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MEMORANDUM

TO: Judicial Council

FROM: Staff

DATE: March 26, 2010

RE: Juror Survey Report

The Alaska Judicial Council surveyed all jurors who sat in 2008 and 2009 trials before the 26 trial court judges eligible to stand for retention in 2010. A total of 2,091 jurors responded (see Table 1). The Council sent postcards to the judges to distribute to jurors at the end of each trial. Jurors were able to complete the survey on the business reply postcard and mail it to the Council.

Council staff entered data from the surveys and ran basic descriptive statistics. This memorandum summarizes the data from the survey and is distributed to Council members, judges and shared on the Council's website. Jurors reported whether they served on a criminal or civil trial, and how many days they served. They evaluated judicial performance and made comments. A sample juror survey postcard is included at the end of this memorandum.

Table 1 shows the distribution of jurors by type of trial reported for each judge.

Table 1:
Distribution of Jurors by Type of Trial, by Judge
Alaska Judicial Council
2010 Retention Juror Survey

Judge	Civil	Criminal	No Answer	Total
Aarseth, Eric A.	16	161	6	183
Bauman, Carl	10	42	3	55
Blankenship, Douglas L.	0	57	2	59
Clark, Brian K.	19	30	5	54
Easter, Catherine M.	18	37	2	57
Estelle, William L.	6	14	0	20
George, David V.	7	75	11	93
Gleason, Sharon L.	48	0	0	48
Hamilton III, Marvin Charles	15	21	1	37
Illsley, Sharon A.S.	7	42	6	55
Kauvar, Jane F.	5	31	2	38
Kristiansen, Kari	2	109	5	116
MacDonald, Michael A.	19	76	5	100
McKay, Patrick J.	22	276	6	304
Miller, Kevin G.	11	52	8	71
Moran, Anna M.	24	25	2	51
Motyka, Gregory J.	13	34	3	50
Pallenberg, Philip M.	8	30	5	43
Postma Jr., Richard W.	6	48	3	57
Rhoades, Stephanie	6	30	0	36
Rindner, Mark	32	0	0	32
Smith, Jack W.	30	62	1	93
Spaan, Michael	6	239	19	264
Stephens, Trevor	14	72	13	99
White, Vanessa	0	45	2	47
Wolfe, John	4	25	0	29
Total	348	1,633	110	2,091

Table 2 shows the distribution of number of days served, as reported by the jurors. More than half of the jurors served fewer than five days.

Tab Distribution o	le 2: of Days Sei	ved
Number of Days Served	%	N
1 - 2 Days	22%	460
3 - 4 Days	39%	809
5 - 7 Days	20%	424
8 - 10 Days	8%	163
11 - 20 Days	7%	135
21 or More Days	.3%	6
No Answer	5%	94
		2,091

Individual Results

Table 3 shows the mean score for each judge for each question on the survey. Individual survey results are provided for each judge in separate tables. Jurors used a five-point scale, with *excellent* scored as five, and *poor* scored as one. The closer the jurors' scores were to five, the higher that judge's evaluation by the jurors.

Table 3
Mean Score for each Variable and for "Overall Performance," by Judge
Alaska Judicial Council 2010 Retention Juror Survey

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	Fair and impartial to all sides	Respectful and courteous to parties	Attentive during proceedings	Exercised control over proceedings	Intelligence and skill as a judge		erall mance Total
Aarseth, Eric A.	4.9	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.9	183
Bauman, Carl	4.7	4.8	4.7	4.7	4.7	4.7	55
Blankenship, Douglas L.	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.6	4.6	59
Clark, Brian K.	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	54
Easter, Catherine M.	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	57
Estelle, William L.	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	20
George, David V.	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.9	93
Gleason, Sharon L.	4.8	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.9	48
Hamilton III, Marvin Charles	4.6	4.8	4.4	4.6	4.6	4.6	37
Illsley, Sharon A.S.	4.5	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.7	4.7	55
Kauvar, Jane F.	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	38
Kristiansen, Kari	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.8	116
MacDonald, Michael A.	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	100
McKay, Patrick J.	4.9	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.9	5.0	304
Miller, Kevin G.	4.7	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.8	71
Moran, Anna M.	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.9	51
Motyka, Gregory J.	4.7	4.7	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	50
Pallenberg, Philip M.	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	43
Postma Jr., Richard W.	4.9	5.0	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	57
Rhoades, Stephanie	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.8	36
Rindner, Mark	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.0	5.0	32
Smith, Jack W.	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	93
Spaan, Michael	4.8	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.9	263
Stephens, Trevor	4.9	4.9	4.8	4.8	4.9	4.8	99
White, Vanessa	4.9	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.9	5.0	47
Wolfe, John	4.7	4.9	4.7	4.8	4.8	4.8	29

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Eric A. Aarseth

		Distribution of Ratings Excellent Good Acceptable Deficient Poor Total													
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Returned			
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	92%	168	7%	12	2%	3	0%	0	0%	0	183			
Respectful/Courteous	5.0	96%	175	4%	7	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	183			
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	85%	156	13%	24	2%	3	0%	0	0%	0	183			
Control over Proceedings	4.9	95%	173	3%	6	2%	4	0%	0	0%	0	183			
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	93%	170	6%	11	1%	2	0%	0	0%	0	183			
Overall Evaluation	4.9	93%	171	6%	10	1%	2	0%	0	0%	0	183			

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Carl Bauman

		Distribution of Ratings													
Survey Category	Mean	, (ii) , (ii) , (ii) , (ii) iii) leepensee													
Impartiality/Fairness	4.7	71%	39	29%	16	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	55			
Respectful/Courteous	4.8	78%	43	22%	12	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	55			
Attentive during Proceedings	4.7	75%	41	24%	13	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	55			
Control over Proceedings	4.7	73%	40	26%	14	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	55			
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.7	71%	39	27%	15	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	55			
Overall Evaluation	4.7	69%	38	31%	17	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	55			

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Douglas L. Blankenship

		Distribution of Ratings													
Survey Category	Mean	Excellent Good Acceptable Deficient Poor Total % (n) % (n) % (n) % (n) Responses													
Impartiality/Fairness	4.6	65%	38	31%	18	3%	2	0%	0	0%	0	58			
Respectful/Courteous	4.6	68%	40	29%	17	3%	2	0%	0	0%	0	59			
Attentive during Proceedings	4.6	64%	38	34%	20	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	59			
Control over Proceedings	4.7	66%	39	34%	20	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	59			
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.6	59%	35	37%	22	3%	2	0%	0	0%	0	59			
Overall Evaluation	4.6	61%	36	37%	22	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	59			

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Brian K. Clark

		Distribution of Ratings													
Survey Category	Mean	Excellent Good Acceptable Deficient Poor Total % (n) % (n) % (n) % (n) Response													
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	91%	49	9%	5	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	54			
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	94%	51	6%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	54			
Attentive during Proceedings	4.9	85%	46	15%	8	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	54			
Control over Proceedings	4.9	89%	48	11%	6	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	54			
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	87%	47	13%	7	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	54			
Overall Evaluation	4.9	87%	47	13%	7	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	54			

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Catherine M. Easter

		Distribution of Ratings													
Survey Category	Mean	Excellent Good Acceptable Deficient Poor Total % (n) % (n) % (n) % (n) Responses													
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	88%	50	12%	7	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57			
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	90%	51	11%	6	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57			
Attentive during Proceedings	4.9	90%	51	11%	6	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57			
Control over Proceedings	4.9	86%	49	14%	8	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57			
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	90%	51	11%	6	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57			
Overall Evaluation	4.9	88%	50	12%	7	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57			

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation William L. Estelle

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	ellent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defi	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	90%	18	10%	2	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	20
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	90%	18	10%	2	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	20
Attentive during Proceedings	4.9	85%	17	15%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	20
Control over Proceedings	4.9	90%	18	10%	2	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	20
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	85%	17	15%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	20
Overall Evaluation	4.9	85%	17	15%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	20

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation David V. George

		Distribution of Ratings													
Survey Category	Mean	/ (ii) / (ii) / (iii) / (iii) / (iii) / iioopoiloce													
Impartiality/Fairness	4.8	83%	77	16%	15	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	93			
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	91%	85	9%	8	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	93			
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	83%	77	17%	16	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	93			
Control over Proceedings	4.8	81%	75	17%	16	2%	2	0%	0	0%	0	93			
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.8	80%	74	19%	17	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	92			
Overall Evaluation	4.9	86%	80	13%	12	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	93			

Juror Survey Results 2008 Retention Evaluation Sharon L. Gleason

					Distrik	oution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	P0 %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.8	83%	40	17%	8	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	48
Respectful/Courteous	5.0	98%	47	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	48
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	85%	41	13%	6	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	48
Control over Proceedings	4.9	85%	41	15%	7	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	48
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	90%	43	10%	5	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	48
Overall Evaluation	4.9	88%	42	13%	6	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	48

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Marvin Charles Hamilton III

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	od (n)	Acce	ptable (n)	Defi	cient (n)	Po %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.6	62%	23	32%	12	5%	2	0%	0	0%	0	37
Respectful/Courteous	4.8	87%	32	5%	2	8%	3	0%	0	0%	0	37
Attentive during Proceedings	4.4	57%	21	30%	11	11%	4	3%	1	0%	0	37
Control over Proceedings	4.6	65%	24	27%	10	8%	3	0%	0	0%	0	37
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.6	70%	26	22%	8	8%	3	0%	0	0%	0	37
Overall Evaluation	4.6	65%	24	27%	10	8%	3	0%	0	0%	0	37

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Sharon A.S. Illsley

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.5	60%	33	33%	18	7%	4	0%	0	0%	0	55
Respectful/Courteous	4.7	76%	42	20%	11	4%	2	0%	0	0%	0	55
Attentive during Proceedings	4.7	71%	39	27%	15	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	55
Control over Proceedings	4.6	64%	35	33%	18	4%	2	0%	0	0%	0	55
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.7	69%	38	31%	17	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	55
Overall Evaluation	4.7	67%	37	31%	17	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	55

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Jane F. Kauvar

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	od (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defi	cient (n)	P0 %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.8	82%	31	16%	6	3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	38
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	90%	34	8%	3	3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	38
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	82%	31	16%	6	3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	38
Control over Proceedings	4.8	82%	31	13%	5	5%	2	0%	0	0%	0	38
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.8	84%	32	13%	5	3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	38
Overall Evaluation	4.8	84%	32	13%	5	3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	38

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Kari Kristiansen

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	ellent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.8	85%	99	12%	14	3%	3	0%	0	0%	0	116
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	90%	104	9%	10	2%	2	0%	0	0%	0	116
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	84%	97	13%	15	3%	4	0%	0	0%	0	116
Control over Proceedings	4.9	86%	100	13%	15	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	116
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.8	84%	97	15%	17	2%	2	0%	0	0%	0	116
Overall Evaluation	4.8	86%	100	12%	14	2%	2	0%	0	0%	0	116

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Michael A. MacDonald

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
		Exce	llent	Go	od	Acce	ptable	Defic	cient	Po	or	Total
Survey Category	Mean	%	(n)	%	(n)	%	(n)	%	(n)	%	(n)	Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.7	74%	74	26%	26	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	100
Respectful/Courteous	4.8	83%	83	17%	17	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	100
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	79%	79	21%	21	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	100
Control over Proceedings	4.8	79%	79	20%	20	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	100
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.8	78%	78	20%	20	1%	1	1%	1	0%	0	100
Overall Evaluation	4.8	80%	80	18%	18	2%	2	0%	0	0%	0	100

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Patrick J. McKay

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	93%	282	6%	19	1%	2	0%	0	0%	0	303
Respectful/Courteous	5.0	97%	295	3%	9	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	304
Attentive during Proceedings	5.0	96%	291	4%	12	.3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	304
Control over Proceedings	4.9	92%	280	8%	23	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	303
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	93%	284	6%	19	.3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	304
Overall Evaluation	5.0	95%	290	5%	14	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	304

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Kevin G. Miller

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defi	cient (n)	P0 %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.7	73%	52	27%	19	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	71
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	86%	61	13%	9	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	71
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	80%	57	18%	13	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	71
Control over Proceedings	4.8	78%	55	23%	16	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	71
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.7	75%	53	23%	16	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	70
Overall Evaluation	4.8	76%	54	24%	17	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	71

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Anna M. Moran

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	86%	44	14%	7	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	51
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	92%	47	8%	4	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	51
Attentive during Proceedings	4.7	75%	38	24%	12	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	51
Control over Proceedings	4.8	82%	42	16%	8	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	51
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.8	82%	42	14%	7	4%	2	0%	0	0%	0	51
Overall Evaluation	4.9	88%	45	12%	6	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	51

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Gregory J. Motyka

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Po %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.7	74%	37	26%	13	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	50
Respectful/Courteous	4.7	78%	39	18%	9	4%	2	0%	0	0%	0	50
Attentive during Proceedings	4.6	64%	32	28%	14	8%	4	0%	0	0%	0	50
Control over Proceedings	4.6	70%	35	20%	10	8%	4	2%	1	0%	0	50
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.6	66%	33	28%	14	6%	3	0%	0	0%	0	50
Overall Evaluation	4.6	68%	34	24%	12	6%	3	2%	1	0%	0	50

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Philip M. Pallenberg

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	88%	38	12%	5	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	43
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	93%	40	7%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	43
Attentive during Proceedings	4.9	93%	40	7%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	43
Control over Proceedings	4.9	88%	38	12%	5	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	43
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	88%	37	12%	5	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	42
Overall Evaluation	4.9	93%	40	7%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	43

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Richard W. Postma, Jr.

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	ellent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Po %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	90%	51	11%	6	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57
Respectful/Courteous	5.0	95%	54	5%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57
Attentive during Proceedings	4.9	91%	52	9%	5	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57
Control over Proceedings	4.9	91%	52	9%	5	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	90%	51	11%	6	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57
Overall Evaluation	4.9	93%	53	7%	4	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	57

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Stephanie Rhoades

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.8	92%	33	3%	1	3%	1	3%	1	0%	0	36
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	92%	33	3%	1	6%	2	0%	0	0%	0	36
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	83%	30	11%	4	6%	2	0%	0	0%	0	36
Control over Proceedings	4.8	89%	32	6%	2	6%	2	0%	0	0%	0	36
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.8	89%	32	6%	2	6%	2	0%	0	0%	0	36
Overall Evaluation	4.8	89%	32	6%	2	6%	2	0%	0	0%	0	36

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Mark Rindner

					Distrib	ution	of Rat	ings				
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	ellent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	94%	30	6%	2	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	32
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	94%	30	6%	2	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	32
Attentive during Proceedings	4.9	88%	28	13%	4	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	32
Control over Proceedings	4.9	91%	29	9%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	32
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	5.0	97%	31	3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	32
Overall Evaluation	5.0	97%	31	3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	32

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Jack W. Smith

		Distribution of Ratings											
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Good % (n)		Acceptable % (n)		Deficient % (n)		Poor % (n)		Total Responses	
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	88%	82	11%	10	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	93	
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	94%	87	5%	5	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	93	
Attentive during Proceedings	4.9	88%	82	10%	9	2%	2	0%	0	0%	0	93	
Control over Proceedings	4.9	86%	80	14%	13	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	93	
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	87%	81	13%	12	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	93	
Overall Evaluation	4.9	94%	87	7%	6	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	93	

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Michael Spaan

		Distribution of Ratings											
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Good % (n)		Acceptable % (n)		Deficient % (n)		Poor % (n)		Total Responses	
Impartiality/Fairness	4.8	83%	220	16%	41	.4%	1	0%	0	0%	0	262	
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	90%	238	10%	25	.4%	1	0%	0	0%	0	264	
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	83%	217	17%	44	1%	2	0%	0	0%	0	263	
Control over Proceedings	4.9	86%	228	13%	35	.4%	1	0%	0	0%	0	264	
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	88%	233	11%	30	.4%	1	0%	0	0%	0	264	
Overall Evaluation	4.9	88%	233	11%	29	.4%	1	0%	0	0%	0	263	

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Trevor Stephens

Distribution of Ratings												
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	86%	85	13%	13	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	99
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	93%	92	5%	5	2%	2	0%	0	0%	0	99
Attentive during Proceedings	4.8	84%	83	14%	14	2%	2	0%	0	0%	0	99
Control over Proceedings	4.8	83%	82	16%	16	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	99
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	86%	85	13%	13	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	99
Overall Evaluation	4.8	86%	85	13%	13	1%	1	0%	0	0%	0	99

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation Vanessa H. White

	Distribution of Ratings											
Survey Category	Mean	Exce %	ellent (n)	G(%	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.9	94%	44	6%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	47
Respectful/Courteous	5.0	98%	46	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	47
Attentive during Proceedings	5.0	96%	45	4%	2	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	47
Control over Proceedings	4.9	94%	44	6%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	47
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.9	92%	43	6%	3	2%	1	0%	0	0%	0	47
Overall Evaluation	5.0	96%	45	4%	2	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	47

Juror Survey Results 2010 Retention Evaluation John W. Wolfe

	Distribution of Ratings											
Survey Category Mean		Exce %	llent (n)	Go %	ood (n)	Acce %	ptable (n)	Defice %	cient (n)	Pc %	oor (n)	Total Responses
Impartiality/Fairness	4.7	79%	23	14%	4	7%	2	0%	0	0%	0	29
Respectful/Courteous	4.9	90%	26	10%	3	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	29
Attentive during Proceedings	4.7	76%	22	17%	5	3%	1	3%	1	0%	0	29
Control over Proceedings	4.8	79%	23	21%	6	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	29
Intelligence/Skill as a Judge	4.8	79%	23	17%	5	3%	1	0%	0	0%	0	29
Overall Evaluation	4.8	83%	24	10%	3	7%	2	0%	0	0%	0	29

Juror Survey - Superior Court Judge Eric A. Aarseth

In Alaska, judges must appear periodically on the ballot to allow voters the opportunity to decide whether they should be retained in office. The Alaska Judicial Council is a citizens' commission that must evaluate judges standing for retention and make recommendations to Alaska voters. The Council collects information from many sources, including jurors. The Council's evaluations, including the results of its juror surveys appear in the election pamphlet sent to every Alaskan household.

Type of Proceedings:	() Civil () Criminal
Approximately how ma deliberations, did you s this judge? day(erve as a juror for

Please complete this questionnaire to help the Council evaluate the judge who presided over your case. The Council and the public value your perspective. Thanks.

Please check the most appropriate response to each question.	Excellent	Good	Acceptable	Deficient	Poor
1. Was the judge fair and impartial to all sides in the case?					
2. Was the judge respectful and courteous?					
3. Was the judge attentive during the proceedings?					
4. Did the judge exercise appropriate control over the proceedings?					
5. How would you evaluate the judge's intelligence and skill as a judge?					
6. How would you evaluate the judge overall?					
Do you have any suggestions about how the judge could impo	rove upor	n his or	her perfo	rmance?_	

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