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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA

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## IN RE: APPOINTMENT OF A MERIT SELECTION PANEL TO CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT OF A FULL-TIME UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

General Order No. 21-17

The Judicial Conference of the United States has authorized this Court to seek applicants for the position of United States Magistrate Judge. This position will be vacant due to the upcoming retirement of United States Magistrate Judge Steven P. Shreder. The District Judges of this Court, by unanimous vote, have appointed a seven-member Merit Selection Panel to consider applicants for the position and make recommendations to the Court.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a Merit Selection Panel is established for the purpose of reviewing applicants and making recommendations to this United States District Court regarding the applicants who are best qualified to fill the position.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Merit Selection Panel shall consist of:

Mr. Steven A. Broussard – Attorney (Chairperson)
Ms. Shena E. Burgess – Attorney
Dr. Marlon Joseph Coleman – Minister, Mayor of Muskogee
Mr. Larry Edwards – Attorney
Ms. Kathy Hewitt – CPA, former Mayor of Muskogee
Mr. Charles D. "Buddy" Neal – Attorney
Mr. Donald E. Smolen, II – Attorney

The panel's appointment shall be effective upon the filing of this Order. Each member of the panel has received written notice of the restriction set forth in the Guide to Judiciary Policy, Volume 3, § 420.30.20(d).

SO ORDERED this 25th day of August, 2021.

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Ronald A. White CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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John F. Heil, III UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE