UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

<u>PUBLIC NOTICE FOR REAPPOINTMENT OF</u> INCUMBENT MAGISTRATE JUDGE PATRICIA T. MORRIS

The current term of office of United States Magistrate Judge Patricia T. Morris at Bay City, Michigan is due to expire on April 23, 2022. The United States District Court is required by law to establish a Merit Selection Panel to consider the reappointment of Magistrate Judge Morris to a new eight-year term.

The duties of a magistrate judge position include (1) the conduct of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) the conduct of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the judges of the district court; and (4) trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants.

Comments from members of the bar and the public are invited as to whether Magistrate Judge Morris should be recommended by the Panel for reappointment by the Court. Comments must be received by 5:00 p.m., Monday, September 27, 2021, and should be directed to:

Merit Selection Panel 539 Theodore Levin United States Courthouse 231 W. Lafayette Boulevard Detroit, Michigan 48226