

**Missouri Bar  
2020 Trial Court Evaluation - Lawyer Survey  
Judge: Michael J. Colona  
22nd Judicial Circuit**

**Professional Interaction:**

1) Estimated number of evaluator's cases the judge has presided over during the judge's current term of office.

1 - 5 cases 27 %  
6 - 10 cases 23 %  
More than 10 cases 50 %

2) Estimated number of evaluator's cases that went to trial and decision during the judge's current term of office.

1 - 5 cases 33 %  
6 - 10 cases 24 %  
More than 10 cases 43 %

3) Of cases before the judge that went to trial and decision during the judge's current term of office, the rulings were:

Primarily in your party's favor 9 %  
About equally in favor of and against your party 64 %  
Primarily against your party 23 %  
N/A 5 %

**Survey Questions/Results:**

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Sometimes (3)	Frequently (4)	Every Time (5)	N/A	Average Rating
The judge was prepared for court.	1	1	3	6	11	0	4.14
The judge treated the parties equally.	2	1	5	3	11	0	3.91
The judge used courtroom time efficiently.	1	4	3	4	10	0	3.82
The judge addressed individuals (e.g. attorneys, court staff, litigants, witnesses, and the public) respectfully in the courtroom.	2	2	5	1	12	0	3.86
The judge made sure all parties (attorneys and their clients) understood the court proceedings.	1	1	5	5	10	0	4.00
The judge started courtroom proceedings on time.	1	2	1	9	9	0	4.05
The judge conducted proceedings in an impartial manner.	1	3	2	6	10	0	3.95

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	<b>Never (1)</b>	<b>Rarely (2)</b>	<b>Sometimes (3)</b>	<b>Frequently (4)</b>	<b>Every Time (5)</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>Average Rating</b>
The judge allowed appropriate time for each proceeding.	1	0	6	3	12	0	4.14
The judge maintained a professional demeanor in the courtroom.	2	3	4	4	9	0	3.68
The judge listened carefully during court proceedings.	2	2	3	5	10	0	3.86
The judge adhered to rules of procedure appropriate to each proceeding.	1	1	2	7	11	0	4.18
The judge applied rules of evidence relevant to each proceeding.	2	0	4	4	12	0	4.09
The judge assisted parties in narrowing key issues in dispute.	2	1	4	5	8	2	3.80
The judge carefully considered arguments from both sides before ruling.	3	1	4	3	11	0	3.82
The judge gave reasons for a ruling when needed.	3	0	3	4	12	0	4.00
The judge 's ruling(s) cited the applicable substantive law.	2	3	2	4	10	1	3.81
The judge 's ruling(s) followed logically from the evidence presented.	2	1	5	6	6	0	3.65
The judge issued clear written orders.	2	1	3	4	12	0	4.05
Considering the amount of applicable law and complexity of the pertinent legal questions, the judge's decisions were rendered promptly.	1	2	2	3	14	0	4.23