

Gretchen Harris Sperry Elected Illinois Appellate Lawyers Association Treasurer

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CHICAGO — Gretchen Harris Sperry, a Chicago-based partner in the Government Practice Group at Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP, has been elected Treasurer of the Illinois Appellate Lawyers Association (ALA). Her term began June 24, 2016.

Long an active ALA member, Ms. Sperry is the Co-Chair of the association's *Cases Pending* publication and has been actively involved in its Seminars Committee. In addition to the ALA, Ms. Sperry serves on the Illinois Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness by appointment of the Court and is active in the Women's Bar Association of Illinois.

Ms. Sperry's practice focuses on constitutional law, white collar criminal defense and internal investigations, and appellate law. Before joining Hinshaw, she was a Judicial Clerk to the Honorable Mary Jane Theis and the Honorable Maureen E. Connors in the Illinois Appellate Court. Ms. Sperry has published numerous articles and treatise chapters on appellate law and practice and is a frequent presenter at seminars and continuing legal education programs throughout Illinois. She also has served as an adjunct faculty member at Loyola University Chicago School of Law and The John Marshall Law School, teaching appellate advocacy.

Ms. Sperry earned her J.D. (2005) from Loyola University Chicago School of Law and her B.S. (1999) from the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

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