

Yolande M. BOURGEOIS

Present Judicial Duties:

Associate Judge, Circuit Court, First Municipal District

Appointed Associate Judge in 2007.

Evaluation

1996 Primary & General Election – Circuit Court: Qualified

Yolanda M. Bourgeois, 43, has been practicing law for 16 years. She is currently General Counsel of the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority. She previously served as an Administrative Assistant to the Mayor of Chicago for one year. In 1989, she served in the Civil Division of the Cook County State's Attorney's Office. From 1986 to 1989, she was as an associate in several general-practice private law firms. From 1980 to 1986, she was an Assistant Cook County State's Attorney. Attorneys report that Ms. Bourgeois has very good legal ability and is hard working. Her temperament is excellent, and she has broad litigation experience. The Council finds her Qualified.

2006 Evaluations for Associate Judge: Qualified

Yolande M. Bourgeois was admitted to practice in 1983. After spending two years as a staff attorney for the National Juvenile Law Center in St. Louis, she spent a total of seven years as an ASA in Cook County (six years handling criminal cases and one year handling civil cases) and three years in private practice handling a variety of litigation. During 1989 and 1990 she served as an administrative assistant to Mayor Daley. She then spent six years as an assistant general counsel for the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority, six years as Deputy General Counsel for the CHA, and six years as the general counsel for the City Colleges of Chicago. During her initial ten years in practice she had significant hands-on litigation and trial experience. She is reported to have good legal ability and temperament. The Council finds Ms. Bourgeois qualified to serve in the Circuit Court.

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