

Judge Feeney graduated with a B.A. degree from the University of Illinois in 1985. He received his juris doctor degree from Washington University Law School in 1988. While in law school, Judge Feeney served as a commissioned officer in the U.S. Marine Corp Reserves (in 1985). Upon graduation, Judge Feeney was on active duty in the Marine Corps as a Judge Advocate from 1988-1991. He continued to serve in the Marine Corps Reserves from 1991-2005.

Following active duty service in the Marine Corps, he was in a private general law practice. He served as Woodford County State's Attorney from 1998-2000. In 2000, Judge Feeney was selected by the Circuit Judges in the 11th Judicial Circuit to serve as an associate judge. He is trained as an evaluation facilitator for the Illinois Judicial Performance Evaluation Committee. The Committee, created by the Supreme Court in 2011, is charged with implementing and administering the Court's program of judicial performance evaluation for the purpose of achieving excellence in the performance of individual judges and the improvement of the judiciary as a whole.

Judge Feeney is also a certified peer judge mentor since his training in 2010. The program, an expansion of the Supreme Court's judge mentoring program, was established to improve public confidence in the courts and ensure judicial independence by improving the skills and performance of the Illinois judiciary. In 2016 the Illinois Supreme Court selected Judge Feeney to the Illinois Judicial Conference. He served on the Juvenile Justice Committee until the reorganization of the Illinois Judicial Conference on October 1, 2018.

Judge Feeney became a Circuit Judge on April 1, 2014. In 2017, Judge Feeney was tasked with leading efforts to establish a Veteran's Treatment Court for the Eleventh Judicial Circuit. Many attorneys, probation officers, and others from across the Circuit worked throughout 2017 to organize the program. In January 2018, the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Veteran's Treatment Court became operational. Judge Feeney serves as the presiding judge of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Veteran's Treatment Court.

A resident of El Paso, Judge Feeney is married with four children.