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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA

Formal investiture ceremony scheduled for United States Magistrate Judge Matthew P. Brookman

INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana (April 18, 2016): The Honorable Richard L. Young, Chief Judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of Indiana, announced that a formal swearing-in ceremony for United States Magistrate Judge Matthew P. Brookman will be held on Wednesday, April 20, 2016, at 3:00 CDT at the Winfield K. Denton United States Courthouse in Evansville, Indiana. Chief Judge Young will preside over the ceremony in Courtroom 301. Judge Brookman was appointed on February 1, 2016, and fills a vacancy created by the retirement of Judge William G. Hussmann. Magistrate Judges are appointed by the Judges of the United States District Courts for terms of eight years, and are eligible for reappointment to successive terms.

Judge Brookman was born in St. Louis, Missouri and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1990 from DePauw University, where he majored in economics and history. He obtained his law degree from the Washington University School of Law in May 1993.

Prior to his appointment, Judge Brookman was employed by the Office of the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana, where he served as the Chief of the Office's Drug and Violent Crime Unit and Lead Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force Attorney. He was also a member of the United States Attorney's Executive Committee, Capital Case Coordinator for the Southern District of Indiana, and served as a Chair and a Member from 2011 until 2015 of the United States Attorney's various Hiring Committees. In 2010, Judge Brookman received the Director's Award from United States Attorney General Eric Holder, in Washington, DC, for superior performance as an Assistant United States Attorney, for his work on the *United States v. Jarvis Brown, et al.* quadruple homicide prosecution.

After spending the early part of his career in private practice and with the Office of the Prosecuting Attorney of Jefferson County, Missouri, Judge Brookman joined the Office of the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri in 1999. Judge Brookman then moved to the Office of the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana in 2002. Additionally, Mr. Brookman is an adjunct professor at the University of Evansville.

Judge Brookman and his wife Michele live in Newburgh, Indiana, with their three children.

The investiture ceremony is a public event, but seating is limited. Photography will be permitted during the program. If you would like to send a photographer and/or reporter to cover the ceremony, or if you have other questions, please contact Deputy Clerk Doria Lynch at 317-229-3729 or Doria_lynch@insd.uscourts.gov.