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SIXTEEN APPLY FOR ASSOCIATE JUDGE POSITION

Chief Judge Victoria A. Rossetti received official word from the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts that sixteen attorneys have timely filed their applications for the associate judge vacancy created by The Honorable Daniel B. Shanes' appointment to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of The Honorable Raymond J. McKoski, Circuit Judge.

The applicants will be interviewed by the Circuit Judges and they will be evaluated by the Lake County Bar Association. Public comment by letter is invited on or before December 13, 2010 addressed to: Chief Judge Victoria A. Rossetti, Lake County Courthouse, 18 N. County Street, Waukegan, IL 60085-4359. Once the review process is completed, the nominating committee consisting of Circuit Judges will select the names of two candidates to be placed on a ballot. Said ballots will be returned to and tallied by the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts in Springfield.

The applicants are sole practitioners Nandia P. Black of Kildeer; Martin A. Blumenthal of Highland Park; David A. DeRose of Lake Villa, and; Elizabeth M. Rochford of Lake Forest.

Others applicants include Christen L. Bishop of Lake Forest, a Lake County assistant state's attorney; Janelle K. Christensen of Lindenhurst, a Lake County assistant state's attorney; Ari Fisz of Wauconda, a Lake County assistant state's attorney; Joann M. Fratianni-Atsaves of Lake Forest, arbitrator and former commissioner of the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission; Christopher M. Kennedy of Libertyville, a partner in the firm of Kennedy, Pierson & Strachan, LLP; Reginald C. Mathews of Lindenhurst, a Lake County assistant state's attorney; George T. Pappas of Lake Zurich, a Lake County assistant state's attorney; James K. Simonian of Libertyville, a partner in the law offices of Stephen Simonian; Perry S. Smith, Jr. of Libertyville, a partner in the firm of Wysocki & Smith; Patricia Sowinski-Fix of Gurnee, a Lake County assistant state's attorney; Mary E. Stanton of Grayslake, a Lake County assistant state's attorney, and; Robert S. Wilson of Libertyville, employed by American Family Mutual Insurance Company.

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