## STATE OF ILLINOIS

## SUPREME COURT

At a Term of the Supreme Court, begun and held in Springfield, on Monday, the 8th day of January, 2024.

Present: Mary Jane Theis, Chief Justice
Justice P. Scott Neville, Jr.
Justice Lisa Holder White Justice Elizabeth M. Rochford

Justice David K. Overstreet<br>Justice Joy V. Cunningham<br>Justice Mary K. O'Brien

M.R. 001403

In re: Judicial Vacancy

## Order

In the exercise of the general administrative and supervisory authority over the courts of Illinois conferred on this Court pursuant to article VI, section 16 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 (III. Cost. 1970, art. VI, sec. 16); and out of public necessity in order to ensure a more adequate level of judicial staffing within the Circuit Court of Cook County; IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

Pursuant to the authority of section 12, subsection (c), of article VI of the Constitution of this State, the following appointment is made:

Circuit Judge of Cook County, Thirteenth Subcircuit
Effective February 2, 2024, and terminating December 2, 2024, Ralph E. Meczyk is appointed Circuit Judge of Cook County, Thirteenth Subcircuit, to the position formerly held by the Honorable Samuel J. Betar, III. Ralph E. Meczyk has received recent positive ratings from members of the Alliance of Bar Associations for Judicial Screening and the Chicago Bar Association following the interviews and evaluations.

Order entered by the Court.


IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the seal of said Court, this 17th day of January, 2024.


Clerk,
Supreme Court of the State of Illinois
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January 17, 2024
SUPREME COURT
CLERK

