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Chief Judge Laurie Smith Camp announced today that the U.S. District Court for the District of Nebraska will expand its search process to seek two magistrate judges to succeed Magistrate Judge Thomas D. Thalken, who will retire on December 31, 2016, and Magistrate Judge F.A. Gossett, III, who will retire on June 30, 2017. Applications are due on or before March 14, 2016. Information about the positions and the selection process, as well as an application form, can be obtained through the court's website at <http://www.ned.uscourts.gov/attorney/appointment-of-magistrate-judge>.

A merit selection panel will review applications, may interview candidates, and will recommend to the court six individuals thought best qualified to fill the positions. Names of the merit selection panel are available on the court's website. The district judges will then interview those candidates and make tentative selections. The candidates will undergo a thorough FBI and IRS background investigation before the selection is made final and the candidates are sworn in as United States Magistrate Judges.

United States Magistrate Judges handle pretrial matters in civil and criminal cases, and, with consent of the parties, may try jury and non-jury civil cases. The new magistrate judges will be located in Omaha and serve terms of eight years. The current salary is \$186,852 per year.

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