

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO

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U.S. DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DIST. OHIO
EAST DIV. COLUMBUS

**IN RE: REAPPOINTMENT OF
MICHAEL R. MERZ
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO**

ORDER

Upon the determination that Michael R. Merz should be reappointed for a term of eight years as full-time United States Magistrate Judge, the Court does determine to proceed pursuant 28 U.S.C. § 631 and the regulations of the Judicial Conference promulgated under the authority of 28 U.S.C. § 631 (b)(5).


Accordingly, an advisory selection panel composed of the following persons is hereby

APPOINTED:

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| 1. Charles Faruki, Esq., Chairperson | 6. Kimberly C. Shumate, Esq. |
| 2. Cheryll Bennett, Esq. | 7. Dr. Laurel Mayer |
| 3. Gary Blumenthal, Esq. | 8. Aaron Durden, Esq. |
| 4. Joey D. Williams | 9. John B. Pinney, Esq. |
| 5. Vipal J. Patel, Esq. | |

The panel shall review the performance of the incumbent in office as Magistrate Judge, and consider comments received from members of the bar and public and any other pertinent evidence as to the incumbent's good character, judgment, legal ability, temperament and commitment to equal justice under the law. The panel shall thereupon report its findings to the Court no later than 90 days after the effective date of this Order.

This Order shall be filed and will be effective February 4, 2008. The Clerk shall send a copy of this Order to each member of the panel named herein and to the Magistrate Judges Division of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts.


Sandra S. Beckwith, Chief Judge
United States District Court