UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

PUBLIC NOTICE

The current term of the office of **United States Magistrate Judge Katherine A. Robertson** will expire on January 5, 2023. In accordance with 28 U.S.C. §631(b)(5) and regulations promulgated by the Judicial Conference of the United States, the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts will appoint a panel of citizens to advise the court concerning the reappointment of Judge Robertson to a new eight-year term.

The duties of a magistrate judge include, in criminal cases, the conduct of most preliminary proceedings, as well as trials and dispositions of misdemeanor offenses. In civil cases, the duties encompass managing various pretrial matters, presiding over evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the district judges, and conducting trials upon the consent of the litigants.

In aid of its review and evaluation of the incumbent's performance in office, the panel will consider comments from members of the bar and the public and any other evidence of Judge Robertson's character, ability, fairness and commitment to equal justice. The panel will report their recommendations to the Court.

Comments from members of the bar and the public concerning the incumbent's qualifications for reappointment are invited and must be received by **August 26**, **2022**. They should be marked "Confidential" and directed to:

Robert M. Farrell Clerk of Court Attn: USMJ - Reappointment United States District Court 1 Courthouse Way, Suite 2300 Boston, MA 02210

July 19, 2022

Robert M. Farrell Clerk of Court

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Order

After consideration by this court of Section 3.02 of the "Regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States Establishing Standards and Procedures for the Appointment and Reappointment of United States Magistrate Judges," it is hereby ORDERED that the following persons are appointed members of the Merit Selection Panel, effective July 19, 2022.

Peter Levitt, Esq., Chair Tracy Duncan, Esq. Claudia Lagos, Esq. David Lawless, Esq. Luke Matys Nicole Monterio Kenneth Pickering, Esq. Annabel Rodriguez, Esq.

The Panel will, in accordance with the above regulations, report to the court by **October 27, 2022** its recommendations regarding the re-appointment of Magistrate Judge Katherine A. Robertson and Magistrate Judge Donald L. Cabell.

Dated: July 19, 2022 /s/ Mark G. Mastroianni

For the Court, Mark G. Mastroianni United States District Judge