Table 58

GUIDELINE INVOLVED IN ISSUES APPEALED BY THE GOVERNMENT¹

Fiscal Year 2008

| GUIDELINE | Number | Percent | Affirmance Rate ² |
|---|--------|---------|------------------------------|
| TOTAL | 291 | 100.0 | 39.2 |
| 18 U.S.C. § 3553(a) Factors | 49 | 16.8 | 44.9 |
| 2D1.1 (Drug Trafficking) | 27 | 9.3 | 25.9 |
| 2B1.1 (Larceny, Embezzlement and Theft) | 15 | 5.2 | 33.3 |
| 5K2.0 (Departures) | 12 | 4.1 | 41.7 |
| 2G2.2 (Trafficking in Material Involving Sexual Exploitation of a Minor) | 8 | 2.7 | 100.0 |
| 5K1.1 (Substantial Assistance to Authorities) | 6 | 2.1 | 0.0 |
| 3B1.2 (Mitigating Role) | 5 | 1.7 | 0.0 |
| 2B1.5 (Theft or Damage to Cultural Heritage Resource) | 4 | 1.4 | 100.0 |
| 2F1.1 (Fraud) | 4 | 1.4 | 0.0 |
| 2S1.1 (Laundering of Monetary Instruments) | 4 | 1.4 | 25.0 |
| 3B1.1 (Aggravating Role) | 4 | 1.4 | 0.0 |
| 3C1.1 (Obstruction of Justice) | 4 | 1.4 | 0.0 |
| 5B1.1 (Imposition of a Term of Probation) | 4 | 1.4 | 0.0 |
| 5C1.2 (Limitation of Applicability of Statutory Minimum Sentences in Certain Cases) | 4 | 1.4 | 0.0 |
| 5E1.1 (Restitution) | 4 | 1.4 | 0.0 |
| 2K2.1 (Firearms) | 3 | 1.0 | 66.7 |
| 2K2.4 (Use of Firearms During or in Relation to Certain Crimes) | 3 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
| 3B1.3 (Abuse of a Position of Trust or Use of Special Skill) | 3 | 1.0 | 0.0 |
| 3E1.1 (Acceptance of Responsibility) | 3 | 1.0 | 66.7 |
| 4B1.4 (Armed Career Criminal) | 3 | 1.0 | 66.7 |
| Constitutional Issues | 57 | 19.6 | 56.1 |
| Other Guidelines | 46 | 15.8 | 34.8 |
| Other Non-guideline Issues | 19 | 6.5 | 52.6 |

SOURCE: U.S. Sentencing Commission, 2008 Appeals Datafile, APPFY08.

¹Based on 150 appeals by the Government with sentencing as at least one of the reasons for appeal. Often more than one issue was appealed; consequently, the number of issues is more than the number of defendants. The "Other" category includes all issues appealed fewer than three times among relevant cases.

²Affirmance Rate includes all appeals cases not reversed or directly remanded by the circuit court.