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RE:

2021 Grant County District Court Judicial Applicant Bar Poll

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The following results can be reported for the 2021 Grant County District Court Judicial Applicant Bar Poll. E-mail invitations to participate in the evaluation were sent to 88 members of the Grant County Bar Association. A total of 54 respondents completed an online evaluation of the eight attorneys who submitted their names to Grant County for consideration to be appointed to one of two Grant County District Court judgeships. Members of the bar were asked to anonymously evaluate each candidate with respect to the following five criteria.

**Legal Ability** Analytical ability, an interest in legal scholarship, qualities of wisdom, intellect, common sense, knowledge of rules and procedures, and a commitment to keeping up with changes in the law constitute important criteria.

**Judicial Temperament** Respect for the judicial process, ability to work with others, ability to be respectful to all counsel and litigants, and the ability to treat all participants with dignity and fairness.

**Integrity** Free from impropriety and favoritism, disregard of possible public criticism, fair and open-minded, committed to equal justice under the law, and does not engage in unethical or unprofessional conduct.

Relevant Legal Experience The candidate possesses appropriate prior courtroom experience.

**Suitability** Is this candidate qualified for the position for which they seek?

For each criterion candidates were rated along the following four-point scale:

- 1 Not Qualified
- 2 Qualified
- 3 Well Qualified
- 4 Exceptionally Well Qualified

The results reported below consist of a) average ratings for each candidate for the five stated categories, and b) specific responses received for each candidate under each criterion.

#### **Average Ratings Received in Each Category**

Average scores, ranging from 1 through 4, received by the candidates for each of the five categories are reported below.

	Legal Ability	Judicial Temperament	Integrity	Relevant Legal Experience	Suitability
	1.74	2.20	2.17	2.04	1.68
	2.27	2.28	2.38	2.47	2.24
	2.10	2.26	2.15	2.45	2.02
Anna L. Gigliotti	3.11	3.20	3.11	3.17	3.06
	2.80	2.87	2.91	2.98	2.83
	2.32	2.53	2.63	2.44	2.18
2	2.16	2.00	2.11	2.38	2.10
	3.07	2.98	2.93	3.18	3.00

The remainder of this report presents more detailed information on the responses received by each applicant. It should be noted that although 54 attorneys submitted questionnaires, many respondents did not rate one or more of the applicants on one or more criteria. This is to be expected in a Bar Poll given that respondents may not be familiar with one or applicant regarding one or more criteria. In such circumstances, respondent routinely refrain from giving a rating.

## Detailed Results Obtained by Anna L. Gigliotti

## Legal Ability Average = 3.11

Not Qualified	3	6.5%
Qualified	11	23.9%
Well Qualified	10	21.7%
Exceptionally Well Qualified	22	47.8%
Total Providing Ratings	46	

#### Judicial Temperament Average = 3.20

Not Qualified	2	4.4%
Qualified	11	24.4%
Well Qualified	8	17.8%
Exceptionally Well Qualified	24	53.3%
Total Providing Ratings	45	

### Integrity Average = 3.11

Not Qualified	5	11.4%
Qualified	8	18.2%
Well Qualified	8	18.2%
Exceptionally Well Qualified	23	52.3%
Total Providing Ratings	44	

## Detailed Results Obtained by Anna L. Gigliotti cont.

## Relevant Legal Experience Average = 3.17

Not Qualified	3	6.3%
Qualified	12	25.0%
Well Qualified	7	14.6%
Exceptionally Well Qualified	26	54.2%
Total Providing Ratings	48	

#### Suitability Average = 3.06

Not Qualified	4	8.5%
Qualified	12	25.5%
Well Qualified	8	17.0%
Exceptionally Well Qualified	23	48.9%
Total Providing Ratings	47	