



**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

**PUBLIC NOTICE FOR REAPPOINTMENT
OF INCUMBENT MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

The current term of office of United States Magistrate Judge Mark A. Beatty at East St. Louis is due to expire on January 1, 2027. The United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois 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 a magistrate judge in this district include the following, among others: (1) conduct preliminary proceedings in criminal cases, such as initial appearances, arraignments, preliminary hearings, and detention hearings; (2) review and decide search warrant and other criminal process requests; (3) conduct trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (4) conduct and resolve pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from a district judge in civil cases; and (4) conduct trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants.

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 the Clerk of Court at 750 Missouri Avenue, East St. Louis, IL 62202. Comments may also be transmitted by email to reappointment_comments@ilsd.uscourts.gov.

Comments must be received by March 30, 2026.