

Richland County Court Receives Over \$189,000 in Technology Grant

Richland County Circuit Court has been awarded a technology grant totaling \$189,111.77 from the Technology Modernization Funding Program offered by the Illinois Supreme Court and the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts. Richland County Resident Judge Ray Vaughn and Circuit Clerk Zachary Holder sought the funding made available to county courts throughout Illinois by securing bids for technology upgrades and drafting the grant proposal that was approved in its entirety. Computers, a courtroom projector for trial use, and digital scanning and storage of case files are just some of the many enhancements this funding will support to assist Richland County in providing increased access to the court system and streamline the administration of justice for those seeking court services.

Judge Vaughn stressed the importance of this award stating, “The grant has funded technology enhancements and upgrades which allow the court system to operate more efficiently and better handle remote proceedings. Circuit Clerk Zachary Holder was instrumental in the success of the grant request which was coordinated in the Second Judicial Circuit by Chief Judge Melissa Morgan.”

Circuit Clerk Holder added, “Richland County is thankful to receive the largest technology modernization grant in this circuit. We have tried to be a leader with technology and thank the Supreme Court in recognizing and supporting our effort.”



Pictured: Circuit Clerk Zachary Holder and Richland County Resident Judge Ray Vaughn



Circuit Clerk Zachary Holder (left) proudly demonstrates the use of the courtroom projector and screen made possible by the grant.