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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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RE:)	
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AMENDED PLAN FOR THE SELECTION)	GENERAL ORDER
OF LAWYER REPRESENTATIVES TO)	NO. <u>136</u>
THE NINTH CIRCUIT JUDICIAL)	
CONFERENCE)	
_____)	

RECITALS

A. Section 2 of the "Order of the Judicial Council of the Ninth Circuit Regarding the Purpose, Organization, and Procedures of the Judicial Conference of the Ninth Circuit," adopted December 12, 1978, as subsequently amended from time to time, provides, among other things, for the number of permissible methods of selection of lawyer representatives to the Judicial Conference of the Ninth Circuit.

B. This court, by its General Order No. 73 dated February 9, 1977, filed March 21, 1977, adopted a plan governing selection of such lawyer representatives which, in essence, provided for selection by a committee of three active judges of this district from nominees proposed by bar associations within the district.

C. In 1979 or 1980 the procedure described in Recital B above was changed by action of the active judges of the district to provide for annual selection of new lawyer representatives by

the then lawyer representatives from a list of nominees proposed by the Chief Judge of the district.

D. The active judges of the district have determined that the currently existing selection plan be modified and formalized in a general order.

ORDER

By reason of the foregoing, General Order No. 73 (pertaining to the selection and appointment of lawyer representatives to the Judicial Conference of the Ninth Circuit), and all subsequent formal and informal amendments thereto, are vacated and the following substituted in their place:

1. Term of Appointment: Lawyer representatives shall be appointed for terms of three (3) years, such terms to commence on the first day of the month following the annual summer meeting of the Conference. A lawyer representative shall not be eligible for reappointment until at least one year after the expiration of his term.

2. Method of Nomination.

(a) Not later than June 1 of each year any local bar association within this district may submit to the Chief Judge of the district a list of not more than three (3) nominees for appointment to the vacancies which will occur in the ensuing year.

(b) All such persons nominated by local bar associations shall meet the following requirements:

(1) Be currently engaged in active practice in the federal courts of this district;

(2) Be interested in the purposes and work

of the Conference and be willing and agree to contribute actively thereto;

(3) Be willing to assist in implementing Conference programs with their local bar associations.

(c) Each nomination by a local bar association shall be accompanied by a brief resume' of the person including a statement of his or her qualifications for the position.

3. Method of Appointment.

(a) Appointment of new lawyer representatives shall be made annually by a committee consisting of all the active judges in the district, by majority vote, from those persons nominated by local bar associations as provided in Section 2 above.

(b) Notwithstanding that appointments will be for terms of three (3) years, the terms of the respective lawyer representatives will initially be fixed by lot so that the terms of one-third of such representatives will expire each summer -- to the end that three-year appointments will be made each year to fill one-third of the total delegation. In making such appointments, the judges will select delegates from counties served by the Fresno office of the court so as to maintain the same ratio of such delegates to the total delegation as the ratio of authorized active district judges sitting in Fresno bears to the total number of authorized active

district judges in the district.

(c) In the event the local bar associations fail to nominate a sufficient number of qualified persons to fill the vacancies for a given year, the judges of the court, on their own nominations, may fill such vacancies; in doing so, the judges shall observe the criteria set forth in Section 2(b) above.

(d) Immediately upon the selection and appointment of the new lawyer representatives each year the Chief Judge shall cause the names and addresses of such appointees to be delivered to the Ninth Circuit Executive.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: June 24, 1983.

FOR THE COURT:


LAWRENCE K. KARLTON
CHIEF U.S. DISTRICT JUDGE