PUBLIC NOTICE

REGARDING REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT

FULL-TIME UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

THERESA L. FRICKE

IN THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT TACOMA

September 25, 2024

The current eight-year term of office of full-time United States Magistrate Judge Theresa L. Fricke at Tacoma, Washington is due to expire April 30, 2025. The United States District Court is required by law to establish a merit selection panel to review Magistrate Judge Fricke's performance and consider their reappointment to a new eight-year term.

The duties of the magistrate judge position include the following:

- (1) The trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of litigants;
- (2) Conduct preliminary proceedings in felony cases;
- (3) Trial and disposition at the Federal Courthouse in Tacoma of petty and misdemeanor cases arising from outlying government facilities;
- (4) Trial and disposition of other federal misdemeanor cases;
- (5) Assisting district judges in disposition of prisoner petitions and Social Security appeals;
- (6) Conducting various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on reference from the judges of the District Court;
- (7) Conducting settlement conferences.

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:

> Ravi Subramanian District Court Executive/Clerk of Court United States Courthouse 700 Stewart Street, Suite 2310 Seattle, Washington 98101 Attention – Reappointment of Magistrate Judge Theresa L. Fricke

Or via e-mail to: magistratejudgeapplication@wawd.uscourts.gov

Comments must be received by November 8, 2024.