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### Apache, Coconino, La Paz, Mohave, Navajo, Yavapai and Yuma Voters Only

**Hon. Michael J. Brown**  
Court of Appeals Division I  
Appointed: 2007

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

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2022	<b>Attorney Surveys</b>	<b>Peer Judge Surveys</b>	<b>Superior Court Judge Surveys</b>
	Distributed: 1198 Returned: 108 <b>Score (See Footnote)</b>	Distributed: 30 Returned: 23 <b>Score (See Footnote)</b>	Distributed: 289 Returned: 79 <b>Score (See Footnote)</b>
Legal Ability	93%	100%	96%
Integrity	99%	100%	100%
Communication	97%	100%	n/a
Temperament	97%	100%	n/a
Admin Performance	93%	100%	95%

#### 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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2022 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	35	54%	18	28%	6	9%	5	8%	1	2%	3.25	65
2. Knowledge of law	37	58%	15	23%	9	14%	3	5%	0	0%	3.34	64
3. Decisions based on laws and facts	35	55%	16	25%	7	11%	3	5%	3	5%	3.20	64
4. Clearly written, legally supported decisions	35	56%	16	26%	7	11%	4	6%	0	0%	3.32	62
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>3.28</b>	<b>255</b>
<b>2. Integrity</b>												
5. Basic fairness and impartiality	29	54%	16	30%	7	13%	2	4%	0	0%	3.33	54
6. Equal treatment regardless of race	22	71%	7	23%	2	6%	0	0%	0	0%	3.65	31
7. Equal treatment regardless of gender	23	59%	12	31%	3	8%	1	3%	0	0%	3.46	39
8. Equal treatment regardless of religion	21	72%	6	21%	2	7%	0	0%	0	0%	3.66	29
9. Equal treatment regardless of national origin	21	70%	7	23%	2	7%	0	0%	0	0%	3.63	30
10. Equal treatment regardless of disability	21	72%	5	17%	3	10%	0	0%	0	0%	3.62	29
11. Equal treatment regardless of age	21	68%	7	23%	3	10%	0	0%	0	0%	3.58	31
12. Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	21	75%	5	18%	2	7%	0	0%	0	0%	3.68	28
13. Equal treatment regardless of economic status	22	67%	7	21%	3	9%	1	3%	0	0%	3.52	33

<b>Category Total</b>	<b>201</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.55</b>	<b>304</b>
<b>3. Communication</b>												
14. Attentiveness	43	73%	9	15%	5	8%	2	3%	0	0%	3.58	59
15. Deemeanor in communications with counsel	36	71%	8	16%	6	12%	1	2%	0	0%	3.55	51
16. Appropriate restrictions on counsel during argument	8	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	8
17. Relevant questions	44	76%	8	14%	4	7%	2	3%	0	0%	3.62	58
18. Preparation for oral argument	34	69%	11	22%	3	6%	1	2%	0	0%	3.59	49
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>165</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>8%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.60</b>	<b>225</b>
<b>4. Temperament</b>												
19. Dignified	36	72%	7	14%	6	12%	1	2%	0	0%	3.56	50
21. Courteous	37	74%	7	14%	5	10%	1	2%	0	0%	3.60	50
22. Patient	37	76%	6	12%	5	10%	1	2%	0	0%	3.61	49
23. Conduct that promotes confidence in the court and judge's ability	37	74%	6	12%	4	8%	2	4%	1	2%	3.52	50
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>3.57</b>	<b>199</b>
<b>5. Admin Performance</b>												
24. Promptness in making rulings and rendering decisions	27	45%	12	20%	17	28%	4	7%	0	0%	3.03	60
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.03</b>	<b>60</b>



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2022 Peer 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	21	95%	1	5%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.95	22	0
2. Knowledge of law	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	22	0
3. Decisions based on law and facts	21	95%	1	5%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.95	22	0
4. Clearly written, legally supported decisions	20	95%	1	5%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.95	21	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>97%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.97</b>	<b>87</b>	
<b>2. Integrity</b>													
5. Basic fairness and impartiality	23	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	23	0
6. Equal treatment regardless of race	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	22	0
7. Equal treatment regardless of gender	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	22	0
8. Equal treatment regardless of religion	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	22	0
9. Equal treatment regardless of national origin	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	22	0
10. Equal treatment regardless of disability	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	22	0
11. Equal treatment regardless of age	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	22	0
12. Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	22	0

13. Equal treatment regardless of economic status	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	22	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>4.00</b>	<b>199</b>	
<b>3. Communication</b>													
14. Attentiveness	23	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	23	0
15. Appropriate restrictions on counsel during argument	22	96%	1	4%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.96	23	0
16. Relevant questions	23	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	23	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.99</b>	<b>69</b>	
<b>4. Temperament</b>													
17. Dignified	23	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	23	0
18. Courteous	23	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	23	0
19. Patient	23	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	23	0
20. Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court and judge"s ability	23	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	23	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>4.00</b>	<b>92</b>	
<b>5. Admin Performance</b>													
21. Promptness in making rulings and rendering decisions	15	65%	4	17%	4	17%	0	0%	0	0%	3.48	23	0
22. Prepared for proceedings	22	96%	1	4%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.96	23	0
23. Works effectively with other judges	23	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	23	0
24. Works effectively with other court personnel	22	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	22	0
25. Effective handling of ongoing workload	21	91%	1	4%	1	4%	0	0%	0	0%	3.87	23	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.86</b>	<b>114</b>	



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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	51	71%	17	24%	1	1%	3	4%	0	0%	3.61	72	0
2. Knowledge of the law	52	72%	16	22%	1	1%	3	4%	0	0%	3.62	72	0
3. Decisions based on law and facts	53	74%	15	21%	1	1%	3	4%	0	0%	3.64	72	0
4. Clearly written, legally supported decisions	55	76%	13	18%	1	1%	3	4%	0	0%	3.67	72	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.64</b>	<b>288</b>	
<b>2. Integrity</b>													
5. Basic fairness and impartiality	45	79%	9	16%	2	4%	1	2%	0	0%	3.72	57	0
6. Equal treatment regardless of race	32	80%	7	18%	1	3%	0	0%	0	0%	3.78	40	0
7. Equal treatment regardless of gender	30	79%	7	18%	1	3%	0	0%	0	0%	3.76	38	0
8. Equal treatment regardless of religion	30	79%	7	18%	1	3%	0	0%	0	0%	3.76	38	0
9. Equal treatment regardless of national origin	30	79%	7	18%	1	3%	0	0%	0	0%	3.76	38	0
10. Equal treatment regardless of disability	30	79%	7	18%	1	3%	0	0%	0	0%	3.76	38	0
11. Equal treatment regardless of age	30	79%	7	18%	1	3%	0	0%	0	0%	3.76	38	0
12. Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	30	79%	7	18%	1	3%	0	0%	0	0%	3.76	38	0

13. Equal treatment regardless of economic status	30	79%	7	18%	1	3%	0	0%	0	0%	3.76	38	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.76</b>	<b>363</b>	
<b>3. Admin Performance</b>													
14. Promptness in making rulings and rendering decisions	36	63%	14	25%	4	7%	3	5%	0	0%	3.46	57	0
<b>Category Total</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.46</b>	<b>57</b>	