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The average time period between Filing to Decision By Hearing is 17 months



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Dispute Resolution Statistics
Summary Arbitration Statistics March 2006

New Case Filings through March:

2006	2005	2004	2006 Vs 2005
1,393	1,568	2,070	-11%

Number of Cases Closed through March:

2006	2005	2004	2006 Vs 2005
2,084	2,532	2,275	-18%

Turnaround Time* (in months) through March:

	2006	2005	2004	2006 Vs 2005
Overall	13.9	14.5	15.1	-4%
Hearing Decisions	17.0	17.0	17.1	0%
Simplified Decisions	5.4	7.3	7.9	-26%

* The timing of the arbitration process is heavily influenced by Code of Arbitration Procedures time limits, the parties, and the panel.

Summary Mediation Statistics March 2006

Mediation Cases in Agreement through March:

2006	2005	2004	2006 Vs 2005
307	334	324	-8%

Mediation Cases Closed through March:

	2006	2005	2004	2006 Vs 2005
Cases Closed	380	497	493	-24%
Percent Settled	81%	81%	85%	

Turnaround Time (in Days) through March:

2006	2005	2004	2006 Vs 2005
102	103	109	-1%

More than 80% of cases that have been mediated since 2004 have settled, and the average time period for settlement is a little over 3 months



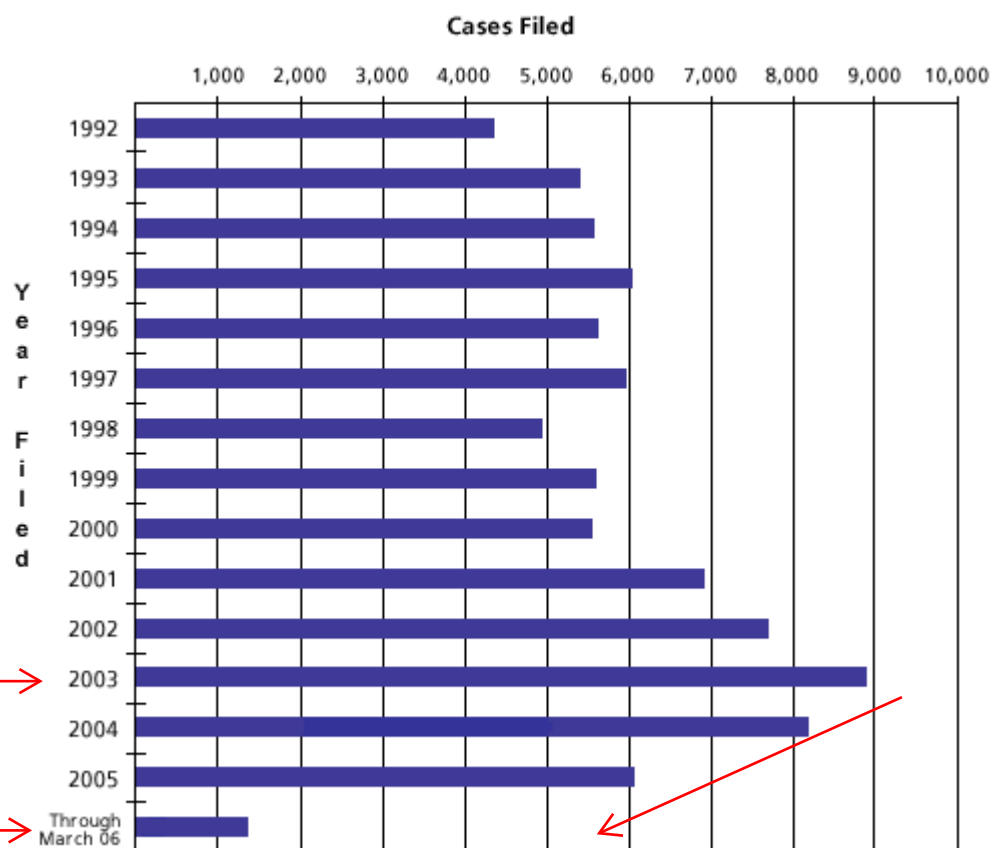
Arbitration Cases Filed



Year	Cases
1991	4,150
1992	4,379
1993	5,421
1994	5,586
1995	6,058
1996	5,631
1997	5,997
1998	4,938

Year	Cases
1999	5,608
2000	5,558
2001	6,915
2002	7,704
2003	8,945
2004	8,201
2005	6,074
Through March 2006	1,393

Yearly Volume Comparison



The Year I filed my NASD Claim was the highest volume year

March YTD indicates 2006 may be another reduction in claims filed (5,572 annualized, which would be an 8% reduction from 2005) -- the third consecutive year for a decrease

Controversies Involved in Arbitration Cases

Type of Controversy*	2002	2003	2004	2005	Mar - 2006
Margin Calls	366	244	168	78	17
Churning	824	665	449	315	65
Unauthorized Trading	930	789	520	395	86
Failure to Supervise	2,633	3,230	2,743	1,828	410
Negligence	2,522	3,500	3,398	2,225	553

This is the only "type" of controversy captured in the statistics that is germane to my claim

Omission of Facts	1,178	1,949	2,195	1,123	208
<u>Breach of Contract</u>	1,958	2,328	2,723	1,987	489
Breach of Fiduciary Duty	4,236	5,565	5,426	3,514	808
Unsuitability	2,644	3,198	2,697	1,926	452
Misrepresentation	2,623	3,280	3,230	1,826	347
Online Trading	95	74	4	7	3

*Each case can be coded to contain up to four controversy types. Therefore the columns in this table cannot be totaled to determine the number of cases served in a year.

Security Types Involved in Arbitration Cases

This is not applicable, as my NASD Claim does not pertain to a dispute over trading on account, which a majority of NASD disputes pertain to

Type of Security*	2002	2003	2004	2005	Mar - 2006
Corporate Bonds	253	353	188	106	17
Certificates of Deposit**	37	39	20	31	7
Mutual Funds	1,249	1,706	1,221	888	171
Options	508	392	299	153	23
Common Stock	3,080	3,812	2,557	1,348	296
Limited Partnerships	69	59	36	24	6
Annuities	419	721	596	460	110

*Each case can be coded to contain up to four security types. Therefore the columns in this table cannot be totaled to determine the number of cases served in a year.

**Certificates of Deposit were first tracked in January 2001.

Arbitration Cases Closed by Year

Year	Cases	Year	Cases
1991	4037	1999	4767
1992	4375	2000	5473
1993	4230	2001	5582
1994	4484	2002	5957
1995	5779	2003	7278
1996	6331	2004	9209
1997	5880	2005	9043
1998	5484	Through March 2006	2,084

The number of cases settled through March 2006, annualizes to 8,336 -- when comparing this to the annualized number of cases filed (5,572), 2006 will be the third consecutive year where the case backlog will be reduced.

For the last two years, over 9,000 NASD cases closed, or more than 36 cases per day, assuming 250 business days per year

How Arbitration Cases Close

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NOTE: Based on 2005 cases that were decided by Arbitrators, Settled or Mediated, the average time period for case resolution was roughly six months.

The percent of cases that have been decided by Arbitrators has declined from 32% in 2002 to 24% in 2005, and 2006 is shaping up as a further reduction with 19% through March 2006

The percent of cases settled have increased from 50% to 54% from 2002 to 2005 -- through March 2006 58% of cases have settled

Cases Decided by Arbitrators	2002	% of Cases	2003	% of Cases	2004	% of Cases	2005	% of Cases	Mar - 06	% of Cases
After Hearing	1,463	25%	1,764	24%	1,915	21%	1,767	20%	332	16%
After Review of Documents	443	8%	313	4%	508	6%	355	4%	55	3%
Total	1,906	32%	2,077	29%	2,423	27%	2,122	24%	387	19%
Cases Resolved by Other Means	2002	% of Cases	2003	% of Cases	2004	% of Cases	2005	% of Cases	Mar - 06	% of Cases
Direct Settlement by Parties	2,204	37%	2,616	36%	3,700	41%	3,940	44%	974	47%
Settled Via Mediation	752	13%	1,182	16%	1,201	13%	910	10%	231	11%
Withdrawn	547	9%	647	9%	677	7%	806	9%	197	10%
All Others*	489	8%	679	9%	1,073	12%	1,127	13%	273	13%
Total	3,992	68%	5,124	71%	6,651	73%	6,783	76%	1,675	81%

*All Other reasons for closed includes cases closed by: Stipulated Award, Bankruptcy of critical party; Uncured Deficient Claim; Forum Denied; Stayed by Court Action, etc. Note cases counted as closed in this report do not include those cases that closed and were then reopened.

Results of Customer Claimant Arbitration Award Cases

Year Decided	All Customer Claimant Cases Decided (Hearings & Paper)	All Customer Claimant Cases Where Customer Awarded Damages	*Percentage of Customer Award Cases
2000	1,196	635	53%
2001	1,172	637	54%
2002	1,330	702	53%
2003	1,513	742	49%
2004	1,894	888	47%
2005	1,610	687	43%

The percent of cases awarded damages has declined every year since 2001 from 54% to 43%

* Percentage of customer claimant award cases has been recalculated to reflect only instances in which investors as claimants recovered monetary damages or non-monetary relief.

Arbitrator Classification

6,340 arbitrators are now available for service

- 3,692 are public
- 2,648 are non-public (industry)

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