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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

IN RE:) **GENERAL ORDER NO. 583**
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APPOINTMENT OF A MERIT)
SELECTION PANEL)
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Pursuant to 28 U.S.C, §631(b)(5) and the Regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States Establishing Standards and Procedures for the Appointment and Reappointment of United States Magistrate Judges (Regulations), the following individuals are hereby appointed as a Merit Selection Panel to assist the Court in reviewing the incumbent Kendall J. Newman's current service as full-time magistrate judge with duty station at Sacramento, California. Consideration will be given to comments received from members of the bar and public, and other evidence of the incumbent's good character, legal ability, and commitment to equal justice under the law. All Panel members have been advised in writing of the restriction on applying for a magistrate judge position for a period of one year after the conclusion of their service as set forth in §420.30.20(d) of the Regulations. The panel shall report to this Court within ninety (90) days whether the incumbent is recommended for reappointment.


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1. Hon. Michael Bowman, Sacramento County Superior Court Judge, Chair
2. Lee Bickley, Assistant United States Attorney
3. Timothy Zindel, Assistant Federal Defender
4. Shanae Buffington, Attorney at Law
5. Todd Leras, Attorney at Law
6. Linda Smolich, non-lawyer
7. Claudia Anderson, non-lawyer

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: August 7, 2017

FOR THE COURT



Lawrence J. O'Neill, Chief Judge
United States District Court