

<p>(a) legal ability</p> <p>(i) understanding of law and rules of procedure and evidence (ii) attentiveness to factual and legal issues (iii) adherence to precedent and ability to clearly explain departures from precedent (iv) practical impact of judge's rulings, effect of delay and increased litigation expense</p>	<p>(b) integrity</p> <p>(i) avoidance of impropriety or appearance of impropriety (ii) fairness and impartiality</p>	<p>(c) communication skills</p> <p>clearly articulating basis for written rulings</p>	<p>(d) judicial temperament</p> <p>(i) courtesy toward attorneys, court staff, and others (ii) decorum in the courtroom (iii) preparedness for oral argument</p>	<p>(e) administrative performance</p> <p>(i) management of workload; (ii) sharing proportionally the workload within court or district (iii) issuance of opinions and orders without unnecessary delay</p>	<p>Other</p>
<p>1. The judge demonstrates sufficient knowledge of the rules of criminal procedure to make sound rulings.</p>	<p>1. The judge is fair.</p>	<p>1. The judge explains the reasons for his or her decisions, when appropriate.</p>	<p>1. The judge behaves in a dignified manner.</p>	<p>1. The judge acts to ensure that disabilities and linguistic and cultural differences do not limit access to the justice system.</p>	<p>1. Would you recommend that this judge be retained?</p> <p>a. Why or why not?</p>
<p>2. The judge demonstrates sufficient knowledge of the rules of civil procedure to make sound rulings.</p>	<p>2. The judge avoids impropriety and the appearance of impropriety.</p>	<p>2. The judge uses clear language when speaking to jurors, litigants, attorneys and witnesses.</p>	<p>2. The judge maintains a neutral demeanor and expression while in court.</p>	<p>2. The judge is an effective manager of courtroom staff and operations.</p>	<p>2. Are there other questions that we should be asking? Please specify</p>
<p>3. The judge demonstrates sufficient knowledge of the rules of evidence to make sound rulings on objections during trial.</p>	<p>3. The judge is impartial.</p>	<p>3. The judge's written opinions offer meaningful legal analysis.</p>	<p>3. The judge is patient.</p>	<p>3. The judge issues opinions and orders without delay.</p>	<p>3. How long did it take you to complete this survey?</p>
<p>4. The judge sufficiently addresses the arguments that parties raise.</p>	<p>4. The judge favors some attorneys over others.</p>	<p>4. The judge clearly articulates the basis for his or her written rulings</p>	<p>4. The judge gives parties an adequate amount of time to present their cases.</p>	<p>4. The judge realistically manages his or her calendar</p>	<p>4. Is there anything else particularly notable, not already covered in a survey question that you have experienced with this judge?</p>
<p>5. The judge's sentencing has been fair and appropriate.</p>	<p>5. The judge avoids improper ex parte communications.</p>	<p>5. The judge makes clear rulings and orders.</p>	<p>5. The judge provides the parties due process; namely, advance notice of issues to be heard or considered, an adequate opportunity to prepare and a meaningful opportunity to be heard.</p>	<p>5. The judge convenes court without undue delay.</p>	<p>5. On average, how much time have you spent in the presence of this judge over the past year?</p>
<p>6. The judge bases his or her decisions on the law and the facts.</p>	<p>6. The judge's behavior demonstrates equal treatment of persons or class of persons.</p>		<p>6. The judge promotes public trust and confidence in the courts through his or her conduct on the bench.</p>		<p>6. How long have you been licensed to practice law?</p>
<p>7. The judge follows legal precedent or clearly explains any departure from apparent precedent.</p>	<p>7. The judge does not prejudge cases, parties or issues as the case progresses.</p>		<p>7. The judge respects the time of the participants and understands the personal and financial costs they may be incurring to participate in court proceedings.</p>		<p>7. Are there any questions on this survey that you feel are unnecessary? Please specify which ones.</p>

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8. The judge understands the practical impact of his or her rulings, including the effect of delay and increased litigation expense.	8. The judge will take necessary disciplinary action against attorneys when needed.		8. The judge is prepared for argument and hearings.		
9. The Judge only considers evidence in the record.	9. Please describe the judge's behavior toward the following: a. The plaintiff b. Plaintiff's attorney c. Victims d. The defendant e. Defendant's attorney <i>Likert Scale with three labels:</i> Biased against Appropriately neutral Biased in favor <i>And an opt out:</i> Not enough experience to comment		9. The judge is courteous and respectful to all.		
			10. The judge's mood or personal life does not intrude on his or her judicial performance.		
			11. Does the judge appear or act weak or indecisive?		
			12. The judge regularly cuts people off without explanation.		
			13. The judge routinely reviews the appropriate rules, the case files and all other appropriate materials in preparation for cases.		
The judge takes matters under advisement only when appropriate					