

Meet the Author
Frank Cicero Jr.

Creating the Land of Lincoln

The History and Constitutions of Illinois

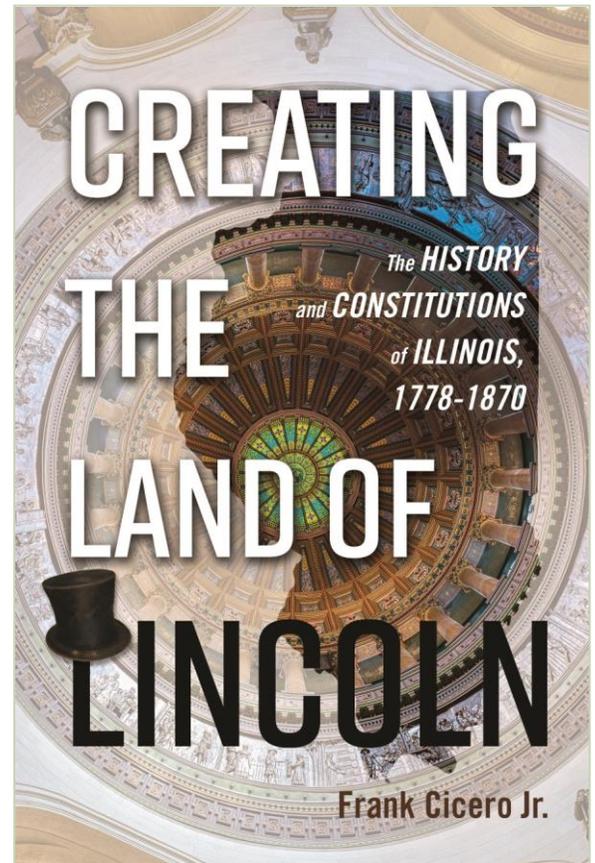
Wednesday, May 23, 2018

6:00 to 7:30 pm

How three constitutions built the modern Prairie State

In its early days, Illinois seemed destined to extend the American South. Its population of transplants lived an upland southern culture and in some cases owned slaves. Yet the nineteenth century and three constitutions recast Illinois as a crucible of northern strength and American progress.

Frank Cicero Jr. provides an appealing new history of Illinois as expressed by the state's constitutions—and the lively conventions that led to each one.



After the talk, Mr. Cicero will sign copies of his book, which will be available for purchase.

Frank Cicero Jr., a senior partner at Kirkland and Ellis LLP, served as a delegate for Illinois's Sixth Constitutional Convention and is author of *Relative Strangers: Italian Protestants in the Catholic World*.

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