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**SUPREME COURT JUSTICES PRESIDE OVER BAR ADMISSION  
CEREMONIES**

More than 2,200 new attorneys will be admitted to practice in Illinois on Thursday, November 9 with Justices of the Illinois Supreme Court and the Illinois Appellate Court presiding and administering the attorney's oath at five separate locations.

All of the candidates have passed the Illinois state bar examination and an ethics examination, and have been certified by the Committee on Character and Fitness.

The largest group, 1,766, will be admitted in the First Judicial District during ceremonies starting at 10:30 a.m. at Arie Crown Theater, McCormick Place East. Illinois Supreme Court Justice Charles E. Freeman will preside over the ceremony, with Justices Thomas R. Fitzgerald and Anne M. Burke participating.

Justice Burke, in her first bar admission ceremony as a Supreme Court justice, will introduce John J. George, who will make the motion to admit the class. Justice Burke will also introduce four guests who will second the motion to admit the class.

The 2,244 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.

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

Supreme Court Justice Thomas L. Kilbride will preside over the Third Judicial District ceremony, 11:15 a.m., Four Points Sheraton Hotel, 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Rock Island.

Supreme Court Justice Rita B. Garman will preside over the Fourth Judicial District ceremony, 10 a.m., auditorium of the Michael J. Howlett Building, Second and Jackson Streets, Springfield.

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**Bar Admission Ceremonies To Be Held November 9  
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Supreme Court Justice Lloyd A. Karmeier will preside over the Fifth Judicial District ceremony, 2 p.m., Lesar School of Law Building, Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

Appellate Court Presiding Judge R. Peter Grometer will preside over the Second Judicial District ceremony, 10 a.m., Hemmens Memorial Building, Elgin Civic Center Plaza, 150 Dexter Court, Elgin.

The new attorneys will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to nearly 84,000.

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