

**JUDGE ANN FINLEY COLLINS
CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

Judge Ann Finley Collins is an experienced jurist, first elected to the Cook County Circuit Court in 2010. Prior to being elected Judge Collins was found “Highly Qualified,” “Well Qualified,” or “Qualified,” by all the members of the Alliance of Bar Associations for Judicial Screening, as well as the Illinois Bar Association and by the Chicago Bar Association.

Judge Collins began her judicial career in the First Municipal Division in December 1020 and was assigned to the Chancery Division (Mortgage Foreclosure Section) in March of 2011. In June of 2012, Judge Collins was transferred to the Fourth Municipal District where she currently serves. She presides over misdemeanor call, traffic calls, bond court and does some preliminary hearing and felony cases.

Legal Experience

Prior to taking the bench, Judge Collins practiced law for twenty-five years. She served as a Cook County Public Defender for all of her legal career, serving on the Homicide Task Force for the last thirteen years.

Education

Judge Collins received her Juris Doctor from Chicago-Kent College of Law in 1985. She received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Anthropology at the University of California, Berkeley in 1968. She also attended California State University, Hayward (Now East Bay) where she received a Teaching Certificate in 1970.

Other Experience

Judge Collins taught in the Oakland, CA schools from 1970-1981.

Memberships

Judge Collins is a member of the Illinois Judge’s Association (IJA)