

# Incoming Hague Convention Cases to the U.S. Central Authority

## Applications Made for Return and Access in 2018



**Argentina** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on six cases under the Convention from Argentina. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, one case had been closed and five remained open.



**Australia** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 15 cases under the Convention from Australia. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, nine cases had been closed and six remained open.



**Austria** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Austria. This case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, the case remained open.



**Bahamas** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on four cases under the Convention from The Bahamas. Of these, two cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, one case had been closed and three remained open.



**Belgium** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on six cases under the Convention from Belgium. Of these, five cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, one case had been closed and five remained open.



**Belize** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on four cases under the Convention from Belize. Of these, one case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and two cases remained open.



**Bosnia-Herzegovina** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Bosnia-Herzegovina. This case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, the case remained open.



**Brazil** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 26 cases under the Convention from Brazil. Of these, ten cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, 17 cases had been closed and nine remained open.



**Bulgaria** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Bulgaria. This case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, the case remained open.



**Burkina Faso** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Burkina Faso. As of December 31, 2018, the case remained open.



**Canada** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 42 cases under the Convention from Canada. Of these, 22 cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, 22 cases had been closed and 20 remained open.



**Chile** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on seven cases under the Convention from Chile. Of these, one case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, six cases had been closed and one remained open.



**Colombia** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 21 cases under the Convention from Colombia. Of these, 11 cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, eight cases had been closed and 13 remained open.



**Costa Rica** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on nine cases under the Convention from Costa Rica. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, five cases had been closed and four remained open.



**Croatia** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on three cases under the Convention from Croatia. Of these, one case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, all three cases had been closed.



**Czech Republic** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on three cases under the Convention from the Czech Republic. Of these, two cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and one remained open.



**Denmark** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on four cases under the Convention from Denmark. Of these, two cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and two remained open.



**Dominican Republic** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 40 cases under the Convention from the Dominican Republic. Of these, seven cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, 22 cases had been closed and 18 remained open.

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**Ecuador** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 15 cases under the Convention from Ecuador. Of these, eight cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and 13 remained open.



**El Salvador** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 25 cases under the Convention from El Salvador. Of these, 15 cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, 12 cases had been closed and 13 remained open.



**Finland** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from France. As of December 31, 2018, the case had been closed.



**France** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 15 cases under the Convention from France. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, eight cases had been closed and seven remained open.



**Germany** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 24 cases under the Convention from Germany. Of these, 12 cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, 17 cases had been closed and seven remained open.



**Greece** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Greece. As of December 31, 2018, the case had been closed.



**Guatemala** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 18 cases under the Convention from Guatemala. Of these, five cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, seven cases had been closed and 11 remained open.



**Honduras** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 171 cases under the Convention from Honduras. Of these, 109 cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, 52 cases had been closed and 119 remained open.



**Hong Kong** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Hong Kong. As of December 31, 2018, the case had been closed.



**Hungary** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on six cases under the Convention from Hungary. Of these, four cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and four remained open.



**Ireland** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on four cases under the Convention from Ireland. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and two remained open.



**Israel** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on ten cases under the Convention from Israel. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, five cases had been closed and five remained open.



**Italy** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on nine cases under the Convention from Italy. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, four cases had been closed and five remained open.



**Japan** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on ten cases under the Convention from Japan. Of these, six cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, four cases had been closed and six remained open.



**Latvia** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Latvia. This case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, the case remained open.



**Lithuania** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on three cases under the Convention from Lithuania. Of these, one case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and one remained open.



**Mexico** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 306 cases under the Convention from Mexico. Of these, 104 cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, 145 cases had been closed and 161 remained open.



**Morocco** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Morocco. As of December 31, 2018, the case had been closed.



**Netherlands** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on two cases under the Convention from The Netherlands. By December 31, 2018, one case had been closed and one remained open.

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**New Zealand** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on six cases under the Convention from New Zealand. Of these, four cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, five cases had been closed and one remained open.



**Norway** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on four cases under the Convention from Norway. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and two remained open.



**Panama** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on six cases under the Convention from Panama. Of these, two cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, three cases had been closed and three remained open.



**Paraguay** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Paraguay. This case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, the case remained open.



**Peru** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on nine cases under the Convention from Peru. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, three cases had been closed and six remained open.



**Poland** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on six cases under the Convention from Poland. Of these, two cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, four cases had been closed and two remained open.



**Portugal** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on five cases under the Convention from Portugal. Of these, one case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, one case had been closed and four remained open.



**Republic of Korea** - In 2017, the U.S. Central Authority acted on four cases under the Convention from the Republic of Korea. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2017, two cases had been closed and two remained open.



**Serbia** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on three cases under the Convention from Serbia. Of these, two cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, all three cases remained open.



**Singapore** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Singapore. As of December 31, 2018, the case had been closed.



**Slovakia** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Slovakia. This case was opened in 2018. By December 31, 2018, the case remained open.



**South Africa** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on three cases under the Convention from South Africa. Of these, one case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and one remained open.



**Spain** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on seven cases under the Convention from Spain. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, five cases had been closed and two remained open.



**Sweden** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on eight cases under the Convention from Sweden. Of these, two cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, three cases had been closed and five remained open.



**Switzerland** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on four cases under the Convention from Switzerland. Of these, one case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and two remained open.



**Thailand** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on four cases under the Convention from Thailand. Of these, one case was opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, three cases had been closed and one remained open.



**Trinidad and Tobago** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 12 cases under the Convention from Trinidad and Tobago. Of these, five cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, seven cases had been closed and five remained open.



**Turkey** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on six cases under the Convention from Turkey. Of these, three cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, two cases had been closed and four cases remained open.



**Ukraine** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on nine cases under the Convention from Ukraine. Of these, six cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, three cases had been closed and six remained open.

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**United Kingdom** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 37 cases under the Convention from United Kingdom. Of these, 19 cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, 27 cases had been closed and ten remained open.



**Uruguay** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on four cases under the Convention from Uruguay. As of December 31, 2018, all four cases remained open.



**Venezuela** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on 25 cases under the Convention from Venezuela. Of these, nine cases were opened in 2018. As of December 31, 2018, 13 cases had been closed and 12 remained open.



**Zimbabwe** - In 2018, the U.S. Central Authority acted on one case under the Convention from Zimbabwe. As of December 31, 2018, the case remained open.

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	Total Cases in 2018	New Cases Opened in 2018	Cases Closed in 2018	Cases Open at End of 2018
<b>Argentina</b> 	6	3	1	5
<b>Australia</b> 	15	3	9	6
<b>Austria</b> 	1	1	0	1
<b>The Bahamas</b> 	4	2	1	3
<b>Belgium</b> 	6	5	1	5
<b>Belize</b> 	4	1	2	2
<b>Bosnia-Herzegovina</b> 	1	1	0	1
<b>Brazil</b> 	26	10	17	9
<b>Bulgaria</b> 	1	1	0	1
<b>Burkina Faso</b> 	1	0	0	1
<b>Canada</b> 	42	22	22	20
<b>Chile</b> 	7	1	6	1
<b>Colombia</b> 	21	11	8	13
<b>Costa Rica</b> 	9	3	5	4
<b>Croatia</b> 	3	1	3	0
<b>Czech Republic</b> 	3	2	2	1

	Total Cases in 2018	New Cases Opened in 2018	Cases Closed in 2018	Cases Open at End of 2018
<b>Denmark</b> 	4	2	2	2
<b>Dominican Republic</b> 	40	7	22	18
<b>Ecuador</b> 	15	8	2	13
<b>El Salvador</b> 	25	15	12	13
<b>Finland</b> 	1	0	1	0
<b>France*</b> 	14	3	7	7
<b>Germany</b> 	24	12	17	7
<b>Greece</b> 	1	0	1	0
<b>Guatemala</b> 	18	5	7	11
<b>Honduras</b> 	171	109	52	119
<b>Hong Kong</b> 	1	0	1	0
<b>Hungary</b> 	6	4	2	4
<b>Ireland</b> 	4	3	2	2
<b>Israel</b> 	10	3	5	5
<b>Italy</b> 	9	3	4	5
<b>Japan</b> 	10	6	4	6

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	Total Cases in 2018	New Cases Opened in 2018	Cases Closed in 2018	Cases Open at End of 2018
<b>Latvia</b> 	1	1	0	1
<b>Lithuania</b> 	3	1	2	1
<b>Mexico</b> 	306	104	145	161
<b>Morocco</b> 	1	0	1	0
<b>The Netherlands</b> 	3	0	2	1
<b>New Zealand</b> 	6	4	5	1
<b>Norway</b> 	4	3	2	2
<b>Panama</b> 	6	4	3	3
<b>Paraguay</b> 	1	1	0	1
<b>Peru</b> 	9	3	3	6
<b>Poland</b> 	6	2	4	2
<b>Portugal</b> 	5	1	1	4
<b>Republic of Korea</b> 	4	3	2	2
<b>Serbia</b> 	3	2	0	3
<b>Singapore</b> 	1	0	1	0

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<b>Slovakia</b> 	1	1	1	0
<b>South Africa</b> 	3	1	2	1
<b>Spain</b> 	7	3	5	2
<b>Sweden</b> 	8	2	3	5
<b>Switzerland</b> 	4	1	2	2
<b>Thailand</b> 	4	1	3	1
<b>Trinidad &amp; Tobago</b> 	12	5	7	5
<b>Turkey</b> 	6	3	2	4
<b>Ukraine</b> 	9	6	3	6
<b>United Kingdom*</b> 	37	19	27	10
<b>Uruguay</b> 	4	0	0	4
<b>Venezuela</b> 	25	9	13	12
<b>Zimbabwe</b> 	1	0	0	1

\* The statistics for France include cases from the French overseas collectivity of Saint Martin. The statistics for the United Kingdom include cases from the British Overseas Territories of Anguilla, Bermuda, and the Cayman Islands.