

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. Justin Beresky**

<b>2024</b>		
<b>Evaluation Category</b>	Total Survey Responses	Average Percentage of Satisfactory or Above
Legal Ability	98	93%
Integrity	196	97%
Communication Skills	205	95%
Judicial Temperament	214	94%
Administrative Performance	214	98%
Settlement Activities	66	92%

Responses based upon 224 returned survey questionnaires from a distribution of 1189 questionnaires. Survey respondents may not necessarily answer all survey questions.

ARIZONA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Superior Court

Name of Judge: **Hon. Justin Beresky** Total Surveys: **207** Assignment: **Criminal** Cycle: **2021 & 2023**

Name of Judge:	ATTORNEY					88		LIT/WIT/PRO PER					53		JUROR					66		
	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Resp	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Resp	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Resp	Mean	
<b>Hon. Justin Beresky</b>																						
<b>Section I: Legal Ability</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>3.3</b>															
Legal reasoning ability	50	19	10	4	4	87	3.2															
Knowledge of substantive law	48	18	11	5	2	84	3.3															
Knowledge of rules of evidence	45	17	9	3	3	77	3.3															
Knowledge of rules of procedure	50	17	10	5	2	84	3.3															
<b>Section II: Integrity</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>3.9</b>	
Basic fairness and impartiality	55	12	13	7	1	88	3.3	27	7	8	3	2	47	3.1	60	2	3	0	0	65	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of race	55	11	12	2	1	81	3.4	29	8	7	0	1	45	3.4	59	2	3	0	0	64	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of gender	53	11	11	1	1	77	3.5	28	7	8	0	1	44	3.4	60	2	3	0	0	65	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of religion	51	9	11	1	1	73	3.5	28	5	7	0	1	41	3.4	54	2	2	1	0	59	3.8	
Equal treatment regardless of national origin	53	9	11	1	1	75	3.5	27	7	6	1	2	43	3.3	56	2	2	0	0	60	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of disability	49	8	9	3	1	70	3.4	25	6	7	0	2	40	3.3	55	2	3	0	0	60	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of age	51	13	10	1	1	76	3.5	29	6	6	2	1	44	3.4	59	2	2	1	0	64	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	51	9	8	2	1	71	3.5	27	4	6	1	1	39	3.4	53	2	3	0	0	58	3.9	
Equal treatment regardless of economic status	54	9	13	1	2	79	3.4	28	6	4	2	2	42	3.3	58	2	2	1	0	63	3.9	
<b>Section III: Communication Skills</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>3.9</b>	
Clear and logical communications																						
Clear and logical oral communications and directions	52	18	11	6	1	88	3.3															
Clear and logical written decisions	45	10	8	3	3	69	3.3															
Gave all parties an adequate opportunity to be heard	55	14	13	2	4	88	3.3															
Explained proceedings (to the jury)								29	8	10	1	1	49	3.3	61	2	1	1	0	65	3.9	
Explained reason for delays								21	6	6	3	2	38	3.1	57	5	2	0	0	64	3.9	
Clearly explained the juror's responsibilities															60	4	0	1	0	65	3.9	
<b>Section IV: Judicial temperament</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>3.9</b>	
Understanding and compassion	53	12	12	7	3	87	3.2	28	6	6	3	2	45	3.2	61	2	1	0	0	64	3.9	
Dignified	59	12	10	6	1	88	3.4	28	9	7	0	2	46	3.3	61	2	1	0	0	64	3.9	
Courteous	55	11	13	4	4	87	3.3	29	7	9	1	2	48	3.3	60	3	0	1	0	64	3.9	
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court	55	12	9	8	3	87	3.2	28	10	6	2	2	48	3.3	61	2	1	0	0	64	3.9	
Patient	56	11	12	5	4	88	3.3	32	8	6	1	2	49	3.4	59	3	1	1	0	64	3.9	
<b>Section V: Administrative Performance</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>3.9</b>	
Punctual in conducting proceedings	58	15	13	1	1	88	3.5	29	8	8	1	1	47	3.3	53	9	1	1	0	64	3.8	
Maintained proper control of courtroom	58	13	14	2	1	88	3.4	32	8	9	0	1	50	3.4	61	2	1	0	0	64	3.9	
Prompt in making rulings and rendering decisions	54	14	11	4	1	84	3.4															
Was prepared for the proceedings	59	15	11	2	1	88	3.5	31	6	8	0	1	46	3.4	59	3	2	0	0	64	3.9	
Respectful treatment of staff																						
Cooperation with peers																						
Efficient management of calendar	58	16	10	2	1	87	3.5															
<b>Section VI: Settlement Activities</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>3.4</b>															
Appropriately promoted or conducted settlement	42	13	6	3	2	66	3.4															

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Superior Court

Name of Judge:	Total Surveys: 207					Assignment: Criminal					Cycle: 2021 & 2023							
	ATTORNEY					88	LIT/WIT/PROPER					53	JUROR					66
Hon. Justin Beresky	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Mean
<b>Section I: Legal Ability</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3.3</b>												
Legal reasoning ability	57%	22%	11%	5%	5%	3.2												
Knowledge of substantive law	57%	21%	13%	6%	2%	3.3												
Knowledge of rules of evidence	58%	22%	12%	4%	4%	3.3												
Knowledge of rules of procedure	60%	20%	12%	6%	2%	3.3												
<b>Section II: Integrity</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.9</b>
Basic fairness and impartiality	63%	14%	15%	8%	1%	3.3	57%	15%	17%	6%	4%	3.1	92%	3%	5%	0%	0%	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of race	68%	14%	15%	2%	1%	3.4	64%	18%	16%	0%	2%	3.4	92%	3%	5%	0%	0%	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of gender	69%	14%	14%	1%	1%	3.5	64%	16%	18%	0%	2%	3.4	92%	3%	5%	0%	0%	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of religion	70%	12%	15%	1%	1%	3.5	68%	12%	17%	0%	2%	3.4	92%	3%	3%	2%	0%	3.8
Equal treatment regardless of national origin	71%	12%	15%	1%	1%	3.5	63%	16%	14%	2%	5%	3.3	93%	3%	3%	0%	0%	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of disability	70%	11%	13%	4%	1%	3.4	63%	15%	18%	0%	5%	3.3	92%	3%	5%	0%	0%	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of age	67%	17%	13%	1%	1%	3.5	66%	14%	14%	5%	2%	3.4	92%	3%	3%	2%	0%	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	72%	13%	11%	3%	1%	3.5	69%	10%	15%	3%	3%	3.4	91%	3%	5%	0%	0%	3.9
Equal treatment regardless of economic status	68%	11%	16%	1%	3%	3.4	67%	14%	10%	5%	5%	3.3	92%	3%	3%	2%	0%	3.9
<b>Section III: Communication Skills</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>16%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>6%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.9</b>
Clear and logical communications																		
Clear and logical oral communications and directions	59%	20%	13%	7%	1%	3.3												
Clear and logical written decisions	65%	14%	12%	4%	4%	3.3												
Gave all parties an adequate opportunity to be heard	63%	16%	15%	2%	5%	3.3												
Explained proceedings (to the jury)							59%	16%	20%	2%	2%	3.3	94%	3%	2%	2%	0%	3.9
Explained reason for delays							55%	16%	16%	8%	5%	3.1	89%	8%	3%	0%	0%	3.9
Clearly explained the juror's responsibilities													92%	6%	0%	2%	0%	3.9
<b>Section IV: Judicial temperament</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>4%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.9</b>
Understanding and compassion	61%	14%	14%	8%	3%	3.2	62%	13%	13%	7%	4%	3.2	95%	3%	2%	0%	0%	3.9
Dignified	67%	14%	11%	7%	1%	3.4	61%	20%	15%	0%	4%	3.3	95%	3%	2%	0%	0%	3.9
Courteous	63%	13%	15%	5%	5%	3.3	60%	15%	19%	2%	4%	3.3	94%	5%	0%	2%	0%	3.9
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court	63%	14%	10%	9%	3%	3.2	58%	21%	13%	4%	4%	3.3	95%	3%	2%	0%	0%	3.9
Patient	64%	13%	14%	6%	5%	3.3	65%	16%	12%	2%	4%	3.4	92%	5%	2%	2%	0%	3.9
<b>Section V: Administrative Performance</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>90%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>1%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>3.9</b>
Punctual in conducting proceedings	66%	17%	15%	1%	1%	3.5	62%	17%	17%	2%	2%	3.3	83%	14%	2%	2%	0%	3.8
Maintained proper control of courtroom	66%	15%	16%	2%	1%	3.4	64%	16%	18%	0%	2%	3.4	95%	3%	2%	0%	0%	3.9
Prompt in making rulings and rendering decisions	64%	17%	13%	5%	1%	3.4												
Was prepared for the proceedings	67%	17%	13%	2%	1%	3.5	67%	13%	17%	0%	2%	3.4	92%	5%	3%	0%	0%	3.9
Respectful treatment of staff																		
Cooperation with peers																		
Efficient management of calendar	67%	18%	11%	2%	1%	3.5												
<b>Section VI: Settlement Activities</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>5%</b>	<b>3%</b>	<b>3.4</b>												
Appropriately promoted or conducted settlement	64%	20%	9%	5%	3%	3.4												

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Superior Court

Name of Judge:	Total Surveys: 17					Fall 2023	
	PEER JUDGE					Total	Mean
Hon. Justin Beresky	EX	VG	AC	PO	FA		
<b>Section I: Legal Ability</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Decisions based on law and facts	14	1	0	0	0	15	4.9
Knowledge of rules of evidence	14	1	0	0	0	15	4.9
Knowledge of rules of procedure	14	1	0	0	0	15	4.9
<b>Section II: Integrity</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5.0</b>
Unbiased and impartial	15	0	0	0	0	15	5.0
<b>Section III: Communication Skills</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Communication skills	13	2	0	0	0	15	4.9
<b>Section IV: Judicial temperament</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>5.0</b>
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court and judge's ability	15	0	0	0	0	15	5.0
Respectful to all individuals	15	0	0	0	0	15	5.0
<b>Section V: Administrative Performance</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Works effectively with other judges	14	2	0	0	0	16	4.9
Works effectively with court personnel	14	1	0	0	0	15	4.9
Efficient management of calendar	14	0	0	0	0	14	5.0
Does a fair share of work	14	1	0	0	0	15	4.9

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Hon. Justin Beresky	PEER JUDGE					Mean
	EX	VG	AC	PO	FA	
<b>Section I: Legal Ability</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Decisions based on law and facts	93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Knowledge of rules of evidence	93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Knowledge of rules of procedure	93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
<b>Section II: Integrity</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>5.0</b>
Unbiased and impartial	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5.0
<b>Section III: Communication Skills</b>	<b>87%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Communication skills	87%	13%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
<b>Section IV: Judicial temperament</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>5.0</b>
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court and judge's ability	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5.0
Respectful to all individuals	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5.0
<b>Section V: Administrative Performance</b>	<b>93%</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Works effectively with other judges	88%	13%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Works effectively with court personnel	93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	4.9
Efficient management of calendar	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5.0
Does a fair share of work	93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	4.9

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