

District Court Judge

Leslie Dickson, Third Judicial District



MAILING ADDRESS: 303 K Street, Third Floor
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

AGE: 56

PLACE OF BIRTH: Wright Patterson Air Force Base

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 29 years

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:

Anchorage, 1994-1996
Fairbanks, 1996-2000
Anchorage, 2000-Present

EDUCATION:

Beavercreek High School, 1985
Miami University, BA 1989
Northeastern University School of Law, JD 1995

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Alaska Superior Court Judicial Law Clerk, 1995;
Assistant District Attorney, 1996 - 2003; Assistant
Public Advocate, 2003-2010; District Court Judge,
2013-Present

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Law Office of Leslie Dickson, 2010 - 2013

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:

Anchorage Association of Women Lawyers

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Traveling, hiking, skiing, cooking

OTHER:

I was born at Wright Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio. My father's military service meant that we moved four times before my high school graduation, inspiring the explorer in me. I chose Alaska as my permanent home in 1995 after falling in love with the state, the independence of the people here, and the abundant wilderness. I am an avid outdoors-woman and spend every minute I can enjoying the beauty of Alaska.

STATEMENT:

Working in the highest volume court in the state is challenging and rewarding. I listen carefully, approach all cases with an open mind, and treat all litigants, victims and jurors with respect. I issue decisions quickly and base them on the law and Constitution. Many people appear in District Court without a lawyer and I strive to ensure everyone is heard. The problems that bring people to court are stressful and I respect that these issues are important and significant to them. Every case requiring legal intervention is unique and I listen to understand. I promise to faithfully follow the Constitution and ensure that every Alaskan has access to justice. It has been an honor to serve for over ten years; I've learned so much and continue to learn. I am grateful for the confidence the voters have invested in me and hope to continue this critical work.

*The views expressed in this statement are from the candidate and not endorsed by the Division of Elections.
The text of this statement was provided and paid for by the candidate in accordance with AS 15.58.030 and 6 AAC 25.690.*

Alaska Judicial Council Evaluation

Judge Leslie Dickson, Anchorage District Court

The Alaska Judicial Council finds Judge Dickson met or exceeded performance standards and recommends a “YES” vote for another term as judge.

Judge Dickson was appointed to the Anchorage District Court in 2012. This is her third retention election. She is a trial court judge handling civil and criminal cases.

Performance Summary

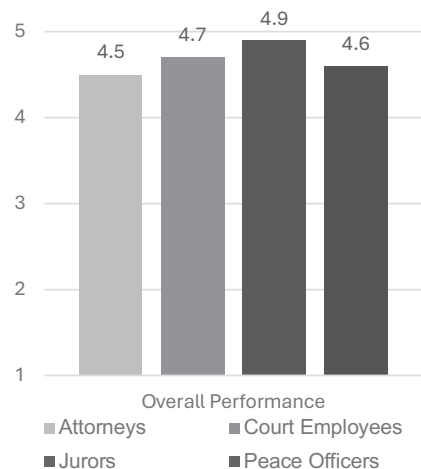
Judge Dickson met or exceeded the performance standards of legal ability, integrity, impartiality, fairness, temperament, diligence and administrative skills, and overall performance. Judge Dickson also met or exceeded educational requirements set by the Alaska Supreme Court.

Performance Findings: The Judicial Council’s evaluation of Judge Dickson included reviews from attorneys, court employees, jurors, and peace officers. Judge Dickson received good ratings from individuals in these groups who had direct experience with her work.

The Council reviewed other performance measures, including Judge Dickson’s financial and conflict of interest statements, whether pay was withheld for untimely decisions, appellate reversal rates, disqualifications from cases, and public ethics files. The Council found no matters of concern in these areas.

Professional Activities: Judge Dickson served as a training judge for magistrate judges, and she participated in a program that helps incarcerated women re-enter the community.

Ratings from Justice System Professionals and Jurors for "Overall" Job Performance for Judge Dickson



Rated on a scale from 5 (excellent) to 1 (poor)

More survey ratings for this judge are available at www.ajc.state.ak.us

Find this judge’s full performance evaluation at www.ajc.state.ak.us