

**PUBLIC NOTICE
REGARDING REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE ROBERT T. NUMBERS, II.
FOR THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA**

The current term of office of United States Magistrate Judge Robert T. Numbers, II at Raleigh, North Carolina, is due to expire on December 7, 2022. The United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of U.S. Magistrate Judge Numbers to a new eight-year term.

The duties of a magistrate judge in this court are demanding, wide-ranging, and may include: (1) conducting of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) presiding over the trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) conducting of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the judges of the district court; and (4) presiding over 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.

Comments from members of the bar and the public are invited as to whether U.S. Magistrate Judge Numbers should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the court and should be directed to:

Chair, Merit Selection Panel
c/o Peter A. Moore, Jr. Clerk
U.S. District Court
P.O. Box 25670
Raleigh, NC 27611

Comments must be received no later than May 9, 2022.