

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

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RE: New Magistrate Judge in Binghamton, NY

Dear Bar President:

Please find enclosed a copy of the public notice for the appointment of a new Magistrate Judge in Binghamton, New York.

In accordance with the appointment guidelines, the public notice of the appointment announcement will be published in the newspapers within the Northern District. The notice has also been posted at each courthouse in the Northern District and on our external website.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John M. Domurad", is written over a printed name and title.

John M. Domurad
Clerk of Court

PUBLIC NOTICE FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF MAGISTRATE JUDGE

The Judicial Conference of the United States has authorized the appointment of a full-time United States Magistrate Judge for the Northern District of New York at **Binghamton¹, New York**.

The duties of the position are demanding and wide-ranging: (1) presiding over most preliminary proceedings in criminal cases; (2) trial and disposition of misdemeanor and petty offense cases; (3) presiding over various civil and criminal pretrial matters and evidentiary proceedings on delegation from the judges of the district court; and (4) trial and disposition of civil cases upon consent of the litigants. The basic authority of a United States Magistrate Judge is specified in 28 U.S.C. §636.

To be qualified for appointment an applicant must

- (1) Be, and have been for at least five years, a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of a state, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Territory of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, or the Virgin Islands of the United States, and have been engaged in the active practice of law for a period of at least five (5) years; (with some substitutes authorized);
- (2) Be competent to perform all the duties of the office; be of good moral character; be emotionally stable and mature; be committed to equal justice under the law; be in good health; be patient and courteous; and be capable of deliberation and decisiveness;
- (3) Be less than seventy years old; and
- (4) Not be related to a Judge of the District Court.

A Merit Selection Panel composed of attorneys and other members of the community will review all applicants and recommend to the Judges of the District Court in confidence the five (5) persons it considers best qualified. The Court will make the appointment, following an FBI full-field investigation and an IRS tax check of the applicant selected by the court for appointment. An affirmative effort will be made to give due consideration to all qualified applicants without regard to race, color, age (40 and over), gender, religion, national origin, or disability. The current annual salary of the position is **\$191,360**. The term of office is eight (8) years.

Application forms and more information on the Magistrate Judge position in this court may be obtained from the Clerk of the District Court at our staffed offices in Albany, Syracuse, Utica, Binghamton and Plattsburgh. Application Forms are also available on the Northern District Internet website at www.nynd.uscourts.gov. Applications must be submitted only by applicants personally and must *be received by the Clerk of Court by Friday, January 25, 2019*.

Applications will be kept confidential, unless the applicant consents to disclosure, and all applications will be examined only by members of the Merit Selection Panel and the Judges of the District Court. The panel's deliberations will remain confidential.

THE DISTRICT COURT IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

¹The Duty Station and Chambers will be in Binghamton, New York. Temporary travel within the District may be necessary to Syracuse, Albany, Utica, Watertown & Plattsburgh.