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State Supreme Court Reappoints Kane County State's Attorney Mosser to Elder Law Commission

St. Charles, Ill. - Kane County State's Attorney Jamie L. Mosser has been reappointed to the Illinois Supreme Court Commission on Elder Law. The reappointment was announced in an order released on Friday, effective January 1, 2025, for a second two-year term.

"Protecting the most vulnerable individuals has always been a priority for me," State's Attorney Mosser said. "As our population ages, it is critical to ensure our laws and practices are equipped to safeguard these citizens from exploitation. I am proud of the work the commission has accomplished so far, and I look forward to advancing its mission in the coming years."

The Illinois Supreme Court established the Commission on Elder Law in 2022 to examine how courts can better serve the needs of those in advancing years. "The legal problems facing these individuals extends not only to the role the courts play in terms of guardianship cases, but also in the Judicial Branch's obligation to protect the legal rights of the most vulnerable populations, both the young and the old," the Supreme Court said at the time. Kerry R. Peck, a Chicago-based elder law attorney, serves as Chair of the commission, with Justice Joy V. Cunningham acting as the Supreme Court Liaison.

In its first two years, the commission has engaged with stakeholders to address emerging issues in elder law. In 2023, it held a series of listening sessions to gather insights from elder law practitioners, legal professionals, caregivers, healthcare workers, and family members about the needs of aging individuals.

In 2024, the commission proposed two sets of amendments to the Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct that govern all lawyers in Illinois. Proposal 23-05 (P.R. 000318) introduced rules related to a lawyers' cognitive impairment as a result of alcohol or substance use or mental, cognitive, emotional, or psychological reasons. It included reporting obligations for other lawyers who become aware of a lawyer's diminished capacity, in addition to other measures.

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Proposal 24-07 (P.R. 00325) suggested Supreme Court Rule 111 that would provide requirements for the education and qualifications of guardians ad litem in guardianship matters. Both proposals underwent a public hearing in July 2024 and remain under review by the Rules Committee.

Mosser was reappointed alongside Second Judicial Circuit Judge Eric J. Dirnbeck, Twelfth Judicial Circuit Judge Jennifer M. Lynch, and Creighton R. Castle, President and Managing Partner of Giffin, Winning, Cohen & Bodewes, P.C.

For more information about the Illinois Supreme Court Commission on Elder Law, visit www.illinoiscourts.gov.

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