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**JUSTICE RITA B. GARMAN TO ADMINISTER OATH TO NEW ATTORNEYS**

Supreme Court of Illinois Justice Rita B. Garman will preside and administer the attorney's oath when 16 new attorneys are admitted to practice in ceremonies in Springfield on Thursday, May 8.

The group is among 661 men and women who were certified as candidates and will be sworn in as Illinois attorneys at ceremonies in the state's five Supreme Court judicial districts.

The Springfield program in the Fourth Judicial District will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the Supreme Court Courtroom in the Illinois Supreme Court Building, located at Second and Capitol Streets in Springfield.

Justice Garman, the second woman to sit on the High Court, will preside over the ceremony and welcome the members of the class, their families and friends.

Other guests of the Illinois Supreme Court will be: Fourth District Appellate Court Judge Thomas R. Appleton; Judge John K. Greanias from the Sixth Judicial Circuit in Decatur; Judge Mitchell K. Shick from the Fifth Judicial Circuit in Charleston; and Illinois State Bar Association immediate past-president J. Timothy Eaton.

Attorney Carol Hansen Posegate will make the motion to admit the class.

Attorneys Howard W. Feldman and Ronald T. Wade will second the motion to admit the class. Mr. Feldman's son, Stephen, is a member of the class. Mr. Wade's daughter, Anna Evans, is also a member of the class.

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A reception will follow.

All of the candidates have passed the Illinois State Bar Examination and an ethics examination; and were certified by the Committee on Character and Fitness.

The new attorneys will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to nearly 78,000.

Media coverage is invited.

The counties in the Fourth District of the Supreme Court are: Adams, Pike, Calhoun, Schuyler, Brown, Scott, Greene, Jersey, Macoupin, Morgan, Cass, Mason, Menard, Sangamon, Logan, DeWitt, Macon, Piatt, Moultrie, McLean, Woodford, Livingston, Ford, Champaign, Douglas, Coles, Cumberland, Clark, Edgar and Vermilion.

Ceremonies in the other districts will be held in Chicago, Collinsville, Rock Island and Elgin.

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