

2018 COOK COUNTY EMPLOYEE CANDIDATE STATEMENT

FOR THE TRUSTEE ELECTION TO BE HELD OCTOBER 31, 2018

- **Candidate Name:** Diahann A. Goode
- **Position Sought:** Cook County Employee Trustee
- **Current Job Title:** Deputy Sheriff, Department of Corrections
- **Total Years of Service:** 23 Years



Biographical Information: Hi, my name is Diahann Goode and I am seeking reelection as a Trustee for the Cook County Pension Fund. I am counting on your vote, the same way you have been able to count on me for the last 6 years. I was selected and elected to the fund by a group of my peers; at that time the pension was in trouble, the Pension fund had 6 billion dollars in assets. Today, through our vigilance, determination and sound decision making, the fund has 10 billion dollars in assets. No one really thinks about the Pension fund until they are ready to retire. I also deal with disability requests from active members, counsel and vote on behalf of County employee's, who are in need of funds due to medical emergencies, sit on committee's such as Health, Investments and Legislative. As some of you already know, I spend a great deal of time on the phone with some of you just navigating the bureaucracy of the County. The fund has also redesigned the website and newsletters to increase communication with the members. I demand better for all of you by holding our elected and appointed board members responsible for their actions on your behalf.

Experience counts and results matter! I respectfully ask for your vote on October 31, 2018.

Additional Pertinent Experience:

- 2 terms as a Pension Trustee
- 1 term as the Secretary of the Fund
- Served on the Health Committee
- Served on the Investment Committee
- Chaired the Legislative Committee
- Chaired the Emerging Manager Committee
- Certificate in Public Sector Benefits Administration
- Certificate in Health and Welfare Plans
- Certificate of Achievement in Public Employees Retirement Systems
- Completion of the Certified Pension Trustee Program offered By Northern Illinois University
- 23 Year Correctional Officer
- 21 Year Steward (Currently Teamsters Assistant Chief Steward)
- Bachelor's Degree Criminal Justice
- Order of the Eastern Star