

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

IN RE THE APPOINTMENT OF )  
A MERIT SELECTION PANEL ) GENERAL ORDER  
TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ) NO. 2009-07  
REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT )  
OF A UNITED STATES )  
MAGISTRATE JUDGE )

Magistrate Judge David L. Piester retired on August 1, 2009, and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 631(b)(5) (the Statute) and the Regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States governing such matters (the Regulations), the district judges of this court have unanimously agreed to create a merit selection panel for the purpose of making recommendations to the court regarding the appointment of a person to succeed Judge Piester. Pursuant to the unanimous vote of the district judges,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. A merit selection panel is hereby appointed consisting of the following persons:

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2. Charles E. Lowe is the panel chairperson.

3. The panel will perform the duties and have the powers provided by the Statute, the Regulations, this order, and such instructions as may be provided by Chief Judge Bataillon that are not inconsistent with the Statute and Regulations.

4. After the court has given published notice as required by law, but on or before October 30, 2009, the panel will make a written confidential recommendation to the court identifying the names of the five persons it has determined to be most qualified.

DATED 3rd day of August, 2009.

BY THE COURT:

s/Joseph F. Bataillon  
Chief Judge