

2014 Judicial Performance Evaluation Statistics

- 160 judges could have sought retention in 2014
 - 146 judges actually sought retention
 - State and District Commissions performed a total of 148 judicial performance evaluations
 - Two judges decided not to stand after being evaluated
 - State and District Commissions recommended 97.3% of judges be retained in office
 - District Commissions recommended three judges not be retained
 - One District Commission offered “No Opinion” on one judge
 - Colorado voters retained 99.3% of judges in the 2014
 - Dating back to 1990, 1,323 judges have sought retention
 - Colorado voters retained 99.2% of judges since 1990
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Please visit our website for more information about the judicial performance evaluation program. You may also view the commission recommendations and narratives for the judges appearing on your ballot.

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Colorado Commissions on Judicial Performance Evaluation (CJPE)



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When is an Election not an Election?

Judges do appear on the ballot during general elections. However, the only question asked is: should the judge be retained in office? There are no other candidates. There are no campaigns before the election. The purpose of your vote is to determine whether the judge is doing a good job and should continue to serve the public. CJPE's provide voters with performance information on each judge to help with their voting decision.

State Commission on Judicial Performance

A State Commission evaluates Supreme Court and Court of Appeals Judges. The Commission also recommends changes to the Rules. In addition, the Commission provides direction to District Commissions in their evaluation of local judges.



District Commissions on Judicial Performance

There are 22 Judicial Districts. Each district has its own CJPE. District Commissions evaluate District and County Judges in their own district. Commission members are from the community in which they serve.



Colorado Office of Judicial Performance Evaluation (OJPE)

The OJPE provides support to all CJPE's across the state. The OJPE performs many duties, including:

- Providing training for commissioners
- Overseeing judicial performance surveying of attorneys and non-attorneys
- Conducting public education efforts
- Managing the program budget
- Providing evaluation results to voters