

**Missouri Bar  
2022 Trial Court Evaluation - Lawyer Survey  
Judge: Kea S Bird-Riley  
16th Judicial Circuit**

**Professional Interaction:**

1) Estimated number of evaluator's cases the judge has presided over during the judge's current term of office.	2) Estimated number of evaluator's cases that went to trial and decision during the judge's current term of office.	3) Of cases before the judge that went to trial and decision during the judge's current term of office, the rulings were:
1 - 5 cases 61 %	1 - 5 cases 61 %	Primarily in your party's favor 13 %
6 - 10 cases 9 %	6 - 10 cases 13 %	About equally in favor of and against your party 61 %
More than 10 cases 30 %	More than 10 cases 26 %	Primarily against your party 17 %
		N/A 9 %

**Survey Questions/Results:**

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Sometimes (3)	Frequently (4)	Every Time (5)	N/A	Average Rating
The judge was prepared for court.	0	2	7	5	9	0	3.91
The judge treated the parties equally.	0	1	1	5	16	0	4.57
The judge used courtroom time efficiently.	0	5	5	3	10	0	3.78
The judge addressed individuals (e.g. attorneys, court staff, litigants, witnesses, and the public) respectfully in the courtroom.	0	0	0	3	20	0	4.87
The judge made sure all parties (attorneys and their clients) understood the court proceedings.	0	2	4	3	13	1	4.23
The judge started courtroom proceedings on time.	0	7	2	8	6	0	3.57
The judge conducted proceedings in an impartial manner.	1	0	1	7	14	0	4.43

**Survey Questions/Results:**

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Sometimes (3)	Frequently (4)	Every Time (5)	N/A	Average Rating
The judge allowed appropriate time for each proceeding.	0	2	2	5	14	0	4.35
The judge maintained a professional demeanor in the courtroom.	0	0	1	6	16	0	4.65
The judge listened carefully during court proceedings.	0	2	1	6	14	0	4.39
The judge adhered to rules of procedure appropriate to each proceeding.	1	1	5	4	12	0	4.09
The judge applied rules of evidence relevant to each proceeding.	1	1	6	2	11	2	4.00
The judge assisted parties in narrowing key issues in dispute.	1	2	5	3	9	3	3.85
The judge carefully considered arguments from both sides before ruling.	0	3	3	4	13	0	4.17
The judge gave reasons for a ruling when needed.	0	3	4	3	11	2	4.05
The judge 's ruling(s) cited the applicable substantive law.	0	3	5	1	9	5	3.89
The judge 's ruling(s) followed logically from the evidence presented.	1	1	7	1	12	1	4.00
The judge issued clear written orders.	0	3	4	4	11	1	4.05
Considering the amount of applicable law and complexity of the pertinent legal questions, the judge's decisions were rendered promptly.	0	2	4	6	10	1	4.09