

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

PUBLIC NOTICE

The current term of the office of the United States Magistrate Judge Richard A. Lanzillo at Erie, Pennsylvania, is due to expire September 23, 2026. 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 eight-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 Brandy S. Lonchena, Clerk of Court, Joseph F. Weis Jr. U.S. Courthouse, 700 Grant Street, Suite 3100, Pittsburgh, PA 15219 or emailed to the Clerk at PAWD_submissions@pawd.uscourts.gov

Comments must be received by February 12, 2026.

BRANDY S. LONCHENA
Clerk of Court