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JUSTICE THOMAS L. KILBRIDE TO ADMINISTER OATH TO NEW ATTORNEYS IN OTTAWA

Justice Thomas L. Kilbride of the Illinois Supreme Court will administer the attorney's oath to 22 new lawyers on Thursday, May 7 in Ottawa.

The group is among 600 individuals who will be sworn in and admitted to the practice of law in Illinois during bar admission ceremonies held in the state's five Supreme Court judicial districts.

The bar admission ceremony in the Third Judicial District will begin at 11 a.m. at the Third District Appellate Court Building, located at 1004 Columbus St. in Ottawa.

Justice Kilbride will preside over the ceremony. Third District Appellate Court Clerk Barbara Trumbo will call the proceedings to order.

Brad McMillan, executive director of the Institute for Principled Leadership in Public Service at Bradley University, will be the speaker for the ceremony.

Joliet attorney Vincent F. Cornelius, second vice president of the Illinois State Bar Association, will also give remarks.

Roger Clayton, an attorney with Heyl, Royster, Voelker & Allen in Peoria and father of candidate Roger Clayton III, will make the motion to admit the class. LaSalle County State's Attorney Brian J. Towne, vice president of the Illinois Board of Admissions to the Bar, will second the motion.

Justice Kilbride will rule on the motion and administer the attorney's oath. A reception hosted by the Illinois State Bar Association will follow.

The Third District Appellate Justices who will be in attendance include: Presiding Justice Mary McDade and Justices Tom M. Lytton, Daniel L. Schmidt, Mary K. O'Brien and Robert L. Carter.

All of the candidates have passed the Illinois State Bar Examination, a required ethics examination and were certified by the Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness.

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The new attorneys sworn in at the May 7 bar admission ceremonies will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to approximately 95,000. In addition to Ottawa, ceremonies will be held Thursday in Springfield, Carbondale, Elgin and Chicago.

Media coverage is invited.

The Third Judicial District is composed of the following counties: Bureau, Fulton, Grundy, Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Iroquois, Kankakee, Knox, LaSalle, Marshall, McDonough, Mercer, Peoria, Putnam, Rock Island, Stark, Tazewell, Warren, Whiteside and Will.

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