



Supreme Court of Illinois

December 6, 2024

JUSTICE MARY K. O'BRIEN ANNOUNCES CIRCUIT JUDGE VACANCY IN THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Justice Mary K. O'Brien of the Supreme Court of Illinois has begun an application process for a Resident Circuit Judge vacancy in Will County – in the Twelfth Judicial Circuit – Third Subcircuit. Please be advised that any candidate seeking appointment to this vacancy shall reside within the subcircuit boundaries. See 705 ILCS 35/2f-4 (a-5) (West 2022); 705 ILCS 40/2(d) (West 2022).

The vacancy was created by Judge John C. Anderson's election to the Third District Appellate Court on December 2, 2024.

Under the Illinois Constitution, judicial vacancies are filled by Supreme Court appointment. The application process will lead to final Court approval.

Notice of the vacancy has been posted at the Will County Courthouse. The application form and instructions may be obtained by visiting the Illinois Supreme Court's website at: www.illinoiscourts.gov and following the instructions in the latest news scroller announcing the Will County vacancy. Please submit application and supporting documents to Brenda Haage at bhaage@illinoiscourts.gov.

Deadline for submission of an application is **5 p.m. on January 2, 2025**.

The applicants will undergo an evaluation and screening process. The person selected to fill the vacancy will serve until the first Monday in December following the November 2026 general election.

To be eligible for consideration for appointment, the applicant must be a lawyer licensed to practice law in Illinois.

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