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**CLERK DOROTHY BROWN IS SWORN IN TO
THIRD TERM IN OFFICE**

Commemorative Ceremonies Highlight Achievements of her Tenure

CHICAGO (December 1, 2008) — **The Honorable Dorothy Brown** held Swearing-In ceremonies as she commenced her third term as the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County on December 1, 2008. Cook County Circuit Court Chief Judge Timothy Evans conducted her official swearing-in at 7 a.m., and her public ceremony oath of office was officiated by her church leaders, Bishop Ocie Booker and Elder Jeffery Hodges, at 5:30 p.m. in the Daley Center.

The first African-American Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Dorothy Brown was first elected into office on November 7, 2000. Her unique qualifications and over 25 years of professional experience have enabled her to significantly reform the Clerk's Office through focusing on technological advancements, employee training and financial accountability.

In her inaugural address at her public ceremony, Clerk Brown stated, "Today is the dawning of a new era. A new era where people are demanding elected officials with honesty, integrity, intelligence, creativity, fortitude, tenacity, accountability, professionalism, and character. A new era in which people are demanding that elected officials not only talk the talk, but also walk the walk.

"And I stand here today, to say to you that I am ready, willing, and able to continue to meet the demands of the people, as I have for the last eight years; because I believe in a government of the people, by the people and for the people."

More than 250 people attended the public Swearing-In ceremony of Clerk Dorothy Brown to congratulate her on her historic career in the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court.



Honorable Timothy Evans, Cook County Circuit Court Chief Judge, administers the oath of office to the Honorable Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, during her morning Swearing-In ceremony. At the beginning of a new term, all Clerk's Office employees have to take an oath to support the United States and the Illinois State Constitutions as well as to faithfully discharge the duties of the office.



Honorable Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, poses with Chief Judge Timothy Evans and Cook County Court Judge Patricia Banks prior to Clerk Brown's morning Swearing-In Ceremony on Dec. 1, 2008.



Honorable Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, celebrated the commencement of her third term in office with a public Swearing-In ceremony held in the East Lobby of the Richard J. Daley Center on Dec. 1, 2008. Congressman Danny K. Davis served as master of ceremonies for the event that featured a diverse and distinguished group of program participants, including (left to right): Anthony Rago, vocalist; Ambassador Ashok Kumar Attri, Consulate General to India; Rabbi Pinchus Eisenbach, Congressman Danny K. Davis, Dr. Laura Rabb Morgan, Clerk Brown's sister; Clerk Dorothy Brown, Bishop Ocie Booker, Prelate First Jurisdiction of Illinois Church of God in Christ; Elder Jeffery Hodges, Pastor, King of Glory Tabernacle Church of God in Christ; and Jonathan Winbush, Special Assistant to Cook County Board President Todd Stroger.

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