



# Lake County Illinois

## Department Details

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Department name: Lake County Sheriff's Office Merit Commission

Type: Lake County Board Appointments

Meeting time:

Meeting location:

Primary contact:

Description: **Title:** Sheriff's Office Merit Commission

**Purpose/Function:** The Lake County Sheriff's Office Merit Commission is charged with the screening of all applicants for the appointment to the office of Deputy Sheriff. Also, administer written examinations for promotion within the Department, conduct disciplinary hearings on charges brought before the Commission, and other administrative duties.

**Term of members/trustees:** Three years; six years after expiration of original term.

**Composition:** Five members

**Contact Name:** Susan Rankin

**Contact Title:** Executive Assistant

**Contact Phone:** 847.377.2459

**Contact Email:** srankin2@lakecountyil.gov

**Website:** [www.lakecountyil.gov/meritcommission/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.lakecountyil.gov/meritcommission/Pages/default.aspx)

**Compensation:** Unpaid

**Qualifications:** The appointed members are recommended by the Sheriff and approved by the County Board. The members shall be residents of Lake County. No more than three Commissioners may be from the same political party.

**Authority:** 55 ILCS 5/3-80001 et seq.

**Apply:** [www.lakecountyil.gov/Pages/appointments-application.aspx](http://www.lakecountyil.gov/Pages/appointments-application.aspx)

**Last updated:**

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Name	Title	Start Date	End Date	
Carmen Patlan	Member	4/7/2020	12/14/2025	*

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Robert Randall		3/9/2021	12/14/2023
Martin Walker	Member	1/12/2021	12/14/2026
Richard Eckenstahler	Member	2/8/2022	12/14/2027
Gary Thommes	Member	2/8/2022	12/14/2027
Patricia A. Jones	Member	7/12/2022	12/14/2023

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\* indicates extended term