

## **Honorable Thomas E. Mueller**

Judge Thomas E. Mueller was a longtime resident of the City of Aurora. He was originally appointed to the bench in 1995 as Associate Judge. In his time as Associate Judge, he spent five years in Juvenile Court, which led him to start the Kane County Juvenile Drug Court. In 2006, he was elected to the position of Circuit Court Judge, a position he held until retiring in 2016.

Judge Mueller was a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison and the Loyola University of Chicago School of Law. Over the course of his career, he was a frequent lecturer on law-related topics with an emphasis on Juvenile Justice and Child Protection issues. Judge Mueller also served as a board member for Family Counseling Services, Plum Landing, Aunt Martha's Youth Services and was President of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters Advisory Board. He also served as a Volunteer Mentor at Washington Middle School and West Aurora High School. Judge Mueller was dedicated to his family, the Law and to Aurora, Illinois.