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ASSOCIATE JUDGE NAMED IN LAKE COUNTY

David C. "Chris" Lombardo of Vernon Hills will become the next associate judge of the 19th Judicial Circuit according to Chief Judge John T. Phillips. Michael Tardy, Director of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts notified Judge Phillips early today that Mr. Lombardo had received the majority number of votes cast and is declared eligible for appointment to serve as one of Lake County's twenty four associate judges. "Chris's knowledge of the law, courtroom preparedness, and professional demeanor are characteristics that will serve him well as a judge," said Judge Phillips. "We congratulate Chris and look forward to him joining the 19th Circuit in the very near future."

Born in St. Louis, Chris graduated from St. Louis Priory High School. He received his undergraduate degree from DePauw University, Greencastle, IN and earned his Juris Doctor in 1991 from St. Louis University Law School.

Having been admitted to the Illinois Bar in 1997, Chris started his law career as a felony trial attorney in the Missouri Public Defender's Office in Clayton, MO where he stayed for five years handling criminal defense litigation. After spending the next year with Missouri law firm Wittner, Poger, Rosenblum handling criminal and civil cases, Chris joined the Lake County Public Defender's office in 1997. Mr. Lombardo went into the private practice of law in 2000, to the present time, where he has represented numerous clients in various types of cases in criminal, civil and family law.

Mr. Lombardo is a member of the Lake County and Illinois State Bar Associations and the Justinian Society. Recently, he received the distinction of being "highly recommended" by members of the Lake County Bar Association. His appointment as Associate Judge of the 19th Judicial Circuit is effective June 16, 2014.

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