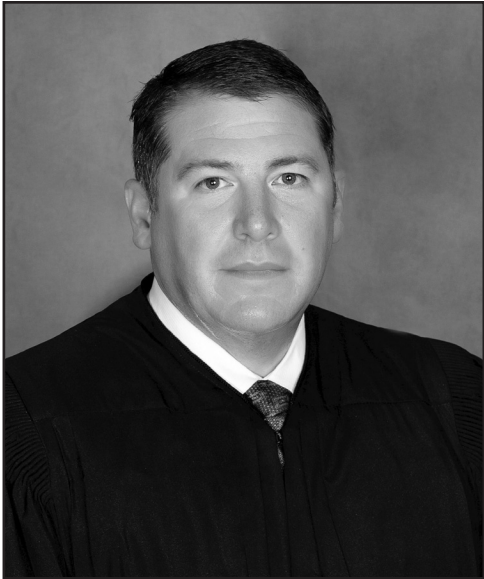


Superior Court Judge

Kirk Schwalm, Fourth Judicial District



SPECIAL INTERESTS:
Hunting, fishing, family.

STATEMENT:
It is an honor to serve the citizens of my hometown as a superior court judge. Over the last four years, I have presided over a broad spectrum of criminal and civil cases. I strive to render timely decisions based on the law as written and the facts presented in court. If retained, I will continue to work hard to serve the citizens of Alaska.

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AGE: 50

PLACE OF BIRTH: Fairbanks, Alaska

SPOUSE’S NAME: Sharon

CHILDREN’S NAMES: Kieran, Quinn

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 50 years

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:
Fairbanks, 1976-2012; Anchorage 2012-2014; Fairbanks 2012-2026

EDUCATION:
West Valley High School, 1994, University of Alaska Fairbanks 2002, Lewis & Clark Law School 2010

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:
Law Clerk, Alaska Superior & Supreme Court
Assistant Attorney General
Chair, Fairbanks Fish & Game Advisory Committee

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:
Family Law Rules Committee

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:
Alaska Bar Association

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Alaska Judicial Council Evaluation

Judge Kirk Schwalm, Fairbanks Superior Court

The Alaska Judicial Council finds Judge Schwalm met or exceeded performance standards and recommends a **“YES”** vote for his retention in office. In consideration of retention of Judge Schwalm, the Alaska Judicial Council voted 6 Retain.

Judge Kirk Schwalm was appointed to the Fairbanks Superior Court on 6/16/2022. Judge Schwalm is a trial court judge handling criminal and civil cases. This is his first judicial retention election.

Performance Summary

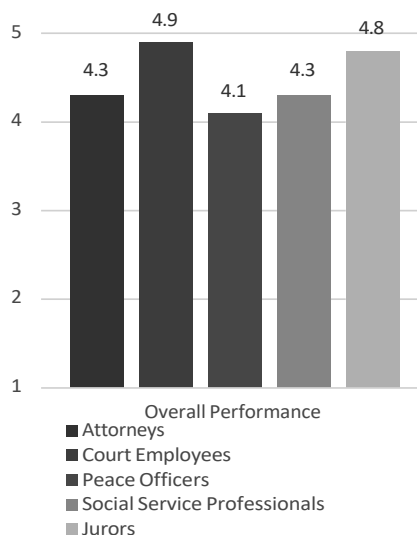
Judge Kirk Schwalm met or exceeded performance standards related to legal ability, integrity, impartiality, fairness, temperament, diligence and administrative skills. He complied with public disclosure requirements, followed standards of ethical conduct for judges, and met or exceeded educational requirements set by the Alaska Supreme Court.

Performance Findings: The Judicial Council surveyed attorneys, court employees, peace officers, social service professionals, and jurors. Survey ratings on Judge Schwalm’s overall performance were in the excellent range (4.5) when averaged across all groups.

The Council reviewed other performance measures, including Judge Schwalm’s financial and conflict of interest statements, whether pay was withheld for untimely decisions, how often his decisions were affirmed by higher courts, disqualifications from cases, and public ethics files. The Council found no concerns in these areas.

Commitment to administration of justice and community: Judge Schwalm serves on the court system’s Family Rules Committee, a group that drafts, reviews, and recommends improvements in cases involving family law proceedings to the Alaska Supreme Court. He also serves as a judge for the court system’s Early Resolution program for family law cases. He participated in youth outreach to foster public understanding of the legal system.

Ratings from Justice System Professionals and Jurors for “Overall” Job Performance for Judge Kirk Schwalm



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