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JUSTICE THOMAS L. KILBRIDE TO ADMINISTER OATH TO NEW ATTORNEYS IN PEORIA

Justice Thomas L. Kilbride of the Illinois Supreme Court will administer the attorney's oath to 34 new lawyers on Thursday, November 7, in the Third Judicial District.

The group is among 1,459 individuals who will be sworn in and admitted to the practice of law in Illinois during bar admission ceremonies held in the state's five Supreme Court judicial districts.

The bar admission ceremony in the Third Judicial District will begin at 11 a.m. at the East Peoria Embassy Suites Hotel Conference Center, 100 Conference Center Drive, in Peoria. Media coverage is invited.

Justice Kilbride will preside over the ceremony and will provide a welcome along with Third District Appellate Justice Daniel L. Schmidt and 10th Circuit Chief Judge Paul P. Gilfillan.

Third District Appellate Clerk Barbara Trumbo will call the proceedings to order.

The speaker for the ceremony will be Anna P. Krolikowska, 2nd Vice President of the Illinois State Bar Association.


10th Judicial Circuit Judges in attendance will include Chief Judge Paul P. Gilfillan, Judge Stephen A. Kouri, Judge Katherine S. Gorman, Judge Kevin W. Lyons, Judge Christopher R. Doscoch, Associate Judge Lisa Y. Wilson and retired Associate Judge Jerelyn D. Maher.

Judge Jonathan E. Hawley, a federal magistrate judge for the United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois, will also be in attendance as a guest of the court.

Attorney Michael F. Gulo will make the motion to admit the class. Chastidy A. Burns, an Assistant Public Defender in the Law Office of the Cook County Public Defender, and George F. Taseff, an attorney, will second the motion. Gulo and Taseff both have who will be taking the attorney's oath during the ceremony, and Burns’ sister will be taking the attorney’s oath.
Justice Kilbride will rule on the motion, administer the attorney’s oath, and make remarks. A reception hosted by the Illinois State Bar Association will follow.

All of the candidates have passed the Illinois State Bar Examination and a required ethics examination and were certified by the Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness.

The new attorneys sworn in at the November 7 bar admission ceremonies will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to approximately 96,500. In addition to Peoria, ceremonies will be held Thursday in Chicago, Elgin, Springfield and Carbondale.

The Third Judicial District includes the following counties: Bureau, Fulton, Grundy, Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Iroquois, Kankakee, Knox, LaSalle, Marshall, McDonough, Mercer, Peoria, Putnam, Rock Island, Stark, Tazewell, Warren, Whiteside and Will.

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