

**Table 64**

**Utah**

**2008 Overall Ranking: 5**

**2007 Overall Ranking: 9**

**Ratings on Key Elements of State Liability Systems (n=78)**

		"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"	"F"	Mean Grade	Ranking Within Element
Having and Enforcing Meaningful Venue Requirements	%	14	40	19	6	-	3.8	13
Overall Treatment of Tort and Contract Litigation	%	12	55	17	8	-	3.8	4
Treatment of Class Action Suits and Mass Consolidation Suits	%	9	32	22	4	-	3.7	2
Punitive Damages	%	9	49	19	6	3	3.6	4
Timeliness of Summary Judgment or Dismissal	%	15	29	32	8	1	3.6	9
Discovery	%	10	60	19	1	-	3.9	3
Scientific and Technical Evidence	%	5	46	26	1	1	3.7	11
Non-economic Damages	%	12	44	32	-	-	3.8	4
Judges' Impartiality	%	13	41	28	6	-	3.7	19
Judges' Competence	%	12	51	21	3	1	3.8	12
Juries' Predictability	%	5	41	23	5	1	3.6	5
Juries' Fairness	%	8	49	19	4	-	3.8	8
<b>OVERALL STATE GRADE</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3.7</b>	

**OTHER ELEMENTS CRITICAL TO LIABILITY SYSTEM**

**TOTAL**

N=8

# of respondents who named each item

Legislature	1
Discovery issues	1
Medical malpractice	1
Values of the people	1
Lawyer/judge competency	1