

ALLEGHENY COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

2008 JUDICIAL SURVEY



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June 16, 2008

Carlota M. Bohm, Esquire
Chair, Judiciary Committee
The Allegheny County Bar Association
400 Koppers Building
436 Seventh Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Re: 2008 Judicial Survey

Dear Ms. Bohm:

We are pleased to submit our report relating to the services Schneider Downs & Co., Inc. performed in connection with the Allegheny County Bar Association's survey of lawyers' evaluation of judges.

The Allegheny County Bar Association mailed survey forms to all lawyers who practice in Allegheny County. The total number of surveys mailed was 8,235. A complete copy of the survey is included in the appendix of this report.

The respondents were asked to mail their completed survey forms to Schneider Downs & Co., Inc. We received 938 responses and determined that 797 were eligible responses to be included in the tabulation. Of the 141 responses deemed ineligible, 131 did not contain a name on the outer envelope and 10 were returned without any evaluations.

It was determined that 797 responses were sufficient to proceed with the tabulation of the responses. Accordingly, the survey responses were separated from the outer envelope and tabulated. The anonymity of the responses was maintained throughout the tabulation, and there is no way to link the responses to a specific individual or firm.

As a matter of comparison, 7,947 surveys were mailed in connection with the 2004 Judicial Survey. We received 949 responses and determined that 884 were eligible responses to be included in the tabulation. The 65 responses deemed ineligible did not contain a name on the outer envelope.

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Exhibit I sets forth a summary of the Respondent Survey Results. You will note that some respondents did not complete the survey page or provided responses only to certain questions.

Exhibit II sets forth the tabulation of the responses for each judge included in the survey.

Exhibit III provides a copy of the survey form itself.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact us. We appreciate this opportunity to provide services to you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Schneider Danz & Co., Inc.", written in a cursive style.

Certified Public Accountants

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*Allegheny County Bar Association
Respondent Survey Results*

Total Number of Responses:

797

Average Years in Practice:

23.06

Currently:

Active: 752

Retired: 5

Average Percentage of Practice in Federal Court:

22.60

Member of Allegheny County Bar Association:

Yes: 676

No: 120

Practice Characteristics of Courtroom:

Civil Cases: 541

Criminal Cases: 162

Family Law Cases: 161

Orphans Court Cases: 164

Juvenile Cases: 76

Bankruptcy Cases: 84

Private Practice:

Yes: 693

No: 103

Private Practice / Number of Lawyers in Firm:

1 - 10 Lawyers: 365

11 - 20 Lawyers: 92

Over 20 Lawyers: 194

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Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Bigley, Gerard M.	150

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	75	31	27	6	8	4.08	147
Legal Ability	61	39	36	11	3	3.96	150
Diligence	53	39	30	16	8	3.77	146
Temperament	78	40	22	4	4	4.24	148

Extent of Contact

Extensive	49
Moderate	45
Limited	56

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Bigley, Kelly E.	61

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	32	13	9	3	3	4.13	60
Legal Ability	25	14	11	4	7	3.75	61
Diligence	24	22	10	2	3	4.02	61
Temperament	36	12	10	2	1	4.31	61

Extent of Contact

Extensive	10
Moderate	23
Limited	28

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Borkowski, Edward J.	164

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	91	37	20	6	9	4.20	163
Legal Ability	105	39	12	5	3	4.45	164
Diligence	120	26	9	2	6	4.55	163
Temperament	85	49	18	5	6	4.24	163

Extent of Contact

Extensive	48
Moderate	68
Limited	48

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Bubash, Cathleen C.	149

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
Impartiality	61	39	30	8	10	3.90	148
Legal Ability	34	38	43	17	16	3.39	148
Diligence	51	44	35	10	6	3.85	146
Temperament	54	39	31	14	10	3.76	148

Extent of Contact

Extensive	44
Moderate	57
Limited	48

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Cashman, David R.	224

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	104	70	29	14	7	4.12	224
Legal Ability	134	55	26	7	2	4.39	224
Diligence	118	72	21	10	3	4.30	224
Temperament	87	75	28	20	13	3.91	223

Extent of Contact

Extensive	83
Moderate	67
Limited	74

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Clark, Kim Berkeley	183

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	120	37	13	6	6	4.42	182
Legal Ability	109	50	16	6	2	4.41	183
Diligence	115	48	15	2	2	4.49	182
Temperament	121	40	13	8	1	4.49	183

Extent of Contact

Extensive	58
Moderate	57
Limited	68

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Colville, Robert J.	245

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	126	71	32	10	4	4.26	243
Legal Ability	70	104	47	17	5	3.89	243
Diligence	91	102	38	10	2	4.11	243
Temperament	145	72	21	4	2	4.45	244

Extent of Contact

Extensive	46
Moderate	95
Limited	104

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	DeAngelis, Guido A.	155

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	55	52	35	6	5	3.95	153
Legal Ability	23	38	49	29	15	3.16	154
Diligence	34	37	51	20	11	3.41	153
Temperament	59	43	39	8	6	3.91	155

Extent of Contact

Extensive	40
Moderate	60
Limited	54

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Della Vecchia, Michael A.	347

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	104	118	72	35	17	3.74	346
Legal Ability	68	113	103	44	18	3.49	346
Diligence	94	111	96	27	16	3.70	344
Temperament	117	82	74	46	26	3.63	345

Extent of Contact

Extensive	64
Moderate	166
Limited	117

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Durkin, Kathleen A.	155

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					Average	Number of Ratings
	5	4	3	2	1		
Impartiality	55	28	41	16	15	3.59	155
Legal Ability	47	42	33	18	15	3.57	155
Diligence	75	32	26	14	7	4.00	154
Temperament	42	34	29	25	24	3.29	154

Extent of Contact

Extensive	67
Moderate	43
Limited	45

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Eaton, Kim D.	181

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	110	43	17	6	4	4.38	180
Legal Ability	112	45	17	4	3	4.43	181
Diligence	107	49	19	1	5	4.39	181
Temperament	98	50	23	5	5	4.28	181

Extent of Contact

Extensive	89
Moderate	51
Limited	41

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Flaherty, Thomas E.	177

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	64	52	29	16	14	3.78	175
Legal Ability	21	33	51	35	37	2.81	177
Diligence	45	56	39	18	17	3.54	175
Temperament	73	50	28	13	13	3.89	177

Extent of Contact

Extensive	51
Moderate	62
Limited	64

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Folino, Ronald W.	424

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	340	43	31	6	3	4.68	423
Legal Ability	350	48	23	1	2	4.75	424
Diligence	338	64	16	4	2	4.73	424
Temperament	343	58	19	3	0	4.75	423

Extent of Contact

Extensive	110
Moderate	203
Limited	111

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Friedman, Judith L.A.	421

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	154	115	86	47	18	3.81	420
Legal Ability	102	113	121	59	26	3.49	421
Diligence	130	142	105	31	10	3.84	418
Temperament	165	132	75	29	19	3.94	420

Extent of Contact

Extensive	122
Moderate	192
Limited	107

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Gallo, Robert C.	333

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	157	99	55	18	3	4.17	332
Legal Ability	87	99	98	37	11	3.64	332
Diligence	114	99	90	24	6	3.87	333
Temperament	176	96	49	9	3	4.30	333

Extent of Contact

Extensive	111
Moderate	130
Limited	92

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Hens-Greco, Kathryn M.	145

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	75	36	23	4	7	4.16	145
Legal Ability	77	41	18	6	3	4.26	145
Diligence	82	39	19	3	1	4.38	144
Temperament	77	33	25	6	3	4.22	144

Extent of Contact

Extensive	55
Moderate	53
Limited	37

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Hertzberg, Alan D.	176

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u>			<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
			<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	80	66	19	5	5	4.21	175
Legal Ability	36	75	46	9	10	3.67	176
Diligence	71	63	30	5	7	4.06	176
Temperament	87	59	22	4	4	4.26	176

Extent of Contact

Extensive	66
Moderate	58
Limited	52

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Horgos, Robert P.	344

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	84	125	88	35	11	3.69	343
Legal Ability	61	102	121	38	20	3.43	342
Diligence	54	103	112	51	21	3.35	341
Temperament	85	131	89	25	13	3.73	343

Extent of Contact

Extensive	89
Moderate	151
Limited	104

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	James, Joseph M.	386

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	199	101	56	20	10	4.19	386
Legal Ability	210	120	37	16	2	4.35	385
Diligence	209	107	46	17	6	4.29	385
Temperament	214	102	44	16	8	4.30	384

Extent of Contact

Extensive	129
Moderate	161
Limited	96

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Kaplan, Lawrence W.	252

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	160	58	26	5	3	4.46	252
Legal Ability	160	61	20	8	3	4.46	252
Diligence	135	67	35	8	6	4.26	251
Temperament	181	40	20	6	4	4.55	251

Extent of Contact

Extensive	116
Moderate	78
Limited	58

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Kelly, Robert A.	220

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	140	53	18	7	2	4.46	220
Legal Ability	119	70	25	3	2	4.37	219
Diligence	106	85	23	5	1	4.32	220
Temperament	125	64	21	8	1	4.39	219

Extent of Contact

Extensive	59
Moderate	91
Limited	70

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Lazzara, Beth A.	205

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	109	54	17	15	8	4.19	203
Legal Ability	115	62	15	6	5	4.36	203
Diligence	122	58	11	5	5	4.43	201
Temperament	114	52	14	14	7	4.25	201

Extent of Contact

Extensive	67
Moderate	69
Limited	69

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Lucchino, Frank J.	280

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	128	72	47	18	14	4.01	279
Legal Ability	136	81	38	18	6	4.16	279
Diligence	144	81	34	14	7	4.22	280
Temperament	86	53	63	41	36	3.40	279

Extent of Contact

Extensive	74
Moderate	118
Limited	88

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Lutty, Jr., Paul F.	303

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
Impartiality	72	99	85	30	15	3.61	301
Legal Ability	33	53	114	66	34	2.95	300
Diligence	41	52	108	63	37	2.99	301
Temperament	72	89	92	32	16	3.56	301

Extent of Contact

Extensive	76
Moderate	135
Limited	92

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Machen, Donald E.	208

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	63	44	51	26	24	3.46	208
Legal Ability	75	55	47	15	16	3.76	208
Diligence	58	50	48	29	23	3.44	208
Temperament	34	27	41	34	72	2.60	208

Extent of Contact

Extensive	74
Moderate	56
Limited	78

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Manning, Jeffrey A.	221

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	96	53	35	18	19	3.86	221
Legal Ability	147	40	20	8	5	4.44	220
Diligence	105	51	29	16	18	3.95	219
Temperament	61	47	51	30	31	3.35	220

Extent of Contact

Extensive	92
Moderate	65
Limited	64

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Mariani, Anthony M.	147

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	74	29	24	13	7	4.02	147
Legal Ability	78	35	17	12	5	4.15	147
Diligence	81	36	18	8	4	4.24	147
Temperament	54	33	22	13	24	3.55	146

Extent of Contact

Extensive	70
Moderate	43
Limited	34

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Mazur, Lee J.	226

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	122	62	31	7	3	4.30	225
Legal Ability	75	83	48	13	5	3.94	224
Diligence	89	77	39	15	5	4.02	225
Temperament	129	59	29	6	2	4.36	225

Extent of Contact

Extensive	60
Moderate	84
Limited	82

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	McCarthy, Michael E.	103

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	49	33	11	3	5	4.17	101
Legal Ability	44	31	17	8	3	4.02	103
Diligence	51	30	13	6	2	4.20	102
Temperament	55	29	12	3	3	4.27	102

Extent of Contact

Extensive	20
Moderate	38
Limited	45

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	McDaniel, Donna Jo	129

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	34	30	21	23	21	3.26	129
Legal Ability	45	27	29	19	9	3.62	129
Diligence	39	28	31	16	15	3.47	129
Temperament	41	31	24	14	19	3.47	129

Extent of Contact

Extensive	61
Moderate	34
Limited	34

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	McVay, Jr., John T.	55

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	38	10	5	1	1	4.51	55
Legal Ability	27	14	13	0	1	4.20	55
Diligence	29	14	9	1	1	4.28	54
Temperament	39	9	5	1	1	4.53	55

Extent of Contact

Extensive	11
Moderate	21
Limited	23

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Mulligan, Kathleen R.	220

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	111	58	36	12	3	4.19	220
Legal Ability	115	69	26	7	3	4.30	220
Diligence	129	60	24	4	3	4.40	220
Temperament	95	58	44	14	8	4.00	219

Extent of Contact

Extensive	101
Moderate	73
Limited	46

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Nauhaus, Lester G.	186

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
Impartiality	70	59	31	13	13	3.86	186
Legal Ability	91	56	24	6	8	4.17	185
Diligence	75	59	29	9	11	3.97	183
Temperament	58	43	34	22	26	3.46	183

Extent of Contact

Extensive	77
Moderate	51
Limited	58

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	O'Brien, W. Terrence	323

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	177	102	33	7	4	4.37	323
Legal Ability	135	121	53	8	5	4.16	322
Diligence	151	115	44	7	5	4.24	322
Temperament	198	87	30	3	4	4.47	322

Extent of Contact

Extensive	99
Moderate	140
Limited	84

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	O'Reilly, Timothy Patrick	358

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	121	72	67	56	41	3.49	357
Legal Ability	125	79	80	46	26	3.65	356
Diligence	109	97	86	39	22	3.66	353
Temperament	138	76	69	40	34	3.68	357

Extent of Contact

Extensive	113
Moderate	149
Limited	96

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	O'Toole, Lawrence J.	176

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	79	57	24	12	4	4.11	176
Legal Ability	81	64	17	9	5	4.18	176
Diligence	79	58	31	5	3	4.16	176
Temperament	75	43	29	16	11	3.89	174

Extent of Contact

Extensive	69
Moderate	47
Limited	60

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Rangos, Jill E.	133

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	67	30	21	7	8	4.06	133
Legal Ability	59	37	23	8	4	4.06	131
Diligence	78	33	18	1	3	4.37	133
Temperament	78	28	16	8	3	4.28	133

Extent of Contact

Extensive	32
Moderate	56
Limited	45

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Sasinoski, Kevin G.	172

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	87	50	24	8	3	4.22	172
Legal Ability	73	61	29	5	4	4.13	172
Diligence	75	60	23	9	4	4.13	171
Temperament	93	46	20	7	5	4.26	171

Extent of Contact

Extensive	75
Moderate	48
Limited	48

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Scanlon Jr., Eugene F.	310

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u>			<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
			<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	160	89	45	13	3	4.26	310
Legal Ability	146	107	43	10	4	4.23	310
Diligence	145	106	44	8	5	4.23	308
Temperament	162	94	36	12	4	4.29	308

Extent of Contact

Extensive	80
Moderate	139
Limited	90

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Strassburger, Gene	499

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					Average	Number of Ratings
	5	4	3	2	1		
Impartiality	325	108	48	11	6	4.48	498
Legal Ability	397	74	23	4	0	4.73	498
Diligence	380	88	27	2	1	4.69	498
Temperament	238	140	87	23	9	4.16	497

Extent of Contact

Extensive	237
Moderate	187
Limited	74

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Todd, Randal B.	151

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	64	35	34	11	7	3.91	151
Legal Ability	42	37	45	19	8	3.57	151
Diligence	40	37	41	15	17	3.45	150
Temperament	47	44	31	15	14	3.63	151

Extent of Contact

Extensive	54
Moderate	52
Limited	44

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Ward, Christine A.	251

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	157	60	26	5	3	4.45	251
Legal Ability	148	70	21	8	4	4.39	251
Diligence	156	68	21	2	4	4.47	251
Temperament	173	56	18	1	3	4.57	251

Extent of Contact

Extensive	58
Moderate	110
Limited	82

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Wecht, David N.	240

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	134	60	26	9	11	4.24	240
Legal Ability	148	50	30	8	4	4.38	240
Diligence	140	64	20	11	4	4.36	239
Temperament	119	61	40	10	9	4.13	239

Extent of Contact

Extensive	76
Moderate	83
Limited	80

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Wettick, Jr., R. Stanton	525

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	388	84	36	14	3	4.60	525
Legal Ability	470	37	12	4	2	4.85	525
Diligence	459	44	15	3	3	4.82	524
Temperament	362	110	39	11	2	4.56	524

Extent of Contact

Extensive	278
Moderate	169
Limited	78

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Woodruff, Dwayne D.	82

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	38	17	18	5	4	3.98	82
Legal Ability	19	30	16	11	6	3.55	82
Diligence	25	25	19	6	7	3.67	82
Temperament	41	17	13	7	4	4.02	82

Extent of Contact

Extensive	26
Moderate	26
Limited	30

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Common Pleas	Zottola, John A.	159

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	107	40	4	3	5	4.52	159
Legal Ability	95	48	12	2	2	4.46	159
Diligence	100	43	9	5	1	4.49	158
Temperament	119	27	5	5	2	4.62	158

Extent of Contact

Extensive	75
Moderate	50
Limited	34

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Ambrose, Donetta W.	308

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
Impartiality	193	67	31	14	3	4.41	308
Legal Ability	165	95	36	12	0	4.34	308
Diligence	188	80	34	5	0	4.47	307
Temperament	194	69	31	12	2	4.43	308

Extent of Contact

Extensive	79
Moderate	139
Limited	90

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Bloch, Alan N.	199

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
Impartiality	58	46	43	27	24	3.44	198
Legal Ability	66	56	51	11	14	3.75	198
Diligence	69	49	55	12	12	3.77	197
Temperament	19	21	56	48	54	2.51	198

Extent of Contact

Extensive	43
Moderate	72
Limited	84

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Cercone, David Stewart	272

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	128	83	50	5	3	4.22	269
Legal Ability	77	93	71	22	6	3.79	269
Diligence	95	80	67	18	9	3.87	269
Temperament	139	76	46	6	3	4.27	270

Extent of Contact

Extensive	56
Moderate	123
Limited	93

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Cohill, Jr., Maurice B.	179

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	124	46	5	1	3	4.60	179
Legal Ability	103	60	13	2	0	4.48	178
Diligence	93	56	18	6	4	4.29	177
Temperament	132	34	8	2	1	4.66	177

Extent of Contact

Extensive	49
Moderate	67
Limited	62

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Conti, Joy Flowers	240

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	123	65	43	3	3	4.27	237
Legal Ability	109	76	36	8	9	4.13	238
Diligence	113	67	37	11	11	4.09	239
Temperament	121	66	41	6	5	4.22	239

Extent of Contact

Extensive	55
Moderate	110
Limited	75

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Diamond, Gustave	124

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	65	44	13	1	1	4.38	124
Legal Ability	69	41	12	1	1	4.42	124
Diligence	65	35	21	1	2	4.29	124
Temperament	67	35	17	4	1	4.31	124

Extent of Contact

Extensive	34
Moderate	43
Limited	47

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Fischer, Nora Barry	161

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	93	46	14	5	3	4.37	161
Legal Ability	94	44	16	4	2	4.40	160
Diligence	102	42	9	4	2	4.50	159
Temperament	90	56	8	4	3	4.40	161

Extent of Contact

Extensive	37
Moderate	63
Limited	61

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Gibson, Kim R.	70

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	37	22	11	0	0	4.37	70
Legal Ability	30	23	13	3	1	4.11	70
Diligence	30	17	16	5	2	3.97	70
Temperament	42	21	5	1	0	4.51	69

Extent of Contact

Extensive	10
Moderate	26
Limited	34

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Lancaster, Gary L.	232

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	90	72	48	16	3	4.00	229
Legal Ability	45	70	72	34	7	3.49	228
Diligence	57	53	83	23	12	3.53	228
Temperament	63	77	63	13	15	3.69	231

Extent of Contact

Extensive	50
Moderate	90
Limited	92

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	McLaughlin, Sean J.	103

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	62	30	8	1	1	4.48	102
Legal Ability	64	28	8	2	0	4.51	102
Diligence	55	38	6	3	0	4.42	102
Temperament	61	32	7	2	1	4.46	103

Extent of Contact

Extensive	14
Moderate	39
Limited	50

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	McVerry, Terrence F.	246

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	146	70	22	5	1	4.45	244
Legal Ability	127	72	35	7	3	4.28	244
Diligence	138	68	29	6	3	4.36	244
Temperament	160	60	19	5	1	4.52	245

Extent of Contact

Extensive	52
Moderate	103
Limited	91

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2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Schwab, Arthur J.	259

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	34	55	55	56	56	2.82	256
Legal Ability	84	66	51	30	26	3.59	257
Diligence	107	73	41	15	21	3.89	257
Temperament	21	19	59	54	106	2.21	259

Extent of Contact

Extensive	61
Moderate	96
Limited	101

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Western District of PA	Standish, William L.	195

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	118	56	15	3	3	4.45	195
Legal Ability	89	66	31	7	2	4.19	195
Diligence	86	58	37	10	3	4.10	194
Temperament	127	49	15	2	2	4.52	195

Extent of Contact

Extensive	44
Moderate	71
Limited	80

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGES

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Magistrate	Baxter, Susan Paradise	26

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	15	5	5	1	0	4.31	26
Legal Ability	12	7	7	0	0	4.19	26
Diligence	12	8	5	1	0	4.19	26
Temperament	15	7	4	0	0	4.42	26

Extent of Contact

Extensive	5
Moderate	7
Limited	14

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Magistrate	Caiazza, Francis X.	178

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	103	47	23	3	2	4.38	178
Legal Ability	67	64	38	7	2	4.05	178
Diligence	81	62	29	4	2	4.21	178
Temperament	112	48	14	2	2	4.49	178

Extent of Contact

Extensive	32
Moderate	74
Limited	72

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Magistrate	Hay, Amy Reynolds	148

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
Impartiality	65	51	16	8	8	4.06	148
Legal Ability	59	50	23	7	9	3.97	148
Diligence	62	49	22	6	9	4.01	148
Temperament	70	45	20	4	9	4.10	148

Extent of Contact

Extensive	34
Moderate	61
Limited	53

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Magistrate	Lenihan, Lisa Pupo	172

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	89	64	14	3	2	4.37	172
Legal Ability	79	65	22	4	2	4.25	172
Diligence	85	61	21	3	1	4.32	171
Temperament	104	54	10	2	2	4.49	172

Extent of Contact

Extensive	45
Moderate	76
Limited	51

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Magistrate	Mitchell, Robert C.	187

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	97	58	26	6	0	4.32	187
Legal Ability	73	67	37	8	2	4.07	187
Diligence	88	61	27	10	1	4.20	187
Temperament	100	64	20	3	0	4.40	187

Extent of Contact

Extensive	43
Moderate	76
Limited	68

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Magistrate	Pesto, Keith A.	20

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	8	5	5	1	1	3.90	20
Legal Ability	5	7	5	3	0	3.70	20
Diligence	6	6	4	3	1	3.65	20
Temperament	9	4	4	1	2	3.85	20

Extent of Contact

Extensive	3
Moderate	8
Limited	9

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Bankruptcy	Agresti, Thomas P.	65

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	33	20	8	2	0	4.33	63
Legal Ability	27	27	9	1	0	4.25	64
Diligence	36	19	7	2	0	4.39	64
Temperament	29	15	11	8	2	3.94	65

Extent of Contact

Extensive	26
Moderate	22
Limited	17

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Bankruptcy	Bentz, Warren W.	67

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	34	19	10	3	0	4.27	66
Legal Ability	29	23	11	3	0	4.18	66
Diligence	28	21	16	0	1	4.14	66
Temperament	29	24	11	3	0	4.18	67

Extent of Contact

Extensive	17
Moderate	23
Limited	27

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Bankruptcy	Deller, Jeffery A.	72

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	49	16	5	0	1	4.58	71
Legal Ability	51	14	5	0	2	4.56	72
Diligence	50	17	3	0	2	4.57	72
Temperament	48	16	6	1	1	4.51	72

Extent of Contact

Extensive	31
Moderate	20
Limited	21

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Bankruptcy	Fitzgerald, Judith K.	136

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	86	35	12	0	2	4.50	135
Legal Ability	91	31	10	4	0	4.54	136
Diligence	97	30	5	4	0	4.62	136
Temperament	85	38	10	1	2	4.49	136

Extent of Contact

Extensive	50
Moderate	41
Limited	45

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Bankruptcy	Markovitz, Bernard	141

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	46	37	34	14	8	3.71	139
Legal Ability	57	44	31	7	2	4.04	141
Diligence	58	40	36	2	4	4.04	140
Temperament	21	26	45	23	26	2.95	141

Extent of Contact

Extensive	43
Moderate	41
Limited	57

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Bankruptcy	McCullough, M. Bruce	141

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count.</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
Impartiality	56	28	33	17	6	3.79	140
Legal Ability	70	36	27	6	1	4.20	140
Diligence	55	46	28	8	3	4.01	140
Temperament	25	29	41	24	22	3.08	141

Extent of Contact

Extensive	45
Moderate	46
Limited	50

PA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Workers' Compensation	Briston, Pamela	82

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	40	27	12	1	1	4.28	81
Legal Ability	35	34	13	0	0	4.27	82
Diligence	38	34	10	0	0	4.34	82
Temperament	55	20	7	0	0	4.59	82

Extent of Contact

Extensive	45
Moderate	21
Limited	16

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Workers' Compensation	Cohen, Nathan T.	85

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	25	22	21	12	5	3.59	85
Legal Ability	9	11	25	17	23	2.60	85
Diligence	10	14	20	20	21	2.67	85
Temperament	13	14	20	17	21	2.78	85

Extent of Contact

Extensive	46
Moderate	27
Limited	12

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Workers' Compensation	Henry, David	79

Performance Rating

	<u>Count</u>					<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>		
Impartiality	38	26	12	3	0	4.25	79
Legal Ability	38	23	13	4	0	4.22	78
Diligence	39	24	11	4	0	4.26	78
Temperament	37	26	13	2	0	4.26	78

Extent of Contact

Extensive	43
Moderate	27
Limited	9

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Workers' Compensation	Ignasiak, Cheryl	82

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	36	24	15	5	2	4.06	82
Legal Ability	33	31	15	2	1	4.13	82
Diligence	36	30	12	2	1	4.21	81
Temperament	29	26	18	7	2	3.89	82

Extent of Contact

Extensive	44
Moderate	27
Limited	11

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Workers' Compensation	Parker, Rosalia G.	85

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	42	24	13	3	3	4.16	85
Legal Ability	32	34	14	3	2	4.07	85
Diligence	38	27	15	4	1	4.14	85
Temperament	38	27	13	5	2	4.11	85

Extent of Contact

Extensive	47
Moderate	23
Limited	15

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Workers' Compensation	Tobin, Linda F.	81

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	30	23	21	6	1	3.93	81
Legal Ability	21	36	19	3	2	3.88	81
Diligence	25	30	20	4	1	3.93	80
Temperament	24	32	15	7	2	3.86	80

Extent of Contact

Extensive	46
Moderate	23
Limited	12

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Workers' Compensation	Torrey, David B.	90

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of</u> <u>Ratings</u>
Impartiality	48	27	10	5	0	4.31	90
Legal Ability	75	8	4	1	1	4.74	89
Diligence	68	14	6	0	1	4.66	89
Temperament	62	15	9	2	1	4.52	89

Extent of Contact

Extensive	45
Moderate	28
Limited	17

Allegheny County Bar Association

2008 Judicial Survey Results

<i>Court Name</i>	<i>Judge Name</i>	<i>Total Responses</i>
Workers' Compensation	Vallely, Kathleen	80

Performance Rating

	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Count</u> <u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Number of Ratings</u>
Impartiality	49	20	7	4	0	4.43	80
Legal Ability	49	24	6	1	0	4.51	80
Diligence	51	20	7	1	0	4.53	79
Temperament	55	18	6	1	0	4.59	80

Extent of Contact

Extensive	45
Moderate	24
Limited	11

2008
JUDICIAL SURVEY

THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
**2008 JUDICIAL
SURVEY**
OF THE
COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF
ALLEGHENY COUNTY,
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT
OF PENNSYLVANIA,
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGES,
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
AND
PA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT

Please complete and mail your survey response by May 23, 2008.

This survey seeks evaluations by lawyers in Allegheny County of the judges before whom the lawyers appear. The survey focuses on four attributes: impartiality, legal ability, diligence, and judicial temperament. The Allegheny County Bar Association bylaws call for this survey to be conducted every four years. The individual survey responses are completely confidential.

The purpose of the survey is to give lawyers, the public, and judges themselves some indication of how the performance of the judges is perceived by the lawyers who know them best. Lawyers who regularly practice in Allegheny County are asked to respond to this survey, regardless of whether or not they are members of the Allegheny County Bar Association. The survey is designed particularly to solicit the opinions of those lawyers who have sufficient professional experience with particular judges to enable them to comment knowledgeably on the work of those judges.

It is also the purpose of the survey to inform the public of the evaluation by lawyers of the work of the judge as public officials. Because of the complexity of the law, it is often difficult for litigants and the general public to evaluate the performance of those in judicial office. The bar association undertakes this survey project as a public service to provide important information to those who are served by the judicial systems covered by the survey.

The survey is not a referendum, a ranking of the judiciary, a popularity contest, or an opportunity to respond to judges who have ruled in ways that lawyers do not like. The bar association recognizes that the judiciary should not and does not act solely to please the members of the bar.

INSTRUCTIONS:

Please make responses for only those judges with whom you have had professional contact. "Professional contact" means one or more of the following: trials, hearings, or other formal appearances before the judge, or familiarity with a substantial number of the judge's written opinions and orders. Your responses should be based on your own experiences and observations, not on reports of others.

There are six questions to be answered for each judge. Answer as many questions as you can, based upon your professional contact with the judge. Each judge should be evaluated solely upon that judge's own merit and not in comparison to any other judge.

The following section, entitled "Guidelines for Survey," contains detailed definitions for the six questions covered by this survey. Please read and apply these definitions. It is important that all respondents use the same definitions. For judges you cannot evaluate in any category, check the final column.

After you complete the judicial survey questions, please answer the few questions on the last page regarding your personal legal experience. The responses concerning experience will be used only to determine general characteristics of the responding population.

After you complete the forms, insert the survey and information sheet into the "survey response" envelope, seal that envelope, and place the survey response envelope inside the business reply envelope. Finally, print your name and seal the outer envelope and mail it on or before May 23, 2008. Do not sign your name to the survey response envelope.

To insure the anonymity of the responses, the envelopes bearing the names of the respondents are to be mailed to an independent accounting firm, Schneider Downs, who will discard the signed envelopes before the responses themselves are opened, read, and tallied. The opening of the envelopes and the tallying of the responses will be done not by the bar association, but by the independent accounting firm. These safeguards are in place to assure that all responses will be anonymous and confidential. No attempt will be made to link these responses to a specific individual or firm.

GUIDELINES FOR SURVEY:

Please complete the survey using the following procedures and definitions:

COLUMN 1, EXTENT OF CONTACT

For each judge with whom you have had "professional contact," show whether that contact has been *Extensive, Moderate, or Limited* by writing "E," "M," or "L" in the first column. "Professional contact" is defined in the section headed "Instructions."

COLUMN 2, IMPARTIALITY

How impartial is the judge? Does the judge avoid any impression of partiality?

You should indicate your response by marking:

- 5 - if the judge's performance is excellent
- 4 - if the judge's performance is good
- 3 - if the judge's performance is acceptable
- 2 - if the judge's performance is poor
- 1 - if the judge's performance is very poor

COLUMN 3, LEGAL ABILITY

How do you rate the judge's legal ability? A judge's legal ability is demonstrated by:

- Showing a depth of understanding of legal issues, including novel or complex legal questions.
- Rendering carefully reasoned, legally supportable, well-crafted decisions.
- Keeping current on legal developments.
- Reflecting proper research in hearings and rulings.

You should indicate your response by marking:

- 5 - if the judge's performance is excellent
- 4 - if the judge's performance is good
- 3 - if the judge's performance is acceptable
- 2 - if the judge's performance is poor
- 1 - if the judge's performance is very poor

COLUMN 4, DILIGENCE

How diligent is the judge? A judge's diligence is demonstrated by:

- Convening proceedings with reasonable punctuality.
- Ruling on contested issues with reasonable promptness, bearing in mind the complexity of the issues.
- Being accessible for special conferences or hearings when unusual circumstances arise.
- Devoting additional time beyond the normal working day, when necessary, to accommodate the interests of litigants.

You should indicate your response by marking:

- 5 - if the judge's performance is excellent
- 4 - if the judge's performance is good
- 3 - if the judge's performance is acceptable
- 2 - if the judge's performance is poor
- 1 - if the judge's performance is very poor

COLUMN 5, JUDICIAL TEMPERAMENT

How do you rate the judge's judicial temperament? Good judicial temperament is demonstrated when a judge:

- Treats the parties, attorneys, witnesses, jurors, court staff, and others with courtesy and dignity.
- Shows sensitivity and compassion when special circumstances are presented.
- Listens to all sides of an issue.
- Allows counsel to present a client's case without undue interference.

You should indicate your response by marking:

- 5 - if the judge's performance is excellent
- 4 - if the judge's performance is good
- 3 - if the judge's performance is acceptable
- 2 - if the judge's performance is poor
- 1 - if the judge's performance is very poor

COLUMN 6, CANNOT EVALUATE

Enter a check mark if you are unable to make any response as to a particular judge. This will help to insure that no evaluations could be added after you submit your survey response.

2008 JUDICIAL SURVEY

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY

Extent of Contact:

E - Extensive

M - Moderate

L - Limited

Ratings:

5 - if the judge's performance is excellent

4 - if the judge's performance is good

3 - if the judge's performance is acceptable

2 - if the judge's performance is poor

1 - if the judge's performance is very poor

Judge	Extent of Contact (E, M, or L)	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Diligence	Judicial Temperament	Cannot Evaluate
Gerard M. Bigley						
Kelly E. Bigley*						
Edward J. Borkowski						
Cathleen C. Bubash*						
David R. Cashman						
Kim Berkeley Clark						
Robert J. Colville						
Guido A. DeAngelis						
Michael A. Della Vecchia						
Kathleen A. Durkin						
Kim D. Eaton						
Thomas E. Flaherty						
Ronald W. Folino						
Judith L.A. Friedman						
Robert C. Gallo						
Kathryn M. Hens-Greco						
Alan D. Hertzberg						

**Please note that this judge has served as a member of the Court of Common Pleas for less than one year. You may take this factor into consideration when completing the survey of this judge.*

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY (CONTINUED)

Extent of Contact:

- E* - Extensive
- M* - Moderate
- L* - Limited

Ratings:

- 5* - if the judge's performance is excellent
- 4* - if the judge's performance is good
- 3* - if the judge's performance is acceptable
- 2* - if the judge's performance is poor
- 1* - if the judge's performance is very poor

Judge	Extent of Contact (E, M, or L)	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Diligence	Judicial Temperament	Cannot Evaluate
Robert P. Horgos						
Joseph M. James						
Lawrence W. Kaplan						
Robert A. Kelly						
Beth A. Lazzara						
Frank J. Lucchino						
Paul F. Luty, Jr.						
Donald E. Machen						
Jeffrey A. Manning						
Anthony M. Mariani						
Lee J. Mazur						
Michael E. McCarthy*						
Donna Jo McDaniel						
John T. McVay, Jr.*						
Kathleen R. Mulligan						
Lester G. Nauhaus						
W. Terrence O'Brien						
Timothy Patrick O'Reilly						

**Please note that this judge has served as a member of the Court of Common Pleas for less than one year. You may take this factor into consideration when completing the survey of this judge.*

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY (CONTINUED)

Extent of Contact:

- E* - Extensive
- M* - Moderate
- L* - Limited

Ratings:

- 5* - if the judge's performance is excellent
- 4* - if the judge's performance is good
- 3* - if the judge's performance is acceptable
- 2* - if the judge's performance is poor
- 1* - if the judge's performance is very poor

Judge	Extent of Contact (E, M, or L)	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Diligence	Judicial Temperament	Cannot Evaluate
Lawrence J. O'Toole						
Jill E. Rangos						
Kevin G. Sasinoski						
Eugene F. Scanlon, Jr.						
Gene Strassburger						
Randal B. Todd						
Christine A. Ward						
David N. Wecht						
R. Stanton Wettick, Jr.						
Dwayne D. Woodruff						
John A. Zottola						

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

Extent of Contact:

- E* - Extensive
- M* - Moderate
- L* - Limited

Ratings:

- 5* - if the judge's performance is excellent
- 4* - if the judge's performance is good
- 3* - if the judge's performance is acceptable
- 2* - if the judge's performance is poor
- 1* - if the judge's performance is very poor

Judge	Extent of Contact (E, M, or L)	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Diligence	Judicial Temperament	Cannot Evaluate
Donetta W. Ambrose						
Alan N. Bloch						
David Stewart Cercone						
Maurice B. Cohill, Jr.						
Joy Flowers Conti						
Gustave Diamond						
Nora Barry Fischer						
Kim R. Gibson						
Gary L. Lancaster						
Sean J. McLaughlin						
Terrence F. McVerry						
Arthur J. Schwab						
William L. Standish						

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGES

Extent of Contact:

- E* - Extensive
- M* - Moderate
- L* - Limited

Ratings:

- 5 - if the judge's performance is excellent
- 4 - if the judge's performance is good
- 3 - if the judge's performance is acceptable
- 2 - if the judge's performance is poor
- 1 - if the judge's performance is very poor

Judge	Extent of Contact (E, M, or L)	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Diligence	Judicial Temperament	Cannot Evaluate
Susan Paradise Baxter						
Francis X. Caiazza						
Amy Reynolds Hay						
Lisa Pupo Lenihan						
Robert C. Mitchell						
Keith A. Pesto						

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

Extent of Contact:

- E* - Extensive
- M* - Moderate
- L* - Limited

Ratings:

- 5 - if the judge's performance is excellent
- 4 - if the judge's performance is good
- 3 - if the judge's performance is acceptable
- 2 - if the judge's performance is poor
- 1 - if the judge's performance is very poor

Judge	Extent of Contact (E, M, or L)	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Diligence	Judicial Temperament	Cannot Evaluate
Thomas P. Agresti						
Warren W. Bentz						
Jeffery A. Deller						
Judith K. Fitzgerald						
Bernard Markovitz						
M. Bruce McCullough						

PA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT

Extent of Contact:

- E* - Extensive
- M* - Moderate
- L* - Limited

Ratings:

- 5 - if the judge's performance is excellent
- 4 - if the judge's performance is good
- 3 - if the judge's performance is acceptable
- 2 - if the judge's performance is poor
- 1 - if the judge's performance is very poor

Judge	Extent of Contact (E, M, or L)	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Diligence	Judicial Temperament	Cannot Evaluate
Pamela Briston						
Nathan T. Cohen						
David Henry						
Cheryl Ignasiak						
Rosalia G. Parker						
Linda F. Tobin						
David B. Torrey						
Kathleen Vallely						

RESPONDENT INFORMATION SHEET

So that the survey responses can be properly analyzed, it is necessary to ask some questions about the respondents. These questions are designed to identify some principal characteristics of the survey respondents. Please complete the survey by answering these questions. These answers, like all of the survey responses, will be kept confidential and will not be attributed to any particular respondent.

- How many years have you been in practice? 1. _____
- Are you currently active or retired? 2. _____
- What percentage of your practice is in federal court? 3. _____
- Are you a member of the Allegheny County Bar Association? 4. _____
- Place an "X" beside the types of practice most characteristic of your courtroom activities:
 - Civil cases 5. _____
 - Criminal cases 6. _____
 - Family law cases 7. _____
 - Orphans' Court cases 8. _____
 - Juvenile cases 9. _____
 - Bankruptcy cases 10. _____
 - Workers' Compensation cases 11. _____
- Are you engaged in private practice (not working directly for a business or government)? 12. _____
- If you are in private practice, how many lawyers are in your firm?
Your response should be limited to your Allegheny County office if your firm has multiple offices.
 - 1-10 lawyers 13. _____
 - 11-20 lawyers 14. _____
 - 21-60 lawyers 15. _____
 - 61-100 lawyers 16. _____
 - Over 100 lawyers 17. _____