IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

IN THE MATTER OF:
:
THE SELECTION OF
: A FULL TIME :

UNITED STATES : MAJISTRATE JUDGE :

ORDER APPOINTING MERIT SELECTION PANEL

WHEREAS, as the result of the elevation of Magistrate Judge Jennifer Hall to United States District Court Judge effective January 2024, a vacancy exists for the position of a full-time United States Magistrate Judge for the District of Delaware, and the United States Court is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the applicants for the vacancy.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 631, and the regulations for the selection, appointment, and reappointment of magistrate judges (*Guide to Judiciary Policy, Vol. 3 Ch. 4*).

IT IS ORDERED that:

1. The following persons are hereby appointed members of the Merit Selection

Panel of this Court:

Bindu A. Palapura, Esq., Chair Eleni Kousoulis, Esq. Shawn Weede, Esq. Patricia Davis, Esq. Timothy Constantine Molly DiBianca, Esq. Kelly E. Farnan, Esq. Nitika Gupta Fiorella, Eaq. Karen Keller, Esq. Joseph Papili Robert S. Saunders, Esq. Daniel Silver, Esq. Monte Squire, Esq. Chad Stover, Esq. Jeremy Tigan, Esq.

2. The Merit Selection Panel shall proceed forthwith to undertake the duties and responsibilities as provided by statute and regulations as hereinbefore provided, which duties shall include consideration of applicants for the position of Magistrate Judge for the District of Delaware and, after due consideration of said applications, the preparation of a report to the United States District Court for the District of Delaware.

3. The Clerk of the Court shall advise all Panel members in writing of the restriction set forth in § 420.30.20(d), of the Regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States establishing standards and procedures for the appointment and reappointment of United States Magistrate Judges.

4. The Panel shall report to the Court within 90 days after its creation unless otherwise directed by the Court.

5. Public notice shall be posted in appropriate public facilities describing the duties of the position.

FOR THE COURT:

Chief Judge, Colm F. Connolly

Date