

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



IN RE:

APPOINTMENT OF A MERIT SELECTION
PANEL

GENERAL ORDER NO. 688

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 effective May 2, 2025, as a merit selection panel to assist the Court in the appointment of two full-time magistrate judges with duty station at Fresno, California. 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.

1. Douglas L. Gordon, Partner, Miles, Sears & Eanni (Panel Chair)
2. Associate Justice M. Bruce Smith, California 5th District Court of Appeal
3. Joseph D. Barton, Assistant United States Attorney
4. Christina M. Corcoran, Assistant Federal Public Defender
5. Mandy Jeffcoach, Partner, Whitney Thompson & Jeffcoach LLP
6. Elliott Balch, President/CEO, Downtown Fresno Partnership (non-attorney)
7. Jennifer Stacy-Alcantara, Instructional Superintendent, Fresno Unified School District (non-attorney)

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: April 28, 2025

FOR THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Troy L. Nunley", written over a horizontal line.

TROY L. NUNLEY
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE