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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

IN RE:) **GENERAL ORDER**
) NO. 00- 17
ASSIGNMENT OF MAGISTRATE)
JUDGES TO OMAHA CIVIL CASES)

In order to promote the efficient handling of their dockets, Judges Shanahan and Bataillon have agreed to pair with a magistrate judge for pretrial management of all civil cases except for those cases in which the district judge or magistrate judge have recused themselves. Criminal cases assigned to Judges Shanahan and Bataillon shall continue to be assigned to a magistrate judge for pretrial management on a random basis according to the procedures of the court.

Accordingly, effective immediately, all new civil cases randomly assigned to Judge Shanahan shall be assigned to Magistrate Judge Jaudzemis for pretrial management in accordance with NELR 72.1 and NELR 72.2 and all new civil cases randomly assigned to Judge Bataillon shall be assigned to Magistrate Judge Thalken for pretrial management in accordance with NELR 72.1 and NELR 72.2.

Civil or criminal cases randomly assigned to Judge Strom's docket shall not be paired with a magistrate judge, and all such cases shall continue to be assigned to a magistrate judge on a random basis according to the procedures of the court. The magistrate judge assignment of civil cases presently assigned to Judge Shanahan or Judge Bataillon shall remain unaffected except that Judge Shanahan or Judge Bataillon may reassign any such case to either Magistrate Judge Jaudzemis or Magistrate Judge Thalken in order to effect the pairing set forth above.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 26th day of December, 2000.

BY THE COURT

Richard G. Kopf
Chief Judge