



Supreme Court of Illinois

May 4, 2026

ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT TO SWEAR-IN NEW ATTORNEYS AT BAR ADMISSION CEREMONIES ACROSS THE STATE

The bar admission ceremonies for the 279 new attorneys who passed the February 2026 Bar Exam will be held on Wednesday, May 6, in all five judicial districts of Illinois.

The First Judicial District ceremony will be held in Chicago at 11:30 a.m. with Supreme Court Chief Justice P. Scott Neville, Jr., Justice Joy V. Cunningham, and Justice Sanjay T. Taylor swearing-in candidates.

The Second Judicial District ceremony will be held in Elgin at 10 a.m. with Justice Elizabeth M. Rochford swearing-in candidates.

The Third Judicial District ceremony will be held in Joliet at 11 a.m. with Justice Mary K. O'Brien swearing-in candidates.

The Fourth Judicial District ceremony will be held in Springfield at 11 a.m. with Justice Lisa Holder White swearing-in candidates.

The Fifth Judicial District ceremonies will be held in Mt. Vernon at 2 p.m. with Justice David K. Overstreet swearing-in candidates.

Additional ceremony information can be found [here](#).

All of the candidates set to be sworn in have passed a bar examination and a required ethics examination and were certified by the Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness.

The number of admittees for each district is as follows:

- First District: 208
- Second District: 21
- Third District: 32
- Fourth District: 5
- Fifth District: 12

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