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All Arizona Voters

Hon. William G. Montgomery

Arizona Supreme Court
Appointed: 2019

90% of the Commission Voted Justice Montgomery MEETS Judicial Performance Standards
19 Commissioners Voted 'Meets'
2 Commissioners Voted 'Does Not Meet'

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2022	Attorney Surveys	Peer Judge Surveys	Superior Court Judge Surveys
	Distributed: 112 Returned: 12 Score (See Footnote)	Distributed: 6 Returned: 5 Score (See Footnote)	Distributed: 6 Returned: 0 Score (See Footnote)
Legal Ability	89%	100%	n/a
Integrity	100%	100%	n/a
Communication	85%	100%	n/a
Temperament	67%	100%	n/a
Admin Performance	86%	100%	n/a

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.		
1. Legal Ability												
1. Legal reasoning ability	0	0%	5	71%	1	14%	1	14%	0	0%	2.57	7
2. Knowledge of law	0	0%	5	71%	1	14%	1	14%	0	0%	2.57	7
3. Decisions based on laws and facts	0	0%	6	86%	1	14%	0	0%	0	0%	2.86	7
4. Clearly written, legally supported decisions	0	0%	6	86%	0	0%	1	14%	0	0%	2.71	7
Category Total	0	0%	22	79%	3	11%	3	11%	0	0%	2.68	28
2. Integrity												
5. Basic fairness and impartiality	0	0%	2	67%	1	33%	0	0%	0	0%	2.67	3
6. Equal treatment regardless of race	2	67%	1	33%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.67	3
7. Equal treatment regardless of gender	2	67%	1	33%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.67	3
8. Equal treatment regardless of religion	3	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	3
9. Equal treatment regardless of national origin	2	67%	1	33%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.67	3
10. Equal treatment regardless of disability	3	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	3
11. Equal treatment regardless of age	1	33%	1	33%	1	33%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	3
12. Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	3	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	4.00	3

13. Equal treatment regardless of economic status	1	33%	1	33%	1	33%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	3
Category Total	17	63%	7	26%	3	11%	0	0%	0	0%	3.52	27
3. Communication												
14. Attentiveness	0	0%	7	54%	4	31%	2	15%	0	0%	2.38	13
15. Deemeanor in communications with counsel	0	0%	4	44%	3	33%	1	11%	1	11%	2.11	9
16. Appropriate restrictions on counsel during argument	1	25%	3	75%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.25	4
17. Relevant questions	1	8%	8	62%	2	15%	2	15%	0	0%	2.62	13
18. Preparation for oral argument	1	11%	5	56%	2	22%	1	11%	0	0%	2.67	9
Category Total	3	6%	27	56%	11	23%	6	12%	1	2%	2.52	48
4. Temperament												
19. Dignified	0	0%	4	44%	2	22%	2	22%	1	11%	2.00	9
21. Courteous	0	0%	4	44%	2	22%	2	22%	1	11%	2.00	9
22. Patient	0	0%	4	44%	1	11%	3	33%	1	11%	1.89	9
23. Conduct that promotes confidence in the court and judge's ability	1	11%	5	56%	1	11%	1	11%	1	11%	2.44	9
Category Total	1	3%	17	47%	6	17%	8	22%	4	11%	2.08	36
5. Admin Performance												
24. Promptness in making rulings and rendering decisions	1	14%	4	57%	1	14%	1	14%	0	0%	2.71	7
Category Total	1	14%	4	57%	1	14%	1	14%	0	0%	2.71	7



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1. Legal Ability													
1. Legal reasoning ability	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
2. Knowledge of law	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
3. Decisions based on law and facts	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
4. Clearly written, legally supported decisions	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
Category Total	0	0%	20	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	20	
2. Integrity													
5. Basic fairness and impartiality	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
6. Equal treatment regardless of race	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
7. Equal treatment regardless of gender	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
8. Equal treatment regardless of religion	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
9. Equal treatment regardless of national origin	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
10. Equal treatment regardless of disability	1	20%	4	80%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.20	5	0
11. Equal treatment regardless of age	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
12. Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	1	20%	4	80%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.20	5	0

13. Equal treatment regardless of economic status	0	0%	4	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	4	0
Category Total	2	5%	42	95%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.05	44	
3. Communication													
14. Attentiveness	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
15. Appropriate restrictions on counsel during argument	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
16. Relevant questions	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
Category Total	0	0%	15	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	15	
4. Temperament													
17. Dignified	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
18. Courteous	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
19. Patient	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
20. Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court and judge"s ability	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
Category Total	0	0%	20	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	20	
5. Admin Performance													
21. Promptness in making rulings and rendering decisions	0	0%	4	80%	1	20%	0	0%	0	0%	2.80	5	0
22. Prepared for proceedings	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
23. Works effectively with other judges	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
24. Works effectively with other court personnel	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
25. Effective handling of ongoing workload	0	0%	5	100%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	3.00	5	0
Category Total	0	0%	24	96%	1	4%	0	0%	0	0%	2.96	25	