

**The Missouri Bar
2010 Trial Court Evaluation Survey**

**Judge: Hon. Ellen H. Ribaud
21st Judicial Circuit**

<u>Questions:</u>	<u>Number of Responses:</u>						<u>Average Rating</u>
	<u>Blank</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	
Treats people equally regardless of race,gender,ethnicity, economic status, or any other factor	0	4	4	8	24	116	4.56
Displays fairness and impartiality toward each side of the case	2	4	8	4	26	112	4.52
Is not affected by partisan considerations	2	6	10	6	22	110	4.43
Is prepared for hearings and trials	2	4	2	14	28	106	4.49
Allows parties latitude to present their arguments	2	4	4	8	32	106	4.51
Bases decisions on evidence and arguments	2	8	8	14	20	104	4.32
Gives reasons for rulings	4	8	6	16	20	102	4.33
Demonstrates appropriate demeanor on bench	2	2	6	6	28	112	4.57
Maintains and requires proper order and decorum in the courtroom	2	2	2	12	22	116	4.61
Is competent in the law	0	8	6	12	28	102	4.35
Rulings on dispositive motions state reasons and consistently apply the substantive law	4	8	10	12	20	102	4.30
Effectively uses pretrial procedure to narrow and define the issues	10	4	6	16	22	98	4.40
Understands rules of procedure and evidence	4	4	6	18	16	108	4.43
Weighs all evidence fairly and impartially before rendering a decision	2	6	16	6	24	102	4.30
Written opinions and orders are clear	4	6	6	16	24	100	4.36

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Clearly explains all oral decisions	6	6	8	12	30	94	4.32
Efficiently manages his/her docket	6	4	6	10	26	104	4.47
Issues timely opinions/decisions	4	6	2	12	32	100	4.43