

**PUBLIC NOTICE
REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI**

The current term of the office of United States Magistrate Judge Audrey G. Fleissig expires on August 2, 2009. The United States District Court is required to appoint a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of the magistrate judge to a new eight-year term.

The duties of the magistrate judge include the following: (1) to conduct preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) to try misdemeanor cases; (3) to conduct various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the district judges; (4) to try civil cases with the consent of the litigants; and (5) by reference, to handle social security cases and habeas corpus petitions.

Comments from the Bar and the public on whether the incumbent magistrate judge should be recommended by the panel for the reappointment by the district court should be in writing and sent to:

Magistrate Judge Merit Selection Panel
c/o U.S. District Court
Attn: Lori Miller-Taylor
111 So. Tenth Street
Room 3.300
St. Louis, MO 63188-1380

Comments must be received no later than February 27, 2009.

Carol E. Jackson
Chief Judge
United States District Court
Eastern District of Missouri