

# JUDICIAL SURVEY FORM

"A lawyer shall not make a statement that the lawyer knows to be false or with reckless disregard as to its truth or falsity concerning the qualifications or integrity of a judge . . . ." --SCR 20:8.2(a) Judicial and legal officials

Please print the judge's name: JOHN S. JUDE Date: 5-4-08  
(or court commissioner's name)

(Circle) "A" = Excellent "B" = Good "C" = Fair "D" = Poor "F" = Fails "N/O" = No Opinion)

### INTEGRITY / GOOD CHARACTER

- Treats all parties fairly..... (A)<sup>+</sup> B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Rulings are free from any predisposition to decide for a particular party..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Ex parte communications are not conducted..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Displays a basic sense of fairness and justice..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Displays a sensitivity to differences regarding gender, color, disability, age, economic circumstance, national origin, and sexual orientation..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O

### JUDICIAL TEMPERAMENT

- Shows courtesy and respect toward litigants..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Shows courtesy and respect toward lawyers..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Gives due scheduling consideration to the convenience of lawyers and litigants..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Refrains from prejudging the outcome of a case..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Refrains from coercing settlements..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O

### LEGAL ABILITY

- Understands the issues in complex cases..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Readily understands the issues in ordinary cases..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Rulings reflect a knowledge of current legal developments..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Rulings on evidence and procedure reflect a current knowledge of the law..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O

### COMMUNICATION

- Expresses written rulings clearly..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Explains oral rulings clearly..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Explains court procedures clearly and thoroughly TOO TOO THOROUGHLY..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Listens attentively..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Readily understands Internet / technology terms..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O

### DECISIVENESS

- Rules promptly..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Ensures steady progress of a case..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Rules decisively..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Decides cases with reasonable promptness..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Rules promptly on evidentiary questions..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O

### DILIGENCE

- Convenes court promptly..... WILL READ EVERYTHING! (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Hearings and pretrial conferences reflect adequate research and preparation..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Deals with emergency matters expeditiously..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Uses court time efficiently..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O

### OVERALL PERFORMANCE

- Level of professionalism..... (A)<sup>+</sup> B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- How do you rate him/her among his/her peers with respect to skill and intelligence?..... (A)<sup>+</sup> B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- What is your overall satisfaction level with this judicial officer?..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O

### COURT STAFF AND COURTROOM

- Level of courteousness of his/her support staff..... (A)<sup>+</sup> B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Staff well trained and knowledgeable..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Level of courtroom cleanliness courtroom..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O
- Telephonic conferencing used efficiently..... (A) B..... C..... D..... F..... N/O

### ABOUT YOU

- How many times have you appeared in front of this judicial officer?..... 4X
- In what capacity?..... LAWYER