

**The Missouri Bar  
2010 Trial Court Evaluation Survey**

**Judge: Hon. K. Elizabeth Davis  
7th Judicial Circuit**

<u>Questions:</u>	<u>Number of Responses:</u>						<u>Average Rating</u>
	<u>Blank</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	
Treats people equally regardless of race,gender,ethnicity, economic status, or any other factor	0	0	2	14	24	74	4.49
Displays fairness and impartiality toward each side of the case	0	2	2	22	20	68	4.32
Is not affected by partisan considerations	0	4	2	18	14	76	4.37
Is prepared for hearings and trials	4	2	8	20	22	58	4.15
Allows parties latitude to present their arguments	0	0	4	18	16	76	4.44
Bases decisions on evidence and arguments	0	2	8	20	28	56	4.12
Gives reasons for rulings	2	2	8	26	22	54	4.05
Demonstrates appropriate demeanor on bench	0	4	4	16	22	68	4.28
Maintains and requires proper order and decorum in the courtroom	0	0	6	16	18	74	4.40
Is competent in the law	0	2	12	16	18	66	4.18
Rulings on dispositive motions state reasons and consistently apply the substantive law	6	2	12	22	24	48	3.96
Effectively uses pretrial procedure to narrow and define the issues	6	2	12	22	14	58	4.06
Understands rules of procedure and evidence	2	2	6	20	16	68	4.27
Weighs all evidence fairly and impartially before rendering a decision	0	0	14	14	28	58	4.14
Written opinions and orders are clear	8	0	18	10	28	50	4.04

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Clearly explains all oral decisions	2	2	12	20	24	54	4.04
Efficiently manages his/her docket	2	0	4	14	22	72	4.45
Issues timely opinions/decisions	4	0	8	18	16	68	4.31