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District Of Montana  
Billings

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MONTANA

In re: Appointment of Timothy J.  
Cavan as United States Magistrate  
Judge for the District of Montana

STANDING ORDER No. DLC-29

Upon notice that United States Magistrate Judge Carolyn S. Ostby of the Billings Division will resign effective November 30, 2016, this Court duly initiated the process of selection and appointment of a United States magistrate judge as set forth in 28 U.S.C. § 631 and the regulations of the Judicial Conference of the United States promulgated under authority of 28 U.S.C. § 631(b)(5).

In accordance with those authorities, this Court convened a merit selection panel composed of the following members:

Hon. Jim Regnier, chair (Lakeside, Montana)  
Anthony R. Gallagher, Federal Defender (Great Falls, Montana)  
Michael W. Cotter, U.S. Attorney (Helena, Montana)  
Rep. Margaret McDonald (Billings, Montana)  
Kathleen L. DeSoto (Missoula, Montana)  
Carey Matovich (Billings, Montana)

Domenic Cossi (Bozeman, Montana)  
Steve Corning (Billings, Montana)  
Anthony Johnstone (Missoula, Montana)  
Pat Smith (Arlee, Montana)

The merit selection panel reviewed all applications, conducted interviews, considered all comments received from members of the bar and public, and submitted a list of finalists to the Court. The Court selected Mr. Timothy J. Cavan of Billings, Montana, from among those finalists.

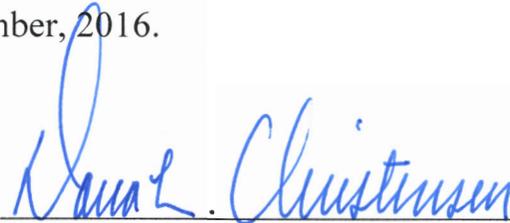
Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that Mr. Timothy J. Cavan is appointed as a full-time United States magistrate judge at the salary fixed by the Judicial Conference of the United States with his official duty station designated as Billings, Montana. Mr. Cavan shall enter upon the performance of his duties at 12:01 a.m. on December 1, 2016, but prior to the commencement of such duties, he shall take the oath of office prescribed by 28 U.S.C. §§ 453 and 631(g), and 5 U.S.C. § 3331. Upon recitation of the oath, the Court will execute the formal order of appointment (Form AO 79A).

Mr. Timothy J. Cavan, upon appointment to the office of United States magistrate judge, is to hold and discharge the duties of his office for a term of eight (8) years from the date of his appointment, subject to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 631(c), unless sooner removed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 631(e).

The clerk of this Court is directed to notify the Director of the

Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Circuit Executive of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the judicial officers of this Court of the entry of this Order.

DATED this 30th day of November, 2016.



Dana L. Christensen  
Dana L. Christensen, Chief Judge  
United States District Court