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**Judicial Evaluations Complete**

The Northwest Suburban Bar Association ("NWSBA"), which is a 48 year old local bar association, recently completed evaluation of candidates for judicial office in Cook County for the February 2008 Primary Election.

The candidates were evaluated on the basis of past trial performance, legal ability, integrity, knowledge of the law, judicial temperament, impartiality and decisiveness. No consideration was given either for the political affiliation of a candidate or the fact that a candidate may or may not be opposed by another candidate in the election.

Judicial candidates were investigated and interviewed by the Judicial Screening Committee. The recommendations of the committee for each judicial candidate for the office sought are listed below under the following rating code: HR = Highly Recommended, R = Recommended, NR = Not Recommended.

Further, of all the candidates invited to participate in the evaluation process by the NWSBA, several candidates failed to submit the required documents for evaluation and/or failed to appear before the Committee. They were not evaluated by the NWSBA. As a result, those candidates cannot be recommended by the Committee for election. Their names are followed by saying Not Evaluated = NE.

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 4th Subcircuit  
(Vacancy of Shultz)**

Deirdre Ann McGuire - R  
Maureen H. Masterson-Pulia - R  
Pat Rogers - HR  
William Edward Gomolinski – NE  
John M. Allegretti – NE  
Carmen Kathleen Aguilar – NE  
Mauro Glorioso –NE

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 6th Subcircuit  
(Vacancy of Figueroa)**

Stuart M. Brody - HR  
Mauricio Araujo - R  
Mary Katherine Moore –NE  
Laura Bertucci Smith – NE  
Nancy Hallihan Horodecki –NE

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 7th Subcircuit  
(Vacancy of Young)**

Melanie Rose Nuby - NR  
Anita Rivkin-Carothers - HR  
David H. Latham - R  
Kevin Kenneth Pechous -NE  
T. Lee Boyd, Jr. -NE

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 8th Subcircuit  
(Vacancy of Sheehan)**

Daniel Thomas Gillespie - HR  
Ann Collins Dole - HR  
James A. Shapiro - HR  
Debra Kramer Marcus - NE  
James Byrne – NE  
Aaron J. Weiss –NE  
Gideon Abraham Baum –NE

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 10th Subcircuit  
(Vacancy of Kowalski)**

Stephen F. Sidlowski - R  
Ursula Walowski - HR  
Gerald Patrick Cleary - R  
James Edward Snyder -NE

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 10th Subcircuit  
(Vacancy of Morrissey)**

Diana L. Kenworthy - HR  
Rosaire Marie Hall - R  
John G. Mulroe - R

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 10th Subcircuit  
(Vacancy of Pucinski)**

John Garrett Maher - R  
Eileen O'Neill Burke - HR  
Joan Ellen Smuda -NE  
Kenneth L. Fletcher - R  
Thomas Francis Biesty - R

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 12th Subcircuit  
(Vacancy of Devlin)**

Pamela Elizabeth Loza - R  
Thomas Flannigan - HR  
Michael John Halloran - R  
Thomas R. Mulroy - HR  
Laura J. Morask - R  
Michaela Nolan Ryan - NE

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 13th Subcircuit  
(Vacancy of Ryan)**

James E. Babcock, Jr. - R  
Guy M. Karm - R  
Annie O'Donnell - HR  
Ann Catherine Brady - R  
Joe Gump - R  
Paul S. Pavlus - R

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 13th Subcircuit  
(Vacancy of Tobin)**

Carol L. Barnes - NE  
Margarita Kulys Hoffman - R  
Gary G. Stanton - HR  
Cary J. Collins - HR  
George L. Straton - R

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit 15th Subcircuit (A Vacancy)**

Thomas R. Mahoney –NE  
Thomas "TJ" Somer – NE  
Mary Louise Ryan Norwell – NE  
Anna Helen Demacopoulos –NE  
Michael Emmet McGinnis - NE  
Carl Evans, Jr. - R  
Martin D. Coghlan –NE  
William Joseph McGann - R  
Scott E. Lipinski – NE  
Donald Theodore Lyman – NE  
Peter Fera –NE

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit (Vacancy of Disko)**

Dennis J. Burke - HR  
Lauretta Higgins Wolfson - R

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit (Vacancy of Glowacki)**

Terry MacCarthy - HR  
Jesse G. Reyes - R

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit (Vacancy of Montelione)**

Debra B. Walker - R  
Thomas A. Doran - R  
Thaddeus L. Wilson - R

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit (Vacancy of Thomas)**

Joan Powell - R  
Madeline E. O'Neill - R  
David John Mulvihill -NE  
Patrick Dennis Riley -NE

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit (Vacancy of Keehan)**

Marilyn F. Johnson - HR  
Joseph Robert Papavero -NE

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit (Vacancy of Murphy)**

Kristyna Colleen Ryan - NE  
Frank James Ryan - R  
Paula M. Lingo - R

**Judge of the Appellate Court  
1<sup>st</sup> Judicial District  
(Vacancy of Campbell)**

Richard F. Walsh - HR  
John O. Steele - HR  
Frank Edward Garner - NE

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit (Vacancy of Lott)**

Thomas J. Byrne - HR  
Joanne Marie "Jody" Rogers - R

**Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County  
Judicial Circuit (Vacancy of Nowicki)**

Brian Terrence Sexton - HR  
John J. "Jack" Murphy - R  
Kim R. Kardas - HR  
Michael B. Hyman - HR

**Judge of the Appellate Court  
1<sup>st</sup> Judicial District  
(Vacancy of Burke)**

William D. O'Neal -NE  
Alan J. Greiman - HR  
Sharon Johnson Coleman -NE