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

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Marcia M. Meis, Director of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, announced today that the First Judicial Circuit judges voted to select Kelly R. Phelps as associate judge of the First Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Phelps received his undergraduate degree in 1992 from the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign, Illinois and his Juris Doctor in 1995 from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois. Mr. Phelps is currently affiliated with Jelliffe, Doerge & Phelps in Harrisburg, Illinois.