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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 44

Considering that a vacancy now exists in the office of the United States Magistrate for the Middle District of Louisiana and, in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Magistrate Act of 1979 and the Regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States Establishing Standards and Procedures for the Appointment of United States Magistrates, the following persons are hereby appointed as the Merit Selection Panel of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana:

- Chief Justice (Ret.) Joe W. Sanders, Chairman
- Professor Cheney C. Joseph, Jr.
- Mr. R. Gordon Kean, Jr.
- Mrs. Natalie Roumain
- Mr. Walter C. Dumas
- Mr. Vanue B. Lacour
- Mr. Harvey Honore
- Mrs. Katherine Spaht
- Mr. Carey J. Guglielmo

The Merit Selection Panel shall, in accordance with the Federal Magistrate Act of 1979 and following the procedure, qualifications and other regulations established by the Judicial Conference, investigate the qualifications of applicants for the office of United States Magistrate (full time) for the Middle District of Louisiana and shall submit a report to the Court not more than ninety days after the date of this order specifying the five persons the Panel has determined as best qualified.

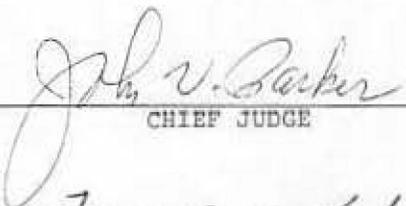
In accordance with the regulations of the Judicial Conference, the Panel shall publish public notice in a general local newspaper and in such other periodicals or by such other means as the Panel may determine.

All information available to members of the Panel in the performance of their duties, including the names of potential nominees and the identity of individuals recommended by the Panel shall be kept in strict confidence and a statement regarding confidentiality shall be included in all notices published.

The Chairman of the Merit Selection Panel shall preside at all meetings, shall arrange the meetings, and may organize the Panel into subcommittees and otherwise provide for such division of duties as he may consider appropriate.

Administrative and housekeeping support for the Merit Selection Panel shall be provided by the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, June 3, 1980.



CHIEF JUDGE



UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE