



JOB OPPORTUNITY

Illinois Supreme Court Marshal

POSITION DETAILS

Supreme Court Marshal

The Supreme Court is located in Springfield, Illinois with offices for the Marshal in Springfield and Chicago.

Open until filled

SALARY

\$120,000

Salary at hire to be commensurate with experience

BENEFITS

Pension
Medical, dental, and vision insurance
Life insurance
Deferred compensation
Generous leave time

The **Illinois Supreme Court** is seeking a proven leader to serve as its next **Supreme Court Marshal**. This is a high-trust position responsible for the safety of the Justices, court staff, and facilities, as well as the protection of judicial independence itself. The ideal candidate is an experienced manager with demonstrated ability to lead a team and who brings strong law enforcement experience, exceptional judgment, and a calm, steady presence in high-pressure environments. The candidate must maintain Illinois POST certification, have a working knowledge of NCSC court security best practices, and be skilled at building strong relationships with law enforcement and intelligence partners. Above all, they must embody professionalism, discretion, and a deep respect for the mission of the judiciary.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Serve as the **chief law enforcement authority** for the Illinois Supreme Court and lead the Office of the Marshal.
- **Direct all protective services**, including security for Justices, judicial travel, residences, court sessions, and public events.
- **Develop and implement threat assessments** and risk mitigation strategies across the judiciary.
- Establish and maintain **critical partnerships** with local, state, and federal law enforcement, as well as fusion centers and intelligence agencies.
- Maintain 24/7 readiness and **personally oversee emergency response coordination** and protective deployments.
- Lead and manage the **Court Security Information System (CSIS)** and ensure timely collection, analysis, and reporting of threat intelligence.
- Provide **security consultations and training** for courts statewide and support protective initiatives for appellate and circuit courts as needed.
- Serve as a **strategic advisor to the Supreme Court** on all matters involving security, threat response, and law enforcement operations.
- Uphold the highest ethical and professional standards in all interactions and responsibilities.



IDEAL CANDIDATE PROFILE

- Deep understanding of and commitment to the **mission and independence of the judiciary**.
- Proven success leading a team and creating a positive and mission-driven culture in high-trust environments with **sensitive, complex security responsibilities**.
- Exceptional at **building trust and coordination** with law enforcement and homeland security entities at every level.
- Highly skilled in **threat assessment methodologies**, risk intelligence, and protective operations.
- Calm, thoughtful, and decisive under pressure—able to command a room in a crisis without overreacting.
- Clear and confident **communicator**, capable of briefing Justices, coordinating with senior law enforcement, and addressing the public or press when needed.
- Professional demeanor with **executive presence**, discretion, and a reputation for ethical conduct.
- Working knowledge of **NCSC Court Security Best Practices** and a record of applying them effectively in the field.
- Able to mentor, train, and lead personnel within the Office of the Marshal and the broader judicial network.

REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Certified law enforcement officer in good standing with the **Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board (ILETSB)** (POST-certified), or eligible for reciprocity.
- Extensive and progressive experience in law enforcement, including **executive protection, threat management, and organizational leadership**.
- Must maintain firearm qualifications, emergency response certifications, and all POST-mandated continuing education.
- Must possess a valid Illinois driver's license and maintain a safe driving record.
- Must pass a comprehensive law enforcement background investigation.
- Willing to work non-standard hours, including 24/7 availability, travel, and overnight assignments as needed.

For more information, view the [job description](#).

HOW TO APPLY

Please submit your **cover letter and resume** to Alecia Burke and John Bello.

The position will remain open until filled. Please reach out with any questions about the position.

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ABOUT US

Supreme Court of Illinois

ABOUT THE SUPREME COURT OF ILLINOIS

The Supreme Court of Illinois, in addition to being the state's highest Court, is responsible for the state's trial courts, one appellate court with five districts, and several supporting units. General administrative and supervisory authority over the court system is vested in the Supreme Court. Several advisory bodies assist with this mission by making recommendations to the Court. These include the Judicial Conference of Illinois and the various committees of the Court. The Supreme Court also makes appointments to other committees, commissions, and boards. The Chief Justice is responsible for exercising the Court's general administrative and supervisory authority in accordance with the court's rules. The Supreme Court appoints an Administrative Director to assist the Chief Justice in their duties. The staff of the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts supports this function. Key support personnel exist at each level of the court to assist judges with the administration of justice. At the Supreme Court level, this includes the clerk, research director, marshal, librarian, reporter of decisions and their staffs.

The state is divided into five judicial districts, with three justices elected from the first district (Cook County) and one justice elected from each of the other four districts. Justices are elected in partisan elections for 10 years and may be retained in office for additional terms of 10 years. A chief justice is elected by the other justices for a term of three years.

The Court convenes in the Illinois Supreme Court Building in Springfield on the second Monday in the months of September, November, January, March, and May.

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Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts

ABOUT THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE ILLINOIS COURTS (AOIC)

The Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts (AOIC) was created pursuant to Article VI, Section 16 of the Illinois Constitution to assist the Supreme Court with its general administrative and supervisory authority over all Illinois courts. Appointed by the Supreme Court, the Administrative Director leads the AOIC and its staff. The AOIC provides support and programming to courts statewide through its offices and divisions: Access to Justice Division, Financial Division, Office of Communications, Courts, Children and Families Division, Court Services Division, Human Resources Division, Judicial College, Judicial Management Information Services Division, Office of Statewide Pretrial Services, Probation Services Division, Facilities Management Division, and AOIC Executive Division.

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