

Jefferson County Circuit Court Receives Over \$60,000.00 in Technology Grant

Jefferson County Circuit Court has been awarded a technology grant in the amount of \$60,442.57 from the Technology Modernization Funding Program offered by the Illinois Supreme Court and the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts. Jefferson County Resident Judge Jo Beth Weber and Circuit Clerk Randy Pollard 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.

Judge Weber stated, "We were pleased that the State of Illinois accepted our proposal for this Technology Modernization Grant that was prepared by our Circuit Clerk, Randy Pollard, which will save Jefferson County thousands of dollars and will update our infrastructure systems to provide an updated network and update the computers in the courtrooms." Circuit Clerk Pollard added, "I am excited about the funds awarded to Jefferson County."

A new server, courtroom computers and monitors, and fiber optic wiring are just some of the enhancements to the courtrooms made possible by this funding. Second Circuit Chief Judge, Melissa Morgan expressed her gratitude for the grant stating, "The Second Circuit greatly appreciates the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts and the Illinois Supreme Court for this opportunity to upgrade our court systems. With the changing times, it is vital to stay abreast of new technology, especially advances that allow individuals to have access to services without having to personally appear in the courthouse. Jefferson County has been instrumental in securing these funds that will serve that purpose and it has been my pleasure to assist them in this process."



Pictured left to right: Resident Judge Jo Beth Weber, Circuit Clerk Randy Pollard, Second Circuit Chief Circuit Judge Morgan