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**Administrative Director Declares Illinois Associate Judge  
Appointed in the First Judicial Circuit**

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Cynthia Y. Cobbs, Director of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, announced today that Charles C. Cavaness received a majority of the votes cast by the circuit judges in the First Judicial Circuit and is declared to be appointed to the office of associate judge.

Mr. Cavaness received his undergraduate degree in 1978 from Murray State University, and his Juris Doctor in 1982 from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois. Mr. Cavaness has been affiliated with the Womick Law Firm in Herrin, Illinois.