



ICJL 2018 Judicial Retention Questionnaire

**Retention Judge
Judicial Position**

1. State the main reason why voters should return you to the bench.
 I work extremely hard and take great care and consideration of the cases on my docket. My rulings are attentive and make it plain to the litigants why and how I reached my result.
2. What actions have you taken as a judge of which you are most proud?
 For more than two years, I have worked on redrafting the standard HIPAA order used in Cook County given that the prior order was found to be unconstitutional. The matter is now before the Illinois Supreme Court.
3. Name and describe one change you would make in the Illinois court system.
 The Illinois Supreme Court must get rid of the Odyssey electronic filing system and adopt the Pacer/Tracer system, which is free to any jurisdiction that wishes to adopt 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?
 Integrity - my duty is to the rule of law and to apply it fairly in each case before me. I make no exceptions for any reason whatsoever.
 Impartiality - I do not care who the parties are before me or concern myself with guessing how a court of appeals may decide the issue. I rule based on what I believe to be the correct application of the law.
 Legal Ability - my oral and written rulings speak for themselves.
 Temperament - the only time I get upset with counsel is when they treat me the way I would have never treated a judge. I am calm, fair, and friendly to those who appear before me.

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Please return by September 28, 2018!

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