22 NEW COOK COUNTY ASSOCIATE JUDGES NAMED

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The names of 22 new associate judges, selected in a vote of Cook County Circuit Court judges, were announced today by Marcia M. Meis, Director of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts.

Ballots listing the names of 44 finalists, chosen from 225 candidates, were distributed to 249 circuit judges. Ballots were due September 7, 2021.

The Alliance of Bar Associations and the Chicago Bar Association evaluated the candidates. Each candidate was interviewed by an 11 member nominating committee, comprised of Chief Judge Timothy C. Evans of the Cook County Circuit Court and 10 presiding judges.

Judge Evans certified the 44 finalists to the Administrative Director on August 10, 2021.

In accordance with the 1970 Illinois Constitution, the Administrative Office conducted the election pursuant to the provisions of Illinois Supreme Court Rule 39 which directs that twice as many candidates as vacancies be nominated. Supreme Court Rule 39 provides that the term for all associate judges expires on June 30, 2023. The 22 judges appointed today, as well as those associate judges currently serving, must be reappointed July 1, 2023. Cook County seats 146 associate judges.

The following is a list of the newly selected Cook County associate judges. A brief biography of the 22 associate judges named today is attached.

Maryam Ahmad Lloyd James Brooks Barbara Lynette Dawkins James Thomas Derico, Jr. Sabra Lynne Ebersole Carl Lauras Evans, Jr. William Nicholas Fahy Barbara Nubia Flores Mitchell Benjamin Goldberg Jasmine Villaflor Hernandez Matthew William Jannusch Martha-Victoria Jimenez Diana Elena Lopez Kerrie Elizabeth Maloney Laytin Thomas A. Morrissey James Bryan Novy Eric Michael Sauceda Theresa Marie Smith Convers Ankur Srivastava Pamela J. Stratigakis Anthony Charles Swanagan Andreana Ann Turano

BIOGRAPHIES

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Brooks (Ret.), Lloyd James: <u>Resident</u>: Homewood, Illinois. <u>Age</u>: 50. <u>Admitted to the Bar</u>: 11/4/2000. <u>College</u>: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. <u>Law School</u>: Northwestern University School of Law. <u>Current Affiliation</u>: The Brooks Law Firm, 180 North LaSalle Street, Suite 3700, Chicago, Illinois 60601.

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