

# Mark C. Palmer

Mark C. Palmer serves as Professionalism Counsel under the Illinois Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism to facilitate the promotion of professionalism, civility, and integrity among our lawyers and judges in Illinois. Mark supports the legal and judicial systems to better provide equitable, efficient, and effective service to the public through education and outreach initiatives.

Mark collaborates with legal mentoring stakeholders across Illinois and the nation to bring the Court's professionalism-based mentoring program to new and experience attorneys. He further supports the development and delivery of educational programming to lawyers, judges, and law students, and performs outreach across the state on behalf of the Commission.

Prior to joining the Commission, Mark spent a decade in private practice as a trial attorney primarily focused on commercial litigation, banking law, and municipal law. During such time, he successfully negotiated, settled, or tried thousands of civil and criminal cases at the state and federal levels, including several hundred trials, all while striving to preserve a commitment to the rule of law and justice.

Additionally, Mark continues to work part-time as an Adjunct Professor and Trial Teams' Coach at the University of Illinois College of Law since 2009, and at the University of Illinois Police Training Institute where he has trained hundreds of law enforcement officers on topics such as use of force and police liability.

Mark received his undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and his law degree from The John Marshall Law School in Chicago. He is active in numerous bar and civic organizations including as an Assembly Member for the Illinois State Bar Association and as the chair of the Public Interest Law Initiative (PILI) 6th Judicial Circuit Pro Bono Committee.