

JUDGE SUSAN KENNEDY SULLIVAN



Judge Susan Kennedy Sullivan was elected to the Cook County Circuit Court in 2010. She is found qualified or recommended – both for 2010 election and for this year’s election -- by the members of the Alliance of Bar Associations for Judicial Screening and by the Chicago Bar Association.

Judge Kennedy Sullivan began her judicial career in the First Municipal District, and within a year, was dually appointed to the newly established Elder Law and Miscellaneous Remedies Division. In 2013, she was transferred solely to the Elder Law and Miscellaneous Remedies Division where she continued to assist in launching the Division. In 2014, Judge Kennedy Sullivan was additionally appointed to the Probate Division, which is her current assignment. In her assignment in two Divisions, she serves both ends of the age continuum. In her Elder Law assignment, she hears legal matters concerning citizens who are sixty or older; in her Probate assignment, she serves children under 18 in the minor’s guardianship courtroom.

VOTE “YES” to RETAIN Judge Susan Kennedy Sullivan

LEGAL EXPERIENCE Prior to taking the Bench, Judge Susan Kennedy Sullivan was a sole-practitioner specializing in the area of Elder Law. She regularly appeared in court on matters related to mental health, guardianship and domestic relations. She has taught the Elder Law course at DePaul University College of Law for 19 years.

EDUCATION A native of Cook County, Judge Susan Kennedy Sullivan graduated from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. with a major in nursing. While working as a Registered Nurse in New York City, she attended New York University and received a master’s degree in nursing administration. She continued to work as a nurse in various capacities, such as hospital nursing, as editorial staff of national nursing journals and as instructor in university nursing programs. Returning to Chicago, she taught at Loyola University and was in administration at University of Illinois Chicago when she attended law school at night. Judge Susan Kennedy Sullivan received her Juris Doctorate from DePaul University College of Law.

COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS Judge Kennedy Sullivan was a member of the Chicago Bar Association, including presiding in the Mental Health Committee and the Elder Law Committee. She participated in the Health Care Council of the Illinois Bar Association for many years. She has served on several charitable boards and currently serves on the Board of Trustees for Woodlands Academy, Lake Forest, IL.