

# Oregon State Bar Judicial Voters Guide 2018

1) Full name:

**Eva J. Temple**

2) Web site (if applicable):

**n/a**

3) List college and law school attended, including dates of attendance, degrees.

**Carnegie Mellon University Sept 1987 to May 1988**

**University of Tuebingen, Germany March 1991 to August 1992**

**University of Oregon Sept 1989 to March 1993**

**BA in Psychology and International Studies, Minor in German**

**University of Oregon 1993 to 1996**

**Juris Doctor**

4) List employment since graduation from law school, including years employed, your position and the nature of the practice or activity.

**Lombard, Gardner, Honsowetz Potter and Budge 1996 to 1998**

**Intermountain Public Defender Inc. 1998 to Dec 2001**

**Mautz, Baum and O'Hanlon LLP 2002 to 2007 (Partner)**

**Anderson Hansell & Temple PC 2007 to 2011 (Shareholder)**

5) List state and federal bars, courts and administrative bodies to which you are presently admitted and the date of admission. If desired, list previous admissions.

**Oregon State Bar 1996**

**US District Court 2002**

**Washington State Bar**

6) If desired, list publications and/or articles you have authored.

**N/A**

7) List community, teaching (Continuing Legal Education or otherwise) or civic activities.

**Rotary Club**

**Oregon Women Lawyers**

**Pendleton Planning Commission**

**Criminal Justice Commission**

8) Prior to your becoming a judge, what was the general character of your legal practice? Where appropriate indicate any legal areas in which you concentrated.

**Civil Litigation, Estate Planning, Small Business and Real Estate Transactions**

9) List your judicial experience, including as a pro tem, and/or service on an administrative tribunal, or justice, municipal, tax, circuit, or appellate court.

**Circuit Court Judge 2011 to present**

**Pro Tem Circuit Court Judge**

10) Describe the general character of your judicial work over the past five years. Indicate the nature of the cases over which you preside, any specialty courts or court programs, and any legal areas in which you concentrate.

**Criminal law, drug court, family law, civil litigation, small claims, traffic, probate and post-conviction relief**

11) Describe any judicial experience in appellate courts not included above.

**N/A**

12) Describe any experience serving as an arbitrator or mediator.

**I have served as an arbitrator while in private practice, primarily in family law cases. As a judge, I enjoy settlement conferences and assisting parties resolve their disputes prior to trial.**

13) List any bar association memberships. Where appropriate, list officer positions, committee assignments or other notable work.

**6<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Bar Association President**

**Oregon Women Lawyers Board**

**Judicial Endorsement Committee and Membership Committee**

**Oregon State Bar**

14) Describe any bar association or judicial department committees, task forces, or special projects in which you have been involved.

**Oregon Supreme Court Council on Inclusion and Fairness**

15) Have you ever been convicted of or pleaded guilty to a violation of any federal, state, county or municipal law, regulation or ordinance? If so, please give details. Do not include parking offenses or traffic violations for which a fine of less than \$500 was imposed.

**No**

16) Have you ever been the subject of a formal disciplinary proceeding as an attorney or judge? If so, please give the particulars and the result. *Include formal proceedings only.*

**No**

17) What attracted you to a judicial career?

**I enjoy the opportunity to assist people in resolving conflicts and disputes. It is important to objectively consider the facts and the law and to determine how the law applies to each individual's circumstances. I also strongly believe there should be judges from diverse backgrounds, cultures and ethnicities so that our courts better reflect our community.**

18) Briefly describe your philosophy of the judicial role, the qualities that are most important for the role, and the greatest challenges to the role.

**The Courts are the third branch of government. Our job is to fairly interpret the law and ensure justice is done. The judge's role is to consider the evidence presented and to apply the law to the facts with impartiality and integrity. The most important qualities a judge must possess are intelligence, integrity, fairness, patience, empathy and respect for every individual who comes to court, whether they are attorneys, parties, witnesses or other members of the public.**

**The most difficult challenge as a judge is making decisions when insufficient facts are presented.**

19) Briefly describe a case, or a legal issue on which you worked, of which you are particularly proud, or which is reflective of your legal ability, work ethic, judicial philosophy, or temperament.

**Every case in my courtroom is important. As a practicing attorney, every client I represented was most anxious about his or her own case. To the person appearing before the court, her case is the most important case on the court's calendar. No matter the size or subject matter of any case, they are all important to the parties involved. Therefore, I try to treat every case with care and respect because every case involves people for whom the case means a great deal. Although there may be legal decisions with far reaching impacts, I am most proud of the days in which justice is served with fairness, equity and impartiality to the parties involved.**

20) Briefly describe an issue, related to Oregon's justice system, that is of particular interest or concern to you, or that you have interest in working toward improving.

**Oregon has an excellent justice system and serves the people of Oregon very well. However, sometimes the laws do not provide the solutions needed to effectively remedy social problems. For example, I believe we could improve in our treatment of the mentally ill and devise more effective means to assist those who are suffering an illness to receive assistance and treatment in a safer, more timely and effective way.**

21) Briefly describe a legal figure (personal, fictional or historical), whom you admire and why.

**Justice Adrienne Nelson and Justice Betty Roberts are two women whom I admire a great deal. Justice Betty Roberts was the first woman on the Oregon Supreme Court. She not only overcame social barriers with persistence and perseverance, but she also worked hard to ensure that other women and lawyers would be able to follow in her footsteps.**

**Justice Adrienne Nelson is the first African American Justice on the Oregon Supreme Court. She is brilliant, tenacious and incredibly generous with her time and talents. She has devoted so much of her time and energy towards improving racial and cultural equity in Oregon. She does more than talk, she does the hard work to mentor, encourage and fight for others.**

**Both Justice Roberts and Justice Nelson encouraged me to become a judge. It is because of their leadership as lawyers that I am serving the people of Oregon as a Circuit Court Judge.**

22) State any other information that you regard as pertinent to your candidacy.

**I am honored to serve as an Oregon Circuit Court Judge.**