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ARIZONA JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

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## Judicial Reports

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### Pima County Voters Only

**Hon. Sean Brearcliffe**  
Court of Appeals Division II  
Appointed: 2017

**100% of the Commission Voted Judge Brearcliffe MEETS Judicial Performance Standards**  
33 Commissioners Voted 'Meets'  
0 Commissioners Voted 'Does Not Meet'

Show Surveys from Prior Years

2020	<b>Attorney Surveys</b>	<b>Superior Court Judge Surveys</b>
	Distributed: 152 Returned: 20 <b>Score (See Footnote)</b>	Distributed: 94 Returned: 40 <b>Score (See Footnote)</b>
Legal Ability	95%	92%
Integrity	98%	93%
Communication	n/a	n/a
Temperament	n/a	n/a
Admin Performance	100%	100%

#### FOOTNOTE:

Judges are evaluated on their judicial performance midway through their term and prior to their retention election. Beginning in 2022, their survey evaluation scores include midterm scores and retention scores. Newly appointed judges serve a two-year term and are evaluated prior to their retention election on their retention scores. The score is the percentage of all evaluators who rated the judge "superior", "very good", or "satisfactory" in each of the Commission's evaluation categories. Depending on the assignment, a judge may not have responses in certain categories, indicated by N/A (for example, some judicial assignments do not require jury trials or no survey responses were returned). The JPR Commission votes "Yes" or "No" on whether a judge "MEETS" Judicial Performance Standards, based on the statistical information, as well as any other information submitted by the public or the judge. Further information on the judges and justices can be found at each court's website.



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2020 Attorney Survey Responses

Key: **SU** = Superior    **VG** = Very Good    **SA** = Satisfactory    **PO** = Poor    **UN** = Unsatisfactory

	SU		VG		SA		PO		UN		Mean	Total
	Num.	Pct.	Num.	Pct.	Num.	Pct.	Num.	Pct.	Num.	Pct.		
<b>1. Legal Ability</b>												
1. Legal reasoning ability	14	67%	3	14%	3	14%	1	5%	0	0%	3.43	21
2. Knowledge of law	13	62%	4	19%	3	14%	1	5%	0	0%	3.38	21
3. Decisions based on laws and facts	13	65%	4	20%	2	10%	1	5%	0	0%	3.45	20
4. Clearly written, legally supported decisions	13	65%	4	20%	2	10%	1	5%	0	0%	3.45	20
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.43</b>	<b>82</b>
<b>2. Integrity</b>												
5. Basic fairness and impartiality	9	69%	2	15%	1	8%	1	8%	0	0%	3.46	13
6. Equal treatment regardless of race	4	80%	1	20%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.80	5
7. Equal treatment regardless of gender	6	75%	1	13%	1	13%	0	0%	0	0%	3.62	8
8. Equal treatment regardless of religion	4	80%	1	20%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.80	5
9. Equal treatment regardless of national origin	4	80%	1	20%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.80	5
10. Equal treatment regardless of disability	4	80%	1	20%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.80	5
11. Equal treatment regardless of age	5	71%	1	14%	1	14%	0	0%	0	0%	3.57	7
12. Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	4	80%	1	20%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.80	5
13. Equal treatment regardless of economic status	4	80%	1	20%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.80	5
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.67</b>	<b>58</b>

<b>3. Admin Performance</b>												
24. Promptness in making rulings and rendering decisions	16	76%	2	10%	3	14%	0	0%	0	0%	3.62	21
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.62</b>	<b>21</b>



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2020 Superior Court Judge Survey Responses

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	SU		VG		SA		PO		UN		Mean	Total	No Resp
	Num.	Pct.	Num.	Pct.	Num.	Pct.	Num.	Pct.	Num.	Pct.			
<b>1. Legal Ability</b>													
1. Legal reasoning ability	29	83%	0	0%	3	9%	3	9%	0	0%	3.57	35	0
2. Knowledge of the law	28	80%	1	3%	3	9%	3	9%	0	0%	3.54	35	0
3. Decisions based on law and facts	29	83%	0	0%	4	11%	2	6%	0	0%	3.60	35	0
4. Clearly written, legally supported decisions	28	80%	1	3%	3	9%	3	9%	0	0%	3.54	35	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.56</b>	<b>140</b>	
<b>2. Integrity</b>													
5. Basic fairness and impartiality	28	88%	0	0%	3	9%	1	3%	0	0%	3.72	32	0
6. Equal treatment regardless of race	22	88%	0	0%	1	4%	2	8%	0	0%	3.68	25	0
7. Equal treatment regardless of gender	21	88%	0	0%	1	4%	2	8%	0	0%	3.67	24	0
8. Equal treatment regardless of religion	21	88%	0	0%	1	4%	2	8%	0	0%	3.67	24	0
9. Equal treatment regardless of national origin	21	88%	0	0%	1	4%	2	8%	0	0%	3.67	24	0
10. Equal treatment regardless of disability	21	88%	0	0%	1	4%	2	8%	0	0%	3.67	24	0
11. Equal treatment regardless of age	21	88%	0	0%	2	8%	1	4%	0	0%	3.71	24	0
12. Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	20	87%	0	0%	1	4%	1	4%	1	4%	3.61	23	0

13. Equal treatment regardless of economic status	21	88%	0	0%	2	8%	1	4%	0	0%	3.71	24	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>196</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.68</b>	<b>224</b>	
<b>3. Admin Performance</b>													
14. Promptness in making rulings and rendering decisions	24	80%	3	10%	3	10%	0	0%	0	0%	3.70	30	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.70</b>	<b>30</b>	