About Lake County Circuit Court

The State of Illinois is divided into judicial circuits that consist of one or more counties. Lake County is a single county circuit known as the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit. Lake County has fifteen Circuit Judges and twenty-four Associate Judges in the Circuit Court of Lake County. Over 250,000 new cases are filed annually. Statewide, Lake County is one of the most progressive counties in the administration of justice and is a leader in the speedy disposition of cases filed in the courts.

About the Speakers Bureau

Because our justice system can sometimes appear to be complex, the Lake County Circuit Court offers presentations designed to explain, in everyday language, just how our judicial system works. Presentations on a number of topics are available to schools and civic and business groups in Lake County.

Suggested Topics

Topics are available to fit the interests of any organization. Examples include:

- Judge’s Role and Responsibilities
- Domestic Violence: The Judicial Response
- Gangs and Juvenile Crime
- Sentencing Criminal Offenders
- Drugs and Alcohol: A Judicial Perspective
- Jury Service and You
- Traffic Court/DUI Court
- Divorce: Laws and Lessons
- Overview of the Civil Court System
- How the Criminal Justice System Works
- Seniors and the Law
- Teens, Parents and the Law
- Special Programs for Schools

If there is a specific law related subject your group would like to explore that is not listed here, feel free to request it. We will make every effort to meet your group’s request.

Presentations can be adapted to run anywhere from 15 minutes to one hour, depending on the needs of a particular group.

Arranging Events

To arrange for a speaker, please contact Arminda Badgerow at 847.377.3903; e-mail at abagherow@lakecountyil.gov; or use the mail-in form provided. The form is also available online from our website: www.19thcircuitcourt.state.il.us.

We request 30 days advance notice in order to arrange for a speaker.