

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. M. Scott McCoy

2024		
Evaluation Category	Total Survey Responses	Average Percentage of Satisfactory or Above
Legal Ability	64	93%
Integrity	83	99%
Communication Skills	110	95%
Judicial Temperament	109	97%
Administrative Performance	109	97%
Settlement Activities	20	95%

Responses based upon 119 returned survey questionnaires from a distribution of 477 questionnaires. Survey respondents may not necessarily answer all survey questions.

ARIZONA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Superior Court

Name of Judge: **Hon. M. Scott McCoy** Total Surveys: **105** Assignment: **Civil** Cycle: **2021 & 2023**

Name of Judge:	ATTORNEY					63		LIT/WIT/PRO PER					22		JUROR					20	
	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Resp	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Resp	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Resp	Mean
Hon. M. Scott McCoy	31	14	3	3	2	53	3.3														
Section I: Legal Ability	31	14	3	3	2	53	3.3														
Legal reasoning ability	30	17	4	2	2	55	3.3														
Knowledge of substantive law	33	15	3	2	2	55	3.4														
Knowledge of rules of evidence	26	12	2	3	1	44	3.3														
Knowledge of rules of procedure	34	13	4	4	1	56	3.3														
Section II: Integrity	29	3	4	0	0	37	3.6	15	1	1	0	1	18	3.7	17	1	0	0	0	18	3.9
Basic fairness and impartiality	42	9	4	2	2	59	3.5	16	0	2	1	2	21	3.3	19	1	0	0	0	20	4.0
Equal treatment regardless of race	30	2	5	0	0	37	3.7	15	1	1	0	0	17	3.8	15	1	0	0	0	16	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of gender	32	3	5	0	0	40	3.7	15	1	1	0	0	17	3.8	18	1	0	0	0	19	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of religion	25	2	4	0	0	31	3.7	15	1	1	0	0	17	3.8	15	1	0	0	0	16	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of national origin	26	3	5	0	0	34	3.6	15	1	1	0	0	17	3.8	16	1	0	0	0	17	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of disability	24	2	4	0	0	30	3.7	14	1	2	0	1	18	3.5	15	1	0	0	0	16	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of age	34	3	5	0	0	42	3.7	16	1	1	0	1	19	3.6	19	1	0	0	0	20	4.0
Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	23	2	4	0	0	29	3.7	15	1	1	0	0	17	3.8	16	1	0	0	0	17	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of economic status	28	2	4	0	1	35	3.6	15	2	1	0	1	19	3.6	16	1	0	0	0	17	3.9
Section III: Communication Skills	39	10	4	3	2	58	3.4	14	4	4	0	0	21	3.5	19	1	0	0	0	20	3.9
Clear and logical communications																					
Clear and logical oral communications and directions	40	10	4	4	1	59	3.4														
Clear and logical written decisions	35	10	4	4	3	56	3.3														
Gave all parties an adequate opportunity to be heard	42	9	5	2	1	59	3.5														
Explained proceedings (to the jury)								14	4	3	0	0	21	3.5	19	1	0	0	0	20	4.0
Explained reason for delays								13	3	4	0	0	20	3.5	18	2	0	0	0	20	3.9
Clearly explained the juror's responsibilities															19	1	0	0	0	20	4.0
Section IV: Judicial temperament	44	8	3	0	2	57	3.6	17	1	1	1	1	21	3.5	19	1	0	0	0	20	3.9
Understanding and compassion	41	8	2	0	2	53	3.6	16	1	1	1	1	20	3.5	18	2	0	0	0	20	3.9
Dignified	44	8	3	0	2	57	3.6	17	1	1	1	0	20	3.7	19	1	0	0	0	20	4.0
Courteous	45	9	2	0	2	58	3.6	17	1	2	1	0	21	3.6	19	1	0	0	0	20	4.0
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court	47	6	2	1	2	58	3.6	17	1	0	1	2	21	3.4	19	1	0	0	0	20	4.0
Patient	45	8	5	0	1	59	3.6	16	2	1	1	1	21	3.5	19	1	0	0	0	20	4.0
Section V: Administrative Performance	40	10	6	2	0	58	3.5	15	3	2	0	1	21	3.4	16	3	1	0	0	20	3.8
Punctual in conducting proceedings	41	9	7	1	0	58	3.6	13	5	3	0	0	21	3.5	14	4	2	0	0	20	3.6
Maintained proper control of courtroom	43	8	7	0	0	58	3.6	15	2	3	0	1	21	3.4	18	2	0	0	0	20	3.9
Prompt in making rulings and rendering decisions	35	11	8	4	0	58	3.3														
Was prepared for the proceedings	42	10	3	4	1	60	3.5	16	2	1	0	2	21	3.4	17	3	0	0	0	20	3.9
Respectful treatment of staff																					
Cooperation with peers																					
Efficient management of calendar	37	10	5	3	0	55	3.5														
Section VI: Settlement Activities	13	2	4	1	0	20	3.4														
Appropriately promoted or conducted settlement	13	2	4	1	0	20	3.4														

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Superior Court

Name of Judge:	Total Surveys: 105					Assignment: Civil					Cycle: 2021 & 2023								
	ATTORNEY					63	LIT/WIT/PROPER					22	JUROR					20	
Hon. M. Scott McCoy	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Mean	
Section I: Legal Ability	59%	27%	6%	5%	3%	3.3													
Legal reasoning ability	55%	31%	7%	4%	4%	3.3													
Knowledge of substantive law	60%	27%	5%	4%	4%	3.4													
Knowledge of rules of evidence	59%	27%	5%	7%	2%	3.3													
Knowledge of rules of procedure	61%	23%	7%	7%	2%	3.3													
Section II: Integrity	78%	8%	12%	1%	1%	3.6	84%	6%	7%	1%	3%	3.7	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Basic fairness and impartiality	71%	15%	7%	3%	3%	3.5	76%	0%	10%	5%	10%	3.3	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	
Equal treatment regardless of race	81%	5%	14%	0%	0%	3.7	88%	6%	6%	0%	0%	3.8	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of gender	80%	8%	13%	0%	0%	3.7	88%	6%	6%	0%	0%	3.8	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of religion	81%	6%	13%	0%	0%	3.7	88%	6%	6%	0%	0%	3.8	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of national origin	76%	9%	15%	0%	0%	3.6	88%	6%	6%	0%	0%	3.8	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of disability	80%	7%	13%	0%	0%	3.7	78%	6%	11%	0%	6%	3.5	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of age	81%	7%	12%	0%	0%	3.7	84%	5%	5%	0%	5%	3.6	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	
Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	79%	7%	14%	0%	0%	3.7	88%	6%	6%	0%	0%	3.8	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of economic status	80%	6%	11%	0%	3%	3.6	79%	11%	5%	0%	5%	3.6	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Section III: Communication Skills	67%	17%	7%	6%	3%	3.4	66%	17%	17%	0%	0%	3.5	93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Clear and logical communications																			
Clear and logical oral communications and directions	68%	17%	7%	7%	2%	3.4													
Clear and logical written decisions	63%	18%	7%	7%	5%	3.3													
Gave all parties an adequate opportunity to be heard	71%	15%	8%	3%	2%	3.5													
Explained proceedings (to the jury)							67%	19%	14%	0%	0%	3.5	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	
Explained reason for delays							65%	15%	20%	0%	0%	3.5	90%	10%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Clearly explained the juror's responsibilities													95%	5%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	
Section IV: Judicial temperament	78%	14%	5%	0%	3%	3.6	81%	6%	5%	5%	4%	3.5	94%	6%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Understanding and compassion	77%	15%	4%	0%	4%	3.6	80%	5%	5%	5%	5%	3.5	90%	10%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Dignified	77%	14%	5%	0%	4%	3.6	85%	5%	5%	5%	0%	3.7	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	
Courteous	78%	16%	3%	0%	3%	3.6	81%	5%	10%	5%	0%	3.6	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court	81%	10%	3%	2%	3%	3.6	81%	5%	0%	5%	10%	3.4	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	
Patient	76%	14%	8%	0%	2%	3.6	76%	10%	5%	5%	5%	3.5	95%	5%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	
Section V: Administrative Performance	69%	17%	10%	4%	0%	3.5	70%	14%	11%	0%	5%	3.4	82%	15%	3%	0%	0%	3.8	
Punctual in conducting proceedings	71%	16%	12%	2%	0%	3.6	62%	24%	14%	0%	0%	3.5	70%	20%	10%	0%	0%	3.6	
Maintained proper control of courtroom	74%	14%	12%	0%	0%	3.6	71%	10%	14%	0%	5%	3.4	90%	10%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Prompt in making rulings and rendering decisions	60%	19%	14%	7%	0%	3.3													
Was prepared for the proceedings	70%	17%	5%	7%	2%	3.5	76%	10%	5%	0%	10%	3.4	85%	15%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	
Respectful treatment of staff																			
Cooperation with peers																			
Efficient management of calendar	67%	18%	9%	5%	0%	3.5													
Section VI: Settlement Activities	65%	10%	20%	5%	0%	3.4													
Appropriately promoted or conducted settlement	65%	10%	20%	5%	0%	3.4													

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Name of Judge:	Total Surveys: 14					Fall 2023	
	PEER JUDGE					Total	Mean
Hon. M. Scott McCoy	EX	VG	AC	PO	FA		
Section I: Legal Ability	10	1	0	0	0	11	4.9
Decisions based on law and facts	10	1	0	0	0	11	4.9
Knowledge of rules of evidence	10	1	0	0	0	11	4.9
Knowledge of rules of procedure	9	2	0	0	0	11	4.8
Section II: Integrity	9	1	0	0	0	10	4.9
Unbiased and impartial	9	1	0	0	0	10	4.9
Section III: Communication Skills	8	3	0	0	0	11	4.7
Communication skills	8	3	0	0	0	11	4.7
Section IV: Judicial temperament	10	1	0	0	0	11	4.9
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court and judge's ability	10	1	0	0	0	11	4.9
Respectful to all individuals	10	1	0	0	0	11	4.9
Section V: Administrative Performance	9	1	0	0	0	11	4.9
Works effectively with other judges	10	1	0	0	0	11	4.9
Works effectively with court personnel	9	1	0	0	0	10	4.9
Efficient management of calendar	8	2	0	0	0	10	4.8
Does a fair share of work	10	1	0	0	0	11	4.9

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	EX	VG	AC	PO	FA	
Section I: Legal Ability	88%	12%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Decisions based on law and facts	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Knowledge of rules of evidence	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Knowledge of rules of procedure	82%	18%	0%	0%	0%	4.8
Section II: Integrity	90%	10%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Unbiased and impartial	90%	10%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Section III: Communication Skills	73%	27%	0%	0%	0%	4.7
Communication skills	73%	27%	0%	0%	0%	4.7
Section IV: Judicial temperament	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court and judge's ability	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Respectful to all individuals	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Section V: Administrative Performance	88%	12%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Works effectively with other judges	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Works effectively with court personnel	90%	10%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Efficient management of calendar	80%	20%	0%	0%	0%	4.8
Does a fair share of work	91%	9%	0%	0%	0%	4.9

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