UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

GENERAL ORDER

NO. 2020-10

ORDER APPOINTING MERIT SELECTION PANEL

Effective July 1, 2020 the following persons are hereby appointed as the Merit Selection Panel of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana to consider the reappointment of a United States Magistrate Judge Richard L. Bourgeois for the Middle District of Louisiana:

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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, give due consideration to the professional and career status of the position of United States Magistrate Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana. The Panel will review:

- A. Magistrate Judge Bourgeois' current service as Magistrate Judge and other experience,
- B. the comments from members of the bar and public, and
- C. other evidence of Magistrate Judge Bourgeois' good character, ability, and commitment to equal justice under the law.

The Panel must report to the court within 90 days after its creation whether

Magistrate Judge Bourgeois is recommended for reappointment.

All information available to members of the Panel in performance of their duties,

shall be kept in strict confidence and a statement regarding confidentiality shall be

included in all notices published.

The Co-chairpersons of the 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 they may consider appropriate.

Administrative and housekeeping support for the Panel shall be provided by the

Clerk of Court for the United States District Court for the Middle District of Louisiana.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, July 1, 2020.

FOR THE COURT:

SHELLY D. DIĆK, CHIEF JUDGE

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