

NOTICE OF VACANCY

Associate Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit

Authorization pursuant to Illinois Supreme Court Rule 39 has been received by the Chief Judge of the 15th Judicial Circuit to post a notice of vacancy for associate judge. The associate judge position is the result of the appointment of Associate Judge John D. Hay to the Circuit Court, effective September 2, 2025. Applications are now being accepted for this vacancy which will be filled by vote of the Circuit Judges of the 15th Judicial Circuit.

Pursuant to Supreme Court Rule 39, any attorney who is a United States citizen, is licensed to practice law in the State of Illinois, and is a resident of the 15th Judicial Circuit may apply by electronically filing a signed application with the Director of the Administrative Office of Illinois Courts on the form prescribed and furnished by the Director. The instructions for submitting an application electronically are available on the Supreme Court's website: <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov>.

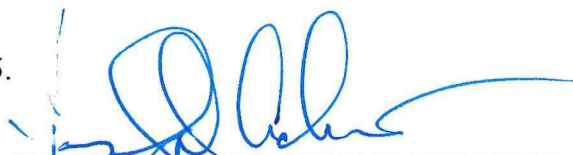
If unable to submit an application electronically, an applicant must submit two (2) signed originals of the prescribed application with the Director of the Administrative Office of Illinois Courts at the address listed below:

Attention: Marcia M. Meis, Director
Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts
3101 Old Jacksonville Road
Springfield, IL 62704-6488

Whether electronically filed, mailed or hand delivered, all applications must be received in the Administrative Office within 30 days after the date of this notice. **If filed electronically, the deadline is 11:59pm on Wednesday, December 31, 2025. If mailed or hand delivered, the deadline is 5:00pm on Wednesday, December 31, 2025.** A form for application may be obtained from either the Chief Judge's Office, the Administrative Office of Illinois Courts or from the Illinois Supreme Court website: <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov> and downloaded from the Judicial Vacancies link. **Applications will not be accepted if submitted via facsimile.**

Applicants for this position may also be required to make themselves available for an interview with the Circuit Judges of the 15th Judicial Circuit. If an interview is necessary, the applicants will be notified of the date, time and place of their interview at the close of the application period. Applicants should be aware that their names will be released to the media so as to allow public comment on their candidacy and that a bar poll will also be requested.

Dated this 1st day of December, 2025.


Jacquelyn D. Ackert, Chief Circuit Judge
Fifteenth Judicial Circuit of Illinois