



**COLORADO**

**Office of Judicial  
Performance Evaluation**

Judicial Branch

## **COMMISSIONS ON JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE**

### **2016 Self-Evaluation Trial Court Judge**

Information on this Self-Evaluation form will not be quoted or reproduced in the narrative, but is intended for discussion with the District Commission and as a tool for professional growth.

Name:

Date:

Date Appointed:

Position before taking the bench:

Describe your workload during your current term:

% Civil

% Domestic Relations

% Juvenile

% Mental Health

% Probate

% Criminal

% Misdemeanor

% Traffic

% Small Claims

% Water

In an effort to facilitate meaningful dialogue with the Commission, please respond to the following questions in narrative form.

## **Legal Ability**

Please describe what you do to remain current in all the areas of the law, substantive and procedural.

To what extent do you conduct your own legal research and write decisions, and to what extent do you rely on law clerks and other personnel for those tasks?

## **Integrity**

Please describe your efforts to ensure equal treatment of all persons in your courtroom.

Please describe how you ensure that your conduct is free from any appearance of impropriety.

## **Communication Skills**

What do you think makes a clear written decision?

Please describe how you approach communicating both oral and written decisions to parties and counsel.

## **Judicial Temperament**

Please describe what steps you take to promote public confidence in the court.

What steps do you take to assure appropriate judicial demeanor?

## **Administrative Skills**

Please describe how you manage your workload to ensure decisions are made promptly.

What steps do you take to work effectively with other judges and court personnel?

### Settlement Activities

Please describe steps you take to appropriately encourage settlement negotiations.

### Community Service

Do you engage in community service activities? How important do you think community involvement is to your judicial role?

### Philosophy

How would you best describe the judicial philosophy that guides you daily?

### Other

What has been the greatest challenge during your term and how did you meet it?

Please describe your overall performance over the current term.

After completing this form, please give it to your **district administrator** in a sealed envelope **on or before March 11, 2016**. The district administrator will deliver it to the chair of your commission.