

**CITY OF AURORA  
JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE COMMISSION QUESTIONNAIRE**

**A. PLEASE CIRCLE WHICH CATEGORY BEST DESCRIBES YOU**

JUROR                      COURTHOUSE PERSONNEL                      TRIAL COURT ATTORNEY                      LAW ENFORCEMENT                      OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

**B. ENTER THE NAME OF THE JUDGE YOU ARE EVALUATING FROM THE LIST PRESENTED BELOW.  
(SPECIFY ONE JUDGE PER QUESTIONNAIRE)**

James Anderson	Dion Arguelles	Kristopher Colley	Shawn Day
Robert FitzGerald	Peter Frigo	Robert Garvey	Loretta Huffine
Andrea Koppenhofer	Daniel Kopper	Jonathan Lucero	Tricia McCarthy
Dana Spade	Karen Steinhauser	Billy Stiggers	Alan Stine

**C. PLEASE CIRCLE HOW MANY TIMES YOU HAVE HAD COURTROOM EXPERIENCE WITH THIS JUDGE**

ONCE                      2-5 TIMES                      6-9 TIMES                      10 OR MORE

**D. INDICATE YOUR RESPONSE FOR EACH STATEMENT ABOUT THE JUDGE'S PERFORMANCE**

	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	CANNOT RATE
<b>SECTION I. INTEGRITY</b>					
1. Displays a sense of fairness and justice.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2. Treats all parties equally, regardless of race, sex, age, ethnicity, social or economic status.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3. Makes decisions without regard to the popularity of the decision.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<b>SECTION II. LEGAL KNOWLEDGE</b>					
4. Displays knowledge of substantive law.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5. Displays knowledge of the rules of evidence and procedure.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
<b>SECTION III. COMMUNICATION SKILLS</b>					
6. Written orders are clear and thorough.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7. Oral decisions are clear and thorough.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8. Gives clear explanations of defendants' rights.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9. Explains proceedings to the jury.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
10. Explains the reason for delays or interruptions of the proceedings.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11. Gives clear explanations of the juror's responsibilities.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
12. Gives clear instructions to the jury (including final instructions).	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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**SECTION IV. PREPARATION, ATTENTIVENESS AND CONTROL OVER JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS**

13. Is prepared.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
14. Assumes appropriate demeanor and maintains control over the courtroom.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
15. Is courteous and free from arrogance.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
16. Displays understanding and compassion.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**SECTION V. CONSISTENCY AND APPLICABILITY OF SENTENCING PRACTICES**

17. Sentences are fair, consistent and appropriate.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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**SECTION VI. DOCKET MANAGEMENT, PROMPT CASE DISPOSITION, AND ADMINISTRATIVE SKILLS**

18. Prompt in making rulings.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
19. Works diligently.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
20. Is punctual.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
21. Works effectively with participants in the judicial process.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
22. Displays good administrative skills.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**SECTION VII. OVERALL JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE**

23. Serves the legal profession and the public well.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
24. This judge should be retained by Aurora.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**SECTION VIII. COMMENTS (Please limit comments to the space provided).**

*The Commission will consider individual comments as they may provide supporting evidence to the assessment of a judge's performance. The Commission will treat anonymous comments with the utmost care and consideration noting that the opportunity exists for false or inaccurate statements.*

25. Please provide comments that support the responses you indicated on Section I through VII of this questionnaire.

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Thank you for participating in the Aurora Judicial Performance Commission survey. Your responses will remain confidential and will assist the Commission and the Aurora City Council.

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