

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

**Public Notice for the Re-appointment of Magistrate Judge Patricia D. Barksdale**

United States Magistrate Judge Patricia D. Barksdale's term expires on October 31, 2021. As required by law, the Middle District of Florida has established a merit selection panel to consider the re-appointment of Judge Barksdale to an eight-year term in Jacksonville, Florida.

The duties of a United States magistrate judge, specified in 28 U.S.C. § 636, include conducting most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases, trying misdemeanor cases, conducting pre-trial matters and evidentiary proceedings after delegation from a district judge, and trying civil cases with the consent of the litigants.

No later than **Monday, March 15, 2021**, an interested person can submit to the following address, or by e-mail to [Submissions@flmd.uscourts.gov](mailto:Submissions@flmd.uscourts.gov), a comment about Judge Barksdale's prospective re-appointment:

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