

# Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

## Judge Larry R. Weeks, Superior Court, Juneau

### 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 Weeks to be **Qualified** and recommends unanimously 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	4.4	---	---	---	---
Impartiality	4.4	4.5	4.9	4.7	4.9
Integrity	4.7	4.6	---	4.7	5.0
Temperament	4.5	4.3	5.0	4.6	4.9
Diligence	4.5	4.5	---	4.7	4.8
Overall	4.5	4.5	4.9	4.8	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 Weeks on the six categories summarized in the table above, using 5 as the highest rating possible. The attorney rating for Judge Weeks on overall performance was 4.5. Peace and probation officers rated Judge Weeks on five categories, using the 5-point scale above. They gave Judge Weeks a rating of 4.5.

Three other groups also evaluated Judge Weeks' performance, using the same 5-point scale with 5 as the highest rating. Jurors rated him 4.9, court employees gave him 4.8, and social workers, guardians ad litem and CASA volunteers rated him at 5.0.

**Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Judge Larry R. Weeks**

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## Alaska Judicial Council Questionnaire

### Trial Judge 2006 Candidates for Judicial Retention

November 21, 2005

Larry Weeks	Juneau Superior Court
Name	Court

1. Describe your workload during your present term.

<p>a) <math>\frac{30}{50}</math> % Civil Cases  <math>\frac{50}{20}</math> % Criminal Cases  <math>\frac{20}{100}</math> % Court Administrative  100 % Total</p>	<p>b) <math>\frac{15}{10}</math> # of trials/year  <sup>JURY</sup>  # Administrative Appeals</p>
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2. Please describe your participation on court/bar committees or other administrative activities during your current term of office.

2005 Bar Convention/Judicial conference oversight committee; Presenter  
2005 CLE: Victim Services Panel; Orientation of New Judges; Sex  
Offender and DV Treatment Alternatives; Security in Local Community;  
Sentencing after Blakely; Bench/Bar; Court Improvement Project for CINA  
cases; Therapeutic Court Statewide Co-Chair Committee; Public Access  
and Information Committee; Statewide Outreach Committee; Courtview Case  
Management System Review; Civil Rules Sub-Committee; Implement  
Mediation Program; Keep Domestic Relations Manual current.

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.

This is a great job. There is something new every day and it is exciting and allows me to feel that I am doing something worthwhile for the community and individual people. I've looked hard to find something I'd rather do and haven't found it.

In 2000, the Juneau Bar gave me an award for "many years of service to the bar." In 2001 the Supreme Court gave me their Outreach Award and the State Bar gave me their award for service to the Bar. Those things have reinforced the idea that things only work in our system if people extend themselves to make the system work. I don't believe there is an invisible hand in the judicial system that ensures that everything will be okay in the end. I believe that by setting an example and encouraging lawyers and judges to work outside the regular confines of the job, we can leave a tradition of professionalism that will improve the administration of justice.

The first district has placed historical displays in the court buildings, given awards to lawyers in public settings for pro bono work. We regularly hold bench/bar meetings and circulate all standing orders and nearly all procedural changes for comment to the bar before enacting them. We hold periodic brown bag lunches with judges and lawyers in different areas of practice, criminal, CINA, domestic relations and guardians. The judges of the district volunteer to help each other, to travel when needed and work cooperatively. Lawyers try to honorably, professionally and zealously represent their clients.

I am of an age that has reminded me that medical problems are harder to sluff off and have had family deaths that have caused personal disruption to work. My health is good and I have more energy than some times in the last six years. (I now work out every other morning at 5:15 and recommend it).

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
  - b) been involved in a nonjudicial capacity in any legal proceeding whether as a party or otherwise?     Yes     No
  - c) engaged in the practice of law (other than as a judge)?     Yes     No
  - d) held office in any political party?     Yes     No
  - e) held any other local state or federal office?     Yes     No

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

(b) I am the personal representative in the Estate of a sister who died in Illinois in 2005; also trustee of her trust.

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.



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:** Goldberg *Case Number:* 1JU-04-761 CI  
v. Goldberg

**Attorneys Involved:**

Name	<u>Kate Burkhart</u>	Name	<u>David Newman</u>
Address	<u>419 Sixth Street, Ste 322</u>	Address	<u>319 Seward Street, Ste 7</u>
City, State, Zip	<u>Juneau, AK 99801-1096</u>	City, State, Zip	<u>Juneau, AK 99801</u>
Name	_____	Name	_____
Address	_____	Address	_____
City, State, Zip	_____	City, State, Zip	_____

**Case Number 2**

*Case*  
**Name:** Fischer *Case Number:* 1JU-05-390 CI  
v. Fischer

**Attorneys Involved:**

Name	<u>Loren Domke</u>	Name	<u>Pat Conheady</u>
Address	<u>2201 N. Jordan Ave</u>	Address	<u>326 4th Street, Ste 204</u>
City, State, Zip	<u>Juneau, AK 99801</u>	City, State, Zip	<u>Juneau, AK 99801</u>
Name	_____	Name	_____
Address	_____	Address	_____
City, State, Zip	_____	City, State, Zip	_____

**Case Number 3**

*Case*  
**Name:** In Re: R.G., M.G. *Case Number:* 1JU-04-7, 8 CP  
v. \_\_\_\_\_

**Attorneys Involved:**

Name	<u>Jan Rutherford, AGO-Human Svc</u>	Name	<u>Rob Meachum, AK Public Def.</u>
Address	<u>PO Box 110300</u>	Address	<u>PO Box 110216</u>
City, State, Zip	<u>Juneau, AK 99811-0300</u>	City, State, Zip	<u>Juneau, AK 99811-0216</u>
Name	<u>Tom Wagner</u>	Name	<u>Janine Reep, OPA-GAL</u>
Address	<u>417 Harris Street</u>	Address	<u>PO Box 110225</u>
City, State, Zip	<u>Juneau, AK 99801</u>	City, State, Zip	<u>Juneau, AK 99811</u>

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:* State \_\_\_\_\_ *Case Number:* 1KE-05-236 CR  
v. Patrick Jaynes \_\_\_\_\_

*Attorneys Involved:*

Name	Steve West, DA's Office	Name	Jude Pate
Address	415 Main Street, Rm 304	Address	PO Box 6384
City, State, Zip	Ketchikan, AK 99901	City, State, Zip	Sitka, AK 99835
Name	_____	Name	_____
Address	_____	Address	_____
City, State, Zip	_____	City, State, Zip	_____

**Case Number 2**

*Case Name:* Hisman \_\_\_\_\_ *Case Number:* 1JU-04-837 CI; 04-255 CI  
v. Terry \_\_\_\_\_

*Attorneys Involved:*

Name	Paul Grant	Name	Phil Pallenberg
Address	217 2nd Street, Ste 204	Address	One Sealaska Plaza, Ste 502
City, State, Zip	Juneau, AK 99801	City, State, Zip	Juneau, AK 99801-1245
Name	_____	Name	_____
Address	_____	Address	_____
City, State, Zip	_____	City, State, Zip	_____

**Case Number 3**

*Case Name:* State \_\_\_\_\_ *Case Number:* 1JU-04-132, 133 CR  
v. Violet & Aaron St. Clair \_\_\_\_\_

*Attorneys Involved:*

Name	Doug Gardner, DA's Office	Name	Steve Wells
Address	PO Box 110300	Address	268 E. Fireweed, Ste 101
City, State, Zip	Juneau, AK 99811-0300	City, State, Zip	Palmer, AK 99645
Name	David Seid, AK Public Def.	Name	_____
Address	PO Box 110216	Address	_____
City, State, Zip	Juneau, AK 99811-0216	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:* Bacolas *Case Number:* 1JU-03-701 CI  
*v.* State of Alaska

**Attorneys Involved:**

Name <u>Don Clocksin</u>	Name <u>William Milks, AGO</u>
Address <u>407 Adams Street SE, Ste 206</u>	Address <u>PO Box 110300</u>
City, State, Zip <u>Olympia, WA 98501</u>	City, State, Zip <u>Juneau, AK 99811</u>
Name _____	Name _____
Address _____	Address _____
City, State, Zip _____	City, State, Zip _____

**Case Number 2**

*Case Name:* McLean *Case Number:* 1JU-03-224 CI  
*v.* Leader Insurance

**Attorneys Involved:**

Name <u>Michael Lessmeier</u>	Name <u>Michael Corey</u>
Address <u>3000 Vintage Blvd, Ste 100</u>	Address <u>701 W. 8th Ave, Ste 1100</u>
City, State, Zip <u>Juneau, AK 99801</u>	City, State, Zip <u>Anchorage, AK 99501</u>
Name <u>Vance Sanders</u>	Name _____
Address <u>PO Box 240090</u>	Address _____
City, State, Zip <u>Douglas, AK 99824</u>	City, State, Zip _____

**Case Number 3**

*Case Name:* State *Case Number:* 1KE-04-330, 331 CR  
*v.* Young & Edenshaw

**Attorneys Involved:**

Name <u>James Scott, DA's Office</u>	Name <u>A. Fred Miller</u>
Address <u>415 Main Street, Rm 304</u>	Address <u>426 Main Street</u>
City, State, Zip <u>Ketchikan, AK 99901</u>	City, State, Zip <u>Ketchikan, AK 99901</u>
Name <u>Louis Menendez</u>	Name _____
Address <u>227 7th Street</u>	Address _____
City, State, Zip <u>Juneau, AK 99801</u>	City, State, Zip _____

**43. SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE LARRY WEEKS**

**A. Alaska Bar Association**

**Demographic Description (N=474)**

	N	%
<b>Type of Practice</b>		
No Response	10	2.1%
Private, Solo	97	20.4%
Private, 2-5 Attorneys	82	17.2%
Private, 6+ Attorneys	69	14.5%
Private, Corporate Employee	11	2.3%
State Judge or Judicial Officer	57	12.0%
Government	110	23.2%
Public Service Agency or Organization (not govt)	14	2.9%
Other	24	5.0%
<b>Length of Alaska Practice</b>		
No Response	10	2.1%
5 Years or fewer	35	7.3%
6 to 10 years	22	4.6%
11 to 15 years	43	9.0%
16 to 20 years	62	13.0%
21 years or more	302	63.7%
<b>Gender</b>		
No Response	10	2.1%
Male	327	68.9%
Female	137	28.9%
<b>Cases Handled</b>		
No Response	9	1.8%
Prosecution	21	4.4%
Mainly Criminal	28	5.9%
Mixed Criminal & Civil	123	25.9%
Mainly Civil	268	56.5%
Other	25	5.2%
<b>Location of Practice</b>		
No Response	10	2.1%
First District	137	28.9%
Second District	9	1.8%
Third District	280	59.0%
Fourth District	28	5.9%
Outside of Alaska	10	2.1%

**Evaluation of Judge Larry Weeks  
Alaska Bar Association**

**Summary of Findings:**

Judge Larry Weeks was evaluated by 346 Alaska Bar Association members who reported having direct professional experience with the judge. The mean score on *overall evaluation* was 4.5. The highest mean score was obtained on *integrity* (4.7) and the lowest scores were obtained on *legal ability* (4.4) and *impartiality/fairness* (4.4). Details are present in the two tables that follow.

	Poor		Deficient		Accept		Good		Excellent		Mean
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
<b>Legal Ability</b>	--	0.0%	11	3.1%	29	8.4%	115	33.3%	190	55.0%	4.4
<b>Impartiality/Fairness</b>	3	0.8%	14	4.0%	26	7.5%	95	27.6%	206	59.8%	4.4
<b>Integrity</b>	1	0.2%	3	0.8%	17	4.9%	57	16.6%	265	77.2%	4.7
<b>Judicial Temperament</b>	5	1.4%	7	2.0%	28	8.1%	81	23.6%	221	64.6%	4.5
<b>Diligence</b>	2	0.5%	5	1.4%	18	5.3%	97	28.9%	213	63.5%	4.5
<b>Overall Rating</b>	2	0.5%	13	3.7%	19	5.4%	92	26.5%	220	63.5%	4.5

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

**Judge Larry Weeks: Detail Information on 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
<b>Basis for Evaluation of Judge</b>												
No Response	4.6	10	4.8	10	4.8	10	4.8	10	4.8	10	4.8	10
<b>Direct Professional</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>4.4</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>346</b>
Professional Reputation	4.3	105	4.4	102	4.6	103	4.4	101	4.4	98	4.5	106
Other Personal Contacts	4.5	10	4.5	11	4.6	11	4.5	11	4.6	10	4.5	11
<b>Type of Practice</b>												
No Response	4.8	8	4.6	8	4.9	8	4.3	8	4.6	8	4.8	8
Private, Solo	4.4	75	4.3	73	4.6	73	4.3	73	4.4	72	4.4	74
Private, 2-5 Attorneys	4.4	62	4.4	62	4.8	63	4.6	62	4.6	61	4.5	63
Private, 6+ Attorneys	4.1	52	4.2	52	4.5	52	4.3	52	4.4	52	4.2	52
Private, Corporate Employee	4.7	7	4.7	7	4.7	7	4.7	6	4.7	7	4.7	7
State Judge or Judicial Officer	4.8	40	4.8	41	5.0	41	4.9	40	4.9	38	4.9	41
Government	4.4	82	4.4	82	4.7	80	4.4	82	4.5	78	4.4	82
Public Service Agency or Organization (not govt)	4.4	8	4.9	8	4.9	8	5.0	8	4.8	8	4.8	8
Other	4.5	11	4.4	11	4.6	11	4.5	11	4.5	11	4.5	11
<b>Years Experience</b>												
No Response	4.8	6	4.7	6	5.0	6	4.2	6	4.7	6	4.8	6
5 Years or fewer	4.5	22	4.4	21	4.8	22	4.5	22	4.6	18	4.5	21
6 to 10 years	4.6	14	4.4	15	4.9	15	4.6	16	4.9	14	4.7	16
11 to 15 years	4.1	33	4.3	32	4.7	31	4.5	31	4.5	31	4.3	32
16 to 20 years	4.2	42	4.3	42	4.5	42	4.3	41	4.2	41	4.2	42
21 years or more	4.4	228	4.5	228	4.7	227	4.5	226	4.6	225	4.5	229
<b>Gender</b>												
No Response	4.6	8	4.5	8	4.8	8	4.1	8	4.5	8	4.6	8
Male	4.4	236	4.4	234	4.7	234	4.5	232	4.6	229	4.5	236
Female	4.5	101	4.4	102	4.7	101	4.5	102	4.5	98	4.5	102
<b>Majority of Practice Consists of</b>												
No Response	4.8	6	4.7	6	5.0	6	4.2	6	4.7	6	4.8	6
Prosecution	4.6	17	4.8	17	4.9	16	4.6	17	4.8	17	4.8	17
Mainly Criminal	4.4	19	3.9	18	4.6	19	4.2	18	4.4	17	4.2	19
Mixed Criminal & Civil	4.5	93	4.6	94	4.8	94	4.5	93	4.6	89	4.6	93
Mainly Civil	4.3	194	4.3	193	4.7	192	4.5	192	4.5	191	4.4	195
Other	4.5	16	4.4	16	4.6	16	4.4	16	4.5	15	4.6	16
<b>Location of Practice</b>												
No Response	4.7	7	4.6	7	4.9	7	4.1	7	4.6	7	4.7	7
First District	4.4	116	4.4	115	4.8	115	4.5	115	4.6	110	4.5	115
Second District	4.4	5	4.2	5	4.6	5	4.3	4	4.3	3	4.6	5
Third District	4.4	190	4.4	190	4.6	189	4.5	190	4.5	188	4.4	192
Fourth District	4.6	18	4.6	18	4.7	18	4.6	18	4.6	18	4.7	18
Outside of Alaska	4.2	9	4.2	9	4.4	9	4.0	8	4.3	9	4.3	9

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

**43. SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE LARRY WEEKS**

**B. Peace and Probation Officers**

**Demographic Description (N=70)**

		<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Type of Work</b>			
	No Response	1	1.4%
	State Law Enforcement Officer	17	24.2%
	Municipal/Borough Law Enforcement Officer	34	48.5%
	Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO)	1	1.4%
	Probation/Parole Officer	16	22.8%
	Other	1	1.4%
<b>Length of Alaska Experience</b>			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	5 Years or fewer	13	18.5%
	6 to 10 years	21	30.0%
	11 to 15 years	15	21.4%
	16 to 20 years	15	21.4%
	21 years or more	6	8.5%
<b>Gender</b>			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	Male	57	81.4%
	Female	13	18.5%
<b>Location of Practice</b>			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	First District	46	65.7%
	Second District	--	0.0%
	Third District	21	30.0%
	Fourth District	3	4.2%
	Outside of Alaska	--	0.0%
<b>Community Population</b>			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	Under 2,000	10	14.2%
	Between 2,000 and 35,000	41	58.5%
	Over 35,000	19	27.1%

**Evaluation of Judge Larry Weeks  
Peace and Probation Officers**

**Summary of Findings:**

Judge Larry Weeks was evaluated by 51 Police and Probation Officers who reported having direct professional experience with the judge. The mean score on *overall evaluation* was 4.5. The highest mean score was obtained on *integrity* (4.6) and the lowest score was obtained on *judicial temperament* (4.3). Details are present in the two tables that follow.

	Poor		Deficient		Accept		Good		Excellent		Mean
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
<b>Impartiality/Fairness</b>	--	0.0%	1	1.9%	5	9.8%	15	29.4%	30	58.8%	4.5
<b>Integrity</b>	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	5	10.0%	11	22.0%	34	68.0%	4.6
<b>Judicial Temperament</b>	1	2.0%	1	2.0%	4	8.0%	21	42.0%	23	46.0%	4.3
<b>Diligence</b>	--	0.0%	--	0.0%	4	8.1%	15	30.6%	30	61.2%	4.5
<b>Overall Rating</b>	--	0.0%	2	3.9%	2	3.9%	16	31.3%	31	60.7%	4.5

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

## Judge Larry Weeks: 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
<b>Basis for Evaluation of Judge</b>										
No Response	4.6	8	4.8	8	4.6	8	4.6	8	4.8	8
<b>Direct Professional</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>51</b>
Professional Reputation	3.8	15	3.9	15	3.9	15	3.9	15	3.9	15
Other Personal Contacts	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
<b>Type of Work</b>										
No Response	5.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1
State Law Enforcement Officer	4.2	13	4.4	13	4.0	13	4.3	12	4.2	13
Municipal/Borough Law Enforcement Officer	4.7	26	4.7	25	4.4	25	4.6	25	4.7	26
Village Public Safety Officer (VPSO)	3.0	1	5.0	1	3.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1
Probation/Parole Officer	4.2	9	4.3	9	4.3	9	4.3	9	4.3	9
Other	5.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1
<b>Years Experience</b>										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
5 Years or fewer	4.3	9	4.7	9	4.4	9	4.7	9	4.7	9
6 to 10 years	4.7	15	4.7	14	4.4	14	4.5	14	4.7	15
11 to 15 years	4.4	13	4.5	13	4.3	13	4.4	13	4.4	13
16 to 20 years	4.8	11	4.8	11	4.6	11	4.9	11	4.8	11
21 years or more	2.7	3	3.0	3	2.0	3	3.0	2	2.3	3
<b>Gender</b>										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Male	4.5	43	4.6	42	4.3	42	4.6	41	4.5	43
Female	4.4	8	4.4	8	4.1	8	4.3	8	4.4	8
<b>Location of Work</b>										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
First District	4.5	39	4.6	38	4.4	38	4.5	38	4.6	39
Second District	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Third District	4.3	10	4.5	10	4.0	10	4.6	9	4.2	10
Fourth District	3.5	2	4.5	2	3.5	2	4.5	2	4.5	2
Outside of Alaska	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
<b>Community Population</b>										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Under 2,000	4.3	8	4.8	8	4.4	8	4.8	8	4.8	8
Between 2,000 and 35,000	4.6	33	4.7	32	4.4	32	4.6	32	4.6	33
Over 35,000	4.0	10	4.1	10	3.8	10	4.1	9	3.9	10

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

**43. SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE LARRY WEEKS**

**C. Social Workers, Guardians ad Litem and CASA volunteers**

**Demographic Description (N=15)**

		<b>N</b>	<b>%</b>
<b>Type of Work</b>			
	No Response	--	0
	Social Worker	2	13.3%
	Guardian ad Litem	5	33.3%
	CASA Volunteer	7	46.6%
	Other	1	6.6%
<b>Length of Alaska Experience</b>			
	No Response	1	6.6%
	5 Years or fewer	6	40.0%
	6 to 10 years	2	13.3%
	11 to 15 years	4	26.6%
	16 to 20 years	2	13.3%
	21 years or more	--	0.0%
<b>Gender</b>			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	Male	2	13.3%
	Female	13	86.6%
<b>Location of Practice</b>			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	First District	14	93.3%
	Second District	--	0.0%
	Third District	1	6.6%
	Fourth District	--	0.0%
	Outside of Alaska	--	0.0%
<b>Community Population</b>			
	No Response	--	0.0%
	Under 2,000	--	0.0%
	Between 2,000 and 35,000	14	93.3%
	Over 35,000	1	6.6%

**Evaluation of Judge Larry Weeks  
Social Workers, Guardians ad Litem, and CASA volunteers**

**Summary of Findings:**

Judge Larry Weeks was evaluated by 12 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 score was obtained on *integrity* (5.0) and the lowest score was obtained on *diligence* (4.8). Details are present in the two tables that follow.

	Poor		Deficient		Accept		Good		Excellent		Mean
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	
<b>Impartiality/Fairness</b>	--	0	--	0	--	0	1	8.3%	11	91.6%	4.9
<b>Integrity</b>	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0.0%	11	100.0%	5.0
<b>Judicial Temperament</b>	--	0	--	0	--	0	1	8.3%	11	91.6%	4.9
<b>Diligence</b>	--	0	--	0	--	0	2	18.1%	9	81.8%	4.8
<b>Overall Rating</b>	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0.0%	12	100.0%	5.0

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

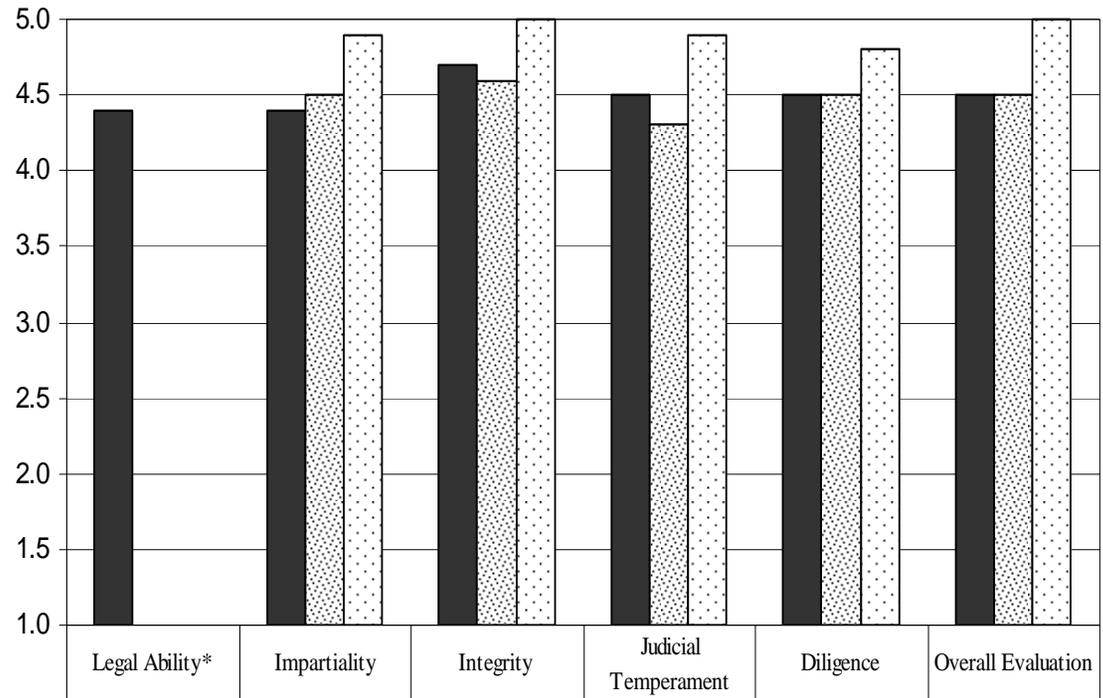
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	Impartiality/ Fairness		Integrity		Judicial Temperament		Diligence		Overall Rating	
	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N	Mean	N
<b>Basis for Evaluation of Judge</b>										
No Response	5.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1
<b>Direct Professional</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4.8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>12</b>
Professional Reputation	4.0	1	4.0	1	4.0	1	4.0	1	4.0	1
Other Personal Contacts	--	0	--	0	--	0	2.0	1	--	0
<b>Type of Work</b>										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Social Worker	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Guardian ad Litem	5.0	5	5.0	5	5.0	5	4.8	5	5.0	5
CASA Volunteer	4.8	6	5.0	5	5.0	6	5.0	5	5.0	6
Other	5.0	1	5.0	1	4.0	1	4.0	1	5.0	1
<b>Years Experience</b>										
No Response	4.0	1	5.0	1	5.0	1	--	0	5.0	1
5 Years or fewer	5.0	5	5.0	4	5.0	5	5.0	5	5.0	5
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	3	5.0	3	5.0	3	4.7	3	5.0	3
16 to 20 years	5.0	1	5.0	1	4.0	1	4.0	1	5.0	1
21 years or more	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
<b>Gender</b>										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Male	5.0	2	5.0	2	4.5	2	4.5	2	5.0	2
Female	4.9	10	5.0	9	5.0	10	4.9	9	5.0	10
<b>Location of Work</b>										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
First District	4.9	12	5.0	11	4.9	12	4.8	11	5.0	12
Second District	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Third District	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Fourth District	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Outside of Alaska	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
<b>Community Population</b>										
No Response	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Under 2,000	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0
Between 2,000 and 35,000	4.9	12	5.0	11	4.9	12	4.8	11	5.0	12
Over 35,000	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0	--	0

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

### Superior Court Judge Larry Weeks

*Average Ratings from All Groups Surveyed*



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

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Juror Survey Results                      2006 Retention Evaluation                      Larry Weeks</b></p>											
		<b>Distribution of Ratings</b>									
<b>Survey Category</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>Excellent % (n)</b>	<b>Good % (n)</b>	<b>Acceptable % (n)</b>	<b>Deficient % (n)</b>	<b>Poor % (n)</b>	<b>Total Returned = 48</b>				
<b>Impartiality/Fairness</b>	<b>4.9</b>	92% 44	8% 4	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0					
<b>Respectful/Courteous</b>	<b>5.0</b>	100% 48	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0					
<b>Attentive during Proceedings</b>	<b>4.8</b>	81% 39	19% 9	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0					
<b>Control over Proceedings</b>	<b>4.9</b>	94% 45	6% 3	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0					
<b>Intelligence/Skill as a Judge</b>	<b>4.9</b>	92% 44	8% 4	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0					
<b>Overall Evaluation</b>	<b>4.9</b>	94% 45	6% 3	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0					

<b>Court Employee Survey Results                      2006 Retention Evaluation                      Larry Weeks</b>												
		<b>Distribution of Ratings</b>										
<b>Survey Category</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>Excellent % (n)</b>	<b>Good % (n)</b>	<b>Acceptable % (n)</b>	<b>Deficient % (n)</b>	<b>Poor % (n)</b>	<b>Total Returned = 58</b>					
<b>Impartiality/Fairness</b>	<b>4.7</b>	74% 43	16% 9	3% 2	3% 2	0% 0	56					
<b>Integrity</b>	<b>4.7</b>	79% 46	12% 7	5% 3	2% 1	0% 0	57					
<b>Judicial Temperament</b>	<b>4.6</b>	64% 37	19% 11	9% 5	0% 0	0% 0	53					
<b>Diligence</b>	<b>4.7</b>	71% 41	17% 10	3% 2	0% 0	0% 0	53					
<b>Overall Evaluation</b>	<b>4.8</b>	81% 47	12% 7	3% 2	0% 0	0% 0	56					

Judge Larry R. Weeks  
 Prior Scores Summary  
 Retention 2006  
 Appointed 08/03/90 to Juneau Superior Court

<b>Bar Survey</b>						
2006 Retention	4.4	4.4	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.5
2004 Interim	4.3	4.4	4.6	4.4	4.4	4.4
2000 Retention	4.2	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.3	4.3
1994 Retention	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.1	4.1
	Legal Ability	Impartiality	Integrity	Judicial Temperament	Diligence	<b>Overall Performance</b>

<b>Peace &amp; Probation Officer Survey</b>					
2006 Retention	4.5	4.6	4.3	4.5	4.5
2004 Interim	4.5	4.7	4.5	4.5	4.5
2000 Retention	4.3	4.8	4.3	4.4	4.2
1994 Retention	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.1
	Impartiality	Integrity	Judicial Temperament	Diligence	<b>Overall Performance</b>