

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**

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

Hon. Brian Y. Furuya

2024		
Evaluation Category	Total Survey Responses	Average Percentage of Satisfactory or Above
Legal Ability	71	93%
Integrity	42	98%
Communication Skills	30	100%
Judicial Temperament	34	100%
Administrative Performance	66	92%

Responses based upon 93 returned survey questionnaires from a distribution of 516 questionnaires. Survey respondents may not necessarily answer all survey questions.

ARIZONA COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

Appellate Courts

Name of Judge:	Total Surveys: 88						Assignment: Appellate					Cycle: 2023 Retention Review									
Hon. Brian Y. Furuya	ATTORNEY					35	20	PEER JUDGE/JUSTICE					14	SUP COURT JUDGE					19		
	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Valid	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Total	Mean	SU	VG	SA	PO	UN	Total	Mean
Section I: Legal Ability	22	9	6	2	1	40	3.2	10	4	0	0	0	14	3.7	11	3	2	2	1	18	3.1
Legal reasoning ability	22	10	6	1	1	40	3.3	9	4	0	0	0	13	3.7	10	3	2	2	1	18	3.1
Knowledge of law	22	9	8	0	1	40	3.3	10	3	0	0	0	13	3.8	10	3	2	2	1	18	3.1
Decisions based on law and facts	22	9	5	3	1	40	3.2	11	3	0	0	0	14	3.8	11	2	3	1	1	18	3.2
Clearly written, legally supported decisions	22	8	6	3	1	40	3.2	9	4	1	0	0	14	3.6	11	2	2	1	1	17	3.2
Section II: Integrity	13	5	2	0	0	22	3.5	13	1	0	0	0	14	3.9	5	1	1	0	0	7	3.5
Basic fairness and impartiality	17	9	6	0	1	33	3.2	12	2	0	0	0	14	3.9	10	3	0	1	0	14	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of race	14	5	2	0	0	21	3.6	12	2	0	0	0	14	3.9	5	1	1	0	0	7	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of gender	14	7	2	1	0	24	3.4	13	1	0	0	0	14	3.9	5	1	0	0	1	7	3.3
Equal treatment regardless of religion	12	4	2	0	0	18	3.6	13	1	0	0	0	14	3.9	5	1	1	0	0	7	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of national origin	12	5	2	0	0	19	3.5	12	2	0	0	0	14	3.9	5	1	1	0	0	7	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of disability	12	4	2	0	0	18	3.6	13	0	0	0	0	13	4.0	5	1	1	0	0	7	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of age	15	5	1	2	0	23	3.4	13	1	0	0	0	14	3.9	5	1	1	0	0	7	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	12	4	2	0	0	18	3.6	12	0	0	0	0	12	4.0	4	1	1	0	0	6	3.5
Equal treatment regardless of economic status	13	5	2	0	0	20	3.6	13	1	0	0	0	14	3.9	4	0	0	1	0	5	3.4
Written decision free from personal bias															4	1	0	0	0	5	3.8
Section III: Communication Skills	16	2	0	0	0	18	3.8	12	0	0	0	0	12	4.0							
Attentiveness	21	3	0	0	0	24	3.9	13	0	0	0	0	13	4.0							
Demeanor in communications with counsel	17	2	1	0	0	20	3.8														
Appropriate restrictions on counsel during argument	4	0	0	0	0	4	4.0	11	0	0	0	0	11	4.0							
Relevant questions	20	3	1	0	0	24	3.8	12	0	0	0	0	12	4.0							
Preparation for oral argument	16	3	0	0	0	19	3.8														
Clear and logical communications																					
Section IV: Judicial temperament	17	3	0	0	0	20	3.9	14	0	0	0	0	14	4.0							
Understanding and compassion																					
Dignified	18	2	0	0	0	20	3.9	14	0	0	0	0	14	4.0							
Courteous	17	3	0	0	0	20	3.9	14	0	0	0	0	14	4.0							
Patient	17	2	1	0	0	20	3.8	14	0	0	0	0	14	4.0							
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court	17	3	0	0	0	20	3.9	14	0	0	0	0	14	4.0							
Section V: Administrative Performance	21	10	5	2	0	38	3.3	10	3	1	0	0	14	3.6	7	3	1	1	2	14	2.9
Punctual in conducting proceedings																					
Maintains proper control over courtroom																					
Prepared for proceedings								11	2	0	0	0	13	3.8							
Respectful treatment of staff																					
Cooperation with peers																					
Cooperation with staff																					
Efficient management of calendar																					
Promptness in making rulings and rendering decisions	21	10	5	2	0	38	3.3	7	5	1	1	0	14	3.3	7	3	1	1	2	14	2.9
Works effectively with other judges								10	3	1	0	0	14	3.6							
Works effectively with other court personnel								13	1	0	0	0	14	3.9							
Effective handling of incoming oral argument								9	3	1	1	0	14	3.4							

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Hon. Brian Y. Furuya	55%	23%	16%	4%	3%	3.2	72%	26%	2%	0%	0%	3.7	59%	14%	13%	8%	6%	3.1
Section I: Legal Ability	55%	23%	16%	4%	3%	3.2	72%	26%	2%	0%	0%	3.7	59%	14%	13%	8%	6%	3.1
Legal reasoning ability	55%	25%	15%	3%	3%	3.3	69%	31%	0%	0%	0%	3.7	56%	17%	11%	11%	6%	3.1
Knowledge of law	55%	23%	20%	0%	3%	3.3	77%	23%	0%	0%	0%	3.8	56%	17%	11%	11%	6%	3.1
Decisions based on law and facts	55%	23%	13%	8%	3%	3.2	79%	21%	0%	0%	0%	3.8	61%	11%	17%	6%	6%	3.2
Clearly written, legally supported decisions	55%	20%	15%	8%	3%	3.2	64%	29%	7%	0%	0%	3.6	65%	12%	12%	6%	6%	3.2
Section II: Integrity	62%	25%	11%	2%	1%	3.5	92%	8%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	72%	15%	8%	3%	1%	3.5
Basic fairness and impartiality	52%	27%	18%	0%	3%	3.2	86%	14%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	71%	21%	0%	7%	0%	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of race	67%	24%	10%	0%	0%	3.6	86%	14%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	71%	14%	14%	0%	0%	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of gender	58%	29%	8%	4%	0%	3.4	93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	71%	14%	0%	0%	14%	3.3
Equal treatment regardless of religion	67%	22%	11%	0%	0%	3.6	93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	71%	14%	14%	0%	0%	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of national origin	63%	26%	11%	0%	0%	3.5	86%	14%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	71%	14%	14%	0%	0%	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of disability	67%	22%	11%	0%	0%	3.6	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	71%	14%	14%	0%	0%	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of age	65%	22%	4%	9%	0%	3.4	93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	71%	14%	14%	0%	0%	3.6
Equal treatment regardless of sexual orientation	67%	22%	11%	0%	0%	3.6	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	67%	17%	17%	0%	0%	3.5
Equal treatment regardless of economic status	65%	25%	10%	0%	0%	3.6	93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	80%	0%	0%	20%	0%	3.4
Written decision free from personal bias													80%	20%	0%	0%	0%	3.8
Section III: Communication Skills	86%	12%	2%	0%	0%	3.8	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0						
Attentiveness	88%	13%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0						
Demeanor in communications with counsel	85%	10%	5%	0%	0%	3.8												
Appropriate restrictions on counsel during argument	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0						
Relevant questions	83%	13%	4%	0%	0%	3.8	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0						
Preparation for oral argument	84%	16%	0%	0%	0%	3.8												
Clear and logical communications																		
Section IV: Judicial temperament	86%	13%	1%	0%	0%	3.9	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0						
Understanding and compassion																		
Dignified	90%	10%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0						
Courteous	85%	15%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0						
Patient	85%	10%	5%	0%	0%	3.8	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0						
Conduct that promotes public confidence in the court	85%	15%	0%	0%	0%	3.9	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	4.0						
Section V: Administrative Performance	55%	26%	13%	5%	0%	3.3	72%	20%	4%	3%	0%	3.6	50%	21%	7%	7%	14%	2.9
Punctual in conducting proceedings																		
Maintains proper control over courtroom																		
Prepared for proceedings							85%	15%	0%	0%	0%	3.8						
Respectful treatment of staff																		
Cooperation with peers																		
Cooperation with staff																		
Efficient management of calendar																		
Promptness in making rulings and rendering decisions	55%	26%	13%	5%	0%	3.3	50%	36%	7%	7%	0%	3.3	50%	21%	7%	7%	14%	2.9
Works effectively with other judges							71%	21%	7%	0%	0%	3.6						
Works effectively with other court personnel							93%	7%	0%	0%	0%	3.9						
Effective handling of ongoing workload							64%	21%	7%	7%	0%	3.4						

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