

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

IN THE MATTER OF:)	
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MERIT SELECTION PANEL FOR)	
THE APPOINTMENT OF A)	GENERAL ORDER NO. 24-07
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE)	
FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS)	

ORDER

Under 28 U.S.C. § 631 and the policies of the Judicial Conference of the United States, a merit selection panel is established to consider applications for the appointment of a Magistrate Judge in Springfield, Illinois. The panel is effective December 10, 2024, and is comprised of:

- Gordon Gates, Chair (attorney),
- Honorable Ryan Cadagin (attorney/judge)
- Honorable Gail Noll (attorney/judge)
- Greg Gilmore (attorney)
- Robert Scherschligt (attorney)
- Austin Randolph Jr. (layperson)
- Lori Spillers (layperson)

The panel must review each application and may interview an applicant as the panel determines. No later than 30 days of the close of the application period, the panel should recommend to the District Judges the five applicants whom the panel considers best qualified. In their appointing letter, panel members were advised of the Judicial Conference’s restriction on their ability to apply for a future magistrate judge position for one year from the date the panel submits its report to the Court or the date when the member resigns from the panel. Guide to Judiciary Policy § 420.30.20(d).

The Clerk of Court must publish the notice of appointment and must assist the panel as needed.

Entered for the Court: December 10, 2024



SARA DARROW
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE