

Shawn McDonald Success Stories

What others have said...

Responses come from former members of my jury panels in which I was the lead prosecutor.

A. State v. John Henson

- a. Charges
 - i. Attempted Indecency by Contact with a Child**
 - ii. Conspiracy to Commit Sexual Assault**
- b. Individual Jurors comments:
 - i. "Very good and well presented."
 - ii. "Very organized and deliberate in his presentation."
 - iii. "I think Mr. McDonald has a long career ahead of him. The prosecution presented a case that was written in stone."
 - iv. "Good lawyer and very likable."
 - v. "Appreciated the way he explained everything that was to take place- we knew exactly what our responsibility was."
 - vi. "Very thorough; everything that Shawn told us during jury selection turned out to be true. Court etiquette and public speaking skills.... Excellent."
 - vii. "Very good job. Asked all questions no matter how small. Shawn did a good job not allowing defense the opportunity to confuse witnesses or jury."

B. State v. Jeremy Lovelady

- a. Charges
 - i. Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon**
- b. Individual jurors comments
 - i. "I was very impressed. He was a real go-getter."
 - ii. "Very thorough and precise. I appreciate the fact he proceeded with the case even though the victim wanted to drop charges. He did a very good job with organization and sequence of questioning. Everything flowed."
 - iii. "I feel like he will go far as a prosecutor. He seems to have done his job well."

C. State v. Rebecca Carpenter

- a. Charges
 - i. Theft over \$1,500, but Less Than \$20,000**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. "Very Professional."
 - ii. "He did a job his mother would be proud of. Very well presented."

D. State v. Bobby Henderson

- a. Charges
 - i. Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon**

- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “I felt that he did a good job of presenting his case with the witnesses and the evidence.”
 - ii. “He did a great job.”
 - iii. “I think Mr. McDonald did a great job on his presentation of the evidence.”

E. State v. Desmond Lott

- a. Charges
 - i. **Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child**
 - ii. **Indecency with a Child**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “You did a good job. Very sincere.”
 - ii. “I believe the prosecutor in this case did a very good job.”
 - iii. “Good job.”

F. State v. Bobby Joe Lansford

- a. Charges
 - i. **Aggravated Assault of a Child**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “Put on a good case.”
 - ii. “Excellent job. A very effective communicator.”

G. State v. Michael Farmer

- a. Charges
 - i. **Evading Arrest in a Motor Vehicle**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “We thought he did a very good job.”

H. State v. Joni Yow

- a. Charges
 - i. **Felony Drug Possession**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “In my opinion Mr. McDonald did an excellent job.”
 - ii. “I considered your presentation to be very good as well. You had the facts and provided the jury with them along with the witnesses and supporting documents.”
 - iii. “Good. Very informative.”

I. State v. Wesley Black

- a. Charges
 - i. **Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “Mr. McDonald, you presented a very good case.”
 - ii. “I thought he did a very good job. He had all the facts and he knew how to argue his case. He is one that I would not like to have to go against. Job well done.”

- iii. “Very impressed! No waste of time - to the point. Well planned, concise presentation.”

J. State v. James Fuller

- a. Charges
 - i. Felony Drug Possession**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “Very good job. Ask the right questions at the right times.”

K. State v. Lara Parks

- a. Charges
 - i. Felony Drug Possession**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “Mr. McDonald presented the case very well and we were all impressed. He knew how and what to ask all witnesses. He really put everything in perspective for the jurors. Job well done. Job well done Mr. McDonald. Again I must say how Mr. McDonald proved the case for the State.”

L. State v. Danny Lee Smirl

- a. Charges
 - i. Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “Did a nice job.”

M. State v. Timothy Shotwell

- a. Charges
 - i. Evading Arrest with a Motor Vehicle**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “He did very well. Like a pro.”
 - ii. “Good.”
 - iii. “He had case documented and was very clear with what he said.”
 - iv. “I thought it was very thorough.”
 - v. “I felt that he was and did give the facts as is did happen and I was able to get a mental picture of the scenes that he explained.”

N. State v. Kenneth Ashton

- a. Charges
 - i. Felon in Possession of a Firearm**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. “His mother must be very proud of his accomplishments. Very Professional, organized and neat. He is a keeper.”
 - ii. “Excellent.”

O. State v. Jack Heathco

- a. Charges
 - i. Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments

- i. "I thought he did a good job of organizing, sequencing and presenting the State's case."
- ii. "Great."
- iii. "Shawn did a very good job presenting his case."
- iv. "His presentation was in depth and on track. He is an asset to the county."
- v. "Very good and well presented."

P. State v. Luther Harris

- a. Charges
 - i. Burglary of a Habitation**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. "Very well prepared and professional in presenting the case."

Q. State v. Travis Reed

- a. Charges
 - i. Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon**
- b. Individual Jurors Comments
 - i. "Good, clear, to the point."
 - ii. "I think he did very well."
 - iii. "Well Prepared."