

Scott Kording

Scott Kording is an Associate Circuit Judge with the Circuit Court for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, State of Illinois.

Born and raised in Jacksonville, Illinois, he graduated from Jacksonville High School. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree *summa cum laude* from Illinois State University (double-majoring in Management and Political Science with a minor in Economics) and a Juris Doctor degree *magna cum laude* from the University of Illinois College of Law in Champaign-Urbana, Illinois.

Both universities recruited him to join their faculties within six months after he graduated law school. As an adjunct professor of law at the University of Illinois, he taught in the Trial Advocacy program, helped coach the mock trial team, and assisted with other law courses of an experiential nature. At Illinois State University, he taught law-related courses for more than a decade, including Family & Domestic Relations Law and Trial Advocacy, and served as head coach of the mock trial team for many years.

Judge Kording's career as an attorney began with co-founding the local general practice law firm of Campbell & Kording, Ltd. In 2016, he transferred his law practice to the large Central Illinois law firm of Meyer Capel, P.C. as a shareholder/partner. In private practice, he handled criminal, civil, and family law cases in trial and reviewing courts in the State of Illinois and federal court.

He took the judicial oath of office in January 2019. Judge Kording has heard all types of cases in every division of the Circuit Court. His current assignment involves criminal cases, including at their earliest stages when issues involving the new Pretrial Fairness Act are decided. Until recently, he also presided over McLean County's traffic courtroom, including misdemeanor DUIs, major traffic, and minor traffic matters. He serves as the Presiding Judge for the McLean County Drug Court and also hears a variety of other civil and family litigation matters.

He is a proud member of the McLean County Bar Association and the Illinois State Bar Association. He served two terms as chairman of the Illinois State University Attorneys Advisory Board. Since 2005, he has been a member of the board of directors for the Green Pastures Christian Campgrounds ministry in Meredosia, Illinois, and he currently serves as the board's chairman.

Judge Kording makes his home in Bloomington with his wife and two children. They attend Grace Church in Normal.

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