

**PUBLIC NOTICE
REAPPOINTMENT OF INCUMBENT U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE
FOR THE DISTRICT OF HAWAII AT HONOLULU, HAWAII**

The current term of the office of United States Magistrate Judge Barry M. Kurren at Honolulu, Hawaii, is due to expire on March 1, 2008. 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 court include the following: (1) the conduct of most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) the trial and disposition of misdemeanor cases; (3) the conduct of various pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from a district judge; and (4) the trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants.

Comments from members of the bar and the public are invited as to whether the incumbent magistrate judge should be recommended by the panel for reappointment by the Court and should be directed to:

Merit Selection Panel for U.S. Magistrate Judge
United States District Court
300 Ala Moana Blvd., Room C-338
Honolulu, Hawaii 96850

Comments must be received by July 27, 2007.

By Order of the Court.
Sue Beitia, Clerk