

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF ILLINOIS  
FIRST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
POPE COUNTY**

**DEC 18 2020**

Clerk of the Circuit Court  
*Sean Givens*

**PUBLIC DEFENDER APPOINTMENT ORDER**

Pursuant to the authority vested in the Circuit Judges and in compliance with the Illinois Public Defender Act (55 ILCS 5/3-4000 et seq.):

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** by the undersigned, being a majority of the Circuit Judges of the First Judicial Circuit, and pursuant to rule 1.5 of the Circuit Rules, that Neal Hefflin be and is hereby appointed as Public Defender of Pope County, Illinois.

The undersigned find said appointee properly qualified to hold office. Upon all attorneys that shall be providing Public Defender services taking and subscribing to the Oath of Office as provided in said act, the first term of appointment shall be from December 1, 2020 to November 30, 2021. Unless otherwise terminated, this appointment shall continue in force through November 30, 2021. Subsequent terms of appointment shall be for twelve month periods, December 1 through November 30.

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2020.

*[Handwritten signatures of five circuit judges]*

*[Handwritten signature of Neal Hefflin]*  
*[Handwritten signature of Cary L. Gell]*