STATE OF ILLINOIS
SUPREME COURT

At a Term of the Supreme Court, begun and held in Springfield, on Monday, the 9th day of November, 2026.

Present: P. Scott Neville, Jr., Chief Justice
Justice David K. Overstreet
Justice Joy V. Cunningham
Justice Mary K. O'Brien
Justice Lisa Holder White
Justice Elizabeth M. Rochford
Justice Sanjay T. Tailor

M.R.033311

In re: Supreme Court Committee on Artificial Intelligence

Order

Whereas the Court is committed to providing guidance to judges, judicial branch personnel, attorneys, and self-represented litigants on the safe and appropriate use of AI in the Illinois justice system, as well as addressing issues within the judicial branch that have arisen and will continue to arise related to Artificial Intelligence (AI); IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the Supreme Court Committee on Artificial Intelligence is created and charged with the following:

1. Assess risks related to data privacy, confidentiality, cybersecurity, and compliance with court records retention and public access rules and identify safeguards to protect sensitive court system information from unauthorized access or misuse;

2. Examine how AI can streamline court processes, including document review, scheduling, research, translation, case management, and administrative workflows, while maintaining accuracy, fairness, and judicial independence;

3. Develop guidelines and best practices in support of the Supreme Court's existing AI Policy, including training needs and ongoing oversight and evaluation; and

4. Identify and address ethical implications of AI use, including risks of algorithmic bias, fairness concerns, transparency, accountability, and potential impacts on due process and public trust.

5. Evaluate emerging and future AI technologies, such as advanced generative models, predictive analytics, and multimodal systems, to anticipate opportunities and challenges for the judiciary.

The Supreme Court Committee on Artificial Intelligence may consult with experts from the National Center for State Courts and other entities, review programs and practices from other jurisdictions, and solicit input from stakeholders across the judicial branch. The Committee shall submit regular reports and recommendations to the Supreme Court.

Effective immediately the following individuals are appointed members of the Supreme Court Committee on Artificial Intelligence, for terms expiring December 31, 2027:

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Effective immediately Hon. Jeffrey A. Goffinet is appointed chairperson of the Supreme Court Committee on Artificial Intelligence for a term expiring December 31, 2028.

Effective immediately Hon. Sarah D. Smith is appointed vice-chairperson of the Supreme Court Committee on Artificial Intelligence for a term expiring December 31, 2027.

The Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts shall provide administrative support to the Supreme Court Committee on Artificial Intelligence.

Order entered by the Court.

SEAL OF THE SUPREME COURT
STATE OF ILLINOIS
AUG. 26, 1818

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court, this 24th day of November, 2026.

Cynthia A. Grant

Clerk,
Supreme Court of the State of Illinois

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SUPREME COURT
CLERK