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## JUDGE APPOINTED TO STATE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Circuit Judge Jay W. Ukena received notice recently of his appointment to the 2011 Child Support Advisory Committee for the State of Illinois. The letter came from Julie Hamos, Director of the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services. The committee was created to review child support policies and operational topics related to the statewide child support program. The committee consists of members representing the legislature, state's attorneys, attorney general, clerks of the courts and community-based groups. Members are appointed by the Director and serve one year terms.

Judge Ukena will fill the position vacated by Judge Jorge Ortiz who had previously served on the advisory committee for three terms while he was presiding judge of the family division. The committee meets quarterly and follows a set agenda prepared by the Chair.

Judge Ukena was elected circuit court judge in the 2008 general election. Since that time he has been assigned to the family division hearing cases that include contested divorce matters; divorce prove-ups; orders of protection; child custody and visitation issues; and child support matters. In January 2011, Judge Ukena was named Presiding Judge of the Family Division by Chief Judge Victoria Rossetti.

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