

**Missouri Bar
2020 Trial Court Evaluation - Lawyer Survey
Judge: Matthew H. Hearne
21st 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 73 %
6 - 10 cases 13 %
More than 10 cases 13 %

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

1 - 5 cases 73 %
6 - 10 cases 7 %
More than 10 cases 20 %

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 29 %
About equally in favor of and against your party 64 %
Primarily against your party 7 %
N/A 0 %

Survey Questions/Results:

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Sometimes (3)	Frequently (4)	Every Time (5)	N/A	Average Rating
The judge was prepared for court.	0	1	0	5	9	0	4.47
The judge treated the parties equally.	0	1	1	2	11	0	4.53
The judge used courtroom time efficiently.	0	1	0	4	10	0	4.53
The judge addressed individuals (e.g. attorneys, court staff, litigants, witnesses, and the public) respectfully in the courtroom.	0	1	0	3	11	0	4.60
The judge made sure all parties (attorneys and their clients) understood the court proceedings.	0	1	0	3	11	0	4.60
The judge started courtroom proceedings on time.	0	1	0	4	10	0	4.53
The judge conducted proceedings in an impartial manner.	0	1	0	3	11	0	4.60

Survey Questions/Results:

	Never (1)	Rarely (2)	Sometimes (3)	Frequently (4)	Every Time (5)	N/A	Average Rating
The judge allowed appropriate time for each proceeding.	0	1	0	3	11	0	4.60
The judge maintained a professional demeanor in the courtroom.	0	1	0	2	12	0	4.67
The judge listened carefully during court proceedings.	0	1	0	1	13	0	4.73
The judge adhered to rules of procedure appropriate to each proceeding.	0	1	1	2	11	0	4.53
The judge applied rules of evidence relevant to each proceeding.	0	1	0	4	10	0	4.53
The judge assisted parties in narrowing key issues in dispute.	0	1	1	4	8	1	4.36
The judge carefully considered arguments from both sides before ruling.	0	1	1	1	12	0	4.60
The judge gave reasons for a ruling when needed.	0	1	1	4	9	0	4.40
The judge 's ruling(s) cited the applicable substantive law.	0	1	1	4	8	1	4.36
The judge 's ruling(s) followed logically from the evidence presented.	0	1	1	4	9	0	4.40
The judge issued clear written orders.	0	1	0	3	11	0	4.60
Considering the amount of applicable law and complexity of the pertinent legal questions, the judge's decisions were rendered promptly.	0	1	0	4	10	0	4.53