



Illinois Civil Justice League

ICJL 2018 Judicial Retention Questionnaire

Retention Judge Judicial Position

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

My record of accomplishment
...

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

*dispensing justice equally + fairly w/out
... fear of criticism*

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

*Not my position to change the court
... system but operate w/in it.*

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 will let the ISBA bar poll
... speak to this.*

Paul Giffman

You may mail to: **Illinois Civil Justice League
110 Schiller Street, Suite 207
Elmhurst, IL 60126**

9-26-18

You may e-mail to: **questionnaire@icjl.org**

Please return by September 28, 2018!



Illinois Civil Justice League

September 4, 2018

Dear Judge:

In an effort to better educate the Illinois electorate on the question of judicial retention in the upcoming General Election, the Illinois Civil Justice League is conducting a review of the qualifications and demeanor of the judges up for retention and will be providing a recommendation.

Upon completion of this process, ICJL will initiate an aggressive public relations and media campaign and disseminate this information to potential voters utilizing a variety of traditional earned and paid media tactics as well as social media platforms.

As a key participant in the legal system, I am sure you share our belief that the judicial branch of our government is the most overlooked and misunderstood, yet also the most important. With that belief in mind we are strongly urging you to participate in the Illinois Civil Justice League Judicial Retention Review.

As a judge up for retention, we ask you to assist our effort by completing the following steps by the September 28th deadline:

1. Submit your responses to the accompanying questionnaire to questionnaire@icjl.org. Additional copies of the questionnaire can be downloaded at www.illinoisjudges.net. We ask that you limit your answers to 100 words per question but we do understand that some questions may require more space.
2. Provide us with the address of your campaign website if you have one. We will link to it from our website.

Once we receive your completed questionnaire, the Illinois Civil Justice League will review and rank your retention candidacy into one of the following categories:

- Yes on Retention
- No on Retention

Candidates who fail to complete the Illinois Civil Justice League, Judicial Retention Review by the September 28th deadline may receive the ranking of No on Retention/Unresponsive.

Please be aware, every effort has been made to mail this survey to your residence or campaign office. Unfortunately, due to judicial privacy laws, securing those addresses was difficult. If you received this questionnaire at your courthouse, please understand it was done so only as the last option. If you send us an alternative address, we will forward any future correspondence to that location.

Thank you in advance for assisting us in our shared objective to educate Illinois voters about the field of judicial candidates, thereby placing them in a position to cast informed votes.

Sincerely,

John J. Pastuovic
President