



Supreme Court of Illinois

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JUSTICE LISA HOLDER WHITE TO ADMINISTER OATH TO NEW ATTORNEYS IN SPRINGFIELD

Justice Lisa Holder White of the Illinois Supreme Court will administer the attorney's oath to 48 new lawyers across two ceremonies on Wednesday, November 6, in the Fourth Judicial District.

The group is among 1,604 individuals who will be sworn in and admitted to the practice of law in Illinois during bar admission ceremonies held in the state's five Supreme Court judicial districts.

Justice Holder White will preside over both ceremonies and the Illinois State Bar Association will host receptions following each ceremony.

The first bar admission ceremony in the Fourth Judicial District will begin at 9:30 a.m. at the Supreme Court Building in Springfield.

The keynote speaker for the first ceremony will be former Fourth District Appellate Court Justice M. Carol Pope (Ret.). Also speaking will be Nargis Khokhar, an Illinois State Bar Association Board of Governors Member, and Mark C. Palmer, Chief Counsel of the Illinois Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism.

Former Supreme Court Clerk Carolyn Taft Grosboll, whose son will be taking the attorney's oath during the ceremony, will make the motion to admit the class. The motion will be seconded by Presiding Circuit Judge of Sangamon County Ryan M. Cadagin.

The second bar admission ceremony in the Fourth Judicial District will begin at 1:30 p.m. at the Supreme Court Building in Springfield.

The keynote speaker for the ceremony will be 17th Circuit Chief Judge John Lowry.

Attorney David Hunt, whose son will be taking the attorney's oath during the ceremony, will make the motion to admit the class. Attorney Patrick H. Agnew, whose son-in-law will be taking the attorney's oath during the ceremony, will second the motion.

All of the candidates have passed the Illinois State Bar Examination and a required ethics examination and were certified by the Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness.

The new attorneys sworn in at the November 6 bar admission ceremonies will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to approximately 98,000. In addition to Springfield, ceremonies will be held Wednesday in Chicago, Elgin, Joliet and Carbondale.

The Fourth Judicial District is composed of 41 counties: Adams, Boone, Brown, Calhoun, Carroll, Cass, Ford, Fulton, Greene, Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Jersey, Jo Daviess, Knox, Lee, Livingston, Logan, Macoupin, Marshall, Mason, McDonough, McLean, Menard, Mercer, Morgan, Ogle, Peoria, Pike, Putnam, Rock Island, Sangamon, Schuyler, Scott, Stark, Stephenson, Tazewell, Warren, Whiteside, Winnebago and Woodford.

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