

NOTICE TO JUDICIAL CANDIDATES

P.A. 97-81, effective July 5, 2011, amended 10 ILCS 5/7-12(9) to add the following restriction:

“A candidate in a judicial election may file petitions for nomination for only one vacancy in a subcircuit and only one vacancy in a circuit in any one filing period, and if petitions for nomination have been filed for the same person for 2 or more vacancies in the same circuit or subcircuit in the same filing period, his or her name shall be certified only for the first vacancy for which the petitions for nomination were filed.”

The State Board of Elections will accept for filing and process only one petition for a circuit vacancy and/or only one petition for a subcircuit vacancy in any filing period. PA 97-81 did not change existing law regarding candidates filing for other multiple incompatible offices.

Please refer to the judicial candidate filing and multiple office filing information in the State Board of Elections’ 2012 Candidate’s Guide (www.elections.il.gov) for further guidance. The 2012 Candidate’s Guide contains important information as to these topics and the State Board of Elections’ policies on judicial filings.

OFFICE: ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT JUDGE, APPELLATE COURT JUDGE, CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, RESIDENT CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE, SUBCIRCUIT JUDGE

NOTE: A preliminary list of declared vacancies is currently (or will be) available on the Board's website (www.elections.il.gov).

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MINIMUM AGE: 21 years (General qualifications, Supreme Court, Rule 701)

RESIDENCY: United States citizen. Licensed attorney-at-law in Illinois. Resident of the judicial unit that selects him/her, and a registered voter in Illinois. (Ill. Constitution, Article VI, Section 11)

SIGNATURE REQUIREMENTS: ESTABLISHED PARTY CANDIDATES

The number of signatures required for a candidate for judicial office in a district is .4% (.004) of the number of votes cast in that district for the candidate for his/her political party for the office of Governor at that last general election at which a Governor was elected, but in no event less than 500 signatures

A candidate for circuit, or subcircuit is 0.25% (.0025) of the number of votes cast for the judicial candidate of his/her party who received the highest number of votes at the last regular General Election at which a judicial officer from the same district, circuit, or subcircuit was regularly scheduled to be elected, but in no event shall be less than 500 signatures.

NOTE: For circuits and subcircuits located in the First Judicial District not less than 1,000 signatures. [10 ILCS 5/7-10(h)]

(See Signature Requirements Section.)

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES

Not less than 5% nor more than 8% of the total number of persons who voted at the last General Election within the district or judicial unit, except that where 5% is greater than 25,000, the minimum number of signatures required is 25,000. [10 ILCS 5/10-3] (See Signature Requirements Section.)

NEW PARTY CANDIDATES

Not less than 5% of the total number of persons who voted at the last regular General Election within the district or judicial unit, except that where 5% is greater than 25,000, the minimum number of signatures required is 25,000. [10 ILCS 5/10-2] (See Signature Requirements Section.)

PETITIONS:

ESTABLISHED PARTY:

SBE No. P-14	Supreme Court Judge
SBE No. P-15	Appellate Court Judge
SBE No. P-16	Circuit Court Judges, Cook County
SBE No. P-16A	Circuit Court Judge (Subcircuits)
SBE No. P-17	Circuit Court Judges, excluding Cook County
SBE No. P-18	Resident Circuit Judges, excluding Cook County

INDEPENDENT: [SBE No. P-3](#)

NEW PARTY: [SBE No. P-8](#)

STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY:

Filed with nomination papers.

ESTABLISHED PARTY: **SBE No. P-1**

INDEPENDENT: [SBE No. P-1B](#)

NEW PARTY: [SBE No. P-1D](#)

LOYALTY OATH:

(Optional) Filed with nomination papers. [SBE No. P-1C](#)

STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS:

Filed with the [Secretary of State](#), Index Division, 111 E. Monroe St., Springfield, IL 62756. (Receipt must be filed with petitions or by the end of the filing period.)

FILING DATES:

ESTABLISHED PARTY: Not more than 113 nor less than 106 days prior to the General Primary, November 28 – December 5, 2011

INDEPENDENT: Not more than 141 nor less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 18 – 25, 2012.

NOTE: When a vacancy occurs in the office of Supreme, Appellate or Circuit Court judge within the three-week-period (November 14, 2011 – December 5, 2011) prior to the standard filing period for nominating petitions, filings for those vacancies shall be December 19 thru December 27, 2011. The petitions must be filed in the principal office of the State Board of Elections. **CONTACT THE STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS DURING THIS TIME PERIOD FOR AN UPDATED LISTING OF VACANCIES FOR THE SPECIAL JUDICIAL FILING PERIOD.**

NEW PARTY: Not more than 141 or less than 134 days prior to the General Election, June 18 – 25, 2012.

WHERE TO FILE: State Board of Elections, 2329 S. MacArthur Blvd, P.O. Box 4187, Springfield, Illinois 62708. (Use P.O. Box for mailing)

CAMPAIGN

DISCLOSURE: Reports must be filed either on paper or electronically with the State Board of Elections, 1020 South Spring, Springfield, IL 62704 or 100 West Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago, IL 60601.

TERM BEGINS: First Monday in December following the election. (December 3, 2012)
[Ill Constitution, Article VI, Section 12(d)]
[10 ILCS 5/1A-19 (c), 7A – 1, 2A --9 (b)]

TERM OF OFFICE: Supreme Court and Appellate Court Judges, 10 years
Circuit Court Judges, 6 years
[Ill Constitution, Article VI, Section 10]

ELECTION: Judicial vacancies and newly created judicial offices are initially elected on a partisan basis. The State Board of Elections is provided with a certification from the Chief Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court delineating which vacancies will be filled by election in the year 2012. Interested citizens may contact the State Board of Elections to learn which judicial offices will be filled by election. The judicial office being sought is the vacancy of the preceding ELECTED judge, not the judge appointed to fill the vacancy until the next election. The nominating petitions and Statement of Candidacy must state the exact vacancy or the exact additional judgeship that the candidate is seeking.

RETENTION: Once elected to office, a judge may seek to retain that office at the expiration of the term by seeking retention on a special ballot separate from the regular ballot. No party affiliation is indicated on a retention ballot. Nominating petitions are not required to seek retention for another term.

A Declaration of Judicial Candidacy to succeed oneself must be filed in the office of the Secretary of State on or before May 6, 2012 (not less than six months before the General Election preceding the expiration of his/her term of office). [Illinois Constitution, Article VI, Section 12(d)]

JUDICIAL SUB-
CIRCUITS:

It is the duty of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts to assign judgeships to the subcircuits as vacancies occur as well as additional judgeships created by legislation. Interested citizens may contact the State Board of Elections.

NOTE: When a vacancy occurs in the office of Supreme, Appellate, or Circuit Court Judge within the three week period preceding the 106th day before a General Primary Election (November 14 thru December 5th, 2011), a special filing period shall be held not more than 92 nor less than 85 days prior to the date of the General Primary Election (December 19 – December 27, 2011). Consult the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts and the State Board of Elections concerning newly created vacancies. On or before May 7, 2012 (not less than six months before the General Election preceding the expiration of his/her term of office), any elected judge who wishes to seek retention shall file in the Office of the Secretary of State, a Declaration of Judicial Candidacy to succeed himself/herself. [10 ILCS 5/7-12(1)]

NOTE: PA 97-81 amended 10 ILCS 7-12(9), effective July 5, 2011, such that judicial candidates at the circuit court level are limited to filing a petition for one circuit court vacancy and/or a petition for one subcircuit vacancy in any filing period. For any individual circuit court judge candidate, the State Board of Elections will accept only one petition for a circuit court vacancy and/or only one petition for a subcircuit vacancy in any filing period. A new circuit court or subcircuit judgeship created by statute or by conversion of a resident judge position to a subcircuit position is a vacancy. A resident judge vacancy is a circuit court vacancy.

For “in person” petition filings, the SBE staff will accept from any candidate (or filing agent) only one petition for a full circuit judicial vacancy and only one petition for a subcircuit judicial vacancy in any filing period. The staff will refuse to accept any additional judicial petition filings at the circuit court level for that candidate.

For petition filings by mail or by commercial carriers, the SBE staff will accept and process only one petition for a full circuit judicial vacancy and only one petition for a subcircuit judicial vacancy in any filing period for any candidate.

If multiple petitions are sent in a single envelope (or package):
If the candidate designates a particular petition as the chosen petition, the staff will accept that petition and return the rest of the petitions to the candidate.

In the absence of a designation by the candidate and if the petitions are all oriented such that the print side of each petition faces the same way, the staff will accept the top petition in the pile and return the rest of the petitions to the candidate.

In the absence of a designation by the candidate and if the petitions are not all oriented with the print facing the same way, the staff will accept the petition that was on top of the pile when the petitions were removed from the envelope with the postage, postmarked and/or mailing label side of the envelope or package facing up, and return the rest of the petitions to the candidate.

If petitions are mailed in multiple envelopes, the first envelope processed will be the one accepted and all other petitions will be returned to the candidate.

A withdrawal of an accepted petition will be accepted, but no new petition for a different judicial vacancy will be accepted after a withdrawal. Withdrawal and filing of a new petition for the same vacancy will be permitted

SUPREME & APPELLATE COURT JUDGE

District	Democratic .4% or 500	Republican .4% or 500	Independent 5% - 8% **	New Party 5% **
1st District	3,604	1,602	25,000 - 113,996	25,000
2nd District	1,394	2,012	25,000 - 74,936	25,000
3rd District	833	1,196	25,000 - 44,819	25,000
4th District	518	1,070	21,696 - 34,712	21,696
5th District	634	977	21,848 - 34,955	21,848

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit	Democratic .25% or 1,000	Republican .25% or 1,000	Independent 5% - 8% **	New Party 5% **
Cook Circuit	2,403	1,000	25,000 - 113,996	25,000
1st Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	4,812 - 7,698	4,812
2nd Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	4,570 - 7,310	4,570
3rd Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	5,081 - 8,129	5,081
4th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	7,152 - 11,442	7,152
5th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	6,065 - 9,703	6,065
6th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	5,620 - 8,991	5,620
7th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	6,887 - 11,018	6,887
8th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	9,267 - 14,826	9,267
9th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	5,321 - 8,513	5,321
10th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	6,964 - 11,141	6,964
11th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	4,408 - 7,052	4,408
12th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	8,108 - 12,971	8,108
13th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	7,645 - 12,230	7,645
14th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	2,224 - 3,557	2,224
15th Subcircuit	1,000	1,000	6,480 - 10,367	6,480
Circuit	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
1st Circuit	500	500	5,014 - 8,022	5,014
2nd Circuit	500	500	4,742 - 7,586	4,742
3rd Circuit	500	500	4,442 - 7,106	4,442
4th Circuit	500	500	4,283 - 6,851	4,283
5th Circuit	500	500	2,785 - 4,455	2,785
6th Circuit	500	500	5,824 - 9,317	5,824
7th Circuit	500	500	7,764 - 12,421	7,764
8th Circuit	500	500	2,612 - 4,179	2,612
9th Circuit	500	500	2,743 - 4,388	2,743

CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
10th Circuit	500	500	5,442 - 8,706	5,442
11th Circuit	500	500	6,555 - 10,486	6,555
12th Circuit	500	500	9,843 - 15,748	9,843
1st Subcircuit	500	500	2,159 - 3,453	2,159
2nd Subcircuit	500	500	2,375 - 3,799	2,375
3rd Subcircuit	500	500	1,843 - 2,948	1,843
4th Subcircuit	500	500	1,833 - 2,931	1,833
5th Subcircuit	500	500	1,628 - 2,603	1,628
13th Circuit	500	500	3,286 - 5,256	3,286
14th Circuit	500	500	4,582 - 7,330	4,582
15th Circuit	500	500	4,149 - 6,637	4,149
16th Circuit	500	500	9,490 - 15,182	9,490
1st Subcircuit	500	500	1,635 - 2,615	1,635
2nd Subcircuit	500	500	1,709 - 2,733	1,709
3rd Subcircuit	500	500	2,959 - 4,734	2,959
4th Subcircuit	500	500	2,294 - 3,670	2,294
5th Subcircuit	500	500	1,898 - 3,036	1,898
17th Circuit	500	500	7,485 - 11,974	7,485
1st Subcircuit	500	500	1,442 - 2,306	1,442
2nd Subcircuit	500	500	1,443 - 2,308	1,443
3rd Subcircuit	500	500	1,208 - 1,931	1,208
4th Subcircuit	500	500	1,208 - 1,931	1,208
18th Circuit	500	544	14,434 - 23,094	14,434
19th Circuit	500	500	9,536 - 15,257	9,536
1st Subcircuit	500	500	1,695 - 2,710	1,695
2nd Subcircuit	500	500	2,052 - 3,282	2,052
3rd Subcircuit	500	500	1,729 - 2,766	1,729
4th Subcircuit	500	500	2,314 - 3,701	2,314
5th Subcircuit	500	500	1,871 - 2,992	1,871
6th Subcircuit	500	500	1,937 - 3,098	1,937
20th Circuit	500	500	5,992 - 9,586	5,992
21st Circuit	500	500	2,062 - 3,297	2,062
22nd Circuit	500	500	4,767 - 7,627	4,767
1st Subcircuit	500	500	1,020 - 1,630	1,020
2nd Subcircuit	500	500	817 - 1,306	817
3rd Subcircuit	500	500	1,034 - 1,654	1,034
4th Subcircuit	500	500	1,034 - 1,654	1,034

** 10 ILCS 5/10-2, 10-3 Whenever 5% is greater than the statewide requirement, the minimum signature requirement shall be 25,000.

RESIDENT CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit County	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
1st Circuit				
Alexander	500	500	246 - 392	246
Jackson	500	500	1,327 - 2,121	1,327
Johnson	500	500	213 - 340	213
Massac	500	500	366 - 585	366
Pope	500	500	114 - 181	114
Pulaski	500	500	157 - 249	157
Saline	500	500	585 - 935	585
Union	500	500	448 - 716	448
Williamson	500	500	1,302 - 2,083	1,302
2nd Circuit				
Crawford	500	500	360 - 574	360
Edwards	500	500	149 - 237	149
Franklin	500	500	949 - 1,517	949
Gallatin	500	500	148 - 235	148
Hamilton	500	500	220 - 351	220
Hardin	500	500	134 - 213	134
Jefferson	500	500	898 - 1,436	898
Lawrence	500	500	384 - 612	384
Richland	500	500	337 - 539	337
Wabash	500	500	226 - 360	226
Wayne	500	500	422 - 674	422
White	500	500	444 - 710	444
3rd Circuit				
Bond	500	500	369 - 590	369
Madison	500	500	6,494 - 10,390	6,494
4th Circuit				
Christian	500	500	591 - 945	591
Clay	500	500	339 - 541	339
Clinton	500	500	661 - 1,056	661
Effingham	500	500	642 - 1,026	642
Fayette	500	500	453 - 723	453
Jasper	500	500	207 - 330	207
Marion	500	500	612 - 978	612
Montgomery	500	500	670 - 1,070	670
Shelby	500	500	575 - 919	575

RESIDENT CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit County	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
5th Circuit				
Clark	500	500	363 - 580	363
Coles	500	500	1,146 - 1,832	1,146
Cumberland	500	500	275 - 438	275
Edgar	500	500	418 - 667	418
Vermilion	500	500	1,186 - 1,897	1,186
6th Circuit				
Champaign	500	500	2,694 - 4,309	2,694
DeWitt	500	500	291 - 465	291
Douglas	500	500	305 - 487	305
Macon	500	500	1,860 - 2,974	1,860
Moultrie	500	500	326 - 520	326
Piatt	500	500	323 - 516	323
7th Circuit				
Greene	500	500	335 - 535	335
Jersey	500	500	394 - 629	394
Macoupin	500	500	885 - 1,415	885
Morgan	500	500	784 - 1,253	784
Sangamon	500	500	3,707 - 5,929	3,707
Scott	500	500	125 - 198	125
8th Circuit				
Adams	500	500	1,456 - 2,328	1,456
Brown	500	500	132 - 210	132
Calhoun	500	500	157 - 251	157
Cass	500	500	282 - 450	282
Mason	500	500	250 - 399	250
Menard	500	500	322 - 514	322
Pike	500	500	406 - 648	406
Schuyler	500	500	170 - 271	170
9th Circuit				
Fulton	500	500	663 - 1,060	663
Hancock	500	500	412 - 658	412
Henderson	500	500	169 - 269	169
Knox	500	500	891 - 1,424	891
McDonough	500	500	472 - 754	472
Warren	500	500	302 - 483	302

RESIDENT CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit County	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
10th Circuit				
Marshall	500	500	257 - 409	257
Peoria	500	500	2,732 - 4,369	2,732
Putnam	500	500	149 - 236	149
Stark	500	500	154 - 246	154
Tazewell	500	500	2,205 - 3,527	2,205
11th Circuit				
Ford	500	500	274 - 438	274
Livingston	500	500	788 - 1,260	788
Logan	500	500	652 - 1,042	652
McLean	500	500	2,209 - 3,533	2,209
Woodford	500	500	620 - 991	620
12th Circuit				
Will	500	500	9,843 - 15,748	9,843
13th Circuit				
Bureau	500	500	755 - 1,206	755
Grundy	500	500	849 - 1,357	849
LaSalle	500	500	2,539 - 4,062	2,539
14th Circuit				
Henry	500	500	857 - 1,370	857
Mercer	500	500	461 - 737	461
Rock Island	500	500	2,357 - 3,770	2,357
Whiteside	500	500	896 - 1,433	896
15th Circuit				
Carroll	500	500	308 - 492	308
JoDaviess	500	500	420 - 670	420
Lee	500	500	825 - 1,319	825
Ogle	500	500	787 - 1,259	787
Stephenson	500	500	1,091 - 1,744	1,091
16th Circuit				
DeKalb	500	500	1,460 - 2,335	1,460
Kane	500	500	6,453 - 10,324	6,453
Kendall	500	500	1,577 - 2,523	1,577

RESIDENT CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

Circuit County	Democratic .25% or 500	Republican .25% or 500	Independent 5% - 8%	New Party 5%
17th Circuit				
Boone	500	500	756 - 1,208	756
Winnebago	500	500	3,650 - 5,839	3,650
18th Circuit				
DuPage	500	544	14,434 - 23,094	14,434
19th Circuit				
Lake	500	500	9,536 - 15,257	9,536
20th Circuit				
Monroe	500	500	536 - 856	536
Perry	500	500	515 - 823	515
Randolph	500	500	596 - 952	596
St. Clair	500	500	4,113 - 6,580	4,113
Washington	500	500	409 - 653	409
21st Circuit				
Iroquois	500	500	650 - 1,039	650
Kankakee	500	500	2,417 - 3,866	2,417
22nd Circuit				
McHenry	500	500	4,767 - 7,627	4,767