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FIVE LOCATIONS STATEWIDE TO HOLD BAR ADMISSION CEREMONIES MAY 5

Over 600 new attorneys will be admitted to practice in Illinois on Thursday, May 5 with Justices of the Illinois Supreme Court and Illinois Appellate Court administering the attorney's oath at five separate locations.

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

The largest group, 428, will be admitted in the First Judicial District during ceremonies starting at 10:30 a.m. in the Auditorium Theatre at Roosevelt University, 50 East Congress. Illinois Supreme Court Justice Anne M. Burke will preside over the ceremony with Justice Mary Jane Theis participating.

Illinois Appellate Justice Thomas R. Appleton from the Fourth Judicial District will make the motion to admit the class.

Cook County Associate Judge Brian K. Flaherty will second the motion to admit the class.

Representatives from the Illinois Board of Admissions to the Bar who will be in attendance include: James R. Carroll and Lawrence N. Hill.

The 628 men and women were certified as candidates and will be sworn in as Illinois attorneys Thursday at ceremonies in the five Supreme Court judicial districts.

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Here are the time and locations of Thursday's ceremonies:

Supreme Court Justice Robert R. Thomas will preside over the Second Judicial District ceremony, 10 a.m., Hemmens Memorial Building, Elgin Civic Center Plaza, 150 Dexter Court, Elgin.

Supreme Court Justice Rita B. Garman will preside over the Fourth Judicial District ceremony, 10 a.m., Supreme Court Courtroom, Second and Capitol Streets, Springfield.

Supreme Court Justice Lloyd A. Karneier will preside over the Fifth Judicial District ceremony, 2 p.m., Gateway Convention Center, Center Hall A, One Gateway Drive (Route 157 & Interstate 55/70), Collinsville.

Appellate Court Presiding Justice Robert L. Carter will preside over the Third Judicial District ceremony, 11 a.m., Appellate Court Building, 1004 Columbus Street, Ottawa.

The new attorneys will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to approximately 89,500.

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