under Equal Access to Justice Act

## The following codes will be added:

- 367 Torts Personal Injury: Health Care/Pharmaceutical Personal Injury/Product Liability
- 375 False Claims Act
- 448 Civil Rights Educational
- 560 Prisoner Petitions: Civil Detainee Conditions of Confinement
- 751 Labor Family and Medical Leave Act
- 896 Other Statutes Arbitration
- 899 Other Statutes Administrative Procedure Act/Review or Appeal of Agency Decision