

**Missouri Bar**  
**2016 Trial Court Evaluation - Lawyer Survey**  
**Judge: Gloria Clark Reno**  
**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.

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| 0 - 5 cases        | 88 % |
| 6 - 10 cases       | 4 %  |
| More than 10 cases | 8 %  |

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

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| 0 - 5 cases        | 94 % |
| 6 - 10 cases       | 1 %  |
| More than 10 cases | 5 %  |

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

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| Primarily in your party's favor                  | 12 % |
| About equally in favor of and against your party | 46 % |
| Primarily against your party                     | 13 % |
| N/A  | 29 % |

**Survey Questions/Results:**

|   | <b>Strongly Agree (5)</b> | <b>Agree (4)</b> | <b>Neither Agree nor Disagree (3)</b> | <b>Disagree (2)</b> | <b>Strongly Disagree (1)</b> | <b>N/A: Not Applicable</b> | <b>Average Rating</b> |
|---|---------------------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| The judge treated the parties equally.  | 27                        | 33               | 3                                     | 6                   | 12                           | 3                          | 3.74                  |
| The judge carefully considered arguments from both sides before ruling.   | 23                        | 28               | 6                                     | 10                  | 12                           | 5                          | 3.51                  |
| The judge conducted the proceeding in a neutral manner.   | 20                        | 32               | 8                                     | 6                   | 9                            | 3                          | 3.64                  |
| The judge maintained a professional demeanor in the courtroom.  | 27                        | 31               | 6                                     | 3                   | 6                            | 4                          | 3.96                  |
| The judge was prepared for court.   | 16                        | 30               | 10                                    | 13                  | 12                           | 3                          | 3.31                  |
| The judge's ruling cited the applicable substantive law.  | 12                        | 25               | 11                                    | 11                  | 15                           | 10                         | 3.11                  |
| Considering the amount of case law required to make the decision, the judge was prompt in rendering a decision. | 13                        | 35               | 13                                    | 2                   | 12                           | 9                          | 3.47                  |

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| The judge gave reasons for a ruling when needed.  | 15 | 32 | 8  | 7  | 13 | 9  | 3.39 |
| The judge listened carefully during the court proceeding.   | 20 | 34 | 8  | 5  | 10 | 6  | 3.64 |
| The judge started courtroom proceedings on time.  | 15 | 21 | 15 | 10 | 19 | 4  | 3.04 |
| The judge allowed the appropriate amount of time for each case.   | 18 | 38 | 10 | 7  | 6  | 3  | 3.70 |
| The judge used courtroom time efficiently.  | 15 | 34 | 11 | 8  | 10 | 4  | 3.46 |
| The judge made sure all parties (attorneys and their clients) understood the court proceedings.                             | 16 | 35 | 13 | 3  | 8  | 8  | 3.64 |
| The judge adhered to appropriate rules of procedure.  | 15 | 40 | 7  | 7  | 10 | 5  | 3.54 |
| The judge applied rules of evidence relevant to the case.   | 14 | 30 | 10 | 5  | 15 | 10 | 3.31 |
| The judge assisted parties in narrowing key issues in dispute.  | 12 | 27 | 19 | 8  | 12 | 6  | 3.24 |
| The judge's decision followed logically from the evidence presented.  | 14 | 24 | 8  | 10 | 17 | 5  | 3.11 |
| The judge issued an order that was clearly written.   | 15 | 28 | 14 | 6  | 10 | 10 | 3.44 |
| The judge addressed individuals (e.g., attorneys, court staff, litigants, public, witnesses) respectfully in the courtroom. | 35 | 34 | 2  | 3  | 6  | 4  | 4.11 |