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**Geneva, IL –Kane County Clerk John A. Cunningham**



### **Kane County Clerk's Office Celebrates National Poll Worker Recruitment Day**

As part of National Poll Worker Recruitment Day on August 1, **Kane County Clerk John A. Cunningham** is continuing the community outreach of the County Clerk's Office by **inviting Kane County residents to apply to serve as an Election Judge for the upcoming November 5 General Election.**

The U.S. Election Assistance Commission (EAC) designated August 1 as National Poll Worker Recruitment Day, as a day of action meant to assist poll worker recruitment efforts in communities across the country.

Clerk Cunningham said, "Election judges and other poll workers play a necessary role for successful elections. We literally could not conduct elections without the hardworking election judges who play such a vital role in the process. In the last few years, they have faced many challenges including a pandemic, historic voter turnout, and inclement weather, but our judges show up to work and help facilitate efficient, secure and transparent elections in Kane County."

The Nov. 5 election is a state holiday in Illinois, providing additional opportunities for residents who have the day off from work and school to participate as election judges. Judges receive \$250 for working Election Day.

Cunningham added, "I encourage all Kane County residents to consider joining our team as an election judge for the November election. I have spent most of life serving the public, and it truly is an honor to play a small part in facilitating democratic elections where citizens have the right and privilege to vote. I further would like to encourage students, teachers, and government employees who will have the day off on November 5 to take advantage of the opportunity and serve as election judges."

Information about how to apply to become an election judge, the requirements for the position, and election judge training can be found at <https://clerk.kanecountyil.gov/Elections/Pages/Election-Judges.aspx> , or by calling the Clerk's Office at (630) 232-5990.

Students are also encouraged to sign up to become election judges to have a chance to help promote democracy in their communities as well as earn some extra money for college. The requirements for student judges can be found at <https://clerk.kanecountyil.gov/Elections/Pages/Student-Judges.aspx>.

The Clerk's Office strives to be the most transparent election authority in Illinois. Clerk Cunningham has developed innovative ways to serve the public, including expanding early voting, establishing a call center to resolve Election Day issues, developing a Voter Outreach Program to increase voter registration and early voting, and improving technology. For more information about the Nov. 5 election, please visit the Clerk's website at [clerk.kanecountyil.gov/elections](https://clerk.kanecountyil.gov/elections), or follow the Clerk's Office on social media, on Facebook at [@kanecountyclerk](https://www.facebook.com/kanecountyclerk) and X at [@KaneCoILClerk](https://twitter.com/KaneCoILClerk).

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