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18th Judicial Circuit Court - DuPage County, Illinois

DANIEL P. GUERIN
Chief Judge

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CHIEF JUDGE ANNOUNCES FIVE NEW ASSOCIATE JUDGES

Chief Judge Daniel P. Guerin is pleased to announce that, following a tabulation of ballots by the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, the Circuit Judges of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit, DuPage County, Illinois have appointed Susan L. Alvarado, Maureen R. Dunsing, Michael W. Fleming, George A. Ford and Kenton J. Skarin to the position of Associate Judge.

They fill vacancies created as a result of the resignation of Associate Judge Michael A. Wolfe, effective December 31, 2018; the election of Associate Judge Linda E. Davenport to the position of Circuit Judge effective December 3, 2018; the appointment by the Illinois Supreme Court of Associate Judge Ann Celine O'Hallaren Walsh to the position of Circuit Judge, effective February 4, 2019; the resignation of Associate Judge Richard D. Russo, effective December 31, 2018; and the resignation of Associate Judge Brian R. McKillip, effective January 24, 2019.

Susan L. Alvarado, J.D. - DePaul University College of Law, Chicago, IL 1997; admitted to the practice of law in Illinois, 1997. Ms. Alvarado is currently a solo practitioner for Alvarado & Associates in Oak Brook, IL (2003 – present). Previously, Ms. Alvarado was a Partner at Braselton, Alvarado & Millard, P.C. in Oak Brook, IL (2001-2003); an Associate at Kulerski & Braselton, P.C. in Oak Brook, IL (2001) and a Partner at Henderson & Alvarado, P.C. in Hinsdale, IL (1997 – 2001). Ms. Alvarado is a member of the DuPage County Bar Association, the Illinois State Bar Association and the American Academy for Certified Financial Litigators.

Maureen R. Dunsing, J.D. - DePaul University College of Law, Chicago, IL 2006; admitted to the practice of law in Illinois, 2006. Ms. Dunsing is currently Field Counsel for the Law Offices of Lawrence Cozzi in Warrenville, IL (2010 – present). Prior to that, she was an Associate at Thomas Burdelik and Associates in Chicago, IL (2007-2010) and a Special Assistant

Corporation Counsel for the City of Chicago Law Department (2005-2007). Ms. Dunsing is a member of the DuPage County Bar Association, the Robert E. Jones Inn of Court and the DuPage Association of Women Lawyers.

Michael W. Fleming, J.D. – The John Marshall Law School, Chicago, IL 1983; admitted to the practice of law in Illinois, 1984. Mr. Fleming is a Solo Practitioner with the Law Offices of Michael W. Fleming in Elmhurst, IL (1990 – present). Prior to that, Mr. Fleming was an Assistant State’s Attorney with the DuPage County State’s Attorney’s Office in Wheaton, IL (1985-1990) and an Associate with the Law Offices of Walter Ketchum in Chicago, IL (1984-1985). Mr. Fleming is a member of the DuPage County Bar Association.

George A. Ford, JD – Valparaiso University Law School, Valparaiso, IN 2004; admitted to the practice of law in Illinois, 2004. Mr. Ford is the Deputy Chief of the DuPage County Public Defender’s Office in Wheaton, IL (2005-present). Prior to that, Mr. Ford was an Associate with Mitchell, Bolden, Melton in Joliet, IL (2004-2005). Mr. Ford is a member of the DuPage County Bar Association, Illinois State Bar Association and DuPage County Criminal Defense Lawyers Association.

Kenton J. Skarin, J.D.-Northwestern Law School, Chicago, IL (2009, Order of Coif/First in Class); admitted to the practice of law in Illinois in 2010. Mr. Skarin is a Senior Associate in the law firm of Jones Day in Chicago, IL (2017-present). Prior to that, Mr. Skarin was the Deputy General Counsel for the Office of the Governor of Illinois in Chicago, IL (2016-2017); an Associate with Jones Day in Chicago, IL (2013-2016); a Law Clerk for U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas (2012-2013); an Associate with Mayer Brown in Chicago, IL (2010-2012); and a Law Clerk to Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals Judge Harvey Wilkinson III (2009-2010). Mr. Skarin is a member of the DuPage County Bar Association.

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