

JUDICIAL ADVISORY POLL
Twenty-Second Judicial Circuit
Associate Judge Candidates Rated

Candidates for an associate judge vacancy in the 22nd Judicial Circuit have been rated in an advisory poll of lawyers conducted by the Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA) in cooperation with the McHenry County Bar Association (MCBA). Ballots were sent to all ISBA members who practice or reside in the 22nd Judicial Circuit as well as members of the MCBA. Licensed Illinois attorneys who are not members of the ISBA or MCBA or are outside the circuit could 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. Results of this poll were provided to Chief Judge James S. Cowlin. At his discretion, the results of this poll are being released to the public.

It is the policy of the Committee on Judicial Advisory Polls to conduct one poll on a candidate for the same judicial office during the same year. Because some applicants for this vacancy were polled in December 2018, their names did not appear on the current ballot. The scores listed for those applicants are from the December poll. The time the poll was conducted appears after each name.

<u>Twenty-Second</u> Judicial Circuit <i>McHenry County</i>	Number of Responses	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity	Meets Requirements Of Office
<i>Associate Judge Vacancy</i>									
Jeffrey J. Altman (December 2018)	113	75.89	78.38	73.21	86.36	81.08	74.31	82.73	64.29
William J. Bligh (December 2018)	141	95.04	92.91	86.43	95.04	86.43	95.68	95.71	85.11
Kevin A. Chrzanowski (December 2018)	102	81.19	72.00	67.68	68.37	82.65	90.91	78.00	57.00
Martin J. Coonen (current)	115	92.92	85.84	93.86	87.72	95.61	97.35	95.61	84.82
Michael G. Cortina (December 2018)	88	79.07	77.65	70.59	77.38	79.76	92.68	83.13	60.71
Sharyl D. Eisenstein (December 2018)	82	81.71	64.63	57.32	69.51	76.83	89.02	78.05	54.88
Michael J. Fleck (December 2018)	94	84.78	78.26	71.11	73.63	78.02	78.89	85.71	64.13
Carl W. Gilmore (current)	105	96.15	91.35	83.65	82.35	77.88	93.20	95.19	71.57

Twenty-Second Judicial Circuit (cont.)	Number of Responses	Integrity	Impartiality	Legal Ability	Temperament	Court Management	Health	Sensitivity	Meets Requirements Of Office
Joseph Gottemoller (December 2018)	136	79.10	75.56	82.84	84.33	81.95	90.30	84.44	72.59
Paulette M. Gray (current)	88	59.04	56.10	67.06	31.76	70.37	81.71	61.45	32.94
Scott I. Jacobson (December 2018)	56	66.07	63.64	38.18	73.21	67.27	83.64	70.91	32.14
Jennifer L. Johnson (current)	73	91.43	88.57	75.71	82.61	86.57	94.29	92.86	72.86
Nicholas Johnson (December 2018)	30	76.67	75.86	65.52	79.31	79.31	86.67	70.00	63.33
Thomas J. Kasper (December 2018)	85	78.82	77.65	70.59	79.76	82.35	85.71	88.10	60.00
Kimberley C. Klein (current)	33	87.50	80.65	53.13	81.25	68.75	93.75	84.38	54.55
Cynthia D. Lamb (December 2018)	126	88.71	82.26	75.61	84.43	79.17	73.50	87.60	66.39
Hans A. Mast (December 2018)	56	81.82	76.79	74.55	80.00	80.00	90.57	81.48	72.73
Angelo J. Mourelatos (current)	56	96.23	90.57	74.07	96.23	84.62	96.23	96.23	70.91
Joseph C. Ponitz (current)	63	96.67	93.44	85.00	96.67	90.00	96.72	100	78.33
Dawn M. Roth (December 2018)	52	84.31	83.33	52.08	75.51	65.31	87.76	83.67	55.77
Cynthia A. Schaupp (December 2018)	56	85.19	81.13	53.70	84.91	69.81	90.57	79.25	55.56
Jenette M. Schwemler (December 2018)	72	94.29	84.06	53.62	81.16	67.14	75.36	89.86	53.62
Thomas B. Spencer, IV. (December 2018)	91	88.64	87.50	59.09	85.39	73.03	93.26	89.77	59.09

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How Judicial Advisory Polls Work

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The following questions are asked.

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

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

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

Court Management

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

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?

Meets Requirements of Office:

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

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