

FULL PUBLIC NOTICE
FOR REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT MAGISTRATE JUDGES

The current term of the office of United States Magistrate Judges Ruben B. Brooks and Anthony J. Battaglia at San Diego are due to expire on September 1, 2009 and November 14, 2009, respectively. The United States District Court for the Southern District of California is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of the magistrate judges to a new eight year term.

The duties of a magistrate judge include the following: (1) to conduct most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) to preside over trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) to conduct discovery and settlement matters in civil cases, (4) to preside over trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants, and (5) to perform such other duties as may be assigned by the district court in accordance with applicable laws.

Comments from members of the bar and public are invited as to whether the incumbent magistrate judges should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the Court. Comments should be directed to Stan Panikowski, DLA Piper, 401 B Street, Suite 1700, San Diego, CA 92101-4297. Comments must be received by February 9, 2009.