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**ILLINOIS SUPREME COURT RECALLS JUDGE RICHARD SCOTT  
TO BENCH**

The Illinois Supreme Court announced Wednesday that it has recalled retired Judge Richard E. Scott as a Circuit Court judge to sit in Coles County in the Fifth Judicial Circuit.

Judge Scott had previously served on the bench in the Fifth Judicial Circuit from April 1972 until his retirement in December 2000.

His name was submitted for approval to the Supreme Court by Justice Rita B. Garman at the request of Chief Judge Tracy W. Resch of the Fifth Circuit.

His appointment will be effective March 3, concluding December 6, 2010.

The Fifth Judicial Circuit is made up of Vermilion, Edgar, Clark, Coles and Cumberland counties.

Judge Scott, who was raised in Paris, Ill., graduated from the University of Illinois, College of Commerce in 1963; and received his *juris doctor* degree in 1966 from the University of Illinois College of Law. After graduation, he entered the United States Air Force through Officer Training School, serving until 1970.

After leaving the military, Judge Scott was affiliated with the model circuit state's attorney project in Bloomington. In April 1972, Judge Scott was appointed as an associate judge in the Fifth Judicial Circuit. He was appointed resident circuit judge in Edgar County in December 1986, and was elected to that position in 1988. While serving as a Circuit judge, he was elected Chief Judge by his fellow judges.

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