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PREFACE

Since 1972, the *DePaul Law Review* has monitored significant legal trends in Illinois and presented them to practitioners and academicians in its Annual Survey of Illinois Law. This current issue is the 1975 link in the chain. It updates and expands previous editions, scrutinizes noteworthy recent developments, and often indicates the drift of the future.

The Annual Survey of Illinois Law is of an organic nature. Each issue is not a mere isolated entity, but instead, an additional chapter in the reporting of Illinois law. Realistically we can not analyze all recent Illinois legislative and judicial developments in one Survey issue. Thus we have chosen to select a manageable number of substantive areas for review. A few areas of the law, exhaustively analyzed in previous years, are absent from this issue and will be included in future years' surveys. Several topics not covered in past volumes appear in this year's Survey: Criminal Counseling, Federal Securities Regulation, Probate Law, Real Estate Taxation, and Remedies. Furthermore, this year we have again covered Civil Commitment, Conflicts, Contracts-Sales, Criminal Law, Environmental Law, Family Law, School Law, Secured Transactions, and Torts. This issue also contains its own case index to facilitate retrieval of pertinent decisions, as well as a concise subject index.

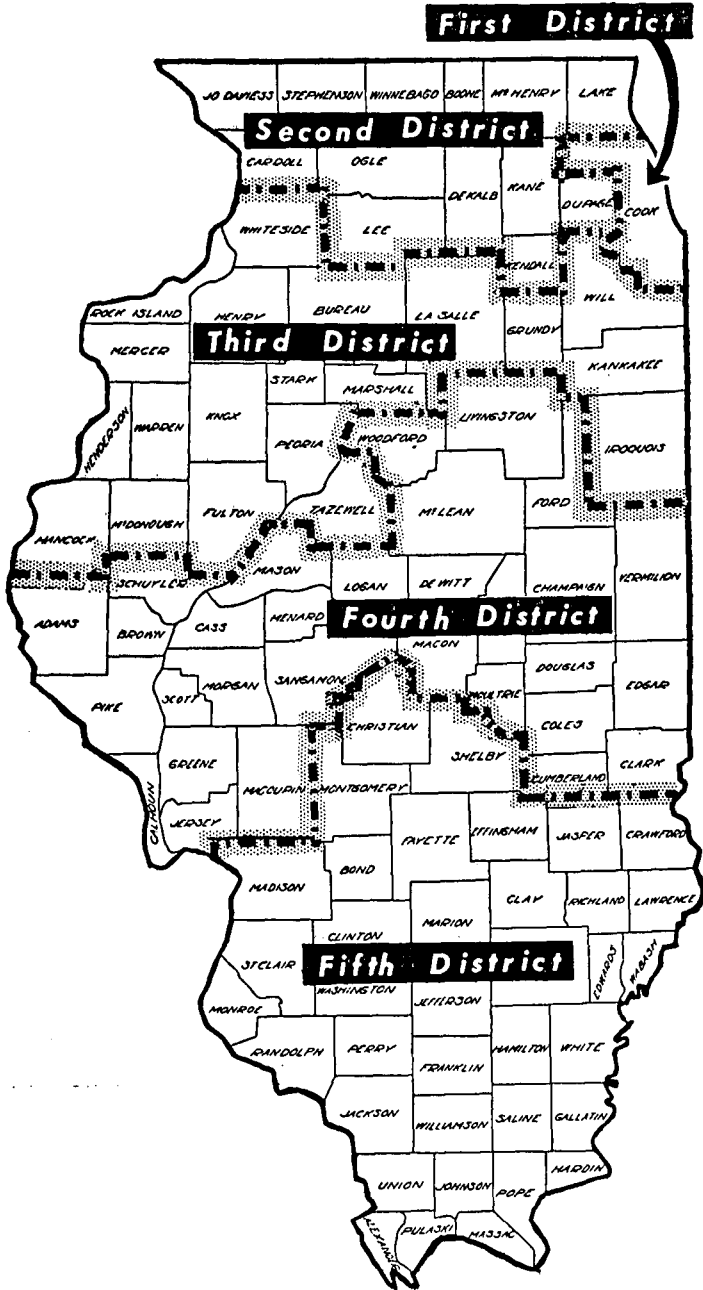
We present this Survey to the Illinois legal community with the hope that it will provide additional insights into the judicial and legislative developments of the past year.

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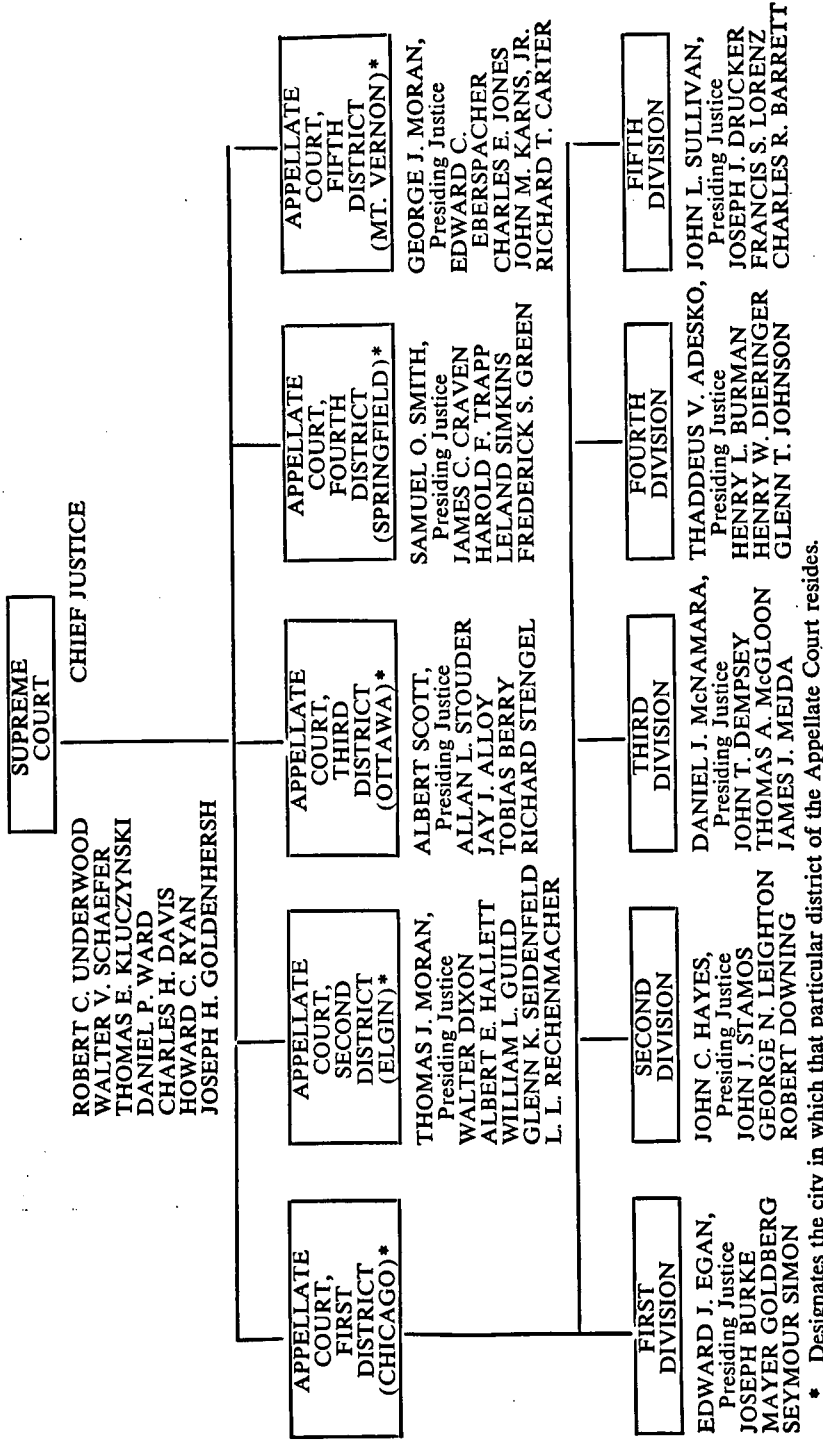
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