

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

**Judge: Hon. Ellen Levy Siwak
21st Judicial Circuit**

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Treats people equally regardless of race,gender,ethnicity, economic status, or any other factor	0	14	12	28	90	230	4.36
Displays fairness and impartiality toward each side of the case	2	14	22	44	76	216	4.23
Is not affected by partisan considerations	12	26	14	46	80	196	4.12
Is prepared for hearings and trials	4	16	18	44	86	206	4.21
Allows parties latitude to present their arguments	8	8	20	40	86	212	4.30
Bases decisions on evidence and arguments	12	18	26	40	80	198	4.14
Gives reasons for rulings	18	18	26	40	74	198	4.15
Demonstrates appropriate demeanor on bench	2	14	18	36	80	224	4.30
Maintains and requires proper order and decorum in the courtroom	6	8	12	34	88	226	4.39
Is competent in the law	4	24	16	24	102	204	4.21
Rulings on dispositive motions state reasons and consistently apply the substantive law	26	18	26	38	84	182	4.11
Effectively uses pretrial procedure to narrow and define the issues	18	14	26	38	90	188	4.16
Understands rules of procedure and evidence	12	12	22	30	100	198	4.24
Weighs all evidence fairly and impartially before rendering a decision	22	20	14	46	82	190	4.16
Written opinions and orders are clear	26	18	20	36	82	192	4.18

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Clearly explains all oral decisions	28	20	20	42	74	190	4.14
Efficiently manages his/her docket	12	24	20	50	76	192	4.08
Issues timely opinions/decisions	22	30	18	34	82	188	4.08