

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE REAPPOINTMENT
OF REGINA S. EDWARDS AS UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE
JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY**

**GENERAL ORDER
NO. 26-01**

During the year preceding the expiration of her term, Magistrate Judge Regina S. Edwards expressed a willingness to be reappointed as a United States Magistrate Judge. In response, the District Judges of this Court unanimously voted to consider her reappointment pursuant to the Regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States Establishing the Standards and Procedures for the Appointment and Reappointment of United States Magistrate Judges. Among the requirements stated therein is that public notice soliciting public comment on the incumbent's performance be issued and that a Merit Selection Panel be convened to assist the Court in reviewing her performance.

On November 26, 2025, the Court appointed a Merit Selection Panel, chaired by the Honorable Dustin E. Meek of Louisville, Kentucky. The Court published the requisite public notice through the local newspaper, bar association newsletters, and on its public internet site. The Court additionally sent electronic notice to all lawyers registered with the Court's electronic case filing system, CM/ECF.

After due consideration of public comment, the Merit Selection Panel recommended Judge Edwards' reappointment. The District Judges having unanimously voted to reappoint Judge Edwards to another eight-year term,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that United States Magistrate Judge Regina S. Edwards is reappointed for a term of eight years effective July 28, 2026. The Clerk of Court shall cause a copy of this Order to be sent to the Judicial Services Office of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts along with the duly executed AO Form 79A.

DATED: 2-27-26



<p>ENTERED</p> <p>JAMES J. VILT JR., CLERK</p> <p>2/27/2026</p> <p><i>James Vilt</i></p> <p>U.S. DISTRICT COURT</p> <p>WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY</p>
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