ILLINOIS COURT STRUCTURE, 2004

SUPREME COURT

7 justices sit en banc

CSP case types:

- Mandatory jurisdiction in civil, capital criminal, criminal, administrative agency, juvenile, disciplinary, original proceeding, interlocutory decision cases.
- Discretionary jurisdiction in civil, noncapital criminal, administrative agency, juvenile, certified questions from federal courts, original proceeding, interlocutory decision cases.

Court of last resort

APPELLATE COURT (5 districts)

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54 authorized judges and 9 circuit court judges assigned to the appellate court

CSP case types:

- Mandatory jurisdiction in civil, noncapital criminal, administrative agency, juvenile, original proceeding, interlocutory decision cases.
- · Discretionary jurisdiction in civil, interlocutory decision cases.

Intermediate appellate court

CIRCUIT COURT (22 circuits)

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494 authorized circuit, 356 associate judges

CSP case types:

- Exclusive civil jurisdiction (including administrative agency appeals), small claims jurisdiction (\$2,500).
- · Exclusive domestic relations jurisdiction.
- · Exclusive criminal jurisdiction.
- · Exclusive traffic/other violation jurisdiction.
- · Exclusive juvenile jurisdiction.
- · Preliminary hearings.

Jury trials permissible in most cases.

Court of general jurisdiction