

# RESOLUTION - SUPERMAJORITY

## Resolution Authorizing Upgrade of Jury Systems Incorporated Software to Web-Based Platform (42)

**WHEREAS**, the 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit Jury Commission has utilized the same Jury Systems Incorporated software for the last 20 years and has not received a significant upgrade; and

**WHEREAS**, the software upgrade would transition the program to a fully web-based interface that supports the most common browsers and includes an entirely server-based application processing platform; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of the upgrade software would allow for enhanced communication via text or email, and uploading of documents for jurors prior or during their service; and

**WHEREAS**, the technical improvements will provide real-time information, statistical data, and provide effective and innate interface options for reporting or gathering data information for Jury Commission staff; and

**WHEREAS**, this software upgrade would elevate the program to the latest advances in current technology on the market and provide the framework to upgrade in the future.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by this County Board of McHenry County, Illinois, that it hereby authorizes the 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit Jury Commission to upgrade the Jury Systems Incorporated software to the web-based platform; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the amount is not to exceed \$30,400 is included in the FY24 budget in 605000-60-90-9000-400 (Computer Technology – Capital Fund); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the County Clerk is hereby authorized to distribute a certified copy of this Resolution to the Trial Court Administrator, Chief Circuit Judge, County Auditor, Deputy Court Administrator, Chief Financial Officer, Director of Information Technology, and the County Administrator.

**DATED** at Woodstock, Illinois, this 18 day of June, A.D., 2024.

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Michael Buehler, Chairman  
McHenry County Board

ATTEST:

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Joseph J. Tirio, County Clerk

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**RESOLUTION**

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**SUBJECT:** Resolution Authorizing Upgrade of Jury Systems Incorporated Software to Web-Based Platform (42)

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**Board / Committee Action Requested:**

To approve upgrade of Jury Systems Incorporated Software in the amount of \$30,400 for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit Jury Commission to a web-based platform.

**Background and Discussion:** The Jury Commission JSI software was installed over 20 years ago and has not had a meaningful upgrade since then. This is a significant enhancement to the current technology and will utilize the latest browser technologies and extended graphic capabilities, the JURY+ Web Generation (WebGen) interface provides users with a more efficient and intuitive user interface that retains many of the tactile conveniences that are provided by traditional Windows GUI applications. Extreme effort was made to ensure that the user transition from JURY+ Next Generation to WebGen was as simple and straight forward as possible. The use of the newest technologies on both the user interface and the application server platform provides a foundation that allows the system to integrate and evolve with the latest advances in application technology. It also includes E-Notifications (texting and emailing), document uploading, point to point mileage, the ability to pay jurors with debit cards, as well as juror and case user history. Additionally, the employees would be provided with real time information, statistical data, and provided enhanced reporting and data information.

**Impact on Human Resources:** None

**Impact on Budget (Revenue; Expenses, Fringe Benefits):** None

**Impact on Capital Expenditures:** The McHenry County Chief Financial Officer and County Administrator has authorized use of the Computer Technology Capital Funding to cover the cost of this software upgrade using 605000-60-90-9000-400 (Computer Technology – Capital Fund).

**Impact on Physical Space:** None

**Impact on Other County Departments or Outside Agencies:** None

**Conformity to Board Ordinances, Policies and Strategic Plan:** Yes