



STATE OF ILLINOIS
CIRCUIT COURT
22ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
McHENRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS



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Twenty Second Judicial Circuit Accepting Applications for Special Public Defender Appointments

WOODSTOCK, IL - The Twenty Second Judicial Circuit of McHenry County is accepting applications from attorneys wishing to be considered for appointment as Special Public Defenders. Criminal defendants are afforded the right of attorney representation regardless of whether they can afford it. When a defendant cannot afford representation, the McHenry County Public Defender's Office is appointed to represent the defendant. When there is a conflict between the defendant and the McHenry County Public Defender's office, it is necessary for the Court to appoint a Special Public Defender.

The court has five (5) such positions available for appointment. Attorneys who are special public defenders can be appointed to adult misdemeanor and felony cases as well as juvenile delinquency and child protection cases.

Successful candidates will enter into an "at will" relationship and receive an annual compensation in the amount of \$37,000.00, which will be paid in monthly installments.

To be considered interested attorneys must submit a cover letter and resume by 5:00 p.m. on November 30, 2012, to:

**Twenty Second Judicial Circuit
Court Administration
Attn: Dan Wallis, Trial Court Administrator
2200 N. Seminary Avenue, Room 355
Woodstock, Illinois 60098**

A decision regarding the filling of these positions will be made by December 15th and the appointments will take effect on January 1, 2013. If there are questions regarding qualifications, the application process, etc., please contact Dan Wallis at 815-334-4385.

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The mission of the 22nd Judicial Circuit of McHenry County is to be the guardian of life, liberty and property to all seeking access to justice, by adhering to practices that ensure equality, fairness and confidence in the judiciary.

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