

## **DADE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**

### **2001 Judicial Poll**

**For over eighty years, the Dade County Bar Association has been committed to attracting and retaining judges of the highest quality to ensure the utmost confidence and respect of the public and the bar for the judiciary of Florida. In keeping with that commitment, this Association annually sponsors judicial polls so that expressions of judgment and opinions upon the qualifications of judges may be based upon the performance of judicial service. The duty and responsibility of the bar in this regard is imposed upon its members pursuant to Rule 4-8.2 of the Rules of Professional Conduct.**

**The Dade County Bar Association conducts the poll for two purposes: The first is that sitting judges are afforded the opportunity to improve their performances if their ratings are lower than those of their colleagues and secondly, the public is informed of whether the lawyers of Dade County feel that the judges are qualified to hold office.**

**For the 2001 poll, all 11,370 members of the bar in the Eleventh Circuit (Miami-Dade County) received a ballot which contained the names of all current Circuit and County Court judges, Senior Judges who sit periodically, and General Masters.**

*Celebrating 82 Years of Service in Miami - Dade County*

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### 2001 JUDICIAL POLL RESULTS

#### CIRCUIT COURT

		NO OPINION	EXCEP QUAL	%	QUAL NUM	%	UN- QUAL	%	TOTAL VOTES
1	Altonaga, Cecilia M.	1,162	236	39.7	300	50.5	58	9.8	594
2	Bagley, Jerald	1,091	280	42.1	338	50.8	47	7.1	665
3	Bailey, Jennifer D.	922	299	35.9	442	53.0	93	11.2	834
4	Bernstein, Scott M.	1,166	215	36.4	300	50.8	75	12.7	590
5	Blake, Stanford	954	478	59.6	286	35.7	38	4.7	802
6	Bloom, Philip	540	440	36.2	602	49.5	174	14.3	1,216
7	Brown, Joel H.	1,089	279	41.8	342	51.3	46	6.9	667
8	Cardonne, Gisela	735	186	18.2	527	51.6	308	30.2	1021
9	Carney, Thomas M.	1,040	228	31.8	431	60.2	57	8.0	716
10	Chavies, Michael B.	884	322	36.9	489	56.1	61	7.0	872
11	Cohen, Jeri B.	1,268	110	22.5	273	55.9	105	21.5	488
12	Crespo, Sr., Manuel A.	1,028	257	35.3	397	54.5	74	10.2	728
13	Dean, Amy N.	678	270	25.0	526	48.8	282	26.2	1,078
14	Dennis, Maria Espinosa	1,374	49	12.8	223	58.4	110	28.8	382
15	Donner, Amy Steele	665	208	19.1	538	49.3	345	31.6	1,091
16	Dresnick, Ronald	1,060	200	28.7	385	55.3	111	15.9	696
17	Echarte, Jr., Pedro	1,281	87	18.3	277	58.3	111	23.4	475
18	Emas, Kevin M.	1,056	366	52.3	291	41.6	43	6.1	700
19	Esquiroz, Margarita	718	132	12.7	468	45.1	438	42.2	1,038
20	Farina, Joseph P.	740	622	61.2	339	33.4	55	5.4	1,016
21	Ferrer, Alex E.	1,107	196	30.2	327	50.4	126	19.4	649
22	Fierro, Eugene J.	946	304	37.5	393	48.5	113	14.0	810
23	Firtel, Leon M.	1,169	152	25.9	345	58.8	90	15.3	587
24	Freeman, Gill S.	1,203	171	30.9	308	55.7	74	13.4	553
25	Friedman, Ronald M.	757	414	41.4	462	46.2	123	12.3	999
26	Genden, Michael A.	942	338	41.5	396	48.6	80	9.8	814

27	Gerstein, Norman S.	752	487	48.5	455	45.3	62	6.2	1,004
28	Glazer, Mindy S.	1,264	53	10.8	178	36.2	261	53.0	492
29	Glick, Leonard E.	1,232	198	37.8	274	52.3	52	9.9	524
30	Gordon, Jon I.	699	433	41.0	445	42.1	179	16.9	1,057
31	Gross, Maynard A.	1,166	151	25.6	362	61.4	77	13.1	590
32	Harnage, Henry H.	1,167	134	22.8	345	58.6	110	18.7	589
33	Hubbart, Gerald D.	891	253	29.2	501	57.9	111	12.8	865

<b>CIRCUIT COURT</b>		NO	EXCEP		QUAL	%	UN-		TOTAL
		OPINION	QUAL	%	NUM	%	QUAL	%	VOTES
34	Johnson, William	1,452	59	19.4	169	55.6	76	25.0	304
35	Karlan, Sandy	1,154	209	34.7	323	53.7	70	11.6	602
36	Korvick, Maria M.	761	178	17.9	497	49.9	320	32.2	995
37	Kreeger, Judith L.	984	220	28.5	410	53.1	142	18.4	772
38	Lando, Maxine Cohen	1,065	195	28.2	329	47.6	167	24.2	691
39	Langer, Lester	1,110	225	34.8	355	55.0	66	10.2	646
40	Lederman, Cindy S.	1,141	207	33.7	284	46.2	124	20.2	615
41	Leesfield, Ellen L.	1,144	219	35.8	316	51.6	77	12.6	612
42	Levenson, Barbara S.	1,042	96	13.4	330	46.2	288	40.3	714
43	Levine, Steven D.	996	284	37.4	409	53.8	67	8.8	760
44	Levy, D. Bruce	1,060	182	26.1	404	58.0	110	15.8	696
45	Lopez, Peter R.	1,148	232	38.2	329	54.1	47	7.7	608
46	Miller, David C.	1,331	79	18.6	265	62.4	81	19.1	425
47	Muir, Celeste H.	720	217	20.9	536	51.7	283	27.3	1,036
48	Murphy, Dennis J.	1,309	103	23.0	291	65.1	53	11.9	447
49	Pineiro, Roberto M.	1,140	243	39.4	322	52.3	51	8.3	616
50	Platzer, Victoria	1,175	155	26.7	334	57.5	92	15.8	581
51	Postman, Alan L.	673	202	18.7	451	41.6	430	39.7	1,083
52	Robinson, Steven E.	1,137	177	28.6	361	58.3	81	13.1	619
53	Rodriguez, Jose M.	1,240	113	21.9	289	56.0	114	22.1	516
54	Rodriguez, Rosa	1,194	119	21.2	224	39.9	219	39.0	562
55	Rosinek, Jeffrey	1,147	266	43.7	298	48.9	45	7.4	609
56	Rothenberg, Arthur L.	836	387	42.1	442	48.0	91	9.9	920
57	Rothenberg, Leslie B.	1,184	135	23.6	237	41.4	200	35.0	572
58	Schockett, Eleanor L.	773	113	11.5	415	42.2	455	46.3	983
59	Schumacher, Marc	1,215	229	42.3	288	53.2	24	4.4	541
60	Schwartz, Lawrence A.	1,106	140	21.5	365	56.2	145	22.3	650
61	Scola, Jr., Robert N.	1,143	298	48.6	266	43.4	49	8.0	613
62	Shapiro, Bernard S.	948	192	23.8	514	63.6	102	12.6	808
63	Shapiro, Sidney B.	919	319	38.1	430	51.4	88	10.5	837
64	Siegel, Paul	938	301	36.8	403	49.3	114	13.9	818
65	Sigler, Victoria S.	1,250	136	26.9	292	57.7	78	15.4	506
66	Silverman, Scott J.	1,202	170	30.7	299	54.0	85	15.3	554
67	Simons, Stuart M.	908	387	45.6	380	44.8	81	9.6	848
68	Smith, Fredricka G.	821	527	56.4	347	37.1	61	6.5	935
69	Trawick, Daryl E.	1,344	89	21.6	262	63.6	61	14.8	412
70	Wilson, Jr., Thomas S.	798	476	49.7	410	42.8	72	7.5	958

71	Young, David H.	1,020	232	31.5	375	51.0	129	17.5	736
	COUNTY COURT								
72	Adderly, A. Leo	926	83	10.0	258	31.1	489	58.9	830
73	Bach, Mercedes Armas	1,248	133	26.2	283	55.7	92	18.1	508
74	Bloom, Beth F.	1,180	213	37.0	299	51.9	64	11.1	576
75	Dakis, Linda N.	1,164	170	28.7	325	54.9	97	16.4	592

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76	Figarola, Rosa	1,373	109	28.5	203	53.0	71	18.5	383
77	Francis, Mary Jo	1,312	151	34.0	204	45.9	89	20.0	444
78	Graham, Wendall M.	1,216	115	21.3	319	59.1	106	19.6	540
79	Hague, Andrew S.	1,243	113	22.0	325	63.4	75	14.6	513
80	Hendon, Eric W.	1,416	59	17.4	202	59.4	79	23.2	340
81	Hernandez, Ivan	1,463	36	12.3	165	56.3	92	31.4	293
82	Karan, Amy Beth	1,338	106	25.4	244	58.4	68	16.3	418
83	Kelly, Carroll J.	1,343	128	31.0	241	58.4	44	10.7	413
84	King, Lawrence D.	1,195	160	28.5	283	50.4	118	21.0	561
85	Krieger-Martin, Luise	1,321	136	31.3	237	54.5	62	14.3	435
86	Kravitz, Shelly J.	1,109	177	27.4	368	56.9	102	15.8	647
87	Leban, Mark King	1,166	234	39.7	295	50.0	61	10.3	590
88	Leifman, Steve	1,244	235	45.9	217	42.4	60	11.7	512
89	Lehr, Myriam	1,331	83	19.5	204	48.0	138	32.5	425
90	Leyte-Vidal, Henry	1,406	123	35.1	187	53.4	40	11.4	350
91	Mills-Francis, Karen	1,423	47	14.1	134	40.2	152	45.6	333
92	Newman, Edward K.	1,090	113	17.0	312	46.8	241	36.2	666
93	Pando, Ana Maria	1,407	65	18.6	151	43.3	133	38.1	349
94	Pereyra-Shuminer, Christina	1,319	110	25.2	257	58.8	70	16.0	437
95	Pooler, Catherine M.	1,144	244	39.9	303	49.5	65	10.6	612
96	Prescott, Orlando	1,400	110	30.9	203	57.0	43	12.1	356
97	Rippingille, Bonnie	1,253	106	21.1	260	51.7	137	27.2	503
98	Samuels, Michael J.	1,341	96	23.1	253	61.0	66	15.9	415
99	Schwartz, Caryn C.	1,286	111	23.6	263	56.0	96	20.4	470
100	Schwartz, Sheldon R.	1,338	94	22.5	218	52.2	106	25.4	418
101	Shapiro, Martin	1,453	37	12.2	159	52.5	107	35.3	303
102	Silver, Roger A.	1,278	116	24.3	304	63.6	58	12.1	478
103	Slom, Samuel J.	1,288	175	37.4	240	51.3	53	11.3	468
104	Soto, Bertila	1,369	102	26.4	221	57.1	64	16.5	387
105	Stein, Linda Singer	1,308	106	23.7	277	61.8	65	14.5	448
106	Steinhardt, Raphael	1,334	90	21.3	195	46.2	137	32.5	422
107	Swartz, Jeffrey D.	1,224	101	19.0	232	43.6	199	37.4	532
108	Thomas, Teretha L.	1,354	86	21.4	217	54.0	99	24.6	402
109	Tunis, Dava J.	1,418	106	31.4	185	54.7	47	13.9	338
110	Venzer, Ellen S.	1,204	160	29.0	286	51.8	106	19.2	552
111	White-Labora, Deborah	1,322	173	39.9	225	51.8	36	8.3	434

**SENIOR JUDGES**

112	Block, Jack	1,284	93	19.7	192	40.7	187	39.6	472
113	Breger, Eli	1,359	112	28.2	213	53.7	72	18.1	397
114	Cook, Philip	1,062	329	47.4	297	42.8	68	9.8	694
115	Deehl, Robert M.	1,174	163	28.0	296	50.9	123	21.1	582
116	Feiler, Loree Schwartz	1,276	63	13.1	161	33.5	256	53.3	480
117	Gelber, Seymour	1,213	213	39.2	227	41.8	103	19.0	543

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118	Gladstone, William E.	1,273	227	47.0	206	42.7	50	10.4	483
119	Henderson, James C.	1,223	147	27.6	270	50.7	116	21.8	533
120	Jones, Rosemary U.	1,018	22	3.0	98	13.3	618	83.7	738
121	Klein, Gerald J.	1,140	192	31.2	335	54.4	89	14.4	616
122	Klein, Murray Z.	1,258	72	14.5	230	46.2	196	39.4	498
123	Maginnis, Arthur	1,239	129	25.0	265	51.3	123	23.8	517
124	Mapp, Calvin R.	1,288	69	14.7	225	48.1	174	37.2	468
125	Margolius, Richard V.	1,305	65	14.4	201	44.6	185	41.0	451
126	Newman, Robert H.	1,152	196	32.5	327	54.1	81	13.4	604
127	Piquette, William J.	1,428	34	10.4	144	43.9	150	45.7	328
128	Rivkind, Leonard	952	439	54.6	310	38.6	55	6.8	804
129	Snyder, Arthur I.	1,270	102	21.0	213	43.8	171	35.2	486
130	Solomon, Harold	1,254	112	22.3	284	56.6	106	21.1	502
131	Stettin, Herbert	1,078	417	61.5	223	32.9	38	5.6	678
132	Swanko, Edward G.	1,327	67	15.6	199	46.4	163	38.0	429
133	Taylor, Arthur H.	1,314	46	10.4	167	37.8	229	51.8	442
134	Tendrich, Moie J. L.	1,269	247	50.7	149	30.6	91	18.7	487
135	Tobin, David	1,055	199	28.4	338	48.2	164	23.4	701

**GENERAL MASTERS**

136	Dellow, Jr., William E.	1,390	106	29.0	170	46.4	90	24.6	366
137	Farrell, John	1,283	229	48.4	184	38.9	60	12.7	473
138	Fuller, Judy	1,524	49	21.1	143	61.6	40	17.2	232
139	Gamboa, Alejandro	1,456	101	33.7	169	56.3	30	10.0	300
140	Halber, Sanford	1,537	73	33.3	118	53.9	28	12.8	219
141	Jones, Robert J.	1,416	158	46.5	143	42.1	39	11.5	340
142	Kallman, Karen	1,561	48	24.6	119	61.0	28	14.4	195
143	Kershaw, Jr., Joseph L.	1,382	115	30.7	185	49.5	74	19.8	374
144	Kessler, Betty	1,371	141	36.6	184	47.8	60	15.6	385
145	Kemler, Lewis S.	1,616	33	23.6	87	62.1	20	14.3	140
146	Radcliffe, Willard S.	1,573	36	19.7	105	57.4	42	23.0	183
147	Rosenbaum, Margaret Ann	1,439	69	21.8	140	44.2	108	34.1	317
148	Tenenbaum, Melissa G.	1,491	80	30.2	142	53.6	43	16.2	265
149	Tilson, Thomas A.	1,496	106	40.8	128	49.2	26	10.0	260

