



PUBLIC NOTICE
FOR REAPPOINTMENT OF UNITED STATES
MAGISTRATE JUDGES
EL PASO, TEXAS

The current terms of Magistrate Judge Anne T. Berton and Magistrate Judge Miguel A. Torres are due to expire on November 29, 2020, and December 31, 2020, respectively. The United States District Court is required by law to establish a merit selection panel composed of attorneys and other community members to review all comments in consideration of the reappointment of U.S. Magistrate Judges Berton and Torres to new eight-year terms.

The duties of a United States Magistrate Judge include: (1) the conduct of preliminary proceedings in felony criminal cases; (2) the trial and disposition of misdemeanor criminal cases; (3) the trial of civil cases upon the consent of the litigants, and (4) the conduct of pretrial proceedings, including evidentiary hearings, in civil matters referred to the Magistrate Judge by the Judges of the District Court.

Comments are invited from members of the bar and the public as to whether U.S. Magistrate Judge Berton and U.S. Magistrate Judge Torres should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the Court.

All comments should be directed to U.S. District Court, Ms. Lorre K. Kukla, Chief Human Resources Officer, Attn.: Magistrate Reappointment Panel for Judge Berton and/or Judge Torres, 727 E. Cesar E. Chavez Blvd., Suite A-403, San Antonio, Texas, 78206. Please mark envelope Personal & Confidential. Comments must be received no later than May 29, 2020.

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