UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT LEADINGS MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUSIANA

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GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 54

Considering that the bankruptey court transition provided by PL 96-598, as extended, has expired by non-action of the Congress and that the authority of Wesley W. Steen, part-time bankruptey Judge for the Middle District of Louisiana has expired 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:

1. Prof. Cheney C. Joseph, Jr., Chairman

2. Hon. A. Leon Hebert

3. Mrs. Natalie Roumain

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, review current service of Wesley W. Steen as bankruptcy judge and other experience, the comments from members of the bar and public and other evidence of his good character, ability, and commitment to equal justice under the law, shall submit a report to the Court as soon as possible after the date of this order stating whether he is recommended for re-appointment as part-time United States Magistrate to hear bankruptcy matters.

All information available to members of the Panel in the performance of their duties, 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, July 3, 1984.

RKER, HIEF JUD

MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

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FRANK J. POLOZOLA, UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE