

IN THE  
SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

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In re:

2021 Judicial Redistricting

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) M.R. 30858  
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Order

In the exercise of the general administrative and supervisory authority over the courts of Illinois conferred on this Court pursuant to article VI, section 16, of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, and as acknowledged by the Illinois General Assembly in Public Act 102-0011, and in light of the logistical and procedural challenges that may arise in the appellate court and in circuit courts that have been assigned to a new appellate district by Public Act 102-0011, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. Effective January 1, 2022, the Court's order of June 7, 2021, pausing the implementation of redistricting pursuant to Public Act 102-0011 is hereby vacated. On or after the effective date of this order, a notice of appeal initiating an appeal to the appellate court or a direct appeal to the Supreme Court pursuant to Rule 302(b) shall be transmitted by the clerk of the circuit court to the appropriate appellate district as established by Public Act 102-0011. Likewise, on or after the effective date of this order, a petition or application or motion under Rule 303(d), Rule 303A, Rule 306, Rule 307(d), Rule 308, Rule 335, Rule 604(c), or Rule 606(c) shall be filed in the appropriate appellate district as established by Public Act 102-0011. These provisions shall apply regardless of the date of the judgment appealed or sought to be appealed.
2. Circuit courts remain subject to the rule that, when conflicts arise among the districts, the circuit court is bound by the decisions of the appellate court of the district in which it sits. *Aleckson v. Village of Round Lake Park*, 176 Ill. 2d 82, 92 (1997). For purposes of application of this rule in a redistricted circuit, the appropriate appellate district shall be the district in which the circuit was located at the time that the circuit court action was initiated.
3. If a case is heard by one appellate district on appeal and if a subsequent appeal in that case is heard by a new appellate district pursuant to this order, the new district shall treat the decision of the prior district as the law of the case. The fact that the decision of the prior district applied the law of the prior district that is contrary to the law of the new district shall not be a basis for departing from the decision of the prior district.

Order entered by the Court.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court, this 8th day of December, 2021.

*Cynthia A. Grant*

Clerk,  
Supreme Court of the State of Illinois