

Eileen
O'Neill Burke
— Democrat for State's Attorney —

To Whom it may concern:

As a candidate for Cook County State's Attorney, and former Assistant State's Attorney myself, I would like to express my strong support for the Assistant State's Attorneys in Cook County to exercise their rights to collectively bargain and form a union should they so choose.

If I am elected to the position of State's Attorney, I pledge to remain neutral towards those efforts. I respect the rights of all employees to freely and fairly choose whether or not they wish to form a union and will not interfere with any attempts to do so.

Should majority interest be clearly demonstrated amongst the Cook County Assistant State's Attorneys during my term of office, I also pledge to voluntarily recognize the union.

Having served as a Cook County State's Attorney, a criminal defense attorney practicing together alongside many of them, and a judge in Cook County for the past 30 years, I know firsthand the challenges that ASA's face on a daily basis. Union representation and the ability to bargain collectively with management are one of the most important tools to protect the rights of workers.

It would be my honor to be a part of that historic process.

Sincerely,



Justice Eileen O'Neill Burke (ret)