

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
FOR REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

The current term of office of United States Magistrate Judge Omar J. Aboulhosn, at Bluefield, West Virginia, is due to expire on December 31, 2023. The United States District Court is required by law to establish a panel of citizens to consider the reappointment of the magistrate judge to a new eight-year term.

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

Comments are invited from members of the bar and the public as to whether the incumbent magistrate judge should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the Court and should be placed in an envelope marked “**CONFIDENTIAL**” and directed to Rory L. Perry II, Clerk of Court, U.S. District Court, 300 Virginia Street East, P.O. Box 2546, Charleston WV 25329. **Comments must be received by July 28, 2023.**