

**Loudoun
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Newsletter**



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December 2005

Law Library

Attached is the access form for the law library cards. This card will allow Loudoun Bar members access to the new law library after hours and on weekends. As a matter of security, the electronic card you will be issued is personal to each attorney and may not be used by staff members, other attorneys or any one else as it records your access each time the card is used. Loudoun County reserves the right to revoke a card for misuse (including the lending of a card to another person). The cards may be purchased by returning this form to my office via US mail or hand delivery with a check for \$10 payable to the Loudoun Bar Association. New members will be assessed a library access card fee going forward. We think this is a great benefit, especially in light of the new Westlaw terminals that we hope to have installed early next year, which will allow access to out of state cases and codes, as well as access to supplemental Virginia materials. The new law library facility plans to open the third week of January 2006. Please direct any questions to me.

Bar Office & Referral Program

Judge Horne, Gary Clemens and Alice Zhent have been very helpful in our search for a court complex office and we finally have a location. Beginning late January 2006, the Loudoun Bar will have an office in the Courts Complex, located near the attorney/ staff entrance in what is currently a security office. The office will have a computer for use by Loudoun Bar Members with Westlaw access and a few basic programs. We will be instituting a referral sheet program where members of the Loudoun Bar may elect to pay a nominal fee of \$10 to be included on a list available at the Loudoun Bar office listing the name of the attorney, phone number, address, website, e-mail and no more than three practice areas.

This is a wholly voluntary program as a number of members may not want their contact information available to the general public through at the courts complex. If you are interested please mail or hand-deliver a check for \$10 together with the preceding information to my office referencing the Loudoun Bar Referral Program.

Judicial Evaluation Forms

Attached are the previously sent Judicial Evaluation Forms and letter. If you have not already done so, please print and return these forms via fax, mail or hand delivery to my office before the upcoming holiday.

Happy Christmas!

Best Regards,
Thomas M. Dunlap for the LCBA
703-777-7319 e-mail: tdunlap@dglegal.com

Date _____

DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES
CARD ACCESS REQUEST FORM
LAW LIBRARY ACCESS

Last Name **First** **M.I.**

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2005 LOUDOUN COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION JUDICIAL EVALUATION SURVEY

JUDGE BEING EVALUATED: **THOMAS D. HORNE**

NOTE: THIS SURVEY CANNOT BE TABULATED UNLESS ALL QUESTIONS ARE COMPLETED.

	<u>STRONGLY AGREE</u>	<u>AGREE</u>	<u>DISAGREE</u>	<u>STRONGLY DISAGREE</u>	<u>N/A NO OPINION</u>
	1	2	3	4	5
IV. LEGAL ABILITY					
1. Possesses knowledge of substantive law	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Possesses knowledge of rules procedure	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Possesses knowledge of rules of evidence	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Judge's decisions demonstrate clarity and completeness in fact finding	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Is able to analyze difficult or complex aspects of case	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Decisions reflect sound legal analysis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	<u>EXCELLENT</u> 1	<u>GOOD</u> 2	<u>ADEQUATE</u> 3	<u>POOR</u> 4	<u>NO OPINION</u> 5
V. OVERALL PERFORMANCE					
1. Handling of criminal cases	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Handling of domestic relations cases	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Handling of other civil cases	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Treatment of <u>pro se</u> litigants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

SINCE I LAST EVALUATED THIS JUDGE, HIS/HER PERFORMANCE HAS:
(Only answer this question if you have previously evaluated THIS judge.)

	<u>IMPROVED</u> 1	<u>STAYED SAME</u> 2	<u>DECLINED</u> 3	<u>N/A OR NO OPINION</u> 4
1. Judicial temperament	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Judicial management skills	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Legal Ability	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

VI. BACKGROUND OF RESPONDENT (Complete each Section)

1. Sex: Male Female
2. Years in practice: 1-5 years 6-10 years 11-20 years 21+ years
3. What percentage of practice is litigation? _____%
4. Litigation is mainly: (Indicate percentage)
 _____ % Criminal/Traffic _____ %civil _____ %Domestic Relations
5. Type of Practice:
 Private:
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