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**Administrative Director Declares Illinois Associate Judge  
Appointed in the Third Judicial Circuit**

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Marcia M. Meis, Director of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, announced today that the Third Judicial Circuit judges voted to select Chad M. Loughrey as an associate judge of the Third Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Loughrey received his undergraduate degree in 2000 from the University of Illinois in Champaign, Illinois, and his Juris Doctor in 2006 from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois. Mr. Loughrey is currently affiliated with the Madison County State's Attorney's Office in Edwardsville, Illinois.