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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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IN RE: DESIGNATION OF MAGISTRATE)
JUDGE DONALD D. BUSH FOR SERVICE) General Order No. 21-23
IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA)

GENERAL ORDER

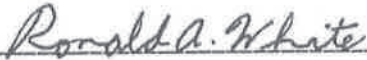
Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(f), in an emergency and upon the concurrence of the chief judges of the districts involved, a United States Magistrate Judge may be temporarily assigned to perform any of the duties specified in subsections (a), (b), or (c) thereof in a judicial district other than the judicial district for which he or she has been appointed. No Magistrate Judge shall perform any of such duties in a district to which he or she has been temporarily assigned until an order has been issued by the chief judge of such district specifying the emergency by reason of which the Magistrate Judge is being transferred, the duration of his or her assignment, and the duties which he or she is authorized to perform.

The Eastern District of Oklahoma certifies the need for periodic emergency sessions from the Honorable Donald D. Bush, a Magistrate Judge in the Western District of New York, to perform the duties designated under 28 U.S.C. § 636, subsections (a), (b), and (c). The emergency in the district is that there continues to be a significant increase in felony filings resulting from the Supreme Court's decision in *McGirt v. Oklahoma*, 140 S.Ct. 2452 (2020). As a result, there is a need for a visiting Magistrate Judge to assist with felony preliminary proceedings and pretrial matters, and civil matters if needed, on an emergency basis. At its September 28, 2021, session, the Judicial Conference of the United States effectively recognized the emergency conditions resulting from the *McGirt* decision when it authorized an additional Magistrate Judge position in the Eastern District of Oklahoma, with accelerated funding effective April 1, 2022, subject to available funding. The services of a visiting Magistrate Judge until the additional Magistrate Judge position can be filled will address and ameliorate these emergency conditions. The Eastern District of Oklahoma further certifies that it will coordinate its requirements with the Honorable Donald D. Bush so that his assistance will not conflict with the performance of his current assignments in the Western District of New York.

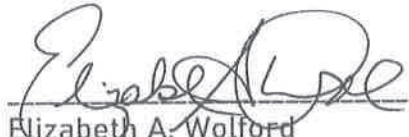
THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the Honorable Ronald A. White, Chief Judge of the Eastern District of Oklahoma, with the concurrence of the Honorable Elizabeth A. Wolford, Chief Judge of the Western District of New York, hereby designates United States Magistrate Judge Donald D. Bush to hold court and perform other judicial duties under 28 U.S.C. § 636, subsections (a), (b), and (c) in the Eastern District of Oklahoma from November 17, 2021, to May 16, 2022, and for further times as may be required for

the judge to complete unfinished business that was assigned to the Honorable Donald D. Bush during the six-month period.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 1st day of November, 2021.



Ronald A. White
Chief United States District Judge
Eastern District of Oklahoma



Elizabeth A. Wolford
Chief United States District Judge
Western District of New York