

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF
RE-APPOINTMENT OF UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGES
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY
at
PIKEVILLE and LEXINGTON**

The Judicial Conference of the United States has authorized the appointment of a full-time United States Magistrate Judges for the Eastern District of Kentucky at Pikeville, Kentucky, and Lexington, Kentucky effective August 23, 2014 and August 31, 2014, respectively. The duties of the positions are demanding and wide-ranging and will include: (1) conduct most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) conduct various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the judges of the district court; and (4) trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants.

The basic jurisdiction of the United States Magistrate Judge is specified in 28 U.S.C. Section 636. To be qualified for appointment an applicant must:

- (1) Be, and have been for at least 5 years, a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of a State, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Territory of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Virgin Islands of the United States, and have been engaged in the active practice of law for a period of at least 5 years (with some substitutes authorized);
- (2) Be a member in good standing of the bar of the Supreme Court of Kentucky at the time of appointment;
- (3) Be competent to perform all the duties of the office; be of good moral character; be emotionally stable and mature; be committed to equal justice under the law; be in good health; be patient and courteous; and be capable of deliberation and decisiveness;
- (4) Be less than 70 years old; and
- (5) Not be related to a Judge of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky.

A Merit Selection Panel (the Panel) composed of attorneys and other members of the community will review the incumbents and submit to the judges of the district court in confidence the Panel's recommendation for re-appointment. The salary of the position is currently \$160,080 per annum. The term of office is eight years.