



## Supreme Court of Illinois

December 29, 2021

### **SUPREME COURT JUSTICE OVERSTREET ANNOUNCES VACANCY IN FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

Illinois Supreme Court Justice David K. Overstreet has announced a Resident Circuit Judge vacancy in Jasper County in the Fourth Judicial Circuit.

The vacancy will be created by the retirement of Chief Judge Daniel E. Hartigan, effective January 30, 2022. The term of office will conclude the first Monday in December following the November 2022 general election.

Qualifications for the office of circuit judge are set forth in section 11 of article VI of the Illinois Constitution and 705 ILCS 40/2(d). Persons meeting those qualifications are invited to submit applications containing the information requested in the Applicant Information sheet attached to this press release, along with a cover letter, to Justice David K. Overstreet, P.O. Box 489, Mt. Vernon, IL 62864 or electronically to his Judicial Secretary, René Gozia at [rgozia@illinoiscourts.gov](mailto:rgozia@illinoiscourts.gov). Applications must be received in Justice Overstreet's office by **Thursday, January 20, 2022**.

To be eligible for appointment to fill this vacancy an applicant must be a resident of Jasper County at the time of the appointment. The applicant must also be admitted to practice law in Illinois and be in good standing with the Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission or any other respective disciplinary body.

**(FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT: Chris Bonjean, Communications Director to the Illinois Supreme Court at 312.793.2323 or [cbonjean@illinoiscourts.gov](mailto:cbonjean@illinoiscourts.gov).)**

**Application Information**  
**Resident Circuit Judge - Jasper County (Hartigan Vacancy)**  
(Furnish the following information in the order listed.)

1. **Personal:** Give your name, home and office addresses, email address, telephone numbers and date of birth.
2. **Educational:** List educational background, including high school, college, law school, post-graduate degrees, including dates, majors, degrees and any special awards or recognition.
3. **License to Practice:** List courts and states wherein you are licensed to practice and the year so licensed.
4. **Employment:** In reverse chronological order, state the history of your practice of law and other employment you may have had since graduation from law school. Include the name of the employer or law firm, your status during that employment and generally the type of law you practiced.
5. **Offices Held:** List any public elected or appointed offices or positions you have held and may currently hold, including the dates and nature of the position or work involved.
6. **Evaluations:** If you have been evaluated by the Illinois State Bar Association (Judicial Advisory Poll) or any other association concerning your qualifications as a judge or as a judicial candidate, please attach a copy of the results of that evaluation or poll.
7. **Disciplinary:** List the dates, nature and result of any complaints filed against you with the ARDC or the Judicial Inquiry Board. Please disclose anything else, not elsewhere requested herein, that could be embarrassing to you or could cause embarrassment to the court should you be appointed.
8. **Personal Litigation, Bankruptcy:** State generally the date, nature and outcome of any lawsuit or bankruptcy in which you may have been personally involved. Disclose any tax delinquencies, contested child support arrearages or ongoing child custody disputes or similar other problems.
9. **References:** Give names, addresses and telephone numbers of at least two each of (a) professional, (b) personal, and (c) judicial references, including the number of years and the type of relationship.
10. **Civic, Charitable & Other Activities:** List any involvement with civic, charitable or other organizational activities, including the number of years and the nature of your involvement.
11. **Miscellaneous:** State anything else in support of your application.

**Authorization for Release of Information:** There will be no public announcement or release of the names of the applicants nor will information furnished by any applicant be publicly disclosed. However, the information submitted with an application may be disclosed to a screening committee selected to interview the applicants. By submitting an application, applicants should understand they are authorizing the release of any of the above information to any member of the screening committee. Members of that committee may call on you for a telephone or personal interview, may call on any references listed and may verify with the appropriate entity any other information that is furnished.

**Applicants must include the above requested information within their résumé or application and send the same with a cover letter by Thursday, January 20, 2022 to either of the following:**

Justice David K. Overstreet  
PO Box 489  
Mt. Vernon, IL 62864

René Gozia  
Judicial Secretary to Justice Overstreet  
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