

# State of Illinois Supreme Court

At a Term of the Supreme Court, begun and held in Springfield, on Monday, the 14th day of May, 2012.

Present: Thomas L. Kilbride, Chief Justice  
Justice Charles E. Freeman                      Justice Robert R. Thomas  
Justice Rita B. Garman                         Justice Lloyd A. Karmeier  
Justice Anne M. Burke                         Justice Mary Jane Theis

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M.R. 7847

In re: Legislative Committee of the Supreme Court of Illinois

## Order

Effective immediately, the Legislative Committee of the Supreme Court of Illinois created by order of September 26, 1991, reconstituted by order March 23, 1999, is dissolved and the members and *ex-officio* members appointed from March 23, 1999 to December 7, 2011, are discharged.

Effective immediately and until further order of the Court, the following judges are appointed members of the Legislative Committee of the Supreme Court of Illinois, as reconstituted:

Hon. Thomas R. Allen  
Circuit Judge  
Circuit Court of Cook County  
50 W. Washington St., Rm. 1812  
Chicago, IL 60602

Hon. Mary K. O'Brien  
Appellate Court Justice  
Third District  
1360 E. Division Street  
Diamond, IL 60416

Hon. James P. Flannery, Jr.  
Circuit Judge  
Circuit Court of Cook County  
50 W. Washington St., Rm. 2603  
Chicago, IL 60607

Hon. S. Gene Schwarm  
Chief Judge  
Fayette County Courthouse  
221 S. Seventh Street  
Vandalia, IL 62471

Hon. Katherine M. McCarthy  
Circuit Judge  
Macon County Courts Facility  
253 E. Wood Street  
Decatur, IL 62523

Hon. Robert B. Spence  
Chief Judge  
Kane County Judicial Center  
37W777 Route 38  
P.O. Box 400A  
St. Charles, IL 60175

Hon. Carl A. Walker  
Circuit Judge  
Circuit Court of Cook County  
1100 S. Hamilton Ave., Rm. G018N  
Chicago, IL 60612

Effective immediately and until further order of the Court, the Honorable S. Gene Schwarm is appointed Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Supreme Court of Illinois.

Charge

The Legislative Committee provides review of legislation, recommends a response to the legislative branch, and prepares legislative reports, with coordination and management by the Administrative Office, and oversight from the Court. Therefore, the Legislative Committee shall analyze and comment on legislation that affects the operations and independence of the judicial branch. Specific focus will be given to those legislative matters that: (1) have a fiscal impact on the judicial branch; (2) affect the operation or independence of the judicial branch; or (3) limit the discretion of a judge in court proceedings.

Order entered by the Court.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto  
subscribed my name and affixed the  
Seal of said Court this 23rd day  
of August, 2012.



Clerk,  
Supreme Court of the State of Illinois.

**FILED**

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