

Judge Mary Colleen Roberts is a Circuit Court Judge having been elected in 2006. Currently, she is serving in the Law Division presiding over complex litigation involving personal injury, construction accidents and medical malpractice. Prior to the Law Division, Judge Roberts served in the Domestic Relations Division. Additionally, Judge Roberts presided over a Felony Courtroom in the Criminal Division where she started an evidence based drug treatment court called the Access to Community Treatment Court. Prior to becoming a judge, Judge Roberts was an attorney in the public sector working for the City of Chicago's Law Department and the Cook County State's Attorney's Office.

Judge Roberts is a member of the Illinois Judicial Conference's New Judge School. She has participated in developing a remote learning curriculum to educate new judges as they come onto the Bench. She is also a course supervisor, working with the judges who are creating these online courses. Additionally, she is an instructor at the Cook County New Judges School. Judge Roberts also serves as a mentor to new judges.

Judge Roberts currently serves on the Illinois Judicial Conference as a member of the Public Relations Task Force. At the present time she is serving as the Third Vice President of the Illinois Judges Association. Prior to become an officer of the organization she served as the first committee chair of the Wellness Committee. Further, she serves on the Cook County Chief Judges Judicial Evaluation Committee. Additionally, Judge Roberts is a founding member of the Alliance of Illinois Judges, a LGBTQ+ judges association with membership open to all judges in the State of Illinois. She has served as Director, Secretary, President and Past President throughout the life of the organization.

Judge Roberts is an avid runner having qualified for and completed the Boston Marathon six times. She also is the founder of the Ravenswood Run, a Chicago 5k Run. This run raises funds to support Ravenswood Community Services, a not for profit which provides meals, groceries and basic health services to neighbors in need.

Judge Roberts and her wife, Alison, live in one of Chicago's Western suburbs. Alison is the Director of Finance at major metropolitan hospital. They have two children who attend college on separate coasts.