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SUPREME COURT ANNOUNCES VACANCY IN EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT

Chief Justice Rita B. Garman of the Supreme Court of Illinois has begun an application process for a Circuit Court vacancy in the Eighth Judicial Circuit.

The vacancy is created by the retirement of Judge Scott H. Walden on June 30, 2015. Judge Walden has been a Resident Circuit Judge in the Eight Circuit since 1996.

Under the Illinois Constitution, the Supreme Court holds the authority to fill interim judicial vacancies until the next General Election. The application process will lead to final Court approval. The applicants will undergo an evaluation and screening process.

Notice of the vacancy has been posted in the courthouses throughout the Circuit. The application form and instructions may be obtained by visiting the Illinois Supreme Court's website at: www.IllinoisCourts.gov and following the instructions in the "Latest News" scroller announcing the Eighth Judicial Circuit vacancy.

Applications must be submitted by mail to:

Illinois Supreme Court
Attention: Mrs. Mary Hurley
3607 North Vermilion, Suite 1
Danville, Illinois 61832

No electronic or facsimile applications will be accepted.

Deadline for submission of applications is **Monday, May 11, 2015**. The person appointed to fill the vacancy will serve until the position is filled by the November 2016 General Election

To be eligible for consideration for appointment, a person must be a U.S. citizen, a lawyer in good standing licensed to practice law in Illinois, and a resident of the Eighth Judicial Circuit at the time of the appointment.

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The Eighth Judicial Circuit includes Adams, Brown, Calhoun, Cass, Mason, Pike and Schuyler counties.

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