

December 10, 2025

JUSTICE DAVID K. OVERSTREET ANNOUNCES AT-LARGE VACANCY IN SIXTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Justice David K. Overstreet of the Supreme Court of Illinois has begun an application process for an at-large circuit judge vacancy in the Sixth Judicial Circuit.

The vacancy was created by the retirement of Judge Jeffrey Geisler.

Pursuant to the authority of section 12, subsection (c) of article VI of the Constitution of Illinois, the Supreme Court will appoint a person to temporarily fill that vacancy until the vacancy is filled through the general election on November 7, 2028. The temporary appointment will terminate December 4, 2028. To be eligible for appointment to fill this vacancy, a person must be a resident in the Sixth Judicial Circuit at the time of the appointment.

Qualifications for the office of Circuit Judge are set forth in section 11 of article VI of the Constitution of Illinois and 705 ILCS 40/2(d). Persons meeting those qualifications are invited to submit applications containing the information requested in the **Applicant Information for Circuit Judge At-Large, Sixth Judicial Circuit Vacancy**, along with a cover letter to Justice David K. Overstreet, P.O. Box 489, Mt. Vernon, IL 62864 or electronically to his Judicial Secretary, René Gozia at regozia@illinoiscourts.gov. Applications must be received in his office by **Monday, January 12, 2026**.

The Applicant Information form may be obtained from Justice Overstreet or the following:

Chief Judge Randall, Rosenbaum Champaign County Courthouse 101 East Main Street Champaign, IL 61801

6th Circuit Court Clerks:

Champaign County - Susan McGrath, 101 East Main Street, Urbana, Illinois 61801-2736 DeWitt County - Michelle R. VanValey, 201 W. Washington St. Clinton, Illinois 61727-0439 Douglas County -Nathan Burton, 401 South Center, PO Box 50, Tuscola, Illinois 61953-0050 Macon County - Sherry Doty, 253 East Wood Street, Decatur, Illinois 62523-1489 Moultrie County - Christa Helmuth, 10 South Main Street, Suite 7, Sullivan, Illinois 61951-1969 Piatt County - Seth E. Floyd, 101 West Washington St., Monticello, Illinois 61856-0288

(FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT: James Brunner, Public Information Officer of the Illinois Supreme Court at 217.208.3354 or jbrunner@illinoiscourts.gov.)