



ILLINOIS JUDICIAL CONFERENCE

Key Messages for Judicial Branch's Strategic Agenda

The Illinois Judicial Conference, a multi-disciplinary, diverse, and inclusive body of judges and non-judges, created the Strategic Agenda in 2019 as a blueprint for the future of the Illinois Courts.

Highlights include:

- **Illinois Courts Mission:** To protect the rights and liberties of all by providing equal access to justice, resolving disputes, and upholding the rule of law pursuant to the powers and duties entrusted to us by the Illinois Constitution.
- **Illinois Courts Vision:** To be trusted and open to all by being fair, innovative, diverse, and responsive to changing needs.
- **Core Values:** F.A.I.R.

FAIRNESS- impartial in our actions, decisions, and treatment of all.

ACCOUNTABILITY- responsible and answerable for our conduct and performance, and transparent in the use of public resources.

INTEGRITY- honest, trustworthy, and committed to the highest ethical and professional standards.

RESPECT- treat all with dignity, courtesy, and understanding.

➤ 5 Strategic Goals

1. Accessible Justice & Equal Protection Under the Law
2. Procedural Fairness, Timeliness, & Operational Efficiency
3. Professionalism & Accountability Throughout the Judicial Branch
4. Understanding of & Confidence in the Judicial Branch
5. Sufficient Funding & Effective Use of Judicial Branch Resources

➤ 2019-2020 Operational Plan

- **15 Strategic Initiatives to be completed within the first year of implementation**
- **8 new multi-disciplinary Task Forces created to take on one or more Strategic Initiatives:** Court Data & Performance Measures Task Force; Court Access & Dispute Resolution Task Force; Judicial Administration Task Force; Website Task Force; Public Relations Task Force; Weighted Caseload Study Task Force; Court Funding Task Force; Cost of Supervision/Detention Task Force