UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA EVANSVILLE DIVISION

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR APPOINTMENT OF NEW FULL-TIME UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

The Judicial Conference of the United States has authorized the appointment of a full-time United States magistrate judge for the Southern District of Indiana at Evansville, effective upon Magistrate Judge William G. Hussmann, Jr.'s, retirement on January 31, 2016.

The duties of the position are demanding and wide-ranging, such as: (1) conduct of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) conduct of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from a district judge; and (4) trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants. The basic authority of a United States magistrate judge is specified in 28 U.S.C. § 636.

To be qualified for appointment an applicant must

- (1) Be, and have been for at least five 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 five years (with some substitutes authorized);
- (2) 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;
- (3) Be less than seventy years old; and
- (4) Not be related to a judge of the district court.

A merit selection panel composed of attorneys and other members of the community will review all applicants and recommend to the district judges in confidence the five persons it considers best qualified. The court will make the appointment following an FBI full-field investigation and an IRS tax check of the applicant selected by the court for appointment. An affirmative effort will be made to give due consideration to all qualified applicants without regard to race, color, age (40)

and over), gender, religion, national origin, or disability. The current annual salary of the position is \$185,012. The term of office is eight years.

Application forms may be obtained in the clerk's office of the district court in Indianapolis, New Albany, Evansville or Terre Haute, Indiana, and are also available on the court's Internet website at http://www.insd.uscourts.gov/employment-opportunities. Application packets should include: one original completed and signed application, a cover letter, and resume. Applications are to be marked "CONFIDENTIAL" and submitted only by the applicant personally to the address below, and must be received by close of business on July 3, 2015.

Laura A. Briggs, Clerk of Court U. S. District Court 105 U.S. Courthouse 46 E. Ohio Street Indianapolis, IN 46204

In addition, also by close of business on July 3, 2015, an **electronic version of the application**, **cover letter**, **and resume must be sent to <u>LocalRules@insd.uscourts.gov</u>**.

Questions regarding the position can be referred to Laura A. Briggs, Clerk of Court, at LocalRules@insd.uscourts.gov or 317-229-3700.

All applications will be kept confidential, unless the applicant consents to disclosure, and all applications will be examined only by members of the merit selection panel and the judges of the district court. The panel's deliberations will remain confidential.