

**2018 General Election
Illinois State Bar Association**

Judicial Evaluations Outside Cook County

Candidates seeking election or retention to the Appellate Court are reviewed in a comprehensive evaluation process. This involves a detailed background investigation by members of the ISBA Judicial Evaluations Committee, followed by an in-person interview of the candidate. The Committee then decides whether to rate the candidate Qualified, Highly Qualified or Not Qualified (for a judicial vacancy) or Recommended, Not Recommended (for retention). Ratings based on evaluations are the opinion of the Illinois State Bar Association.

2nd Judicial District, Appellate Court Judge

Includes Circuits 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22 and 23. The following counties fall under the Second Judicial District: Boone, Carroll, DeKalb, DuPage, JoDaviess, Kane Kendall, Lake, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson and Winnebago.

For Retention

	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Narrative</u>
Robert D. McLaren	R	<p>Justice Robert McLaren was elected to the 2nd District Appellate Court and began his tenure in December 1988. As an appellate court justice, he is described as an extraordinary brilliant person with a broad scope of general knowledge not just in the law but in philosophy, science and music. Prior to his election to the 2nd District Appellate Court, Justice McLaren served seven years as a judge in the 18th Judicial Circuit, Dupage County, Illinois.</p> <p>The ISBA Committee for Judicial Evaluations Outside of Cook County recommends Justice McLaren for retention as a Justice of the 2nd District Appellate Court.</p>

Judicial Evaluations (cont.)

4th Judicial District, Appellate Court Judge

Includes Circuits 5, 6, 7, 8 and 11. The following counties fall under the Fourth Judicial District: Adams, Brown, Calhoun, Cass, Champaign, Clark, Coles, Cumberland, DeWitt, Douglas, Edgar, Ford, Greene, Jersey, Livingston, Logan, Macon, Macoupin, Mason, McLean, Menard, Morgan, Moultrie, Piatt, Pike, Sangamon, Schuyler, Scott, Vermillion and Woodford.

For the vacancy of the Hon. Carol M. Pope

	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Narrative</u>
Thomas M. Harris, Jr.	HQ	<p>Justice Thomas Harris has served on the 4th District Appellate Court since 2013 and is a candidate for election to a seat on that court. He is well versed in the law and very well prepared for cases that come before him. He spends extensive time to understand the issues. He has excellent legal ability and temperament. He is a very hard working and conscientious judge well respected by his colleagues and the attorneys who practice before him including both prevailing and non-prevailing parties. Justice Harris is active in providing educational presentations for attorneys and the public. Prior to being appointed to the Appellate Court, Justice Harris served as an Associate Judge and Circuit Court Judge in Logan County since 2007. Justice Harris has been licensed as an attorney since 1988.</p> <p>The Judicial Evaluations Committee of the Illinois State Bar Association has reviewed a written questionnaire submitted by Justice Harris and has interviewed judges and numerous attorneys from various areas of practice who know him and, or, have practiced with him and against him. Areas of inquiry and evaluation include litigation experience; legal knowledge and ability; other professional experience or activities; integrity; character; professional and judicial temperament; and health. He also presented himself for an interview before 11 members of the committee.</p> <p>The Judicial Evaluations Committee of the Illinois State Bar Association finds Thomas Harris to be highly qualified for the position of Justice of the Appellate Court.</p>

Judicial Evaluations (cont.)

<u>4th Judicial District, Appellate Court Judge (cont.)</u>		
<i>For the vacancy of the Hon. Thomas R. Appleton</i>		
	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Narrative</u>
Pete Cavanagh	HQ	<p>Justice Pete Cavanaugh was appointed to the 4th District Appellate Court in 2018 and is a candidate for election to a seat on that court. He is well versed in the law and very well prepared for cases that come before him. He spends extensive time to understand the issues. He has excellent legal ability and temperament. He is a very hard working and conscientious judge well respected by his colleagues and the attorneys who practice before him including both prevailing and non-prevailing parties. Prior to being appointed to the Appellate Court, Justice Cavanaugh served as a Circuit Judge in the 7th Circuit since 2008. Justice Cavanaugh has been licensed as an attorney since 1997.</p> <p>The Judicial Evaluations Committee of the Illinois State Bar Association has reviewed a written questionnaire submitted by Justice Cavanaugh and has interviewed judges and numerous attorneys from various areas of practice who know him and, or, have practiced with him and against him. Areas of inquiry and evaluation include litigation experience; legal knowledge and ability; other professional experience or activities; integrity; character; professional and judicial temperament; and health. He also presented himself for an interview before nine members of the committee.</p> <p>The Judicial Evaluations Committee of the Illinois State Bar Association finds Justice Cavanaugh to be highly qualified for the position of Justice of the Appellate Court.</p>

Judicial Evaluations (cont.)

5th Judicial District, Appellate Court Judge

Includes Circuits 1, 2, 3, 4 and 20. The following counties fall under the Fifth Judicial District: Alexander, Bond, Christian, Clay, Clinton, Crawford, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Johnson, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Massac, Monroe, Montgomery, Perry, Pope, Pulaski, Randolph, Richland, Saline, Shelby, St. Clair, Union, Wabash, Washington, Wayne, White, and Williamson

For the vacancy of the Hon. Richard P. Goldenhersh

	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Narrative</u>
Kevin T. Hoerner	HQ	<p>Kevin Hoerner is a candidate for election to a seat on the 5th District Appellate Court. The 5th District Appellate Court handles appeals from 37 counties in southern Illinois and sits in Mt. Vernon.</p> <p>Kevin Hoerner has been an attorney since 1987. He is in private practice representing clients from all walks of life, from pro bono to private citizens, to municipalities and Fortune 500 Companies. Kevin Hoerner also serves as a part-time St. Clair County Assistant States Attorney, handling civil matters since 1996, and has been a Special Assistant Attorney General, handling condemnations cases for IDOT since 2001. Mr. Hoerner is well-versed in the law and is regarded as having excellent legal knowledge and ability by judges before whom he has appeared and attorneys who have worked with him. Mr. Hoerner is also very active and volunteers in many community and civic organizations.</p> <p>The Judicial Evaluations Committee of the Illinois State Bar Association has reviewed an extensive written questionnaire submitted by Attorney Hoerner and has interviewed judges and numerous attorneys from various areas of practice who know him and, or, have practiced with and against him. Areas of inquiry and evaluation include litigation experience; legal knowledge and ability; other professional experience or activities; integrity; character; professional and judicial temperament; and health. He also presented himself of an interview before 11 members of the committee.</p> <p>The Judicial Evaluations Committee finds Kevin Hoerner to be highly qualified for the position of Justice of the Appellate Court.</p>

Judicial Evaluations (cont.)

<u>5th Judicial District, Appellate Court Judge (cont.)</u>		
<i>For the vacancy of the Hon. Richard P. Goldenhersh</i>		
	<u>Rating</u>	<u>Narrative</u>
David K. Overstreet	HQ	<p>David Overstreet is a candidate for election to a seat on the 5th District Appellate Court. The 5th District Appellate Court handles appeals from 37 counties in southern Illinois and sits in Mt. Vernon. Judge Overstreet was appointed to serve on the appellate court in February, 2017. Prior to this he served on the Circuit Court for the 2nd Judicial Circuit, having been appointed as a circuit judge in 2007 and subsequently elected in 2008 , and retained by election in 2014. He was in the private practice of law for approximately 16 years before becoming a judge in 2007.</p> <p>The Judicial Evaluations Committee of the Illinois State Bar Association has reviewed an extensive written questionnaire submitted by Judge Overstreet and has interviewed judges and numerous attorneys from various areas of practice who know and, or, have practiced with, against, or in front of him. Areas of inquiry and evaluation include litigation experience; legal knowledge and ability; other professional experience or activities; integrity; character; professional and judicial temperament; and health. He also presented himself for an interview before 11 members of the committee.</p> <p>The Judicial Evaluations Committee finds David Overstreet to be highly qualified for the position of justice of the appellate court.</p>

Judicial Advisory Poll

The advisory poll is conducted by mail and is sent to all Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA) members in the circuit or district from which a candidate seeks election or retention. Licensed attorneys who are not members of the ISBA, or any attorney outside the circuit or district may request a ballot. Opinions expressed in the poll are of those attorneys who chose to respond and do not reflect the opinion of the Illinois State Bar Association or the opinion of all Illinois attorneys. Candidates must receive 65% "yes" responses to the question "Meets Requirements of Office" in order to be "Recommended". Percentage is based on "yes" responses to each question; "no opinion" responses are not included.

2nd Judicial District Appellate Court <i>15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 22nd and 23rd Judicial Circuits.</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
No judicial vacancies										
Justice seeking retention										
Robert D. McLaren	178	R	82.02	93.18	84.00	90.29	82.08	93.02	92.86	89.35
4th Judicial District Appellate Court <i>5th, 6th, 7th, 8th and 11th Judicial Circuits</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Carol M. Pope										
Thomas M. Harris, Jr.	245	R	98.74	99.18	97.95	99.18	99.18	99.17	100	99.17
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Thomas R. Appleton										
Pete Cavanagh	186	R	87.10	94.59	88.65	84.24	93.44	93.41	97.83	95.11
No retention candidates										

R Recommended NR Not Recommended ** Insufficient number of responses.

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

5th Judicial District Appellate Court <i>1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 20th Judicial Circuits</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Richard P. Goldenhersh										
Kevin T. Hoerner	275	R	86.94	92.25	85.24	91.88	94.12	93.96	95.49	93.68
David K. Overstreet	310	R	82.89	89.22	83.99	89.14	89.80	87.38	93.33	87.67
No retention candidates										
First Judicial Circuit <i>Alexander, Jackson, Johnson, Massac, Pope, Pulaski, Saline, Union and Williamson counties</i>										
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Mark H. Clarke (At Large)										
Tyler R. Edmonds	115	R	83.19	87.72	81.42	86.09	94.78	91.96	99.12	92.11
Amanda Byassee Gott	126	NR	51.28	73.11	58.62	58.33	50.83	75.00	95.00	72.03
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. James R. Moore (At Large)										
Carey C. Gill	152	R	68.06	88.00	81.76	66.89	78.52	80.27	97.30	85.71
Jason A. Olson	102	R	88.78	92.00	93.00	88.12	90.00	93.00	95.00	94.06
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. William G. Schwartz (Resident, Jackson County)										
Steven M. J. Bost	82	NR	63.29	86.25	78.48	63.75	88.61	85.71	95.00	79.75
Christy W. Solverson	152	R	93.84	94.63	86.67	96.03	95.33	94.04	97.97	94.67
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Joseph Jay Jackson (Resident, Massac County)										
Cord Zachary Wittig	49	R	68.89	86.67	83.72	66.67	88.89	80.00	91.49	89.13

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

First Judicial Circuit (cont.)	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Carolyn B. Smoot (Resident, Williamson County)										
E. Ryan Hall	68	R	75.38	89.55	78.79	81.54	78.79	91.04	93.94	88.06
John W. Sanders	131	NR	60.00	76.92	66.15	59.23	78.46	70.08	90.63	76.56
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Phillip G. Palmer, Sr. (Resident, Williamson County)										
Stephen R. Green	141	R	76.12	79.86	78.99	86.13	86.03	81.95	91.91	86.96
David W. Lawler	115	R	71.96	91.07	85.45	65.45	90.91	90.83	98.18	90.91
Judges seeking retention										
Brad K. Bleyer	121	R	98.35	98.35	98.35	99.17	98.35	99.17	99.17	99.17
Mark M. Boie	101	R	96.04	96.04	94.06	92.08	97.03	97.03	100	96.04

<u>Second</u> Judicial Circuit <i>Crawford, Edwards, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jefferson, Lawrence, Richland, Wabash, Wayne and White counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
No judicial vacancies										
Judges seeking retention										
Eric J. Dirnbeck	68	R	95.59	97.01	96.97	98.51	98.51	98.48	98.48	97.01
Melissa Morgan	66	NR	56.25	75.81	67.19	50.00	53.85	65.08	88.89	77.78
T. Scott Webb	52	R	98.08	98.08	98.08	98.08	98.08	98.08	98.04	98.08
Christopher L. Weber	52	R	100	100	98.08	100	100	100	100	100
Jo Beth Weber	80	R	87.34	91.14	89.87	86.25	94.94	87.34	98.72	96.20

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

Third Judicial Circuit <i>Bond and Madison counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Barbara Crowder (At Large)										
Mark D. Rabe	49	NR	27.08	43.75	37.50	47.92	52.08	52.17	64.58	51.02
Sarah Smith	158	R	94.84	97.45	94.19	95.54	97.42	96.79	99.35	96.15
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. John Knight (Resident, Bond County)										
Chris Bauer	89	R	97.73	98.86	96.55	98.86	98.85	98.85	98.85	96.59
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. John B. Barberis, Jr. (Resident, Madison County)										
David W. Dugan	145	R	96.53	97.22	95.80	96.53	97.18	97.90	97.89	95.83
Marc Parker	116	R	82.73	87.39	79.28	90.27	81.08	87.85	99.08	87.39
Judges seeking retention										
Dave Hylla	147	R	95.21	96.55	95.21	95.92	96.60	95.21	99.32	97.95
Kyle Anne Napp	135	R	93.23	93.23	91.73	94.03	93.98	96.97	100	93.98

Fourth Judicial Circuit <i>Christian, Clay, Clinton, Effingham, Fayette, Jasper, Marion, Montgomery and Shelby counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Allen F. Bennett (Resident, Shelby County)										
Amanda S. Ade-Harlow	78	R	92.21	94.87	92.21	92.11	93.59	94.74	98.72	96.05
Gina Vonderheide	38	R	76.32	89.47	81.58	73.68	92.11	75.68	97.37	97.30

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

Fourth Judicial Circuit (cont.)	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
Judges seeking retention										
Daniel E. Hartigan	87	R	86.05	97.67	96.51	87.21	95.40	83.91	95.29	96.51
Kimberly G. Koester	79	R	89.74	93.67	89.87	92.41	92.41	93.67	97.44	94.94

<u>Fifth</u> Judicial Circuit <i>Clark, Coles, Cumberland, Edgar and Vermilion counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Claudia J. Anderson (At Large)										
Charles "Charlie" Hall	47	R	91.49	91.49	89.36	93.62	100	93.62	95.65	100
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Teresa K. Righter (Resident, Coles County)										
Mark E. Bovard	51	R	98.04	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Judges seeking retention										
Craig H. DeArmond	67	R	89.55	93.94	93.94	94.03	75.76	95.45	96.97	95.45
Nancy S. Fahey	65	R	67.19	80.00	70.31	66.15	65.63	77.78	89.23	81.54
Brien J. O'Brien	51	R	97.96	100	97.96	100	93.88	100	100	97.96

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

Sixth Judicial Circuit <i>Champaign, DeWitt, Douglas, Macon, Moultrie and Piatt counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Arnold F. Blockman (At Large)										
Ramona Sullivan	92	R	74.44	96.67	82.02	81.11	90.00	93.33	96.67	93.26
Roger B. Webber	139	R	97.71	99.27	97.79	98.54	99.28	94.16	100	98.55
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Harry E. Clem (At Large)										
Chad Beckett	94	NR	56.52	78.49	67.39	66.67	62.37	78.89	96.67	79.57
Randy Rosenbaum	118	R	94.69	100	97.41	95.76	95.73	98.29	100	99.15
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Dan L. Flannell (Resident, Moultrie County)										
Jeremy Richey	42	R	73.81	89.74	84.62	80.49	82.93	87.80	100	85.37
Judges seeking retention										
Jeffrey B. "Jeff" Ford	111	R	82.41	90.74	76.85	90.83	77.57	93.52	97.20	82.41
Thomas E. Griffith	51	R	94.00	94.12	94.12	100	88.24	100	100	98.04

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

Seventh Judicial Circuit <i>Greene, Jersey, Macoupin, Morgan, Sangamon and Scott counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
No judicial vacancies										
Judges seeking retention										
John Belz	141	R	94.93	97.10	94.20	94.93	95.68	97.84	97.83	95.62
David R. Cherry	60	R	76.67	85.00	81.67	76.67	91.67	78.33	96.67	83.33
Kenneth R. Deihl	90	R	80.00	94.38	88.76	79.78	93.26	79.78	90.91	92.05
Eric S. Pistorius	74	R	90.41	93.24	93.24	95.95	82.43	93.24	97.30	91.89

Eighth Judicial Circuit <i>Adams, Brown, Calhoun, Cass, Mason, Menard, Pike and Schuyler counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Diane M. Lagoski (Resident, Brown County)										
Jerry J. Hooker	57	R	96.43	98.25	100	96.43	100	98.21	100	96.49
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Bobby G. Hardwick (Resident, Cass County)										
Luke Allen Thomas	*	*								
Timothy J. "T. J." Wessel	*	*								
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. William O. Mays, Jr. (At Large)										
Amy Lannerd	48	R	100	100	97.92	100	100	97.92	100	100
Judge seeking retention										
J. Frank McCartney	47	R	100	100	100	97.87	100	97.87	100	100

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

Ninth Judicial Circuit <i>Fulton, Hancock, Henderson, Knox, McDonough and Warren counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. William Davis (Resident, Fulton County)										
Bruce C. Beal	45	R	65.12	60.47	72.73	81.82	77.27	75.00	81.82	72.09
Judges seeking retention										
Rodney G. Clark	62	R	100	100	100	98.39	100	98.36	100	98.39
Scott Shipplett	55	R	72.73	85.19	72.73	75.93	78.18	81.48	94.44	87.27
James Standard	73	NR	62.32	77.46	69.44	92.96	41.67	73.24	88.89	66.67

Tenth Judicial Circuit <i>Marshall, Peoria, Putnam, Stark and Tazewell counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Thomas A. Keith (Resident, Stark County)										
Bruce Fehrenbacher	42	R	80.95	97.62	92.86	78.57	85.37	83.33	92.86	92.86
Judges seeking retention										
Paul Gilfillan	217	R	95.35	95.85	95.37	96.77	95.37	96.73	98.59	96.30
Kate Gorman	226	R	96.41	97.35	96.00	97.33	96.44	98.20	99.55	97.78
Kevin W. Lyons	163	NR	58.75	75.00	71.25	88.05	52.80	48.75	87.97	78.88

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

Eleventh Judicial Circuit <i>Ford, Livingston, Logan, McLean and Woodford counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Kevin P. Fitzgerald (Resident, McLean County)										
William A. Yoder	104	R	93.20	94.23	94.23	96.12	95.19	96.15	100	96.12
Judges seeking retention										
Paul Lawrence	131	R	96.90	97.71	96.18	96.18	99.24	96.95	98.46	98.47
Rebecca Simmons-Foley	129	R	73.81	66.67	87.40	96.09	93.02	98.45	96.06	94.49

Twelfth Judicial Circuit <i>Will County</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
<i>JOINT POLL WITH THE WILL COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION</i>										
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Carla Alessio Policandriotes (At Large)										
Vincent F. Cornelius	149	R	83.56	90.54	85.91	87.84	90.54	88.36	96.58	89.19
Victoria McKay Kennison	174	R	80.00	88.44	81.50	84.39	85.55	88.44	96.49	88.17
To fill the vacancy of Daniel J. Rozak (At Large)										
Ben Braun	170	R	86.83	91.72	89.35	92.35	87.06	86.47	96.43	91.12
David Garcia	168	R	67.90	82.32	75.30	68.07	81.33	78.79	89.51	79.88
No retention candidates										

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

Thirteenth Judicial Circuit <i>Bureau, Grundy, LaSalle counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
No judicial vacancies										
Judges seeking retention										
Troy Holland	83	R	92.77	93.98	93.98	90.36	92.77	92.77	96.39	95.18
Cynthia M. Raccuglia	82	R	83.95	90.12	90.12	90.12	90.00	80.25	82.93	90.12

Fourteenth Judicial Circuit <i>Henry, Mercer, Rock Island and Whiteside counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. John L. Hauptman (Resident, Whiteside County)										
Trish Joyce	49	R	87.23	91.67	85.71	89.80	91.49	97.96	91.67	89.36
Judges seeking retention										
Jeffrey W. O'Connor	80	R	68.35	77.50	83.12	92.50	71.25	69.62	60.76	83.75
Stanley B. Steines	53	R	92.45	96.23	96.15	92.45	98.11	96.23	98.11	98.11
Mark A. VandeWiele	70	R	97.10	97.14	95.65	95.71	95.71	90.00	98.57	95.71

R Recommended NR Not Recommended ** Insufficient number of responses.

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

Fifteenth Judicial Circuit <i>Carroll, Jo Daviess, Lee, Ogle and Stephenson counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Ronald M. Jacobson (Resident, Lee County)										
Jacquelyn D. Ackert	44	R	95.45	95.45	93.18	97.73	97.73	97.73	100	95.35
Judges seeking retention										
Michael P. Bald	33	R	90.91	96.97	93.94	93.94	96.97	90.91	100	100
Robert T. Hanson	41	R	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Sixteenth Judicial Circuit <i>Kane County</i>										
<i>JOINT POLL WITH THE KANE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION</i>										
Additional Judgeship A (Resident, 1st Subcircuit)										
Rene Cruz	231	R	95.20	98.25	93.81	93.45	97.80	96.07	99.11	99.12
Additional Judgeship A (Resident, 4th Subcircuit)										
Clint Hull	219	R	93.90	98.15	92.96	98.61	97.18	98.14	99.05	94.88
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. David R. Akemann (At Large)										
Thomas M. "Tom" Hartwell	123	NR	19.83	50.00	41.96	17.80	62.73	34.21	92.04	62.28
Michael J. Noland	97	NR	19.78	44.09	42.05	15.96	56.32	32.53	82.56	62.22

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

Sixteenth Judicial Circuit (cont.)	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
Judges seeking retention										
John Barsanti	148	R	95.92	96.58	93.24	100	94.59	95.92	95.21	94.59
John G. Dalton	164	NR	37.65	58.64	46.95	58.02	30.06	50.63	81.88	59.63
Donald C. Hudson	153	R	98.68	98.68	98.04	98.69	99.35	98.68	98.68	98.04

<u>Seventeenth</u> Judicial Circuit <i>Boone and Winnebago counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
<i>JOINT POLL WITH THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION</i>										
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. J. Edward Prochaska (At Large)										
Ann Dempsey	149	R	77.85	89.86	85.71	81.38	88.44	86.62	97.20	92.57
John Lowry	168	R	90.36	96.41	92.17	89.76	89.22	93.29	98.17	92.22
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Rosemary Collins (At Large)										
Joseph P. "Joe" Bruscato	177	NR	59.09	81.82	70.69	63.37	80.68	72.35	98.25	84.57
Donna Honzel	186	R	95.14	98.38	93.51	95.68	96.24	97.25	98.91	96.20
Judge seeking retention										
Brendan Maher	181	R	96.13	98.89	96.11	96.67	97.78	97.78	99.44	97.21

R Recommended NR Not Recommended ** Insufficient number of responses.

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

<u>Eighteenth</u> Judicial Circuit <i>DuPage County</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
JOINT POLL WITH THE DUPAGE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION										
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Blanche Hill-Fawell (At Large)										
Jeffrey M. Jacobson	*	*								
Karen M. Wilson	255	R	80.95	91.34	81.96	76.47	88.40	89.07	98.38	91.09
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Kathryn E. Creswell (Full Circuit)										
Linda E. Davenport	330	R	80.18	88.69	80.06	92.68	77.09	92.86	96.55	87.08
Jeff MacKay	160	R	95.60	97.48	94.94	96.86	95.54	96.77	100	95.51
Judge seeking retention										
Patrick J. O'Shea	193	NR	31.94	34.04	46.99	44.62	37.10	59.67	52.60	57.89

<u>Nineteenth</u> Judicial Circuit <i>Lake County</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
Additional John T. Phillips (At Large)										
Christopher R. Stride	99	R	91.92	93.94	90.91	94.95	94.95	94.85	100	94.90
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Christopher C. Starck (Full Circuit)										
Christen L. Bishop	98	R	96.94	97.96	95.92	95.92	96.94	97.96	100	97.96

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

<u>Nineteenth</u> Judicial Circuit (cont.)	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. George Bridges (Resident, 1st Subcircuit)										
Charles "Chuck" Smith	137	R	96.18	97.81	95.62	97.81	95.62	97.06	97.06	95.62
Additional Judgeship A (Resident, 5th Subcircuit)										
Joseph V. Salvi	124	R	86.07	91.13	87.90	87.90	79.03	95.12	99.19	89.52
Judges seeking retention										
Patricia S. Fix	91	NR	64.84	73.56	67.05	70.79	61.79	72.73	87.50	78.16
Thomas Schippers	109	R	97.17	98.11	97.20	96.26	98.13	98.13	97.17	98.10
Daniel B. Shanes	88	R	93.18	94.25	90.80	97.70	95.40	97.70	98.85	94.25

<u>Twentieth</u> Judicial Circuit <i>Monroe, Perry, Randolph, St. Clair and Washington counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. C. Jan V. Fiss (At Large)										
Heinz Rudolf	223	R	96.73	97.27	96.31	97.74	96.82	97.26	99.54	96.74
Katherine Ruocco	63	NR	9.68	22.58	18.33	11.29	25.42	25.86	64.41	30.51
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Vincent J. Lopinot (At Large)										
Paul J. Evans	129	NR	54.40	67.97	58.73	63.57	63.78	63.64	82.26	59.20
John J. O'Gara	194	R	96.83	96.89	95.79	97.93	97.41	97.92	98.96	96.32

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

<u>Twentieth</u> Judicial Circuit (cont.)	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Robert P. LeChien (Resident, St. Clair County)										
Laninya A. Cason	171	NR	21.30	38.60	36.69	25.29	44.12	24.85	56.89	50.90
Chris Kolker	206	R	91.96	92.16	88.12	99.02	96.08	96.53	99.51	97.01
Judges seeking retention										
Zina R. Cruse	148	R	80.00	83.56	79.45	81.51	81.94	88.44	94.52	83.67
Daniel J. Emge	114	R	95.50	98.23	97.37	95.61	96.49	96.49	98.25	96.46
Andrew J. Gleeson	204	R	90.40	91.63	88.18	94.55	92.12	94.61	97.52	92.12

<u>Twenty-First</u> Judicial Circuit <i>Iroquois and Kankakee counties</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Susan Sumner Tungate (At Large)										
Thomas W. Cunningham	36	R	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
No retention candidates										

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Judicial Advisory Poll (cont.)

Twenty-Second Judicial Circuit <i>McHenry County</i>	Number of Responses	Recommended/ Not Recommended	Meets Requirements Of Office	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity
JOINT POLL WITH THE MCHENRY COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION										
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Maureen McIntyre (At Large)										
Robert Wilbrandt	178	R	81.82	89.20	85.31	92.13	76.16	90.23	93.60	84.48
To fill the vacancy of the Hon. Charles P. Weech (Resident, 1st Subcircuit)										
Tiffany Davis	141	R	74.47	84.29	76.64	74.47	88.49	81.43	93.57	88.65
Judge seeking retention										
Michael J. Chmiel	135	R	65.19	75.37	64.93	77.61	59.40	86.57	96.21	79.85
Twenty-Third Judicial Circuit <i>DeKalb and Kendall counties</i>										
No judicial vacancies										
Judges seeking retention										
Melissa S. Barnhart	41	R	97.56	97.56	97.56	100	97.56	100	100	100
Ronald G. Matekaitis	45	R	95.56	97.78	95.56	95.56	97.73	91.11	95.56	97.78

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Following are the questions asked on the poll. Questions on Temperament and Court management differ for those seeking a judicial vacancy and those seeking retention. Clarification of those differences are noted below.

RESPONDENT’S KNOWLEDGE – Do you have sufficient knowledge as to the qualifications of this candidate for this judicial office to give a fair, informed opinion as to those qualifications? **(IF THE ANSWER IS “NO,” DO NOT COMPLETE THE BALLOT ON THIS CANDIDATE, BUT PLEASE DO RETURN THE BALLOT.)**

In your opinion, with respect to this judicial office and in off-the-bench conduct affecting the judicial office, will the candidate:

Meet Requirements of Office:

(Recommendation) Considering the qualifications of the candidate, do you believe this candidate meets acceptable requirements for the office?

Integrity

Adhere to the high standards of integrity and ethical conduct required of the office?

Impartiality

Act and rule impartially and free of any predisposition or improper influence?

Legal Ability

Have adequate legal experience, knowledge, and ability?

Temperament

for a judicial vacancy:

Exercise appropriate temperament with courtesy, consideration, firmness, fairness, patience and dignity?

for judicial retention:

Exercise the judicial temperament to serve with appropriate courtesy, consideration, firmness, fairness, patience and dignity?

Court Management

for a judicial vacancy:

Attend to all professional responsibilities including the management of cases/clients, and complete work in a prompt and skillful manner?

for judicial retention:

Diligently and promptly attend to the duties of the office and assure the steady progress of court business?

Health

Have the physical, mental and emotional health, stamina and stability needed to perform judicial duties?

Sensitivity to Diversity and Bias

Conduct self and deal with others appropriately to reduce or eliminate conduct or words which manifest bias based on race, gender, national origin, religion, disability, age, sexual orientation or socio-economic status against parties, witnesses, counsel or others?