

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA**

October 30, 2017

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
FOR THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF A MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

United States Magistrate Judge Joel B. Toomey's current term expires on July 5, 2018. The United States District Court is required by law to establish a merit selection panel to consider the re-appointment of Magistrate Judge Toomey to an eight-year term in Jacksonville, Florida.

The duties of a United States Magistrate Judge, specified in 28 U.S.C. § 636, include conducting most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases, trying misdemeanor cases, conducting pre-trial matters and evidentiary proceedings after delegation from a district judge, and trying civil cases with the consent of the litigants.

No later than **Friday, December 15, 2017**, an interested person can submit to the merit selection panel at the following address, or by e-mail to [resume\\_orl@flmd.uscourts.gov](mailto:resume_orl@flmd.uscourts.gov), a comment about the prospective re-appointment of Magistrate Judge Toomey:

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