

Judge Tom Funk is a lifelong resident of Lincoln where he graduated from high school and then matriculated to Eastern Illinois University, graduating in 1981 with a B.A. in Political Science. He then attended law school at what is now known as the McKinney School of Law at Indiana University in Indianapolis in 1984. From there he was hired as an Assistant State's Attorney in the Logan County State's Attorney's Office where he served until 1988. He then entered private practice with the firm of Nessler and Shay in Lincoln for a year before opening his own solo practice in Lincoln in 1989. He did a general practice which began as a concentration in Family ,Criminal and Bankruptcy practice and evolved into a Probate, Family and Juvenile practice before his appointment as an Associate Circuit Judge in 2008. He also served stints as Logan County Public Defender from 1994-1997 and Mt. Pulaski City Attorney from 1997-2008. He was a member of the Supreme Court's Character and Fitness Committee from 2005-2008. Judge Funk continues to live in Lincoln with his wife Karrie. The couple has three adult children.