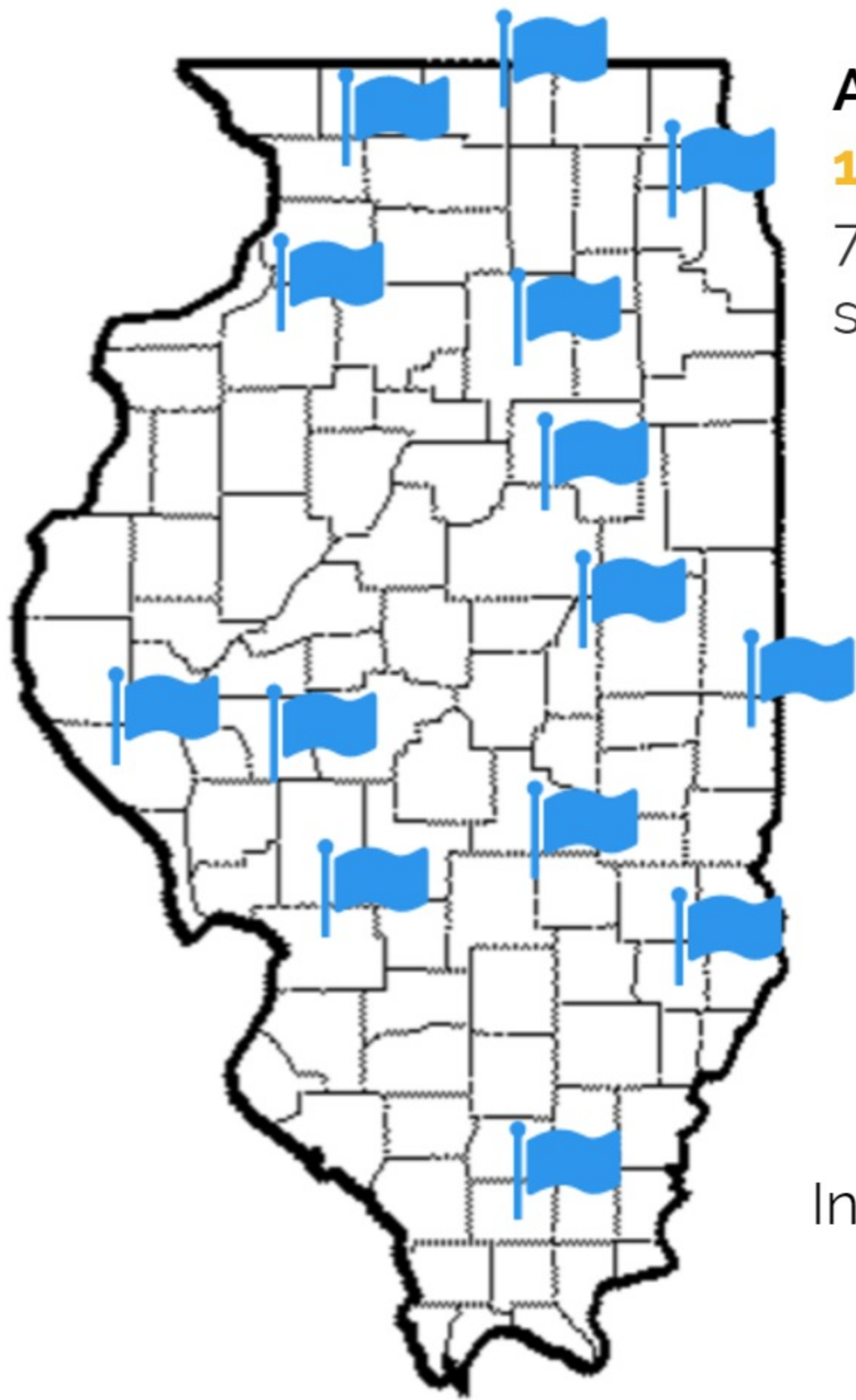




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Self-Represented Litigants: Data Snapshot

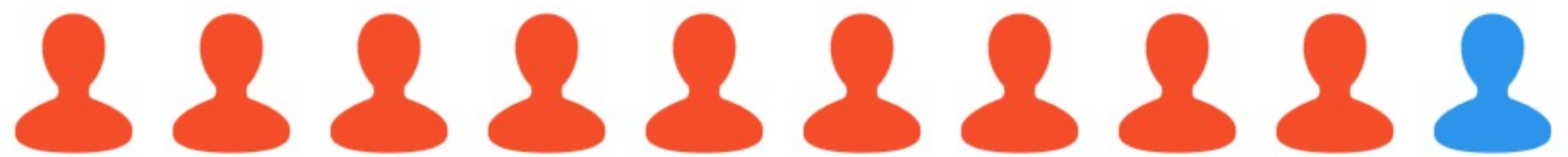
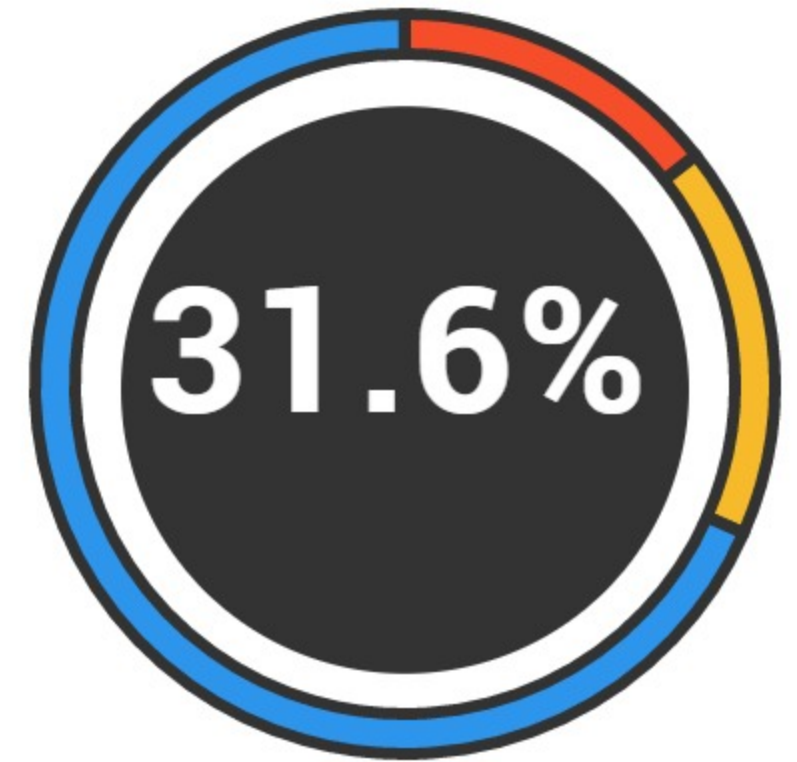


A Statewide Problem

14 Judicial Circuits report that 70% or more of litigants are self-represented in civil matters

A Financial Problem

Nearly one-third of Illinois residents live **in** or **near** poverty and struggle to access legal help



A Growing Problem

In some courtrooms throughout the state, over **90%** of litigants are self-represented

In 2015, over **ONE MILLION** Illinois residents went to court without an attorney

A Courtwide Problem

Self-represented litigants are appearing more frequently in every type of court case



A Shared Problem

We must all work together to ensure that every person can fully **access justice**, with or without an attorney, and regardless of income

Top Five Case Types	SRL %
Dissolution of Marriage	63%
Municipal	59%
Small Claims	57%
Orders of Protection	56%
Family Law	50%