



OBJECT ID	F2014.88
OBJECT NAME	Certificate
DATE CREATED	1958
MEDIUM	Ink
MATERIAL	Paper
OBJECT ENTITIES	Chelos, James (owned by)
ACCESS POINTS	blue Certificate ink Municipal Court Judge paper State of Illinois

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A "Certificate of Nomination" for the Board of Election Commissioners for James K. Chelos. There is a blue design that outlines the body of the certificate. The document was issued on April 24, 1958 and is signed by the Board of Election Commissioners of Chicago and ex-officio the Cavassing Board for the Primary election of April 8, 1958 as well as the chief clerk.

ORIGIN

Born in Tripolis, Greece. Attended grammar and high school there and immigrate to the US in 1912. He graduated from the Chicago Law School, in Chicago, IL and was admitted to the Bar in June 1932 and engaged in the general practice of law in Chicago.

In 1933 he was appointed Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of Chicago and held that position for over 19 years. He was elected an Associate Judge of the Municipal Court of Chicago in Nov. 1952 and 1958. He was elected an Associate Judge of the Circuit Court of Cook County in 1964. He was not only the first Greek-American judge, but the first Greek-American to be elected to public office.

CITATION

Certificate, 1958, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 05/09/24.