



Illinois Civil Justice League

## ICJL 2018 Judicial Retention Questionnaire

**Daniel E. Hartigan  
Circuit Judge – 4<sup>th</sup> Circuit**

1. State the main reason why voters should return you to the bench.

**The voters should retain me to the bench because I have been a fair and impartial judge and have done a very good job as circuit judge.**

2. What actions have you taken as a judge of which you are most proud?

**Every case I hear as a judge is the most important case I hear that day. This is the way I approach each and every case that comes in front of me.**

3. Name and describe one change you would make in the Illinois court system.

**I would make binding mediation mandatory in all marital cases involving child custody.**

4. One prominent Illinois judicial evaluation survey asks attorneys to evaluate candidates on Integrity, Impartiality, Legal Ability and Temperament. Critique yourself in these four areas as to how you personally approach your job as a judge?

**I decline to evaluate myself. As a judge, I treat every person who appears before me fairly, impartially and with the utmost respect. Likewise, in my opinion, a good temperament as well as legal ability is a must for a circuit judge.**