



# Supreme Court of Illinois

November 8, 2016

## **CHIEF JUSTICE LLOYD A. KARMEIER TO ADMINISTER OATH TO NEW ATTORNEYS IN CARBONDALE**

Chief Justice Lloyd A. Karmeier of the Illinois Supreme Court will administer the attorney's oath to approximately 60 new lawyers on Thursday, November 10, in the Fifth Judicial District.

The group is among 1,374 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 Fifth Judicial District will begin at 2 p.m. at the Southern Illinois University School of Law Lesar Auditorium (Room 120), 1150 Douglas Drive, Carbondale. Media coverage is invited.

Chief Justice Karmeier will preside over the ceremony.

Cynthia Fountaine, Dean of the Southern Illinois University School of Law, will deliver welcome remarks.

The speaker for the bar admission ceremony will be David B. Sosin, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President for the Illinois State Bar Association. Mr. Sosin has been engaged in the practice of law for 40 years and is a founding partner of the law firm Sosin, Arnold and Schoenbeck, Ltd.

Attorneys John J. Kurowski and Patricia S. Murphy will make the motions to admit the class. They both have children who will be taking the attorney's oath during the ceremony.

Chief Justice Karmeier will rule on the motion and administer the oath. A reception hosted by the Illinois State Bar Association will follow the ceremony.

Guests of the Illinois Supreme Court will include: Circuit Judge Hon. David K. Frankland of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit; Circuit Judge Joseph Leberman of the 1<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit; and Circuit Judge Phillip G. Palmer, Sr., of the 1<sup>st</sup> Judicial Circuit.

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

The new attorneys sworn in at the November 10 bar admission ceremonies will bring the total number of licensed attorneys in Illinois to approximately 96,300. In addition to Carbondale, ceremonies will be held Thursday in Springfield, Moline, Elgin and Chicago.

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The Fifth Judicial District includes the following counties: Alexander, Bond, Christian, Clay, Clinton, Crawford, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Franklin, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Johnson, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Massac, Monroe, Montgomery, Perry, Pope, Pulaski, Randolph, Richland, Saline, Shelby, St. Clair, Wabash, Wayne, Washington, White, Williamson and Union.

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