



Supreme Court of Illinois

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ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT APPOINTS WEAVER BOYLE AS AT-LARGE CIRCUIT JUDGE OF COOK COUNTY

Justice Mary Jane Theis and the Illinois Supreme Court have announced the appointment of Lynn Weaver Boyle as an At-Large Cook County Circuit Judge.

Ms. Weaver Boyle was appointed to fill the vacancy created as a result of the retirement of the Hon. Sebastian T. Patti.

The appointment takes effect January 11, 2019 and will conclude on December 7, 2020, following the November 2020 general election.

"I am grateful to Justice Theis and the Supreme Court for affording me the opportunity to serve on the bench," Weaver Boyle said. "I look forward to serving the citizens of Cook County and will work hard to become an exemplary member of the judiciary."

Ms. Weaver Boyle has worked in private practice for nearly 20 years, serving as partner at Grotefeld Hoffmann since 1999, with a focus on property damage litigation. Prior to her work in private practice, Weaver Boyle served as an Assistant State's Attorney for nine years in the Cook County State's Attorney's Office.

Justice Theis recommended Ms. Weaver Boyle's appointment after candidates were reviewed by bar associations and a special judicial screening committee. Ms. Weaver Boyle received highly qualified or recommended ratings from a dozen bar groups. The special judicial screening committee was established by Justice Theis in 2013 and is co-chaired by retired U.S. District Court Judge Wayne R. Andersen and retired Illinois Appellate Court Judge Michael J. Gallagher.

Ms. Weaver Boyle earned her Bachelor of Arts from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and her *Juris Doctor* from the DePaul University College of Law.

Her professional associations include the American Bar Association, the Chicago Bar Association, and the Women's Bar Association of Illinois. Ms. Weaver Boyle also serves as an adjunct professor in Trial Advocacy at the Northwestern University Pritzker School of Law.

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