



Illinois Civil Justice League

ICJL 2018 Judicial Retention Questionnaire

**Andrew J. Gleeson
Circuit Judge – 20th Circuit**

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

Experience is essential in our courts. I am hardworking, well prepared and treat all with dignity and respect. I believe in the Constitution of the United States and the judicial framework established by our founding Fathers. My ultimate goal each and every day is to attain Due Process for all.

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

I am proud that on a daily basis I use my experience and skill sets to effectuate the efficient handling of a busy, varied and complex docket. I meet the challenges of each day with an open mind, allow all to be heard and rule based on the application of the law to the individual facts of each case.

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

I am not a legislator nor a policy maker. My hope for our courts is that all people, regardless of means, receive equal access and equal justice.

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?

My scores on that prominent evaluation always range from the mid to high 90s on these categories. This is true even though I handle a complex docket in an adversarial system and these polls are done at election time. I work each day to uphold the ideals reflected by these independent, anonymous polls. Being judged by those who appear before me on a daily basis is the best reflection of my personal approach as a judge.

