



Supreme Court of Illinois

December 11, 2023

ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT ANNOUNCES MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE ON PRETRIAL EDUCATION

The Illinois Supreme Court has announced the members of the Illinois Judicial College Committee on Pretrial Education (CPTe), the seventh Standing Committee of the Illinois Judicial College.

The Judicial College Board of Trustees recommended CPTe members for the Court's consideration and approval, in particular individuals with demonstrated pretrial subject matter expertise in Illinois dedicated to the development and oversight of comprehensive pretrial education for the Illinois Judicial Branch.

Effective immediately, the following individuals are appointed to the Committee on Pretrial Education for staggered terms expiring on the dates as indicated, or until such time that an appointee is no longer a member of the Committee on Pretrial Education, whichever occurs earlier:

Reed Anderson

Office of Statewide Pretrial Services
Iroquois County Pretrial Officer
June 30, 2024

Julio Candelaria

Cook Co. Social Services Pretrial Officer
Cook County Social Services
June 30, 2025

Patti Clark

Director of Court Operations, 1st Cir.
Jackson County Courthouse
June 30, 2026

April Felton

Office of Statewide Pretrial Services
Marion County Pretrial Officer
June 30, 2024

Andrew Friedrich

Office of Statewide Pretrial Services
Mason County Pretrial Officer
Mason County Courthouse
June 30, 2025

Shanelle Holland

Office of Statewide Pretrial Services
June 30, 2024

Thomas Jakeway

Trial Court Administrator, 17th Cir.
Winnebago County Courthouse
June 30, 2026

Debra Jarvis

Director of Court Services, 17th Cir.
Winnebago Co. Adult Probation Dept.
June 30, 2024

Tina Johnston

Pretrial Supervisor, 19th Cir.
Division of Adult Probation Services
June 30, 2026

Shannon Keiser

Office of Statewide Pretrial Services
Montgomery County Pretrial Officer
June 30, 2025

Kasey Kellerman
Office of Statewide Pretrial Services
Perry County Pretrial Officer
June 30, 2026

Hon. David R. Navarro
Appellate Court Justice
First District Appellate Court
June 30, 2024

Hon. Brett N. Olmstead
Associate Judge
Champaign Co. Circuit Court
June 30, 2025

Hon. Judith Rice
Presiding Judge
Domestic Violence Div., Cook Co.
June 30, 2024

Hon. Debra Schafer
Associate Judge, 17th Cir.
Winnebago County Courthouse
June 30, 2026

Hon. Cara LeFevour Smith, Ret.
Director
Office of Statewide Pretrial Services
June 30, 2024 (*ex-officio member*)

Mike Venditti
Director of Court Services, 23rd Cir.
DeKalb County Courthouse
June 30, 2026

Wendy Venvertloh
Deputy Director
Office of Statewide Pretrial Services
June 30, 2025 (*ex-officio member*)

Shannon Wright
Office of Statewide Pretrial Services
St. Clair County Pretrial Officer
June 30, 2025

Debra Jarvis will serve as Chairperson of the Committee on Pretrial Education for a term expiring June 30, 2024.

Hon. Brett N. Olmstead will serve as Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on Pretrial Education for a term expiring June 30, 2025.

Created in August 2023, the CPTE provides judges, pretrial officers and other judicial branch justice partners ongoing continuing education and the educational opportunities to overview and discuss the substantive and procedural law, rules, materials, and pretrial resources.

Additional information on the Illinois Judicial College is available [here](#).

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