

Missouri Bar
2016 Trial Court Evaluation - Lawyer Survey
Judge: John N. Borbonus
21st Judicial Circuit

Professional Interaction:

1) Estimated number of evaluator's cases the judge has presided over during the judge's current term of office.

0 - 5 cases	63 %
6 - 10 cases	13 %
More than 10 cases	24 %

2) Estimated number of evaluator's cases that went to trial and decision during the judge's current term of office.

0 - 5 cases	87 %
6 - 10 cases	1 %
More than 10 cases	12 %

3) Of cases before the judge that went to trial and decision during the judge's current term of office, the rulings were:

Primarily in your party's favor	12 %
About equally in favor of and against your party	54 %
Primarily against your party	10 %
N/A	24 %

Survey Questions/Results:

	Strongly Agree (5)	Agree (4)	Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)	N/A: Not Applicable	Average Rating
The judge made sure all parties (attorneys and their clients) understood the court proceedings.	21	24	19	10	5	2	3.58
Considering the amount of case law required to make the decision, the judge was prompt in rendering a decision.	21	33	14	5	5	5	3.77
The judge addressed individuals (e.g., attorneys, court staff, litigants, public, witnesses) respectfully in the courtroom.	21	23	4	9	24	2	3.10
The judge gave reasons for a ruling when needed.	19	25	20	11	6	2	3.49
The judge listened carefully during the court proceeding.	23	24	10	18	6	2	3.49
The judge started courtroom proceedings on time.	28	26	6	17	3	2	3.74
The judge allowed the appropriate amount of time for each case.	25	26	12	5	5	2	3.84

The judge used courtroom time efficiently.	24	25	20	7	5	2	3.69
The judge's ruling cited the applicable substantive law.	21	19	24	6	7	5	3.53
The judge adhered to appropriate rules of procedure.	24	21	17	11	6	3	3.58
The judge applied rules of evidence relevant to the case.	23	21	12	7	8	4	3.62
The judge assisted parties in narrowing key issues in dispute.	20	17	21	13	6	5	3.42
The judge's decision followed logically from the evidence presented.	22	22	18	8	9	3	3.51
The judge issued an order that was clearly written.	17	19	26	4	5	10	3.55
The judge treated the parties equally.	23	23	5	11	18	2	3.30
The judge carefully considered arguments from both sides before ruling.	24	22	7	19	8	2	3.44
The judge conducted the proceeding in a neutral manner.	22	21	6	20	12	1	3.26
The judge maintained a professional demeanor in the courtroom.	27	17	7	20	10	1	3.38
The judge was prepared for court.	28	23	22	4	3	2	3.86