

# Columbus Bar 2018 Judicial Performance Poll Results Announced

The results of the Columbus Bar Association online 2018 Judicial Performance Poll have been calculated. Judges who have held office for at least one year were rated on a scale of one to five for performance in categories unique to each court. Franklin County attorneys were asked to rate the judges of the 10th District Court of Appeals, the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas General Division, the Franklin County Court of Common Pleas Domestic Relations Division/Juvenile Branch and the Franklin County Probate Court.

Rating criteria was on a five-point scale for each specific category, with five representing excellent, four representing generally strong, three representing acceptable, two representing weak and one representing poor. An overall rating was then calculated for each judge based of the specific category ratings.

The Performance Poll was developed by the Columbus Bar to help maintain the high quality of our judiciary and to educate voters during an election year. The results are also an element considered by the Columbus Bar's Judicial Screening Committee when interviewing judicial candidates prior to the fall elections.

The results tally responses from attorneys who indicated they had appeared before the judge they were rating in the last two years. All Franklin County attorneys were eligible to vote in the poll and 400 responses were received.

### 10<sup>th</sup> District Court of Appeals

	Hon. Susan Brown	Hon. Jennifer Brunner	Hon. Julia Dorrian	Hon. Timothy Horton	Hon. William Klatt	Hon. Lisa Sadler	Hon. Betsy Luper Schuster	Hon. Gary Tyack	Average All Judges
	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	
Objectivity	4.3	3.5	4	2.6	4.3	4.1	3.9	3.1	3.9
Judicial Temperament	4.6	3.8	4.3	2.4	4.5	4.4	4.1	3.3	4
Legal Knowledge	4.2	3.6	3.8	2.3	4.4	4.1	3.7	3.8	3.9
Quality of Opinions	4.2	3.6	3.8	2.5	4.3	4.1	3.8	3.5	3.8
Timeliness	4.2	3.7	4	2.7	4.3	4.2	3.9	4	3.9
Sentencing	4.2	3.3	3.9	2.5	4.3	3.9	3.8	3.3	3.9
Overall Rating	4.3	3.6	3.9	2.4	4.3	4.1	3.9	3.5	3.9

### Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, General Division

	Hon. Laurel Beatty Blunt	Hon. Christopher Brown	Hon. Jeffrey Brown	Hon. Kim Brown	Hon. David Cain	Hon. Kimberly Cocroft	Hon. Jenifer French	Hon. Richard Frye	Hon. Michael Holbrook
	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average
Objectivity	3.7	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	3.4	4.1	3.9	4
Judicial Temperament	3.8	4.1	4.4	4.4	4.6	3.4	4.3	3.8	4
Legal Knowledge	3.4	3.8	3.8	4.1	4.2	3.3	4	4.4	3.9
Quality of Opinions	3.4	3.8	3.8	4	4	3.3	3.9	4.2	3.8
Timeliness	3.5	4.2	3.7	4.2	4.2	3.3	4.1	4.3	3.9
Sentencing	3.6	4	4	4.2	4.2	3.4	4.1	3.8	3.9
Overall Rating	3.6	4	4	4.2	4.2	3.3	4.1	4.1	4

### Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, General Division, *continued*

	Hon. Julie Lynch	Hon. Stephen McIntosh	Hon. Colleen O'Donnell	Hon. Guy Reece, II	Hon. Charles Schneider	Hon. Mark Serrrott	Hon. William Woods	Hon. David Young	Average All Judges
	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	
Objectivity	3.3	4.5	3.7	3.8	4	4.2	4.1	4.3	4
Judicial Temperament	3.1	4.7	3.9	4	3.9	4.2	4.1	4.3	3.9
Legal Knowledge	3.5	4.3	3.5	3.8	4.3	4.3	3.6	4	3.8
Quality of Opinions	3.5	4.3	3.6	3.7	4.1	4.2	3.7	4	3.9
Timeliness	3.9	4.2	3.6	3.7	4.1	4.2	3.4	4.2	3.9
Sentencing	3.3	4.5	3.9	3.8	4.1	4.3	3.7	4.1	3.9
Overall Rating	3.4	4.5	3.6	3.8	4.1	4.3	3.7	4.1	3.9

### Franklin County Court of Common Pleas, Domestic/Juvenile Division

	Hon. James Brown	Hon. Kim Browne	Hon. Elizabeth Gill	Hon Terri Jamison	Hon. Dana Preisse	Average All Judges
	Average	Average	Average	Average	Average	
Objectivity	4.5	3.4	4.7	2.9	4.3	3.9
Judicial Temperament	4.6	3.1	4.7	3	4.5	4
Legal Knowledge	4.5	3.3	4.8	2.5	4.4	3.9
Quality of Opinions	4.3	3.2	4.7	2.7	4.2	3.8
Timeliness	4.6	2.3	4.7	3.3	4.2	3.9
Sentencing	4.3	3.5	4.5	3.1	4.2	3.9
Overall Rating	4.5	3.2	4.8	2.8	4.3	3.9

### Franklin County Probate Court

	Hon. Robert Montgomery
	Average
Objectivity	4
Judicial Temperament	4.2
Legal Knowledge	3.8
Quality of Opinions	3.8
Timeliness	3.9
Sentencing	4.7
Overall Rating	4