

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF ALASKA

In the matter of

APPOINTMENT OF DEBORAH M. SMITH
AS CHIEF MAGISTRATE JUDGE

MISCELLANEOUS
GENERAL ORDER
NO. 14-05

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: Magistrate Judge Deborah M. Smith is hereby appointed as Chief Magistrate Judge for the District of Alaska. Unless earlier terminated, her term as Chief Magistrate Judge shall run concurrently with her appointment as a magistrate judge.

As Chief Magistrate Judge, her duties include, but are not necessarily limited to:

1. Meet with merit selection panels considering candidates for magistrate judge positions to brief panel members on the authority of magistrate judges and their judicial duties;
2. Attend meetings of groups at the circuit level as representative of the district court's magistrate judges;
3. Make recommendations on policies and rule changes that affect the work of magistrate judges;
4. Represent the magistrate judges at any district court meeting; and
5. Assist part-time magistrate judges.

DATED at Anchorage, Alaska this 11th day of August, 2014.

s/ Ralph R. Beistline
RALPH R. BEISTLINE, Chief Judge
United States District Court

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