Judge Margaret Mullen is a retired judge with 26-years of experience on the trial bench in Illinois. She loves judges and believes that judges--as a group --are the best people in the world. Lawyers run a close second. When she is not helming the Illinois Judges Association, Judge Mullen keeps busy as an adjunct instructor at the College of Lake County and at Loyola University Chicago and serves a private mediator and arbitrator with Resolute Systems, LLC.

Appointed to the bench in Lake County in 1992, she has served as Chief Judge, as Presiding Judge of the Law Division, Presiding Judge of the Consolidated Family Division, and Presiding Judge of the Juvenile Division. A 1980 graduate, with distinction, from the John Marshall Law School, she was an editor on the law review. She lives in Lake County with her husband and together they have 6 children.