Supreme Court Justice

Jennifer S. Henderson, Supreme Court



MAILING ADDRESS: Boney Courthouse

303 K Street

Anchorage, Alaska 99501

AGE: 48

PLACE OF BIRTH: La Mesa, CA

SPOUSE'S NAME: Robert Edmond Henderson

CHILDREN'S NAMES: Robert, Chloe

LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA: 22 years

ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:

Anchorage 2001-2002 & 2003-2024

EDUCATION:

West Hills High School, Santee, CA Claremont McKenna College, B.A. (1998) Yale Law School, J.D. (2001)

POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:

Alaska Supreme Court Justice - 2021-2024; Superior Court Judge - 2017-2021; District Court Judge - 2013-2017; Assistant District Attorney - Anchorage DA's Office - 2003-2007

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS:

Associate Attorney - Farley & Graves, P.C. - 2007-2012; Current: Access to Justice Committee, Co-Chair; Civil Rules Committee, Chair; Judicial Conference Planning Committee, Chair; Working Group on Time

Standards/Case Flow Management, Chair; Working Group on Behavioral Health

SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIPS:

Alaska Bar Association (Pro Bono Services Committee; CLE Committee) PTA

SPECIAL INTERESTS:

Spending time with family, running, hiking, biking, competing in triathlons.

STATEMENT:

I am honored to be able to serve the people of Alaska as a justice on our state's Supreme Court. I work as one of five justices on the Alaska Supreme Court, which considers and decides appeals in a wide range of civil and sometimes criminal matters. I approach each case that comes before our court with great care. as I understand that each of these cases — whether it is a Child in Need of Aid matter, a contract dispute, a criminal case, a matter presenting state constitutional issues, or one of the many other types of cases that come before our court — is of utmost importance for the people involved. I work hard in every case to ensure that I am fulfilling my duties to reach decisions fairly, impartially, and in accord with the Constitution and the laws of our state. In all aspects of my work, I am also mindful of my duty to ensure that all Alaskans have access to fair and impartial courts. I am so grateful to have this opportunity to serve the public and would be honored to continue serving in this role.

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Alaska Judicial Council Evaluation

Justice Jennifer Henderson, Alaska Supreme Court

The Alaska Judicial Council finds Justice Henderson met or exceeded performance standards and recommends a "YES" vote for another term as judge.

Performance Summary

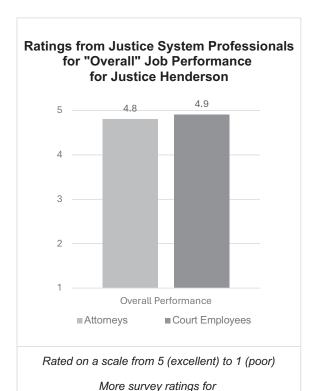
Justice Henderson was appointed to the Alaska Supreme Court in 2021. This is her first judicial retention election. Justices on the Alaska Supreme Court hear appeals from lower state courts and administer the state's judicial system.

Justice Henderson met or exceeded performance standards related to legal ability, integrity, impartiality, fairness, temperament, diligence and administrative skills, and overall performance. Justice Henderson also met or exceeded educational requirements set by the Alaska Supreme Court.

Performance Findings: The Judicial Council's evaluation of Justice Henderson included reviews from attorneys and court employees. Justice Henderson received good ratings from individuals who had direct experience with her work.

The Council reviewed other performance measures, including Justice Henderson's financial and conflict of interest statements, whether pay was withheld for untimely decisions, and public ethics files. The Council found no matters of concern in these areas.

Professional Activities: Justice Henderson served on court system committees to increase access to justice, improve court procedures, and plan training for judges. She participated in programs to encourage young people to consider legal careers, and to help incarcerated women re-enter the community.



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