

**Table 47**

**Nebraska**

**2008 Overall Ranking: 2**

**2007 Overall Ranking: 3**

**Ratings on Key Elements of State Liability Systems (n=69)**

		"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"	"F"	Mean Grade	Ranking Within Element	
Having and Enforcing Meaningful Venue Requirements	%	12	42	19	-	-	3.9	5	
Overall Treatment of Tort and Contract Litigation	%	12	54	20	-	-	3.9	2	
Treatment of Class Action Suits and Mass Consolidation Suits	%	13	20	25	4	-	3.7	3	
Punitive Damages	%	Nebraska does not allow punitive damages in general							
Timeliness of Summary Judgment or Dismissal	%	10	42	25	1	1	3.7	3	
Discovery	%	12	48	25	-	1	3.8	6	
Scientific and Technical Evidence	%	7	35	26	1	1	3.6	15	
Non-economic Damages	%	10	39	23	1	-	3.8	2	
Judges' Impartiality	%	23	36	22	1	-	4.0	4	
Judges' Competence	%	17	48	16	1	-	4.0	4	
Juries' Predictability	%	7	45	19	1	-	3.8	1	
Juries' Fairness	%	14	43	14	1	-	4.0	1	
<b>OVERALL STATE GRADE</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3.9</b>		

**OTHER ELEMENTS CRITICAL TO LIABILITY SYSTEM**

**TOTAL**

N=9

# of respondents who named each item

No punitive damages	2
Lawyer/judge competency	1
The laws are clear/in place	1
Favor plaintiffs	1
Control frivolous lawsuits	1
Fairness (i.e., court, laws, judges)	1
Statutory reform	1
Timeliness for trial	1