

# AT-A-GLANCE

## Illinois Judicial Branch – Operational Plan (2019 – 2020)

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### Mission:

To protect the rights and liberties of all by providing equal access to justice, resolving disputes, and upholding the rule of law pursuant to the powers and duties entrusted to us by the Illinois Constitution.

### Core Values: *F. A. I. R.*

**Fairness** – impartial in our actions, decisions, and treatment of all.

**Accountability** – responsible and answerable for our conduct and performance, and transparent in the use of public resources.

**Integrity** – honest, trustworthy, and committed to the highest ethical and professional standards.

**Respect** – treat all with dignity, courtesy, and understanding.

### Vision:

To be trusted and open to all by being fair, innovative, diverse, and responsive to changing needs.

## STRATEGIC GOALS AND 2019 - 2020 STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

ACCESSIBLE JUSTICE/EQUAL PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW	PROCEDURAL FAIRNESS, TIMELINESS, OP EFFICIENCY	PROFESSIONALISM/ ACCOUNTABILITY THROUGHOUT THE BRANCH	UNDERSTANDING OF/CONFIDENCE IN THE BRANCH	SUFFICIENT FUNDING/ EFFECTIVE USE OF RESOURCES
<p><b>Strategic Initiatives:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remote Appearances in Civil Cases <i>(Commission on Access to Justice)</i></li> <li>Statewide Court Technology Assessment &amp; Standards <i>(Conference of Chief Circuit Judges)</i></li> <li>Self-Represented Litigant Coordinators <i>(Commission on Access to Justice)</i></li> <li>Plain Language Legal Court Forms <i>(Commission on Access to Justice)</i></li> </ol> <p><b>NEW: Court Operations During a Pandemic</b> <i>(Court Operations During COVID-19 Task Force)</i></p>	<p><b>Strategic Initiatives:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Court Data and Performance Measures <i>(Court Data &amp; Performance Measures Task Force)</i></li> <li>Innovative Court Access and Dispute Resolution Methods <i>(Court Access &amp; Dispute Resolution Task Force)</i></li> <li>Procedural Fairness Curriculum <i>(Judicial College)</i></li> </ol>	<p><b>Strategic Initiatives:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rules Regarding Chief Judge Authority <i>(Judicial Administration Task Force)</i></li> <li>Codes of Ethical Conduct <i>(Commission on Professionalism)</i></li> <li>Professional Competencies <i>(Judicial College)</i></li> </ol>	<p><b>Strategic Initiatives:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Illinois Courts Website <i>(Website Task Force)</i></li> <li>Public Relations Plan <i>(Public Relations Task Force)</i></li> </ol>	<p><b>Strategic Initiatives:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Workload and Weighted Caseload Study <i>(Weighted Caseload Study Task Force)</i></li> <li>Funding, Cost, and Fiscal Needs of the Court System <i>(Court Funding Task Force)</i></li> <li>Statewide Costs of Pre-trial, Probation, and Detention <i>(Cost of Supervision/ Detention Task Force)</i></li> </ol>