

Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

Judge Harold M. Brown, Superior Court, Kenai

Judicial Council Recommendation

The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska constitution, evaluates judges on a number of criteria, including their legal ability, demeanor, their diligence, their ability to manage their caseloads, and their fairness and integrity. The Judicial Council finds Judge Brown to be **Qualified** and recommends with a 4-2 vote that the public vote "Yes" to retain him as a superior court judge.

Judicial Council Evaluation

The Judicial Council surveyed 3,036 attorneys, 1,492 peace and probation officers, social workers/guardians ad litem, and child advocates, jurors, and court employees about the judges on the ballot. Respondents were asked to rate judicial performance and to submit comments. The Council also reviewed the ratings and observations of the Alaska Judicial Observers, independent community-based volunteers. The Council reviewed court system records concerning peremptory challenges, recusals, and appellate affirmance and reversal rates; any civil or criminal litigation involving the judge; APOC and court system conflict-of-interest statements; any disciplinary files; and whether a judge's pay was withheld for an untimely decision. The Council investigated judicial conduct in specific cases. The Council interviewed some judges, attorneys, court staff, and others. The Council held a statewide public hearing to obtain comments about judges.

	Attorney Survey	Peace Officer Survey	Juror Survey	Court Employee Survey	Social Workers Guardians ad Litem CASAs
Legal Ability	3.7	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	3.8	4.1	4.8	4.0	5.0
Integrity	4.1	4.5	---	4.2	5.0
Temperament	3.7	4.2	4.9	3.7	4.7
Diligence	3.6	4.0	---	4.1	5.0
Overall	3.7	4.1	4.8	4.0	5.0

Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

Rating Scale
 5.0 = Excellent
 4.0 = Good
 3.0 = Acceptable
 2.0 = Deficient
 1.0 = Poor

Summary of Survey Information

Attorneys in Alaska rated Judge Brown on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Brown on overall performance was 3.7. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Brown on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Brown a rating of 4.1.

Four other groups also evaluated Judge Brown's performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.8, court employees gave him 4.0, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 5.0. The Alaska Judicial Observers rated him 3.5.

Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Harold M. Brown

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Harold M. Brown

Name

Kenai

Court

1. Describe your workload during your present term.

a) <u>50</u> % Civil Cases	b) <u>10</u> # of trials/year(Average)
<u>30</u> % Criminal Cases	<u>6</u> # Administrative Appeals (Average)
<u>20</u> % Court Administrative	
100 % Total	

2. Please describe your participation on court/bar committees or other administrative activities during your current term of office.

I was Administrative Judge from April 2003 to September 1, 2005 for the Kenai Peninsula.

- 3. Please assess, in one or two paragraphs, your judicial performance during your present term. Appropriate areas of comment could include: satisfaction with your judicial role, specific contributions to the judiciary or the field of law, increases in legal knowledge and judicial skills, or other measures of judicial abilities that you believe to be important.

I am 65 years old and have been a attorney for 37 1/2 years. In June of 2006 I will have served on the Superior Court Bench for 10 years. A Superior Court Judge on the Kenai Peninsula works full days on every type of case that falls within the Superior Court Judge's jurisdiction. We are assigned weekend duty periodically and at least once every 2 months. At one point following the death of Judge Link and during the illness and subsequent retirement of Judge Francis Neville there were only 3 judges for weekend duty. There are currently 2 Superior Court Judges, 2 District Court Judges and 3 Magistrate IV's serving on the Kenai Peninsula in Kenai, Homer and Seward. Although the calendars are heavy, working as a Superior Court Judge is rewarding. I periodically attend judicial training programs and all Court required conferences. I continue to learn and my skills as a Superior Court Judge have improved over time.

4. During your most recent term as a judge, have you:
- a) had a tax lien filed or other collection procedure instituted against you by federal, state, or local authorities? Yes _____ No X.
 - b) been involved in a nonjudicial capacity in any legal proceeding whether as a party or otherwise? Yes X No _____.
 - c) engaged in the practice of law (other than as a judge)? Yes X No _____.
 - d) held office in any political party? Yes _____ No X.
 - e) held any other local state or federal office? Yes _____ No X.

5. If your answer to any of the questions above is "yes," please give full details, including dates, facts, case numbers and outcomes.

My wife, Susan M. Brown, was "rearended" in an auto accident on August 11, 2003. On her behalf I wrote a demand letter to the carrier insuring the driver of the car, who stuck my wife's automobile. The carrier made an offer of settlement which was not acceptable to my wife. She then employed an attorney to represent her on her claim. That is the full extent of my involvement in any legal proceeding in a non-judicial capacity.

6. Please provide any other information which you believe would assist the Council in conducting its evaluations and in preparing its recommendations for the 2006 retention elections.

None

7. Please list the names and case numbers of the three most recent jury cases tried before you, identify the attorneys involved, and show their current addresses. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

Case Number 1

Case
Name: Maddox *Case Number:* 3SW-03-64 CI
v. Thomas Development

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Peter Ehrhardt</u>	Name: <u>Pro Per Dorene Lorenz</u>
Address: <u>215 Fidalgo Ave., Suite 203</u>	Address: <u>PO Box 2533</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Seward, Alaska 99664</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Case Number 2

Case
Name: State of Alaska *Case Number:* 3KN-05-1697 CR
v. Christopher Lusardi

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Angela Jamison - District Attorney</u>	Name: <u>Colleen Murray - Public Defender</u>
Address: <u>120 Trading Bay Dr, Ste 200</u>	Address: <u>120 Trading Bay Dr., Ste 390</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Case Number 3

Case
Name: State of Alaska *Case Number:* 3KN-04-2251 CR
v. William White

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Lisa Thomas - District Attorney</u>	Name: <u>Colleen Murray - Public Defender</u>
Address: <u>120 Trading Bay Dr., Ste 200</u>	Address: <u>120 Trading Bay Dr., Ste 390</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

8. Please list the names and case numbers of the three most recent non-jury cases tried before you, identify the attorneys involved, and show their current addresses. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

Case Number 1

Case Name: Hammer *Case Number:* 3KN-03-305 CI
v. Saltz

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Joseph Kashi</u>	Name: <u>Christine Schmidt</u>
Address: <u>35477 Spur Hwy., Ste 207</u>	Address: <u>110 S. Willow St., Ste 101</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Soldotna, AK 99669</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>

Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Case Number 2

Case Name: Strange *Case Number:* 3KN-03-734 CI
v. Strange

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Jon Buchholdt</u>	Name: <u>Carol Brenckle</u>
Address: <u>731 I St., Ste 101</u>	Address: <u>130 Trading Bay Dr., Ste 340</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>

Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Case Number 3

Case Name: Ticknor *Case Number:* 3KN-98-164 CI
v. Ticknor

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Linn Plous</u>	Name: <u>Kevin Koch</u>
Address: <u>100 Trading Bay Dr., Ste 4</u>	Address: <u>35477 Spur Hwy., Ste 207</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Soldotna, AK 99669</u>

Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

9. Please list the names and case numbers of the three most recent cases which did not go to trial, but on which you did significant work (such as settlement conference, hearings, motion work, etc.), identify the attorneys involved, and show their current addresses. (Attach additional pages if necessary)

Case Number 1

Case Name: Arctech Services **Case Number:** 3KN-04-203 CI
v. D&L Construction

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Julia Holden</u>	Name: <u>Mark Osterman</u>
Address: <u>745 W 4th Ave., Ste 502</u>	Address: <u>215 Fidalgo St., Ste 106</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Anchorage, AK 99501-2136</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Case Number 2

Case Name: DeMoss **Case Number:** 3KN-05-142 CI
v. InMan

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Linn Plous</u>	Name: <u>Eric Derleth</u>
Address: <u>100 Trady Bay Dr., Ste 4</u>	Address: <u>35401 Kenai Spur Hwy.</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Soldotna, AK 99669</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

Case Number 3

Case Name: LaVecchia **Case Number:** 3KN-04-925 CI
v. LaVecchia

Attorneys Involved:

Name: <u>Charles Winegarden</u>	Name: <u>Linn Plous</u>
Address: <u>100 Trading Bay Dr., Ste 8</u>	Address: <u>100 Trading Bay Dr., Ste 4</u>
City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>	City, State, Zip: <u>Kenai, AK 99611</u>
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____	City, State, Zip: _____

10. If you deem it helpful to the Council, please list the name, case number and attorneys' names and current addresses of any other cases during your judicial career in which you believe your work was particularly noteworthy. (Attach additional pages if necessary)

Case Number 1

Case Name: JL & TL et.al *Case Number:* 3KN-01-884 CI
v. Trickel et.al

Attorneys Involved:

<i>Name:</i> <u>Thomas Owens</u>	<i>Name:</i> <u>Chuck Robinson - For Trickel</u>
<i>Address:</i> <u>810 N. St.</u>	<i>Address:</i> <u>35401 Kenai Spur Hwy.</u>
<i>City, State, Zip:</i> <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>	<i>City, State, Zip:</i> <u>Soldotna, AK 99669</u>

Co-Counsel

<i>Name:</i> <u>Dan Woods - for Salvation Army</u>	<i>Name:</i> <u>Jennifer Coughlin - Salvation Army</u>
<i>Address:</i> <u>633 W 5th St., Ste 1900</u>	<i>Address:</i> <u>420 L. St., Ste 400</u>
<i>City, State, Zip:</i> <u>Los Angeles, CA 90071</u>	<i>City, State, Zip:</i> <u>Anchorage, AK 99501-1937</u>

Case Number 2

Case Name: _____ *Case Number:* _____
v. _____

Attorneys Involved:

<i>Name:</i> _____	<i>Name:</i> _____
<i>Address:</i> _____	<i>Address:</i> _____
<i>City, State, Zip:</i> _____	<i>City, State, Zip:</i> _____

<i>Name:</i> _____	<i>Name:</i> _____
<i>Address:</i> _____	<i>Address:</i> _____
<i>City, State, Zip:</i> _____	<i>City, State, Zip:</i> _____

Case Number 3

Case Name: _____ *Case Number:* _____
v. _____

Attorneys Involved:

<i>Name:</i> _____	<i>Name:</i> _____
<i>Address:</i> _____	<i>Address:</i> _____
<i>City, State, Zip:</i> _____	<i>City, State, Zip:</i> _____

<i>Name:</i> _____	<i>Name:</i> _____
<i>Address:</i> _____	<i>Address:</i> _____
<i>City, State, Zip:</i> _____	<i>City, State, Zip:</i> _____

30. SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE HAROLD M. BROWN

A. Alaska Bar Association

Demographic Description (N=402)

	N	%
Type of Practice		
No Response	6	1.4%
Private, Solo	100	24.8%
Private, 2-5 Attorneys	71	17.6%
Private, 6+ Attorneys	72	17.9%
Private, Corporate Employee	9	2.2%
State Judge or Judicial Officer	41	10.1%
Government	84	20.8%
Public Service Agency or Organization (not govt)	5	1.2%
Other	14	3.4%
Length of Alaska Practice		
No Response	6	1.4%
5 Years or fewer	26	6.4%
6 to 10 years	22	5.4%
11 to 15 years	37	9.2%
16 to 20 years	53	13.1%
21 years or more	258	64.1%
Gender		
No Response	7	1.7%
Male	294	73.1%
Female	101	25.1%
Cases Handled		
No Response	7	1.7%
Prosecution	19	4.7%
Mainly Criminal	19	4.7%
Mixed Criminal & Civil	105	26.1%
Mainly Civil	237	58.9%
Other	15	3.7%
Location of Practice		
No Response	6	1.4%
First District	48	11.9%
Second District	2	0.4%
Third District	318	79.1%
Fourth District	19	4.7%
Outside of Alaska	9	2.2%

**Evaluation of Judge Harold M. Brown:
Alaska Bar Association Members**

Summary of Findings

Judge Harold M. Brown was evaluated by 312 Alaska Bar Association members who reported having direct professional experience with the judge. The mean score on *overall evaluation* was 3.7. The highest mean score was obtained on *integrity* (4.1) and the lowest score was obtained on *diligence* (3.6). Details are present in the two tables that follow.

	Poor		Deficient		Accept		Good		Excellent		Mean
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Legal Ability	12	3.8%	35	11.2%	77	24.6%	111	35.5%	77	24.6%	3.7
Impartiality/Fairness	13	4.2%	33	10.7%	58	18.8%	108	35.1%	95	30.9%	3.8
Integrity	7	2.2%	16	5.2%	57	18.5%	93	30.2%	134	43.6%	4.1
Judicial Temperament	11	3.5%	37	11.9%	69	22.2%	96	30.9%	97	31.2%	3.7
Diligence	16	5.2%	34	11.2%	75	24.8%	101	33.4%	76	25.1%	3.6
Overall Rating	14	4.5%	39	12.6%	57	18.4%	117	37.8%	82	26.5%	3.7

Note: Ratings for only those respondents who reported direct professional experience with the judge.

**Judge Harold M. Brown: Detailed Information Responses
Alaska Bar Association Members**

	Legal Ability		Impartiality/ Fairness		Integrity		Judicial Temperament		Diligence		Overall Rating	
	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N
Basis for Evaluation of Judge												
No Response	3.8	4	3.8	4	3.8	4	3.8	4	3.5	4	3.8	4
Direct Professional	3.7	312	3.8	307	4.1	307	3.7	310	3.6	302	3.7	309
Professional Reputation	3.9	79	3.9	78	4.1	77	3.9	78	3.8	77	3.9	78
Other Personal Contacts	4.7	9	4.9	8	4.9	10	4.8	9	4.6	7	4.8	9
Type of Practice												
No Response	4.0	6	4.2	6	4.3	6	4.3	6	4.2	6	4.3	6
Private, Solo	3.5	83	3.6	80	3.9	81	3.6	81	3.5	78	3.5	82
Private, 2-5 Attorneys	3.7	59	3.8	59	4.2	59	3.9	60	3.6	59	3.7	58
Private, 6+ Attorneys	3.8	50	4.1	49	4.3	49	4.0	50	3.7	49	3.9	49
Private, Corporate Employee	4.1	8	4.3	8	4.4	8	4.3	8	3.9	8	4.0	8
State Judge or Judicial Officer	3.9	28	4.0	28	4.4	28	3.8	28	3.8	27	4.1	28
Government	3.4	66	3.6	65	3.8	65	3.4	66	3.4	64	3.4	66
Public Service Agency or Organization (not govt)	3.3	4	3.0	4	3.3	3	3.3	3	3.7	3	3.3	4
Other	4.3	8	4.3	8	4.4	8	4.3	8	4.3	8	4.3	8
Years Experience												
No Response	4.0	6	4.2	6	4.3	6	4.2	6	4.2	6	4.3	6
5 Years or fewer	3.3	20	3.3	20	3.7	19	3.3	19	3.3	20	3.3	20
6 to 10 years	3.4	17	3.8	17	4.1	17	3.9	17	3.8	17	3.8	17
11 to 15 years	3.4	30	3.6	30	3.6	29	3.4	30	3.3	28	3.4	30
16 to 20 years	3.5	39	3.6	39	4.0	39	3.6	39	3.5	39	3.5	38
21 years or more	3.8	200	3.9	195	4.2	197	3.8	199	3.7	192	3.8	198
Gender												
No Response	4.1	7	4.3	7	4.4	7	4.4	7	4.3	7	4.4	7
Male	3.7	229	3.9	224	4.2	225	3.8	227	3.6	220	3.8	227
Female	3.4	76	3.4	76	3.7	75	3.5	76	3.5	75	3.4	75
Majority of Practice Consists of												
No Response	4.0	6	4.2	6	4.3	6	4.3	6	4.2	6	4.3	6
Prosecution	3.2	17	3.4	17	3.6	17	3.2	17	3.2	17	3.2	17
Mainly Criminal	2.8	16	2.7	16	3.1	16	3.0	16	3.0	16	2.8	16
Mixed Criminal & Civil	3.7	74	3.7	72	4.1	72	3.6	74	3.6	73	3.7	74
Mainly Civil	3.8	190	3.9	187	4.2	187	3.9	188	3.7	181	3.8	187
Other	3.3	9	3.4	9	3.9	9	3.6	9	3.3	9	3.4	9
Location of Practice												
No Response	3.5	6	3.8	6	4.2	6	3.8	6	3.7	6	3.7	6
First District	4.1	30	4.2	29	4.6	30	4.2	30	4.1	28	4.1	29
Second District	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Third District	3.6	257	3.7	254	4.0	253	3.7	255	3.5	250	3.6	256
Fourth District	4.0	12	4.2	11	4.4	11	3.8	12	3.8	11	4.1	11
Outside of Alaska	4.6	7	4.3	7	4.4	7	4.1	7	4.4	7	4.3	7

Note: Ratings for only those respondents who reported direct professional experience with the judge.

30. SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE HAROLD M. BROWN

B. Peace and Probation Officers

Demographic Description (N=44)

	N	%
Type of Work		
No Response	1	2.2%
State Law Enforcement Officer	17	38.6%
Municipal/Borough Law Enforcement Officer	15	34.0%
Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO)	--	0.0%
Probation/Parole Officer	10	22.7%
Other	1	2.2%
Length of Alaska Experience		
No Response	2	4.5%
5 Years or fewer	17	38.6%
6 to 10 years	6	13.6%
11 to 15 years	10	22.7%
16 to 20 years	7	15.9%
21 years or more	2	4.5%
Gender		
No Response	1	2.2%
Male	36	81.8%
Female	7	15.9%
Location of Practice		
No Response	1	2.2%
First District	1	2.2%
Second District	--	0.0%
Third District	40	90.9%
Fourth District	2	4.5%
Outside of Alaska	--	0.0%
Community Population		
No Response	1	2.2%
Under 2,000	1	2.2%
Between 2,000 and 35,000	34	77.2%
Over 35,000	8	18.1%

**Evaluation of Judge Harold M. Brown
Peace and Probation Officers**

Summary of Findings

Judge Harold M. Brown was evaluated by 38 Peace and Probation Officers who reported having direct professional experience with the judge. The mean score on *overall evaluation* was 4.1. The highest mean score was obtained on *integrity* (4.5) and the lowest score was obtained on *diligence* (4.0). Details are present in the two tables that follow.

	Poor		Deficient		Accept		Good		Excellent		Mean
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Impartiality/Fairness	1	2.6%	3	7.8%	2	5.2%	18	47.3%	14	36.8%	4.1
Integrity	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	5	14.2%	9	25.7%	21	60.0%	4.5
Judicial Temperament	1	2.6%	--	0.0%	6	15.7%	14	36.8%	17	44.7%	4.2
Diligence	1	2.6%	1	2.6%	7	18.4%	16	42.1%	13	34.2%	4.0
Overall Rating	1	2.6%	1	2.6%	6	15.7%	16	42.1%	14	36.8%	4.1

Note: Ratings for only those respondents who reported direct professional experience with the judge.

Judge Harold M. Brown: Detailed Information on Responses Peace and Probation Officers

	Impartiality/ Fairness		Integrity		Judicial Temperament		Diligence		Overall Rating	
	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N
Basis for Evaluation of Judge										
No Response	4.7	3	4.7	3	4.3	3	4.3	3	4.7	3
Direct Professional	4.1	38	4.5	35	4.2	38	4.0	38	4.1	38
Professional Reputation	3.3	4	3.8	4	3.3	4	3.5	4	3.3	4
Other Personal Contacts	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Type of Work										
No Response	4.7	3	4.7	3	4.3	3	4.3	3	4.7	3
State Law Enforcement Officer	4.1	38	4.5	35	4.2	38	4.0	38	4.1	38
Municipal/Borough Law Enforcement Officer	3.3	4	3.8	4	3.3	4	3.5	4	3.3	4
Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO)	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Probation/Parole Officer	4.7	3	4.7	3	4.3	3	4.3	3	4.7	3
Other										
Years Experience										
No Response	3.3	4	3.8	4	3.3	4	3.5	4	3.3	4
5 Years or fewer	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
6 to 10 years	4.7	3	4.7	3	4.3	3	4.3	3	4.7	3
11 to 15 years										
16 to 20 years	4.1	38	4.5	35	4.2	38	4.0	38	4.1	38
21 years or more	3.3	4	3.8	4	3.3	4	3.5	4	3.3	4
Gender										
No Response	4.7	3	4.7	3	4.3	3	4.3	3	4.7	3
Male										
Female	4.1	38	4.5	35	4.2	38	4.0	38	4.1	38
Location of Practice										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
First District	4.7	3	4.7	3	4.3	3	4.3	3	4.7	3
Second District										
Third District	4.1	38	4.5	35	4.2	38	4.0	38	4.1	38
Fourth District	3.3	4	3.8	4	3.3	4	3.5	4	3.3	4
Outside of Alaska	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Community Population										
No Response	4.7	3	4.7	3	4.3	3	4.3	3	4.7	3
Under 2,000	4.1	38	4.5	35	4.2	38	4.0	38	4.1	38
Between 2,000 and 35,000	3.3	4	3.8	4	3.3	4	3.5	4	3.3	4
Over 35,000	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0

Note: Ratings for only those respondents who reported direct professional experience with the judge.

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C. Social Workers, Guardians ad Litem, and CASA Volunteers

Demographic Description (N=6)

		N	%
Type of Work			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	Social Worker	3	50.0%
	Guardian ad Litem	3	50.0%
	CASA Volunteer	--	0.0%
	Other	--	0.0%
Length of Alaska Experience			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	5 Years or fewer	2	33.3%
	6 to 10 years	2	33.3%
	11 to 15 years	1	16.6%
	16 to 20 years	1	16.6%
	21 years or more	--	0.0%
Gender			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	Male	1	16.6%
	Female	5	83.3%
Location of Practice			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	First District	--	0.0%
	Second District	--	0.0%
	Third District	6	100.0%
	Fourth District	--	0.0%
	Outside of Alaska	--	0.0%
Community Population			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	Under 2,000	--	0.0%
	Between 2,000 and 35,000	4	66.6%
	Over 35,000	2	33.3%

**Evaluation of Judge Harold M. Brown
Social Workers, Guardians Ad Litem, and CASA Volunteers**

Summary of Findings

Judge Harold M. Brown was evaluated by six Social Workers, Guardians Ad Litem, and CASA volunteers who reported having direct professional experience with the judge. The mean score on *overall evaluation* was 5.0. The highest mean scores were obtained on *impartiality/fairness* (5.0), *integrity* (5.0) and *diligence* (5.0) and the lowest score was obtained on *judicial temperament* (4.7). Details are present in the two tables that follow.

	Poor		Deficient		Accept		Good		Excellent		Mean
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
Impartiality/Fairness	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	6	100.0%	5.0
Integrity	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	6	100.0%	5.0
Judicial Temperament	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	2	33.3%	4	66.6%	4.7
Diligence	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	6	100.0%	5.0
Overall Rating	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	6	100.0%	5.0

Note: Ratings for only those respondents who reported direct professional experience with the judge.

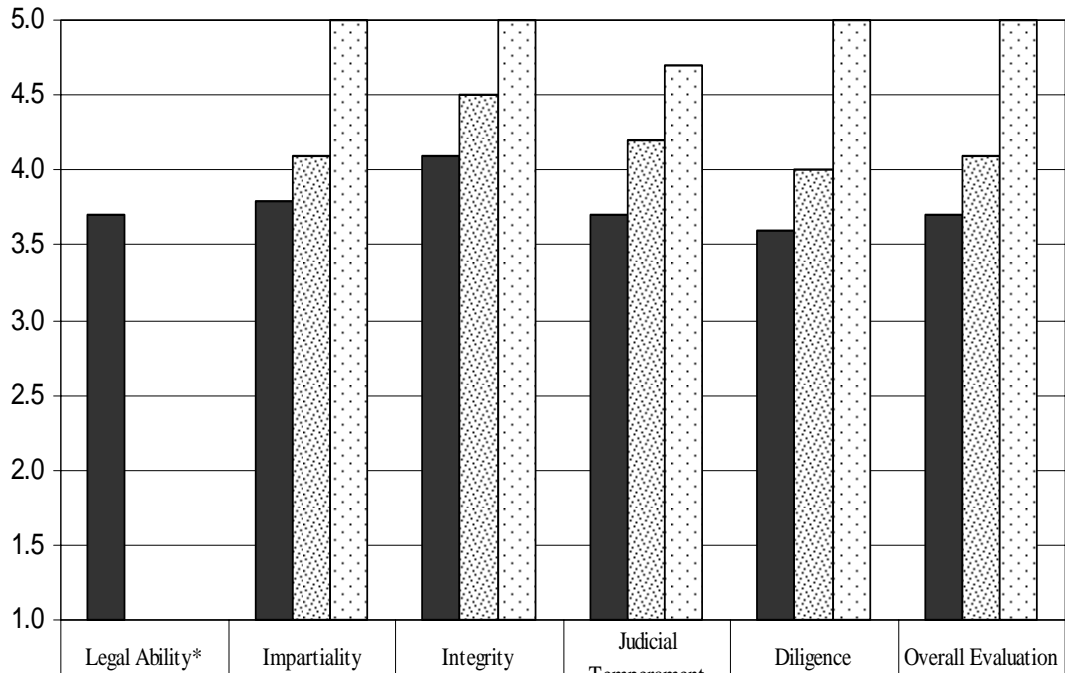
**Judge Harold M. Brown: Detail Information on Responses
Social Workers, Guardians Ad Litem, and CASA Volunteers**

	Impartiality/ Fairness		Integrity		Judicial Temperament		Diligence		Overall Rating	
	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N
Basis for Evaluation of Judge										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Direct Professional	5.0	6	5.0	6	4.7	6	5.0	6	5.0	6
Professional Reputation	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Other Personal Contacts	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Type of Work										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Social Worker	5.0	3	5.0	3	4.3	3	5.0	3	5.0	3
Guardian ad Litem	5.0	3	5.0	3	5.0	3	5.0	3	5.0	3
CASA Volunteer	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Other	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Years Experience										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
5 Years or fewer	5.0	2	5.0	2	5.0	2	5.0	2	5.0	2
6 to 10 years	5.0	2	5.0	2	5.0	2	5.0	2	5.0	2
11 to 15 years	5.0	1	5.0	1	4.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1
16 to 20 years	5.0	1	5.0	1	4.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1
21 years or more	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Gender										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Male	5.0	1	5.0	1	4.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1
Female	5.0	5	5.0	5	4.8	5	5.0	5	5.0	5
Location of Practice										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
First District	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Second District	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Third District	5.0	6	5.0	6	4.7	6	5.0	6	5.0	6
Fourth District	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Outside of Alaska	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Community Population										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Under 2,000	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Between 2,000 and 35,000	5.0	4	5.0	4	4.8	4	5.0	4	5.0	4
Over 35,000	5.0	2	5.0	2	4.5	2	5.0	2	5.0	2

Note: Ratings for only those respondents who reported direct professional experience with the judge.

Superior Court Judge Harold M. Brown

Average Ratings from All Groups Surveyed



■ Alaska Bar Association	3.7	3.8	4.1	3.7	3.6	3.7
▨ Peace and Probation Officers		4.1	4.5	4.2	4.0	4.1
□ Social Workers/ GALSCASA Volunteers		5.0	5.0	4.7	5.0	5.0

*Legal Ability items are only completed by Alaska Bar Association members.

<p style="text-align: center;">Juror Survey Results 2006 Retention Evaluation Harold M. Brown</p>											
		Distribution of Ratings									
Survey Category	Mean	Excellent % (n)	Good % (n)	Acceptable % (n)	Deficient % (n)	Poor % (n)	Total Returned = 129				
Impartiality/Fairness	4.8	80% 103	17% 22	3% 4	0% 0	0% 0	129				
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	88% 114	9% 12	2% 3	0% 0	0% 0	129				
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	81% 104	16% 20	4% 5	0% 0	0% 0	129				
Control over Proceedings	4.8	85% 109	16% 20	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	129				
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.8	83% 107	16% 20	2% 2	0% 0	0% 0	129				
Overall Evaluation	4.8	81% 104	19% 24	1% 1	0% 0	0% 0	129				

Court Employee Survey Results 2006 Retention Evaluation Harold M. Brown												
		Distribution of Ratings										
Survey Category	Mean	Excellent % (n)	Good % (n)	Acceptable % (n)	Deficient % (n)	Poor % (n)	Total Returned = 25					
Impartiality/Fairness	4.0	28% 7	44% 11	16% 4	0% 0	4% 1	23					
Integrity	4.2	48% 12	32% 8	16% 4	0% 0	4% 1	25					
Judicial Temperament	3.7	20% 5	48% 12	24% 6	0% 0	8% 2	25					
Diligence	4.1	36% 9	44% 11	16% 4	0% 0	4% 1	25					
Overall Evaluation	4.0	36% 9	36% 9	20% 5	0% 0	4% 1	24					

Judge Harold M. Brown
 Prior Scores Summary
 Retention 2006
 Appointed 04/08/96 to Kenai Superior Court

Bar Survey						
2006 Retention	3.7	3.8	4.1	3.7	3.6	3.7
2004 Interim	3.7	3.8	4.1	3.8	3.7	3.7
2000 Retention	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.8	3.6	3.7
	Legal Ability	Impartiality	Integrity	Judicial Temperament	Diligence	Overall Performance

Peace & Probation Officer Survey					
2006 Retention	4.1	4.5	4.2	4.0	4.1
2004 Interim	4.0	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.2
2000 Retention	4.1	4.4	4.3	4.1	4.2
	Impartiality	Integrity	Judicial Temperament	Diligence	Overall Performance