

GENERAL EXPECTATIONS OF PART-TIME MAGISTRATE JUDGES

[These General Expectations of Part-time Magistrate Judges were adopted by the Judicial Conference at its March 1992 session.]

- (1) The part-time magistrate judge will be available to the district court and law enforcement agencies on a reasonable basis, notwithstanding that such availability may interrupt other activities.
- (2) The part-time magistrate judge will stay abreast of legal, procedural, and administrative developments related to the performance of official duties.
- (3) The part-time magistrate judge will timely review training materials and attend training seminars offered by the Federal Judicial Center.
- (4) The part-time magistrate judge will confer with the court at the headquarters of the court or other designated location at least once each year, if summoned by the court.
- (5) The part-time magistrate judge will serve as back-up to the district's full-time magistrate judges for reasonable lengths of time on request (e.g., when the full-time magistrate judges attend FJC seminars or circuit conferences).
- (6) The part-time magistrate judge will ensure that all appropriate paperwork is filled out in accordance with instructions.
- (7) The part-time magistrate judge will follow the rules and regulations established by the Judicial Conference, particularly those related to conflicts-of-interest and the reimbursement of expenses.

The foregoing list applies to all part-time magistrate judges except those compensated at level 8. The Judicial Conference, however, expressed the hope that those magistrate judges at level 8 meet the expectations to the extent practicable.