

Judges are evaluated by survey on their judicial performance midway through their term and prior to their retention election. Beginning in 2022, their survey evaluations include midterm and retention feedback. Newly appointed judges serve a two-year term and are evaluated prior to their retention election. The composite percentage table is an average of all evaluators who rated the judge "superior", "very good", or "satisfactory" in each of the Commission's evaluation categories. Some evaluators select "Can't Rate" on the questionnaire affecting the average response number within their respondent category. The JPR Commission votes whether a judge "Meets" or "Does Not Meet" Judicial Performance Standards, based on the survey information and any other information submitted by the public or the judge. Further information on the judges and justices can be found on each court's website.

**Commission on Judicial Performance Review
Composite Percentage - Average of all Evaluation Categories**

Superior Court in Maricopa County

Hon. Timothy J. Ryan

2024		
Evaluation Category	Total Survey Responses	Average Percentage of Satisfactory or Above
Legal Ability	82	95%
Integrity	96	97%
Communication Skills	124	94%
Judicial Temperament	130	93%
Administrative Performance	127	95%
Settlement Activities	34	100%

Responses based upon 136 returned survey questionnaires from a distribution of 904 questionnaires. Survey respondents may not necessarily answer all survey questions.

ARIZONA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Superior Court

Name of Judge: **Hon. Timothy J. Ryan** Total Surveys: **124** Assignment: **Civil** Cycle: **2021 & 2023**

Name of Judge:	ATTORNEY					83		LIT/WIT/PRO PER					17		JUROR					24	
	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Resp	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Resp	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Resp	Mean
Hon. Timothy J. Ryan																					
Section I: Legal Ability	34	23	12	3	2	72	3.2														
Legal reasoning ability	33	25	12	4	1	75	3.1														
Knowledge of substantive law	33	21	14	3	2	73	3.1														
Knowledge of rules of evidence	32	23	6	3	1	65	3.3														
Knowledge of rules of procedure	36	21	14	2	2	75	3.2														
Section II: Integrity	38	9	5	0	0	53	3.6	5	1	3	1	1	11	2.7	18	3	0	0	0	21	3.8
Basic fairness and impartiality	41	23	12	1	0	77	3.4	5	1	3	3	5	17	1.9	21	3	0	0	0	24	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of race	40	6	5	0	0	51	3.7	6	1	2	2	1	12	2.8	19	3	0	0	0	22	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of gender	41	11	5	1	0	58	3.6	6	2	2	1	3	14	2.5	21	2	0	0	0	23	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of religion	36	7	4	0	0	47	3.7	5	1	3	1	0	10	3.0	19	2	0	0	0	21	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of national origin	37	6	5	0	0	48	3.7	5	1	3	0	0	9	3.2	17	3	0	0	0	20	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of disability	37	6	4	0	0	47	3.7	5	1	3	0	0	9	3.2	16	3	0	0	0	19	3.8
Equal treatment regardless of age	38	10	5	0	0	53	3.6	5	1	4	1	2	13	2.5	17	4	1	0	0	22	3.7
Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	32	6	4	0	0	42	3.7	5	1	3	0	0	9	3.2	15	5	0	0	0	20	3.8
Equal treatment regardless of economic status	39	10	5	0	0	54	3.6	5	1	2	2	0	10	2.9	17	4	0	0	0	21	3.8
Section III: Communication Skills	40	19	12	3	1	75	3.2	5	1	7	1	2	15	2.4	19	5	0	0	0	24	3.8
Clear and logical communications																					
Clear and logical oral communications and directions	40	21	16	3	1	81	3.2														
Clear and logical written decisions	28	15	13	6	2	64	3.0														
Gave all parties an adequate opportunity to be heard	51	20	8	1	0	80	3.5														
Explained proceedings (to the jury)								5	1	7	1	2	16	2.4	21	3	0	0	0	24	3.9
Explained reason for delays								4	1	7	1	1	14	2.4	16	7	0	0	0	23	3.7
Clearly explained the juror's responsibilities															19	5	0	0	0	24	3.8
Section IV: Judicial temperament	46	22	8	1	1	79	3.4	5	3	3	3	3	16	2.3	21	3	0	0	0	24	3.9
Understanding and compassion	41	24	9	1	1	76	3.4	5	2	2	3	5	17	1.9	19	5	0	0	0	24	3.8
Dignified	49	22	8	2	0	81	3.5	6	3	3	3	1	16	2.6	21	3	0	0	0	24	3.9
Courteous	49	20	8	1	2	80	3.4	5	3	4	2	2	16	2.4	22	2	0	0	0	24	3.9
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court	47	23	6	2	2	80	3.4	5	2	2	2	5	16	2.0	22	2	0	0	0	24	3.9
Patient	44	21	11	1	2	79	3.3	5	3	3	6	0	17	2.4	22	2	0	0	0	24	3.9
Section V: Administrative Performance	46	20	9	2	1	78	3.4	5	2	6	2	0	16	2.6	20	3	1	0	0	24	3.8
Punctual in conducting proceedings	48	24	8	1	1	82	3.4	5	4	7	1	0	17	2.8	19	4	1	0	0	24	3.8
Maintained proper control of courtroom	51	22	8	0	0	81	3.5	5	2	3	3	1	14	2.5	21	3	0	0	0	24	3.9
Prompt in making rulings and rendering decisions	38	20	9	5	1	73	3.2														
Was prepared for the proceedings	49	15	12	5	1	82	3.3	5	1	7	3	0	16	2.5	20	2	2	0	0	24	3.8
Respectful treatment of staff																					
Cooperation with peers																					
Efficient management of calendar	44	17	10	0	2	73	3.4														
Section VI: Settlement Activities	22	8	4	0	0	34	3.5														
Appropriately promoted or conducted settlement	22	8	4	0	0	34	3.5														

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ARIZONA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Superior Court

Name of Judge:	Total Surveys: 124					Assignment: Civil					Cycle: 2021 & 2023								
	ATTORNEY					83	LIT/WIT/PRO PER					17	JUROR					24	
Hon. Timothy J. Ryan	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Mean	
Section I: Legal Ability	47%	31%	16%	4%	2%	3.2													
Legal reasoning ability	44%	33%	16%	5%	1%	3.1													
Knowledge of substantive law	45%	29%	19%	4%	3%	3.1													
Knowledge of rules of evidence	49%	35%	9%	5%	2%	3.3													
Knowledge of rules of procedure	48%	28%	19%	3%	3%	3.2													
Section II: Integrity	71%	18%	10%	0%	0%	3.6	46%	10%	24%	10%	11%	2.7	84%	15%	1%	0%	0%	3.8	
Basic fairness and impartiality	53%	30%	16%	1%	0%	3.4	29%	6%	18%	18%	29%	1.9	88%	13%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of race	78%	12%	10%	0%	0%	3.7	50%	8%	17%	17%	8%	2.8	86%	14%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of gender	71%	19%	9%	2%	0%	3.6	43%	14%	14%	7%	21%	2.5	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of religion	77%	15%	9%	0%	0%	3.7	50%	10%	30%	10%	0%	3.0	90%	10%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of national origin	77%	13%	10%	0%	0%	3.7	56%	11%	33%	0%	0%	3.2	85%	15%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of disability	79%	13%	9%	0%	0%	3.7	56%	11%	33%	0%	0%	3.2	84%	16%	0%	0%	0%	3.8	
Equal treatment regardless of age	72%	19%	9%	0%	0%	3.6	38%	8%	31%	8%	15%	2.5	77%	18%	5%	0%	0%	3.7	
Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	76%	14%	10%	0%	0%	3.7	56%	11%	33%	0%	0%	3.2	75%	25%	0%	0%	0%	3.8	
Equal treatment regardless of economic status	72%	19%	9%	0%	0%	3.6	50%	10%	20%	20%	0%	2.9	81%	19%	0%	0%	0%	3.8	
Section III: Communication Skills	53%	25%	16%	4%	1%	3.2	30%	7%	47%	7%	10%	2.4	79%	21%	0%	0%	0%	3.8	
Clear and logical communications																			
Clear and logical oral communications and directions	49%	26%	20%	4%	1%	3.2													
Clear and logical written decisions	44%	23%	20%	9%	3%	3.0													
Gave all parties an adequate opportunity to be heard	64%	25%	10%	1%	0%	3.5													
Explained proceedings (to the jury)							31%	6%	44%	6%	13%	2.4	88%	13%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Explained reason for delays							29%	7%	50%	7%	7%	2.4	70%	30%	0%	0%	0%	3.7	
Clearly explained the juror's responsibilities													79%	21%	0%	0%	0%	3.8	
Section IV: Judicial temperament	58%	28%	11%	2%	2%	3.4	32%	16%	17%	20%	16%	2.3	88%	12%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Understanding and compassion	54%	32%	12%	1%	1%	3.4	29%	12%	12%	18%	29%	1.9	79%	21%	0%	0%	0%	3.8	
Dignified	60%	27%	10%	2%	0%	3.5	38%	19%	19%	19%	6%	2.6	88%	13%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Courteous	61%	25%	10%	1%	3%	3.4	31%	19%	25%	13%	13%	2.4	92%	8%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court	59%	29%	8%	3%	3%	3.4	31%	13%	13%	13%	31%	2.0	92%	8%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Patient	56%	27%	14%	1%	3%	3.3	29%	18%	18%	35%	0%	2.4	92%	8%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Section V: Administrative Performance	59%	25%	12%	3%	1%	3.4	32%	15%	36%	15%	2%	2.6	83%	13%	4%	0%	0%	3.8	
Punctual in conducting proceedings	59%	29%	10%	1%	1%	3.4	29%	24%	41%	6%	0%	2.8	79%	17%	4%	0%	0%	3.8	
Maintained proper control of courtroom	63%	27%	10%	0%	0%	3.5	36%	14%	21%	21%	7%	2.5	88%	13%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Prompt in making rulings and rendering decisions	52%	27%	12%	7%	1%	3.2													
Was prepared for the proceedings	60%	18%	15%	6%	1%	3.3	31%	6%	44%	19%	0%	2.5	83%	8%	8%	0%	0%	3.8	
Respectful treatment of staff																			
Cooperation with peers																			
Efficient management of calendar	60%	23%	14%	0%	3%	3.4													
Section VI: Settlement Activities	65%	24%	12%	0%	0%	3.5													
Appropriately promoted or conducted settlement	65%	24%	12%	0%	0%	3.5													

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Superior Court

Name of Judge:	Total Surveys: 12					Fall 2023	
	PEER JUDGE					Total	Mean
Hon. Timothy J. Ryan	EX	VG	AC	PO	FA		
Section I: Legal Ability	10	1	0	0	0	10	4.9
Decisions based on law and facts	9	0	0	0	0	9	5.0
Knowledge of rules of evidence	10	1	0	0	0	11	4.9
Knowledge of rules of procedure	10	1	0	0	0	11	4.9
Section II: Integrity	10	0	0	0	0	10	5.0
Unbiased and impartial	10	0	0	0	0	10	5.0
Section III: Communication Skills	8	2	0	0	0	10	4.8
Communication skills	8	2	0	0	0	10	4.8
Section IV: Judicial temperament	8	2	1	0	0	10	4.8
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court and judge's ability	8	2	0	0	0	10	4.8
Respectful to all individuals	8	1	1	0	0	10	4.7
Section V: Administrative Performance	8	1	0	0	0	10	4.8
Works effectively with other judges	8	1	0	1	0	10	4.6
Works effectively with court personnel	8	0	1	0	0	9	4.8
Efficient management of calendar	8	1	0	0	0	9	4.9
Does a fair share of work	8	2	0	0	0	10	4.8

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Superior Court

Name of Judge:	Total Surveys: 12					Fall 2023
	PEER JUDGE					Mean
Hon. Timothy J. Ryan	EX	VG	AC	PO	FA	
Section I: Legal Ability	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Decisions based on law and facts	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5.0
Knowledge of rules of evidence	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Knowledge of rules of procedure	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Section II: Integrity	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5.0
Unbiased and impartial	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5.0
Section III: Communication Skills	80%	20%	0%	0%	0%	4.8
Communication skills	80%	20%	0%	0%	0%	4.8
Section IV: Judicial temperament	80%	15%	5%	0%	0%	4.8
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court and judge's ability	80%	20%	0%	0%	0%	4.8
Respectful to all individuals	80%	10%	10%	0%	0%	4.7
Section V: Administrative Performance	84%	11%	3%	3%	0%	4.8
Works effectively with other judges	80%	10%	0%	10%	0%	4.6
Works effectively with court personnel	89%	0%	11%	0%	0%	4.8
Efficient management of calendar	89%	11%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Does a fair share of work	80%	20%	0%	0%	0%	4.8

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