Dane Co. Bar Association: Releases results of the 2018 Wisconsin Supreme Court judicial candidates poll

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The Dane County Bar Association's (DCBA) Judicial Selection Committee conducts an online poll of DCBA members regarding the candidates' qualifications for all contested judicial races in Dane County or statewide. Out of the approximately 1,100 members who received the poll, 200 completed the survey.

This year's poll categorized respondents based on their familiarity with the candidates and asked members to evaluate each on a sliding scale for ten objective criteria the Committee determined to be important characteristics of a good judge. For each criterion, respondents provided a rating of 0 for "No information," 1 for "Unsatisfactory," 2 for "Satisfactory," 3 for "Good" and 4 for "Excellent." The Committee then calculated the average responses overall and for each characteristic, including an additional breakdown based on respondents' familiarity with each of the candidates. Responses of "No information" were not included when calculating the candidates' averages. Below are the averaged results of this year's poll for the Wisconsin Supreme Court race. **Note: These results do not constitute the opinion of the DCBA or its Board of Directors.**

	Rebecca Dallet	Michael Screnock
Character and Integrity	3.50	1.83
Promptness and Efficiency	3.30	2.30
Collegiality and Professionalism	3.46	1.96
Relevance of Legal Experience	3.63	2.03
Temperament and Demeanor to Lawyers and Litigants	3.45	2.02
Knowledge of Substantive and Procedural Law	3.52	2.26
Decisiveness	3.37	2.44

Fairness and Impartiality	3.28	1.71
Oral and Written Communication	3.38	2.35
Service to Community	3.52	2.13
Total Overall	**3.44**	**2.10**

	No Familiarity	Familiar, No Direct Legal Experience	Familiar, Direct Legal Experience
Character and Integrity			
Rebecca Dallet	2.88	3.61	4.00
Michael Screnock	1.58	1.85	2.07
Promptness and Efficiency			
Rebecca Dallet	2.25	3.73	3.92
Michael Screnock	2.00	2.31	2.58
Collegiality and Professionalism			
Rebecca Dallet	2.75	3.64	4.00
Michael Screnock	1.63	1.97	2.29
Relevance of Legal Experience			
Rebecca Dallet	3.39	3.70	3.80
Michael Screnock	2.06	1.91	2.11
Temperament and Demeanor			
Rebecca Dallet	2.60	3.76	4.00
Michael Screnock	1.83	2.00	2.24
Knowledge of Substantive and Procedural Law			
Rebecca Dallet	3.07	3.68	3.80
Michael Screnock	2.22	2.25	2.30
Decisiveness			
Rebecca Dallet	2.57	3.61	3.93
Michael Screnock	2.60	2.29	2.44
Fairness and Impartiality			
Rebecca Dallet	2.36	3.55	3.93
Michael Screnock	1.50	1.56	2.07
Oral and Written Communication			
Rebecca Dallet	2.67	3.67	3.79
Michael Screnock	2.40	2.23	2.42
Service to Community			
Rebecca Dallet	3.00	3.76	3.79
Michael Screnock	2.43	1.74	2.22
Total Overall			
Rebecca Dallet	**2.75**	**3.67**	**3.90**
Michael Screnock	**2.03**	**2.01**	**2.27**

For questions or feedback about the poll, please contact Executive Coordinator Bob Jordan at law@dcba.net.
Those interested in accessing the full results may do so HERE.