

**Missouri Bar**  
**2016 Trial Court Evaluation - Lawyer Survey**  
**Judge: Barbara W. Wallace**  
**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	68 %
6 - 10 cases	21 %
More than 10 cases	11 %

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

0 - 5 cases	96 %
6 - 10 cases	2 %
More than 10 cases	2 %

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	15 %
About equally in favor of and against your party	49 %
Primarily against your party	4 %
N/A	32 %

**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.	118	53	5	3	5	6	4.53
The judge carefully considered arguments from both sides before ruling.	113	56	7	1	7	5	4.45
The judge conducted the proceeding in a neutral manner.	114	54	5	3	6	6	4.47
The judge maintained a professional demeanor in the courtroom.	133	44	1	1	5	5	4.63
The judge was prepared for court.	125	46	8	2	5	5	4.53
The judge's ruling cited the applicable substantive law.	90	58	15	1	6	17	4.32
Considering the amount of case law required to make the decision, the judge was prompt in rendering a decision.	98	59	7	2	4	15	4.44

The judge gave reasons for a ruling when needed.	99	64	7	2	6	9	4.39
The judge listened carefully during the court proceeding.	114	54	4	0	6	7	4.52
The judge started courtroom proceedings on time.	107	62	6	0	5	9	4.48
The judge allowed the appropriate amount of time for each case.	97	69	5	2	5	9	4.41
The judge used courtroom time efficiently.	98	68	7	0	5	10	4.43
The judge made sure all parties (attorneys and their clients) understood the court proceedings.	100	62	7	0	5	11	4.45
The judge adhered to appropriate rules of procedure.	114	54	4	2	5	5	4.51
The judge applied rules of evidence relevant to the case.	105	53	7	0	5	18	4.49
The judge assisted parties in narrowing key issues in dispute.	93	57	8	3	7	18	4.35
The judge's decision followed logically from the evidence presented.	97	57	6	5	5	19	4.39
The judge issued an order that was clearly written.	95	61	7	1	5	16	4.42
The judge addressed individuals (e.g., attorneys, court staff, litigants, public, witnesses) respectfully in the courtroom.	126	47	2	2	4	6	4.60