

# UTAH'S OFFICIAL

# VOTER

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# PAMPHLET



## 2016 GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>

### NOTE:

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STATE OF UTAH  
OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR



SPENCER J. COX  
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Dear Utah Voter,

My office is pleased to present the 2016 Voter Information Pamphlet. Please take the time to read through the material to learn more about the upcoming General Election on November 8, 2016. Inside you will find information about candidates, constitutional amendments, judges, and how to vote.

In addition to this pamphlet, you can visit [VOTE.UTAH.GOV](http://VOTE.UTAH.GOV) and find even more information about the election. At [VOTE.UTAH.GOV](http://VOTE.UTAH.GOV) you can view your sample ballot, find your polling location, and view biographies for the candidates in your area.

If you need assistance of any kind, please call us at 1-800-995-VOTE, email [elections@utah.gov](mailto:elections@utah.gov), or stop by our office in the State Capitol building.

Thank you for doing your part to move our democracy forward.

Sincerely,

Spencer J. Cox  
Lieutenant Governor

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## CANDIDATES

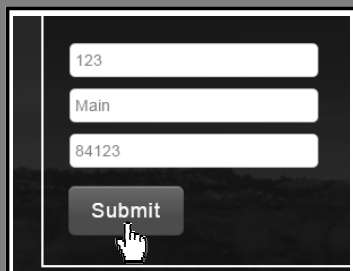
The following pages list the candidates who are running for office in your area. Candidates for U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, and Utah State Constitutional Offices were given the opportunity to submit a 100 word statement and a photograph. The Lieutenant Governor's Office has not edited these statements, and all candidates in this pamphlet appear in the order they will appear on your ballot.

Looking for more info on legislative, school board, county, and other local candidates?

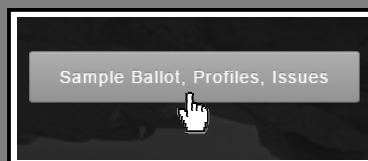
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- 1 Enter your address information on the home page.
- 2 Click on "Sample Ballot, Profiles, Issues."
- 3 Click on a candidate's name to view their profile.



A screenshot of a web form with three input fields containing the numbers 123, Main, and 84123. Below the fields is a 'Submit' button with a mouse cursor pointing to it.



A screenshot of a candidate profile for Jane Doe. The profile includes the following information: Occupation: Physician, Age: 40, City of residence: Salt Lake City, Years of residence in current city: 10, Contact email: janedoe@email.com, Website: http://janedoeforoffice.com, and Profile: Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet, ne albuclus hendrerit interpretans cu. Inani putent verterem usu at, inermis lubilus phaedrum ex has 4.

# PRESIDENT & VICE PRESIDENT

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"Rocky" Roque De La Fuente (President) Michael Steinberg (Vice President)	Unaffiliated
Jill Stein (President) Ajamu Baraka (Vice President)	Unaffiliated
Alyson Kennedy (President) Osborne Hart (Vice President)	Unaffiliated
Gary Johnson (President) Bill Weld (Vice President)	Libertarian Party
Rocky Giordani (President) Farley Anderson (Vice President)	Independent American Party
Donald J. Trump (President) Michael R. Pence (Vice President)	Republican Party
Darrell L. Castle (President) Scott N. Bradley (Vice President)	Constitution Party
Hillary Rodham Clinton (President) Timothy Michael Kaine (Vice President)	Democratic Party
Monica Moorehead (President) Lamont Lilly (Vice President)	Unaffiliated
Evan McMullin (President) Nathan Johnson (Vice President)	Unaffiliated

# U.S. SENATE

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**Misty K Snow**  
Democratic Party

Misty K Snow is a Utah native from a working class family and background. She has a strong connection to Utah and it's people and understands the needs of working people and their families.

**Legislative Priorities:**

Cleaning up our air so that our children can breathe easy

Fighting for paid maternity leave so that our mothers can afford to nurture their children in the first few crucial months of life.

Making healthcare and medications affordable.

Raising the minimum wage to a living wage and ending corporate welfare so that hardworking Americans can feed their families.

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**Bill Barron**  
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I am a single-issue candidate focused on doing something about the warming climate. This is my third run for national office as a climate candidate. My goal in this campaign is to inspire 10% of Utah voters to use their vote to send a strong statement to Washington: *Utah wants an effective, non-partisan, transparent solution to climate change.* Ten percent of voters can inspire political change. Your vote will urge Congress to work together, bridge political divides, and pass legislation this year to reduce the impacts of climate change. Our future and our children's futures depend on it.

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**Stoney Fonua**  
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American Party

I AM R U an instrument to write the ACT; that would enact paying off our debts, clothes the naked, feed the hunger, shelter the homeless, help the sick and the afflicted, rid of racism, and bring peace to the Middle East without a single gunshot or a bomb. Also, Pilot 2000 individual in the Estate Creation Program to pay the debt and wing them of government entitlement without taxes being used. The Estate Creation Program is for individuals to take control of their own finances and budgets. SMILE, SMILE, SMILE.

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**Mike Lee**  
Republican Party

Senator Mike Lee was first elected in 2010. He has spent his time in Washington building and advocating a reform agenda aimed at lifting the poor, expanding and strengthening the middle class, and ending special privilege for the well connected. He has led bipartisan efforts to protect privacy rights and overhaul our criminal justice system. Senator Lee stands as a check on an overreaching federal government that continues to insert itself into every aspect of American lives. He will continue to adhere to the basic Constitutional principles upon which our country was built. His wife and family reside in Alpine.

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# U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 1

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**Rob Bishop**  
Republican Party

Rob Bishop has maintained his commitment since being elected, that Washington wouldn't change him. He's still a high school teacher serving Utah. He's in a strong position to support Hill AFB and its civilian employees. As Chairman of the Resources Committee he guarantees Utah's voice is heard in public land management. Speaker Ryan picked Rob to lead the fight to move power from executive branch bureaucrats to Congress and States, so the people's voice is heard.

Rob is a Utah conservative who reflects the values of his district and is in the right place to take Utah solutions to Washington.

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**Craig Bowden**  
Libertarian Party

Why did I choose to run for office? To fight out of control spending, attacks on civil liberties, and bloated bureaucracy. I also look at my kids and want a better future for them than is currently offered by cradle to grave government. I provide experience in resolving the tax code, helping small businesses, and a boots on the ground perspective for why we must stop being the world police. I am a father, a husband, a former serving Marine Infantryman, a libertarian activist, and concerned citizen. I have a clear vision to help restore America.

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**Chadwick H. Fairbanks III**  
Unaffiliated

I'm running for the U.S. House of Representatives – not because I want to, but because I have to. The founding charter documents of the United States have been usurped and systematically ignored in a completely treacherous and treasonous attempt to destroy the Republic. This attempt is succeeding. When elected, it will be my 24/7 mission to root out all enemies foreign and domestic by any and all means allowed under common law jurisprudence. My carefully curated staff will vehemently share this mission and we will be beholden to the only stakeholders that matter – the citizens of District 1, Utah.

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**Peter C. Clemens**  
Democratic Party

I'm running for Congress because the only way fix our problems is to stop sending professional politicians to Washington, D.C. We need to start sending real people; people who understand the realities of raising a family on a budget and caring for aging parents; people who have created jobs and want to help small businesses do the same.

Congress is broken and Utah's First District Representative is part of the problem. We deserve better. We must demand a representative who cares about doing the right thing, even when it's hard. That's how we become better. We can do better.

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# U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 2

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**Chris Stewart**  
Republican Party

Many speak of the deficit of trust between Americans and government. Recent events have eroded that trust to a dangerous level.

I have one goal in Congress: to increase our personal freedoms by reducing the size and scope of government. Whether working to reduce the power of federal agencies, standing up for conservative principles, or protecting our freedom in a dangerous world, I am fighting to restore the balance of power our Founding Fathers intended.

Conservative principles are the only thing that can save us. I will continue to fight for those principles. I will continue to fight for you!

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**Charlene Albarran**  
Democratic Party

Charlene McArthur Albarran  
Candidate for U.S.  
Representative, 2<sup>nd</sup> District, Utah

Charlene has a degree in Mathematics and Statistics. She was founder and CEO of three companies, two homeless foundations, and serves on other corporate and community boards.

Married for 32 years, she and Roberto have two sons and two granddaughters. She is fluent in Spanish, strong and compassionate. She promotes fiscal responsibility and increased self-reliance. She advocates equal and affordable access to education and healthcare, equal pay, promotes conservation of natural resources and protects the benefits of our Senior Citizens and Veterans.

"I will get things done!"

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**Paul J. McCollaum Jr.**  
Constitution Party

I am Paul McCollaum. I am running for Congress in Utah's 2<sup>nd</sup> congressional district.

I live in Abraham Utah. My wife and I raised 7 daughters on our farm.

I believe we get our rights and freedoms from God not Government.

I believe in smaller government and 20 trillion in debt is criminal.

So we need to reduce the size of The Government and cut spending.

I am prolife, pro-second amendment, and I believe a strong family to be the nucleus of our Nation.

I believe in religious freedom, private property and personal privacy rights,

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# U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 3

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**Stephen P. Tryon**  
Democratic Party

I am Stephen Tryon: a career citizen, Christian, veteran with a Bronze Star medal for valor in combat, successful business executive, gun-owner, author, and proud Democrat. I believe in our Constitution. With degrees from West Point and Stanford, a Senate fellowship, and a track record of success in government and in business, I am ready to start solving problems and stop blaming others. I will work to raise the minimum wage, improve access to higher education, ignite economic growth with partnerships between businesses and communities, and make our district the focal point of clean energy research and development.

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**Jason Chaffetz**  
Republican Party

Jason Chaffetz is a conservative leader representing Utah's 3<sup>rd</sup> Congressional District. His four guiding principles for making every decision are; Fiscal Discipline, Limited Government, Accountability and a strong National Defense. He practices fiscal discipline within his own office by returning over \$1.1 million to the National Treasury over his four terms.

Jason is serving as the Chairman of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee. In this role, he holds our federal government accountable by shining a light on government waste, fraud and abuse. Jason is our watchdog in Washington and is tenacious in fighting for the people of Utah.

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# U.S. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 4

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**Collin R. Simonsen**  
Constitution Party

Utahns are coming to realize that both major parties represent special interests more than they represent average Americans. It's time to look at other options. As a member of the Constitution Party I have promised to only accept small donations from individual Utahns not superpacs or Wall Street, as Mia Love and Doug Owens do. If you elect me to Congress I will help reestablish the rule of law and be a true representative of Utah's 4th district within the bounds of the Constitution. If you love the Constitution, vote for me, Collin Simonsen.

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**Doug Owens**  
Democratic Party

Doug Owens was born and raised in Salt Lake City. He served an LDS mission in France, then graduated from the University of Utah and Yale Law School. Doug and his wife Cynthia are proud to call Utah home and raise their four children here.

Doug's parents raised him to put public service ahead of personal gain. Doug believes that too many politicians in Washington are more concerned about the perks of the job than getting things done for the people they represent. As your Congressman, Doug will always work for Utah, rather than a national party or special interest.

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**Mia B. Love**  
Republican Party

Every Utahn deserves an honest, open government with experienced leaders who are committed to solving problems rather than pointing fingers.

I will continue to take a stand on challenging issues by raising Utah's voice and voting Utah's values in Congress. I am fighting to get big and costly government, out of your way so local solutions for education and jobs can foster prosperity.

I am your advocate for transparency, accountability and a limited federal government. I will work with my colleagues from both parties to ensure that every citizen has the opportunity to live their version of the American dream.

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# GOVERNOR & LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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**Gary R. Herbert**  
Governor  
Republican Party

Governor Gary Herbert provides the steady hand of leadership, solidifying Utah's position as the strongest economy in the nation and investing in our long-term prosperity.

Today, Utah's economy the strongest in the nation. Our tax burden is at a 20-year low and Utah businesses have created more than 237,000 jobs since the governor took office.

Utah's economic success has generated \$1.8 billion of new money to help students reach their potential. Test scores are up and graduation rates have increased by 10 percent.

Bringing people together to address our challenges; that's the Utah way.

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**Spencer J. Cox**  
Lt. Governor  
Republican Party

Lieutenant Governor Spencer Cox and his wife Abby were both raised on family farms in Sanpete County where they learned the value of dedication and hard work. They continue to live with their four children on the same Cox family farm where he was born and raised.

He has led Utah's effort to fight intergenerational poverty by utilizing common-sense, conservative principles and harnessing the power of the private sector. A determined focus on improving neighborhood schools and enhanced economic development opportunities has resulted in Utah having one of the lowest poverty rates in the nation.

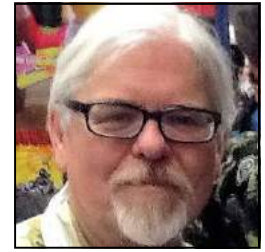
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**Brian E Kamerath**  
Governor  
Libertarian Party

I am a Libertarian Candidate for Governor because the most important value in government is that individuals are best at governing themselves and solving their problems. Government is not a nanny. Government is a function of consent for those occasions when individual ability to resolve conflict requires a third party. I believe we must put individual liberty as our primary concern.

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**Barry Evan Short**  
Lt. Governor  
Libertarian Party

The office of Lieutenant Governor is too often treated as a gift from the governor to a political ally. But it's really the state's chief elections officer, and we need a Lieutenant Governor who will dedicate time and effort to making elections as fair and accessible as possible. I will take the lead regarding needed steps to modernize Utah's elections system, protecting your privacy AND your right to have your vote counted accurately. This office belongs to the people, not the occupant, and I pledge to represent ALL Utahns in making your voice heard clearly. Vote for integrity, vote Libertarian!

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# GOVERNOR & LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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**Mike Weinholtz**  
Governor  
Democratic Party

Mike Weinholtz is a third generation factory worker who put himself through college by taking night classes while working at an auto factory. He went on to become the CEO of CHG healthcare, a billion-dollar healthcare staffing company headquartered in Utah with more than 2,000 employees.

Mike credits his business success to his unique, people focused approach to leadership, and CHG Healthcare has been named as one of the best places to work by Fortune Magazine for seven years in a row. He is a proud husband and father, and served on the board of directors for several Utah nonprofits.

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**Kim Bowman**  
Lt. Governor  
Democratic Party

Previously an attorney practicing in Salt Lake City, Kim Bowman is currently a division manager for the University of Utah Health Sciences. A captain in the U.S. Air Force Reserve and member of the JAG Corps, Kim graduated first in his JAG class and has extensive experience serving the Democratic Party as well as Utah nonprofits including on the board of the RiteCare Children's Learning Centers of Utah and the Utah State Bar Young Lawyers Division.

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**Superdell Schanze**  
Governor  
Independent  
American Party

RIGHTEOUSNESS can solve every problem in the world. God made a promise "as ye keep my commandments ye shall prosper in the land". The vast majority in our state are against murdering unborn children. You are against perversion and perversion of marriage. You are against more encroachment on your 2nd Amendment rights. The voice of the people and the constitution are being utterly mocked!!! Vote SUPERDELL Schanze or face the judgments of God. If even one single state can return to freedom and the constitution the entire world would flow unto it. Your honor rests on your vote.

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**Gregory C. Duerden**  
Lt. Governor  
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American Party

G.C. Duerden is a Utah born and breed conservative, with very deep Utah roots. A veteran of the USAF who took an oath to protect and defend the Constitution of the United States; I have never been released from that oath, therefore, I will protect and defend those divine ideals placed on paper by our Founding Fathers until the day I die!! He is a loving father, grandfather.

I believe it is time for ALL Utahns to STEP UP and make this State Better!

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# ATTORNEY GENERAL

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**Michael W. IsBell**

Independent  
American Party

The Utah Attorney General should be resisting Federal laws, programs, and policies which violate the Constitution, including:

- Core Curriculum in Education
- Gun Control
- Minimum Wage Laws
- Public Lands
- The War on Drugs
- The War on Terror
- The Affordable Care Act

Utah has recently witnessed serious accusations of corruption, bribery, crony capitalism, pay-to-play and other abuses by highly regarded officers in our own state government. This must end. As your Attorney General I will be the foremost protector of the public from laws and government agents when these exceed lawful and Constitutional bounds.

Please investigate my platform.

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**Jon V. Harper**  
Democratic Party

Experience, independence, transparency and Integrity, finally! Jon Harper, candidate for Utah Attorney General, will bring these qualities to an office long-plagued by scandal. Even after the Shurtleff-Swallow administrations, nothing has changed. It's time to control the money mill the AG's office has become, and end unwinnable lawsuits that waste millions. 37 years of legal experience, with a long history representing people treated unfairly by large corporations. Years of administrative experience in law firm management and 8 years as Associate Dean of the University of Utah law school. Attorney General for the people. No more broken promises. Vote Jon Harper.

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**Sean D. Reyes**  
Republican Party

**Leadership, Excellence & Integrity**

From the day AG Reyes took office, his top three office priorities were and continue to be to: protect citizens, particularly children, from violent crime and drugs; protect businesses and consumers from white collar frauds and scams; and restore public trust by focusing the office on ethics and excellent legal work. In less than three years under Reyes' leadership, the Utah AG Office was named finalist for the 2015 Utah Ethical Leadership Award. In 2016 for the second consecutive year, the office won four Best of State awards for state elected official, agency among other honors.

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**W. Andrew McCullough**  
Libertarian Party

I have practiced law in Utah for over forty years. I am Chair of the Utah Libertarian Party, and a former Board member of the ACLU of Utah. My law practice involves representing individual citizens against those who would expand State power.

The Attorney General's office has supported efforts to increase State power at the expense of individual freedom. I am angry at excessive force by police, and the violations of individual rights associated with the "war on drugs". I am running to promote a message of individual freedom; and I invite you to help send that message.

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# STATE AUDITOR

Visit [VOTE.UTAH.GOV](http://VOTE.UTAH.GOV) for more information on these candidates



**John Dougall**  
Republican Party

State Auditor John “Frugal” Dougall is a staunch fiscal conservative committed to key principles: fiscal discipline, limited government and a focus on performance and accountability.

Dougall is the taxpayer’s watchdog, working to ensure their tax dollars are spent legally, efficiently, and effectively. Dougall believes the State Auditor should provide the public an independent assessment of financial operation, statutory compliance, and performance management for state and local government.

As a 10-year legislator, Dougall consistently championed Utah’s taxpayers, including co-sponsoring the largest tax cut in Utah’s history and helping protect the State’s AAA bond rating and its best-managed ranking.

Vote Frugal!

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**Jared Green**  
Independent  
American Party

Called to serve by the people as Utah State Auditor, I will not accept compensation for my service. The state auditor shall be the auditor of public accounts independent of any executive of the state. Taxes are the fruits of people’s labor. I will show my neighbors how, where, and what their money is spent on in Utah. While not a legislator, I will make recommendations to the Legislature and the people regarding legislation needed to prevent Crony Capitalist quid pro quo advantage as, in the words of Bob Woodward, "I follow the money".

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**Mike Mitchell**  
Democratic Party

Mike served in the US Army as a finance officer, instructor, project manager, and auditor.

Mike has a BS in Accounting. His career has spanned such assignments as accountant, financial manager, controller and corporate accounting manager.

As state auditor, Mike will focus on safeguarding the tax dollars entrusted to the state. He will hold state officials accountable for the use of funds and will work to stop the waste of money in frivolous lawsuits. Mike is committed to independent oversight of government expenditures and to openness in government.

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My fellow citizens. I am Richard Proctor and I am a candidate for State Treasurer this November 2016 election. I represent the Constitution Party whose major goal is to restore our Republic to its previous greatness.

As a State we must find a way to stop accepting money from the Federal Government. Every time we accept their money we find ourselves deeper in obligation to them.

We must get off the Federal dole. We must nullify the unconstitutional court rulings and unconstitutional executive orders. We must get our sovereignty back.

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I'm honored to have served as your State Treasurer this past year - and for seven years as Chief Deputy State Treasurer.

While the accomplishments of the Office during my tenure are many, chief among them is safeguarding of the state's AAA Bond Rating, overseeing the prudent investment of \$12 billion in public funds, and enhancing the efficiency of the state's treasury processes.

A fiscal conservative with a finance degree and 20 years' experience in banking, I am singularly qualified to maintain the tradition of excellence for which the Utah State Treasurer's Office is known.

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## UTAH CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

### Constitutional Amendment A (page 35)

Shall the Utah Constitution be amended to make a technical wording change in the oath of office that elected and appointed officers are required to take?

### Constitutional Amendment B (page 37)

Shall State School Fund provisions of the Utah Constitution be amended to:

- modify the description of what can be distributed from the State School Fund from "interest and dividends" to "earnings";
- limit annual distributions from the State School Fund to 4% of the Fund; and
- modify the standard governing how the state is required to invest money in the Fund.

### Constitutional Amendment C (page 43)

Shall the Utah Constitution be amended to allow a property tax exemption for tangible personal property that is leased by the state or by a county, city, town, school district, or other political subdivision of the state?



#### Tips for Reading Constitutional Amendment Text

- If a word is underlined, that means the amendment is adding the word to the Constitution.
- If a word has a ~~line~~ through it, that means the word is currently in the Constitution and the amendment is deleting it.
- If a word is neither underlined or lined through, that means the amendment is keeping the word in the Constitution.

# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

# A

Shall the Utah Constitution be amended to make a technical wording change in the oath of office that elected and appointed officers are required to take?

## Ballot Title

**FOR**

**AGAINST**

## Legislative Votes

### Utah Senate

24 Yes 1 No 4 Not Present

### Utah House of Representatives

69 Yes 6 No 0 Not Present

## Bill Title & Session

House Joint Resolution (H.J.R.) 8

2015 Legislative General Session

## IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS

The current Utah Constitution requires elected or appointed officers to take an oath of office. The wording of the oath is specified in the Utah Constitution. The oath requires officers to swear to support, obey, and defend the Constitution of the United States and “the Constitution of this State.”

Constitutional Amendment A makes a technical change to the wording of the oath of office. The Amendment changes the wording from “the Constitution of this State” to “the Constitution of the State of Utah.” The Amendment is technical in nature and does not change the meaning of the oath of office or of the Utah Constitution.

### Effective Date

If approved by voters, Constitutional Amendment A takes effect January 1, 2017.

### Fiscal Impact

Constitutional Amendment A has no fiscal impact.

## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Currently, the Constitutional oath of office for all state and local officials in Utah does not identify specifically the state for which it is being used. The current language refers only to the Constitution of “this State” and not to the State of Utah. The proposed constitutional amendment corrects this omission by inserting the phrase, “the State of Utah.”

- Representative Ray Ward

# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT A

## ARGUMENT AGAINST

No argument submitted.

## FULL TEXT OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT A

### PROPOSAL TO AMEND UTAH CONSTITUTION -- OATH OF OFFICE CHANGE

2015 GENERAL SESSION

#### Utah Constitution Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

#### ARTICLE IV, SECTION 10

*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, two-thirds of all members elected to each of the two houses voting in favor thereof:*

Section 1. It is proposed to amend Utah Constitution, Article IV, Section 10, to read:

#### **Article IV, Section 10. [Oath of office.]**

All officers made elective or appointive by this Constitution or by the laws made in pursuance thereof, before entering upon the duties of their respective offices, shall take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support, obey, and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of ~~[this]~~ the State of Utah, and that I will discharge the duties of my office with fidelity."

#### Section 2. **Submittal to voters.**

The lieutenant governor is directed to submit this proposed amendment to the voters of the state at the next regular general election in the manner provided by law.

#### Section 3. **Contingent effective date.**

If the amendment proposed by this joint resolution is approved by a majority of those voting on it at the next regular general election, the amendment shall take effect on January 1, 2017.

# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

# B

Shall State School Fund provisions of the Utah Constitution be amended to:

- modify the description of what can be distributed from the State School Fund from "interest and dividends" to "earnings";
- limit annual distributions from the State School Fund to 4% of the Fund; and
- modify the standard governing how the state is required to invest money in the Fund.

## Ballot Title

**FOR**

**AGAINST**

## Legislative Votes

### Utah Senate

26 Yes 1 No 2 Not Present

### Utah House of Representatives

72 Yes 0 No 3 Not Present

## Bill Title & Session

Senate Joint Resolution (S.J.R.) 12

2016 Legislative General Session

## IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS

Constitutional Amendment B modifies a provision of the Utah Constitution relating to the permanent State School Fund. The Amendment makes three main changes:

1. it changes the description of what can be distributed from the State School Fund from "interest and dividends" to "earnings";
2. it limits the amount of money that can be distributed from the State School Fund to 4% of the Fund, calculated as provided by statute; and
3. it changes the standard for how the state is required to invest the State School Fund from "safely" to "prudently."

The Amendment also makes technical changes that do not affect the substance of the current Utah Constitution.

### Background on the State School Fund

The State School Fund is a fund that was established by the Utah Constitution at statehood. The purpose of the State School Fund is to accumulate money from specified sources to benefit public schools in the state. The Utah Constitution requires that the Fund be safely invested by the state. Expenditures from the Fund may only be for the purpose of supporting public schools. Originally, only "interest" derived from the investment of money in the Fund could be spent for the support of public schools. Later, that was changed to "interest and dividends." Other than those allowed expenditures, any money deposited into the Fund and any unspent interest and dividends are required to remain in the Fund. The current Utah Constitution does not limit how much of the "interest and dividends" may be spent for the support of public schools.

### Effect of Constitutional Amendment B

1. Change from "interest and dividends" to "earnings"

The Utah Constitution currently provides that only "interest and dividends" received from investment of the State School Fund may be spent for the support of public schools. The language "interest and dividends" does not capture all

# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT B

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the ways that the Fund could generate earnings. For example, "interest and dividends" does not include earnings that result from increases in the value of stock that the Fund purchases and later sells at a higher price. Under the current Utah Constitution, money earned from investment of the Fund that is not "interest and dividends" cannot be spent for the support of public schools.

Constitutional Amendment B modifies the description of what can be distributed from the State School Fund. The Amendment replaces "interest and dividends" with "earnings." The term "earnings" includes interest and dividends but also includes other ways the Fund earns money on the investment of money in the State School Fund. This change means that all money earned from the investment of money in the Fund – not just money earned as interest or dividends – will be available to be distributed for the support of public schools.

## 2. Limit on distributions from the State School Fund

The Utah Constitution currently does not contain a limit on the amount of "interest and dividends" that may be expended for the support of public schools. Under the current Utah Constitution, all interest and dividends earned in any given year could be spent for the support of public schools.

Constitutional Amendment B provides that annual distributions from the State School Fund may not exceed 4% of the Fund. What constitutes 4% of the Fund is to be calculated as provided by statute.

That statutory calculation is provided in S.B. 109, School and Institutional Trust Lands Amendments, which passed during the 2016 General Session of the Legislature and takes effect at the same time as Constitutional Amendment B if the Amendment is approved by voters. S.B. 109 defines the limit on distribution from the State School Fund as 4% of the average market value of the Fund over the past 12 consecutive quarters.

## 3. Change from "safely" to "prudently"

The Utah Constitution currently requires the State School Fund to be "safely" invested by the state. The dictionary meaning of "safely" suggests that the investment is done in a manner that is free from harm or risk. The term is not commonly used in the investment community to describe how an investment manager should invest money. There is a risk associated with any investment.

Constitutional Amendment B changes the description of how the state is required to invest money in the State School Fund. The Amendment replaces "safely" with "prudently." The dictionary meaning of "prudently" suggests that the investment is done in a manner marked by wisdom or judiciousness. The term "prudent" or "prudently" is commonly used in the investment community to describe the responsibility of someone investing money on behalf of another.

### **Effective Date**

If approved by voters, Constitutional Amendment B takes effect July 1, 2017.

### **Fiscal Impact**

The State School Fund has approximately \$2.1 billion in assets. Under Constitutional Amendment B, the amount of cash the State School Fund will receive as "earnings" from the investment of the Fund during the first year the Amendment is implemented is estimated to be \$79,000,000. That amount is \$22,000,000 more than the \$57,000,000 that the Fund is estimated to receive from "interest and dividends" alone. The fiscal impact of Constitutional Amendment B will depend on how much of the additional "earnings" that exceed "interest and dividends" is distributed for the support of public schools and how much is retained in the Fund to increase the total dollar value of the Fund. The greater the amount of "earnings" that are distributed, the less the Fund increases in dollar value, and the less money there is to generate future "earnings."



# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT B

## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

**Amendment B is a small update in the state constitution that will make a big difference.**

If you approve this amendment, the state will be allowed to implement best practices in investment management to continue building the School Trust Fund while still balancing our responsibilities to support current and future students. The state will be able to prudently increase the distribution from the School Trust Lands program by up to 50% over the next few years while adding millions of dollars to our educational system.

**Result: the fund will be better managed, distributions will be grounded in economic principles, and local schools will receive more money, both now and in the future.**

**Education leaders support Amendment B.** Increasing distributions will allow our school community councils to continue the work of meaningful school improvement. These local teams decide the best academic use for the funds - school by school.

**Financial leaders support Amendment B.** By updating the distribution policy from the School Trust Fund to consider a percentage of earnings, student enrollment growth and inflation, instead of simple interest and dividends, the School and Institutional Trust Fund Board of Trustees will be able to apply best investment practices to growing the fund while also increasing distributions.

**Student Advocates Support Amendment B.** The amendment includes a 4% cap on the distribution so the fund will continue to build. This will protect the fund principal, allow it to grow and provide more money to schools now and in the future.

**State Officials support Amendment B.** The State Board of Education, as well as the Governor, State Treasurer, Trust Land Board of Trustees and Trust Fund Board of Trustees, State House of Representatives, and the State Senate all support Amendment B.

Thank you for your concern for our state's finances and schoolchildren. We hope you will join with all of us and vote YES on Amendment B!

Ann Millner  
Utah State Senator

Mel Brown  
Utah State Representative

David Damschen  
Utah State Treasurer

## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

The money sent annually to the Community Council of each Utah school from Utah's School Trust Fund is some of the most scrutinized and well spent money in the state. Thoughtful parents and other Community Council members diligently evaluate the most effective way to utilize the monies for their school's specific needs. The community councils then appropriate the money accordingly for the unique needs of their own neighborhood schools.

The proposed Constitutional Amendment will not only change investment strategies by having fewer eyes reviewing the management plans, but it will also prescribe a set amount of money to be given annually to each school. The Community Councils will now know exactly how much money is coming each year, and the option to automatically build that annual distribution from SITLA in to the school budget will result in a lack of opportunity for parental review and annual decision making. Opportunities to address a new or current need could be lost.

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The current successful strategy grows the fund at a competitive rate, earning millions of dollars for Utah's schools annually without touching the 'seed' money of the fund. Distributions are made that reflect the markets, allowing the corpus to continue to grow and enhance education budgets.

This is the prudent path forward.

Vote no on Amendment B

Margaret Dayton – Utah State Senate

Scott Jenkins – Utah State Senate

## ARGUMENT AGAINST

This resolution proposes to change the management of Utah's State School Trust Fund, both in investment strategy and in the fund's distribution to Utah's schools.

It would be a mistake to modify the fund for the following reasons:

- The current fund works
- Changing it could be reckless
- The focus should be on the long-term health and sustainability of student funding

In the last thirty years, the fund has grown from \$18m to approximately \$2b! The growth has been safe, predictable, and beneficial to public education. Only the interest and dividends from those investments may be expended for the support of the public education system. The current plan has been a boon to all of public education.

This resolution will modify the current successful fund plan to follow an endowment model of investment. As endowments have gained attention and support over the years, some investment analysts have warned that endowments may not always be the right solution for institutional investors.

Utah's current fund strategy has done well in comparison to other western states. In 2012, a USU study analyzed the management of funds in the 20 states that still hold school trust lands. The study indicated that Utah enjoyed the second highest rate of growth among all of the western states, including those using an endowment investment strategy.

It is clear that Utah has been very competitive in its current investment strategy even in comparison to those currently using an endowment model. Utah should maintain that successful course.

While this strategy could perhaps increase the fund's annual distribution, that increase would be achieved at the expense of predictable and demonstrated long-term growth.

Under the current strategy, Utah's fund has grown to around \$2b today. It would be a mistake to treat this burgeoning fund recklessly and sacrifice growth and stability to benefit some schools now to the detriment of schools in the future.

Vote No on Constitutional Amendment B

Margaret Dayton – Utah State Senate

# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT B

## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST

It is not often that a small change will provide dramatic results. Passage of Amendment B will make the School Trust Fund's annual distribution more stable, predictable and fair. It will safeguard the fund while providing a more consistent revenue stream. The fund will distribute more to meet current needs while continuing to grow for future needs.

Amendment B will update an outdated distribution policy with one that is based on best practices from trust management. Lessons from past market cycles and simulations of future scenarios were extensively studied and incorporated into the design of this proposal. This is an important and necessary step to increase current funding, stabilize the annual distribution, and improve long term results.

We have a responsibility to school children today and in the future to make sure we have the best investment and distribution policy available. After careful study and expert analysis, we agree that Amendment B is a simple change that makes important improvements over the current, outdated policy. That's why we encourage you to vote YES on Amendment B!

Utah State Board of Education  
Salt Lake Chamber of Commerce  
Utah Charter Advocates  
Utah PTA  
Prosperity 2020  
Utah Education Association  
Education First  
Utah Association of Elementary School Principals  
Utah Association of Secondary School Principals

Ann Millner  
Utah State Senator

Mel Brown  
Utah State Representative

## FULL TEXT OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT B

### PROPOSAL TO AMEND UTAH CONSTITUTION -- CHANGES TO SCHOOL FUNDS

2016 GENERAL SESSION

#### Utah Constitution Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

#### ARTICLE X, SECTION 5

*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, two-thirds of all members elected to each of the two houses voting in favor thereof:*

Section 1. It is proposed to amend Utah Constitution, Article X, Section 5, to read:

#### **Article X, Section 5. [State School Fund and Uniform School Fund -- Establishment and use -- Debt guaranty.]**

(1) There is established a permanent State School Fund which ~~[shall consist]~~ consists of ~~[revenue from the following sources]:~~

(a) proceeds from the sales of all lands granted by the United States to this state for the support of the public elementary and secondary schools;

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- (b) 5% of the net proceeds from the sales of United States public lands lying within this state;
- (c) all revenues derived from nonrenewable resources on state lands, other than sovereign lands and lands granted for other specific purposes;
- (d) all revenues derived from the use of school trust lands;
- (e) revenues appropriated by the Legislature; and
- (f) other revenues and assets received by the ~~[fund]~~ permanent State School Fund under any other provision of law or by bequest or donation.

(2) (a) The permanent State School Fund ~~[principal]~~ shall be ~~[safely]~~ prudently invested by the state and shall be held by the state in perpetuity.

(b) Only ~~[the interest and dividends]~~ earnings received from investment of the permanent State School Fund may be ~~[expended]~~ distributed from the fund, and any distribution from the fund shall be for the support of the public education system as defined in Article X, Section 2 of this constitution.

(c) Annual distributions from the permanent State School Fund under Subsection

(2)(b) may not exceed 4% of the fund, calculated as provided by statute.

~~[(c)]~~ (d) The Legislature may make appropriations from school trust land revenues to provide funding necessary for the proper administration and management of those lands consistent with the state's fiduciary responsibilities towards the beneficiaries of the school land trust. Unexpended balances remaining from the appropriation at the end of each fiscal year shall be deposited in the permanent State School Fund.

~~[(d)]~~ (e) The permanent State School Fund shall be guaranteed by the state against loss or diversion.

(3) There is established a Uniform School Fund which ~~[shall consist of revenue from the following sources]~~ consists of:

- (a) ~~[interest and dividends]~~ money from the permanent State School Fund;
  - (b) revenues appropriated by the Legislature; and
  - (c) other revenues received by the ~~[fund]~~ Uniform School Fund under any other provision of law or by donation.
- (4) The Uniform School Fund shall be maintained and used for the support of the state's public education system as defined in Article X, Section 2 of this constitution and apportioned as the Legislature shall provide.
- (5) (a) Notwithstanding Article VI, Section 29, the State may guarantee the debt of school districts created in accordance with Article XIV, Section 3, and may guarantee debt incurred to refund the school district debt. Any debt guaranty, the school district debt guaranteed thereby, or any borrowing of the state undertaken to facilitate the payment of the state's obligation under any debt guaranty shall not be included as a debt of the state for purposes of the 1.5% limitation of Article XIV, Section 1.
- (b) The Legislature may provide that reimbursement to the state shall be obtained from monies which otherwise would be used for the support of the educational programs of the school district which incurred the debt with respect to which a payment under the state's guaranty was made.

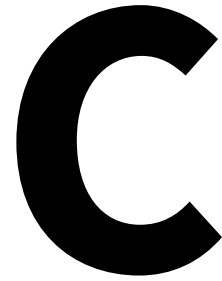
## Section 2. **Submittal to voters.**

The lieutenant governor is directed to submit this proposed amendment to the voters of the state at the next regular general election in the manner provided by law.

## Section 3. **Contingent effective date.**

If the amendment proposed by this joint resolution is approved by a majority of those voting on it at the next regular general election, the amendment shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT



Shall the Utah Constitution be amended to allow a property tax exemption for tangible personal property that is leased by the state or by a county, city, town, school district, or other political subdivision of the state?

## Ballot Title

**FOR**

**AGAINST**

## Legislative Votes

### Utah Senate

26 Yes 0 No 3 Not Present

### Utah House of Representatives

61 Yes 10 No 4 Not Present

## Bill Title & Session

Senate Joint Resolution (S.J.R.) 3

2016 Legislative General Session

## IMPARTIAL ANALYSIS

Constitutional Amendment C modifies a provision of the Utah Constitution relating to property tax exemptions. The Amendment authorizes the creation of a property tax exemption for tangible personal property--such as machinery, office furniture, or equipment--that is leased by the state or by a political subdivision of the state, as the Legislature provides by statute.

### Property Tax on Leased Property Under the Current Utah Constitution

Under the current Utah Constitution, the state does not pay property tax on property the state owns. Likewise, counties, cities, towns, school districts, and other political subdivisions of the state do not pay property tax on property they own. The reason is that under the Utah Constitution, property that is owned by the state or by a political subdivision of the state is exempt from property tax.

The state and political subdivisions of the state do not own all the property they use. Sometimes the state or a political subdivision leases property from a private owner. Because that leased property is owned by a private owner, it is subject to property tax. The property tax exemption for property owned by the state or a political subdivision does not apply because the property is not owned by the state or political subdivision; it is owned by a private owner. The cost of the property tax paid by the private owner is factored into the amount the owner charges the state or political subdivision for the lease of that property. In effect, the state or political subdivision ends up paying some or all of the property tax on that leased property.

### Effect of Constitutional Amendment C

Constitutional Amendment C authorizes the Legislature to provide by statute for a property tax exemption for tangible personal property that is leased by the state or by a political subdivision of the state. The Amendment does not allow for the exemption of all property leased by the state or a political subdivision. It does not allow for the exemption of leased real property, such as land or buildings. The Amendment allows for a property tax exemption only for tangible personal property, such as machinery, office furniture, or equipment, that is leased by the state or a political subdivision. Because the tangible personal property is exempt from property tax "as provided by statute," the Legislature has flexibility to fashion the exemption as it determines best.

### Implementing Legislation

During the 2016 General Session of the Legislature, the Legislature enacted S.B. 68, Property Tax Amendments, which takes effect at the same time as Constitutional Amendment C if the Amendment is approved by voters. S.B. 68 provides

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a property tax exemption for machinery and equipment leased by the state or by a political subdivision of the state. To qualify for the exemption, the machinery or equipment must have an economic life of three years or more and be subject to a lease with a term of one year or more.

## **Effective Date**

If approved by voters, Constitutional Amendment C takes effect January 1, 2017.

## **Fiscal Impact**

Constitutional Amendment C has no fiscal impact on state and local government revenue. The Amendment may result in a reduction in leasing costs for those state or local government entities that lease tangible personal property that becomes exempt from property tax under the Amendment.

Constitutional Amendment C may result in a slight shift in property tax burden as some previously taxable property drops off the property tax rolls because of the property tax exemption allowed under the Amendment. For an owner of a \$250,000 residential home, the shift is estimated to result in an annual property tax increase of \$0.01. For the owner of a \$1,000,000 business, the shift is estimated to result in an annual property tax increase of \$0.05.

## ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

### **Transparency and Accountability:**

This amendment clarifies that a taxing entity that imposes and collects a tax will keep that tax and will use it and be accountable for the purpose for which it was imposed.

### **Currently in the Constitution:**

Currently, the Constitution provides a property tax exemption for State owned property. When the State leases tangible property (truck, server, office equipment for example) from a private owner, there is no property tax exemption. The private owner receives a property tax bill from the county and sends it to the leasing governmental entity for payment. This process launches a shell game with the property tax between governmental entities and costs the State and taxpayers more money.

### **The Current Problem:**

Currently, the property tax revenue on the leased item is distributed to other taxing entities that did not vote to impose the tax. Transparency is clouded and receiving entities benefit without full accountability to the taxpayers and voters for the extra shared revenue they received.

### **School District Example:**

Under current provisions, if a school district signs a long term lease of a copy machine, they are required to pay the annual property tax on that equipment. That tax payment is made to the county. The county then divides the school district's paid tax according to the apportionment formula. The county then sends the tax paid by the school district out to the other taxing entities in the county such as the city, county and special service districts. If a school district pays \$2,000, for example, of taxes they may get \$700 back and the rest is divided up to the other taxing entities that did not impose the tax.

### **What this amendment does:**

This amendment would expand the property tax exemption to include leased tangible properties with life expectancies of at least 3 years. This would treat government leased property the same as all government owned property for the duration of the lease. This also prevents the tax revenue from the leased property from being shared with outside taxing

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entities that did not vote to impose the tax.

## Why this amendment?

- Strengthens transparency and accountability
- Encourages representation with taxation
- Promotes correct fiscal procedures
- Keeps the property tax with the entity that imposes it
- Reduces government spending on leased tangible property

## How does this impact me?

- Gives you greater power to hold taxing entities accountable for tax revenue and votes they make

## What this is all about:

Should a city, county or school district keep the property taxes its elected officials have imposed or should some of its taxes be shared with other taxing entities? When taxes are shared with outside taxing entities there is a lack of transparency and accountability to the voter. That is the heart of this constitutional amendment.

Please vote yes on Amendment (C) to provide clarity, transparency and improve our tax process.

Senator Wayne Harper  
Representative Ken Ivory

## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT IN FAVOR

Those favoring Amendment C misunderstand the property tax process. They say that if a school district leases a copy machine, the school district has to pay property tax. This is factually wrong. The *owner* of the copy machine pays the property tax, not the school district. Whether that business owner passes that property tax on to the school district, absorbs that cost, or passes it on to their other customers is up to the business owner. Current law does not require the business owner to pass the tax on to the school district.

Those favoring Amendment C don't identify what problem they are trying to solve or explain why we need to amend our state Constitution to solve it. In fact, there is no problem with the current way we handle property taxes for individuals and corporations that lease property to the state of Utah. Amendment C simply allows a few owners of personal property in Utah off the hook for paying their fair share of property taxes.

This proposal does not help Utahns. It helps a very small, specific group of business owners get a little more profit out of their contracts with the state of Utah. Our Constitution should only be changed when it is in the best interest of all Utahns, not just a select few.

Vote "no" on Amendment C.

Representative Brian King

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## ARGUMENT AGAINST

Constitutional Amendment C would change Utah's Constitution to exclude certain businesses from being required to pay property tax. It would allow a few companies owning equipment and machinery to keep the property tax money they now have to pay under the Constitution. This proposed Constitutional amendment is unnecessary, unwise, and violates basic principles of good tax policy.

**First, it is unnecessary.** Utah's state Constitution is the document that, along with the U.S. Constitution, governs our state laws. It has been amended at various times in Utah's 120-year history. But it is not something that we have changed unless we have good, important reasons. This amendment to the Constitution would affect only a few businesses which own equipment or machinery they lease to the state of Utah or its subdivisions such as counties, cities, or towns. Is it really a good idea to go to the extreme length of amending the state constitution just so a few for-profit businesses can save tax dollars each year? I don't think so.

**Second, it is unwise.** Each of us pays our fair share of tax dollars so we can all get important services from our government. Our money pays for essential services like educating our children, building and fixing our roads, making sure our air and water are clean, maintaining the beauty of our canyons and parks, paying our firefighters and police officers, and delivering clean water to our homes. We want as many people as possible pushing the wagon up the hill and as few as possible riding in the wagon. I've listened carefully for a good reason why these businesses should be relieved of their fair share of property taxes that other owners of machinery and equipment have to pay. No one has explained to me why these companies should be able to save themselves money and get a break from helping pay for the critical things that make our state run smoothly.

Finally passing this proposal **is not good tax policy.** For years we have heard tax experts say that good tax policy "broadens the base and lowers the rate." What does that mean? It means that, generally, we want more, rather than fewer, people to pay the cost of operating government. We want more people pushing the wagon and fewer people getting a free ride in it. Generally we want more people contributing the money we need to run the state because that is the best way to keep the tax rates for everyone as low as possible.

However, this constitutional proposal takes us away from the broad tax base that calls for everyone to pay a fair share. If it passes, some taxpayers will pay no taxes on income they receive from the lease of equipment to the state government and other taxpayers will have to pay more to make up for that loss. That's bad tax policy.

Vote No on Constitutional Amendment C.

Representative Brian King

## REBUTTAL TO ARGUMENT AGAINST

The opposition response has three errors in it.

### Erroneous Claim 1

The opposition to Amendment C asserts that it will unfairly advantage a select few businesses. This is not true. The businesses that lease property to a city or county are not the ones paying property tax as things currently stand. When a city or county leases equipment they pay the property tax, not the business. When the lease ends, the owner of the property resumes payment of the property tax.

### Erroneous Claim 2

The opposition claims there will be a large tax burden imposed on the taxpayers. As shown in the fiscal impact analysis, the impact on the general public will be negligible.



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## Erroneous Claim 3

Also worth noting is the blatantly incorrect claim that this amendment will exempt business owners who lease property to the state from paying taxes on income from the leased property. This amendment has nothing to do with income tax. Property owners will still pay income tax.

## Transparency & Accountability

Under the constitution, we are currently forcing some taxing entities to pay property taxes which are then distributed to other taxing entities.

This amendment enhances transparency, simplicity and the voice of the taxpayer by keeping all collected taxes within the taxing entity so citizens are able to hold the entity responsible. Presently, there is a shell game occurring where the taxes are shuffled between agencies and different taxing entities – this Amendment will end the shell game. This amendment promotes transparency, simplicity, and government accountability.

Senator Wayne Harper  
Representative Ken Ivory

## FULL TEXT OF CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT C

### PROPOSAL TO AMEND UTAH CONSTITUTION -- PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS

2016 GENERAL SESSION

#### Utah Constitution Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

#### ARTICLE XIII, SECTION 3

*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, two-thirds of all members elected to each of the two houses voting in favor thereof:*

Section 1. It is proposed to amend Utah Constitution, Article XIII, Section 3, to read:

#### **Article XIII, Section 3. [Property tax exemptions.]**

(1) The following are exempt from property tax:

- (a) property owned by the State;
- (b) property owned by a public library;
- (c) property owned by a school district;
- (d) property owned by a political subdivision of the State, other than a school district, and located within the political subdivision;
- (e) property owned by a political subdivision of the State, other than a school district, and located outside the political subdivision unless the Legislature by statute authorizes the property tax on that property;
- (f) property owned by a nonprofit entity used exclusively for religious, charitable, or educational purposes;
- (g) places of burial not held or used for private or corporate benefit;
- (h) farm equipment and farm machinery as defined by statute;
- (i) water rights, reservoirs, pumping plants, ditches, canals, pipes, flumes, power plants, and transmission lines to the extent owned and used by an individual or corporation to irrigate land that is:
  - (i) within the State; and
  - (ii) owned by the individual or corporation, or by an individual member of the corporation; and
  - (j) (i) if owned by a nonprofit entity and used within the State to irrigate land, provide domestic water, as defined by statute, or provide water to a public water supplier:
    - (A) water rights; and
    - (B) reservoirs, pumping plants, ditches, canals, pipes, flumes, and, as defined by statute, other water infrastructure;
  - (ii) land occupied by a reservoir, ditch, canal, or pipe that is exempt under Subsection (1)(j)(i)(B) if the land is owned by the nonprofit entity that owns the reservoir, ditch, canal, or pipe; and
  - (iii) land immediately adjacent to a reservoir, ditch, canal, or pipe that is exempt under Subsection (1)(j)(i)(B) if the land is:

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(A) owned by the nonprofit entity that owns the adjacent reservoir, ditch, canal, or pipe; and  
(B) reasonably necessary for the maintenance or for otherwise supporting the operation of the reservoir, ditch, canal, or pipe.

(2) (a) The Legislature may by statute exempt the following from property tax:

(i) tangible personal property constituting inventory present in the State on January 1 and held for sale in the ordinary course of business;

(ii) tangible personal property present in the State on January 1 and held for sale or processing and shipped to a final destination outside the State within 12 months;

(iii) subject to Subsection (2)(b), property to the extent used to generate and deliver electrical power for pumping water to irrigate lands in the State;

(iv) up to 45% of the fair market value of residential property, as defined by statute;

(v) household furnishings, furniture, and equipment used exclusively by the owner of that property in maintaining the owner's home; and

(vi) tangible personal property that, if subject to property tax, would generate an inconsequential amount of revenue.

(b) The exemption under Subsection (2)(a)(iii) shall accrue to the benefit of the users of pumped water as provided by statute.

(3) The following may be exempted from property tax as provided by statute:

(a) property owned by a disabled person who, during military training or a military conflict, was disabled in the line of duty in the military service of the United States or the State;

(b) property owned by the unmarried surviving spouse or the minor orphan of a person who:

(i) is described in Subsection (3)(a); or

(ii) during military training or a military conflict, was killed in action or died in the line of duty in the military service of the United States or the State; ~~and~~

(c) real property owned by a person in the military or the person's spouse, or both, and used as the person's primary residence, if the person serves under an order to federal active duty out of state for at least 200 days in a calendar year or 200 consecutive days[:]; and

(d) tangible personal property leased by the State or by a political subdivision of the State.

(4) The Legislature may by statute provide for the remission or abatement of the taxes of the poor.

## Section 2. **Submittal to voters.**

The lieutenant governor is directed to submit this proposed amendment to the voters of the state at the next regular general election in the manner provided by law.

## Section 3. **Contingent effective date.**

If the amendment proposed by this joint resolution is approved by a majority of those voting on it at the next regular general election, the amendment shall take effect on January 1, 2017.

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## JUDGES

### How does Utah choose its judges?

The Utah Constitution states: “Selection of judges shall be based solely upon consideration of fitness for office without regard to any partisan political consideration.” To fulfill this mandate, Utah selects its state court judges through a process called Merit Selection.

Merit Selection involves four steps: 1) nomination; 2) appointment; 3) confirmation; and 4) retention election. A committee of lawyers and non-lawyers selected by the Governor reviews judicial applications, conducts interviews, and then nominates the five best-qualified applicants for each trial court judgeship and the seven best-qualified applicants for each appellate court judgeship. The Governor then interviews all nominees and appoints one, who must then be confirmed by a majority of the Utah State Senate.

After confirmation, the new judge’s name appears on the ballot for a “yes” or “no” retention vote by the public in the first general election held more than 3 years after the appointment is complete. A simple majority of “yes” votes earns the judge another term in office. Supreme Court justices serve 10 year terms; all other judges serve six-year terms.

Why does Utah use Merit Selection? This method of selecting judges is widely considered the best way to balance the need for judges to be accountable to the public with the equally important need for the judiciary to function independently. Judges serve the public and should answer to the public. That’s why Utah has retention elections – to give every citizen the right to weigh in on judges. Of equal importance, though, every judge must resolve disputes impartially and make decisions based only on the facts and the law. To do so, judges must be insulated from public pressure and politics. That’s why all judicial candidates are non-partisan and why Utah does not have contested elections for judgeships.

### What exactly are judicial retention elections?

The Utah Constitution requires that all judges run in a retention election at the end of each term of office. In that election, the public votes “yes” or “no” on whether each judge should be retained for another term of office. A simple majority carries the day.

The retention election helps keep judges independent by insulating them from partisan politics. At the same time, by allowing every voter to weigh in, the election process ensures that judges remain accountable to the public. To cast an informed vote, the public can first read about the judges either in the Voter Information Pamphlet or online at [judges.utah.gov](http://judges.utah.gov) or [vote.utah.gov](http://vote.utah.gov).

## How does Utah evaluate its judges?

The Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission is an independent, 13-member group of lawyers and non-lawyers. Each of the three branches of government appoints an equal number of its members.

The Commission must by law evaluate all judges twice during their terms of office. The first evaluation gives the judges the opportunity for self-improvement. The second evaluation gives the public information to use in casting their votes. As part of the second evaluation, the Commission votes on whether or not to recommend the judge for another term in office. Sometimes, the votes will not total 13. This happens when a commissioner does not vote because of personal or professional relationships with a judge that could affect an unbiased evaluation or when a commissioner is absent from the meeting at which the vote is taken.

The evaluation includes several elements. Online surveys are sent to attorneys, court staff, and jurors. In addition, trained courtroom observers spend a minimum of two hours in each judge's courtroom and submit written narrative reports of their observations on each judge. Each judge must also meet ethical standards as well as court standards for judicial education, timeliness, and fitness to serve. Finally, the commission considers comments submitted to [judges.utah.gov](http://judges.utah.gov) from members of the public who have first-hand experience with a judge. The commission considers all this information, and then each commissioner casts a vote either for or against recommending the judge for another term of office.

By law, judges have the right to see the results of their evaluation before making the decision to run for another term of office in a judicial retention election. If the judge chooses to run for retention election, the report on the judge is made available to the public in the Voter Information Pamphlet and online at [judges.utah.gov](http://judges.utah.gov). If the judge chooses not to run for retention election, the evaluation is, by law, a protected record. If a judge opts to retire before an evaluation is complete, the evaluation is not completed for a judge.

## What are the criteria for evaluating the judges?

The statute governing judicial surveys requires questions about:

### 1. Legal Ability, including:

- demonstration of understanding of the substantive law and any relevant rules of procedure and evidence;
- attentiveness to factual and legal issues before the court;
- adherence to precedent and ability to clearly explain departures from precedent;
- grasp of the practical impact on the parties of the judge's rulings, including the effect of delay and increased litigation expense;
- ability to write clear judicial opinions; and
- ability to clearly explain the legal basis for judicial opinions; and

### 2. Judicial Temperament & Integrity, including:

- demonstration of courtesy toward attorneys, court staff, and others in the judge's court;
- maintenance of decorum in the courtroom;
- demonstration of judicial demeanor and personal attributes that promote public trust and confidence in the judicial system;
- preparedness for oral argument;
- avoidance of impropriety or the appearance of impropriety;
- display of fairness and impartiality toward all parties; and
- ability to clearly communicate, including the ability to explain the basis for written rulings, court procedures, and decisions; and

### 3. Administrative Performance, including:

- management of workload;
- sharing proportionally the workload within the court or district; and
- issuance of opinions and orders without unnecessary delay.

## What does it take to “pass” a judicial evaluation?

1. The judge must earn an average score of 3.6 or higher on a scale of 1 to 5 (or no less than 65%) on each survey category (Legal Ability, Judicial Temperament & Integrity, and Administrative Skills);
2. The judge must demonstrate by a preponderance of the evidence, based on courtroom observations and relevant survey responses, that the judge’s conduct in court promotes procedural fairness for court participants;
3. The judge must have no more than one public reprimand issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during the judge’s current term; and
4. The judge must meet all performance standards established by the Judicial Council, including:
  - annual judicial education hourly requirement;
  - case-under-advisement standard; and
  - physical and mental competence to hold office.

If a judge meets all of these standards, it is presumed that the Commission will recommend that the voters retain the judge for another term of office. If the judge fails to meet the standards, it is presumed that the Commission will not recommend retention. If the Commission does not go along with a presumption or chooses to make no retention recommendation at all, it must explain in detail the reasons for its action.

## What about justice court judges?

Justice court judges are selected through a merit selection process roughly similar to state court judges, except that the appointing authority is the municipality or county rather than the governor. Justice court judges serve six-year terms of office and stand for retention elections like state court judges.

Justice courts vary widely in terms of case loads and the numbers of attorneys appearing in the court. Based on this variation, there are three levels of evaluations to which a justice court judge may be subject.

- Full evaluation: These justice court judges are subject to the same standards and evaluation measures as state court judges. Fifty-two justice court judges received a full evaluation in 2016.
- Mid-level evaluation: These justice court judges receive an intercept evaluation survey of court users and must meet judicial discipline standards and performance standards established by the Judicial Council. There are no mid-level justice court judges in 2016.
- Basic evaluation: These justice court judges must meet the judicial discipline standards and performance standards established by the Judicial Council. Forty-six justice court judges received a basic evaluation in 2016.

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## Honorable Brian G. Cannell

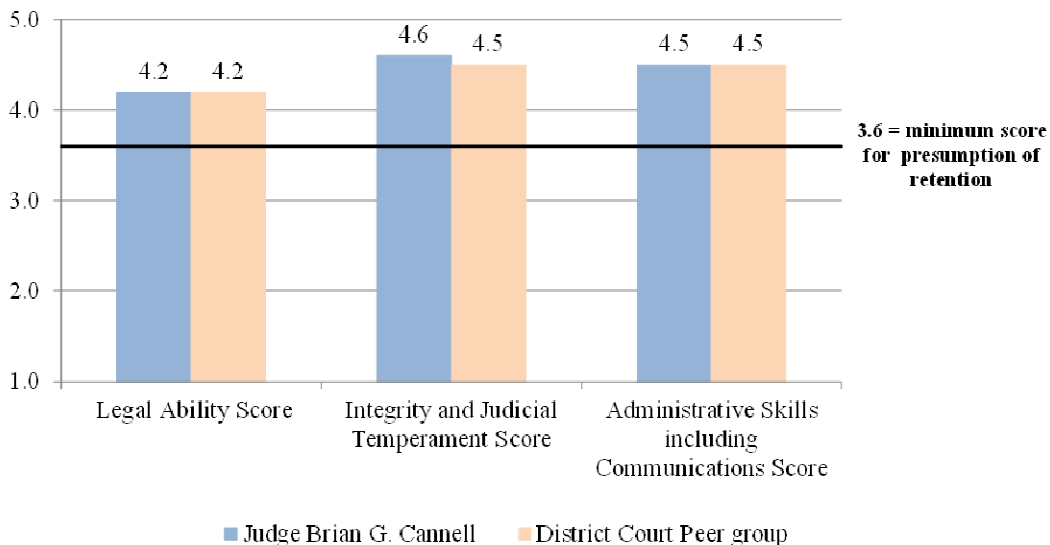
- Serving **Box Elder, Cache, & Rich Counties**
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2013, Judge Brian Cannell is a relatively new judge who scores on average with his district court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents describe him as a careful and fair judge who listens closely and treats those appearing before him with courtesy and respect. They view him as considerate and polite. Courtroom observers note that Judge Cannell runs a well-organized courtroom. They characterize him as calm, professional, confident and decisive, with an empathetic demeanor that fosters a non-threatening atmosphere. Nearly all courtroom observers report they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 93% recommend that Judge Cannell be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Cannell has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Brian G. Cannell was appointed to the First District Court by Governor Herbert in 2013. Judge Cannell graduated from Utah State University and earned his law degree from the University of Houston Law Center, both with honors. Until his appointment, he maintained a civil law practice with Hillyard, Anderson and Olsen. Judge Cannell taught Mass Media Law at USU and has served as president of both the Cache County Bar Association and Estate Planning Council of Northern Utah. Judge Cannell currently serves on the pro-bono committee, helping provide access to the courts and legal services for the indigent. He also presides over the Box Elder County Mental Health Court.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable Kevin R. Christensen

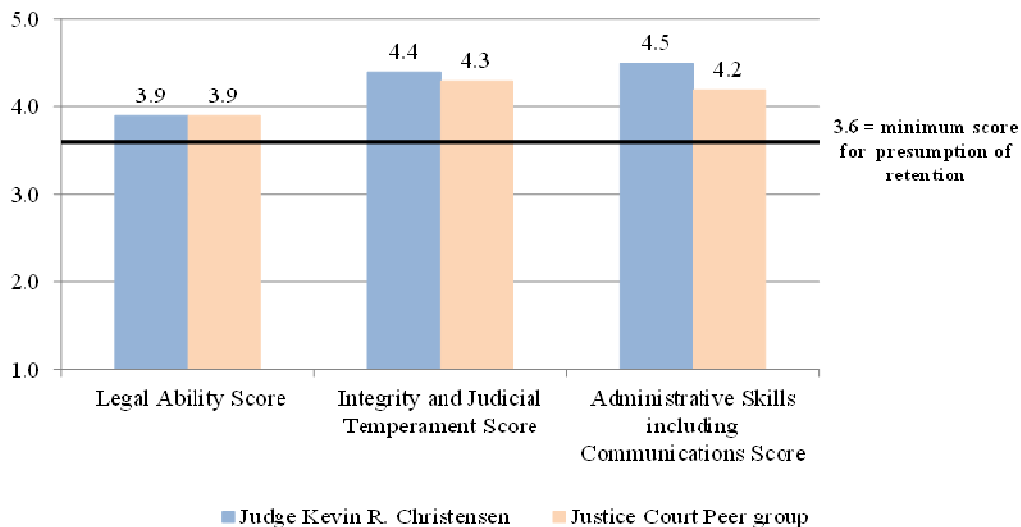
- Serving **Garland Municipal, Tremonton Municipal, Willard Municipal, & Box Elder County Justice Courts**
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 1996, Judge Kevin Christensen scores consistent with the average of his justice court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents describe him as a fair and impartial judge who gives people a full opportunity to speak, listens carefully, and treats people well. From a list, respondents choose 92% positive adjectives to describe him, emphasizing his consistency, legal knowledge, and polite manner. Courtroom observers all feel they would receive a fair hearing from him. They emphasize his excellent judicial demeanor and his apparent concern for the future of each defendant appearing before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 91% recommend that Judge Christensen be retained. As required by statute, the Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission notes that Judge Christensen received a censure from the Utah Supreme Court in 2013 for allowing his justice court salary to exceed a statutory cap. He has since paid back the excess, and the commission is satisfied with the outcome. The commission believes the matter should have no influence on the retention decision.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Christensen has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Kevin R. Christensen was appointed to the Box Elder County Justice Court in May 1996. He serves Box Elder County, Tremonton City, Brigham City, Garland City, and Willard City. Judge Christensen is a graduate of Weber State University and the Gonzaga University School of Law. He was in private practice before being appointed to the bench. In addition to his judicial and family duties, Judge Christensen often speaks to various youth and civic groups about the structure and function of the court system. In 2006, Judge Christensen received the Scott M. Matheson Award for outstanding service to law-related education.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Trevor Layne Cook

- Serving **Nibley** Municipal Justice Court, Cache County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Cook met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Cook.

Appointed to the justice court bench in 2012, Judge Trevor L. Cook serves Nibley City and Mendon City. Judge Cook graduated from Utah State University with a B.S. in management and human resources and earned a law degree from Texas Southern University. He is currently a partner at the law firm of Ericson & Shaw. Judge Cook serves on various law-related committees within Cache County.



## Honorable Evan B. Hall

- Serving **Lewiston** Municipal Justice Court, Cache County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Hall met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

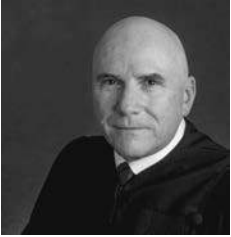
Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Hall.

Judge Evan B. Hall was appointed to the Lewiston Justice Court in January 1992. He received a bachelor's degree from Utah State University in Business Administration and Business Education in 1967. Judge Hall was a school teacher and coach in the Cache County School District for 31 years and has served in a variety of community leadership positions.



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## Honorable Paul K. Larsen

- Serving **Hyrum** Municipal Justice Court, Cache County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Larsen met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Larsen.

Judge Paul K. Larsen was appointed to the Hyrum City Municipal Justice Court in 2012. He had earlier served for 10 years as the Smithfield City justice court judge. He graduated from Utah State University and earned a law degree from Western State University College of Law of San Diego. Judge Larsen served for three years as Director and Education Officer for the Utah Justice Court Association for the First Judicial District. He served five years on the Logan City Planning Commission and serves as Administrative Hearing Examiner for Logan City and as Appeal Authority for Smithfield and Hyrum cities. He enjoys educating civic groups and students about the legal system from a judge's perspective.



## Honorable David C. Marx

- Serving **Hyde Park & North Logan** Municipal Justice Courts, Cache County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Marx met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Marx.

Judge David C. Marx was appointed to the bench in 1997. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Utah State University, a law degree from Concord Law School, and is a graduate of the Utah Legal Institute. Judge Marx has served as the education director for justice courts for the First Judicial District. He has also served on the Justice Court Board since 2000, including two terms as Board chair. He currently serves on the Judicial Council and as a member of the Judicial Council's Management Committee. Judge Marx received the Justice Court Service Award in 2007, the Quality of Justice Award in 2008, and the Judge of the Year Award in 2013.

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## Honorable Terry Moore

- Serving **Smithfield & Wellsville** Municipal Justice Courts, Cache County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Moore met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Moore.

Judge Terry Moore has served on the Smithfield Justice Court since 1990 and on the Wellsville Justice Court from 1994 to the present, with a two-year hiatus. Judge Moore served for nine years in the U.S. Air Force and then returned to college, graduating with a B.S. degree in Finance from the University of Utah. He has attended the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada. Judge Moore regularly makes presentations to high school and civic groups about the court system and justice court procedures.



## Honorable Kevin L. Nelson

- Serving **Mantua** Municipal Justice Court, Box Elder County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Nelson met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Nelson.

Judge Kevin L. Nelson, a computer science graduate of Weber State University, has served the Mantua Justice Court since 1992. He attended the National Judicial College and earned a Certificate in Legal Studies from the Legal Institute for Justice Court Judges. Judge Nelson has served on the Judicial Council and the Board of Justice Court Judges. In 2002, he received the judiciary's Quality of Justice Award. In committee work with the courts, Judge Nelson has enjoyed focusing on improving the judicial process through the use of technology.

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## Honorable Michael G. Allphin

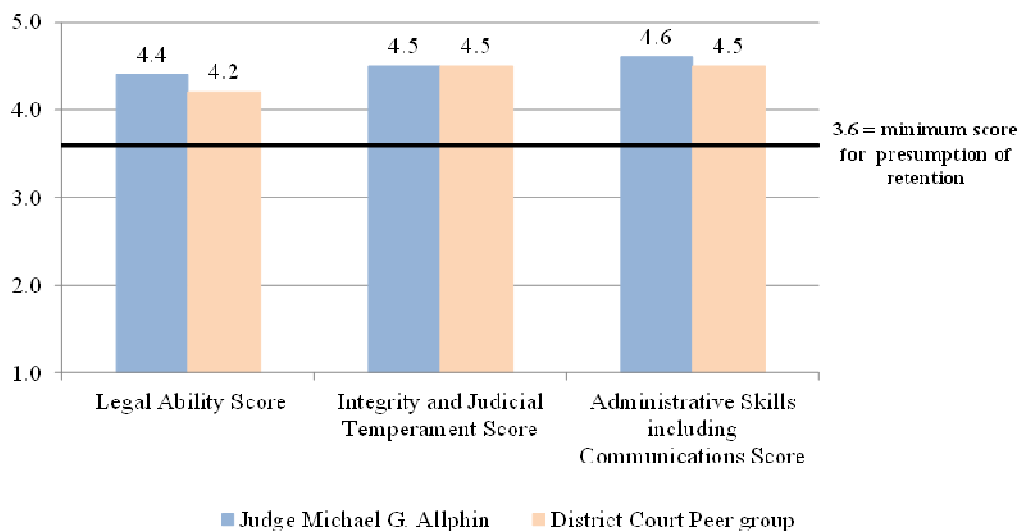
- Serving **Davis, Morgan, & Weber** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Judge Michael Allphin is an experienced judge who scores consistent with the average of his district court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents choose 92% positive adjectives from a list to describe him, frequently characterizing him as attentive, intelligent, and knowledgeable. Survey respondents and courtroom observers agree that Judge Allphin demonstrates efficiency and good preparation, and that he respects attorney input from both sides. As a group, however, courtroom observers are mixed in their evaluations of Judge Allphin. While acknowledging that Judge Allphin gives participants the opportunity to speak, most observers report that the judge's impersonal and somewhat intimidating demeanor seems to discourage people from actually speaking up. Several observers expressed discomfort at the prospect of appearing before him. Nonetheless, Judge Allphin enjoyed strong support from survey respondents, with 97% of those answering the retention question recommending that he be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Allphin has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

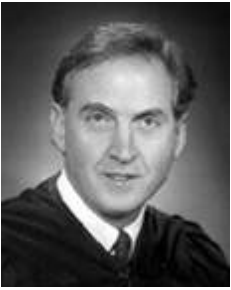
Judge Michael G. Allphin was appointed by Gov. Michael O. Leavitt to the Second District Court in 1995. Judge Allphin earned his law degree from the University of the Pacific, McGeorge School of Law and thereafter practiced law with the firm of Boyack, Allphin & Hansen. From 1988-89, he served as the State District Court Administrator, guiding the District Court transition from county-operated to state-operated courts. In 1989, he was appointed as a District Court Commissioner and later served as chair of the Executive Committee of Court Commissioners. Judge Allphin served as a member of the Board of District Court Judges and also as chair of that board. In addition, he has served as Associate Presiding Judge and Presiding Judge of the Second District Court.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Glen R. Dawson

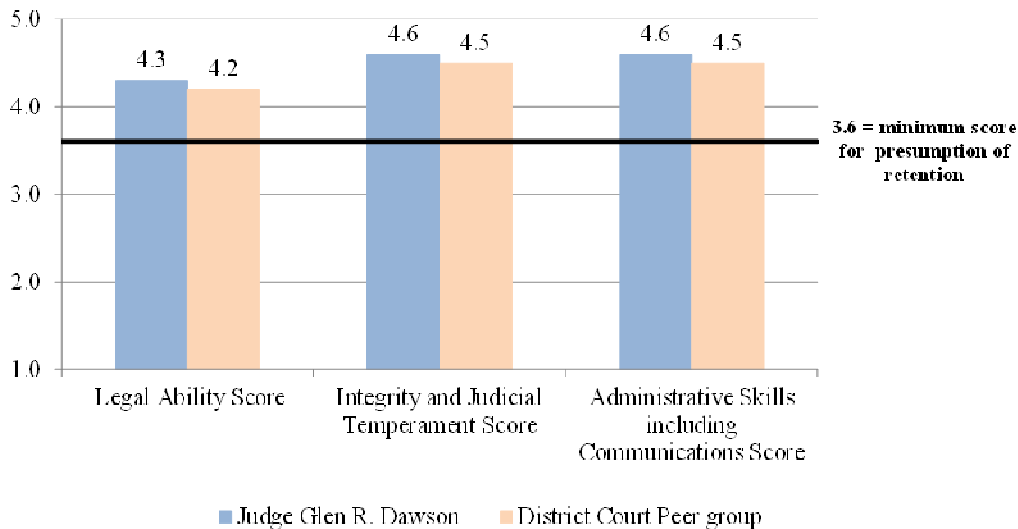
- Serving **Davis, Morgan, & Weber** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

With more than 20 years on the bench, Judge Glen Dawson scores consistent with the average of his district court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents particularly praise his admirable professionalism. They describe Judge Dawson's patient demeanor that creates a welcoming and respectful courtroom atmosphere and puts people at ease. Respondents also report that Judge Dawson is a competent, hardworking judge who takes care to ensure he fully understands the positions of those appearing before him. Courtroom observers, all generally positive, note Judge Dawson's careful concern for defendants' individual circumstances, his good listening skills, and the non-threatening tone he establishes in his courtroom. Observers report they believe Judge Dawson would treat them fairly if they appeared before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 92% recommend that Judge Dawson be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Dawson has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Glen R. Dawson was appointed to the Second District Court in 1994 by Gov. Michael O. Leavitt. He received his law degree from Brigham Young University in 1980 and then served in Washington, D.C. as a trial attorney with the U. S. Department of Justice until 1986. Thereafter, he served in Utah as an Assistant U.S. Attorney until his appointment to the bench. Judge Dawson currently serves as the Mental Health Court Judge for Davis County and is a member of the Utah State Bar Litigation Section Executive Committee. He also works as an Adjunct Professor of Law at the University of Utah in the Trial Advocacy Department and as an Adjunct Professor at Weber State University in Criminal Justice.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Ernest W. Jones

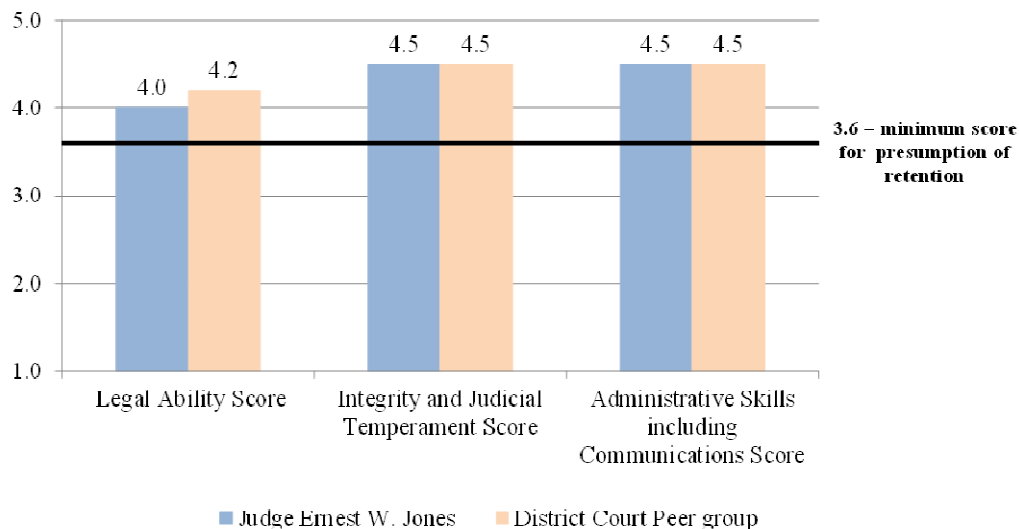
- Serving **Davis, Morgan, & Weber** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 2000, Judge Ernest Jones scores consistent with the average of his district court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents describe him as calm, considerate and polite. Most respondents and all observers view Judge Jones as fair and impartial, although some survey respondents criticize him for substituting his personal legal views for the letter of the law and court rules. Both observers and respondents agree that Judge Jones projects a pleasant demeanor and that he consistently and patiently explains his decisions to courtroom participants. Observers all report they would feel comfortable appearing before him in court. Of 66 survey respondents answering the retention question, 59 (89%) recommend that Judge Jones be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Jones has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Ernest W. Jones was appointed to the Second District Court by Gov. Michael O. Leavitt in 2000. He earned his law degree from the University of Utah College of Law in 1974. He has served as the Clinton City attorney, worked at the Utah Attorney General's Office, the Weber County Attorney's Office, and the law firm of Olmstead, Stine and Campbell. From 1980-2000, while practicing law at the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office, he received the Most Valuable Prosecutor Award and Salt Lake County Employee of the Year award. Judge Jones is LTC (Ret.), Staff Judge Advocate, U.S. Army Reserves. Judge Jones serves as a Drug Court judge in Weber County and is a member of the Board of District Court Judges.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Andrea W. Lockwood

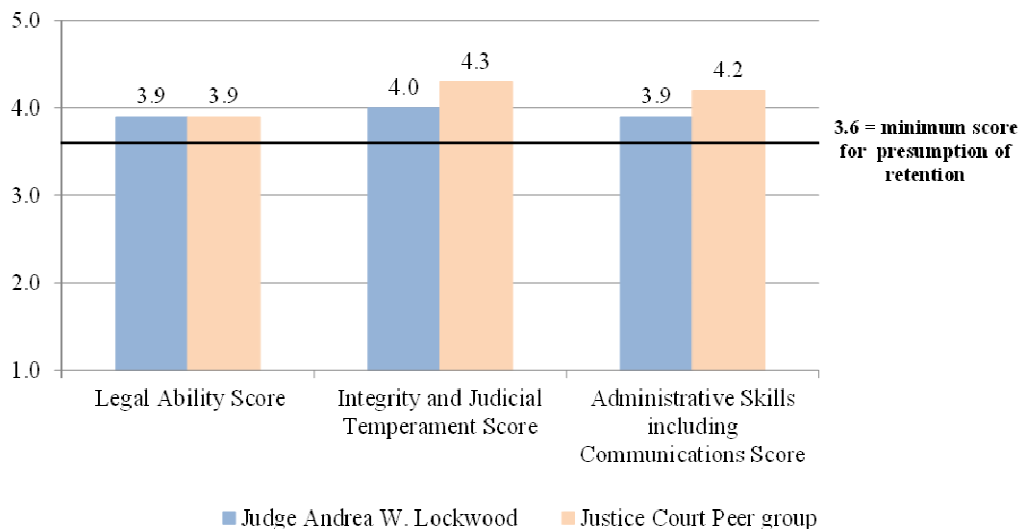
- Serving **Ogden Municipal Justice Court**, Weber County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 2006, Judge Andrea Lockwood's survey scores are consistent with the average of her justice court peers in all categories. Many respondents view her as knowledgeable and consistent; some describe her as dismissive and impatient. Some respondents report that her interactions with courtroom participants are not always constructive. Courtroom observers, in contrast, are consistently positive. All report they would feel comfortable appearing before her. They observe a no-nonsense, non-threatening, and professional demeanor and emphasize Judge Lockwood's particular interest in hearing directly from the people appearing before her. Of 39 survey respondents answering the retention question, 28 (72%) recommend that Judge Lockwood be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Lockwood has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Andrea W. Lockwood was appointed to the Ogden Justice Court in 2006. She earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from Weber State University in 1974 and a Juris Doctorate degree from the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University in 1979. Prior to joining the bench, Judge Lockwood worked in the Ogden City Attorney's Office for 27 years, serving the last four years as the Chief Deputy City Attorney. Judge Lockwood currently serves as the Education Director for the Second Judicial District and has served on various state-wide committees for the judiciary. In 2015, Judge Lockwood received the Justice Court Service Award from the Board of Justice Court Judges, and the Quality of Justice Award from the Utah Judicial Council.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable R. Scott Waterfall

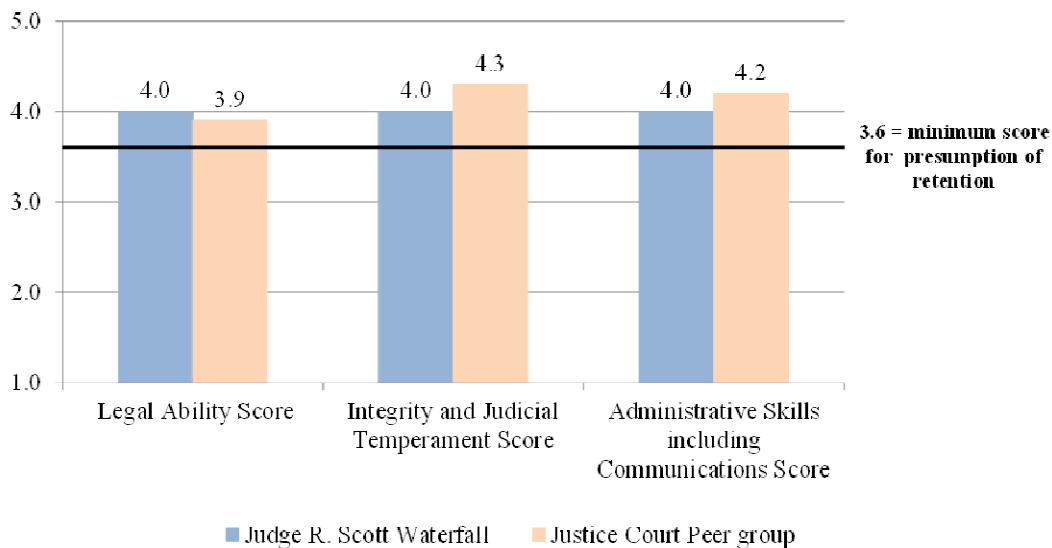
- Serving **Roy** Municipal Justice Court, Weber County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

An experienced judge, Judge Scott Waterfall scores consistent with the average of his justice court peers in all survey categories. Respondents generally agree that Judge Waterfall is intelligent, knows the law, and projects confidence. Some, however, view him as disrespectful for flippant comments and a dismissive attitude towards attorneys, court staff, and other courtroom participants. In contrast, all courtroom observers praise Judge Waterfall, noting his professional demeanor, engaged approach, and excellent communication skills. All observers report that they would feel comfortable appearing before him in court. Of 27 survey respondents answering the retention question, 18 (67%) recommend retention for Judge Waterfall.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Waterfall has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Scott Waterfall was appointed to the South Ogden Justice Court in 1992 and the Roy Justice Court in 2003. After earning bachelors and masters degrees from Weber State University, he earned a law degree from Brigham Young University. A member of the Utah State and Weber County Bar Associations and the Utah Association of Justice, Judge Waterfall worked as an attorney in private law practice for many years. He has taught at Weber State University and authored law-related articles published in national and local media. Judge Waterfall has served on the Board of Justice Court Judges and as Chair of the Second Judicial District Education Committee.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable James L. Beesley

- Serving **Plain City** Municipal Justice Court, Weber County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Beesley met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Beesley.

Judge James L. Beesley was appointed to the Plain City Justice Court in July 1988. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Beesley was a member of the City Council for Plain City and served in the Utah National Guard Special Forces unit as an army medic. He is currently the treasurer for the Utah Justice Courts Association and a member of the Utah Bail Committee.



## Honorable Patrick E. Lambert

- Serving **Farr West, North Ogden, Pleasant View, Uintah, & Washington Terrace** Municipal Justice Courts, Weber County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Lambert met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Lambert.

Judge Patrick E. Lambert was appointed to the bench in July, 1982. He serves the justice courts of Farr West, North Ogden, Pleasant View, Uintah/Huntsville, and Washington Terrace/Marriott-Slaterville. He received a Bachelor of Science from Weber State University in Sociology. Judge Lambert retired from State government after 32 years of service. He spent nine years with the Department of Corrections and 23 years as an administrator for the Division of Youth Corrections. Judge Lambert is a former president of the Utah Correction Association. He is also a former board member for the Commission on Criminal Juvenile Justice/ Board on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention.



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## Honorable David L. Miller

- Serving **Centerville & North Salt Lake** Municipal Justice Courts, Davis County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 11-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Miller met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Miller.

Judge David L. Miller was appointed to the Centerville City Justice Court in 1996. He currently serves there and in the City of North Salt Lake. Judge Miller previously worked as a Special Assistant United States Attorney. Since 1999 he has served as a Chapter 7 trustee for the U.S. Bankruptcy Court. Judge Miller graduated with honors from both Weber State University and the J. Reuben Clark School of Law at Brigham Young University. He subsequently earned a Master of Law (taxation) degree from Golden Gate University. Judge Miller has served as the Justice Court Education Director for the Second Judicial District, and on the Board of Justice Court judges.



## Honorable Reuben John Renstrom

- Serving **South Weber** Municipal Justice Court, Davis County & **South Ogden** Municipal Justice Court, Weber County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Renstrom met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Renstrom.

Judge Reuben J. Renstrom, appointed to the South Ogden Justice Court in February 2006, has since been appointed to four additional courts in Davis and Weber counties. After receiving a bachelor's degree from Weber State University, he earned a law degree from the University of Kansas. He maintained a general litigation practice prior to becoming a judge and has served as an adjunct professor in the Criminal Justice Department at Weber State University. Judge Renstrom served on the Utah Supreme Court Advisory Committee on the Rules of Civil Procedure, the Technology Committee, and as education director for the Justice Courts in the Second Judicial District. His peers elected him to the Board of Justice Court Judges in 2011, where he currently serves as chair.

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## Honorable James T. Blanch

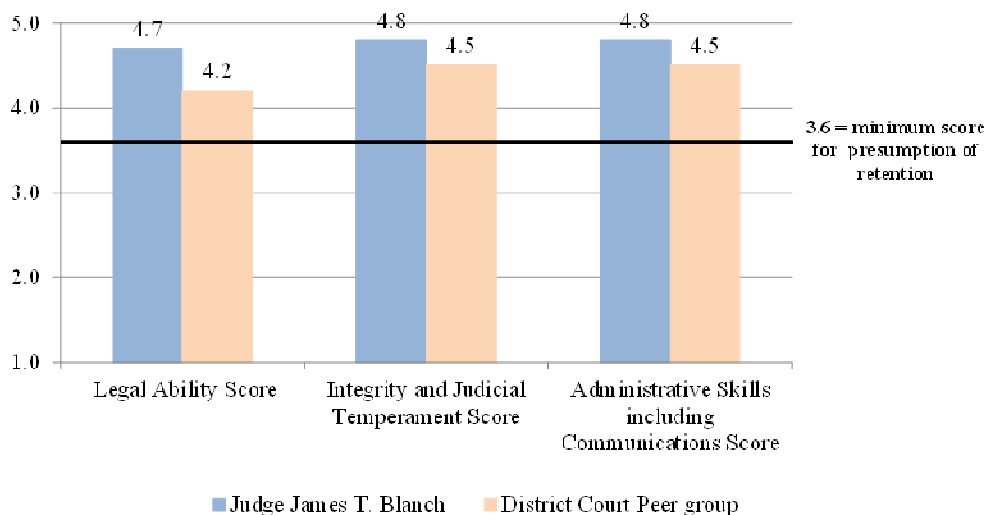
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2012, Judge James Blanch receives outstanding evaluations from survey respondents. He scores well above the average of his district court peers in all survey categories, particularly in legal ability. Many describe Judge Blanch as one of the best judges before whom they've appeared. Respondents note that his demeanor, intelligence, and preparation combine to provide attorneys and litigants with well-reasoned, fair, and understandable decisions and outcomes. One hundred percent (100%) of the adjectives selected by respondents to describe him are positive. Courtroom observers are also enthusiastically positive about Judge Blanch. They note that he is both efficient and patient, that he listens intently, and that he treats all court participants fairly and respectfully, regardless of appearance or background. Notably, all 95 respondents (100%) answering the retention question recommend retention for Judge Blanch.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Blanch has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge James T. Blanch was appointed to the Third District Court in 2012 by Governor Gary Herbert. Judge Blanch earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Virginia in 1990 and graduated cum laude from Harvard Law School in 1993. Prior to his appointment, he maintained a civil litigation practice with Parsons Behle & Latimer. He now handles a primarily criminal calendar, including the Alternative Substance Addiction Program specialty court, which he helped establish. Judge Blanch has taught at the University of Utah College of Law. He chairs the Committee on the Model Utah Criminal Jury Instructions, is a long-standing member of the Utah Supreme Court Advisory Committee on the Rules of Civil Procedure, and is a member of the Utah Pro Bono Commission.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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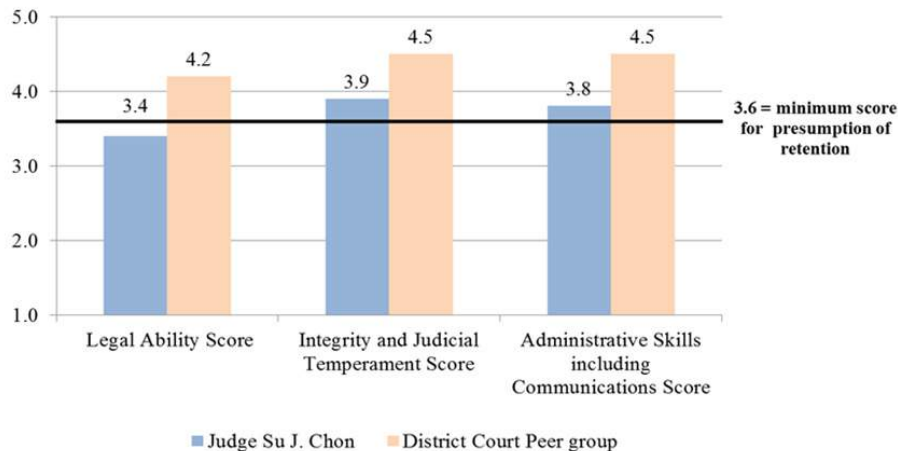
## Honorable Su J. Chon

- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **DO NOT RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 7-2 (against retention)

Appointed in 2012, Judge Su Chon fails to meet the minimum performance standard for legal ability and scores well below the average of her district court peers in all other survey categories. Survey respondents focus on her perceived weakness in following legal precedent, lack of meaningful legal analysis in written decisions, and slow decision-making. Some respondents view Judge Chon as a hard worker, noting her improvement over time. Others find her indecisive and unsure of her legal rulings, particularly in civil cases. Courtroom observers are more favorable but still mixed in their perceptions of Judge Chon. They commend her for attentive listening skills and the equal treatment of those appearing before her. Some see her as a no-nonsense professional who runs an efficient courtroom, while others perceive her as emotionally detached and somewhat intimidating. Half of the courtroom observers report they would feel comfortable appearing before her. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 63% recommend that Judge Chon be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Chon has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Su J. Chon was appointed to the Third District Court in August 2012 by Governor Gary Herbert. She graduated from BYU with a Bachelors of Arts in 1991 and a Juris Doctorate in 1994. Judge Chon has worked in small and medium law firms and served as a Property Rights Ombudsman for the State of Utah. Judge Chon received the Utah State Bar's 2005 Pro Bono Lawyer of the Year Award and the 2008 Raymond S. Uno Award. She is a member of the American Bar Association and National Association of Women Judges. She serves on the Court's Language Access and Community Relations committees and is the co-chair of the Utah Bar's Modest Means Committee.



### Statement from Judge Su J. Chon:

Governor Herbert appointed me in 2012, and the majority of those reviewing me voted to retain. I ask you to retain me.

I feel fortunate to have been welcomed into this country as a child. My grandfathers were tortured and mistreated because North Korea refused to uphold the law – this drives the person and judge I am today. My family's experiences inspire me to carefully and fairly apply the rule of law. I respect the process, and I work hard. My rulings have not been overturned on appeal. Thank you for your support.

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## Honorable Robert P. Faust

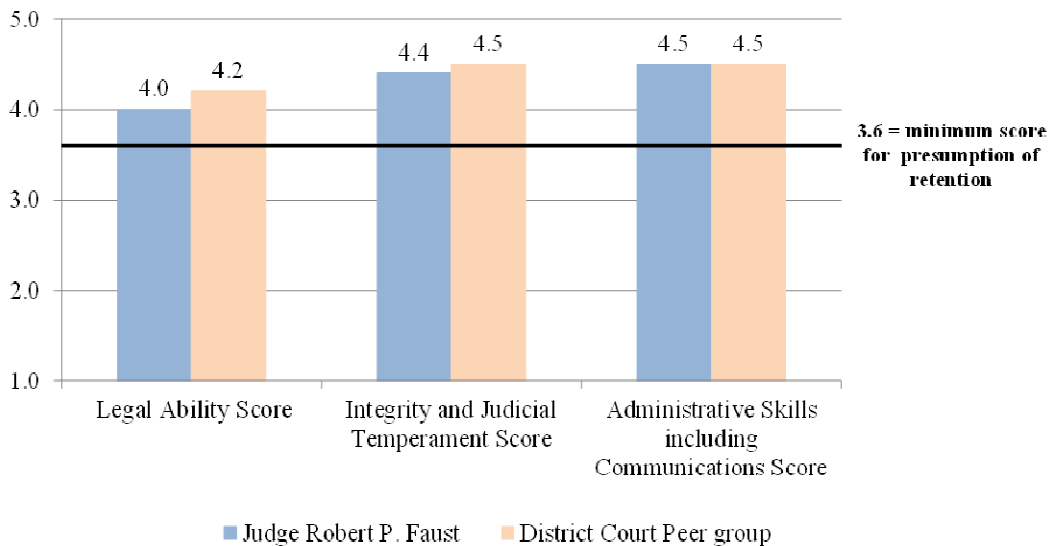
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2007, Judge Robert Faust receives mixed assessments from survey respondents while scoring consistent with the average of his district court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents and courtroom observers report that Judge Faust runs an efficient courtroom and is courteous to those appearing before him. Some survey respondents, however, fault him for poor case preparation and questionable legal reasoning. Some perceive that his personal life or beliefs affect his judicial performance. Courtroom observers report that Judge Faust is an attentive listener, allows adequate time for courtroom participants to speak, and seems engaged with each case. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 79% recommend that Judge Faust be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Faust has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Robert P. Faust was appointed in 2007 by Gov. Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. After graduating from the J. Reuben Clark College of Law in 1982, he maintained a diverse litigation practice at Nielsen & Senior. After 1996, Judge Faust practiced law for the U.S. Postal Service and served as a Special Assistant U.S. Attorney. He served on the Utah Supreme Court Ethics & Discipline Committee and the Task Force on Bar Governance Committee and was President of the Federal Bar Association. Judge Faust was a member of the Federal Bar Foundation, American Trial Lawyers Association, American Bar Association Litigation Section, and the Utah State Bar Litigation Section. Judge Faust now serves as a Utah judicial delegate to the American Bar Association.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Mark S. Kouris

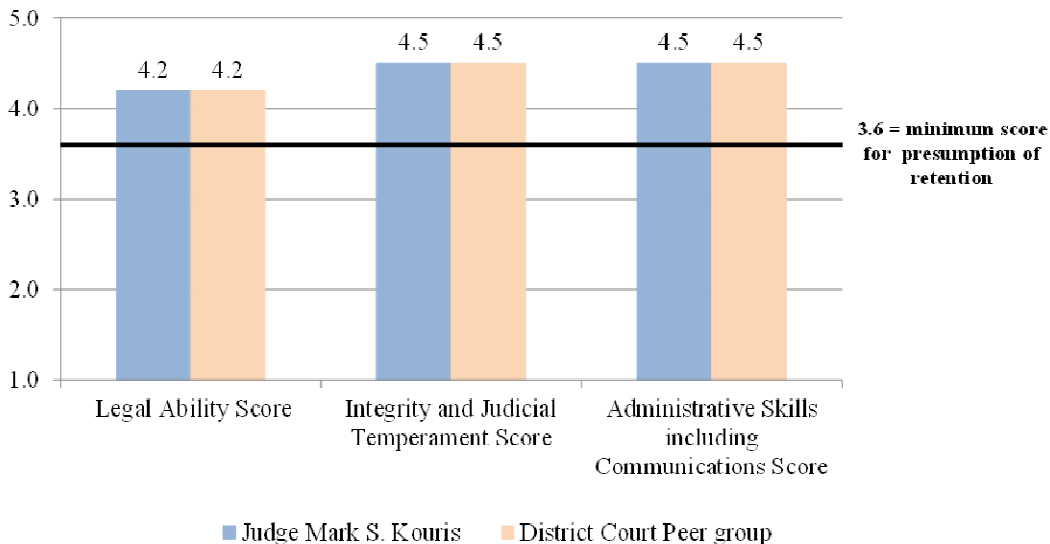
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 2006, Judge Mark Kouris scores consistent with average of his district court peers in all survey categories. Most survey respondents praise Judge Kouris as hardworking, well-prepared, confident, and intelligent. The majority of survey respondents and courtroom observers agree that Judge Kouris efficiently manages a heavy daily court schedule. Some respondents and observers, however, view him as impatient, noting that he moves through his calendar so quickly that he can be difficult to understand. Nonetheless, all courtroom observers conclude that they would feel comfortable appearing before him in court. Of 69 survey respondents answering the retention question, 60 (87%) recommend that Judge Kouris be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Kouris has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Mark S. Kouris was appointed to the Third District Court in 2006 by Gov. Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. Judge Kouris earned a Bachelor's Degree, a Masters Degree, and a Juris Doctor degree, all from the University of Utah. After running his own business, he worked as an Assistant Utah Attorney General and then as a Deputy District Attorney, where he prosecuted gang felonies. Judge Kouris then joined the Utah Federal Defender's Office until his appointment to the bench. Judge Kouris is an adjunct professor at the University of Utah College of Law and at Salt Lake Community College. He has been serving on the Board of District Court Judges since 2011 and served as a Third District Drug Court judge from 2006-2015.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Barry G. Lawrence

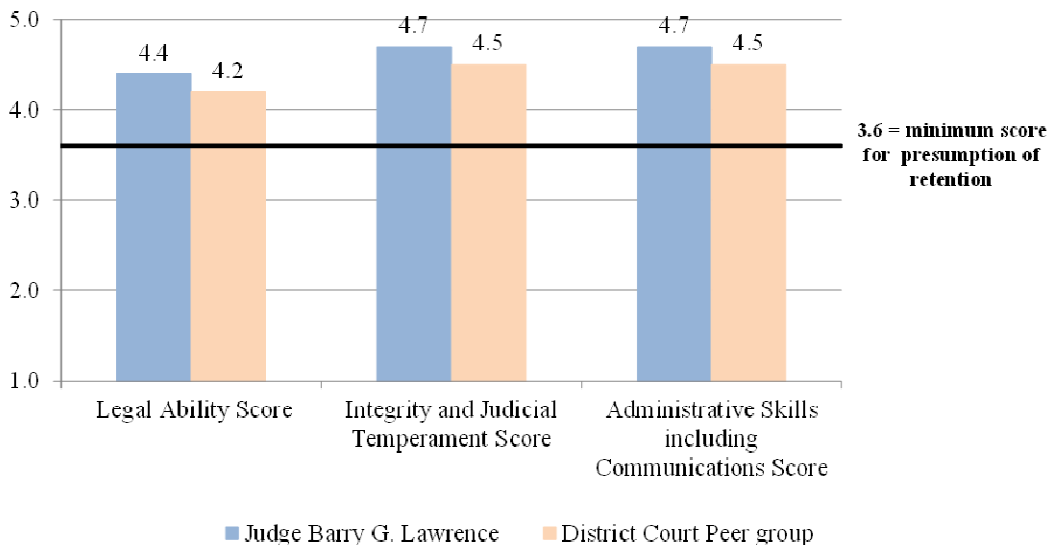
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2012, Judge Barry Lawrence is viewed as an intelligent, well-prepared, and competent judge. He scores higher than the average of his district court peers in all statutory survey categories and equal to his peers in procedural fairness. Judge Lawrence's legal ability is highly regarded by attorneys practicing in his court. They perceive him as well-versed in the law and respectful toward all those appearing before him. Courtroom observers also view Judge Lawrence positively, with all reporting they would feel comfortable appearing before him. They note that he comes to court fully prepared and very knowledgeable about his caseload, clearly explaining the reasoning for his decisions. Of survey participants answering the retention question, 93% recommend that Judge Lawrence be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Lawrence has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

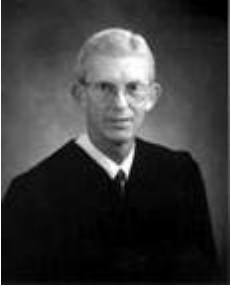
Judge Barry G. Lawrence was appointed to the Third District Court in 2012. He graduated from Cornell University with a Bachelor of Arts in Biology in 1984. He earned his law degree, with honors, from Syracuse University in 1988. Judge Lawrence then relocated to Utah and worked at the law firm of Jones, Waldo, Holbrook & McDonough, where he had a litigation practice and served on the firm's board of directors. In 2000, he joined the Utah Attorney General's Office and worked in the Litigation Division, defending claims against the State. Judge Lawrence initially served in the West Jordan courthouse; he now serves in the Salt Lake City courthouse.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Bruce C. Lubeck

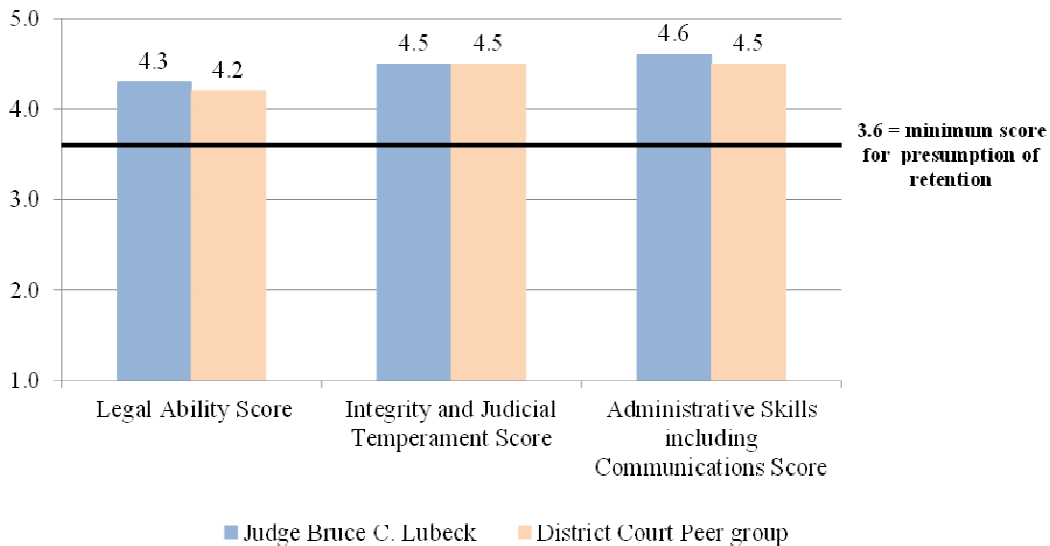
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Judge Bruce Lubeck is an experienced judge who scores consistent with the average of his district court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents consider Judge Lubeck intelligent, fair, and well-prepared. Most survey respondents report that Judge Lubeck is a hard-worker who efficiently manages his court's daily schedule and listens to both sides, but speaks very bluntly. Some respondents describe him as impatient with attorneys and court participants. Courtroom observers report that Judge Lubeck acts professionally, decisively, and fairly. Most observers conclude that they would feel comfortable appearing before him in court. Of 69 survey respondents answering the retention question, 64 (93%) recommend that Judge Lubeck be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Lubeck has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Bruce C. Lubeck was appointed to the Third District Court in 2001 by Gov. Michael O. Leavitt. He earned his law degree from the University of Utah College of Law in 1971. At the time of his appointment to the bench, Judge Lubeck was an Assistant U.S. Attorney, having served in that capacity since 1981. Prior to this, he was in private practice and was also employed by the Salt Lake Legal Defender Association. He has taught as an adjunct faculty member at Salt Lake Community College and the University of Utah College of Law. Judge Lubeck has served on the Board of District Court Judges since 2013.

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## Honorable Paul Parker

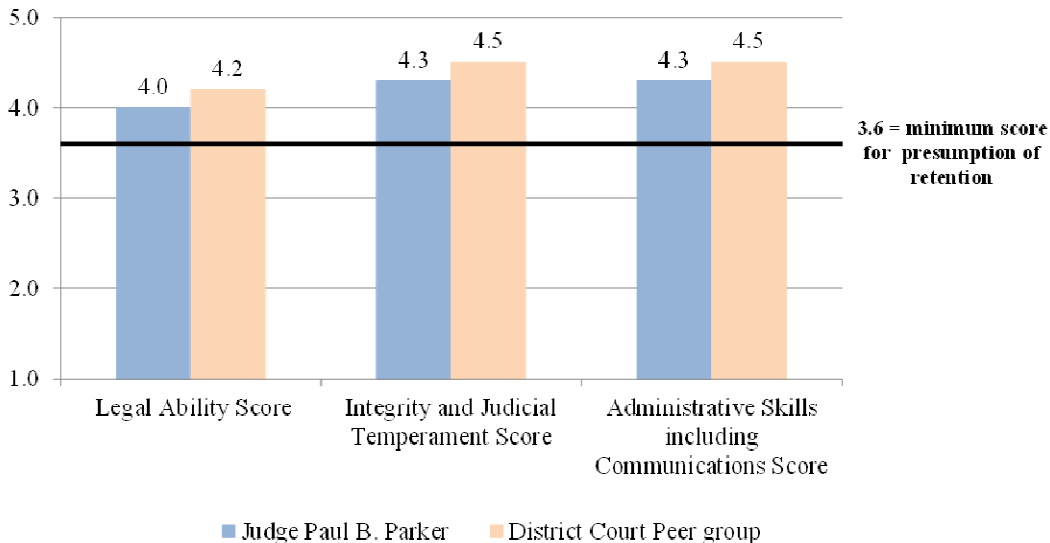
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2013, Judge Paul Parker is a relatively new judge who scores consistent with the average of his district court peers in all survey categories. According to survey respondents, Judge Parker is a capable, well-prepared, and professional judge. They describe him as confident and patient. Some attorneys participating in the survey observe that Judge Parker's knowledge of civil law needs to be stronger. All courtroom observers praise Judge Parker and indicate they would feel comfortable appearing before him. They describe him as knowledgeable and prepared, with a calm, focused, and authoritative courtroom presence. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 86% recommend that Judge Parker be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Parker has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Paul B. Parker was appointed to the Third District Court in 2013 by Governor Gary Herbert. He served as a police officer for the Vernal City Police Department from 1978 until 1985. He left the Police Department to finish his education and completed a Bachelor of Science degree in Police Science from Weber State University later in 1985. He earned his law degree from the University of Utah in 1988. Until his appointment to the bench, Judge Parker practiced law as a deputy Salt Lake County District Attorney, prosecuting felonies such as child abuse, sexual assault and homicide. His assignments at the District Attorney's Office also included supervising the Special Victim Team and, later, the Justice Division.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**





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## Honorable Randall N. Skanchy

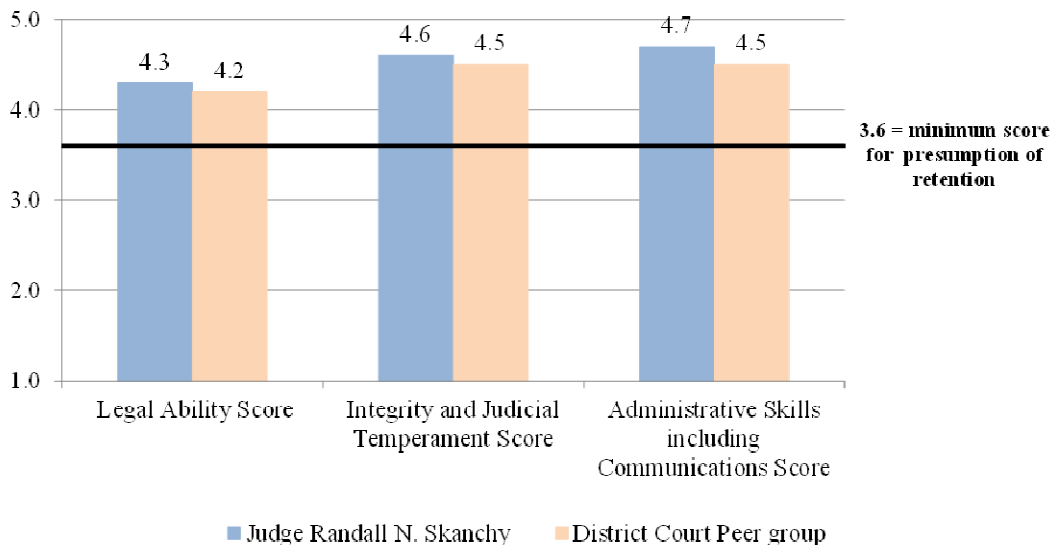
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Judge Randall Skanchy is an experienced judge who scores on par with his district court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents and courtroom observers regard him as knowledgeable, well-prepared, fair, and open-minded. Many survey respondents view Judge Skanchy as an effective manager of a sometimes overburdened daily court schedule. Some respondents, however, describe his temperament as unpredictable, at times marked by impatience and rudeness to people in his court. Courtroom observers are enthusiastically positive, reporting that Judge Skanchy demonstrates genuine concern for each defendant, carefully balancing encouragement with accountability. All observers state they would feel comfortable appearing before him in court. Of 84 survey respondents answering the retention question, 77 (92%) recommend that Judge Skanchy be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Skanchy has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Randall N. Skanchy was appointed to the Third District Court in 2001. After earning his law degree from Brigham Young University in 1980, Judge Skanchy practiced law as a civil trial litigator for 21 years. He served as chair of the Utah Food Bank from 1996-1999, and serves as an adjunct professor for the School of Business and Economics at Weber State University. Judge Skanchy is a current member of the Utah Judicial Council and past member of the Board of District Court Judges. He now serves as Presiding Judge of the Third District Court and handles a felony criminal calendar and a Felony Drug Court.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Vernice S. Trease

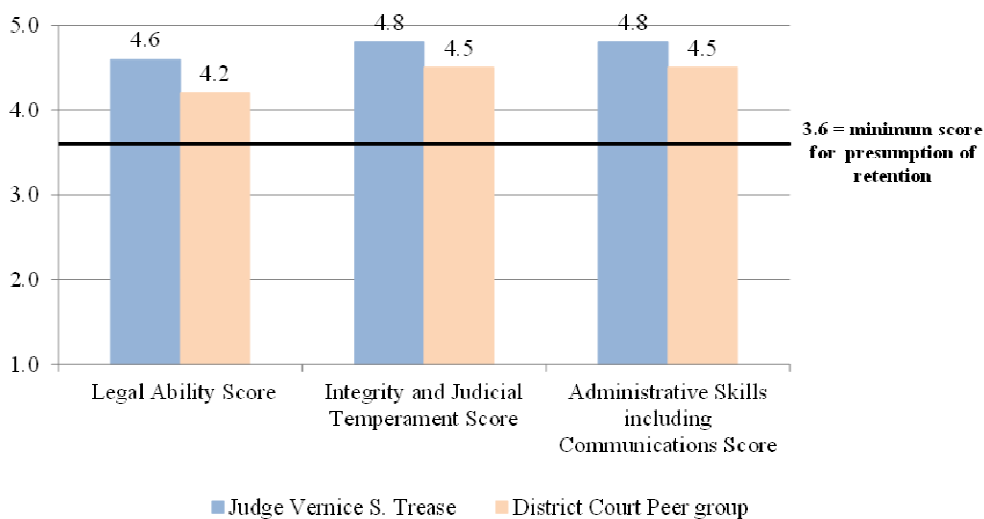
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2006, Judge Vernice Trease receives outstanding evaluations from survey respondents, earning scores well above the average of her district court peers in all survey categories. Many survey respondents describe her as one of the best judges before whom they've appeared. They view her as exceptionally knowledgeable and note that she is a well-prepared, confident, hard-working judge, respectful of everyone who appears before her and fair to all. From a list, survey respondents choose 96% positive words to describe her. Courtroom observers view Judge Trease positively, reporting that she listens carefully and remains calm and undistracted by her busy and chaotic courtroom. All observers say they would feel comfortable appearing before her. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 94% recommend retention for Judge Trease.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Trease has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Vernice S. Trease was appointed to the Third District Court in 2006 by Gov. Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. Judge Trease graduated with a B.A. from Lewis and Clark College and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Utah College of Law. Prior to her appointment, Judge Trease practiced law with the Salt Lake Legal Defender Association. She has received the UMBA Community Service Award and the 2012 Woman Lawyer of the Year Award. Judge Trease has served on various committees including the Domestic and Sexual Violence Justice Planning Group, and Language Access Committee. She currently serves on Advisory Committees on the Rules of Criminal Procedure, Rules of Professional Conduct, Task Force on Indigency Representation, and Sentencing Commission. Judge Trease presides over a Mental Health Court.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# 3<sup>RD</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUVENILE COURT

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## Honorable Kimberly K. Hornak

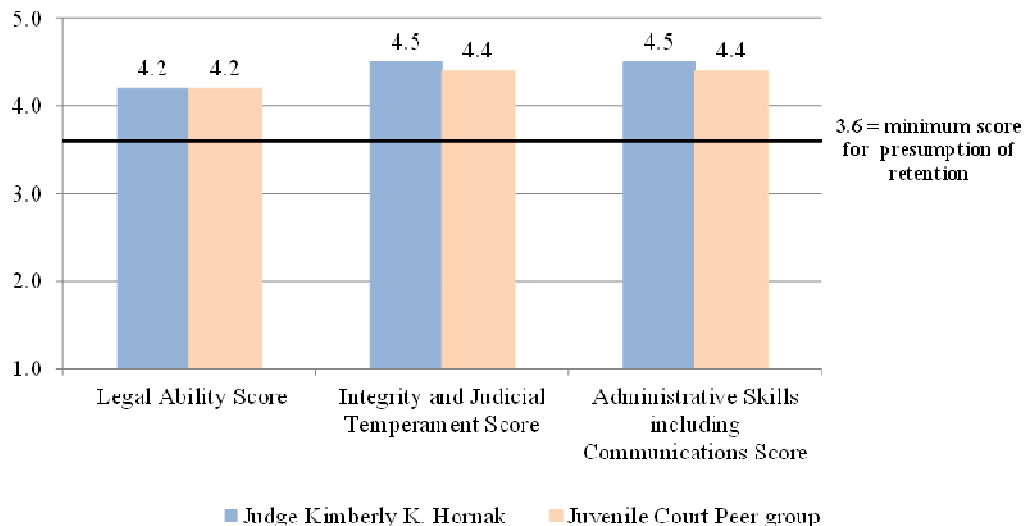
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 11-0 (for retention)

Judge Kimberly Hornak scores consistent with the average of her juvenile court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents state that she actively listens, considers all options, and treats everyone fairly. They respect and trust her judgment. Of words chosen by respondents from a list to describe her, 98% are positive. Respondents and courtroom observers describe Judge Hornak as an effective communicator who shows genuine concern for the well-being of juveniles and families in her court. However, survey respondents also criticize Judge Hornak for her scheduling and time management, noting that she overbooks her calendar, runs late, and frequently reschedules cases. Courtroom observers view Judge Hornak as prepared, knowledgeable, and approachable. Most report they would feel comfortable appearing before her. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 97% recommend that Judge Hornak be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Hornak has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Kimberly K. Hornak was appointed to the Third District Juvenile Court in 1994. She received her law degree from Gonzaga University College of Law in 1983 and subsequently worked in the Utah Attorney General's Office and as a prosecutor in the Salt Lake County Attorney's Office. Judge Hornak has served on the Court Improvement Committee, the Standing Committee on Judicial Education, the Judicial Ethics Advisory Committee, the Standing Committee on Judicial Outreach, the Sentencing Commission, and the Board of Juvenile Court Judges. She served as the Presiding Judge in the Third District Juvenile Court from 2004- 2007 and on the Utah Judicial Council from 2009- 2015. Judge Hornak currently presides over a juvenile delinquency drug court and a family drug court.

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## Honorable Renee M. Jimenez

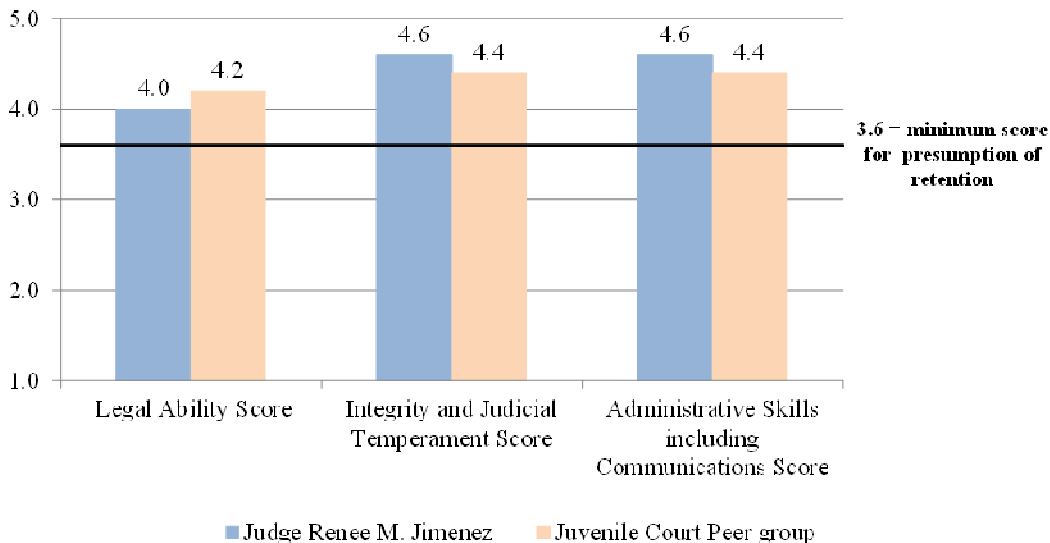
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2013, Judge Renee Jimenez scores higher than the average of her juvenile court peers in administrative skills and consistent with her peers in all other survey categories. Survey respondents describe her as a fair, well-prepared judge who runs a timely courtroom and shows consistent respect to all. They say she puts people at ease while still maintaining her authority. From a list, survey respondents select 98% positive adjectives to describe Judge Jimenez, emphasizing her calm, polite, and receptive manner. Courtroom observers report that Judge Jimenez runs a business-like courtroom yet maintains a non-threatening courtroom atmosphere. They note that she listens intently and seems well-informed about each case before her. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 98% recommend that Judge Jimenez be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Jimenez has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Renee Jimenez was appointed to the Third District Juvenile Court in 2013 by Gov. Gary Herbert. She received an undergraduate degree from the University of Utah in 1988 and a law degree from the University of Utah College of Law in 1991. Until her appointment to the bench, Judge Jimenez worked for the Utah Attorney General’s Office in the Division of Child and Family Support and in the Child Protection Division. She has served on the Utah Supreme Court’s Ethics and Discipline Diversion Committee, the Judicial Ethics Advisory Committee, the advisory committee on Disproportionate Minority Contact and the Juvenile Court eFiling Steering Committee. Judge Jimenez also presides over a Family Dependency Drug Court.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Mark W. May

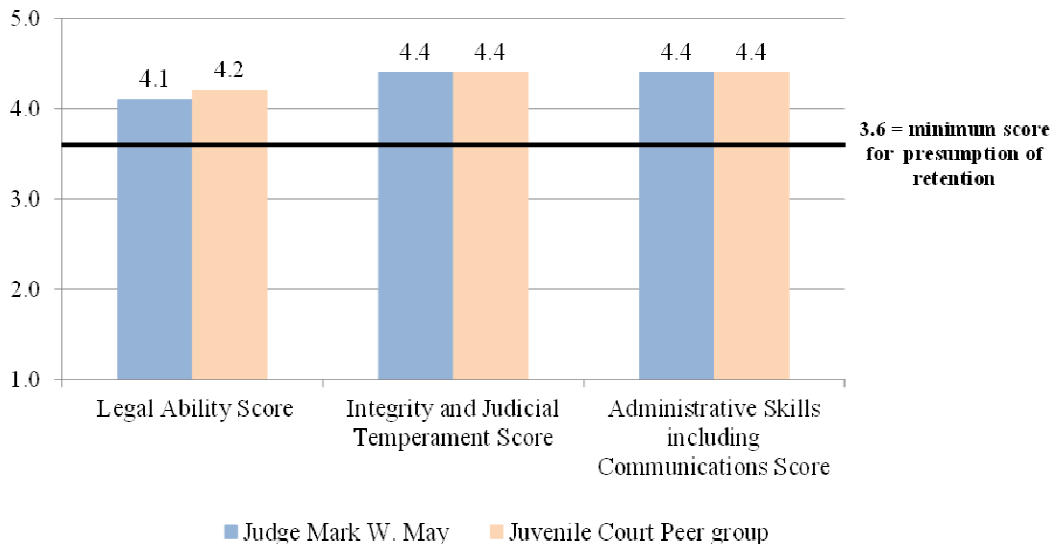
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2007, Judge Mark May scores consistent with the average of his juvenile court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents describe him as an intelligent, calm, and fair judge who comes to court prepared and who runs an efficient, timely courtroom. At the same time, respondents fault him for an impatient and dismissive attitude towards the caseworkers who work in his court. Courtroom observers characterize Judge May as an engaged and attentive judge who comes to the bench prepared and on time and who handles potentially distressing situations calmly. They all report they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 85% recommend that Judge May be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge May has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Mark W. May was appointed to Third District Juvenile Court in 2007 by Gov. Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. Judge May earned a degree in Business Finance from Brigham Young University in 1984 and received his law degree from the University of Utah College of Law in 1989. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge May worked for the Utah Attorney General's Office where he was the division chief of the Child Protection Division. Judge May also worked for the Office of the Guardian ad Litem and the law firm of Moyle & Draper. Judge May is currently the Presiding Judge in the Third District Juvenile Court and is a past chair of the Board of Juvenile Court Judges.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# 3<sup>RD</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUVENILE COURT

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## Honorable James R. Michie, Jr.

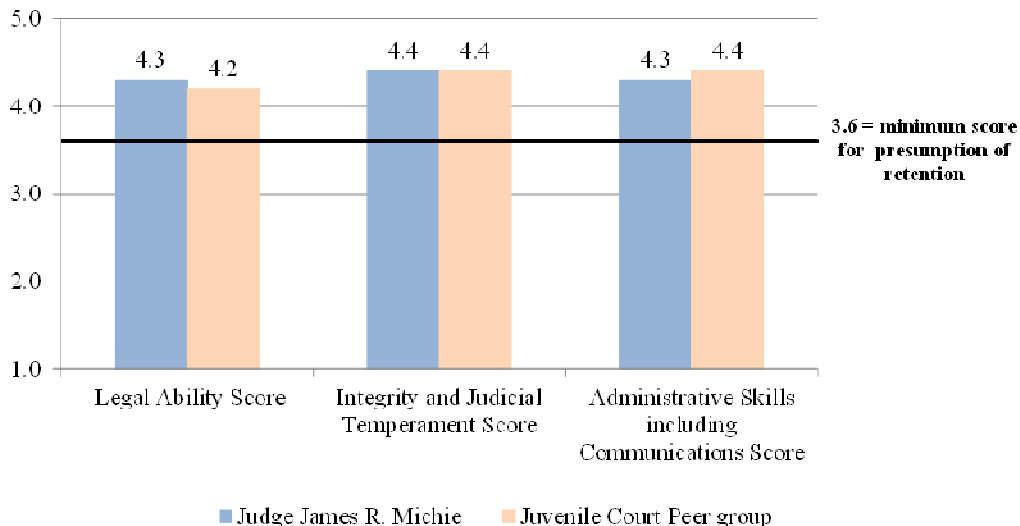
- Serving **Salt Lake, Summit & Tooele** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2006, Judge James Michie scores higher than the average of his juvenile court peers in procedural fairness and consistent with the average in all other survey categories. From a list, survey respondents choose 98% positive adjectives to describe him. They characterize him as a consistently kind, caring judge who is especially good at listening attentively, allowing ample time for those appearing before him to speak, and thoroughly explaining his actions. Survey respondents also report, however, that Judge Michie has difficulty managing his court calendar, resulting in delays and long hearings that undermine respect for the time of courtroom participants. Courtroom observers also emphasize Judge Michie's genuine caring and concern for each juvenile, noting that he takes every opportunity to guide juveniles towards a better future. Observers all report they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 97% recommend that Judge Michie be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Michie has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge James R. Michie, Jr. was appointed to the Third District Juvenile Court in 2006 by Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. He graduated cum laude from the University of Utah in 1986 and earned his Juris Doctor from the University of Utah College of Law in 1989. Thereafter, Judge Michie practiced public finance law with the law firm of Ballard, Spahr, Andrews & Ingersoll. He served as a Guardian ad Litem from September 1999 until his appointment to the bench. Judge Michie served on the Children's Justice Center Board for several years, on the Utah Board of Juvenile Justice from 2008-2015, and as the Presiding Judge for Third District Juvenile Court from 2011-2013.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable John L. Baxter

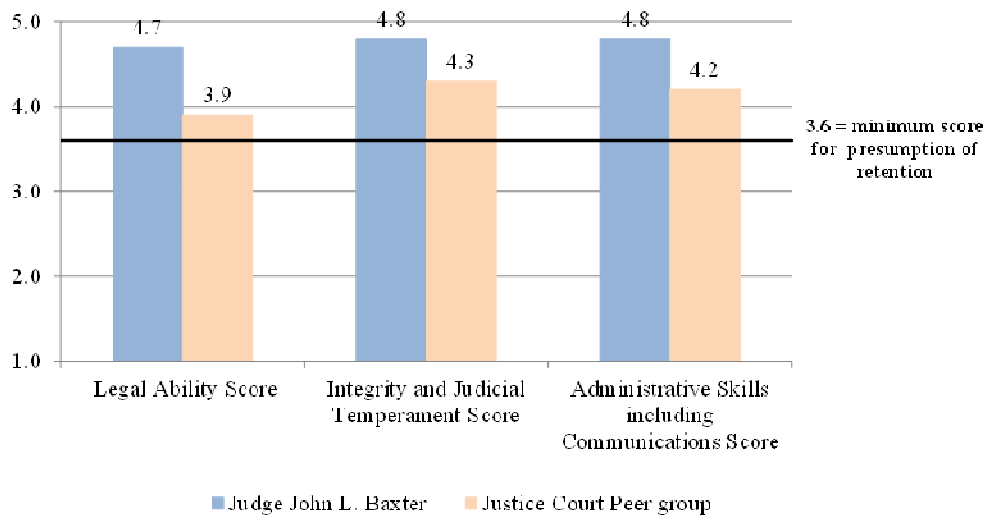
- Serving **Salt Lake City** Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2002, Judge John Baxter receives outstanding evaluations from survey respondents, scoring well above the average of his justice court peers in all survey categories. In addition to his regular duties, Judge Baxter serves as presiding judge for the Salt Lake City Homeless Court and Veterans Court. In this capacity, he receives high praise from survey respondents for effectively communicating with disadvantaged, disabled, and mentally ill individuals. Respondents report that Judge Baxter runs his courtroom with both efficiency and compassion, exhibiting a sometimes stern but never harsh demeanor. From a list, survey respondents choose 95% positive adjectives to describe him. Courtroom observers, also very positive, note Judge Baxter's efficient, courteous, and focused attention on each individual appearing in his court. All observers report they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of survey participants answering the retention question, 98% recommend retention for Judge Baxter.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Baxter has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge John Baxter, a 1994 graduate of Golden Gate University School of Law, was appointed to the bench in 2002 and now presides over SLC's Homeless Court and Veterans' Court. He chaired the Utah Judicial Council's Committee on Access to Resources for Self-represented Parties and served on both the Utah Supreme Court's Advisory Committee on Professionalism and the Judicial Outreach Committee. He currently serves on the Advisory Committee on the Rules of Civil Procedure, the State Bar New Lawyer Training Program Committee and is a member of the Salt Lake County Criminal Justice Advisory Council. Judge Baxter also volunteered as an attorney at the Sunday homeless breakfast in Salt Lake and served in the United States Marine Corps.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable L.G. Cutler

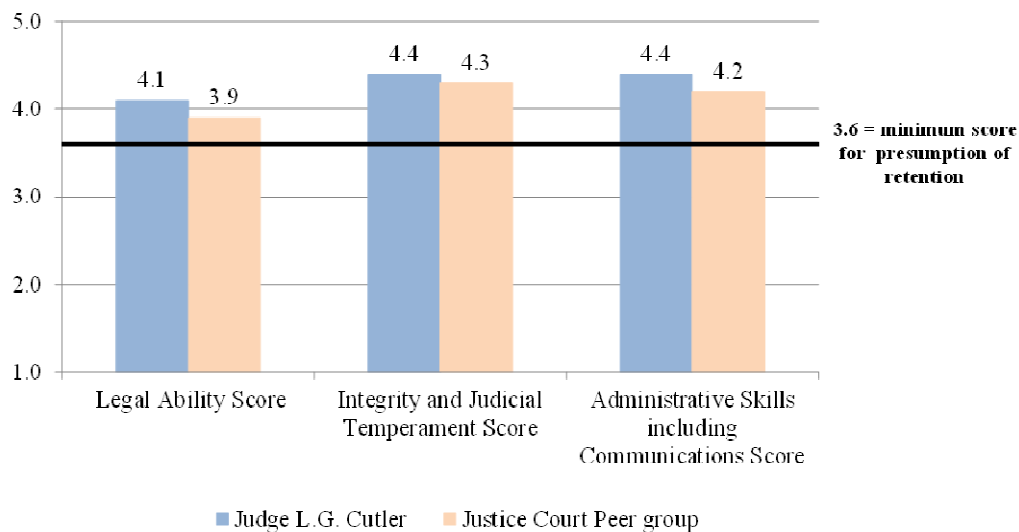
- Serving **Salt Lake City** Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 2004, Judge L. G. Cutler scores above the average of his justice court peers in integrity and judicial temperament, administrative skills, and procedural fairness and consistent with the average of his peers in legal ability. Survey respondents choose 94% positive words from a list to describe Judge Cutler, viewing him as both considerate and receptive. Most respondents and courtroom observers characterize Judge Cutler as polite and respectful, although some respondents report that he is not as considerate of court staff outside the courtroom. Observers note that Judge Cutler consistently demonstrates personal concern for defendants, seeking their input, offering explanations to them, and carefully considering their individual circumstances before imposing sentence. All observers report they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of 55 survey respondents answering the retention question, 48 (87%) recommend retention for Judge Cutler.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Cutler has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge L.G. Cutler has served the Salt Lake City Justice Court since 2004. He earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Utah in 1975 and a J.D. from the University of Utah College of Law in 1979. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Cutler served as staff attorney with Utah Legal Services and provided legal representation to indigent children, parents, and families in Juvenile Court. As a sole practitioner, his work focused on domestic law, guardian ad litem representation of children, and criminal defense. Judge Cutler also contracted with Salt Lake County communities to provide prosecution services for more than 20 years.

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## Honorable Clintepious T. Gilmore

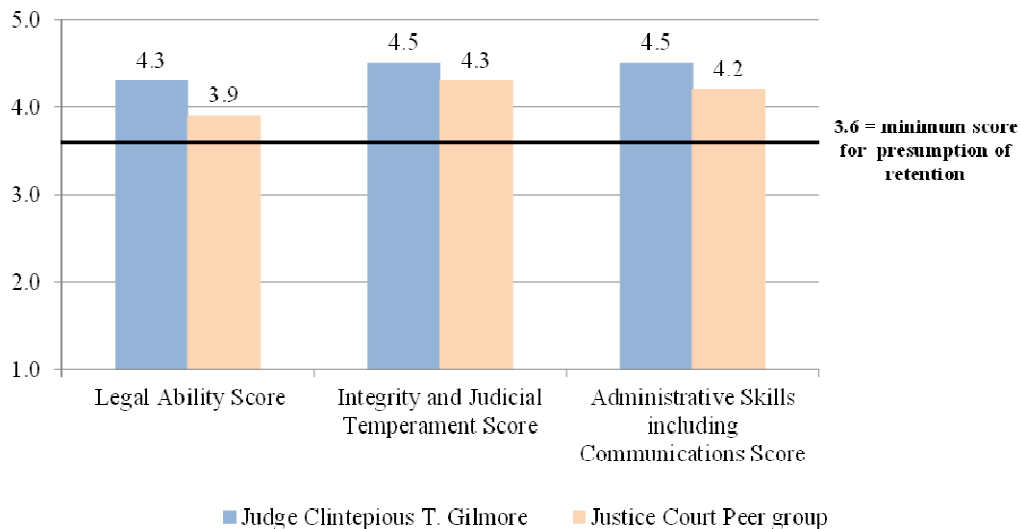
- Serving **West Valley City** Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 2000, Judge Clint Gilmore scores above the average of his justice court peers in administrative skills and consistent with the average of his peers in all other categories. From a list, survey respondents choose 93% positive words to describe him, frequently characterizing him as knowledgeable, attentive, and receptive. Observers and respondents praise Judge Gilmore's demeanor and note that he consistently seeks input from all courtroom participants. Most observers view Judge Gilmore as fair and unbiased, reporting that he listens to and clearly communicates with everyone in court. Observers generally conclude that they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of 37 survey respondents answering the retention question, 32 (86%) recommend that Judge Gilmore be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Gilmore has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Appointed to the West Valley City Justice Court in 2013, Judge Clint Gilmore graduated from BYU in 2000 and earned a law degree from the University of Utah College of Law in 2003. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Gilmore served as the Assistant Chief Prosecuting Attorney for West Valley City, a Special Deputy District Attorney for Salt Lake County, and a Special Assistant U. S. Attorney. For his work prosecuting federal gun crimes, he received the Director's Award for Superior Performance from the Executive Office of U. S. Attorneys. Judge Gilmore has also taught at the Utah Peace Officer Standards and Training Academy for the Utah Department of Public Safety and served as the President of the Utah Municipal Prosecutor's Association.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Shauna Graves-Robertson

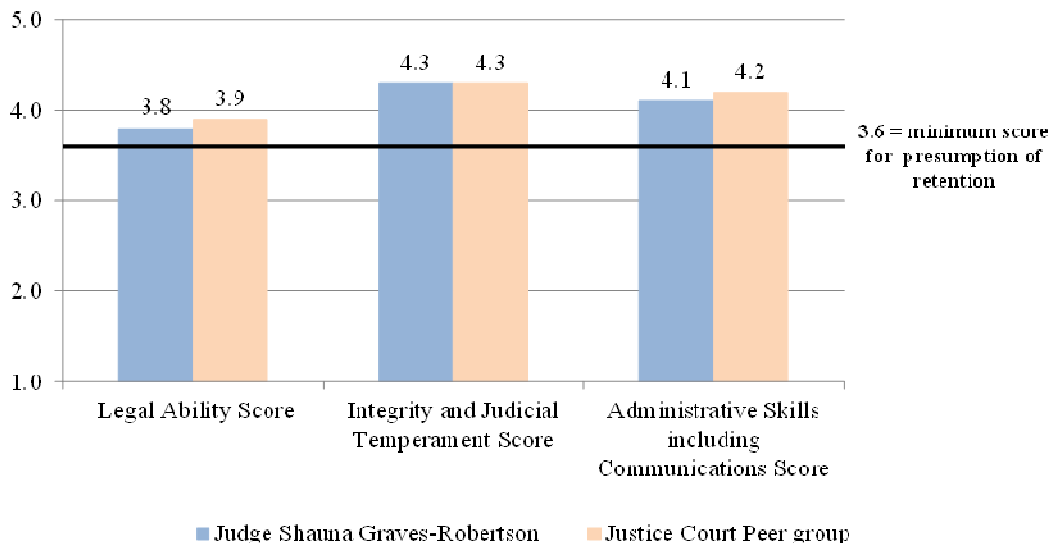
- Serving **Salt Lake County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 1999, Judge Shauna Graves-Robertson scores consistent with the average of her justice court peers in all survey categories, an improvement from previous survey results. According to survey respondents, she conducts her busy court with fairness, efficiency and courtesy. Respondents describe her as a patient, confident, and fair judge who ensures that everyone appearing in her courtroom has the opportunity to be heard. Courtroom observers report that Judge Graves-Robertson communicates in a thoughtful, unhurried, and conscientious manner that encourages parties to present their side of the case. All observers say they would feel comfortable appearing before her. Of 47 survey participants answering the retention question, 38 (81%) recommend that Judge Graves-Robertson be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Graves-Robertson has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Shauna Graves-Robertson was appointed to the Salt Lake County Justice Court in 1999. A graduate of West High, she earned a Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Arizona State University as well as a Masters in Public Administration and a Juris Doctor from the University of Utah. She also earned a Certificate in Judicial Studies from the National Judicial College. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Graves-Robertson worked for the Salt Lake Legal Defenders Association. She is a life member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and the NAACP. She chairs the Supreme Court's Community Relations Subcommittee and is a member of the National Bar Association, National Association of Women Judges, Women Lawyers of Utah, and the Utah Minority Bar Association.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Ronald Kunz

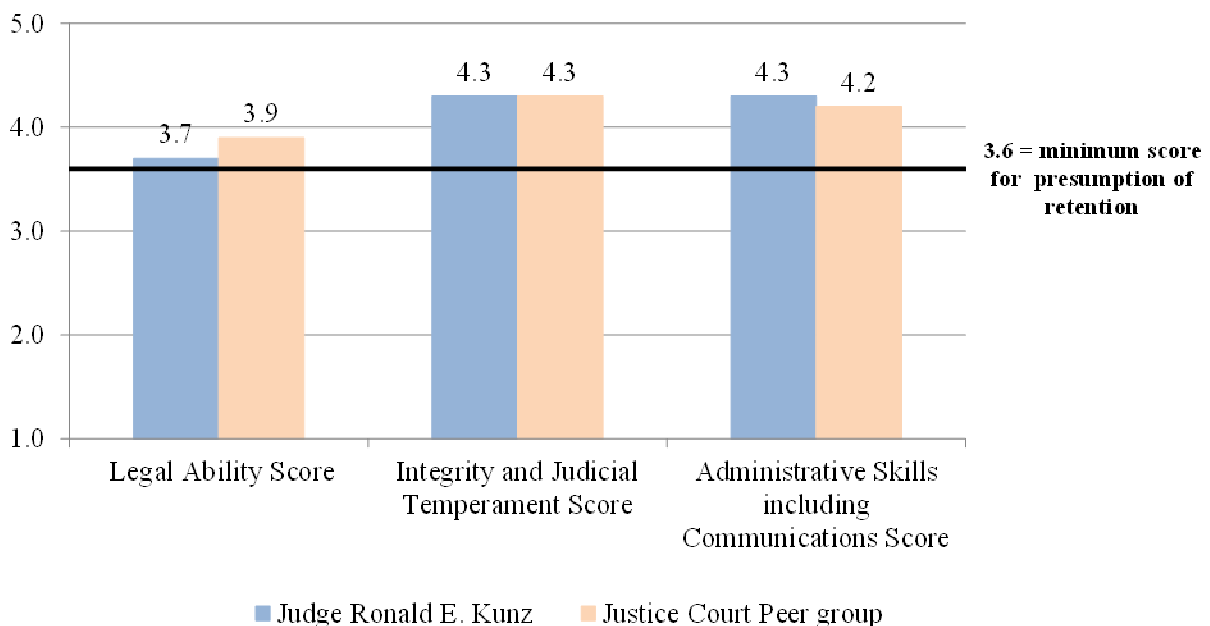
- Serving **West Jordan** Municipal Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Judge Ronald Kunz is an experienced judge who scores consistent with the average of his justice court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents generally praise Judge Kunz as fair, efficient, and knowledgeable, describing his demeanor as both confident and polite. From a list, respondents choose 89% positive adjectives to describe him. Courtroom observers view Judge Kunz as an effective communicator who seeks the views of all participants and who uses understandable language to explain his decisions. All observers report that they would feel comfortable appearing before him in court. Of 45 survey respondents answering the retention question, 37 (82%) recommend that Judge Kunz be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Kunz has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Ronald E. Kunz was appointed as the West Jordan City Justice Court Judge in 1990. He earned his law degree from the University of Utah College of Law in 1979. As a general law practitioner for 11 years, he handled a wide variety of cases in state and federal court. Judge Kunz served as a contract legal defender for the Third Circuit Court and the City of West Jordan. As a judge, he served on two committees to improve the state's trial-by-jury system. For proactively implementing domestic violence programs in the West Jordan Justice Court, Judge Kunz received the 2006 Freedom Award from the Salt Lake Area Domestic Violence Coalition and the 2008 Advocate of the Year Award from the Utah Domestic Violence Council.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable Michael W. Kwan

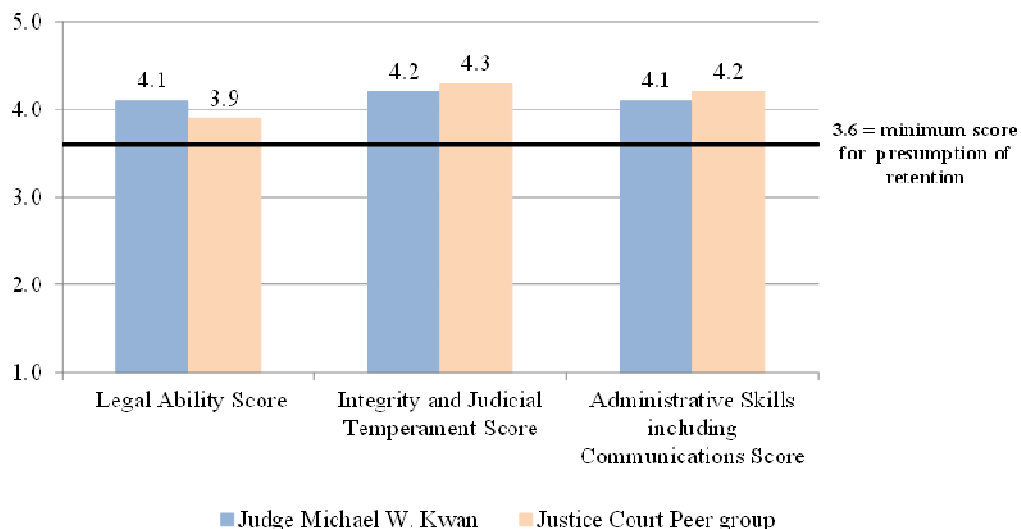
- Serving **Taylorsville** Municipal Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 1998, Judge Michael Kwan scores consistent with the average of his justice court peers in all survey categories, showing improvement from previous survey results. While many survey respondents describe Judge Kwan as knowledgeable and professional, some perceive him as arrogant and dismissive. Others praise Judge Kwan's integrity and his fair and respectful treatment of those appearing before him. Courtroom observers, enthusiastically positive, all report they would feel comfortable appearing before Judge Kwan. They particularly note his patient explanation of decisions, focus on the parties appearing before him, and non-threatening, welcoming demeanor. As required by statute, the Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission notes that the Utah Supreme Court publically reprimanded Judge Kwan in 2005 for making a crude and inappropriate remark in court in violation of the Code of Judicial Conduct. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 79% recommend that Judge Kwan be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Kwan has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Michael Kwan was appointed in 1998. A graduate of Whittier College School of Law, he received the Quality of Justice Award in 2001. His Domestic Violence Program received the Peace on Earth Award from the SL Area Domestic Violence Advisory Council in 2002. He started one of the nation's first DUI/Drug Courts in 1998, for which he received the 2008 Utah Governor's Award. Judge Kwan teaches courses across the country for state, national and international organizations. A past Chair of the Board of Justice Court Judges and member of the Utah Judicial Council, he currently serves on the Utah Substance Abuse Advisory Council, as Chair of the ABA Judicial Education Committee, and as a member of the National Asian Pacific American Judicial Council.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable Brendan P. McCullagh

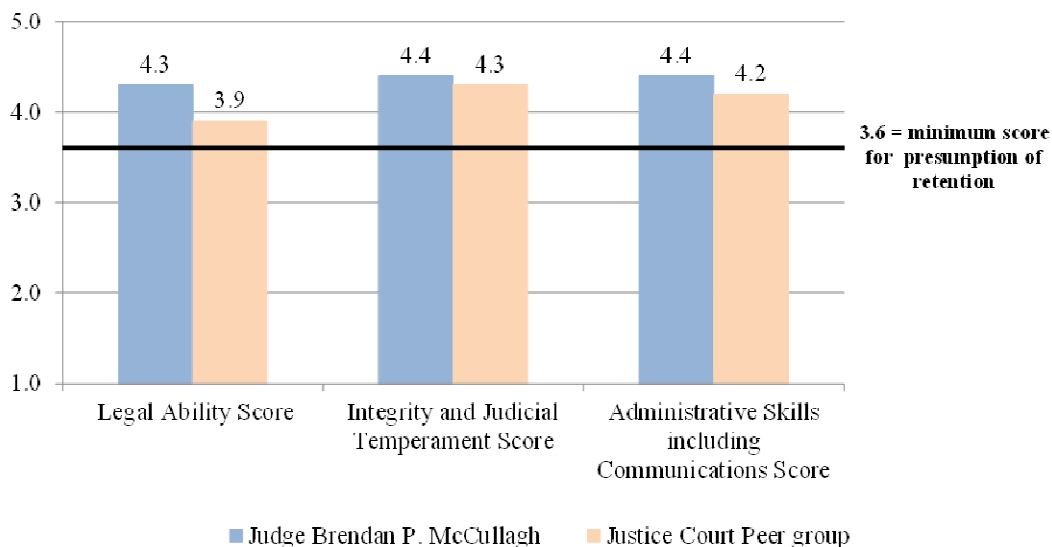
- Serving **West Valley City** Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2002, Judge Brendan McCullagh scores higher than the average of his justice court peers in legal ability and equal to the average of his peers in all other survey categories. Survey respondents describe him as an intelligent, knowledgeable, and confident judge who thoroughly explains both his reasoning and relevant courtroom procedures. Courtroom observers report that Judge McCullagh listens attentively, uses easily understood language, and handles cases efficiently and impartially. Most said they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 85% recommend that Judge McCullagh be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge McCullagh has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Brendan P. McCullagh was appointed to the West Valley City Justice Court in 2002. He earned a law degree from the University of Utah College of Law in 1995 and subsequently served as a Deputy District Attorney for Salt Lake County. Judge McCullagh was elected by his justice court peers to serve two terms on the Utah Judicial Council. In 2007, he received the Utah Judicial Council's Quality of Justice award for his dedication to the highest quality of justice. In 2008, he was honored with the Scott M. Matheson Award for outstanding service to law-related education. In 2010, Judge McCullagh was awarded the Utah Substance Abuse Advisory Council's Governor's award for contributions to establishing the Utah E-Warrant system.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Jeanne M. Robison

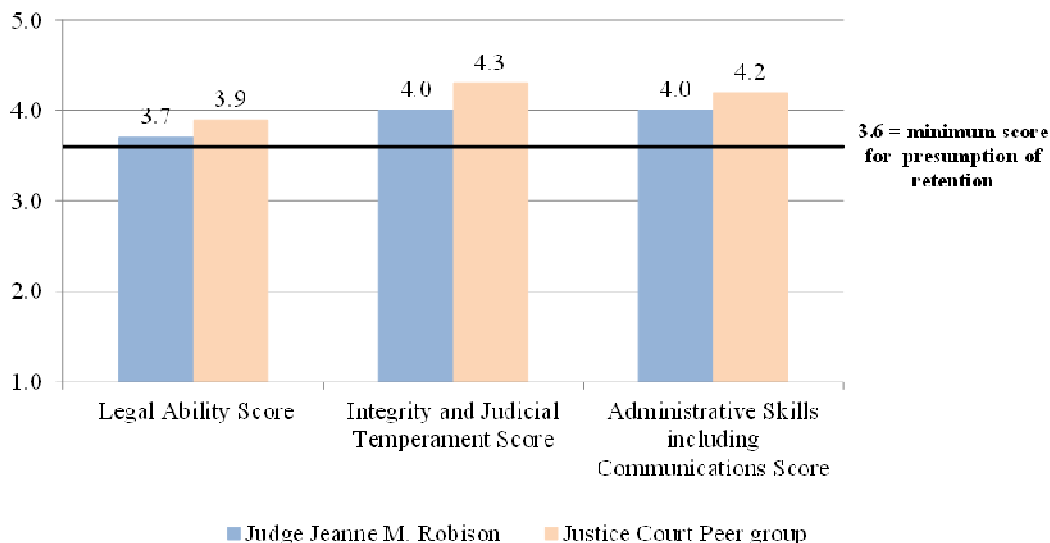
- Serving **Salt Lake City** Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2005, Judge Jeanne Robison scores consistent with the average of her justice court peers in all survey categories, but evokes contrasting opinions about various aspects of her performance. Survey respondents, who on the whole had a great deal of experience in her courtroom, characterize her as a legally astute and capable administrator of a busy court. However, they also describe her as disrespectful, treating people rudely and with a notable lack of consideration. Courtroom observers are more consistently positive about Judge Robison, with those who had initial reservations about her demeanor later attributing them to her sincere concern for the welfare and success of defendants. All observers say they would feel comfortable appearing before her. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 77% recommend that Judge Robison be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Robison has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Jeanne Robison has served on the Salt Lake City Justice Court since 2006. After graduating from Brigham Young University in 1986, she earned a law degree from the University of Utah in 1994. Judge Robison has served as a member of the Justice Court Judges' Education Committee and as Presiding Judge of the Salt Lake City Justice Court. She also presided over the collaborative restorative justice program, Passages. Judge Robison currently serves as chair of the Education Curriculum Subcommittee. She is also the Presiding Judge for traffic matters for the Salt Lake City Justice Court, where she is working to reform practices on the issuance of warrants in traffic cases.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable W. Paul Thompson

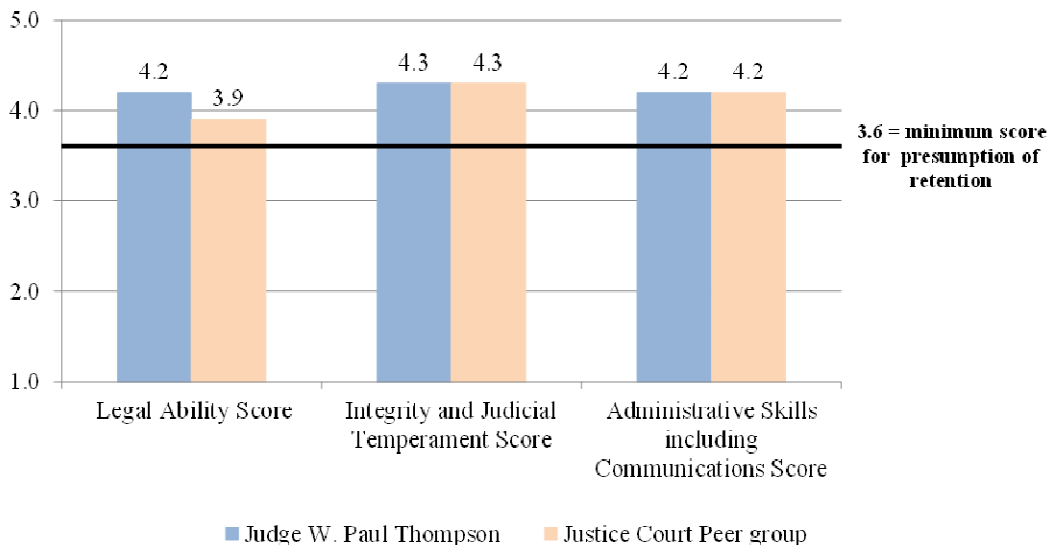
- Serving **Murray** Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

An experienced judge, Judge W. Paul Thompson scores consistent with the average of his justice court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents choose 92% positive words from a list to describe Judge Thompson, characterizing him as calm and considerate. Some respondents and courtroom observers criticize him for delays in starting court. Observers view Judge Thompson as patient and unbiased, listening to and communicating well with those appearing in his court. All observers report that they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of 28 survey respondents answering the retention question, 24 (86%) recommend that Judge Thompson be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Thompson has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Paul Thompson was appointed to the Murray City Justice Court in 2008. Having served earlier in the South Salt Lake justice court, he has been an active senior judge since 1992, serving in several local jurisdictions. Judge Thompson earned a law degree from the J. Reuben Clark Law School at BYU in 1976. He served as mayor of Sandy City from 1978 to 1982, and is a former city attorney for South Salt Lake, Alta, and South Jordan. Judge Thompson chaired the Salt Lake County Council of Governments, and was a member of the Wasatch Front Regional Council and trustee of the Salt Lake Convention and Visitors Bureau. He was also the founding chairman of the Third Judicial District Victim's Rights Committee.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable Clinton E. Balmforth

- Serving **Alta** Municipal Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Balmforth met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Balmforth.

Judge Clinton E. Balmforth was appointed as the South Jordan Justice Court judge in January of 1998 and also as the Alta Justice Court judge in November of 2002. He received a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Utah Law School in 1968 and is a current member of the Utah State Bar. Judge Balmforth has worked as a Prosecuting Attorney for Salt Lake City, Deputy County Attorney for Salt Lake County and as the City Attorney for South Salt Lake. Prior to his judicial appointments, Judge Balmforth worked as the part-time prosecuting attorney for the City of South Jordan. He also served as an instructor for Utah Peace Officer Standards and Training. In 2005 he was recognized and received an award from the South Jordan Chamber of Commerce for exemplary service and commitment to the community.



## Honorable Daniel F. Bertch

- Serving **Draper** Municipal Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 11-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Bertch met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Bertch.

Judge Daniel F. Bertch has served as the Draper City Justice Court Judge since 1992. He has been a practicing attorney since 1984, currently with Kevin K. Robson in the firm of Bertch Robson. Judge Bertch graduated from B.Y.U. Law School in 1984, cum laude, and was awarded the Order of the Coif.



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## Honorable Gregory L. Bown

- Serving **Riverton** Municipal Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Bown met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Bown.

Judge Gregory L. Bown was appointed to the Riverton City Justice Court in 2007. He earned a Juris Doctorate degree from the University of Utah College of Law in 1971. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Bown practiced law for 31 years as Deputy District Attorney for the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office.



## Honorable Paul C. Farr

- Serving **Sandy** Municipal Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Farr met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Farr. Judge Farr was a part-time judge in Sandy but is now a full-time judge. Judges that are full-time at the beginning of an evaluation period receive a comprehensive evaluation.

Judge Paul C. Farr was appointed to the Herriman City Justice Court in 2010 and to the Sandy City Justice Court in 2012. He earned an A.S. in History from Dixie State College, a B.S. in Criminal Justice from Weber State University, and a J.D. from Brigham Young University. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Farr was a partner with the Salt Lake City law firm of Morgan, Minnock, Rice & James. He previously worked for the Utah Attorney General's Office, the U.S. Department of the Interior, and in private practice. Judge Farr has served as a member of the Justice Court Board of Judges and the Utah Judicial Council.

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## Honorable Sydney Magid

- Serving **Salt Lake City** Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Magid met these standards:

1. She participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of her current term;
2. She held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. She has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during her term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Magid.

Judge Sydney Magid was appointed to the Salt Lake City Justice Court in 2004. She received a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in 1990 and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Utah College of Law in 1993, where she was a William H. Leary Scholar. Prior to her appointment to the bench, Judge Magid worked as an attorney in private practice. She has served on the Justice Court Judges Education Curriculum Subcommittee.



## Honorable Scott J. Mickelsen

- Serving **Bluffdale** Municipal Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Mickelsen met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Mickelsen.

Judge Scott J. Mickelsen was appointed to the Bluffdale Justice Court in May 2012. He is a 36-year veteran of law enforcement. Judge Mickelsen earned a Master of Criminal Justice Degree and has served as an adjunct professor at two Utah universities, teaching ethics, management, and other courses. He is a former hostage negotiator with particular expertise in conflict resolution. Judge Mickelsen has worked as a division commander in patrol, court security, administrative support, and many other assignments and special projects, and is a graduate of the FBI National Academy. He has worked with youth in the community teaching principles of law enforcement and citizenship. Judge Mickelsen created "Officer Friendly" programs for implementation into elementary school curriculum and taught criminal justice to youth in area high schools.

# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable Ronald E. Powell

- Serving **Stockton** Municipal Justice Court, Tooele County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Powell met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Powell.

Judge Ronald E. Powell was appointed to the Stockton Justice Court in 2004. He is a Vietnam Veteran, having served with the United States Navy. He has nine years of law enforcement experience in California, where he studied the administration of justice. After retiring as a supervisor from the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Judge Powell moved to Utah, where he earned a certificate in legal studies from the Legal Institute for Justice Court Judges.



## Honorable Marsha C. Thomas

- Serving **Taylorsville** Municipal Justice Court, Salt Lake County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Thomas met these standards:

1. She participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of her current term;
2. She held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. She has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during her term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Thomas. Judge Thomas was a part-time judge in Taylorsville but is now a full-time judge. Judges that are full-time at the beginning of an evaluation period receive a comprehensive evaluation.

Raised in Taylorsville, Judge Marsha C. Thomas serves the City of Taylorsville Municipal Justice Court. She earned a law degree from the University of Utah College of Law and then worked as a reference librarian at the U's law library, assisting the public in accessing legal information and teaching legal research to law students. She then opened a solo practice and later founded Thomas Tax & Law, Inc. Judge Thomas is co-author of the book "Utah Legal Research." She currently chairs the Judicial Council Committee on Resources for Self-Represented Parties and previously chaired the Utah Justice Court Education Committee. Judge Thomas received the Utah Judicial Council 2011 Quality of Justice award, the Justice Court 2011 Judge of the Year award, and 2010 Justice Court Service award.

# 4<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

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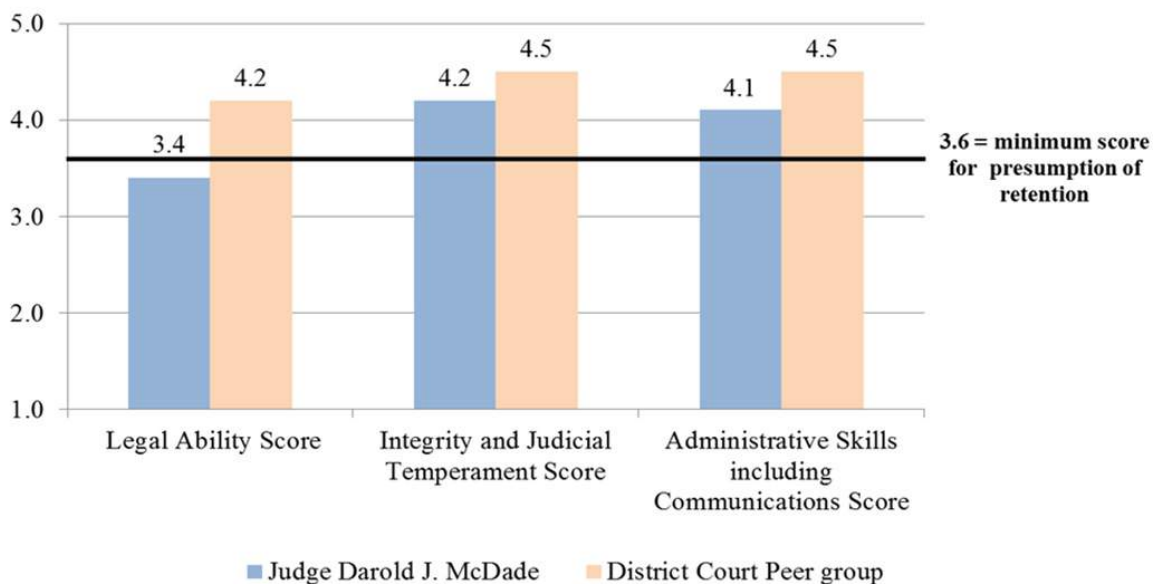
## Honorable Darold J. McDade

- Serving **Juab, Millard, Utah & Wasatch** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 7-5 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2007, Judge Darold McDade fails to meet the minimum performance standard for legal ability and scores below the average of his district court peers in all other survey categories. Survey respondents express doubt about the depth of Judge McDade's legal knowledge and his ability to properly adjudicate complex matters. They question the clarity and reasoning of his oral and written rulings. Respondents, however, also acknowledge that Judge McDade is consistently respectful, kind, and polite. They characterize him as humble, calm, and a good listener. Courtroom observers similarly praise Judge McDade's judicial demeanor, with all reporting they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 71% recommend that Judge McDade be retained. Based on the mixed nature of the data, the Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission gave Judge McDade a 7-5 vote for retention.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge McDade has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Appointed to the Fourth District Court in 2007 by Gov. Jon M. Huntsman, Jr., Judge Darold J. McDade graduated from BYU's J. Reuben Clark Law School in 1990. Prior to his appointment, he worked in the Utah Attorney General's Office as a section chief in the Child and Family Support Division, representing the Office of Recovery Services. He volunteered as a judge pro tem in the Fourth District small claims court from 2004-2007. Judge McDade was an elected member of the Pleasant Grove City Council from 2000-2007 and is a member of the Navajo Nation Bar Association. He currently sits on the Supreme Court Advisory Committee on the Rules of Professional Conduct and serves as Associate Presiding Judge of the Fourth District.



# 4<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUVENILE COURT

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## Honorable Suchada P. Bazzelle

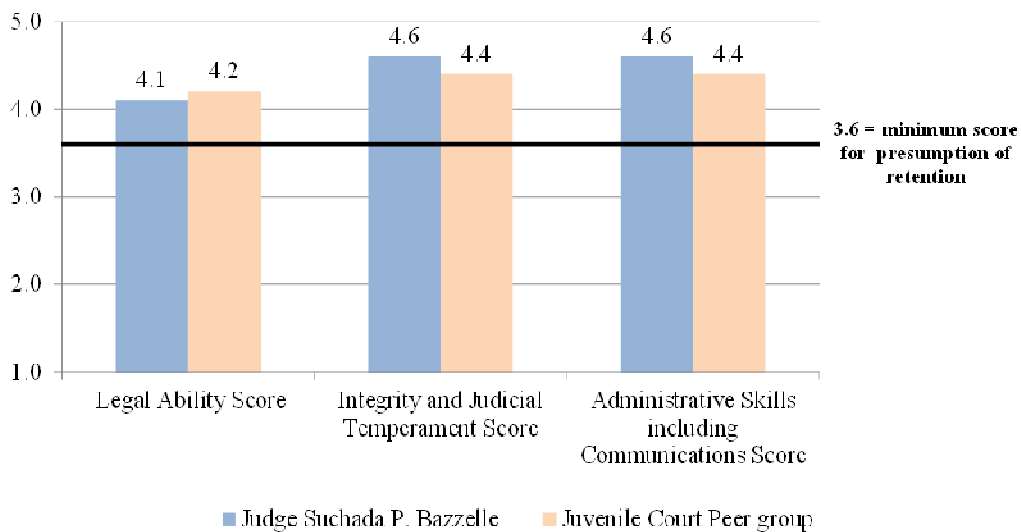
- Serving **Juab, Millard, Utah & Wasatch** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Survey respondents and courtroom observers describe Judge Suchada Bazzelle as an intelligent, confident, and diligent judge, sincerely concerned with the welfare of youth and families appearing in her courtroom. Appointed to the bench in 2007, Judge Bazzelle scores on average with her juvenile court peers in most survey categories, excelling in the category of integrity and judicial temperament. Survey respondents report that Judge Bazzelle holds individuals accountable for their actions, issues well-grounded, thoughtful decisions, and efficiently administers a busy court calendar. They characterize her as empathetic and compassionate but stern when necessary. From a list, survey respondents choose 97% positive adjectives to describe her. All courtroom observers indicate they would feel comfortable appearing before her. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 93% recommend that Judge Bazzelle be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Bazzelle has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Suchada P. Bazzelle was appointed to the Fourth District Juvenile Court in January 2007 by Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. Judge Bazzelle graduated from the University of Colorado with a degree in journalism and received a law degree from Brigham Young University in 1994. She practiced family law and litigation until 1998 and then served as the Director of Legal Education for Westminster College from 1997-2000. Judge Bazzelle began working as a volunteer Guardian ad Litem in 1997 and joined the Office of the Guardian ad Litem in 2000, where she served until her appointment to the bench. Judge Bazzelle has chaired the Board of Juvenile Court Judges and currently serves as the Presiding Judge of the Fourth District Juvenile Court.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# 4<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUVENILE COURT

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## Honorable F. Richards Smith III

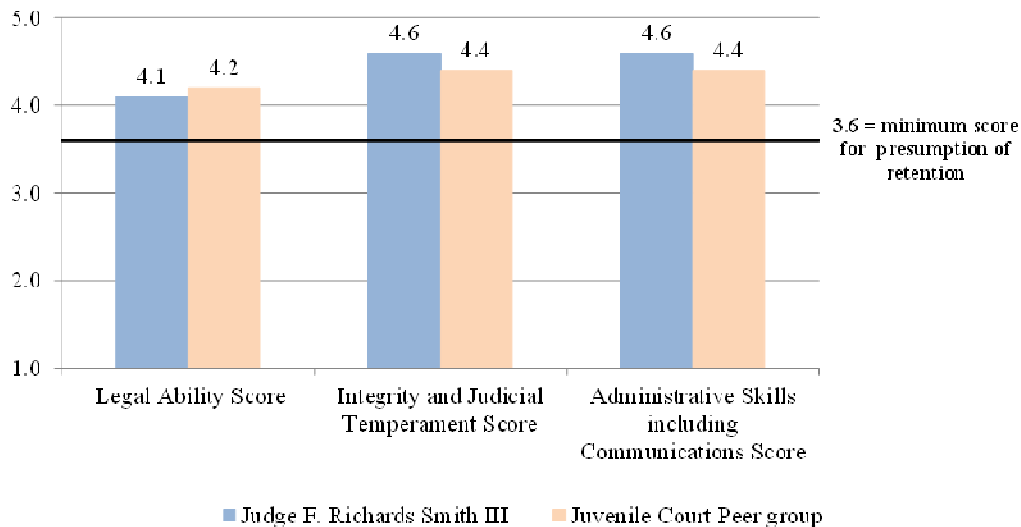
- Serving **Juab, Millard, Utah & Wasatch** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 2012, Judge F. Richards Smith scores above the average of his juvenile court peers in integrity and judicial temperament, and consistent with the average of his peers in all other survey categories. Most survey respondents and all observers agree that he shows caring and concern for the juveniles and families in his court, simultaneously projecting authority, kindness, and respect. From a list, survey respondents select 97% positive words to describe him. Most survey respondents and all courtroom observers view Judge Smith as an attentive and patient listener, though some respondents report that his time management causes unnecessary courtroom delays. All courtroom observers would feel comfortable appearing before Judge Smith, noting his skill in communicating with juveniles and his sensitivity in delivering firm sentences. Of 76 survey respondents answering the retention question, 71 (93%) recommend that Judge Smith be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Smith has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge F. Richards Smith was appointed to the Fourth District Juvenile Court in 2012 by Governor Gary Herbert. He is a board-certified Child Welfare Law Specialist by the National Association of Counsel for Children. Prior to taking the bench, Judge Smith worked as director of the Office of Guardian ad Litem; an attorney for that office; and in private and corporate law practices. He earned his law degree from the J. Reuben Clark Law School at BYU. He serves on the Board of Juvenile Court Judges and Court Improvement Program Committee, and previously served on Governor Huntsman's Child and Family Cabinet Council and various committees and boards. He was named 2004 Child Advocate of the Year by the Utah County Abuse Council.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable Scott J. Cullimore

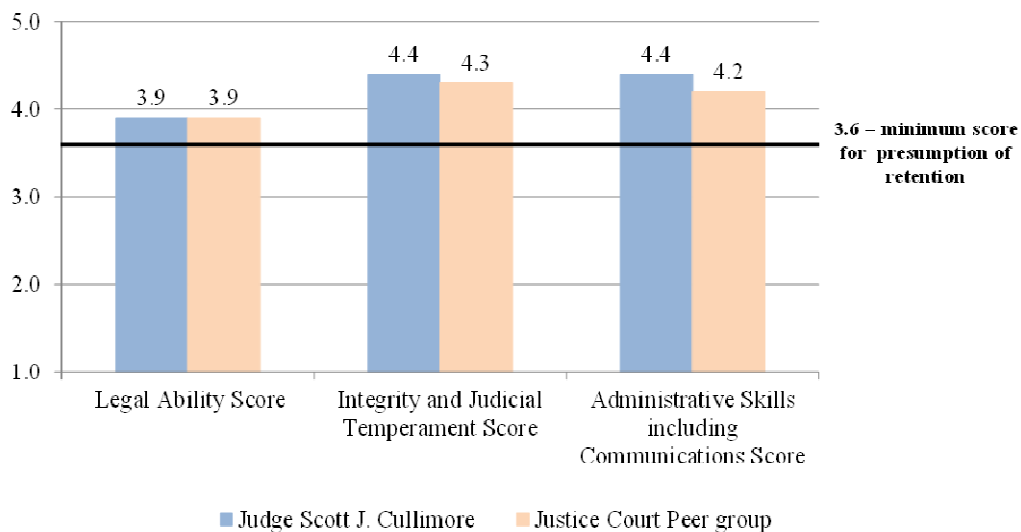
- Serving **Utah County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 1996, Judge Scott Cullimore receives survey scores consistent with the average of his justice court peers in all categories. Survey respondents highlight his professional and constructive interactions with courtroom participants, noting that he treats everyone with equal respect. Respondents choose 95% positive adjectives from a list to describe Judge Cullimore. Courtroom observers all report they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Observers note that he shows interest in hearing from defendants, encouraging them to speak up, and that he consistently offers careful explanations to them. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 87% recommend retention for Judge Cullimore.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Cullimore has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Appointed to the Utah County Justice Court in 1996, Judge Scott J. Cullimore graduated from Brigham Young University with a degree in criminal justice. Prior to his appointment to the bench, he worked as a supervisor for Adult Probation and Parole. He has also served as a Correctional Officer at the Utah State Prison, a Driver's License Examiner for the Department of Public Safety, and a Field Investigator for the Department of Assistance Payments. He served on the Advisory Board of Adult Probation and Parole, as a councilman for Lindon City, and as Mayor of Lindon City. Judge Cullimore received the Justice Court Judge of the Year Award in 2003. He currently serves on the Fourth District Criminal Justice Round Table.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Stevan W. Ridge

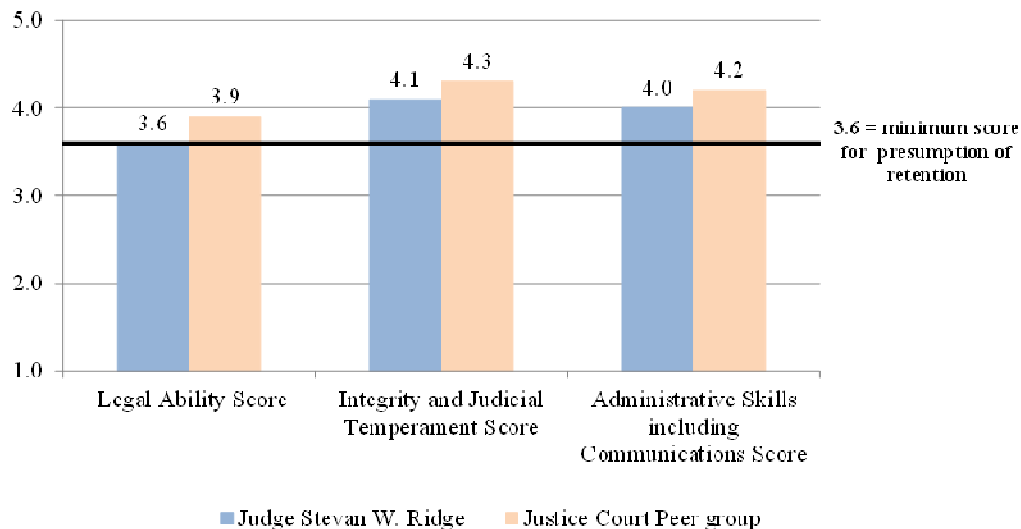
- Serving **Utah County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2002, Judge Stevan Ridge scores consistent with the average of his justice court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents characterize Judge Ridge as confident and consistent, but also impatient and dismissive. Courtroom observers view him as a clear communicator, attentive and interested in each defendant. Some also remark, however, that his demeanor feels impersonal. Most courtroom observers believe that if they were to appear before Judge Ridge, he would treat them fairly. As required by statute, the Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission notes that in 2010 the Utah Supreme Court publically reprimanded Judge Ridge for a sentencing practice he misunderstood and has since discontinued, that treated defendants differently if they announced an intent to appeal. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 78% recommend that Judge Ridge be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Ridge has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Stevan W. Ridge was appointed to the Heber City Justice Court in 2002. In 2008, he was appointed Judge of the Utah County Justice Court. Judge Ridge was educated at Utah State University and Weber State University. He is a graduate of P.O.S.T. and the Utah Corrections Academy. Prior to his appointment to the bench, he served in law enforcement for 23 years. Judge Ridge served one term as a Midway City Councilman and one term as the Mayor of Midway City. Judge Ridge is a graduate of the Legal Institute for Justice Court Judges and served two terms as education director for the 4<sup>th</sup> District Justice Court Judges.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**





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## Honorable Vernon F. Romney

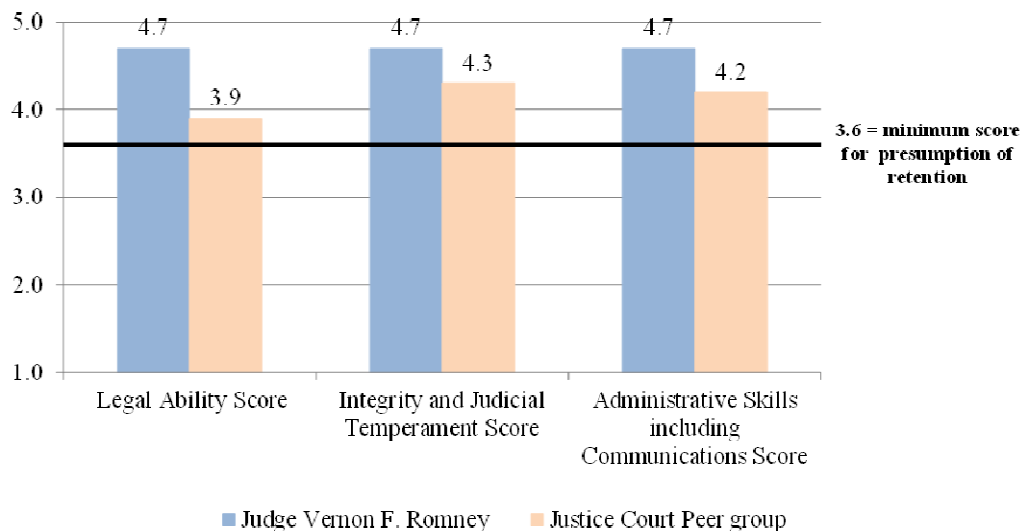
- Serving **Provo** Municipal Justice Court, Utah County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2007, Judge Vernon Romney receives outstanding evaluations from survey respondents, scoring well above the average of his justice court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents characterize him as a fair and impartial judge who consistently demonstrates patience, respect, and courtesy towards all. They view him as even-tempered and professional, choosing 99% positive adjectives from a list to describe him. Courtroom observers agree with survey respondents, with most reporting they would feel comfortable appearing before him. The observers describe Judge Romney as an excellent courtroom administrator who efficiently manages a heavy caseload without rushing and who makes sure that the parties have enough time to be fully heard. Of 48 survey respondents answering the retention question, 46 (96%) recommend that Judge Romney be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Romney has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Appointed to the Provo City Justice Court bench in 2007, Judge Vernon F. Romney graduated from Brigham Young University with a degree in English in 1979 and a law degree in 1982. Prior to his appointment, Judge Romney worked for 22 years in the Provo City Attorney's office, serving primarily as lead city prosecutor. Judge Romney has served as president of the Central Utah Bar Association, president of the Utah Municipal Prosecutors' Association, and chair of the Fourth District Court's Victims' Rights Committee. He has also served as a member of the Utah Domestic Violence Council and the Utah Prosecution Council Training Committee. Judge Romney currently chairs the Fourth District Justice Court Education Committee and sits on the Board of Justice Court Judges.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable W. Brent Bullock

- Serving **Linden & Pleasant Grove** Municipal Justice Courts, Utah County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Bullock met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Bullock.

Judge W. Brent Bullock was appointed to the Pleasant Grove Justice Court in 1991 and to the Lindon Justice Court in 1998. He is a three-time graduate of Brigham Young University, with a Bachelors' Degree in Law Enforcement Administration, a Master of Public Administration, and a law degree from the J. Rueben Clark Law School. He retired, after 24 years, as Department Chair of the Criminal Justice and Forensic Science department at Utah Valley University. While at UVU, he also maintained a part-time private law practice. Judge Bullock has served on the Utah State Court Interpreter and Translation Committee and the Ethics Committee. He currently serves on the Board of Justice Court Judges.



## Honorable David C. Dahlquist

- Serving **Payson** Municipal Justice Court, Utah County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Dahlquist met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Dahlquist.

Judge David C. Dahlquist was appointed to the Payson Justice Court in April 2008. He completed the coursework and was awarded a Certificate in Legal Studies through the Utah Judicial Institute in April, 2013. After graduating magna cum laude from the University of Utah with a degree in music education, he worked for 30 years as choral director at Payson High School before retiring in June 2005. Judge Dahlquist is also the founder and musical director of the Payson Civic Chorale, an adult choral group, and has been actively involved with the Payson Community Theater for over 30 years.

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## Honorable Sherlynn Fenstermaker

- Serving **Mapleton & Springville** Municipal Justice Courts, Utah County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Fenstermaker met these standards:

1. She participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of her current term;
2. She held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. She has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during her term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Fenstermaker.

Appointed to the Springville and Mapleton Justice Courts in 2007, Judge Sherlynn White Fenstermaker graduated from Southern Utah State College in 1975 and from the Brigham Young University law school in 1979. Prior to her appointment, she practiced law in Salt Lake City and Provo and served as the Springville City Prosecutor. She has served on the Springville Library Board, the Utah County Housing Authority Board, and as a member of the Utah County Career Services Council. Judge Fenstermaker served on Board of Justice Court Judges from 2011- 2015 and was subsequently appointed as Education Chair for the Justice Courts of Utah.



## Honorable Debra Haveron

- Serving **Millard County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Haveron met these standards:

1. She participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of her current term;
2. She held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. She has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during her term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Haveron.

Appointed to the West Millard County Justice Court in 1995, Judge Debra Haveron now serves the consolidated Millard County Justice Court, with offices in Delta and Fillmore. In 2015, she also began serving the Delta City Justice Court. Prior to her first appointment to the bench, she worked as the West Millard court clerk. Judge Haveron attended the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada, and is a graduate of the Utah Legal Institute for Justice Court Judges. Judge Haveron regularly invites elementary school students into her courtroom and teaches in middle and high school classrooms. She has served as a member of the Board of Justice Court Judges, the Justice Court Education Committee, as an assistant Fourth District education director, and on the Bail Committee.

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## Honorable Carolyn Howard

- Serving **Saratoga Springs** Municipal Justice Court, Utah County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Howard met these standards:

1. She participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of her current term;
2. She held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. She has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during her term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Howard.



## Honorable Douglas Nielsen

- Serving **Lehi** Municipal Justice Court, Utah County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Nielsen met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Nielsen.

Judge Douglas Nielsen was appointed to the Lehi Justice Court in 2013 and the Alpine/Highland Justice Court in 2014. He earned a bachelor degree from Utah State University in 2004 and graduated from Oklahoma City University Law School in 2007. During law school, Judge Nielsen interned for the Oklahoma County Public Defenders Association and the Utah County Public Defenders Association. In 2007, he became an associate at Young, Kester & Petro and, in 2010, formed the law firm of Petro & Nielsen, where he served until his appointment to the bench.

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## Honorable Sharla Williams

- Serving **Genola, Goshen, & Santaquin** Municipal Justice Courts, Utah County; & **Levan** Municipal, **Nephi** Municipal, and **Juab County** Justice Courts, Juab County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Williams met these standards:

1. She participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of her current term;
2. She held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. She has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during her term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Williams.

Judge Sharla T. Williams was appointed to Nephi Precinct Court in Juab County in 1991 and to the Santaquin/Genola/Goshen Justice Court in 2008. She has taken classes at Snow College and attended the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada. Judge Williams received the Utah Justice Court's Dedicated Service Award in 1995.

# 5<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

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## Honorable Jeffrey C. Wilcox

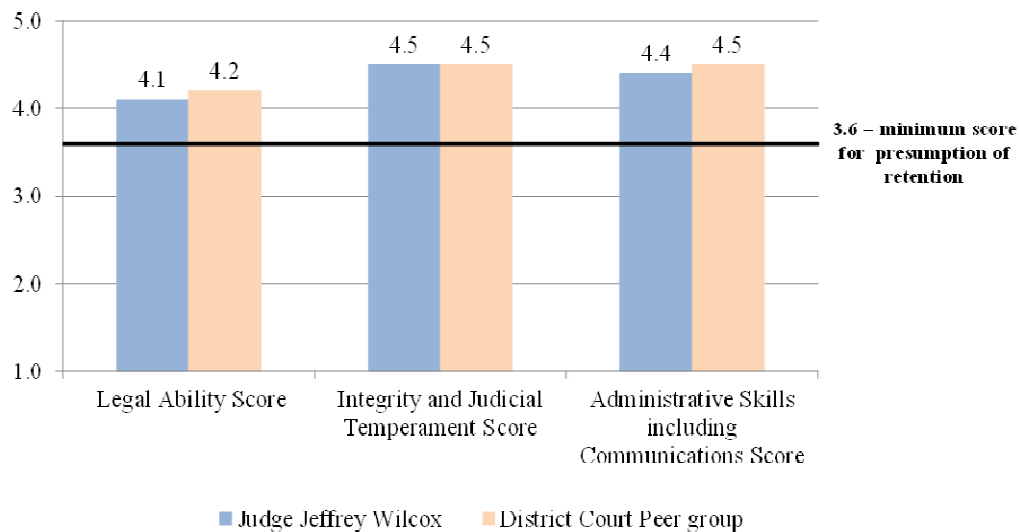
- Serving **Beaver, Iron & Washington Counties**
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2013, Judge Jeffrey Wilcox is a relatively new judge who survey respondents say is continuing to learn and gain confidence. He scores on average with his district court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents characterize him as a calm, patient, and polite judge who is fair to all. Courtroom observers describe Judge Wilcox as a prepared, engaged listener who devotes his undivided attention to those appearing before him. They all report they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 90% recommend that Judge Wilcox be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Wilcox has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Jeffrey C. Wilcox was appointed to the Fifth District Court in January 2013 by Gov. Gary R. Herbert. He graduated from the University of Minnesota and then earned his law degree, cum laude, from the J. Reuben Clark Law School at Brigham Young University in 1984. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Wilcox was a partner at Gallian, Wilcox, Welker, Olsen & Beckstrom, where he practiced for 28 years as a civil litigator. Judge Wilcox currently serves as the felony drug court judge in Washington County and chairs the Fifth District Pro Bono Committee.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# 5<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUVENILE COURT

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## Honorable Thomas M. Higbee

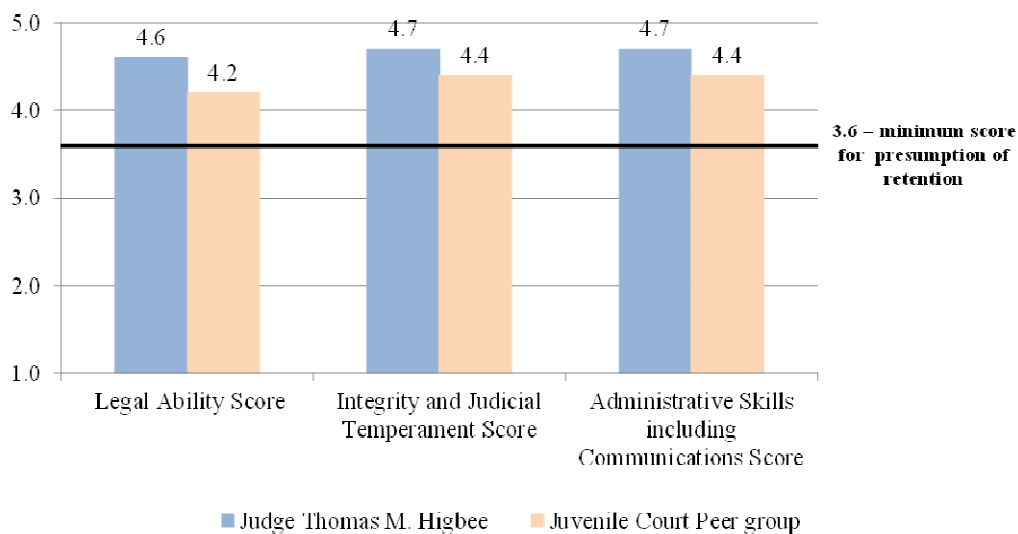
- Serving **Beaver, Iron & Washington** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Judge Thomas Higbee, an experienced judge, receives outstanding evaluations from survey respondents, earning scores above the average of his juvenile court peers in all survey categories. In particular, survey respondents give him very high scores for properly applying legal rules and precedent. From a list, survey respondents select 95% positive adjectives to describe him, emphasizing his knowledge, confidence, and consistency. Both survey respondents and courtroom observers characterize Judge Higbee as fair and impartial, demonstrating genuine concern for the well-being of juveniles and families appearing in his court. Some observers and survey respondents note that his personal or religious views influence his judicial outlook. All observers are strongly positive about Judge Higbee and report they would feel comfortable appearing before him in court. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 98% recommend that Judge Higbee be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Higbee has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Thomas M. Higbee was appointed to the Fifth District Juvenile Court in 2001 by Gov. Michael O. Leavitt. Judge Higbee earned his law degree from the University of Utah College of Law in 1980. He practiced law for 20 years and was the senior partner at Higbee & Jensen and a trustee of Southern Utah University at the time of his appointment. He has served as a board member and chair of the Board of Juvenile Court Judges, the co-chair of the Judicial Council's Standing Committee on Children and Family Law, and on several other committees. Judge Higbee currently serves on the Utah Judicial Council.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Margaret Miller

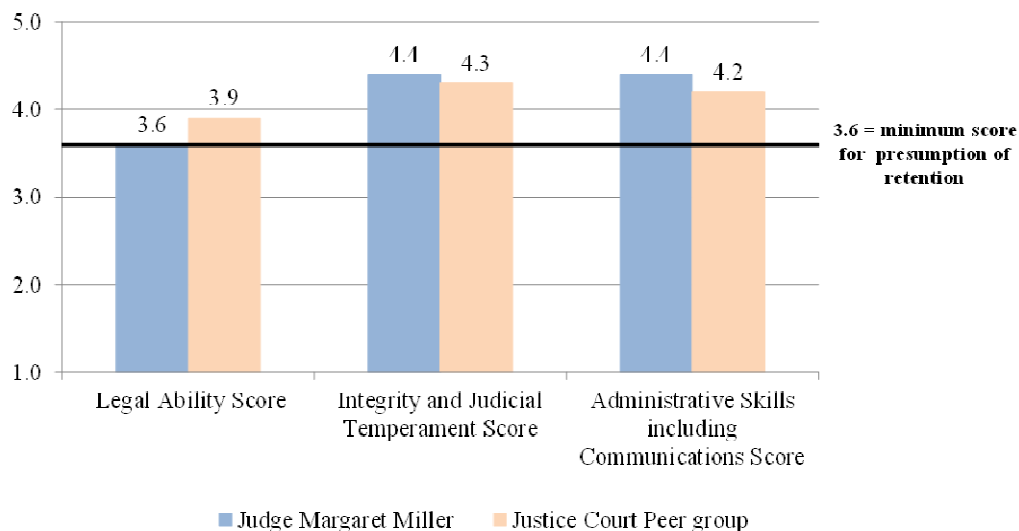
- Serving **Iron County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 1978, Judge Margaret Miller is viewed by both survey respondents and courtroom observers as a fair, considerate, and patient justice court judge. Judge Miller scores consistent with her justice court peers in all survey categories. From a list, survey respondents choose 95% positive adjectives to describe her. According to survey respondents, she demonstrates notable respect for the time and expense of those appearing in her courtroom. Courtroom observers report they would all feel comfortable appearing before her. They describe Judge Miller as an engaged, active listener with a non-threatening, empathetic demeanor that encourages people to explain their side of the case. Of 24 survey respondents answering the retention question, 18 (75%) recommend Judge Miller be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Miller has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Margaret Miller began working as a clerk in the Cedar Precinct Justice Court in 1973 and was appointed to the bench five years later. Within the Fifth Judicial District, she has served as director and assistant director for the Justice Court Judges Association, assisted with juvenile offender programs, served on the board to review court procedures, and served as a mentor for new judges. Judge Miller was twice named Judge of the Year, has received the Quality of Justice Award, was named Iron County Resource Person of the Year, and was named Division of Youth Corrections Region III Outstanding Volunteer.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**





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## Honorable Douglas Whitlock

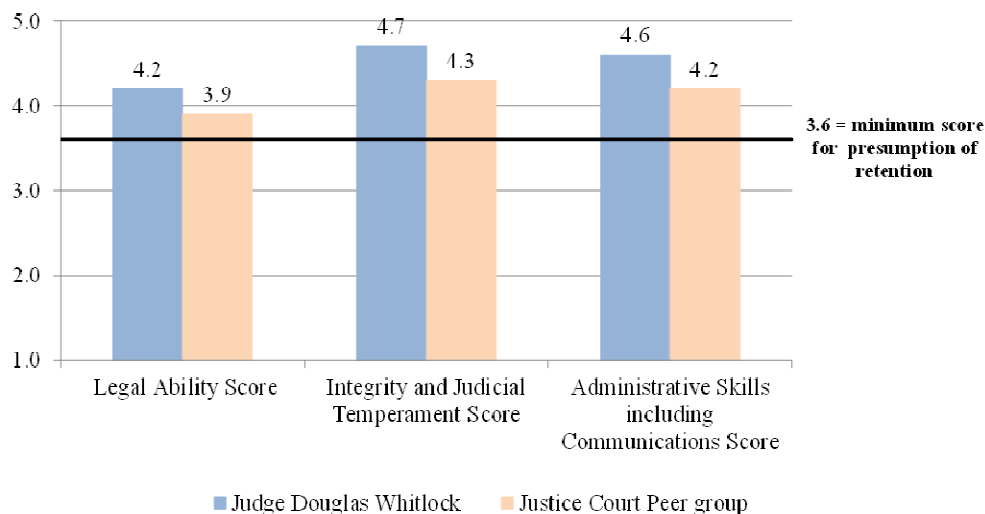
- Serving **Enterprise Municipal & Washington County** Justice Courts
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

With many years of experience, Judge Douglas Whitlock scores above the average of his justice court peers in integrity and judicial temperament, administrative skills, and procedural fairness and consistent with the average of his peers in legal ability. Survey respondents choose 98% positive words from a list to describe Judge Whitlock, characterizing him as both considerate and polite. They note that he runs a fair and respectful courtroom, ensuring proper behavior by participants without intimidating them. Courtroom observers praise Judge Whitlock's excellent communication skills and efficient courtroom management. They particularly note his patience and enthusiasm in seeking input from courtroom participants and ensuring that they understand court procedures. All observers report they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of 36 survey respondents answering the retention question, 35 (97%) recommend that Judge Whitlock be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Whitlock has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Douglas Whitlock was appointed to the Enterprise Justice Court in 1990 where he serves on a part-time basis. In 2003, he was appointed by the Washington County Commission to serve as a full-time judge in the Washington County Justice Court. Judge Whitlock was awarded the Justice Court Judge of the Year Award in 2005. In March 2009, he received a Certificate of Legal Studies from the Legal Institute for Justice Court Judges. Judge Whitlock currently serves as a member of the Washington County Domestic Violence Coalition. He has also served on the Utah State Fine & Bail Committee and the Washington County Board of Adjustments.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Kenneth E. Armstrong

- Serving **Santa Clara** Municipal Justice Court, Washington County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Armstrong met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Armstrong.

Judge Ken Armstrong was appointed to the Santa Clara Justice Court in 2000. Before his appointment to the bench, he served in the U.S. Army and received a Bronze Star Medal while serving in South Viet Nam. In 1976, he graduated Cum Laude from Colorado's Metropolitan State College with a degree in Criminal Justice and Outdoor Recreation. He worked as a law enforcement officer and firefighter for 22 years. In 2006, he was awarded a certificate of Legal Studies from the Utah Legal Institute. From 2002 through 2009, Judge Armstrong served as the education director for the Fifth District's Justice Courts.



## Honorable Shadrach C. Bradshaw

- Serving **Beaver County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Bradshaw met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Bradshaw.

Judge Shadrach C. Bradshaw was appointed to the Beaver County Justice Court in January 1995. He owned and operated a dairy farm until 2003. Since that time, he has served as the recreational director for Beaver City. For more than 30 years, Judge Bradshaw has been active in Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts and has volunteered for many community youth programs.

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## Honorable Dennis B. Cox

- Serving **Beaver County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Cox met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Cox.

Judge Dennis B. Cox was appointed to the Beaver County Justice Court, Milford Precinct, in 2007. He has served as chief of police in Milford and as a deputy sheriff for Beaver County. He served as the Southern Utah Area Blue & Gold Information Officer for the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. Judge Cox retired from public education in 2005. Judge Cox received the Silver Beaver from the Utah National Parks Council in 2001. In 2000, he received the Utah Hunter Education Instructor of the Year, Southern Region, from the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. Judge Cox has completed the Legal Institute course work.



## Honorable Brent A. Dunlap

- Serving **Parowan Municipal Justice Court & Iron County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Dunlap met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Dunlap.

Judge Brent A. Dunlap was appointed to the Iron County Justice Court in 2007 and to the Parowan City Justice Court in 2012. Prior to being appointed, Judge Dunlap served in law enforcement for 21 years. Judge Dunlap served on the Justice Court Judges' Education Committee from 2009 - 2013 and rejoined that committee in 2015. He also served on the Justice Court Board of Judges from 2011 - 2013. In 2012, Judge Dunlap received a Certificate in Legal Studies from the Administrative Office of the Courts.

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## Honorable Kenneth Jake Graff

- Serving **Hildale** Municipal Justice Court, Washington County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Graff met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Graff.

Appointed to the Hildale City Justice Court in June 2012, Judge K. Jake Graff graduated with a Bachelor of Science from Brigham Young University in 2003 and a Juris Doctorate from the William S. Boyd School of Law at the University of Nevada in 2005. Judge Graff served as judicial law clerk to Judge T. Arthur Ritchie, Jr., presiding judge of Nevada's Eighth Judicial District Court, Family Division, in 2006. He has practiced law in Utah and Nevada since 2007. In addition to his Hildale City service, Judge Graff also serves as a Small Claims Judge Pro Tempore at the Washington County Justice Court.



## Honorable Karlin S. Myers

- Serving **Hurricane** Municipal Justice Court, Washington County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Myers met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Myers.

Judge Karlin Myers was appointed to the Hurricane City Justice Court in July 2005 and serves the cities of Hurricane and LaVerkin. Judge Myers is a graduate of Oregon State University and Willamette University College of law. Prior to his appointment to the bench he practiced law in state and federal courts in Utah, Idaho and Oregon with an emphasis on criminal defense, bankruptcy and family law. He is a former Washington and Kane County public defender. Judge Myers speaks Spanish and served on the State Court Interpreter Committee.

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## Honorable Jetta Robinson

- Serving **Beaver County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Robinson met these standards:

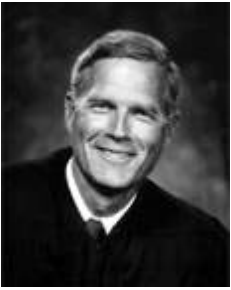
1. She participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of her current term;
2. She held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. She has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during her term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Robinson.

Judge Jetta Davie Robinson was appointed to the Beaver County Justice Court in 1981. She has served as the Minersville City Justice of the Peace and has served two terms on the Utah State Bail Schedule Committee. She is currently the Beaver County Justice Court Judge for the Minersville Precinct.

# 6<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUVENILE COURT

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## Honorable Paul D. Lyman

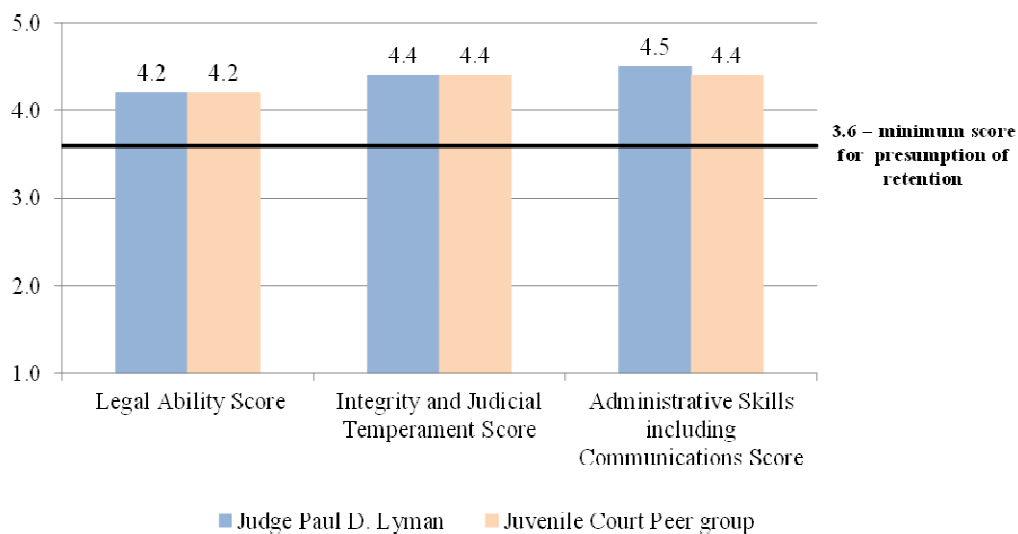
- Serving **Garfield, Kane, Piute, Sanpete, Sevier & Wayne** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2000, Judge Paul Lyman scores consistent with the average of his juvenile court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents characterize him as a confident, intelligent, and knowledgeable judge who conducts court in a business-like manner. They note that he communicates well with the young offenders who appear before him. Courtroom observers report that Judge Lyman manages his courtroom calendar effectively and shows skill in encouraging juveniles to explain and take responsibility for their behavior. Observers characterize his “tell-it-like-it-is” approach as tough, but note that he is not rude or harsh and appears truly interested in the well-being of each juvenile. All observers state they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of 41 survey respondents answering the retention question, 39 (93%) recommend that Judge Lyman be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Lyman has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Paul D. Lyman was appointed to the Sixth District Juvenile Court in 2000 by Gov. Michael O. Leavitt. He earned a law degree from the University of Chicago Law School in 1979. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Lyman maintained a private law practice and also served as part-time Deputy Sevier County Attorney, Wayne County Attorney, and Salina City Attorney. Prior to that, he served in the United States Air Force from 1980 to 1985, achieving the rank of Captain. Judge Lyman was elected Mayor of Richfield from 1994 to 1998 and was on the Richfield City Council from 1989 to 1994. He has served on the Board of Juvenile Court Judges, including two terms as Board chair.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



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## Honorable Roy Brown

- Serving **Wayne County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Brown met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Brown.

Judge Roy Brown was appointed to the Wayne County West Precinct Justice Court in 1988 and to the Wayne County Justice Court in 1992. He was born and has lived most of his life in Wayne County. He recently retired after working 35 years in the construction business and is active in civic activities.



## Honorable Ivo Ray Peterson

- Serving **Fairview, Fountain Green, Gunnison, Manti, Moroni, Mt. Pleasant & Spring City** Municipal Justice Courts, Sanpete County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Peterson met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Peterson.

Judge Ivo Ray Peterson was appointed to the Manti City Justice Court in January 2000. Since this time, he has been appointed to the Ephraim, Fairview, Fountain Green, Gunnison, Mt. Pleasant, Moroni, and Spring City justice Courts. Judge Peterson completed the Utah Legal Institute for Justice Court judges in April 2002. He has worked as assistant regional director for education, regional director for education, regional senator, and as a Justice Court Board member. Judge Peterson earned a Masters Degree in Fine Arts from the University of Utah, and was a Certified Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor. Judge Peterson is currently an instructor for Snow College. Judge Peterson regularly presents information on Utah law to high school driver's education classes, junior high civics classes, and fifth grade students.

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## Honorable Peter J. Thompson

- Serving **Big Water** Municipal Justice Court, Kane County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Thompson met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Thompson.

Judge Peter J. Thompson was appointed to the Big Water Justice Court in February 2006. Judge Thompson earned an Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice and is currently pursuing a law degree with William Howard Taft University's School of Law. Judge Thompson attended the Reno Judicial College where he completed a course in Special Court Jurisdiction. Judge Thompson is currently enrolled in the Legal Institute for Justice Court Judges.



# 7<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

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## Honorable George M. Harmond, Jr.

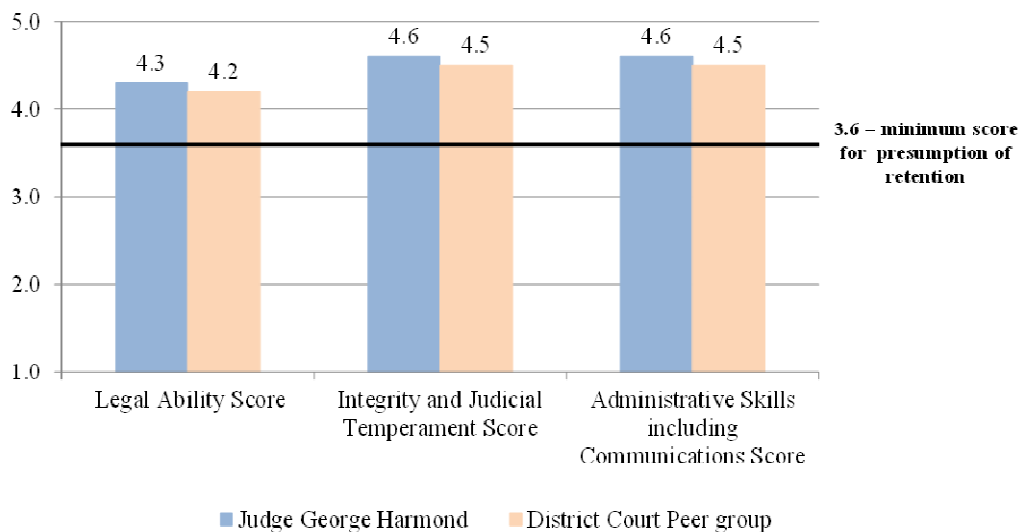
- Serving **Carbon, Emery, Grand & San Juan** Counties
- Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Survey respondents and courtroom observers assess Judge George Harmond positively, describing him as a patient listener and a respectful and courteous judge. Appointed to the bench in 2005, Judge Harmond scores on average with his district court peers in all survey categories. From a list, survey respondents choose 91% positive adjectives to describe him. They praise Judge Harmond for his judicial temperament and effective courtroom management. Courtroom observers describe Judge Harmond as well-prepared and attentive. They highlight his strong communication skills, noting that he consistently takes the time necessary to ensure that people appearing in his court understand both the proceedings and his decisions. All observers report they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 93% recommend that Judge Harmond be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Harmond has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge George M. Harmond, Jr. was appointed to the Seventh District Court in 2005 by Gov. Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. Judge Harmond earned his undergraduate degree from the University of Utah and his law degree from Creighton University School of Law. From 1981 until his appointment to the bench, he maintained a private law practice. In addition, he served as Deputy Carbon County Attorney from 1987-2005. In 2003, Governor Michael O. Leavitt appointed him to the Utah Board of Water Resources, a position he held until his appointment to the bench. In 2011, Judge Harmond was elected by his district court peers to the Utah Judicial Council, where he served until 2014.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# 7<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

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## Honorable Douglas B. Thomas

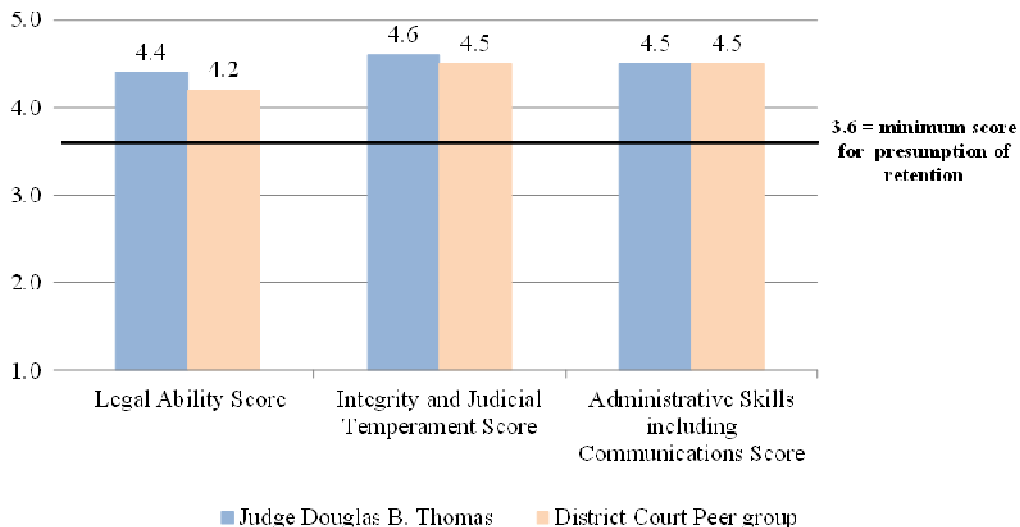
- Serving **Carbon, Emery, Grand & San Juan** Counties
- Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the bench in 2007, Judge Douglas Thomas scores on average with his district court peers in all survey categories. Survey respondents praise his respect for courtroom participants, his attentive listening, and his commitment to ensuring that those appearing in his court fully understand the proceedings. From a list, respondents choose 97% positive adjectives to describe him, characterizing him as knowledgeable, polite, and considerate. Both survey respondents and courtroom observers note that Judge Thomas demonstrates excellent courtroom management skills. Observers further note that Judge Thomas consistently allows sufficient time for courtroom participants to present their cases and provides clear and explicit explanations of his decisions. All observers report they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 98% recommend that Judge Thomas be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Thomas has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Douglas B. Thomas was appointed to the Seventh District Court in 2007 by Governor Jon M. Huntsman, Jr. Judge Thomas graduated from the University of Utah College of Law in 1989. He practiced law with Van Cott, Bagley, Cornwall and McCarthy and later became a shareholder at Gridley, Ward and Shaw. He then served as a Second District Court Commissioner from 2003 – 2007. Since his appointment to the bench, Judge Thomas has served as presiding judge of the Seventh District Court and on the Board of District Court Judges. Judge Thomas currently co-chairs the Judicial Council's Standing Committee on Children and Family Law and serves on the Utah State Bar's Family Law Executive Committee.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable Lyon W. Hazelton, II

- Serving **Monticello Municipal & San Juan County** Justice Courts
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Hazelton met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Hazelton.

Judge Lyon W. Hazelton, II, was appointed to the San Juan County Justice Court in 1994. In 1999, he was appointed as the Justice Court judge for the City of Monticello. He graduated with an Associate of Science degree from the College of Eastern Utah. He has attended all mandatory classes required by the Administrative Office of the Courts, as well as optional classes. In addition, Just Hazelton has attended the National Judicial College in Reno, Nevada. Judge Hazelton has served as education director for the Justice Court judges and Seventh District court clerks. He was awarded the Justice Court Service Award in 2001. Judge Hazelton has been an active volunteer member of the San Juan County and Monticello City Emergency Services for more than 27 years. In addition, he has worked with the Boy Scouts and other youth programs.



## Honorable Linda Murdock

- Serving **East Carbon & Helper** Municipal Justice Courts, Carbon County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Murdock met these standards:

1. She participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of her current term;
2. She held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. She has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during her term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Murdock.

Judge Linda Murdock was appointed to the Helper Justice Court in 1997. She was then appointed to the East Carbon Justice Court. She attended Fullerton College in California and worked as the head secretary in several law firms in California.

# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable Steven L. Stream

- Serving **Emery County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Stream met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Stream.

Judge Steven L. Stream was appointed to the Emery County Justice Court in February 2005. Prior to joining the bench, Judge Stream worked for Emery County as a deputy sheriff for more than 20 years. He served 2 terms as the Seventh District Justice Court director, which included serving as the Seventh District Justice Court Education chairman and serving as a member of the Utah State Justice Court Education Committee.



## Honorable William Walker

- Serving **Blanding** Municipal Justice Court, San Juan County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Walker met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Walker.

Judge William Walker was appointed to the Blanding Justice Court in January, 2013. Prior to joining the bench, Judge Walker retired from the U.S Army after 22 years of service. He has served as a volunteer firefighter, volunteer EMT, and as the Veteran of Foreign wars Commander for his local VFW post where he was selected as the VFW Post Commander of the Year for the state of Utah in 2012. He is currently the education director for the Seventh District Justice Court Judges and Court Clerks. Judge Walker has been involved coaching numerous youth activities served as a Scoutmaster and is the San Juan Boys High School Cross Country Coach. He is pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Information Technology Management.

# 8<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT

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## Honorable Samuel Chiara

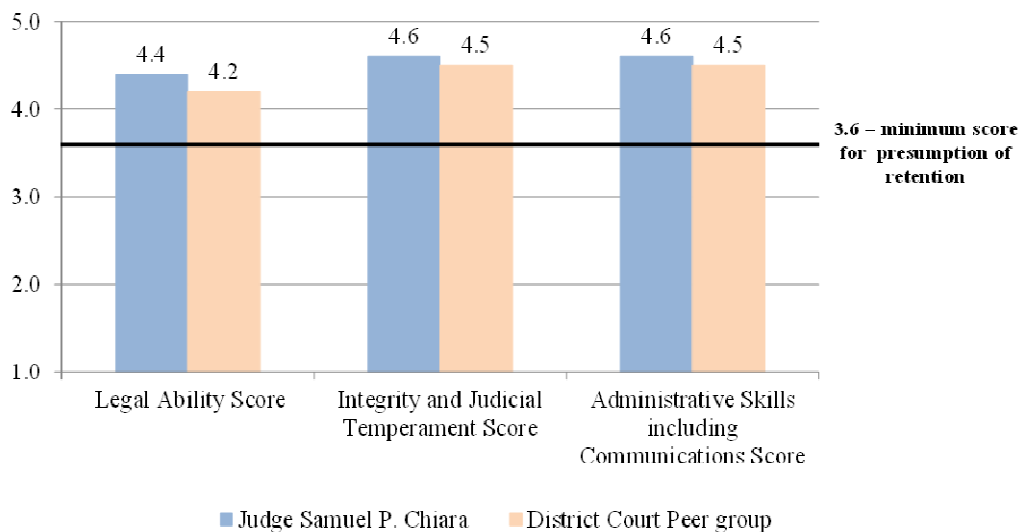
- Serving **Daggett, Duchesne & Uintah** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 2013, Judge Samuel Chiara scores consistent with the average of his district court peers in all statutory survey categories and above the average of his peers in procedural fairness. From a list of adjectives, survey respondents select 98% positive words to describe him. Respondents note that Judge Chiara works hard, treats all people fairly, and demonstrates solid legal ability. Courtroom observers praise Judge Chiara's preparation, his consideration of the time and viewpoints of others, and his fairness to all involved. All observers are enthusiastically positive about Judge Chiara, with all reporting they would feel comfortable appearing before him. Of survey respondents answering the retention question, 97% recommend retention for Judge Chiara.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Chiara has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Samuel P. Chiara was appointed to the Eighth District Court by Governor Gary Herbert in 2013. Judge Chiara earned a Bachelor of Science degree from the Marriott School of Management at BYU and a Juris Doctor degree from the J. Reuben Clark Law School, also at BYU. Prior to his appointment, Judge Chiara practiced law with Keith Chiara in Price and later as a partner in Chiara & Torgerson. His practice included criminal defense, domestic, probate, contract, property, parental defense, and personal injury law. Judge Chiara also served as defense counsel for the Carbon County Drug Court. He currently serves on the District Judges' Curriculum Development committee.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# 8<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUVENILE COURT

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## Honorable Keith Eddington

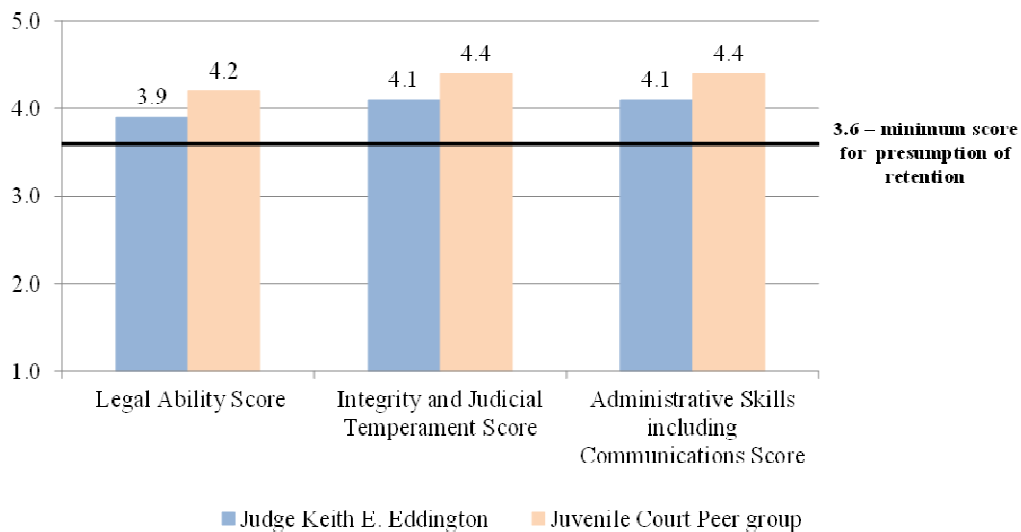
- Serving **Daggett, Duchesne & Uintah** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed to the juvenile court bench in 2013, Judge Keith Eddington scores consistent with the average of his peers in all survey categories, including procedural fairness. Survey respondents recognize his calm demeanor and fair approach, although some suggest he should be more assertive in controlling his courtroom. Both survey respondents and courtroom observers note his courteous manner but are divided on whether he is appropriately firm and decisive in court. Most courtroom observers agree that they would be treated fairly if they appeared before Judge Eddington. They consistently acknowledge his attentiveness, patience, and even-handed nature. Of 38 survey respondents answering the retention question, 32 (84%) recommend that Judge Eddington be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Eddington has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Appointed to the Eighth District Juvenile Court in 2013 by Gov. Gary R. Herbert, Judge Keith Eddington earned a law degree from the BYU J. Reuben Clark Law School in 1988, and then engaged in private practice until 2001. After serving as an Assistant Attorney General in child protection for five years, he returned to private practice until his appointment to the bench. Judge Eddington has served on the Advisory Board of the Children's Justice Center in Uintah and Duchesne counties and prosecuted child welfare cases for the Ute Indian Tribe. He has also served as an adjunct professor of Business Law at USU and currently sits on the Utah Court Improvement Project Committee on Indian Affairs and serves as presiding judge for his district.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# 8<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUVENILE COURT

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## Honorable Ryan B. Evershed

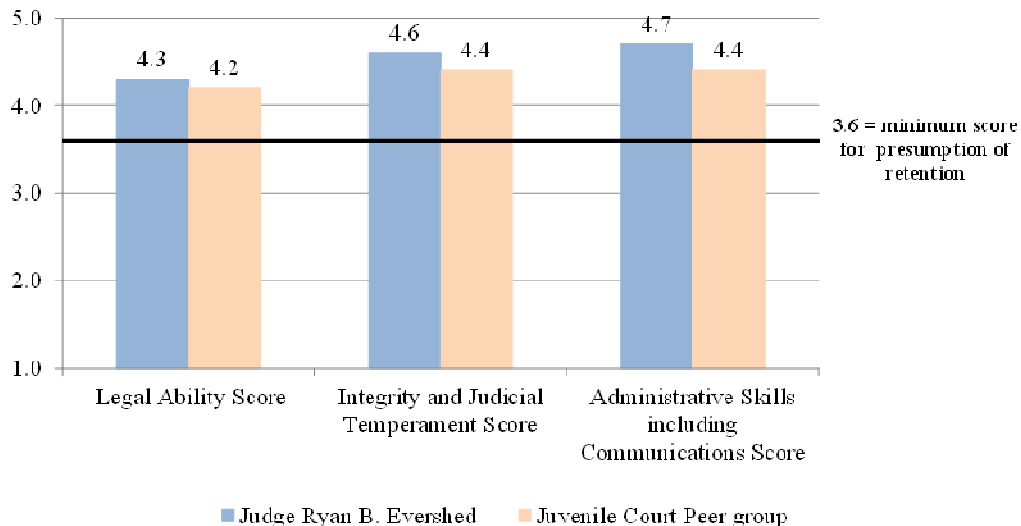
- Serving **Daggett, Duchesne & Uintah** Counties
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Appointed in 2013, Judge Ryan Evershed scores above the average of his juvenile court peers in two categories—integrity & judicial temperament and administrative skills—and consistent with the average of his peers in legal ability and procedural fairness. Survey respondents note that Judge Evershed respects the time of others and patiently seeks input from all participants. From a list of adjectives, survey respondents select 99% positive words to describe him. Both survey respondents and courtroom observers describe Judge Evershed as a thoughtful and effective communicator who clearly enjoys working with juveniles and their families, particularly helping participants understand his decisions. Observers are consistently positive about Judge Evershed, with all reporting they would feel comfortable appearing before him in court. Of 47 survey respondents answering the retention question, 45 (96%) recommend that Judge Evershed be retained.

The commission reviewed surveys and courtroom observation reports in addition to verifying that Judge Evershed has met all time standards, judicial education requirements, and discipline standards established by the judicial branch.

Judge Ryan B. Evershed was appointed to the Eighth District Juvenile Court in 2013 by Gov. Gary R. Herbert. He received an undergraduate degree from the University of Utah and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of Toledo. Judge Evershed gained valuable experience in Juvenile Court working for the Utah Attorney General’s Office in the Child Protection Division in cases involving child abuse, neglect, and dependency. He served on the Advisory Board of the Children’s Justice Center in Uintah and Duchesne counties and as chairperson of the Uintah County Board. Prior to his appointment to the bench, Judge Evershed opened his own practice which specialized in family, criminal, and juvenile law and served as the Juvenile Court public defender.

**This judge has met all minimum performance standards established by law.**



# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable Charlene S. Hartmann

- Serving **Daggett County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Hartmann met these standards:

1. She participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of her current term;
2. She held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. She has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during her term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Hartmann.

Judge Charlene S. Hartmann was appointed to the Daggett County Justice Court in January 2008. Judge Hartmann is a graduate of Stevens Henager College with a degree in General Business. Prior to being appointed to the bench, she served as the 8<sup>th</sup> District Court clerk in Daggett County. Her past work experience includes being licensed by the State of Utah as a Mortgage Loan Originator for over 25 years. Since being appointed to the judgeship she has worked to obtain a Victims Advocate program for Daggett County and has served on the Utah Coalition against Sexual Assault Committee and the Tri County Advisory Board to Prevent Domestic Violence against Women. Judge Hartmann is a graduate of the Administrative Office of the Courts' Legal Institute, and has served as 8<sup>th</sup> District Education Director.



## Honorable G.A. "Jody" Petry

- Serving **Naples Municipal & Uintah County** Justice Courts
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Petry met these standards:

1. She participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of her current term;
2. She held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. She has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during her term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Petry.

Judge Georganna A. Petry was appointed to the Uintah County Justice Court in 1996 and the Naples Justice Court in 2000. A graduate of American Public University, she also earned certificates from the Utah Legal Institute and the National Judicial College. Judge Petry served on the Board of Youth Corrections and the Task Force on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts. She received the 2001 Justice Court Judge of the Year award, the Judicial Council's Quality of Service Award, and was recognized for distinguished service in justice court clerk education. Judge Petry also served on the Board of Justice Court Judges and recently served as the Justice Court representative to the Utah Judicial Council.



# JUSTICE COURT

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## Honorable Clair Poulson

- Serving **Duchesne County** Justice Court
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Poulson met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Poulson.

Judge Clair M. Poulson was appointed to the bench in February 1991. Coupled with previous law enforcement service, he has over 40 years of experience. Judge Poulson has served several years on the Board of Justice Court Judges and six years on the Utah Judicial Council. He served for two years as the education chairman for the Justice Courts and is currently a member of the Ethics Advisory Committee.



## Honorable Ray R. Richards

- Serving **Vernal Municipal** Justice Court, Uintah County
- Commission Recommendation: **RETAIN**
- Commission Vote Count: 12-0 (for retention)

Part-time justice court judges standing for retention in 2016 are required to meet three minimum performance standards adopted by the judicial branch and enacted by the legislature. Judge Richards met these standards:

1. He participated annually in no less than 30 hours of continuing legal education for each year of his current term;
2. He held no cases under advisement for more than two months; and
3. He has not been the subject of any public reprimands issued by the Judicial Conduct Commission or the Utah Supreme Court during his term of office.

Based solely on compliance with these standards, the commission recommends retention for Judge Richards.

Appointed to the bench in 2012, Judge Ray Robert Richards is a 1996 social work graduate from Utah State University. Prior to his appointment, Judge Richards worked for 16 years for the Eighth District Juvenile Court, first as a Probation Officer and later as Chief Probation Officer. He is a certified firefighter with the State of Utah and currently volunteers for both Vernal City and Uintah County.

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## HOW CAN I VOTE?

Your voting options depend on the county in which you live. Go to the next page for instructions on how to cast your ballot.



### **Vote by mail**

**(Postmark your ballot by November 7<sup>th</sup>)**

- **Beaver, Cache, Davis, Duchesne, Garfield, Grand, Iron, Juab, Kane, Millard, Morgan, Rich, Salt Lake, San Juan, Sanpete, Sevier Summit, Uintah, Wasatch, Wayne and Weber Counties** will be conducting the election entirely by mail. Your ballot will be mailed to you by October 18<sup>th</sup> if you live in these counties.
- If you live in **Box Elder, Carbon, Daggett, Emery, Piute, Tooele, Utah, or Washington County**, you can request a mail ballot by submitting the application on page 126 and sending it to your clerk (page 124) by November 1st.



### **Vote early in-person**

**(October 25<sup>th</sup> - November 4<sup>th</sup>)**

- In-person early voting is available for **Box Elder, Carbon, Daggett, Emery, Kane, Millard, Piute, Salt Lake, Tooele, Utah, and Washington County** residents. Visit [vote.utah.gov](http://vote.utah.gov) to find early voting locations and times.



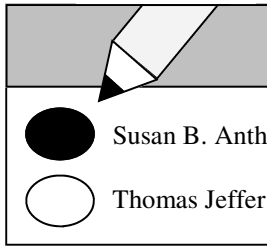
### **Vote on Election Day**

**(November 8<sup>th</sup>)**

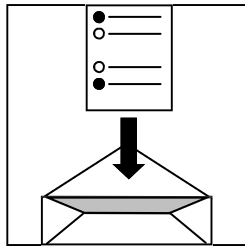
- If you live in a county that is not conducting its election entirely by mail, you can visit [vote.utah.gov](http://vote.utah.gov) to find the nearest Election Day polling location.
- If your county is voting by mail, contact your clerk's office (page 124) to find a location to cast or drop off your ballot on Election Day.

# HOW DO I CAST MY BALLOT?

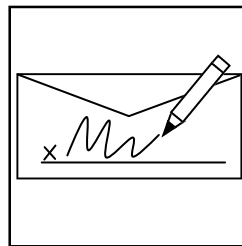
## If you are voting by mail:



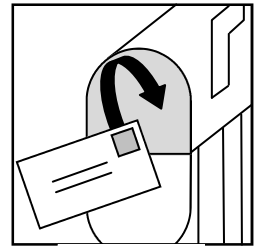
1. Follow the instructions on the ballot and mark your ballot.



2. After you have marked your ballot, place your ballot in the provided return envelope and seal the envelope.

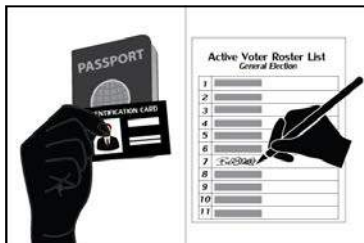


3. Sign the voter declaration on the envelope. **You must sign this declaration for your vote to count, and you can only sign your own envelope.**

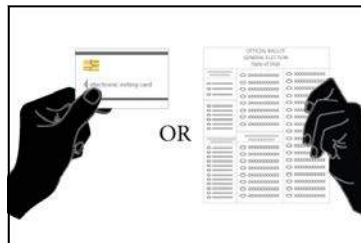


4. Your return envelope may require postage. Postmark your ballot by **November 7, 2016**. If you forget to mail your ballot, you can drop it off at your county clerk's office on Election Day.

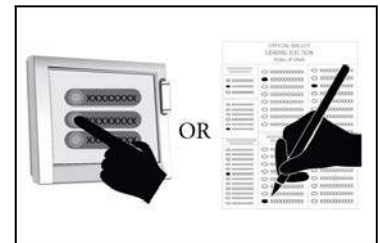
## If you are voting in-person:



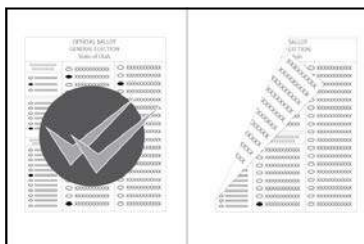
1. Present a valid form of I.D. to the poll worker and sign the official voting register.



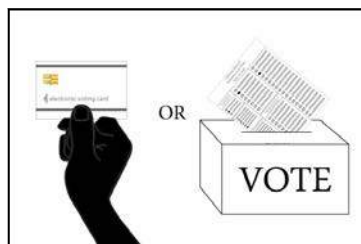
2. The poll worker will give you a card to insert into an electronic voting machine or a paper ballot.



3. Follow the instructions on the ballot. For electronic ballots, simply touch your selection on the screen. For paper ballots, completely fill in the ovals next to your selection.



4. Double-check your selections. Some paper ballots are two sided.



5. After you are done voting, return the electronic voting machine card to the poll worker or deposit your paper ballot in the drop box.

# HOW DO I REGISTER TO VOTE?

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## You can register to vote by:



Going online to [voter.utah.gov](http://voter.utah.gov).

A current Utah drivers license is required.

**-OR-**



Mailing a form to your county clerk.

You can find a registration form on page 125 and your county clerk's mailing address on page 126.

**-OR-**



Visiting your county clerk's office.

You can find your county clerk's address on page 124.



## When do I register to vote?

- Mail your registration form before **October 11, 2016**.
- Register online or at your county clerk's office before **November 1, 2016**.
- Residents of **Cache, Davis, Kane, Millard, Salt Lake, San Juan, Sanpete, and Weber Counties** can register on **Election Day** at a polling location.



## Common Questions

- **Am I registered to vote?**  
If you are not sure whether you are registered to vote, contact your county clerk (see page 124) or the Lieutenant Governor's office (1-800-995-VOTE).
- **I changed my name or address. Do I need to update my voter registration?**  
Yes. If you have a new name or address, you need to submit a new registration form.

# WHAT I.D. DO I NEED?

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- When you vote, you must have:

**ONE** form of I.D. that:

- Is valid (not expired)
- Has your name
- Has your photograph  
(except Tribal I.D. card)



**These forms of I.D. may include:**

- Utah Drivers License
- I.D. card issued by the state of Utah or the U.S. government
- Utah concealed carry permit
- U.S. passport
- Tribal I.D. card (does not need a photograph)

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**OR**

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**TWO** forms of I.D. that:

- Are valid (not expired)  
or recent
- Have your name
- Prove where you live



**These forms of I.D. may include:**

- Current utility bill or bank statement
- Social Security card
- U.S. military I.D. card
- Birth certificate
- Paycheck
- Utah hunting or fishing license
- Employer or university I.D. card
- Utah vehicle registration
- Check issued by Utah or U.S. government
- Tribal treaty card
- Bureau of Indian Affairs card

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<p><b>Davis</b> Clerk/Auditor: Curtis Koch ckoch@co.davis.ut.us 61 South Main Farmington, UT 84025 Phone: 801-451-3324 Fax: 801-451-3421</p>	<p><b>Millard</b> Clerk: Marki Rowley mrowley@co.millard.ut.us 765 S. Highway 99, Ste. 6 Fillmore, UT 84631 Phone: 435-743-6223 Fax: 435-743-6923</p>	<p><b>Summit</b> Clerk: Kent Jones kentjones@summitcounty.org 60 N Main, P.O. Box 128 Coalville, UT 84017 Phone: 435-336-3204 Fax: 435-336-3030</p>	
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# State of Utah Mail-in Voter Registration Form

**Voter Instructions - You can also register to vote online at [voter.utah.gov](http://voter.utah.gov)**

**You may use this form to:**

- Register to vote in Utah
- Preregister to vote if you are 16 or 17 years of age
- Change your name or address on your voter registration record
- Affiliate with a party or change your party affiliation

**To register to vote in Utah, you must:**

- Be a citizen of the United States
- Have resided in Utah at least 30 days immediately before the next election
- Be at least 18 years old on or before the next election

**Mail-in registration instructions:**

- Complete all required information; if not applicable write "N/A."
- If you have registered to vote with a different name or address, complete the change of information section.
- **One of the following is required: a Utah Driver License number, a Utah State Identification number, or the last four digits of your Social Security number. If you do not have a Utah Driver License or a Utah State Identification card, please write "None" in the space designated for a Utah Driver License or Utah State Identification and fill in the last four digits of your Social Security number.**
- Read the voter declaration and citizenship affidavit and sign and date below.

**Deadline for submitting this form:**

- By Mail: This form must be postmarked at least 30 days before an election to be eligible to vote in that election (see the back of this form).
- Walk In: This form must be delivered in person to your county clerk at least 7 days before the election to be eligible to vote in that election.

**Please note:**

- If you are qualified and the information on your form is complete, your county clerk will mail confirmation of your registration to you.
- If you believe that disclosure of any information contained in this voter registration form to a person other than a government official or government employee is likely to put you or a member of your household's life or safety at risk, or to put you or a member of your household at risk of being stalked or harassed, you may apply to the lieutenant governor or your county clerk to have your entire voter registration record classified as private.
- You must present valid voter identification to the poll worker before voting, which must be a valid form photo identification that shows your name and photograph, or, (2) two different forms of identification that show your name and current address.
- For more information contact your county clerk (see the back of this form) or the Lieutenant Governor's Office at [vote.utah.gov](http://vote.utah.gov) or 1-800-995-VOTE.

**NOTICE:** Voter registration records are considered public under Utah Code § 63G-2-301, excluding driver license or identification card numbers, Social Security numbers, and email addresses. Preregistration records are considered private until the registrant reaches 18 years of age.

The portion of a voter registration form that lists a person's date of birth is a private record, the use of which is restricted to government officials, government employees, political parties or certain other persons.

In accordance with Utah code section 20A-2-401, the penalty for willfully causing, procuring, or allowing yourself to be registered or preregistered to vote if you know you are not entitled to register or preregister to vote is up to one year in jail and a fine of up to \$2,500.

Reason(s) for completing this form (optional) <input type="checkbox"/> New Registration <input type="checkbox"/> Party Affiliation Change <input type="checkbox"/> Address Change <input type="checkbox"/> Name Change		Are you a citizen of the United States of America? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If you checked "no" to the above question, do not complete this form.</i> Will you be at least 18 years of age on or before election day? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If you checked "no" to the above question, are you 16 or 17 years of age and preregistering to vote? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If you checked "no" to both of the prior two questions, do not complete this form.</i>			
Last Name		First Name		Middle Name	
Name at Birth (if different than above)		Place of Naturalization (if applicable)		Date	
Physical Address (required, principal place of residence, no P.O. Box)		County	City	State	Zip Code
Mailing Address (if different from physical)		County	City	State	Zip Code
Phone Number (optional)	Date of Birth (required, month/day/year)	Place of Birth (required, state or county)		Last Four Digits of Social Security #	
Utah Driver License or Identification Number		<b>Political Party Affiliation:</b> (optional) <input type="checkbox"/> Constitution <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic <input type="checkbox"/> Independent American <input type="checkbox"/> Libertarian <input type="checkbox"/> Republican <input type="checkbox"/> Unaffiliated (no party preference) <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ (specify)			
Email Address (optional)					
Would you like to be a permanent absentee voter and receive your ballot by mail on an on-going basis? (read declaration) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		I am a person with a disability (optional) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
<b>If previously registered and/or changing personal information, also fill out this section.</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Never registered in State of Utah					
Name on Previous Registration _____		Address on Previous Registration _____		City _____ State _____ Zip _____	
<b>Read and Sign below</b>					
<b>Voter Declaration:</b> I do swear (or affirm), subject to penalty of law for false statements, that the information contained in this form is true and that I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Utah, residing at the above address. Unless I have indicated above that I am preregistering to vote in a later election, I will be at least 18 years of age and will have resided in Utah for 30 days immediately before the next election. I am not a convicted felon currently incarcerated for commission of a felony.					
<b>Citizenship Affidavit:</b> I hereby swear and affirm, under penalties for voting fraud set forth below in Utah Code Section 20A-2-401, that I am a citizen and that to the best of my knowledge and belief the information above is true and correct.					
<b>Vote By-Mail</b> (only if requested): I am a qualified elector, residing at the address above and I am applying for an official absentee ballot to be sent to me and voted by me at each election in which I am eligible to vote.					
<b>Signature</b>				<b>Date (Month/Day/Year)</b>	
OFFICE USE ONLY	Type of ID	Voting Precinct	Voting ID #	Type: By Mail	Form Date: 05/15



# State of Utah Absentee Ballot Application

Updated 05/2015

### Who is eligible to vote by absentee ballot:

Any person who is registered to vote may vote by absentee ballot (See Utah Code 20A-3-301).

### How to apply for an absentee ballot:

Fill out the following application, and then mail or drop off the application to your county clerk's office. You may also request an absentee ballot online at [VOTER.UTAH.GOV](http://VOTER.UTAH.GOV).

Overseas and military voters (UOCAVA voters) may electronically request an absentee ballot, receive an absentee ballot electronically, and return a completed absentee ballot electronically. Forms may be emailed to [elections@utah.gov](mailto:elections@utah.gov) or submitted directly to your county clerk.

### When to apply for an absentee ballot:

The county clerk must receive the absentee ballot application no later than the Thursday before the election. See the reverse side of this form for your county clerk's mailing address and contact information.

### How to cancel an absentee ballot request:

Contact your county clerk if you no longer wish to receive absentee ballots.

Do not write above the dotted line

Last Name	First Name	Middle Name	Date of Birth (month/day/year)	
Physical Address		City	State	ZIP Code

I, a qualified elector (voter), residing in \_\_\_\_\_ County at the above address, apply for an official absentee ballot to be voted by me at the election. If I am applying for an absentee ballot for a regular or Western States Presidential primary election, I apply for an official absentee ballot for the \_\_\_\_\_ political party to be voted by me at the primary election. **I understand that I must be affiliated with or authorized to vote the political party's ballot that I request.**

I would like my name placed on the permanent absentee voter list: \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

If you checked NO to the above question, please indicate when you would like to be removed from the absentee voter list: \_\_\_\_\_  
(examples: "12/1/2020" or "After the 2020 General Election")

I request that the ballot be mailed to the following address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I am an overseas citizen: \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO    I am an overseas military voter: \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO    I am a domestic military voter: \_\_\_ YES \_\_\_ NO

If you checked YES, you may designate a fax no. or email where your ballot will be sent: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If blank, ballot will be mailed to the address listed above)

### Read and Sign Below:

**Application provided by a third party:** I understand that a person that collects this absentee ballot application is required to file it with the appropriate election official before the earlier of fourteen days after the day on which I sign the application or the Thursday before the next election. This form is provided by: \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicant Declaration:** I have verified that the information on this application is correct.

Voter's Signature

Date (month/day/year)

OFFICE USE ONLY    Voter ID #: \_\_\_\_\_    Precinct: \_\_\_\_\_    Ballot Number: \_\_\_\_\_    Ballot Format: \_\_\_\_\_    Date Voted: \_\_\_\_\_



I, Spencer J. Cox, Lieutenant Governor of Utah, certify that the measures contained in this pamphlet will be submitted to the voters of Utah at the election to be held throughout the state on November 8, 2016, and this pamphlet is complete and correct according to law.



Witness my hand and the Great Seal of the State, at Salt Lake City, Utah this 1st day of September, 2016.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Spencer J. Cox".

Spencer J. Cox  
Lieutenant Governor