UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2019-19

IN RE: APPOINTMENT OF FEDERAL MAGISTRATE JUDGE MERIT SELECTION PANEL REGARDING UPCOMING REAPPOINTMENTS OF MAGISTRATE JUDGES CHRIS M. MCALILEY AND ALICIA M. OTAZO-REYES



Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Magistrates Act, 28 U.S.C. § 631(b)(5) the regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States Establishing Standards and Procedures for the Appointment of United States Magistrate Judges, and by action of the Judges of this Court, the residents of this District listed below are hereby appointed as members of the Federal Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel for the upcoming reappointments of Magistrate Judges Chris M. McAliley and Alicia M. Otazo-Reyes, whose current terms expire on March 24, 2020, and April 11, 2020, respectively.

The duty of this Panel is to consider and make a recommendation to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida as to the reappointment or non-reappointment of Magistrate Judges Chris M. McAliley and Alicia M. Otazo-Reyes.

The members of the Federal Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel are as follows:

Chair: Thomas E. Scott, Jr., Esq.

Members: David Buckner, Esq.

Rachel Furst, Esq.

Markenzy Lapointe, Esq. Corali Lopez-Castro, Esq. Ricardo M. Martinez-Cid, Esq. Abigail Price-Williams, Esq. Denella Ri'chard (non-attorney)

H. T. Smith, Esq. Ryan Ulloa, Esq.

Dr. Diane Walder (non-attorney)

The Panel will receive and examine comments from members of the bar and public of the judges' good character, ability, and commitment to equal justice under the

law, as well as other evidence of these factors regarding the reappointment or nonreappointment of Magistrate Judges Chris M. McAliley and Alicia M. Otazo-Reyes for an additional eight (8) year term at the conclusion of their current term. Comments may be sent to the Panel in care of the Court Administrator at 400 North Miami Avenue, Room 8N09, Miami, Florida 33128, and should be marked "Confidential" or sent via email to FLSD_MagistrateJudgeRecruitment@flsd.uscourts.gov. The Panel will meet in person as necessary, and after consideration of comments and feedback obtained, will make their recommendations to the Court by June 30, 2019.

All Panel members have been advised in writing of the restriction set forth in § 420.30.20(d) of the Regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States Establishing Standards and Procedures for the Appointment and Reappointment of United States Magistrate Judges.

Angela Noble, Court Administrator • Clerk of Court, is hereby appointed as staff assistant to render such service as may be required by the Panel in performing its functions.

This Federal Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel and the term of each member shall expire on August 31, 2019, unless otherwise extended or modified by order of this Court.

DONE AND ORDERED in chambers at Miami, Miami-Dade County, Florida this 19th day of March 2019.

Digitally signed by K. Michael Moore DN: cn=K. Michael Moore, o=Southern District of K. Michael Moore Florida, ou=United States District Court, email=k_michael_moore@flsd.uscourt.gov, c=US Date: 2019.03.19 09:15:27 -04'00'

K. MICHAEL MOORE UNITED STATES CHIEF DISTRICT JUDGE

c: The Honorable Ed Carnes, Chief Judge, Eleventh Circuit All Southern District and Magistrate Judges Members of the Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel Ms. Michele E. Reed, Chief, Judicial Services Office, Administrative Office of the **United States Courts** Ms. Angela E. Noble, Court Administrator · Clerk of Court

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