

Alaska Judicial Council Recommendation

Justice Robert L. Eastaugh, Supreme Court

I. Judicial Council Evaluation. The Alaska Judicial Council, a non-partisan citizens commission established by the Alaska Constitution, finds Justice Eastaugh to be *Qualified* and recommends unanimously (6-0) that the public vote "YES" to retain him as a supreme court justice.

II. Summary of Evaluation Information. In a survey sent to all 2,604 attorneys in Alaska, Justice Eastaugh was rated in the excellent range on overall judicial performance (4.4, see graph). He scored highest in the category of "conduct free from impropriety" (4.5). He scored 4.2 or better in all ten categories.

Summary Categories	Attorney Survey	Court Employee Survey
Legal Ability	4.4	---
Impartiality	4.3	---
Integrity	4.5	4.8
Temperament	4.3	4.6
Diligence	4.5	4.8
Overall	4.4	4.7

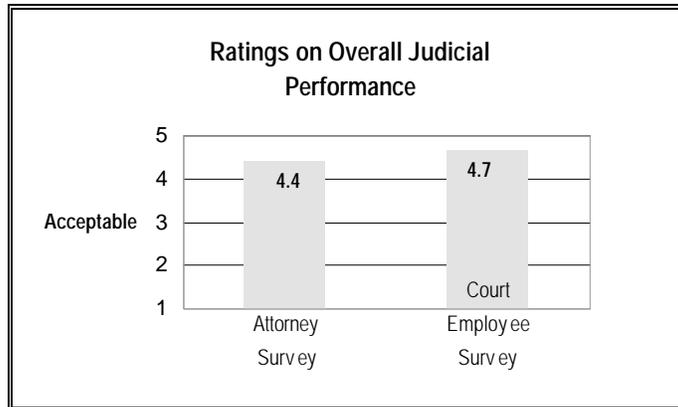
Ratings are based on a one to five scale. Five is the best rating and three is "acceptable."

Range Description

4.0 - 5.0 = Excellent
 3.5 - 3.9 = Good
 3.0 - 3.4 = Acceptable
 2.5 - 2.9 = Below Acceptable
 1.0 - 2.4 = Poor

A survey of all court employees rated Justice Eastaugh in the excellent range (4.7) on overall performance.

The Council also completed a background investigation including a court records check, a disciplinary records check, a review of conflict of interest statements submitted to the court system and a review of financial disclosure statements submitted to the Alaska Public Offices Commission. Attorneys, peace officers, court employees and jurors were asked to submit written comments about the judge. The Council actively encouraged the public to comment, both in writing and in a statewide public hearing teleconference.



Recommendation: Vote "YES" to retain Justice Eastaugh

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