

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

PUBLIC NOTICE

**REAPPOINTMENT OF MAGISTRATE JUDGE
LURANA S. SNOW
FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA**

The current term of office of United States Magistrate Judge Lurana S. Snow, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, is due to expire on March 9, 2010. The United States District Court is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of a magistrate judge to a new eight-year term.

The basic jurisdiction of a United States magistrate judge is specified in Title 28, United States Code, Section 636. The duties of the position are demanding and wide-ranging and may include, but are not necessarily limited to the following:

- 1) Conduct of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases;
- 2) Trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases;
- 3) Conduct of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the judges of the district court;
- 4) Trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants; and
- 5) Assisting the district court with "additional duties as are not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States."

At the request of the Chair of the Federal Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel, written comments from members of the bar and the public are invited as to whether the incumbent magistrate judge should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the Court. Comments should be submitted in a confidential/sealed envelope addressed to: Steven M. Larimore, Court Administrator, United States District Court, 400 N. Miami Avenue, Room 8N09, Miami, FL 33128.

Members of the Federal Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel are: David Rothman, Esq., Chair, Rothman & Associates P.A., Miami, FL; Dawn Bowen, AUSA, U.S. Attorney's Office, Miami, FL; Walter "Skip" Campbell, Esq., Krupnick Campbell Malone et al., Fort Lauderdale, FL; John Della-Cerra Jr., Citizen, Fort Lauderdale, FL; Patricia Diaz, AUSA, U.S. Attorney's Office, Fort Lauderdale, FL; Genia Ellis, Citizen, Fort Lauderdale, FL; Eric Gabrielle, Esq., Stearns Weaver Miller, Fort Lauderdale, FL; Celeste Higgins, AFD, Federal Public Defender's Office, Miami, FL; Marilyn Holifield, Esq., Holland & Knight LLP, Miami, FL; Joseph S. Kashi, Esq., Sperry Shapiro & Kashi P.A., Plantation, FL; William McCaughan, Esq., K & L Gates LLP, Miami, FL; George Platt, Esq., Shutts & Bowen LLP, Fort Lauderdale, FL; Michael G. Smith, Esq., Fort Lauderdale, FL; Donald A. Wich Jr. Esq., Fort Lauderdale, FL; Bruce Zimet, Esq., Fort Lauderdale, FL.

Comments must be received no later than 5:00 P.M. on June 30, 2009

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