UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

PUBLIC NOTICE

The current term of the office of part-time United States Magistrate Judge Keith A. Pesto at Johnstown, Pennsylvania, is due to expire February 28, 2022. The United States District Court is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of the magistrate judge to a new four-year term.

The duties of the position are demanding and wide-ranging and include, but are not limited to: (1) trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants; (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) conduct of various pretrial matters including motions to dismiss, motions for summary judgment and discovery motions, and evidentiary proceedings on reference from the judges of the District Court; (4) conduct of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases. 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 the incumbent magistrate judge should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the court and should be directed to Joshua C. Lewis, Clerk of Court, Joseph F. Weis, Jr. U.S. Courthouse, 700 Grant Street, Suite 3100, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 or emailed to jcl@pawd.uscourts.gov.

Comments must be received by July 9, 2021.

JOSHUA C. LEWIS Clerk of Court