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**ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT APPOINTS ALBERT G. WEBBER IV AS  
CIRCUIT JUDGE**

SPRINGFIELD - The Supreme Court of Illinois announced Tuesday that Albert G. Webber IV of Decatur has been appointed a Circuit Court judge for Macon County in the Sixth Judicial Circuit.

Mr. Webber, 45, will fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Judge James A. Hendrian.

Mr. Webber is a partner with the Decatur law firm, Kehart Shafter Webber & Campbell Robinson, engaged in general practice with a special emphasis on civil litigation, estate planning and small business representation.

He graduated summa cum laude from Illinois Wesleyan University with special departmental honors in history. He received his law degree from Washington University School of Law in St. Louis in 1981.

He has served as chairman of the Macon County Sheriff's Merit Commission and on the board of directors for the Decatur and Macon County Area Crimestoppers.

Mr. Webber's appointment is effective July 2 and terminates December 2, 2002.

Persons appointed by the Supreme Court to fill judicial vacancies serve until the next general election. It is expected that Mr. Webber will be a candidate for the judgeship to which he has been appointed. The election will be held in November 2002.

The Sixth Judicial Circuit includes Champaign, DeWitt, Douglas, Macon, Moultrie and Piatt Counties.